

RAREFIED GAS DYNAMICS WITH EXTERNAL FIELDS UNDER SPECULAR REFLECTION BOUNDARY CONDITION*

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Abstract. We consider the Boltzmann equation with external fields in strictly convex domains with the specular reflection boundary condition. We construct classical C^1 solutions away from the grazing set under the assumption that the external field is C^2 and the normal derivative of the field is positive and bounded away from zero.

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1. Introduction

Kinetic theory studies the time evolution of a large number of particles modeled by a distribution function in the phase space: $F(t, x, v)$ for $(t, x, v) \in [0, \infty) \times \Omega \times \mathbb{R}^3$, where Ω is an open bounded subset of \mathbb{R}^3 . Dynamics and collision processes of dilute charged particles with a field E can be modeled by the Vlasov-Boltzmann equation

$$\partial_t F + v \cdot \nabla_x F + E \cdot \nabla_v F = Q(F, F). \quad (1.1)$$

The collision operator measures “the change rate” in binary collisions and takes the form of

$$\begin{aligned} Q(F_1, F_2)(v) &:= Q_{\text{gain}}(F_1, F_2) - Q_{\text{loss}}(F_1, F_2) \\ &:= \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \int_{\mathbb{S}^2} B(v-u) \cdot \omega [F_1(u') F_2(v') - F_1(u) F_2(v)] d\omega du, \end{aligned} \quad (1.2)$$

where $u' = u - [(u-v) \cdot \omega] \omega$ and $v' = v + [(u-v) \cdot \omega] \omega$.

Here, $B(v-u, \omega) = |v-u|^\kappa q_0(\frac{v-u}{|v-u|} \cdot \omega)$, $0 \leq \kappa \leq 1$ (hard potential), and $0 \leq q_0(\frac{v-u}{|v-u|} \cdot \omega) \leq C |\frac{v-u}{|v-u|} \cdot \omega|$ (angular cutoff).

The collision operator enjoys collision invariance: for any measurable function G ,

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \left[1 \ v \ \frac{|v|^2-3}{2} \right] Q(G, G) dv = [0 \ 0 \ 0]. \quad (1.3)$$

It is well-known that a global Maxwellian μ satisfies $Q(\mu, \mu) = 0$ where

$$\mu(v) := \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{|v|^2}{2}\right). \quad (1.4)$$

Throughout this paper we assume that Ω is a bounded open subset of \mathbb{R}^3 and there exists a C^3 function $\xi: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $\Omega = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^3 : \xi(x) < 0\}$, and $\partial\Omega = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^3 : \xi(x) = 0\}$. Moreover we assume the domain is *strictly convex*:

$$\sum_{i,j} \partial_{ij} \xi(x) \zeta_i \zeta_j \geq C_\xi |\zeta|^2 \text{ for all } \zeta \in \mathbb{R}^3 \text{ and for all } x \in \bar{\Omega} = \Omega \cup \partial\Omega. \quad (1.5)$$

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We assume that

$$\nabla\xi(x) \neq 0 \text{ when } |\xi(x)| \ll 1, \quad (1.6)$$

and we define the outward normal as $n(x) = \frac{\nabla\xi(x)}{|\nabla\xi(x)|}$ at the boundary. The boundary of the phase space $\gamma := \{(x, v) \in \partial\Omega \times \mathbb{R}^3\}$ can be decomposed as

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_- &= \{(x, v) \in \partial\Omega \times \mathbb{R}^3 : n(x) \cdot v < 0\}, & (\text{the incoming set}), \\ \gamma_+ &= \{(x, v) \in \partial\Omega \times \mathbb{R}^3 : n(x) \cdot v > 0\}, & (\text{the outgoing set}), \\ \gamma_0 &= \{(x, v) \in \partial\Omega \times \mathbb{R}^3 : n(x) \cdot v = 0\}, & (\text{the grazing set}). \end{aligned} \quad (1.7)$$

In general the boundary condition is imposed only for the incoming set γ_- for general kinetic PDEs. In this paper we consider a so-called specular reflection boundary condition

$$F(t, x, v) = F(t, x, R_x v) \text{ on } (x, v) \in \gamma_-, \text{ where } R_x v := v - 2n(x)(n(x) \cdot v). \quad (1.8)$$

Physically this represents when a gas particle hits the boundary, it bounces back with the opposite normal velocity and the same tangential velocity, just like a billiard ball. Previous studies on the Boltzmann equation with specular reflection boundary conditions can be found in [8, 10, 15–17]. For other important physical boundary conditions, such as the diffuse boundary condition, we refer to [1–4, 8, 10] and the references therein.

Due to the importance of the Boltzmann equation in the mathematical theory and application, there have been explosive research activities in analytic study of the equation. Notably the nonlinear energy method has led to solutions of many open problems including global strong solution of Boltzmann equation coupled with either the Poisson equation or the Maxwell system for electromagnetism when the initial data are close to the Maxwellian μ in periodic box (no boundary). See [7] and the references therein. In many important physical applications, e.g. semiconductor and tokamak, the charged dilute gas is confined within a container, and its interaction with the boundary plays a crucial role both in physics and mathematics.

However, in general, higher regularity may not be expected for solutions of the Boltzmann equation in physical bounded domains. Such a drastic difference of solutions with boundaries had been demonstrated as the formation and propagation of discontinuity in non-convex domains [5, 18], and the non-existence of some second order derivatives at the boundary in convex domains [8]. Evidently the nonlinear energy method is not generally available to the boundary problems. In order to overcome such critical difficulty, Guo developed a L^2 - L^∞ framework in [10] to study global solutions of the Boltzmann equation with various boundary conditions. The core of the method lies in a direct approach (without taking derivatives) to achieve a pointwise bound using trajectory of the transport operator, which leads to substantial development in various directions including [5, 6, 8, 9, 14]. In [8], with the aid of some distance function towards the grazing set, the weighted classical C^1 solutions of Boltzmann equation ($E \equiv 0$ in (1.1)) were constructed under various boundary conditions.

In this paper, we extend a result of [8] to the Boltzmann Equation (1.1) with a given external field ($E \neq 0$) satisfying a crucial sign condition on the boundary:

$$E(t, x) \cdot n(x) > C_E > 0 \quad \text{for all } t \text{ and all } x \in \partial\Omega. \quad (1.9)$$

One of the major difficulties when dealing with a field $E \neq 0$ is that trajectories are curved and behave in a very complicated way when they hit the boundary.

Let's clarify some notations. For any function $z(x, v) : \bar{\Omega} \times \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, denote

$$\|z\|_\infty = \sup_{(x,v) \in \bar{\Omega} \times \mathbb{R}^3} |z(x, v)|.$$

And for any function $g(t, x) : [0, T] \times \bar{\Omega} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, denote

$$\|g\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} = \sup_{(t,x) \in [0,T] \times \bar{\Omega}} |g(t, x)|, \text{ and } \|g\|_{C_{t,x}^n} = \sum_{0 \leq \alpha + \beta \leq n} \sup_{(t,x) \in [0,T] \times \bar{\Omega}} |\partial_t^\alpha \partial_x^\beta g(t, x)|.$$

Our main result is a weighted C^1 estimate for the solution of (1.1) with specular boundary condition (1.8) in a short time. To state the main result, we introduce a distance function $\alpha(t, x, v)$ towards the grazing set γ_0 :

$$\alpha(t, x, v) \sim \left[|v \cdot \nabla \xi(x)|^2 + \xi(x)^2 - 2(v \cdot \nabla^2 \xi(x) \cdot v) \xi(x) - 2(E(t, \bar{x}) \cdot \nabla \xi(\bar{x})) \xi(x) \right]^{1/2} \tag{1.10}$$

for $x \in \Omega$ close to boundary, where $\bar{x} := \{\bar{x} \in \partial\Omega : d(x, \bar{x}) = d(x, \partial\Omega)\}$ is uniquely defined. The precise definition of α can be found in (3.3). Note that $\alpha|_{\gamma_-} \sim |n(x) \cdot v|$. Similar distance functions towards γ_0 were used in [8, 11, 13]. With the weight α , we establish the main theorem:

THEOREM 1.1 (Weighted C^1 Estimate). *Suppose E satisfies the sign condition (1.9), and*

$$\|E\|_{C_{t,x}^2} < \infty. \tag{1.11}$$

Assume $F_0 = \sqrt{\mu} f_0 \geq 0$, for $2 < \beta < 3$, $0 < \theta < \frac{1}{4}$, and $b > 1$,

$$\left\| \frac{\alpha^{\beta-1}}{\langle v \rangle^b} \partial_x f_0 \right\|_\infty + \left\| \frac{\alpha^{\beta-2}}{\langle v \rangle^{b-2}} \partial_v f_0 \right\|_\infty + \left\| e^{\theta|v|^2} f_0 \right\|_\infty < \infty, \tag{1.12}$$

and the compatibility condition

$$f_0(x, v) = f_0(x, R_x v) \quad \text{on } (x, v) \in \gamma_-. \tag{1.13}$$

Then there exists a unique solution $F(t) = \sqrt{\mu} f(t)$ for $0 \leq t \leq T$ with $T \ll 1$ to the system (1.1), (1.8) that satisfies, for some $\varpi > 0$ big enough, and for all $0 \leq t \leq T$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| e^{-\varpi \langle v \rangle t} \frac{\alpha^\beta}{\langle v \rangle^{b+1}} \partial_x f(t) \right\|_\infty + \left\| e^{-\varpi \langle v \rangle t} \frac{\alpha^{\beta-1}}{\langle v \rangle^{b-1}} \partial_v f(t) \right\|_\infty \\ & \lesssim \left\| \frac{\alpha^{\beta-1}}{\langle v \rangle^b} \partial_x f_0 \right\|_\infty + \left\| \frac{\alpha^{\beta-2}}{\langle v \rangle^{b-2}} \partial_v f_0 \right\|_\infty + P \left(\left\| e^{\theta|v|^2} f_0 \right\|_\infty \right) \end{aligned} \tag{1.14}$$

for some polynomial P . Furthermore, if $f_0 \in C^1$, then $f \in C^1$ away from the grazing set γ_0 .

The proof of Theorem 1.1 devotes a nontrivial extension of the result in [8]. The idea is to use Duhamel's formula to expand f along the characteristics to the initial data and then take derivatives. To do this, we need to define the generalized characteristics as follows:

DEFINITION 1.1. For any $(t, x, v) \in [0, T] \times \Omega \times \mathbb{R}^3$, let $(X(s; t, x, v), V(s; t, x, v))$ denote the characteristics

$$\frac{d}{ds} \begin{bmatrix} X(s; t, x, v) \\ V(s; t, x, v) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} V(s; t, x, v) \\ E(s, X(s; t, x, v)) \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{for } 0 \leq s, t \leq T, \tag{1.15}$$

with $(X(t; t, x, v), V(t; t, x, v)) = (x, v)$.

We define the backward exit time $t_{\mathbf{b}}(t, x, v)$ as

$$t_{\mathbf{b}}(t, x, v) := \sup\{s \geq 0 : X(\tau; t, x, v) \in \Omega \text{ for all } \tau \in (t-s, t)\}. \tag{1.16}$$

Furthermore, we define $x_{\mathbf{b}}(t, x, v) := X(t - t_{\mathbf{b}}(t, x, v); t, x, v)$, and $v_{\mathbf{b}}(t, x, v) := V(t - t_{\mathbf{b}}(t, x, v); t, x, v)$.

Now let $(t^0, x^0, v^0) = (t, x, v)$. We define the specular cycles, for $\ell \geq 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} & (t^{\ell+1}, x^{\ell+1}, v^{\ell+1}) \\ &= (t^\ell - t_{\mathbf{b}}(t^\ell, x^\ell, v^\ell), x_{\mathbf{b}}(t^\ell, x^\ell, v^\ell), v_{\mathbf{b}}(t^\ell, x^\ell, v^\ell) - 2n(x^{\ell+1})(v_{\mathbf{b}}(t^\ell, x^\ell, v^\ell) \cdot n(x^{\ell+1}))). \end{aligned}$$

And we define the generalized characteristics as

$$\begin{aligned} X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s; t, x, v) &= \sum_{\ell} \mathbf{1}_{[t^{\ell+1}, t^\ell]}(s) X(s; t^\ell, x^\ell, v^\ell), \quad V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s; t, x, v) \\ &= \sum_{\ell} \mathbf{1}_{[t^{\ell+1}, t^\ell]}(s) V(s; t^\ell, x^\ell, v^\ell). \end{aligned} \tag{1.17}$$

The key component of the proof is to estimate the derivatives of the backward trajectory

$$\frac{\partial(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s; t, x, v), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s; t, x, v))}{\partial(x, v)}.$$

This is done through the matrix method where we estimate the multiplication of $\ell^*(s; t, x, v)$ many Jacobian matrices

$$\prod_{\ell=0}^{\ell^*(s; t, x, v)} \frac{\partial(t^{\ell+1}, x^{\ell+1}, v^{\ell+1})}{\partial(t^\ell, x^\ell, v^\ell)}. \tag{1.18}$$

Here $\ell^*(s; t, x, v)$ is the number of bounces it takes for the backward trajectory to reach time s from time t , which can be shown to have order $\ell^*(s; t, x, v) \sim \frac{|t-s||v|}{\alpha(t, x, v)}$. And for each bounce, we can calculate the Jacobian matrix $\frac{\partial(t^{\ell+1}, x^{\ell+1}, v^{\ell+1})}{\partial(t^\ell, x^\ell, v^\ell)}$ explicitly.

One major difficulty here, comparing to the Boltzmann equation ($E = 0$ in (1.1)), is the field E is time dependent, thus the characteristics ODE (1.15) is not autonomous. This results in the fact that the $\frac{\partial(x^{\ell+1}, v^{\ell+1})}{\partial t^\ell}$ derivatives in the first column of the matrix $\frac{\partial(t^{\ell+1}, x^{\ell+1}, v^{\ell+1})}{\partial(t^\ell, x^\ell, v^\ell)}$ are not trivially equal to 0, and need careful analysis.

We estimate (1.18) by diagonalizing each matrix and multiplying them together. Here we point out the importance of the external field E satisfying the regularity assumption

$$\|E(t, x)\|_{C^2_{t,x}} < \infty. \tag{1.19}$$

Without such C^2 regularity of E , it seems that from our analysis the derivatives $\frac{\partial(n(x^{\ell+1}) \cdot v^{\ell+1})}{\partial(t^\ell, x^\ell)}$ can only be bounded as $|\frac{\partial(n(x^{\ell+1}) \cdot v^{\ell+1})}{\partial(t^\ell, x^\ell)}| \lesssim |t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|$. And this bound will cause the multiplication of the ℓ^* many eigenvalues of the matrices to behave as

$$\prod_{\ell=0}^{\ell^*(s;t,x,v)} \text{eig} \left| \frac{\partial(t^{\ell+1}, x^{\ell+1}, v^{\ell+1})}{\partial(t^\ell, x^\ell, v^\ell)} \right| \sim (1 + \sqrt{\alpha})^{\ell^*} \sim (1 + \sqrt{\alpha})^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \rightarrow \infty,$$

as $\alpha \rightarrow 0$, where $\alpha = \alpha(t, x, v)$ in (1.10). This blow up will result in the bound on (1.18) becoming too singular and makes it impossible for us to close the estimate. In order to avoid such blow up, we utilize a crucial cancellation property (5.60), and find that as long as the external field E satisfies the regularity assumption (1.19), we can improve the estimate and achieve the bound $|\frac{\partial(n(x^{\ell+1}) \cdot v^{\ell+1})}{\partial(t^\ell, x^\ell)}| \lesssim |t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2$. This extra smallness turns out to be just enough to control the accumulation in the many multiplications of eigenvalues:

$$\prod_{\ell=0}^{\ell^*(s;t,x,v)} \text{eig} \left| \frac{\partial(t^{\ell+1}, x^{\ell+1}, v^{\ell+1})}{\partial(t^\ell, x^\ell, v^\ell)} \right| \sim (1 + \alpha)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} < C. \tag{1.20}$$

With this bound and additional cancellations between two adjacent matrices (5.78), we carefully analyze the multiplications of the matrices and eventually achieve the key estimate in Theorem 5.1.

Let's also address some other important differences when comparing the equation (1.1) with the Boltzmann equation ($E = 0$). Because of the presence of the field E and its sign condition (1.9), we can achieve a better bound on the time gap

$$|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}| \lesssim |n(x^\ell) \cdot v^{\ell+1}|$$

when v is small (5.2). This is because when the velocity is small, the field would always "push" the trajectory back to the boundary in a short time. This fact would eventually allow us to get the bound

$$|\partial_v X_{\text{cl}}(s; t, x, v)| \lesssim \frac{1}{\langle v \rangle}$$

in Theorem 5.1, which does not blow up when $|v| \rightarrow 0$, and this turns out to be necessary for us to close the estimate.

When taking derivatives to the Duhamel's formula of $f(t, x, v)$ in (6.3), if $E \neq 0$, an extra term would come up as (6.4). In order to bound this term we have to additionally estimate the derivatives $\partial_x t^\ell$ and $\partial_v t^\ell$, for any $1 \leq \ell \leq \ell^*$. Those estimates are consequences of the matrix method and are obtained in (5.97) and (5.98):

$$|\partial_x t^\ell| \lesssim \frac{1}{\alpha^2}, \quad |\partial_v t^\ell| \lesssim \frac{1}{\alpha}.$$

It's also important to note that in (6.4), we have $|R_{x^\ell} v^\ell - v^\ell| = 2|(n(x^\ell) \cdot v^\ell)| \sim \alpha$. Thus the extra regularity we get by multiplying α^β to $\partial_x f$ and $\alpha^{\beta-1}$ to $\partial_v f$ will bound the term as

$$\sum_{1 \leq \ell \leq \ell^*} (\alpha^\beta |\partial_x t^\ell| + \alpha^{\beta-1} |\partial_v t^\ell|) \max_\ell |R_{x^\ell} v^\ell - v^\ell| \lesssim \frac{1}{\alpha} \left(\alpha^\beta \frac{1}{\alpha^2} + \alpha^{\beta-1} \frac{1}{\alpha} \right) \alpha \lesssim \alpha^{\beta-2} < C,$$

as long as $\beta > 2$.

2. Local existence and in-flow problems with external fields

In this section we state some standard results which we will need to prove Theorem 1.1. Let $F(t, x, v) = \sqrt{\mu}f(t, x, v)$. Then the corresponding problem to (1.1), (1.8) becomes

$$\partial_t f + v \cdot \nabla_x f + E \cdot \nabla_v f - \frac{v}{2} \cdot E f = \Gamma_{\text{gain}}(f, f) - \nu(\sqrt{\mu}f)f. \tag{2.1}$$

Here (cf. [12])

$$\begin{aligned} \nu(\sqrt{\mu}f)(v) &:= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu(v)}} Q_{\text{loss}}(\sqrt{\mu}f, \sqrt{\mu}f)(v) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \int_{\mathbb{S}^2} |v-u|^\kappa q_0 \left(\frac{v-u}{|v-u|} \cdot \omega \right) \sqrt{\mu(u)} f(u) d\omega du, \end{aligned} \tag{2.2}$$

and the gain term of the nonlinear Boltzmann operator is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_{\text{gain}}(f_1, f_2)(v) &:= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu}} Q_{\text{gain}}(\sqrt{\mu}f_1, \sqrt{\mu}f_2)(v) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \int_{\mathbb{S}^2} |v-u|^\kappa q_0 \left(\frac{v-u}{|v-u|} \cdot \omega \right) \sqrt{\mu(u)} f_1(u') f_2(v') d\omega du. \end{aligned} \tag{2.3}$$

And the specular reflection boundary condition in terms of f is

$$f(t, x, v) = f(t, x, R_x v), \quad \text{on } (x, v) \in \gamma_-. \tag{2.4}$$

We first state a local existence result which is standard:

LEMMA 2.1 (Local Existence). *Suppose $\|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} < \infty$, and $\|e^{\theta|v|^2} f_0\|_\infty < \infty$, $0 < \theta < \frac{1}{4}$. And f_0 satisfies the compatibility condition (1.13). Then there exists $0 < T \ll 1$ small enough such that $f \in L^\infty([0, T] \times \Omega \times \mathbb{R}^3)$ solves the Equation (2.1) with specular boundary condition (2.4).*

Proof. Let $f^0 = \sqrt{\mu}$. We start with the sequence for $m \geq 0$

$$(\partial_t + v \cdot \nabla_x + E \cdot \nabla_v - \frac{v}{2} \cdot E + \nu(\sqrt{\mu}f^m))f^{m+1} = \Gamma_{\text{gain}}(f^m, f^m), \tag{2.5}$$

with the initial data $f^m(0, x, v) = f_0(x, v)$, and boundary condition for all $(x, v) \in \gamma_-$ be

$$\begin{aligned} f^1(t, x, v) &= f_0(x, R_x v), \\ f^{m+1}(t, x, v) &= f^m(t, x, R_x v), \quad m \geq 1. \end{aligned} \tag{2.6}$$

Then (see Lemma 7 in [8], for example)

$$\sup_m \sup_{0 \leq t \leq T} \|e^{\theta'|v|^2} f^m(t)\|_\infty \lesssim \|e^{\theta|v|^2} f_0\|_\infty < \infty, \tag{2.7}$$

where $\theta' = \theta - T$. From (2.7) we have, up to a subsequence, the weak-* convergence:

$$e^{\theta'|v|^2} f^m(t, x, v) \rightharpoonup^* e^{\theta'|v|^2} f(t, x, v) \tag{2.8}$$

in $L^\infty([0, T] \times \Omega \times \mathbb{R}^3) \cap L^\infty([0, T] \times \gamma)$ for some f . And it's easy to show f is the solution of (2.1) with specular boundary condition (2.4). □

We need some bound on the derivatives of the nonlocal term:

LEMMA 2.2. *Let $[Y, W] = [Y(x, v), W(x, v)] \in \Omega \times \mathbb{R}^3$. For $0 < \theta < \frac{1}{4}$ and $\partial_{\mathbf{e}} \in \{\partial_t, \nabla_x, \nabla_v\}$,*

$$\begin{aligned} & |\partial_{\mathbf{e}} \Gamma_{\text{gain}}(g, g)(Y, W)| \\ & \lesssim |\partial_{\mathbf{e}} Y| \| |e^{\theta|v|^2} g \|_{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{e^{-C_{\theta}|u-W|^2}}{|u-W|^{2-\kappa}} |\nabla_x g(Y, u)| du \\ & \quad + |\partial_{\mathbf{e}} W| \| |e^{\theta|v|^2} g \|_{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{e^{-C_{\theta}|u-W|^2}}{|u-W|^{2-\kappa}} |\nabla_v g(Y, u)| du + \langle v \rangle^{\kappa} e^{-\theta|v|^2} |\partial_{\mathbf{e}} W| \| |e^{\theta|v|^2} g \|_{\infty}^2. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. See [8]. □

We need a result for the corresponding inflow problem to (2.1). Consider

$$\partial_t f + v \cdot \nabla_x f + E \cdot \nabla_v f + \nu f = H, \tag{2.9}$$

where $H = H(t, x, v)$ and $\nu = \nu(t, x, v)$ are given. Let $\tau_1(x)$ and $\tau_2(x)$ be the unit tangential vectors to $\partial\Omega$ satisfying

$$\tau_1(x) \cdot n(x) = 0 = \tau_2(x) \cdot n(x) \text{ and } \tau_1(x) \times \tau_2(x) = n(x). \tag{2.10}$$

And let $\partial_{\tau_i} g$ be the tangential derivative at direction τ_i for g defined on $\partial\Omega$. Define

$$\nabla_x g = \sum_{i=1}^2 \tau_i \partial_{\tau_i} g - \frac{n}{n \cdot v_{\mathbf{b}}} \left\{ \partial_t g + \sum_{i=1}^2 (v_{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \tau_i) \partial_{\tau_i} g + \nu g - H + E \cdot \nabla_v g \right\}. \tag{2.11}$$

PROPOSITION 2.1. *Assume the compatibility condition*

$$f_0(x, v) = g(0, x, v) \text{ for } (x, v) \in \gamma_-.$$

Let $p \in [1, \infty)$ and $0 < \theta < 1/4$. $|\nu(t, x, v)| \lesssim \langle v \rangle$. $\|E\|_{L_{t,x}^{\infty}} + \|\nabla_x E\|_{L_{t,x}^{\infty}} < \infty$.

Assume

$$\begin{aligned} & \nabla_x f_0, \nabla_v f_0 \in L^p(\Omega \times \mathbb{R}^3), \\ & \nabla_v g, \partial_{\tau_i} g \in L^p([0, T] \times \gamma_-), \\ & \frac{n(x)}{n(x) \cdot v} \left\{ \partial_t g + \sum_{i=1}^2 (v \cdot \tau_i) \partial_{\tau_i} g + \nu g - H + E \cdot \nabla_v g \right\} \in L^p([0, T] \times \gamma_-), \\ & \frac{n(x) \cdot \iint \partial_x E}{n(x) \cdot v} \left\{ \partial_t g + \sum_{i=1}^2 (v \cdot \tau_i) \partial_{\tau_i} g - \nu g + H \right\} \in L^p([0, T] \times \gamma_-), \\ & \nabla_x H, \nabla_v H \in L^p([0, T] \times \Omega \times \mathbb{R}^3), \\ & e^{-\theta|v|^2} \nabla_x \nu, e^{-\theta|v|^2} \nabla_v \nu \in L^p([0, T] \times \Omega \times \mathbb{R}^3), \\ & e^{\theta|v|^2} f_0 \in L^{\infty}(\Omega \times \mathbb{R}^3), e^{\theta|v|^2} g \in L^{\infty}([0, T] \times \gamma_-), \\ & e^{\theta|v|^2} H \in L^{\infty}([0, T] \times \Omega \times \mathbb{R}^3). \end{aligned}$$

Then for any $T > 0$, there exists a unique solution f to (2.9), such that $f, \partial_t f, \nabla_x f, \nabla_v f \in C^0([0, T]; L^p(\Omega \times \mathbb{R}^3))$ and their traces satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} & \nabla_v f|_{\gamma_-} = \nabla_v g, \nabla_x f|_{\gamma_-} = \nabla_x g, \text{ on } \gamma_-, \\ & \nabla_x f(0, x, v) = \nabla_x f_0, \nabla_v f(0, x, v) = \nabla_v f_0, \text{ in } \Omega \times \mathbb{R}^3, \\ & \partial_t f(0, x, v) = \partial_t f_0, \text{ in } \Omega \times \mathbb{R}^3, \end{aligned} \tag{2.12}$$

where $\nabla_x g$ is given by (2.11).

Proof. See [3]. □

3. Velocity lemma and the nonlocal to local estimate

Recall the definition of specular trajectories in (1.17). In this section we prove some properties of the specular trajectories which are crucial in order to establish the main result.

Let's give the precise definition for the weight function α . We first need a cutoff function: for any $\epsilon > 0$, let $\chi_\epsilon : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ be a smooth function satisfying:

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_\epsilon(x) &= x \text{ for } 0 \leq x \leq \frac{\epsilon}{4}, \\ \chi_\epsilon(x) &= C_\epsilon \text{ for } x \geq \frac{\epsilon}{2}, \\ \chi_\epsilon(x) &\text{ is increasing for } \frac{\epsilon}{4} < x < \frac{\epsilon}{2}, \\ \chi'_\epsilon(x) &\leq 1. \end{aligned} \tag{3.1}$$

Let $d(x, \partial\Omega) := \inf_{y \in \partial\Omega} \|x - y\|$. And for any $\delta > 0$, let

$$\Omega^\delta := \{x \in \Omega : d(x, \partial\Omega) < \delta\}.$$

Since $\partial\Omega$ is C^2 , we claim that if $\delta \ll 1$ is small enough we have:

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{for any } x \in \Omega^\delta \text{ there exists a unique } \bar{x} \in \partial\Omega \text{ such that } d(x, \bar{x}) = d(x, \partial\Omega), \\ &\text{moreover } \sup_{x \in \Omega^\delta} |\nabla_x \bar{x}| < \infty. \end{aligned} \tag{3.2}$$

To prove the claim, we have by (1.6) WLOG locally, we can assume η takes the form $\eta(x_{\parallel}) = (x_{\parallel,1}, x_{\parallel,2}, \bar{\eta}(x_{\parallel,1}, x_{\parallel,2}))$, and $\bar{x} = \eta(\bar{x}_{\parallel}) = (\bar{x}_{\parallel,1}, \bar{x}_{\parallel,2}, \bar{\eta}(\bar{x}_{\parallel,1}, \bar{x}_{\parallel,2}))$. Denote $\partial_i \bar{\eta} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{\parallel,i}} \bar{\eta}(x_{\parallel,1}, x_{\parallel,2})$, and $\partial_{i,j} \bar{\eta} = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_{\parallel,i} \partial x_{\parallel,j}} \bar{\eta}(x_{\parallel,1}, x_{\parallel,2})$. Now since $|\eta(\bar{x}_{\parallel}) - x|^2 = \inf_{y \in \partial\Omega} |y - x|^2$, \bar{x}_{\parallel} satisfies

$$\omega(x_1, x_2, x_3, \bar{x}_{\parallel,1}, \bar{x}_{\parallel,2}) = \left[\begin{aligned} &(\bar{x}_{\parallel,1} - x_1) + (\bar{\eta}(\bar{x}_{\parallel,1}, \bar{x}_{\parallel,2}) - x_3) \partial_1 \bar{\eta}(\bar{x}_{\parallel,1}, \bar{x}_{\parallel,2}) \\ &(\bar{x}_{\parallel,2} - x_2) + (\bar{\eta}(\bar{x}_{\parallel,1}, \bar{x}_{\parallel,2}) - x_3) \partial_2 \bar{\eta}(\bar{x}_{\parallel,1}, \bar{x}_{\parallel,2}) \end{aligned} \right] = 0.$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \det\left(\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial x_{\parallel}}\right) &= \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 + (\partial_1 \bar{\eta})^2 + (\bar{\eta} - x_3) \partial_{1,1} \bar{\eta} & \partial_2 \bar{\eta} \partial_1 \bar{\eta} + (\bar{\eta} - x_3) \partial_{1,2} \bar{\eta} \\ \partial_1 \bar{\eta} \partial_2 \bar{\eta} + (\bar{\eta} - x_3) \partial_{1,2} \bar{\eta} & 1 + (\partial_2 \bar{\eta})^2 + (\bar{\eta} - x_3) \partial_{1,2} \bar{\eta} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= (1 + (\partial_1 \bar{\eta})^2)(1 + (\partial_2 \bar{\eta})^2) - (\partial_1 \bar{\eta} \partial_2 \bar{\eta})^2 + O(|\bar{\eta} - x_3|) \\ &= 1 + (\partial_1 \bar{\eta})^2 + (\partial_2 \bar{\eta})^2 + O(|\bar{\eta} - x_3|) > 0, \end{aligned}$$

if $|\bar{\eta}(x_{\parallel}) - x_3|$ is small enough. By the implicit function theorem $(\bar{x}_{\parallel,1}, \bar{x}_{\parallel,2})$ are functions of x_1, x_2, x_3 if x is close enough to $\partial\Omega$.

Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \bar{x}_{\parallel}}{\partial x_j} &= -\left(\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial \bar{x}_{\parallel}}\right)^{-1} \cdot \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial x_j} \\ &= \frac{1}{\det\left(\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial \bar{x}_{\parallel}}\right)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 + (\partial_2 \bar{\eta})^2 + (\bar{\eta} - x_3) \partial_{1,2} \bar{\eta} & -\partial_2 \bar{\eta} \partial_1 \bar{\eta} - (\bar{\eta} - x_3) \partial_{1,2} \bar{\eta} \\ -\partial_1 \bar{\eta} \partial_2 \bar{\eta} - (\bar{\eta} - x_3) \partial_{1,2} \bar{\eta} & 1 + (\partial_1 \bar{\eta})^2 + (\bar{\eta} - x_3) \partial_{1,1} \bar{\eta} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial x_j} \end{aligned}$$

is bounded as $\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial x_j}$ is bounded and $\det(\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial \bar{x}})$ is bounded from below if x is close enough to the boundary. Therefore $|\nabla_x \bar{x}|$ is bounded. This proves (3.2).

Now define

$$\beta(t, x, v) = \left[v \cdot \nabla \xi(x) \right]^2 + \xi(x)^2 - 2(v \cdot \nabla^2 \xi(x) \cdot v) \xi(x) - 2(E(t, \bar{x}) \cdot \nabla \xi(\bar{x})) \xi(x) \Big]^{1/2},$$

for all $(x, v) \in \Omega^\delta \times \mathbb{R}^3$. Let $\delta' := \min\{|\xi(x)| : x \in \Omega, d(x, \partial\Omega) = \delta\}$, and let $\chi_{\delta'}$ be a smooth cutoff function satisfying (3.1), then define

$$\alpha(t, x, v) := \begin{cases} (\chi_{\delta'}(\beta(t, x, v))) & x \in \Omega^\delta, \\ C_{\delta'} & x \in \Omega \setminus \Omega^\delta. \end{cases} \tag{3.3}$$

The following lemmas about α are important for our estimate:

LEMMA 3.1 (Velocity lemma near boundary). *Suppose $E(t, x)$ satisfies $\|E\|_{C^1} < \infty$ and the sign condition (1.9). Then α is continuous, and for $\delta \ll 1$ small enough, we have for any $(t, x, v) \in [0, T] \times \Omega \times \mathbb{R}^3$, and $0 \leq s < t$, α satisfies*

$$e^{-C \int_s^t (|V_{\text{cl}}(\tau')| + 1) d\tau'} \alpha(s, X_{\text{cl}}(s), V_{\text{cl}}(s)) \leq \alpha(t, x, v) \leq e^{C \int_s^t (|V_{\text{cl}}(\tau')| + 1) d\tau'} \alpha(s, X_{\text{cl}}(s), V_{\text{cl}}(s)), \tag{3.4}$$

for any $C \geq \frac{C_\xi (\|E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}} + \|\nabla E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}} + \|\partial_t E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}} + 1)}{C_E}$, where $C_\xi > 0$ is a large constant depending only on ξ . Here $(X_{\text{cl}}(s), V_{\text{cl}}(s)) = (X_{\text{cl}}(s; t, x, v), V_{\text{cl}}(s; t, x, v))$ as defined in (1.17).

Similar estimates have been used in [11] and then in [8, 13].

Proof. See [3]. □

LEMMA 3.2. *Suppose E satisfies (1.9), then for any $y \in \bar{\Omega}$, $1 < \beta < 3$, $0 < \kappa \leq 1$, and $\theta > 0$ we have*

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{e^{-\theta|v-u|^2}}{|v-u|^{2-\kappa} [\alpha(s, y, u)]^\beta} du \leq C \left(\frac{1}{(|v|^2 \xi(y) + c(y))^{\frac{\beta-1}{2}}} + 1 \right), \tag{3.5}$$

where $c(y) = \xi(y)^2 - C_E \xi(y)$.

Proof. See [3]. □

LEMMA 3.3.

(1) *Let $(t, x, v) \in [0, T] \times \Omega \times \mathbb{R}^3$, $1 < \beta < 3$, $0 < \kappa \leq 1$. Suppose E satisfies (1.9) and (1.11), then for $\varpi \gg 1$ large enough, we have for any $0 < \delta \ll 1$,*

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\max\{0, t-t_b\}}^t \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} e^{-\int_s^t \frac{\varpi}{2} \langle V(\tau; t, x, v) \rangle d\tau} \frac{e^{-\frac{C_\theta}{2} |V(s) - u|^2}}{|V(s) - u|^{2-\kappa}} \frac{1}{(\alpha(s, X(s), u))^\beta} duds \\ & \lesssim e^{2C_\xi} \frac{\|\nabla E\|_\infty + \|E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}}^2 + \|E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}}}{C_E} \frac{\delta^{\frac{3-\beta}{2}}}{\langle v \rangle^2 (C_E + 1)^{\frac{\beta-1}{2}} (\alpha(t, x, v))^{\beta-2} (\|E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}}^2 + 1)^{\frac{3-\beta}{2}}} \\ & \quad + \frac{(\|E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}}^2 + 1)^{\beta-1}}{C_E^{\beta-1} \delta^{\beta-1} (\alpha(t, x, v))^{\beta-1} \varpi}, \end{aligned} \tag{3.6}$$

where $(X(s), V(s)) = (X(s; t, x, v), V(s; t, x, v))$ as in (1.15).

(2) Let $[X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s;t,x,v), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s;t,x,v)]$ be the specular backward trajectory as in (1.17). Let $Z(s,x,v) \geq 0$ be any bounded non-negative function in the phase space.

For any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $l \gg 1$ such that for any $r > 0$,

$$\int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} e^{-l\langle v \rangle(t-s)} \frac{e^{-\theta|V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s;t,x,v)-u|^2} \langle u \rangle^r}{|V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s;t,x,v)-u|^{2-\kappa} \langle v \rangle^r} \frac{Z(s,x,v)}{[\alpha(s, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s;t,x,v), u)]^\beta} duds \lesssim \frac{O(\varepsilon)}{\langle v \rangle [\alpha(t,x,v)]^{\beta-1}} \sup_{0 \leq s \leq t} \{e^{-\frac{1}{2}\langle v \rangle(t-s)} Z(s,x,v)\}. \tag{3.7}$$

Proof. (Proof of (1) Lemma 3.3.) The proof is similar to the proof of Lemma 11 in [3], but with some modifications made in order to achieve (3.7) later. We separate the proof into several cases.

In Step 1, Step 2, Step 3 we prove (3.6) for the case when $x \in \partial\Omega$ and $t \leq t_{\mathbf{b}}$.

In Step 4 we prove (3.6) for the case when $x \in \partial\Omega$ and $t > t_{\mathbf{b}}$.

In Step 5 we prove (3.6) for the case when $x \in \Omega$ and $t \leq t_{\mathbf{b}}$.

In Step 6 we prove (3.6) for the case when $x \in \Omega$ and $t > t_{\mathbf{b}}$.

Step 1. Let's first start with the case $t \geq t_{\mathbf{b}}$ and prove (3.6), Let's shift the time variable: $s \mapsto t - t_{\mathbf{b}} + s$, and let $\tilde{X}(s) = X(t - t_{\mathbf{b}} + s)$, $\tilde{V}(s) = V(t - t_{\mathbf{b}} + s)$. Then $s \in [0, t_{\mathbf{b}}]$ and from (3.5) we only need to bound the integral

$$\int_0^{t_{\mathbf{b}}} e^{-\int_{t-t_{\mathbf{b}}+s}^t \frac{\sigma}{2} \langle V(\tau;t,x,v) \rangle d\tau} \frac{1}{\left[|\tilde{V}(s)|^2 \xi(\tilde{X}(s)) + \xi^2(\tilde{X}(s)) - C_E \xi(\tilde{X}(s))\right]^{\frac{\beta-1}{2}}} ds. \tag{3.8}$$

Let's assume $x \in \partial\Omega$ and $v \cdot \nabla \xi(x) > 0$. Then by the velocity lemma (Lemma 3.1) we have $v_{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \nabla \xi(x_{\mathbf{b}}) < 0$.

Claim: for any $0 < \delta \ll 1$ small enough, if we let

$$\sigma_1 = \delta \frac{v_{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \nabla \xi(x_{\mathbf{b}})}{|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1}, \text{ and } \sigma_2 = \delta \frac{v \cdot \nabla \xi(x)}{|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1}, \tag{3.9}$$

then $|\xi(\tilde{X}(s))|$ is monotonically increasing on $[0, \sigma_1]$, and monotonically decreasing on $[t_{\mathbf{b}} - \sigma_2, t_{\mathbf{b}}]$. Moreover, we have the following bounds:

$$\begin{aligned} |\xi(\tilde{X}(\sigma_1))| &\geq \frac{\delta(v_{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \nabla \xi(x_{\mathbf{b}}))^2}{2(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)}, \\ |\xi(\tilde{X}(\sigma_2))| &\geq \frac{\delta(v \cdot \nabla \xi(x))^2}{2(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)}, \end{aligned} \tag{3.10}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |\xi(\tilde{X}(s))| &\leq \frac{3\delta(v_{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \nabla \xi(x_{\mathbf{b}}))^2}{2(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)}, s \in [0, \sigma_1], \\ |\xi(\tilde{X}(s))| &\leq \frac{3\delta(v \cdot \nabla \xi(x))^2}{2(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)}, s \in [t_{\mathbf{b}} - \sigma_2, t_{\mathbf{b}}], \end{aligned} \tag{3.11}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} |\tilde{V}(s) \cdot \nabla \xi(\tilde{X}(s))| &\geq \frac{|v_{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \nabla \xi(x_{\mathbf{b}})|}{2}, s \in [0, \sigma_1], \\ |\tilde{V}(s) \cdot \nabla \xi(\tilde{X}(s))| &\geq \frac{|v \cdot \nabla \xi(x)|}{2}, s \in [t_{\mathbf{b}} - \sigma_2, t_{\mathbf{b}}]. \end{aligned} \tag{3.12}$$

To prove the claim we first note that $\frac{d}{ds}\xi(\tilde{X}(s))|_{s=0} = v_{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \nabla \xi(x_{\mathbf{b}}) < 0$, and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2}{ds^2}\xi(\tilde{X}(s)) &= \frac{d}{ds}(\tilde{V}(s) \cdot \nabla \xi(\tilde{X}(s))) \\ &= \tilde{V}(s) \cdot \nabla^2 \xi(\tilde{X}(s)) \cdot \tilde{V}(s) + E(s, \tilde{X}(s)) \cdot \nabla \xi(\tilde{X}(s)) \\ &\leq C(|\tilde{V}(s)|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}) \\ &\leq C(2|v|^2 + 2(t_{\mathbf{b}}\|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty})^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}) \\ &\leq C_1(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1), \end{aligned} \tag{3.13}$$

for some $C_1 > 0$. Thus if δ small enough, we have $\frac{d}{ds}\xi(\tilde{X}(s)) < 0$ for all $s \in [0, \delta \frac{|v_{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \nabla \xi(x_{\mathbf{b}})|}{|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1}]$. Therefore $\xi(\tilde{X}(s))$ is decreasing on $[0, \sigma_1]$.

Similarly $\frac{d}{ds}\xi(\tilde{X}(s))|_{s=t_{\mathbf{b}}} = v \cdot \nabla \xi(x) > 0$, and since $|\frac{d^2}{ds^2}\xi(\tilde{X}(s))| \lesssim (|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)$ we have that $\frac{d}{ds}\xi(\tilde{X}(s)) > 0$ for all $s \in [t_{\mathbf{b}} - \delta \frac{|v \cdot \nabla \xi(x)|}{|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1}, t_{\mathbf{b}}]$ if δ small enough. Therefore $\xi(\tilde{X}(s))$ is increasing on $[t_{\mathbf{b}} - \sigma_2, t_{\mathbf{b}}]$.

Next we establish the bounds (3.10), (3.11), and (3.12). By (3.13), we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\xi(\tilde{X}(\sigma_1))| &= \int_0^{\sigma_1} -\tilde{V}(s) \cdot \nabla \xi(\tilde{X}(s)) ds \\ &= \int_0^{\sigma_1} \left(\int_0^s -\frac{d}{d\tau}(\tilde{V}(\tau) \cdot \nabla \xi(\tilde{X}(\tau))) d\tau - v_{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \nabla \xi(x_{\mathbf{b}}) \right) ds \\ &\geq \int_0^{\sigma_1} \left(|v_{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \nabla \xi(x_{\mathbf{b}})| - C_1(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)s \right) ds \\ &= \sigma_1 |v_{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \nabla \xi(x_{\mathbf{b}})| - \frac{\sigma_1^2}{2} C_1(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1) \\ &= \sigma_1 \left(|v_{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \nabla \xi(x_{\mathbf{b}})| - \frac{\delta C_1}{2} |v_{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \nabla \xi(x_{\mathbf{b}})| \right) \\ &\geq \frac{\sigma_1}{2} |v_{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \nabla \xi(x_{\mathbf{b}})| = \frac{\delta (v_{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \nabla \xi(x_{\mathbf{b}}))^2}{2(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)}. \end{aligned}$$

And by the same argument we have $|\xi(\tilde{X}(\sigma_2))| \geq \frac{\delta (v \cdot \nabla \xi(x))^2}{2(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)}$ for $\delta \ll 1$.

This proves (3.10).

To prove (3.11), we have from (3.13), for $s \in [0, \sigma_1]$,

$$\begin{aligned} |\xi(\tilde{X}(s))| &\leq s \left(|v_{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \nabla \xi(x_{\mathbf{b}})| + \frac{\delta C_1}{2} |v_{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \nabla \xi(x_{\mathbf{b}})| \right) \\ &\leq \frac{3s}{2} |v_{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \nabla \xi(x_{\mathbf{b}})| \leq \frac{3\delta (v_{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \nabla \xi(x_{\mathbf{b}}))^2}{2(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)}, \end{aligned}$$

and $|\xi(\tilde{X}(s))| \leq \frac{3\delta (v \cdot \nabla \xi(x))^2}{2(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)}$ for $s \in [t_{\mathbf{b}} - \sigma_2, t_{\mathbf{b}}]$. This proves (3.11).

Finally for (3.12), again from (3.13),

$$\begin{aligned} |\tilde{V}(s) \cdot \nabla \xi(\tilde{X}(s))| &\geq |v_{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \nabla \xi(x_{\mathbf{b}})| - \int_0^{\sigma_1} C_1(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1) ds \\ &\geq |v_{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \nabla \xi(x_{\mathbf{b}})| - C_1 \delta |v_{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \nabla \xi(x_{\mathbf{b}})| \geq \frac{|v_{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \nabla \xi(x_{\mathbf{b}})|}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

And similarly $|\tilde{V}(s) \cdot \nabla \xi(\tilde{X}(s))| \geq \frac{|v \cdot \nabla \xi(x)|}{2}$ for $s \in [t_{\mathbf{b}} - \delta_2, t_{\mathbf{b}}]$. This proves the claim.

Step 2. Recall the definition of σ_1, σ_2 in (3.9), and C_E in (1.9). In this step we establish the lower bound:

$$|\xi(\tilde{X}(s))| > \frac{C_E}{10} (\sigma_2)^2, \text{ for all } s \in [\sigma_1, t_{\mathbf{b}} - \sigma_2]. \tag{3.14}$$

Suppose towards contradiction that $I := \{s \in [\sigma_1, t_{\mathbf{b}} - \sigma_2] : |\xi(\tilde{X}(s))| \leq \frac{C_E}{10} (\sigma_2)^2\} \neq \emptyset$. Then from (3.4) and (3.10) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{C_E}{10} (\sigma_2)^2 &\leq \delta^2 \frac{C_E}{10} \frac{(v \cdot \nabla \xi(x))^2}{|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1} \\ &\leq \delta^2 \frac{C_E}{10} e^{C_\xi} \frac{\| \nabla E \|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + \| E \|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \| E \|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}}{C_E} \frac{(v_{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \nabla \xi(x_{\mathbf{b}}))^2}{|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1} \\ &\leq 2\delta \frac{C_E}{10} e^{C_\xi} \frac{\| \nabla E \|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + \| E \|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \| E \|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}}{C_E} |\xi(\tilde{X}(\sigma_1))| \\ &< |\xi(\tilde{X}(\sigma_1))|, \end{aligned}$$

if $\delta \ll 1$. So $\sigma_1 \notin I$. Let $s^* := \min\{s \in I\}$ be the minimum of such s . Then clearly

$$\frac{d}{ds} \xi(\tilde{X}(s))|_{s=s^*} = \tilde{V}(s^*) \cdot \nabla \xi(\tilde{X}(s^*)) \geq 0.$$

Now expanding around $\tilde{X}(s)$, we have

$$E(s, \tilde{X}(s)) \cdot \nabla \xi(\tilde{X}(s)) = E(s, \overline{\tilde{X}(s)}) \cdot \nabla \xi(\overline{\tilde{X}(s)}) + c(\tilde{X}(s)) \cdot \xi(\tilde{X}(s)), \tag{3.15}$$

with $|c(\tilde{X}(s))| < \frac{C_\xi(\|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + \|\nabla E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty})}{C_E}$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{d}{ds} (\tilde{V}(s) \cdot \nabla \xi(\tilde{X}(s))) \\ &= \tilde{V}(s) \cdot \nabla^2 \xi(\tilde{X}(s)) \cdot \tilde{V}(s) + E(s, \tilde{X}(s)) \cdot \nabla \xi(\tilde{X}(s)) \\ &= \tilde{V}(s) \cdot \nabla^2 \xi(\tilde{X}(s)) \cdot \tilde{V}(s) + E(s, \overline{\tilde{X}(s)}) \cdot \nabla \xi(\overline{\tilde{X}(s)}) + c(\tilde{X}(s)) \cdot \xi(\tilde{X}(s)) \\ &\geq C_E - \frac{C_\xi(\|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + \|\nabla E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty})}{C_E} |\xi(\tilde{X}(s))|, \end{aligned} \tag{3.16}$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{d}{ds} (\tilde{V}(s) \cdot \nabla \xi(\tilde{X}(s)))|_{s=s^*} \\ &\geq C_E - \delta^2 \frac{C_\xi(\|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + \|\nabla E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty})}{C_E} \frac{C_E}{10} \frac{(v \cdot \nabla \xi(x))^2}{|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1} \geq \frac{C_E}{2}, \end{aligned}$$

for $\delta \ll 1$ small enough. Then we have $\frac{d}{ds} (\tilde{V}(s) \cdot \nabla \xi(\tilde{X}(s)))$ is increasing on the interval $[s^*, t_{\mathbf{b}}]$ as $|\xi(\tilde{X}(s))|$ is decreasing. So

$$\frac{d}{ds} (\tilde{V}(s) \cdot \nabla \xi(\tilde{X}(s))) \geq \frac{C_E}{2}, \quad s \in [s^*, t_{\mathbf{b}}].$$

And therefore

$$\begin{aligned} |\xi(\tilde{X}(s^*))| &= \int_{s^*}^{t_b} \tilde{V}(s) \cdot \nabla \xi(\tilde{X}(s)) ds \\ &= \int_{s^*}^{t_b} \left(\int_{s^*}^s \frac{d}{d\tau} (\tilde{V}(\tau) \cdot \nabla \xi(\tilde{X}(\tau))) d\tau + \tilde{V}(s^*) \cdot \nabla \xi(\tilde{X}(s^*)) \right) ds \\ &\geq \int_{s^*}^{t_b} (s - s^*) \frac{C_E}{2} ds = \frac{C_E}{4} (t_b - s^*)^2 \geq \frac{C_E}{4} (\sigma_2)^2, \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction. Therefore we conclude (3.14).

Step 3. Let's split the time integration (3.8) as

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_0^{t_b} e^{-\int_{t-t_b+s}^t \frac{\alpha}{2} \langle V(\tau; t, x, v) \rangle d\tau} \frac{1}{\left[|\tilde{V}(s)|^2 \xi(\tilde{X}(s)) + \xi^2(\tilde{X}(s)) - C_E \xi(\tilde{X}(s)) \right]^{\frac{\beta-1}{2}}} ds \\ &= \int_0^{\sigma_1} + \int_{\sigma_1}^{t_b - \sigma_2} + \int_{t_b - \sigma_2}^{t_b} = \mathbf{(I)} + \mathbf{(II)} + \mathbf{(III)}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.17}$$

Let's first estimate **(I)**, **(III)**:

From *Step 2* we have that $|\xi(\tilde{X}(s))|$ is monotonically increasing on $[0, \sigma_1]$ and $[t_b - \sigma_2, t_b]$, so we have the change of variables:

$$ds = \frac{d|\xi|}{|\tilde{V}(s) \cdot \nabla \xi(\tilde{X}(s))|}.$$

Using this change of variable and the bounds (3.11), (3.12), and $|\tilde{V}(s)|^2 + 1 \gtrsim |v|^2 + 1$, **(I)** is bounded by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{(I)} &\leq \int_0^{\sigma_1} \frac{1}{\left[|\tilde{V}(s)|^2 \xi(\tilde{X}(s)) + \xi^2(\tilde{X}(s)) - C_E \xi(\tilde{X}(s)) \right]^{\frac{\beta-1}{2}}} ds \\ &\leq \int_0^{\sigma_1} \frac{\frac{3\delta(v_b \cdot \nabla \xi(x_b))^2}{2(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)}}{|\tilde{V}(s) \cdot \nabla \xi(\tilde{X}(s))| ((C_E + |\tilde{V}(s)|)|\xi|)^{\frac{\beta-1}{2}}} d|\xi| \\ &\lesssim \int_0^{\sigma_1} \frac{\frac{3\delta(v_b \cdot \nabla \xi(x_b))^2}{2(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)}}{|v_b \cdot \nabla \xi(x_b)| ((C_E + |v|^2)|\xi|)^{\frac{\beta-1}{2}}} d|\xi| \\ &= \frac{2}{|v_b \cdot \nabla \xi(x_b)| (C_E + |v|^2)^{\frac{\beta-1}{2}}} \left[|\xi|^{\frac{3-\beta}{2}} \right]_0^{\frac{3\delta(v_b \cdot \nabla \xi(x_b))^2}{2(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)}} \\ &= \frac{2^{\frac{\beta-1}{2}} \delta^{\frac{3-\beta}{2}}}{(C_E + |v|^2)^{\frac{\beta-1}{2}} |v_b \cdot \nabla \xi(x_b)|^{\beta-2} (|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)^{\frac{3-\beta}{2}}} \\ &\lesssim \frac{e^{2C_\xi} \frac{\|\nabla E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}}{C_E} \delta^{\frac{3-\beta}{2}}}{(C_E + |v|^2)^{\frac{\beta-1}{2}} (\alpha(t, x, v))^{\beta-2} (|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)^{\frac{3-\beta}{2}}} \\ &\lesssim e^{2C_\xi} \frac{\|\nabla E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}}{C_E} \frac{\delta^{\frac{3-\beta}{2}}}{\langle v \rangle^2 (C_E + 1)^{\frac{\beta-1}{2}} (\alpha(t, x, v))^{\beta-2} (\|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + 1)^{\frac{3-\beta}{2}}}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.18}$$

And by the same computation we get

$$\text{(III)} \lesssim e^{2C\xi} \frac{\|\nabla E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}} + \|E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}}^2 + \|E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}}}{C_E} \frac{\delta^{\frac{3-\beta}{2}}}{\langle v \rangle^2 (C_E + 1)^{\frac{\beta-1}{2}} (\alpha(t,x,v))^{\beta-2} (\|E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}}^2 + 1)^{\frac{3-\beta}{2}}}. \tag{3.19}$$

Finally for (II), using the lower bound for $|\xi(\tilde{X}(s))|$ in (3.14), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(II)} &= \int_{\sigma_1}^{\sigma_2} e^{-\int_{t-t_b+s}^t \frac{\sigma}{2} \langle V(\tau;t,x,v) \rangle d\tau} \frac{1}{\left[|\tilde{V}(s)|^2 \xi(\tilde{X}(s)) + \xi^2(\tilde{X}(s) - C_E \xi(\tilde{X}(s))) \right]^{\frac{\beta-1}{2}}} ds \\
 &\leq \int_0^{t_b} e^{-\int_{t-t_b+s}^t \frac{\sigma}{2} \langle V(\tau;t,x,v) \rangle d\tau} \frac{1}{\left(|\tilde{V}(s)|^2 + C_E \right) \xi(\tilde{X}(s))^{\frac{\beta-1}{2}}} ds \\
 &\lesssim \frac{1}{C_E^{\beta-1} (\langle v \rangle \sigma_2)^{\beta-1}} \int_0^{t_b} e^{\int_{t-t_b+s}^t \frac{\sigma}{2} d\tau} ds \\
 &\lesssim \frac{(|v| + \|E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}} + \|E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}}^2 + 1)^{\beta-1}}{C_E^{\beta-1} \langle v \rangle^{\beta-1} \delta^{\beta-1} (\alpha(t,x,v))^{\beta-1}} \int_0^{t_b} e^{(s-t_b)\frac{\sigma}{2}} ds \\
 &\lesssim \frac{(|v| + \|E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}} + \|E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}}^2 + 1)^{\beta-1}}{C_E^{\beta-1} \langle v \rangle^{\beta-1} \delta^{\beta-1} (\alpha(t,x,v))^{\beta-1}} \frac{2}{\varpi}. \tag{3.20}
 \end{aligned}$$

This proves (3.6) for the case $x \in \partial\Omega$ and $t \leq t_b$.

Step 4. Now suppose $x \in \partial\Omega$ and $t_b > t$. It suffices to bound the integral:

$$\int_0^t e^{-\int_s^t \frac{\sigma}{2} \langle V(\tau;t,x,v) \rangle d\tau} \frac{1}{\left[|V(s)|^2 \xi(X(s)) + \xi^2(X(s) - C_E \xi(X(s))) \right]^{\frac{\beta-1}{2}}} ds. \tag{3.21}$$

Denote

$$X(0;t,x,v) = x_0, V(0;t,x,v) = v_0.$$

Let

$$\sigma_2 = \delta \frac{v \cdot \nabla \xi(x)}{|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}} + \|E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}}^2 + 1}$$

as defined in (3.9). If

$$\sigma_2 \geq t,$$

then from Step 2 $|\xi(X(s))|$ is decreasing on $[0,t]$, and by (3.11), (3.12), and the bound for (III) (3.19), we get the desired estimate. Now we assume

$$\sigma_2 < t.$$

So from (3.10) we have

$$|\xi(X(\sigma_2))| \geq \frac{\delta(v \cdot \nabla \xi(x))^2}{2(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}} + \|E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}}^2 + 1)}. \tag{3.22}$$

Now if $|\xi(x_0)| \leq \delta \frac{\alpha^2(t,x,v)}{10(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha^2(t,x,v) &\lesssim e^{C_\xi} \frac{\|\nabla E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}}{C_E} \alpha^2(0,x_0,v_0) \\ &\lesssim e^{C_\xi} \frac{\|\nabla E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}}{C_E} (|\nabla \xi(x_0) \cdot v_0|^2 + (|v_0|^2 + |\xi(x_0)| + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty})|\xi(x_0)|) \\ &\lesssim e^{C_\xi} \frac{\|\nabla E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}}{C_E} (\nabla \xi(x_0) \cdot v_0)^2 + \delta \alpha^2(t,x,v). \end{aligned} \tag{3.23}$$

So

$$\frac{1}{2} \alpha(t,x,v) \lesssim e^{C_\xi} \frac{\|\nabla E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}}{C_E} |\nabla \xi(x_0) \cdot v_0|, \tag{3.24}$$

if $\delta \ll 1$ is small enough.

Claim:

$$\nabla \xi(x_0) \cdot v_0 < 0.$$

Since otherwise by (3.16) we have

$$\frac{d}{ds} |\xi(X(s))| < 0,$$

for all $s \in [0, t]$, so $|\xi(X(s))|$ is always decreasing, which contradicts (3.22).

Therefore $\nabla \xi(x_0) \cdot v_0 < 0$, and we can run the same argument from *Step 1*, *Step 2*, *Step 3* with $\nabla \xi(x_{\mathbf{b}}) \cdot v_{\mathbf{b}}$ replaced by $\nabla \xi(x_0) \cdot v_0$, and by (3.24) we get the same estimate.

If $|\xi(x_0)| > \delta \frac{\alpha^2(t,x,v)}{10(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)}$, then we have

$$\frac{C_E \sigma_2^2}{10} = \delta^2 \frac{C_E}{10} \frac{(v \cdot \nabla \xi(x))^2}{|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1} < C_E \delta |\xi(x_0)| < |\xi(x_0)|, \tag{3.25}$$

for $\delta \ll 1$ small enough. Therefore by (3.22) and the same argument in *Step 3* we get the same lower bound

$$|\xi(s)| > \frac{C_E}{10} (\sigma_2)^2, \text{ for all } s \in [0, t - \sigma_2]. \tag{3.26}$$

And therefore we get the desired estimate.

Step 5. We now consider the case when $x \in \Omega$ and $t \geq t_{\mathbf{b}}$. We need to bound the integral (3.8). Let

$$\sigma_1 = \delta \frac{v_{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \nabla(x_{\mathbf{b}})}{|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1},$$

as defined in (3.10). If

$$\sigma_1 \geq t,$$

then from *Step 2* $|\xi(\tilde{X}(s))|$ is increasing on $[0, t_{\mathbf{b}}]$, and by (3.11), (3.12), and the bound for (I) in (3.18), we get the desired estimate.

Now we assume

$$\sigma_1 < t.$$

So from (3.10) we have

$$|\xi(\tilde{X}(\sigma_1))| \geq \frac{\delta(v_{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \nabla \xi(x_{\mathbf{b}}))^2}{2(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)}. \tag{3.27}$$

Now if

$$|\xi(x)| \leq \delta \frac{\alpha^2(t, x, v)}{10(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)}, \tag{3.28}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha^2(t, x, v) &\leq (\nabla \xi(x) \cdot v)^2 + C(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)|\xi(x)| \\ &\leq (\nabla \xi(x) \cdot v)^2 + \delta \alpha^2(t, x, v) \leq (\nabla \xi(x) \cdot v)^2 + \frac{1}{10} \alpha^2(t, x, v), \end{aligned} \tag{3.29}$$

if $\delta \ll 1$ is small enough. So

$$\frac{1}{2} \alpha(t, x, v) \leq |\nabla \xi(x) \cdot v|. \tag{3.30}$$

Claim:

$$\nabla \xi(x) \cdot v > 0.$$

Since otherwise by (3.16) we have

$$\frac{d}{ds} |\xi(\tilde{X}(s))| > 0,$$

for all $s \in [0, t_{\mathbf{b}}]$, so $|\xi(\tilde{X}(s))|$ is always increasing, thus

$$|\xi(\tilde{X}(s))| \leq \delta \frac{\alpha^2(t, x, v)}{10(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)},$$

for all $s \in [0, t_{\mathbf{b}}]$, which contradicts (3.27).

Therefore $\nabla \xi(x) \cdot v > 0$, and we can run the same argument from *Step 2*, *Step 3*, *Step 4*, and by (3.30) we get the same estimate.

If

$$|\xi(x)| > \delta \frac{\alpha^2(t, x, v)}{10(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)}, \tag{3.31}$$

we claim:

$$|\xi(\tilde{X}(s))| \geq \delta^2 \frac{\alpha^2(t, x, v)}{|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1}, \tag{3.32}$$

for all $s \in [\sigma_1, t_{\mathbf{b}}]$. Since otherwise let

$$s^* := \min\{s \in [\sigma_1, t] : |\xi(\tilde{X}(s))| < \delta^2 \frac{\alpha^2(t, x, v)}{|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1}\}.$$

From (3.27) we have $s^* > \sigma_1$, and

$$\frac{d}{ds} |\xi(\tilde{X}(s^*))| < 0.$$

And from (3.16) we have

$$\frac{d^2}{ds^2} |\xi(\tilde{X}(s))| < 0,$$

for all $s \in [s^*, t]$. So $|\xi(\tilde{X}(s))|$ is always decreasing on $[s^*, t_{\mathbf{b}}]$. Therefore

$$|\xi(x)| = |\xi(\tilde{X}(t_{\mathbf{b}}))| < |\xi(\tilde{X}(s^*))| < \delta^2 \frac{\alpha^2(t, x, v)}{|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1},$$

which contradicts (3.31). Therefore the lower bound (3.32) and the estimates (3.20), (3.18) give the desired bound.

Step 6. Finally we consider the case $x \in \Omega$ and $t < t_{\mathbf{b}}$. First suppose

$$|\xi(x)| \leq \delta \frac{\alpha^2(t, x, v)}{10(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)}.$$

From (3.30) we have

$$\frac{\alpha(t, x, v)}{2} \leq |v \cdot \nabla \xi(x)|.$$

If $v \cdot \nabla \xi(x) > 0$, then by (3.16) we have $\xi(X(t+t')) = 0$ for some $t' \lesssim \frac{\delta}{C_E^2} < 1$. Therefore we can extend the trajectory until it hits the boundary and conclude the desired bound from Step 3.

If $v \cdot \nabla \xi(x) < 0$, again by (3.16) we have $|\xi(X(s))|$ is increasing on $[0, t]$ and $|V(s) \cdot \nabla \xi(X(s))|$ is decreasing on $[0, t]$. Therefore using the change of variable $s \mapsto |\xi|$:

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^t e^{-\int_s^t \frac{\alpha}{2} \langle V(\tau; t, x, v) \rangle d\tau} \frac{1}{[|V(s)|^2 \xi(X(s)) + \xi^2(X(s)) - C_E \xi(X(s))]^{\frac{\beta-1}{2}}} ds \\ & \lesssim \int_0^\delta \frac{\alpha^2(t, x, v)}{10(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)} \frac{1}{|V(s) \cdot \nabla \xi(X(s))| (C_E |\xi|)^{\frac{\beta-1}{2}}} d|\xi| \\ & \lesssim \int_0^\delta \frac{\alpha^2(t, x, v)}{10(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)} \frac{1}{|v \cdot \nabla \xi(x)| (C_E |\xi|)^{\frac{\beta-1}{2}}} d|\xi| \\ & \lesssim \int_0^\delta \frac{\alpha^2(t, x, v)}{10(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)} \frac{1}{|\alpha(t, x, v) (C_E |\xi|)^{\frac{\beta-1}{2}}} d|\xi| \\ & \lesssim \frac{\delta^{\frac{3-\beta}{2}}}{C_E^{\frac{\beta-1}{2}} (\alpha(t, x, v))^{\beta-2} (|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)^{\frac{3-\beta}{2}}}, \end{aligned} \tag{3.33}$$

which is the desired estimate.

Now suppose

$$|\xi(x)| > \delta \frac{\alpha^2(t, x, v)}{10(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)}, \tag{3.34}$$

and

$$|\xi(x_0)| \leq \delta \frac{\alpha^2(t, x, v)}{10(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)}.$$

Then by (3.24) we have

$$\frac{\alpha(t, x, v)}{2} \lesssim e^{C_\xi \frac{\|\nabla E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}}{C_E}} |\nabla \xi(x_0) \cdot v_0|. \tag{3.35}$$

Now if $v_0 \cdot \nabla \xi(x_0) > 0$, then from (3.16) we have $|\xi(X(s))|$ is decreasing for all $s \in [0, t]$. And this contradicts with (3.34). So we must have

$$v_0 \cdot \nabla \xi(x_0) < 0.$$

Then we can define $\sigma_1 = \delta \frac{|v_0 \cdot \nabla \xi(x_0)|}{|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1}$ as before. Now if $\sigma_1 \geq t$ then $|\xi(X(s))|$ is increasing on $[0, t]$, using the change of variable $x \mapsto |\xi|$ and the estimate (3.18) and (3.35) we get the desired bound.

If $\sigma_1 < t$, then from (3.10) we have

$$|\xi(X(\sigma_1))| \geq \delta \frac{(v_0 \cdot \nabla \xi(x_0))^2}{2(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)}.$$

And then from the argument for (3.32) we get

$$|\xi(X(s))| \geq \delta^2 \frac{\alpha^2(t, x, v)}{|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1},$$

for all $s \in [\sigma_1, t]$. This lower bound combined with the estimate (3.20), (3.18) gives the desired bound.

Finally we are left with the case

$$|\xi(x_0)| > \delta \frac{\alpha^2(t, x, v)}{10(|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1)}.$$

Then again, from the argument for (3.32) we get

$$|\xi(X(s))| \geq \delta^2 \frac{\alpha^2(t, x, v)}{|v|^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1},$$

for all $s \in [0, t]$. This lower bound combined with the estimate (3.20) gives the desired bound. \square

Proof. (Proof of (2) Lemma 3.3.) Since $\frac{\langle u \rangle^r}{\langle v \rangle^r} \lesssim \frac{\langle u \rangle^r}{\langle V_{\text{el}}(s) \rangle^r} \lesssim \{1 + |V_{\text{el}}(s) - u|^2\}^{\frac{r}{2}}$ and $\langle V_{\text{el}}(s) - u \rangle^r e^{-\theta |V_{\text{el}}(s) - u|^2} \lesssim e^{-C_{\theta,r} |V_{\text{el}}(s) - u|^2}$, it suffices to consider the case $r = 0$. It is important to control the *number of bounces*,

$$\ell_*(s) = \ell_*(s; t, x, v) \in \mathbb{N} \quad \text{such that} \quad t^{\ell_*+1} \leq s < t^{\ell_*}.$$

An important consequence of Velocity lemma is that for the specular cycles

$$\alpha(s, X_{\text{el}}(s; t, x, v), V_{\text{el}}(s; t, x, v)) \gtrsim e^{-C\langle v \rangle |t-s|} \alpha(t, x, v),$$

and therefore for the specular cycles

$$\begin{aligned} \ell_*(s; t, x, v) &\leq \frac{|t-s|}{\min_{0 \leq \ell \leq \ell_*(s; t, x, v)} |t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|} \lesssim \frac{|t-s|}{\min_{0 \leq \ell \leq \ell_*(s; t, x, v)} \frac{\alpha(t^\ell, x^\ell, v^\ell)}{|v^\ell|^2}} \\ &\lesssim \frac{|t-s|(|v|^2+1)}{\alpha(t, x, v)} e^{C\langle v \rangle(t-s)}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.36}$$

For fixed (t, x, v) we use the following notation $\alpha(s) := \alpha(s; t, x, v) := \alpha(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s; t, x, v), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s; t, x, v))$.

Now we consider the estimate (3.7). From (3.18), (3.19), and (3.20) we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} e^{-l\langle v \rangle(t-s)} \frac{e^{-\theta|V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)-u|^2}}{|V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)-u|^{2-\kappa}} \frac{Z(s, x, v)}{[\alpha(s, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s; t, x, v), u)]^\beta} \mathrm{d}u \mathrm{d}s \\ &\lesssim \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_*(0; t, x, v)} \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} e^{-l\langle v \rangle(t-s)} \frac{e^{-\theta|v^\ell-u|^2}}{|v^\ell-u|^{2-\kappa}} \frac{Z(s, x, v)}{[\alpha(s, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s; t, x, v), u)]^\beta} \mathrm{d}u \mathrm{d}s \\ &\lesssim \sup_{0 \leq s \leq t} \left\{ e^{-\frac{1}{2}\langle v \rangle(t-s)} Z(s, x, v) \right\} \times \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_*(0; t, x, v)} \left(e^{-\frac{1}{2}\langle v \rangle(t-t^\ell)} \frac{\delta^{\frac{3-\beta}{2}}}{\langle v \rangle^2 (\alpha(t^\ell, x^\ell, v^\ell))^{\beta-2}} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{\delta^{\beta-1} (\alpha(t^\ell, x^\ell, v^\ell))^{\beta-1}} \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\langle v \rangle(t-s)} \mathrm{d}s \right) \\ &\lesssim \sup_{0 \leq s \leq t} \left\{ e^{-\frac{1}{2}\langle v \rangle(t-s)} Z(s, x, v) \right\} \times \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_*(0; t, x, v)} \left(e^{-\frac{1}{4}\langle v \rangle(t-t^\ell)} \frac{\delta^{\frac{3-\beta}{2}}}{\langle v \rangle^2 (\alpha(t, x, v))^{\beta-2}} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{e^{C\langle v \rangle|t-t^\ell|}}{\delta^{\beta-1} (\alpha(t, x, v))^{\beta-1}} \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\langle v \rangle(t-s)} \mathrm{d}s \right). \end{aligned} \tag{3.37}$$

Clearly

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_*(0; t, x, v)} \frac{e^{C\langle v \rangle|t-t^\ell|}}{\delta^{\beta-1} (\alpha(t, x, v))^{\beta-1}} \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\langle v \rangle(t-s)} \mathrm{d}s \\ &\lesssim \frac{1}{\delta^{\beta-1} (\alpha(t, x, v))^{\beta-1}} \int_0^t e^{-\frac{1}{4}\langle v \rangle(t-s)} \mathrm{d}s \\ &\lesssim \frac{1}{l\langle v \rangle \delta^{\beta-1} (\alpha(t, x, v))^{\beta-1}}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.38}$$

And for $\sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_*(0; t, x, v)} e^{-\frac{1}{4}\langle v \rangle(t-t^\ell)} \frac{\delta^{\frac{3-\beta}{2}}}{\langle v \rangle^2 (\alpha(t, x, v))^{\beta-2}}$, we let $\tilde{\ell}$ be the bounce that $t^{\tilde{\ell}} \geq t - \frac{1}{\langle v \rangle}$ and $t^{\tilde{\ell}+1} < t - \frac{1}{\langle v \rangle}$, and decompose $\sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_*(0; t, x, v)} = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\tilde{\ell}} + \sum_{\ell=\tilde{\ell}+1}^{\ell_*(0; t, x, v)}$. Then from (3.36)

$$\sum_{\ell=0}^{\tilde{\ell}} e^{-\frac{1}{4}\langle v \rangle(t-t^\ell)} \leq |\tilde{\ell}| \lesssim \frac{1/\langle v \rangle}{\alpha(t, x, v)/|v|^2} \lesssim \frac{|v|}{\alpha(t, x, v)}.$$

For $\ell \geq \tilde{\ell}+1$, we have

$$|t-t^{\ell+1}| \leq |t-t^\ell| + |t^\ell-t^{\ell+1}| \leq |t-t^\ell| + C \frac{1}{\langle v \rangle} \leq |t-t^\ell| + C|t-t^\ell| = (1+C)|t-t^\ell|.$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{\ell=\tilde{\ell}+1}^{\ell_*(0;t,x,v)} e^{-\frac{1}{4}\langle v \rangle(t-t^\ell)} &\leq \sum_{\ell=\tilde{\ell}+1}^{\ell_*(0;t,x,v)} e^{-\frac{1}{8}\langle v \rangle(t-t^\ell)} e^{-\frac{1}{8(1+C)}\langle v \rangle(t-t^{\ell+1})} \\
 &\leq \max_{\ell} \left\{ \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{8}\langle v \rangle(t-t^\ell)}}{|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|} \right\} \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_*} |t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}| e^{-\frac{1}{8(1+C)}\langle v \rangle(t-t^{\ell+1})} \\
 &\lesssim \frac{\langle v \rangle^2 e^{-\frac{1}{8}\langle v \rangle(t-t^\ell)} e^{C\langle v \rangle(t-t^\ell)}}{\alpha(t,x,v)} \int_0^t e^{-\frac{1}{8(1+C)}\langle v \rangle(t-s)} ds \\
 &\lesssim \frac{\langle v \rangle(1+C)}{l\alpha(t,x,v)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_*(0;t,x,v)} e^{-\frac{1}{4}\langle v \rangle(t-t^\ell)} \frac{\delta^{\frac{3-\beta}{2}}}{\langle v \rangle^2 (\alpha(t,x,v))^{\beta-2}} \lesssim \frac{\delta^{\frac{3-\beta}{2}}}{\langle v \rangle (\alpha(t,x,v))^{\beta-1}}. \tag{3.39}$$

Combining (3.37), (3.38) and (3.39) we prove (3.7). □

4. Moving frame for specular cycles

We use the moving frame for the specular cycles introduced in [8]. We denote the standard spherical coordinate $\mathbf{x}_{\parallel} = \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}(\omega) = (\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,1}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel,2})$ for $\omega \in \mathbb{S}^2$

$$\omega = (\cos \mathbf{x}_{\parallel,1}(\omega) \sin \mathbf{x}_{\parallel,2}(\omega), \sin \mathbf{x}_{\parallel,1}(\omega) \sin \mathbf{x}_{\parallel,2}(\omega), \cos \mathbf{x}_{\parallel,2}(\omega)),$$

where $\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,1}(\omega) \in [0, 2\pi)$ is the azimuth and $\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,2}(\omega) \in [0, \pi)$ is the inclination.

We define an orthonormal basis of \mathbb{R}^3 , $\{\hat{r}(\omega), \hat{\phi}(\omega), \hat{\theta}(\omega)\}$, with $\hat{r}(\omega) := \omega$ and

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{\phi}(\omega) &:= (\cos \mathbf{x}_{\parallel,1}(\omega) \cos \mathbf{x}_{\parallel,2}(\omega), \sin \mathbf{x}_{\parallel,1}(\omega) \cos \mathbf{x}_{\parallel,2}(\omega), -\sin \mathbf{x}_{\parallel,2}(\omega)), \\
 \hat{\theta}(\omega) &:= (-\sin \mathbf{x}_{\parallel,1}(\omega), \cos \mathbf{x}_{\parallel,1}(\omega), 0).
 \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, $\hat{r} \times \hat{\phi} = \hat{\theta}$, $\hat{\phi} \times \hat{\theta} = \hat{r}$, $\hat{\theta} \times \hat{r} = \hat{\phi}$, and

$$\partial_{\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,1}} \hat{r} = \sin \mathbf{x}_{\parallel,2} \hat{\theta}, \quad \partial_{\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,2}} \hat{r} = \hat{\phi}, \tag{4.1}$$

where $\partial_{\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,1}} \hat{r}$ does not vanish (non-degenerate) away from $\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,2} = 0$ or π .

Without loss of generality we assume $\mathbf{0} = (0, 0, 0) \in \Omega$. For

$$\mathbf{p} = (z, w) \in \partial\Omega \times \mathbb{S}^2 \quad \text{with} \quad n(z) \cdot w = 0,$$

we define the north pole $\mathcal{N}_{\mathbf{p}} \in \partial\Omega$ and the south pole $\mathcal{S}_{\mathbf{p}} \in \partial\Omega$ as

$$\mathcal{N}_{\mathbf{p}} := |\mathcal{N}_{\mathbf{p}}|(n(z) \times w) \in \partial\Omega, \quad \mathcal{S}_{\mathbf{p}} := -|\mathcal{S}_{\mathbf{p}}|(n(z) \times w) \in \partial\Omega,$$

where $\partial_{\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,1}} \hat{r}$ is degenerate. We define the straight-line $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{p}}$ passing both poles

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{p}} := \{\tau \mathcal{N}_{\mathbf{p}} + (1 - \tau) \mathcal{S}_{\mathbf{p}} : \tau \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

LEMMA 4.1. *Assume Ω is convex (1.5). Fix $\mathbf{p} = (z, w) \in \partial\Omega \times \mathbb{S}^2$ with $n(z) \cdot w = 0$.*

(i) There exists a smooth map (spherical-type coordinate)

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_{\mathbf{p}} : \quad [0, 2\pi) \times (0, \pi) &\rightarrow \partial\Omega \setminus \{\mathcal{N}_{\mathbf{p}}, \mathcal{S}_{\mathbf{p}}\}, \\ \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}} := (\mathbf{x}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}, 1}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}, 2}) &\mapsto \eta_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}}), \end{aligned} \tag{4.2}$$

which is one-to-one and onto. Here on $[0, 2\pi) \times (0, \pi)$ we have $\partial_i \eta_{\mathbf{p}} := \frac{\partial \eta_{\mathbf{p}}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}, i}} \neq 0$ and

$$\frac{\partial \eta_{\mathbf{p}}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}, 1}}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}}) \times \frac{\partial \eta_{\mathbf{p}}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}, 2}}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}}) \neq 0. \tag{4.3}$$

We define

$$\mathbf{n}_{\mathbf{p}} := n \circ \eta_{\mathbf{p}} : [0, 2\pi) \times (0, \pi) \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^2.$$

(ii) We define the \mathbf{p} -spherical coordinate in the tubular neighborhood of the boundary:

For $\delta > 0$, $\delta_1 > 0$, $C > 0$, we have a smooth one-to-one and onto map

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{\mathbf{p}} : [0, C\delta) \times [0, 2\pi) \times (\delta_1, \pi - \delta_1) \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^2 &\rightarrow \{x \in \bar{\Omega} : |\xi(x)| < \delta\} \setminus B_{C\delta_1}(\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{p}}) \times \mathbb{R}^3, \\ (\mathbf{x}_{\perp \mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}, 1}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}, 2}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp \mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}, 1}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}, 2}) &\mapsto \Phi_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp \mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}, 1}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}, 2}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp \mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}, 1}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}, 2}), \end{aligned}$$

where $B_{C\delta_1}(\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{p}}) := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^3 : |x - y| < C\delta_1 \text{ for some } y \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{p}}\}$.

Explicitly,

$$\Phi_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp \mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp \mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}}) := \left[\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{x}_{\perp \mathbf{p}}[-\mathbf{n}_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}})] + \eta_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}}) \\ \mathbf{v}_{\perp \mathbf{p}}[-\mathbf{n}_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}})] + \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}} \cdot \nabla \eta_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}}) + \mathbf{x}_{\perp \mathbf{p}} \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}} \cdot \nabla[-\mathbf{n}_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}})] \end{array} \right], \tag{4.4}$$

where $\nabla \eta_{\mathbf{p}} = (\partial_1 \eta_{\mathbf{p}}, \partial_2 \eta_{\mathbf{p}}) = (\frac{\partial \eta_{\mathbf{p}}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}, 1}}, \frac{\partial \eta_{\mathbf{p}}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}, 2}})$ and $\nabla \mathbf{n}_{\mathbf{p}} = (\partial_1 \mathbf{n}_{\mathbf{p}}, \partial_2 \mathbf{n}_{\mathbf{p}}) = (\frac{\partial \mathbf{n}_{\mathbf{p}}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}, 1}}, \frac{\partial \mathbf{n}_{\mathbf{p}}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}, 2}})$.

The Jacobian matrix is

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{\partial \Phi(\mathbf{x}_{\perp}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel})}{\partial(\mathbf{x}_{\perp}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel})} \\ &= \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} n & \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel, 1}} & \frac{\partial \Phi_1(\mathbf{x}_{\perp}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel})}{\partial(\mathbf{x}_{\perp}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel})} & \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel, 2}} & & \\ & + \mathbf{x}_{\perp} \frac{\partial n}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel, 1}} & & + \mathbf{x}_{\perp} \frac{\partial n}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel, 2}} & & \\ & - \mathbf{v}_{\perp} \frac{\partial n}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel, 1}} & & - \mathbf{v}_{\perp} \frac{\partial n}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel, 2}} & & \\ \hline -\mathbf{v}_{\parallel} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}} \mathbf{n} & + \mathbf{v}_{\parallel} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}} \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel, 1}} & & + \mathbf{v}_{\parallel} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}} \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel, 2}} & n & \\ & - \mathbf{x}_{\perp} \mathbf{v}_{\parallel} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}} \frac{\partial n}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel, 1}} & & - \mathbf{x}_{\perp} \mathbf{v}_{\parallel} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}} \frac{\partial n}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel, 2}} & + \mathbf{x}_{\perp} \frac{\partial n}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel, 1}} & + \mathbf{x}_{\perp} \frac{\partial n}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel, 2}} \end{array} \right] \cdot \mathbf{0}_{3,3}. \tag{4.5} \end{aligned}$$

We fix an inverse map

$$\Phi_{\mathbf{p}}^{-1} : \{x \in \bar{\Omega} : |\xi(x)| < \delta\} \setminus B_{C\delta'}(\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{p}}) \times \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow [0, C\delta) \times [0, 2\pi) \times (\delta_1, \pi - \delta_1) \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^2.$$

In general this choice is not unique but once we fix the range as above then an inverse map is uniquely determined.

We denote, for $(x, v) \in \{x \in \bar{\Omega} : |\xi(x)| < \delta\} \setminus B_{C\delta'}(\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{p}}) \times \mathbb{R}^3$

$$(\mathbf{x}_{\perp \mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}, 1}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}, 2}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp \mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}, 1}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}, 2}) = \Phi_{\mathbf{p}}^{-1}(x, v).$$

(iii) Let $\mathbf{q} = (y, u) \in \partial\Omega \times \mathbb{S}^2$ with $n(y) \cdot u = 0$ and $|\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q}| \ll 1$ and

$$\Phi_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp \mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp \mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \mathbf{p}}) = (x, v) = \Phi_{\mathbf{q}}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp \mathbf{q}}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \mathbf{q}}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp \mathbf{q}}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \mathbf{q}}).$$

Then

$$\frac{\partial(\mathbf{x}_{\perp\mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}})}{\partial(\mathbf{x}_{\perp\mathbf{q}}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\mathbf{q}}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\mathbf{q}}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\mathbf{q}})} = \nabla\Phi_{\mathbf{q}}^{-1}\nabla\Phi_{\mathbf{p}} = \mathbf{Id}_{6,6} + O_{\xi}(|\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q}|) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & | & & \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & | & \mathbf{0}_{3,3} & \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & | & & \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & |v| & |v| & | & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & |v| & |v| & | & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (4.6)$$

Proof. See [8]. □

LEMMA 4.2.

(i) For $|\xi(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s;t,x,v))| < \delta$ and $|X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s;t,x,v) - \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{p}}| > C\delta_1$ we define

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{p}}(s;t,x,v), \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{p}}(s;t,x,v)) &:= \Phi_{\mathbf{p}}^{-1}(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s;t,x,v), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s;t,x,v)) \\ &:= (\mathbf{x}_{\perp\mathbf{p}}(s;t,x,v), \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}(s;t,x,v), \mathbf{v}_{\perp\mathbf{p}}(s;t,x,v), \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}(s;t,x,v)). \end{aligned}$$

Then $|v| \simeq |\mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{p}}|$ and

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{\mathbf{x}}_{\perp\mathbf{p}} \\ \dot{\mathbf{x}}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}} \\ \dot{\mathbf{v}}_{\perp\mathbf{p}} \\ \dot{\mathbf{v}}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}} \end{bmatrix} (s;t,x,v) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_{\perp\mathbf{p}} \\ \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}} \\ F_{\perp\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{p}}) \\ F_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{p}}) \end{bmatrix} (s;t,x,v). \quad (4.7)$$

Here

$$\begin{aligned} F_{\perp\mathbf{p}} &= F_{\perp\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp\mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}) \\ &= \sum_{j,k=1}^2 \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\mathbf{p},k} \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\mathbf{p},j} \partial_j \partial_k \eta_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}) \cdot \mathbf{n}_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}) - \mathbf{x}_{\perp\mathbf{p}} \sum_{k=1}^2 \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\mathbf{p},k} (\mathbf{v}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}} \cdot \nabla) \partial_k \mathbf{n}_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}) \cdot \mathbf{n}_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}) \\ &\quad - E(s, -\mathbf{x}_{\perp} \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}) + \eta(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel})) \cdot \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}), \end{aligned} \quad (4.8)$$

where

$$\sum_{j,k=1}^2 \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\mathbf{p},k} \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\mathbf{p},j} \partial_j \partial_k \eta_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}) \cdot \mathbf{n}_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}) \lesssim \xi - |\mathbf{v}_{\parallel}|^2,$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} F_{\parallel\mathbf{p}} &= F_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp\mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}) \\ &= \sum_{i=1,2} G_{\mathbf{p},ij}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp\mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}) \frac{(-1)^i}{\mathbf{n}_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}) \cdot (\partial_1 \eta_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}) \times \partial_2 \eta_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}))} \\ &\quad \times \{ 2\mathbf{v}_{\perp\mathbf{p}} \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{n}_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}) - \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}} \cdot \nabla^2 \eta_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}) \cdot \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}} + \mathbf{x}_{\perp\mathbf{p}} \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}} \cdot \nabla^2 \mathbf{n}_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}) \cdot \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}} \\ &\quad - E(s, -\mathbf{x}_{\perp} \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}) + \eta(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel})) \} \cdot \{ \mathbf{n}_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}) \times \partial_{i+1} \eta_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}) \}, \end{aligned} \quad (4.9)$$

where a smooth bounded function $G_{\mathbf{p},ij}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp\mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}})$ is specified in (4.16).

(ii) For $\tau \in (t^{\ell+1}, t^{\ell})$, if the \mathbf{p}^{ℓ} -spherical coordinate is well-defined in $[\tau, t^{\ell})$ then

$$[\mathbf{X}_{\ell}(\tau;t,x,v), \mathbf{V}_{\ell}(\tau;t,x,v)] \equiv [\mathbf{X}_{\ell}(\tau;t^{\ell}, 0, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\ell}^{\ell}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}^{\ell}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell}^{\ell}), \mathbf{V}_{\ell}(\tau;t^{\ell}, 0, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\ell}^{\ell}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}^{\ell}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell}^{\ell})]$$

and, for $\partial_{\mathbf{v}_\ell} = [\partial_{\mathbf{v}_\perp \ell}, \partial_{\mathbf{v}_\parallel \ell}]$,

$$\begin{bmatrix} |\partial_{\mathbf{x}_\parallel \ell} \mathbf{X}_\ell(\tau)| & |\partial_{\mathbf{v}_\ell} \mathbf{X}_\ell(\tau)| \\ |\partial_{\mathbf{x}_\parallel \ell} \mathbf{V}_\ell(\tau)| & |\partial_{\mathbf{v}_\ell} \mathbf{V}_\ell(\tau)| \end{bmatrix} \lesssim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & |\tau - t^\ell| \\ (O_{\xi, \|\nabla E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}}} + |v|^2) & 1 \end{bmatrix}. \tag{4.10}$$

For $t^{\ell+1} < \tau < s < t^\ell$ then

$$\begin{aligned} & [\mathbf{X}_\ell(\tau; t, x, v), \mathbf{V}_\ell(\tau; t, x, v)] \\ & \equiv [\mathbf{X}_\ell(\tau; s, \mathbf{X}_\ell(s; t, x, v), \mathbf{V}_\ell(s; t, x, v)), \mathbf{V}_\ell(\tau; s, \mathbf{X}_\ell(s; t, x, v), \mathbf{V}_\ell(s; t, x, v))], \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{bmatrix} |\partial_{\mathbf{x}_\ell(s)} \mathbf{X}_\ell(\tau)| & |\partial_{\mathbf{v}_\ell(s)} \mathbf{X}_\ell(\tau)| \\ |\partial_{\mathbf{x}_\ell(s)} \mathbf{V}_\ell(\tau)| & |\partial_{\mathbf{v}_\ell(s)} \mathbf{V}_\ell(\tau)| \end{bmatrix} \lesssim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & |\tau - s| \\ (O_{\xi, \|\nabla E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}}} + |v|^2) & 1 \end{bmatrix}. \tag{4.11}$$

Moreover, for either $[\partial_{\mathbf{x}}, \partial_{\mathbf{v}}] = [\partial_{\mathbf{x}_\parallel \ell}, \partial_{\mathbf{v}_\perp \ell}, \partial_{\mathbf{v}_\parallel \ell}]$ or $[\partial_{\mathbf{x}}, \partial_{\mathbf{v}}] = [\partial_{\mathbf{x}_\ell(s)}, \partial_{\mathbf{v}_\ell(s)}]$

$$\begin{bmatrix} |\partial_{\mathbf{x}} F(\tau)| & |\partial_{\mathbf{v}} F(\tau)| \\ \left| \frac{d}{d\tau} \partial_{\mathbf{x}} F(\tau) \right| & \left| \frac{d}{d\tau} \partial_{\mathbf{v}} F(\tau) \right| \end{bmatrix} \lesssim \begin{bmatrix} O_{\xi, \|\nabla E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}}} + |v|^2 & O_{\xi, \|\nabla E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}}} + |v| \\ O_{\xi, \|\nabla E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}}} + |v|^3 & O_{\xi, \|\nabla E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}}} + |v|^2 \end{bmatrix}. \tag{4.12}$$

Proof. From $\dot{v} = 0$ and the second equation of (4.4) we get

$$\begin{aligned} E(s, -\mathbf{x}_\perp \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) + \eta(\mathbf{x}_\parallel)) &= \dot{\mathbf{v}}_\perp(s) [-\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel(s))] - 2\mathbf{v}_\perp(s) \mathbf{v}_\parallel \cdot \nabla \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel(s)) + \dot{\mathbf{v}}_\parallel(s) \cdot \nabla \eta(\mathbf{x}_\parallel(s)) \\ &\quad + \mathbf{v}_\parallel \cdot \nabla^2 \eta(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) \cdot \mathbf{v}_\parallel - \mathbf{x}_\perp \dot{\mathbf{v}}_\parallel \cdot \nabla \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) - \mathbf{x}_\perp \mathbf{v}_\parallel \cdot \nabla^2 \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) \cdot \mathbf{v}_\parallel. \end{aligned} \tag{4.13}$$

We take the inner product with $\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel(s))$ to the above equation to have

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\mathbf{v}}_\perp(s) &= -E(s, -\mathbf{x}_\perp \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) + \eta(\mathbf{x}_\parallel)) \cdot \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) + [\mathbf{v}_\parallel \cdot \nabla^2 \eta(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) \cdot \mathbf{v}_\parallel] \cdot \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) \\ &\quad - \mathbf{x}_\perp [\mathbf{v}_\parallel \cdot \nabla^2 \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) \cdot \mathbf{v}_\parallel] \cdot \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) \\ &:= F_\perp(\mathbf{v}_\perp, \mathbf{v}_\parallel, \mathbf{x}_\parallel), \end{aligned} \tag{4.14}$$

where we have used the fact $\nabla \mathbf{n} \perp \mathbf{n}$ and $\nabla \eta \perp \mathbf{n}$.

Since $0 = \xi(\eta(\mathbf{x}_\parallel))$ we take $\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,i}$ and $\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,j}$ derivatives to have

$$0 = \partial_{\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,j}} \left[\sum_k \partial_k \xi \partial_{\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,i}} \eta_k \right] = \sum_{k,m} \partial_k \partial_m \xi \partial_{\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,j}} \eta_m \partial_{\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,i}} \eta_k + \sum_k \partial_k \xi \partial_{\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,i}} \partial_{\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,j}} \eta_k,$$

and from the convexity (1.5) and $\mathbf{n} = \nabla \xi / |\nabla \xi|$,

$$\begin{aligned} [\mathbf{v}_\parallel \cdot \nabla^2 \eta \cdot \mathbf{v}_\parallel] \cdot \mathbf{n} &= \sum_{i,j,k} \frac{\mathbf{v}_{\parallel,i} \partial_k \xi \partial_i \partial_j \eta_k \mathbf{v}_{\parallel,j}}{|\nabla \xi|} = - \sum_{i,j,k,m} \frac{\{\mathbf{v}_{\parallel,i} \partial_i \eta_m\} \partial_k \partial_m \xi \{\partial_j \eta_m \mathbf{v}_{\parallel,j}\}}{|\nabla \xi|} \\ &\lesssim_\xi -|\mathbf{v}_\parallel|^2. \end{aligned}$$

Define $a_{ij}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel)$ via

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \partial_1 \mathbf{n} \cdot \partial_1 \mathbf{n} & \partial_1 \mathbf{n} \cdot \partial_2 \mathbf{n} \\ \partial_2 \mathbf{n} \cdot \partial_1 \mathbf{n} & \partial_2 \mathbf{n} \cdot \partial_2 \mathbf{n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \partial_1 \eta \cdot \partial_1 \eta & \partial_1 \eta \cdot \partial_2 \eta \\ \partial_2 \eta \cdot \partial_1 \eta & \partial_2 \eta \cdot \partial_2 \eta \end{bmatrix}^{-1},$$

where $\det(\partial_i \eta \cdot \partial_j \eta) = |\partial_1 \eta \times \partial_2 \eta|^2 \neq 0$ due to (4.3). Then $\nabla \mathbf{n}$ is generated by $\nabla \eta$:

$$-\partial_i \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}) = \sum_k a_{ik}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}) \partial_k \eta(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}).$$

We take the inner product (4.13) with $(-1)^{i+1}(\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}) \times \partial_i \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}))$ to have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_k (\delta_{ki} + \mathbf{x}_{\perp} a_{ki}) \dot{\mathbf{v}}_{\parallel, k} \\ &= \frac{(-1)^{i+1}}{-\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}) \cdot (\partial_1 \eta(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}) \times \partial_2 \eta(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}))} \\ & \quad \times \left\{ -2\mathbf{v}_{\perp} \mathbf{v}_{\parallel} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}) + \mathbf{v}_{\parallel} \cdot \nabla^2 \eta(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}) \cdot \mathbf{v}_{\parallel} - \mathbf{x}_{\perp} \mathbf{v}_{\parallel} \cdot \nabla^2 \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}) \cdot \mathbf{v}_{\parallel} \right. \\ & \quad \left. - E(s, -\mathbf{x}_{\perp} \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}) + \eta(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel})) \right\} \cdot (-\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}) \times \partial_{i+1} \eta(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel})), \end{aligned}$$

where we used the notational convention for $\partial_{i+1} \eta$, the index $i+1 \pmod 2$. For $|\xi(x)| \ll 1$ (and therefore $|\mathbf{x}_{\perp}| \ll 1$) the matrix $\delta_{ki} + \mathbf{x}_{\perp} a_{ki}$ is invertible: there exists the inverse matrix G_{ij} such that $\sum_i (\delta_{ki} + \mathbf{x}_{\perp} a_{ki}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel})) G_{ij}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}) = \delta_{kj}$. Therefore we have

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\mathbf{v}}_{\parallel, j} &= \sum_i G_{ij}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}) \frac{(-1)^{i+1}}{-\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}) \cdot (\partial_1 \eta(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}) \times \partial_2 \eta(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}))} \\ & \quad \times \left\{ -2\mathbf{v}_{\perp} \mathbf{v}_{\parallel} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}) + \mathbf{v}_{\parallel} \cdot \nabla^2 \eta(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}) \cdot \mathbf{v}_{\parallel} - \mathbf{x}_{\perp} \mathbf{v}_{\parallel} \cdot \nabla^2 \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}) \cdot \mathbf{v}_{\parallel} \right. \\ & \quad \left. - E(s, -\mathbf{x}_{\perp} \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}) + \eta(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel})) \right\} \cdot (-\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}) \times \partial_{i+1} \eta(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel})) \\ & := F_{\parallel, j}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}). \end{aligned} \tag{4.15}$$

Here

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{bmatrix} G_{11} & G_{12} \\ G_{21} & G_{22} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{1 + \mathbf{x}_{\perp} (a_{11} + a_{22}) + (\mathbf{x}_{\perp})^2 (a_{11} a_{22} - a_{12} a_{21})} \begin{bmatrix} 1 + \mathbf{x}_{\perp} a_{22} & -\mathbf{x}_{\perp} a_{12} \\ -\mathbf{x}_{\perp} a_{21} & 1 + \mathbf{x}_{\perp} a_{11} \end{bmatrix}, \\ & \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{|\partial_1 \eta|^2 |\partial_2 \eta|^2 - (\partial_1 \eta \cdot \partial_2 \eta)^2} \\ & \quad \times \begin{bmatrix} |\partial_1 \mathbf{n}|^2 |\partial_2 \eta|^2 - (\partial_1 \mathbf{n} \cdot \partial_2 \mathbf{n})(\partial_1 \eta \cdot \partial_2 \eta) & -|\partial_1 \mathbf{n}|^2 (\partial_1 \eta \cdot \partial_2 \eta) + (\partial_1 \mathbf{n} \cdot \partial_2 \mathbf{n}) |\partial_1 \eta|^2 \\ (\partial_1 \mathbf{n} \cdot \partial_2 \mathbf{n}) |\partial_2 \eta|^2 - |\partial_2 \mathbf{n}|^2 (\partial_1 \eta \cdot \partial_2 \eta) & -(\partial_1 \mathbf{n} \cdot \partial_2 \mathbf{n})(\partial_1 \eta \cdot \partial_2 \eta) + |\partial_2 \mathbf{n}|^2 |\partial_1 \eta|^2 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned} \tag{4.16}$$

To complete the proof of (4.7), from $\dot{x} = v$ and $\dot{v} = E$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} v &= -\mathbf{v}_{\perp} \mathbf{n} + \mathbf{v}_{\parallel} \cdot \nabla \eta + \mathbf{x}_{\perp} [-\nabla n(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel})] \dot{\mathbf{x}}_{\parallel} \\ &= \dot{\mathbf{x}}_{\perp} (-\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel})) + \mathbf{x}_{\perp} [-\nabla \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel})] \dot{\mathbf{x}}_{\parallel} + \nabla \eta \dot{\mathbf{x}}_{\parallel} \\ E(s, -\mathbf{x}_{\perp} \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}) + \eta(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel})) &= \dot{\mathbf{v}}_{\perp} (-\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel})) - \mathbf{v}_{\perp} \nabla \mathbf{n} \dot{\mathbf{x}}_{\parallel} + \dot{\mathbf{v}}_{\parallel} \nabla \eta + \mathbf{v}_{\parallel} \nabla^2 \eta \dot{\mathbf{x}}_{\parallel} \\ & \quad + \dot{\mathbf{x}}_{\perp} \mathbf{v}_{\parallel} [-\nabla \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel})] + \mathbf{x}_{\perp} \dot{\mathbf{v}}_{\parallel} [-\nabla \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel})] + \mathbf{x}_{\perp} \mathbf{v}_{\parallel} [-\nabla^2 n] \dot{\mathbf{x}}_{\parallel}. \end{aligned}$$

We therefore conclude that $\dot{\mathbf{x}}_{\perp} = \mathbf{v}_{\perp}$, and $\dot{\mathbf{x}}_{\parallel} = \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}$ from $\Phi_{\mathbf{p}}^{-1}$. We then solve $\dot{\mathbf{v}}_{\perp}$ and $\dot{\mathbf{v}}_{\parallel}$ to obtain (4.7).

Now we prove (4.10) and (4.11). From (4.8) and (4.9), $\dot{\mathbf{x}}_{\parallel\ell} = \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell}$, $\dot{\mathbf{x}}_{\perp\ell} = \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}$ and $\dot{\mathbf{v}}_{\perp\ell} = F_{\perp\ell}$ and $\dot{\mathbf{v}}_{\parallel\ell} = F_{\parallel\ell}$. Denote $\partial = [\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\ell}^\ell}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}^\ell}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell}^\ell}]$. From (4.8) and (4.9),

$$\left[\begin{array}{c} |\partial F_{\perp}| \\ |\partial F_{\parallel}| \end{array} \right] \lesssim \left[\begin{array}{c} (O_{\xi, \|\nabla E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}}(1) + |V(\tau)|^2) \{|\partial \mathbf{x}_{\perp}| + |\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}|\} + |V(\tau)| |\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}| \\ (O_{\xi, \|\nabla E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}}(1) + |V(\tau)|^2) \{|\partial \mathbf{x}_{\perp}| + |\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}|\} + |V(\tau)| \{|\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp}| + |\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}|\} \end{array} \right]. \tag{4.17}$$

Now we use a single (rough) bound of $|\partial F_{\perp}| + |\partial F_{\parallel}| \lesssim (O_{\xi, \|\nabla E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}}(1) + |V(\tau)|^2) \{|\partial \mathbf{x}_{\perp}| + |\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}|\} + |V(\tau)| \{|\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp}| + |\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}|\}$ to have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d}{d\tau} \{|\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}(\tau)| + |\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell}(\tau)|\} \\ & \lesssim |\partial F_{\perp\ell}(\tau)| + |\partial F_{\parallel\ell}(\tau)| \\ & \lesssim (O_{\xi, \|\nabla E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}}(1) + |V(\tau)|^2) \{|\partial \mathbf{x}_{\perp\ell}(\tau)| + |\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\ell}(\tau)|\} + |V(\tau)| \{|\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}(\tau)| + |\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell}(\tau)|\}. \end{aligned}$$

Combining with $\frac{d}{d\tau} [\mathbf{x}_{\perp\ell}(\tau), \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\ell}(\tau)] = [\mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}(\tau), \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell}(\tau)]$ yields

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d}{d\tau} \left[\begin{array}{c} |\partial \mathbf{x}_{\perp\ell}(\tau)| + |\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\ell}(\tau)| \\ |\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}(\tau)| + |\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell}(\tau)| \end{array} \right] \\ & \lesssim_{\xi} \left[\begin{array}{cc} 0 & 1 \\ (O_{\xi, \|\nabla E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}}(1) + |V(\tau)|^2) & |V(\tau)| \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c} |\partial \mathbf{x}_{\perp\ell}(\tau)| + |\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\ell}(\tau)| \\ |\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}(\tau)| + |\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell}(\tau)| \end{array} \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{4.18}$$

Now for $M \gg 1$, let's first prove (4.10) for $|v| < M$. From (4.18) we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |\partial \mathbf{X}_{\ell}(\tau)| + |\partial \mathbf{V}_{\ell}(\tau)| \\ & \lesssim 1 + \int_{\tau}^{t^\ell} \left(1 + O_{\xi, \|\nabla E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}}(1) + |V(\tau')| + |V(\tau')|^2 \right) |\partial \mathbf{X}_{\ell}(\tau')| + |\partial \mathbf{V}_{\ell}(\tau')| d\tau' \\ & \lesssim 1 + \int_{\tau}^{t^\ell} \left(1 + O_{\xi, \|\nabla E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}}(1) + M^2 \right) |\partial \mathbf{X}_{\ell}(\tau')| + |\partial \mathbf{V}_{\ell}(\tau')| d\tau'. \end{aligned}$$

From Gronwall's inequality we have

$$|\partial \mathbf{X}_{\ell}(\tau)| + |\partial \mathbf{V}_{\ell}(\tau)| \lesssim_{\xi, \|\nabla E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}, M} 1. \tag{4.19}$$

For $\partial_{\mathbf{v}} = [\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}^\ell}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell}^\ell}]$, from (4.19) we have

$$|\partial_{\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{X}_{\ell}(\tau)| \leq \int_{\tau}^{t^\ell} |\partial_{\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{V}_{\ell}(\tau')| d\tau' \lesssim_{\xi, \|\nabla E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}, M} |\tau - t^\ell|. \tag{4.20}$$

And for $\partial_{\mathbf{x}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\ell}^\ell}$, from (4.18), (4.19) we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\partial_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{V}_{\ell}(\tau)| & \leq \int_{\tau}^{t^\ell} \left(O_{\xi, \|\nabla E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}}(1) + |V(\tau')|^2 \right) |\partial_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{X}_{\ell}(\tau')| + |V(\tau')| |\partial_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{V}_{\ell}(\tau')| d\tau' \\ & \lesssim \left(O_{\xi, \|\nabla E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}}(1) + |v|^2 \right) |\tau - t^\ell| + M \int_{\tau}^{t^\ell} |\partial_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{V}_{\ell}(\tau')| d\tau'. \end{aligned}$$

From Gronwall’s inequality we have

$$|\partial_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{V}_\ell(\tau)| \lesssim_{\xi, \|\nabla E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}}, M} \left(O_{\xi, \|\nabla E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}}} (1) + |v|^2 \right) |\tau - t^\ell|. \tag{4.21}$$

Combining (4.19), (4.20), and (4.21) we prove (4.10) for $|v| < M$.

For the case $|v| \geq M \gg 1$, we have $|V(\tau)| < 2|v|$, so

$$\frac{d}{d\tau} \begin{bmatrix} |\partial_{\mathbf{x}_\perp \ell}(\tau)| + |\partial_{\mathbf{x}_\parallel \ell}(\tau)| \\ |\partial_{\mathbf{v}_\perp \ell}(\tau)| + |\partial_{\mathbf{v}_\parallel \ell}(\tau)| \end{bmatrix} \lesssim_\xi \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ (O_{\xi, \|\nabla E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}}} (1) + |v|^2) & |v| \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} |\partial_{\mathbf{x}_\perp \ell}(\tau)| + |\partial_{\mathbf{x}_\parallel \ell}(\tau)| \\ |\partial_{\mathbf{v}_\perp \ell}(\tau)| + |\partial_{\mathbf{v}_\parallel \ell}(\tau)| \end{bmatrix}.$$

By Lemma 5.2 we prove our claim (4.10) for the case $|v| \geq M$. The proof of (4.11) is exactly same but we use $\partial = [\partial_{\mathbf{x}_\ell}(s), \partial_{\mathbf{v}_\ell}(s)]$ to conclude the proof.

We prove the first row of (4.12) by (4.17). By taking the time derivative to (4.8), (4.9) and applying (4.7) we prove the second row of (4.12). \square

5. Derivative estimate for the generalized characteristics

The main goal of this section is to prove the following key estimate for the derivatives of the generalized characteristics $(X_{\mathbf{c1}}(s; t, x, v), V_{\mathbf{c1}}(s; t, x, v))$ defined in (1.17).

THEOREM 5.1. *There exists $C = C(\Omega, E) > 0$ such that for all $(t, x, v) \in [0, T] \times \bar{\Omega} \times \mathbb{R}^3$, $0 \leq s \leq t$, with $s \neq t^\ell$ for $\ell = 1, 2, \dots, \ell_*$*

$$\begin{aligned} |\partial_x X_{\mathbf{c1}}(s; t, x, v)| &\lesssim e^{C|v|(t-s)} \frac{|v|+1}{\alpha(t, x, v)}, \\ |\partial_v X_{\mathbf{c1}}(s; t, x, v)| &\lesssim e^{C|v|(t-s)} \frac{1}{|v|+1}, \\ |\partial_x V_{\mathbf{c1}}(s; t, x, v)| &\lesssim e^{C|v|(t-s)} \frac{|v|^3+1}{\alpha^2(t, x, v)}, \\ |\partial_v V_{\mathbf{c1}}(s; t, x, v)| &\lesssim e^{C|v|(t-s)} \frac{|v|+1}{\alpha(t, x, v)}. \end{aligned} \tag{5.1}$$

In order to achieve this, we need a crucial bound on the backward exit time:

LEMMA 5.1. *Suppose $E(t, x) \cdot n(x) > c_E$ for all $x \in \partial\Omega$, then there exists $C = C(\Omega, E) \gg 1$ and $0 < T \ll 1$ such that for any $(t, x, v) \in [0, T] \times \bar{\Omega} \times \mathbb{R}^3$, $t^1(t, x, v) > 0$,*

$$\frac{|t-t^1|}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} + \frac{|t-t^1||v|}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} + \frac{|t-t^1||v|^2}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} < C. \tag{5.2}$$

And for $(t, x, v) \in [0, T] \times \gamma_+ \times \mathbb{R}^3$, $t^1(t, x, v) < 0$,

$$\frac{|t|}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp|} + \frac{|t||v|}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp|} + \frac{|t||v|^2}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp|} < C. \tag{5.3}$$

Proof. Let $N > 10(\|E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}} + 1)$ be fixed. Let’s first consider the case $(t, x, v) \in [0, T] \times \bar{\Omega} \times \mathbb{R}^3$, $t^1(t, x, v) > 0$, and prove

$$\frac{|t-t^1|}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \lesssim 1 \text{ for all } |v| < N. \tag{5.4}$$

From (4.8) we have

$$F_\perp(s) < -c_\xi |\mathbf{v}_\parallel|^2 - c_E + C_\xi \mathbf{x}_\perp |\mathbf{v}_\parallel|^2.$$

By choosing $T < \frac{c_\xi}{4NC_\xi}$, we have $\mathbf{x}_\perp < 2NT < \frac{c_\xi}{2C_\xi}$, thus

$$F_\perp(s) < -c_E - c_\xi |\mathbf{v}_\parallel|^2 + \frac{c_\xi}{2} |\mathbf{v}_\parallel|^2 < -c_E, \text{ for all } t^1 < s < t. \tag{5.5}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} 0 < \mathbf{x}_\perp(t) &= \int_{t^1}^t \mathbf{v}_\perp(s) ds \\ &= \int_{t^1}^t \left(-\mathbf{v}_\perp^1 + \int_{t^1}^s F_\perp(\tau) d\tau \right) ds \\ &= (t - t^1)(-\mathbf{v}_\perp^1) + \int_{t^1}^t \int_{t^1}^s F_\perp(\tau) d\tau ds. \end{aligned} \tag{5.6}$$

So from (5.5) and (5.6),

$$\frac{c_E}{2} (t - t^1)^2 < - \int_{t^1}^t \int_{t^1}^s F_\perp(\tau) d\tau ds < |t - t^1| |\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|. \tag{5.7}$$

Therefore $\frac{c_E}{2} (t - t^1) < |\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|$, and this proves (5.4).

Next, for $|v| \geq N$, let $d = \max_{x,y \in \bar{\Omega}} |x - y|$, then $\xi(X(t + t')) = 0$ for some $t' < \frac{2d}{N}$ by extending the field as $E(s, x) = E(T, x)$ for $s > T$ if necessary. So we can, without loss of generality, assume $x \in \partial\Omega$. We claim

$$\frac{|t - t^1| |v|^2}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \lesssim 1 \text{ for all } |v| \geq N. \tag{5.8}$$

Since $(x, v) \in \gamma_+$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \xi(x^1) \\ &= \xi(x) - \int_{t^1}^t \nabla \xi(X(s)) \cdot V(s) ds \\ &= -(t - t^1)v \cdot \nabla \xi(x) + \int_{t^1}^t \int_s^t (V(\tau) \cdot \nabla^2 \xi(X(\tau)) \cdot V(\tau) + E(\tau, X(\tau)) \cdot \nabla \xi(X(\tau))) d\tau ds. \end{aligned} \tag{5.9}$$

Note that for $T < \frac{N}{4\|E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}}}$, $\frac{|v|}{2} < |V(\tau)| < 2|v|$ for all $\tau \in [t^1, t]$. Thus from (5.9)

$$\begin{aligned} &|t - t^1| (v \cdot \nabla \xi(x)) \\ &\geq \frac{C}{8} |t - t^1|^2 |v|^2 + \int_{t^1}^t \int_s^t E(\tau, X(\tau)) \cdot \nabla \xi(X(\tau)) d\tau ds \\ &\geq \frac{C}{8} |t - t^1|^2 |v|^2 + \frac{|t - t^1|^2}{2} E(t, x) \cdot \nabla \xi(x) \\ &\quad - \int_{t^1}^t \int_s^t \int_\tau^t \frac{d}{d\tau'} (E(\tau', X(\tau')) \cdot \nabla \xi(X(\tau'))) d\tau' d\tau ds \\ &\geq \frac{C}{8} |t - t^1|^2 |v|^2 - |t - t^1|^3 C_{E,\xi} (1 + |v|) \\ &\geq |t - t^1|^2 \left(\frac{C}{8} |v|^2 - |t - t^1| C_{E,\xi} (1 + |v|) \right). \end{aligned} \tag{5.10}$$

Since $|v| \geq N$, we have $\frac{C}{8}|v|^2 - |t-t^1|C_{E,\xi}(1+|v|) > \frac{C}{20}|v|^2$. Therefore (5.10) gives

$$|v \cdot \nabla \xi(x)| > \frac{C}{20}|t-t^1||v|^2. \tag{5.11}$$

Then using the velocity lemma we have $|t-t^1||v|^2 \lesssim |v \cdot \nabla \xi(x)| \lesssim |\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|$, and we conclude (5.8).

Now combining (5.4) and (5.8) we actually have for all $(x,v) \in \gamma_+$,

$$\frac{|t-t^1|}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} + \frac{|t-t^1||v|^2}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \lesssim 1.$$

Therefore

$$\frac{|t-t^1||v|}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \leq \max\left\{\frac{|t-t^1|}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|}, \frac{|t-t^1||v|^2}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|}\right\} \lesssim 1,$$

and we conclude (5.2).

The proof of (5.3) is similar. If $|v| < N$, we have

$$0 < \mathbf{x}_\perp(0) = -\int_0^t \mathbf{v}_\perp(s) ds = -\int_0^t \left(\mathbf{v}_\perp - \int_s^t F_\perp(\tau) d\tau \right) ds = -t\mathbf{v}_\perp + \int_0^t \int_s^t F_\perp(\tau) d\tau ds, \tag{5.12}$$

So same as (5.7) we have

$$\frac{c_E}{2}t^2 < -\int_0^t \int_s^t F_\perp(\tau) d\tau ds < t|\mathbf{v}_\perp|.$$

Therefore $\frac{c_E}{2}t < |\mathbf{v}_\perp|$. And if $|v| > N$, similarly we get

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &> \xi(X(0)) \\ &= \xi(x) - \int_0^t \nabla \xi(X(s)) \cdot V(s) ds \\ &= -|t|(v \cdot \nabla \xi(x)) + \int_0^t \int_s^t (V(\tau) \cdot \nabla^2 \xi(X(\tau)) \cdot V(\tau) + E(\tau, X(\tau)) \cdot \nabla \xi(X(\tau))) d\tau ds. \end{aligned} \tag{5.13}$$

Then by the same argument as lines between (5.9) and (5.11) we get $|v \cdot \nabla \xi(x)| > \frac{C}{20}t|v|^2$, and this proves (5.3). \square

We need a version of Gronwall’s inequality for matrices:

LEMMA 5.2. *Let $m > 0$, $a(\tau), b(\tau), f(\tau), g(\tau) \geq 0$ for all $0 \leq \tau \leq t$, and satisfy $|v| > M \gg 1$, and*

$$\begin{bmatrix} a(\tau) \\ b(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \lesssim \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ m+|v|^2 & |v| \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \int_\tau^t a(\tau') d\tau' \\ \int_\tau^t b(\tau') d\tau' \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} g(t-\tau) \\ h(t-\tau) \end{bmatrix}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} a(\tau) \\ b(\tau) \end{bmatrix} &\lesssim e^{C(\tau-t)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & |\tau-t| \\ |v|^2|\tau-t| & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} g(0) \\ h(0) \end{bmatrix} \\ &+ \int_t^\tau e^{C(\tau-\tau')} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & |\tau-\tau'| \\ |v|^2|\tau-\tau'| & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} |g'(t-\tau')| \\ |h'(t-\tau')| \end{bmatrix} d\tau'. \end{aligned} \tag{5.14}$$

Proof. First we consider $A^\varepsilon, B^\varepsilon$ solving, for $\varepsilon > 0$,

$$\begin{bmatrix} A^\varepsilon(\tau) \\ B^\varepsilon(\tau) \end{bmatrix} = C \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ m + |v|^2 & |v| \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \int_\tau^t A^\varepsilon(\tau') d\tau' \\ \int_\tau^t B^\varepsilon(\tau') d\tau' \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} g(t-\tau) \\ h(t-\tau) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon \\ \varepsilon \end{bmatrix}. \tag{5.15}$$

We claim that

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} A^\varepsilon(\tau) \\ B^\varepsilon(\tau) \end{bmatrix} &\lesssim e^{C(\tau-t)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & |\tau-t| \\ |v|^2|\tau-t| & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} g(0)+\varepsilon \\ h(0)+\varepsilon \end{bmatrix} \\ &+ \int_t^\tau e^{C(\tau-\tau')} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & |\tau-\tau'| \\ |v|^2|\tau-\tau'| & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} |g'(t-\tau')| \\ |h'(t-\tau')| \end{bmatrix} d\tau'. \end{aligned} \tag{5.16}$$

We consider the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ m + |v|^2 & |v| \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ m + |v|^2 & |v| \end{bmatrix}$. Denote

$$r_1 := \frac{1 + \sqrt{5 + \frac{4m}{|v|^2}}}{2}, \quad r_2 := \frac{1 - \sqrt{5 + \frac{4m}{|v|^2}}}{2}, \quad r_3 := \frac{1}{\sqrt{5 + \frac{4m}{|v|^2}}}.$$

Then we diagonalize this matrix as

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ m + |v|^2 & |v| \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ r_1|v| & r_2|v| \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} r_1|v| & 0 \\ 0 & r_2|v| \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -r_2r_3 & r_3\frac{1}{|v|} \\ r_1r_3 & -r_3\frac{1}{|v|} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Denote $\begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A}^\varepsilon(\tau) \\ \mathcal{B}^\varepsilon(\tau) \end{bmatrix} := \begin{bmatrix} -r_2r_3 & r_3\frac{1}{|v|} \\ r_1r_3 & -r_3\frac{1}{|v|} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A^\varepsilon(\tau) \\ B^\varepsilon(\tau) \end{bmatrix}$ and rewrite the equations as

$$\frac{d}{d\tau} \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A}^\varepsilon(\tau) \\ \mathcal{B}^\varepsilon(\tau) \end{bmatrix} = C \begin{bmatrix} r_1|v| & 0 \\ 0 & r_2|v| \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A}^\varepsilon(\tau) \\ \mathcal{B}^\varepsilon(\tau) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -r_2r_3 & r_3\frac{1}{|v|} \\ r_1r_3 & -r_3\frac{1}{|v|} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} g'(t-\tau) \\ h'(t-\tau) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Directly we compute

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A}^\varepsilon(\tau) \\ \mathcal{B}^\varepsilon(\tau) \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} e^{Cr_1|v|(\tau-t)} \mathcal{A}^\varepsilon(t) \\ e^{Cr_2|v|(\tau-t)} \mathcal{B}^\varepsilon(t) \end{bmatrix} \\ &+ \int_t^\tau \begin{bmatrix} e^{Cr_2|v|(\tau-\tau')} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{Cr_2|v|(\tau-\tau')} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -r_2r_3 & r_3\frac{1}{|v|} \\ r_1r_3 & -r_3\frac{1}{|v|} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} g'(t-\tau') \\ h'(t-\tau') \end{bmatrix} d\tau'. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} A^\varepsilon(\tau) \\ B^\varepsilon(\tau) \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ r_1|v| & r_2|v| \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A}^\varepsilon(\tau) \\ \mathcal{B}^\varepsilon(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ r_1|v| & r_2|v| \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{Cr_1|v|(\tau-t)} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{Cr_2|v|(\tau-t)} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -r_2r_3 & r_3\frac{1}{|v|} \\ r_1r_3 & -r_3\frac{1}{|v|} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A^\varepsilon(t) \\ B^\varepsilon(t) \end{bmatrix} \\ &+ \int_t^\tau \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ r_1|v| & r_2|v| \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e^{Cr_1|v|(\tau-\tau')} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{Cr_2|v|(\tau-\tau')} \end{bmatrix} \\ &\quad \times \begin{bmatrix} -r_2r_3 & r_3\frac{1}{|v|} \\ r_1r_3 & -r_3\frac{1}{|v|} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} g'(t-\tau') \\ h'(t-\tau') \end{bmatrix} d\tau'. \end{aligned}$$

Directly, the RHS equals

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{bmatrix} r_3(r_1 e^{Cr_2|v|(\tau-t)} - r_2 e^{Cr_1|v|(\tau-t)}) & \frac{r_3}{|v|}(e^{Cr_1|v|(\tau-t)} - e^{Cr_2|v|(\tau-t)}) \\ -r_1 r_2 r_3 |v|(e^{Cr_1|v|(\tau-t)} - e^{Cr_2|v|(\tau-t)}) & r_3(r_1 e^{Cr_2|v|(\tau-t)} - r_2 e^{Cr_1|v|(\tau-t)}) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A^\varepsilon(t) \\ B^\varepsilon(t) \end{bmatrix} \\ & + \int_t^\tau \begin{bmatrix} r_3(r_1 e^{Cr_2|v|(\tau-\tau')} - r_2 e^{Cr_1|v|(\tau-\tau')}) & \frac{r_3}{|v|}(e^{Cr_1|v|(\tau-\tau')} - e^{Cr_2|v|(\tau-\tau')}) \\ -r_1 r_2 r_3 |v|(e^{Cr_1|v|(\tau-\tau')} - e^{Cr_2|v|(\tau-\tau')}) & r_3(r_1 e^{Cr_2|v|(\tau-\tau')} - r_2 e^{Cr_1|v|(\tau-\tau')}) \end{bmatrix} \\ & \quad \times \begin{bmatrix} g'(t-\tau') \\ h'(t-\tau') \end{bmatrix} d\tau'. \end{aligned}$$

Since $|v| > M$, we have $|r_1 - r_2| \lesssim 1$, so by expansion we have $|e^{Cr_1|v|(\tau-t)} - e^{Cr_2|v|(\tau-t)}| \lesssim_{C,\varepsilon,\delta} |v| |\tau - t| e^{C\varepsilon,\delta|v|(\tau-t)}$. Therefore we conclude (5.16).

Now we claim

$$a(\tau) \leq A(\tau), \quad b(\tau) \leq B(\tau), \quad \text{for all } \tau \leq t. \tag{5.17}$$

First we claim that $a(\tau) \leq A^\varepsilon(\tau)$ and $b(\tau) \leq B^\varepsilon(\tau)$ for all τ . Otherwise, we should have at least for some time τ_0 such that $a(\tau) \leq A^\varepsilon(\tau)$ and $b(\tau) \leq B^\varepsilon(\tau)$ for $\tau_0 \leq \tau \leq t$ but either $a(\tau) > A^\varepsilon(\tau)$ or $b(\tau) > B^\varepsilon(\tau)$ for a small neighborhood of $\tau > \tau_0$. Especially either $a(\tau_0) = A^\varepsilon(\tau_0)$ or $b(\tau_0) = B^\varepsilon(\tau_0)$. But this is impossible. Since

$$\begin{bmatrix} A^\varepsilon(\tau) - a(\tau) \\ B^\varepsilon(\tau) - b(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \geq C \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ m + |v|^2 & |v| \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \int_{\tau_0}^t (A^\varepsilon(\tau') - a(\tau')) d\tau' \\ \int_{\tau_0}^t (B^\varepsilon(\tau') - b(\tau')) d\tau' \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon \\ \varepsilon \end{bmatrix},$$

we have $\begin{bmatrix} A^\varepsilon(\tau) - a(\tau) \\ B^\varepsilon(\tau) - b(\tau) \end{bmatrix} \geq \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon \\ \varepsilon \end{bmatrix} > 0$ as $\tau \rightarrow \tau_0^+$. Then we prove the inequalities (5.17) by letting $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$. Finally we prove the claim (5.14) from (5.16) and (5.17) and letting $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$. \square

Proof. (Proof of Theorem 5.1.) First we consider the case of $t < t_b(t, x, v)$. Directly

$$\left| \frac{\partial(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s; t, x, v), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s, t, x, v))}{\partial(t, x, v)} \right| \lesssim \begin{bmatrix} |v| + (t-s) & 1 & (t-s) \\ \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + (t-s) & |v| + (t-s) & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The computation will be the same as that we will get for (5.30).

Now we consider the case of $t \geq t_b(t, x, v)$. We split our proof into 10 steps.

Step 1. Moving frames and grouping with respect to the scaling $t|v| = L_\xi$, with fixed $0 < L_\xi \ll 1$.

Fix $(t, x, v) \in [0, \infty) \times \bar{\Omega} \times \mathbb{R}^3$. Also we fix a small constant δ such that $\delta \ll \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}$. We define, at the boundary,

$$\mathbf{r}^\ell := \frac{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^\ell|}{|v^\ell|}. \tag{5.18}$$

Bounces ℓ (and (t^ℓ, x^ℓ, v^ℓ)) are categorized as *Type I*, *Type II*, or *Type III*:

- all the bounces ℓ are *Type I* if and only if $|v| \leq \delta$,
 - a bounce ℓ is *Type II* if and only if $|v| > \delta, \mathbf{r}^\ell \leq \sqrt{\delta}$,
 - a bounce ℓ is *Type III* if and only if $|v| > \delta, \mathbf{r}^\ell > \sqrt{\delta}$.
- $$\tag{5.19}$$

Now we choose $T < \frac{\sqrt{\delta}}{\|E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}}^2 + 1}$. Then if $|v| \leq \delta$, we have

$$\max_{t^{\ell+1} \leq s \leq t^\ell} |\xi(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s; t^\ell, x^\ell, v^\ell))| \leq |v|T + \|E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}} T^2 \leq 2\delta.$$

And if $|v| > \delta, \mathbf{r}^\ell \leq \sqrt{\delta}$, we have from (5.2)

$$\max_{t^{\ell+1} \leq s \leq t^\ell} |\xi(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s; t^\ell, x^\ell, v^\ell))| \lesssim |t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2 |v^\ell|^2 + (\|E\|_{L^\infty_{t,x}}^2 + 1)T^2 \lesssim \left(\frac{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^\ell|}{|v^\ell|}\right)^2 + \delta \lesssim \delta.$$

Therefore if a bounce ℓ is *Type I* or *Type II* then $\max_{t^{\ell+1} \leq \tau \leq t^\ell} |\xi(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau; t, x, v))| \leq C\delta$.

Now we assign a coordinate chart for each bounce ℓ (moving frames). For *Type I* bounces ℓ in (5.19) we let $\mathbf{p}^\ell = (z^\ell, w^\ell)$ with $z^\ell = x^\ell$ and $w^\ell = \tau_1(x^\ell)$. We choose \mathbf{p}^ℓ -spherical coordinate in Lemma 4.1 and (4.4) with this \mathbf{p}^ℓ .

For *Type II* bounce ℓ , we choose $\mathbf{p}^\ell := (z^\ell, w^\ell)$ on $\partial\Omega \times \mathbb{S}^2$ with $n(z^\ell) \cdot w^\ell = 0$

$$z^\ell = x^\ell, \quad w^\ell = \frac{v^\ell - (v^\ell \cdot n(z^\ell))n(z^\ell)}{|v^\ell - (v^\ell \cdot n(z^\ell))n(z^\ell)|}. \tag{5.20}$$

Note that, by the definition of *Type I* bounce, $|v^\ell - (v^\ell \cdot n(z^\ell))n(z^\ell)|^2 = |v|^2 - |\mathbf{v}_\perp^\ell|^2 \gtrsim |v|^2(1 - \delta) \gtrsim_\delta |v|^2$ and hence w^ℓ is well-defined.

Moreover for *Type I* and *Type II* bounces

$$|X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s; t, x, v) - \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{p}^\ell}| \gtrsim C_\delta > 0, \tag{5.21}$$

for $|v||t^\ell - s| \leq \frac{1}{100} \min_{x \in \partial\Omega} |x|$. This is due to the fact that the projection of $V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)$ on the plane passing z^ℓ and perpendicular to $n(z^\ell) \times w^\ell$ is at most $|v|$ magnitude but the distance from z^ℓ to the origin (the projection of poles $\mathcal{N}_{\mathbf{p}^\ell}$ and $\mathcal{S}_{\mathbf{p}^\ell}$) has lower bound $\frac{1}{10} \min_{x \in \partial\Omega} |x|, |s - t^\ell| \ll 1$.

For *Type III* bounce $\ell(t^\ell, x^\ell, v^\ell)$, we choose $\mathbf{p}^\ell = (z^\ell, w^\ell)$ with $|z^\ell - x^\ell| \leq \sqrt{\delta}$ and we choose arbitrary $w^\ell \in \mathbb{S}^2$ satisfying $n(z^\ell) \cdot w^\ell = 0$. Note that unlike *Type I*, this \mathbf{p}^ℓ -spherical coordinate might not be defined for $s \in [t^{\ell+1}, t^\ell]$ but only defined near the boundary.

Whenever the moving frame is defined (for all $\tau \in (t^{\ell+1}, t^\ell]$ when ℓ is *Type I* or *Type II*, and $|\tau - t^\ell| \ll 1$ when ℓ is *Type III*) we denote, by (4.4),

$$(\mathbf{X}_\ell(\tau), \mathbf{V}_\ell(\tau)) = (\mathbf{x}_{\perp\ell}(\tau), \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\ell}(\tau), \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}(\tau), \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell}(\tau)) := \Phi_{\mathbf{p}^\ell}^{-1}(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau)).$$

Especially at the boundary we denote

$$(\mathbf{x}_{\perp\ell}^\ell, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\ell}^\ell, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}^\ell, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell}^\ell) := \lim_{\tau \uparrow t^\ell} (\mathbf{X}_\ell(\tau), \mathbf{V}_\ell(\tau)), \quad \text{with } \mathbf{x}_{\perp\ell}^\ell = 0, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}^\ell \geq 0.$$

Then we define

$$(\mathbf{x}_{\perp\ell}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\ell}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell}^{\ell+1}) = \lim_{\tau \downarrow t^{\ell+1}} (\mathbf{x}_{\perp\ell}(\tau), \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\ell}(\tau), \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell}(\tau)),$$

and

$$\mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}^{\ell+1} := - \lim_{\tau \downarrow t^{\ell+1}} \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}(\tau). \tag{5.22}$$

Now we regroup the indices of the specular cycles, without order changing, as

$$\{0, 1, 2, \dots, \ell_* - 1, \ell_*\} = \{0\} \cup \mathcal{G}_1 \cup \mathcal{G}_2 \cup \dots \cup \mathcal{G}_{\lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} \cup \mathcal{G}_{\lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor + 1},$$

where $\lfloor a \rfloor \in \mathbb{N}$ is the greatest integer less than or equal to a . Each group is

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{G}_1 &= \{1, \dots, \ell_1 - 1, \ell_1\}, \\ \mathcal{G}_2 &= \{\ell_1, \ell_1 + 1, \dots, \ell_2 - 1, \ell_2\}, \\ &\vdots \\ \mathcal{G}_{\lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} &= \{\ell_{\lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor - 1}, \ell_{\lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor - 1} + 1, \dots, \ell_{\lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} - 1, \ell_{\lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor}\}, \\ \mathcal{G}_{\lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor + 1} &= \{\ell_{\lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor}, \ell_{\lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 1, \dots, \ell_*\}, \end{aligned} \tag{5.23}$$

where $\ell_1 = \inf\{\ell \in \mathbb{N} : |v| \times |t^0 - t^{\ell_1}| \geq L_\xi\}$ and inductively

$$\ell_i = \inf\{\ell \in \mathbb{N} : |v| \times |t^{\ell_i} - t^{\ell_i+1}| \geq L_\xi\}, \tag{5.24}$$

and we have denoted $\ell_* = \ell_{\lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor + 1}$.

Our analysis is carried out in each group G_i . We note that within each G_i , $|t^{\ell_i} - t^{\ell_i+1}||v| < L_\xi$ by our design, so from the velocity lemma, r_{ℓ_i} is comparable to each other, so is $|v^\ell|$. By the chain rule, with the assigned \mathbf{p}^ℓ -spherical coordinate (moving frame), we have for fixed $0 \leq s \leq t$ and $s \in (t^{\ell_*+1}, t^{\ell_*})$

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{\partial(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s; t, x, v), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s; t, x, v))}{\partial(t, x, v)} \\ &= \frac{\partial(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s))}{\partial(t^{\ell_*}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell_*}^{\ell_*}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp \ell_*}^{\ell_*}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell_*}^{\ell_*})} \\ &\quad \text{from the last bounce to the } s\text{-plane} \\ &\times \underbrace{\prod_{i=1}^{\lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L_*} \rfloor} \frac{\partial(t^{\ell_{i+1}}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell_{i+1}}^{\ell_{i+1}}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp \ell_{i+1}}^{\ell_{i+1}}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell_{i+1}}^{\ell_{i+1}})}{\partial(t^{\ell_{i+1}-1}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell_{i+1}-1}^{\ell_{i+1}-1}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp \ell_{i+1}-1}^{\ell_{i+1}-1}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell_{i+1}-1}^{\ell_{i+1}-1})}}_{i\text{-th intermediate group}} \times \dots \times \frac{\partial(t^{\ell_i+1}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell_i+1}^{\ell_i+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp \ell_i+1}^{\ell_i+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell_i+1}^{\ell_i+1})}{\partial(t^{\ell_i}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell_i}^{\ell_i}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp \ell_i}^{\ell_i}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell_i}^{\ell_i})}}_{\text{whole intermediate groups}} \\ &\times \underbrace{\frac{\partial(t^1, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel 1}^1, \mathbf{v}_{\perp 1}^1, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel 1}^1)}{\partial(t, x, v)}}_{\text{from the } t\text{-plane to the first bounce}}. \end{aligned} \tag{5.25}$$

Before we start to calculate the matrix for any bounces, we first prove a claim that will be used later: there exists a constant $C = C(\xi)$ such that for any bounce ℓ and any $t^{\ell+1} < s < t^\ell$ we have

$$\left| \frac{\partial F_\perp(s)}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\partial F_\perp(s)}{\partial t^\ell} \right| + \left| \frac{\partial F_\parallel(s)}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\partial F_\parallel(s)}{\partial t^\ell} \right| < C \| \partial_t E \|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}. \tag{5.26}$$

By direct computation we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp(s)}{\partial t^\ell} &= -\mathbf{v}_\perp(s) + \int_s^{t^\ell} \int_\tau^{t^\ell} (\partial_{\tau'} F_\perp(\tau') + \partial_{t^\ell} F_\perp(\tau')) d\tau' d\tau, \\
 \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s)}{\partial t^\ell} &= -\mathbf{v}_\parallel(s) + \int_s^{t^\ell} \int_\tau^{t^\ell} (\partial_{\tau'} F_\parallel(\tau') + \partial_{t^\ell} F_\parallel(\tau')) d\tau' d\tau, \\
 \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s)}{\partial t^\ell} &= -F_\parallel(s) - \int_s^{t^\ell} (\partial_\tau F_\parallel(\tau) + \partial_{t^\ell} F_\parallel(\tau)) d\tau, \\
 \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp(s)}{\partial t^\ell} &= -F_\perp(s) - \int_s^{t^\ell} (\partial_\tau F_\perp(\tau) + \partial_{t^\ell} F_\perp(\tau)) d\tau,
 \end{aligned} \tag{5.27}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left| \frac{\partial F_\perp(s)}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\partial F_\perp(s)}{\partial t^\ell} \right| + \left| \frac{\partial F_\parallel(s)}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\partial F_\parallel(s)}{\partial t^\ell} \right| \\
 &= \left| \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\perp} F_\perp \cdot \left(\mathbf{v}_\perp(s) + \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp(s)}{\partial t^\ell} \right) + \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\parallel} F_\perp \cdot \left(\mathbf{v}_\parallel(s) + \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s)}{\partial t^\ell} \right) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + \nabla_{\mathbf{v}_\parallel} F_\perp \cdot \left(F_\parallel(s) + \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s)}{\partial t^\ell} \right) - \partial_s E \cdot \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) \right| \\
 & \quad + \left| \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\perp} F_\parallel \cdot \left(\mathbf{v}_\perp(s) + \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp(s)}{\partial t^\ell} \right) + \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\parallel} F_\parallel \cdot \left(\mathbf{v}_\parallel(s) + \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s)}{\partial t^\ell} \right) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + \nabla_{\mathbf{v}_\perp} F_\parallel \cdot \left(F_\perp(s) + \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp(s)}{\partial t^\ell} \right) + \nabla_{\mathbf{v}_\parallel} F_\parallel \cdot \left(F_\parallel(s) + \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s)}{\partial t^\ell} \right) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - \sum_{i=1,2} G_{\mathbf{p},ij}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp\mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}) \frac{(-1)^i \partial_s E(s, -\mathbf{x}_\perp \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) + \eta(\mathbf{x}_\parallel)) \cdot \{ \mathbf{n}_\mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}) \times \partial_{i+1} \eta_\mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}) \}}{\mathbf{n}_\mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}) \cdot (\partial_1 \eta_\mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}) \times \partial_2 \eta_\mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel\mathbf{p}}))} \right|. \tag{5.28}
 \end{aligned}$$

Then from (5.27), (5.28), and using the fact that $\|\nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\parallel, \mathbf{x}_\perp} F_\parallel\|_\infty + \|\nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\parallel, \mathbf{x}_\perp} F_\perp\|_\infty \lesssim |v|^2 + 1$, $\|\nabla_{\mathbf{v}_\parallel} F_\perp\|_\infty + \|\nabla_{\mathbf{v}_\perp, \mathbf{v}_\parallel} F_\parallel\|_\infty \lesssim |v| + 1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left| \frac{\partial F_\perp(s)}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\partial F_\perp(s)}{\partial t^\ell} \right| + \left| \frac{\partial F_\parallel(s)}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\partial F_\parallel(s)}{\partial t^\ell} \right| \\
 & \lesssim (|v|^2 + 1) \int_s^{t^\ell} \int_\tau^{t^\ell} (|\partial_{\tau'} F_\perp(\tau') + \partial_{t^\ell} F_\perp(\tau')| + |\partial_{\tau'} F_\parallel(\tau') + \partial_{t^\ell} F_\parallel(\tau')|) d\tau' d\tau \\
 & \quad + (|v| + 1) \int_s^{t^\ell} (|\partial_{\tau'} F_\perp(\tau') + \partial_{t^\ell} F_\perp(\tau')| + |\partial_{\tau'} F_\parallel(\tau') + \partial_{t^\ell} F_\parallel(\tau')|) d\tau' + \|\partial_s E\|_\infty \\
 & \lesssim (|v|^2 + 1) \int_s^{t^\ell} (\tau' - s) (|\partial_{\tau'} F_\perp(\tau') + \partial_{t^\ell} F_\perp(\tau')| + |\partial_{\tau'} F_\parallel(\tau') + \partial_{t^\ell} F_\parallel(\tau')|) d\tau' \\
 & \quad + (|v| + 1) \int_s^{t^\ell} (|\partial_{\tau'} F_\perp(\tau') + \partial_{t^\ell} F_\perp(\tau')| + |\partial_{\tau'} F_\parallel(\tau') + \partial_{t^\ell} F_\parallel(\tau')|) d\tau' + \|\partial_s E\|_\infty \\
 & \lesssim (|v| + 1) \int_s^{t^\ell} (|\partial_{\tau'} F_\perp(\tau') + \partial_{t^\ell} F_\perp(\tau')| + |\partial_{\tau'} F_\parallel(\tau') + \partial_{t^\ell} F_\parallel(\tau')|) d\tau' + \|\partial_s E\|_\infty, \tag{5.29}
 \end{aligned}$$

where for the second inequality we switch the order of integration $\int_s^\ell \int_\tau^\ell 1 d\tau' d\tau = \int_s^\ell \int_s^{\tau'} 1 d\tau d\tau' = \int_s^\ell (\tau' - s) d\tau'$, and for the third inequality we use $|v|(t^\ell - s) \lesssim 1$.

Therefore from (5.28) and Gronwall's inequality we get

$$\left| \frac{\partial F_\perp(s)}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\partial F_\perp(s)}{\partial t^\ell} \right| + \left| \frac{\partial F_\parallel(s)}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\partial F_\parallel(s)}{\partial t^\ell} \right| \lesssim \|\partial_s E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} e^{\int_s^{t^\ell} (|v|+1) d\tau'} \lesssim \|\partial_s E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty},$$

and this proves (5.26).

Step 2. From the last bounce ℓ_ to the s -plane*

We choose $s^{\ell_*} \in (\frac{t^{\ell_*}+s}{2}, t^{\ell_*}) \subset (s, t^{\ell_*})$ such that $|v||t^{\ell_*} - s^{\ell_*}| \ll 1$ and the ℓ_* -spherical coordinate $(\mathbf{X}_{\ell_*}(s^{\ell_*}), \mathbf{V}_{\ell_*}(s^{\ell_*}))$ is well-defined regardless of types of ℓ_* in (5.19). Notice that s^{ℓ_*} is independent of t^{ℓ_*} and s so that $\frac{\partial s^{\ell_*}}{\partial t^{\ell_*}} = 0 = \frac{\partial s^{\ell_*}}{\partial s}$.

We first follow the flow in (x, v) co-ordinate to near the boundary at $t = s^{\ell_*}$, change to the chart to (X, V) , then follow the flow in (X, V) . Regarding s^{ℓ_*} as a free variable, by the chain rule,

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s))}{\partial(t^{\ell_*}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell_*}^{\ell_*}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp \ell_*}^{\ell_*}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell_*}^{\ell_*})} \\ &= \frac{\partial(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s))}{\partial(s^{\ell_*}, \mathbf{X}_{\ell_*}(s^{\ell_*}), \mathbf{V}_{\ell_*}(s^{\ell_*}))} \frac{\partial(s^{\ell_*}, \mathbf{x}_{\perp \ell_*}(s^{\ell_*}), \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell_*}(s^{\ell_*}), \mathbf{v}_{\perp \ell_*}(s^{\ell_*}), \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell_*}(s^{\ell_*}))}{\partial(t^{\ell_*}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell_*}^{\ell_*}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp \ell_*}^{\ell_*}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell_*}^{\ell_*})} \\ &= \frac{\partial(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s))}{\partial(s^{\ell_*}, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell_*}), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell_*}))} \frac{\partial(s^{\ell_*}, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell_*}), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell_*}))}{\partial(s^{\ell_*}, \mathbf{X}_{\ell_*}(s^{\ell_*}), \mathbf{V}_{\ell_*}(s^{\ell_*}))} \\ & \quad \times \frac{\partial(s^{\ell_*}, \mathbf{x}_{\perp \ell_*}(s^{\ell_*}), \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell_*}(s^{\ell_*}), \mathbf{v}_{\perp \ell_*}(s^{\ell_*}), \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell_*}(s^{\ell_*}))}{\partial(t^{\ell_*}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell_*}^{\ell_*}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp \ell_*}^{\ell_*}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell_*}^{\ell_*})}. \end{aligned}$$

Firstly, we claim

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s))}{\partial(s^{\ell_*}, \mathbf{X}_{\ell_*}(s^{\ell_*}), \mathbf{V}_{\ell_*}(s^{\ell_*}))} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} -V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell_*}) + O(1)|s^{\ell_*} - s| & O_{\xi}(1)(1 + |v||s^{\ell_*} - s|) & O_{\xi}(1)|s^{\ell_*} - s| \\ -E - O(1)(s^{\ell_*} - s)|v| & O_{\xi}(1)(|v| + |s^{\ell_*} - s|) & O_{\xi}(1)(1 + |s^{\ell_*} - s|) \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned} \tag{5.30}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s) &= X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell_*}) - \int_s^{s^{\ell_*}} V_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau) d\tau = X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell_*}) - (s^{\ell_*} - s)V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell_*}) \\ & \quad + \int_s^{s^{\ell_*}} \int_{\tau}^{s^{\ell_*}} E(\tau', X_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau')) d\tau' d\tau, \\ V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s) &= V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell_*}) - \int_s^{s^{\ell_*}} E(\tau, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau)) d\tau, \end{aligned} \tag{5.31}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)}{\partial s^{\ell_*}} \\ &= -V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell_*}) + \int_s^{s^{\ell_*}} \left[E(s^{\ell_*}, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell_*})) + \int_{\tau}^{s^{\ell_*}} \nabla_x E(\tau', X_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau')) \frac{\partial X_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau')}{\partial s^{\ell_*}} d\tau' \right] d\tau \\ &= -V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell_*}) + (s^{\ell_*} - s)E(s^{\ell_*}, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell_*})) + \int_s^{s^{\ell_*}} \int_s^{\tau'} \nabla_x E(\tau', X_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau')) \frac{\partial X_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau')}{\partial s^{\ell_*}} d\tau d\tau' \\ &= -V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell_*}) + (s^{\ell_*} - s)E(s^{\ell_*}, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell_*})) + \int_s^{s^{\ell_*}} (\tau' - s) \nabla_x E(\tau', X_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau')) \frac{\partial X_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau')}{\partial s^{\ell_*}} d\tau'. \end{aligned} \tag{5.32}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\perp, \parallel}(s^\ell)}{\partial t^\ell} &= -\mathbf{v}_{\perp, \parallel}(t^\ell) - \int_{s^\ell}^{t^\ell} \partial_{t^\ell} \mathbf{v}_{\perp, \parallel}(\tau) d\tau \\
 &= -\mathbf{v}_{\perp, \parallel}(s^\ell) - \int_{s^\ell}^{t^\ell} F_{\perp, \parallel}(s) ds - \int_{s^\ell}^{t^\ell} \partial_{t^\ell} \mathbf{v}_{\perp, \parallel}(\tau) \\
 &= -\mathbf{v}_{\perp, \parallel}(s^\ell) + \int_{s^\ell}^{t^\ell} \int_{\tau}^{t^\ell} (\partial_{t^\ell} F_{\perp, \parallel}(\tau') + \partial_{\tau} F_{\perp, \parallel}(\tau')) d\tau' d\tau.
 \end{aligned} \tag{5.38}$$

Then from (5.26) we get the desired estimate for the first column of (5.36).

Now we turn to other entries in (5.36). From the characteristics ODE, (4.7) in the \mathbf{p}^ℓ -spherical coordinate, (4.10), (4.11), and (4.12), we deduce (5.36) for $|v||s^\ell - t^\ell| \lesssim 1$.

Step 3. From t -plane to the first bounce.

We choose $s^1 \in (t^1, \frac{t^1+t}{2}) \subset (t^1, t)$ such that $|v||t^1 - s^1| \ll 1$ and the polar coordinate $(\mathbf{X}_1(s^1), \mathbf{V}_1(s^1))$ is well-defined. More precisely we choose $0 < \Delta$ such that $|v||t - \Delta - t^1| \ll 1$ and define

$$s^1 := t - \Delta. \tag{5.39}$$

We first follow the flow in the cartesian coordinate to near the boundary at s^1 , change to the chart to \mathbf{p}^ℓ -spherical coordinate, then follow the flow in that coordinate.

Then, by the chain rule,

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\frac{\partial(t^1, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel 1}^1, \mathbf{v}_{\perp 1}^1, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel 1}^1)}{\partial(t, x, v)} \\
 &= \frac{\partial(t^1, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel 1}^1, \mathbf{v}_{\perp 1}^1, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel 1}^1)}{\partial(s^1, X_{\text{cl}}(s^1), V_{\text{cl}}(s^1))} \frac{\partial(s^1, X_{\text{cl}}(s^1), V_{\text{cl}}(s^1))}{\partial(t, x, v)} \\
 &= \frac{\partial(t^1, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel 1}^1, \mathbf{v}_{\perp 1}^1, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel 1}^1)}{\partial(s^1, \mathbf{x}_{\perp 1}(s^1), \mathbf{x}_{\parallel 1}(s^1), \mathbf{v}_{\perp 1}(s^1), \mathbf{v}_{\parallel 1}(s^1))} \frac{\partial(s^1, \mathbf{X}_1(s^1), \mathbf{V}_1(s^1))}{\partial(s^1, X_{\text{cl}}(s^1), V_{\text{cl}}(s^1))} \frac{\partial(s^1, X_{\text{cl}}(s^1), V_{\text{cl}}(s^1))}{\partial(t, x, v)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

We fix \mathbf{p}^1 -spherical coordinate and drop the index of the chart.

Firstly, we claim

$$\frac{\partial(t^1, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel 1}^1, \mathbf{v}_{\perp 1}^1, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel 1}^1)}{\partial(s^1, \mathbf{x}_{\perp}(s^1), \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}(s^1), \mathbf{v}_{\perp}(s^1), \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}(s^1))} \lesssim \Omega$$

$\frac{ v }{ v_{\perp 1}^1 } + \frac{O(1) s^1 - t^1 }{ v_{\perp 1}^1 }$	$\frac{1}{ v_{\perp 1}^1 }$	$\frac{(v ^2 + O(1)) s^1 - t^1 ^2}{ v_{\perp 1}^1 }$	$\frac{ s^1 - t^1 }{ v_{\perp 1}^1 }$	$\frac{(v + O(1)) s^1 - t^1 ^2}{ v_{\perp 1}^1 }$
$\frac{ v ^2 + O(1)}{ v_{\perp 1}^1 } + \frac{ v ^3 + O(1)}{ v_{\perp 1}^1 }$	$\frac{ v }{ v_{\perp 1}^1 } + (v ^2 + O(1)) s^1 - t^1 ^2$	$\mathbf{Id}_{2,2} + (v + O(1)) s^1 - t^1 $	$\frac{ s^1 - t^1 v }{ v_{\perp 1}^1 }$	$ s^1 - t^1 $
$\frac{ v ^2 + O(1)}{ v_{\perp 1}^1 } + \frac{ v ^3 + O(1)}{ v_{\perp 1}^1 }$	$\frac{ v ^2 + O(1)}{ v_{\perp 1}^1 } + (v ^2 + O(1)) s^1 - t^1 $	$(v ^2 + O(1)) s^1 - t^1 $	$1 + v s^1 - t^1 $	$(v + O(1)) s^1 - t^1 $
$\frac{ v ^2 + O(1)}{ v_{\perp 1}^1 } + \frac{ v ^3 + O(1)}{ v_{\perp 1}^1 }$	$\frac{ v ^2 + O(1)}{ v_{\perp 1}^1 } + (v ^2 + O(1)) s^1 - t^1 $	$(v ^2 + O(1)) s^1 - t^1 $	$1 + v s^1 - t^1 $	$\mathbf{Id}_2 + (v + O(1)) s^1 - t^1 $

(5.40)

The t^1 is determined via $\mathbf{x}_{\perp}(t^1) = 0$, i.e.

$$0 = \mathbf{x}_{\perp}(s^1) - \mathbf{v}_{\perp}(s^1)(s^1 - t^1) + \int_{t^1}^{s^1} \int_s^{s^1} F_{\perp}(\mathbf{X}(\tau), \mathbf{V}_{\text{cl}}(\tau)) d\tau ds, \tag{5.41}$$

where

$$\mathbf{X}(\tau) = \mathbf{X}(\tau; s^1, \mathbf{X}(s^1; t, x, v), \mathbf{V}(s^1; t, x, v)), \mathbf{V}(\tau) = \mathbf{V}(\tau; s^1, \mathbf{X}(s^1; t, x, v), \mathbf{V}(s^1; t, x, v)).$$

For $\partial \in \{\partial_{\mathbf{x}_\perp(s^1)}, \partial_{\mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^1)}, \partial_{\mathbf{v}_\perp(s^1)}, \partial_{\mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^1)}\}$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{v}_\perp(s^1) \partial t^1 - \partial t^1 \int_{t^1}^{s^1} F_\perp(\mathbf{X}(\tau), \mathbf{V}(\tau)) d\tau + \partial_{\mathbf{x}_\perp}(s^1) - \partial_{\mathbf{v}_\perp}(s^1)(s^1 - t^1) \\ & + \int_{t^1}^{s^1} \int_s^{s^1} \{\partial \mathbf{X}(\tau) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{X}} F_\perp + \partial \mathbf{V}(\tau) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{V}} F_\perp\}(\mathbf{X}(\tau), \mathbf{V}(\tau)) d\tau ds = 0. \end{aligned} \tag{5.42}$$

But $\mathbf{v}_\perp^1 = -\lim_{s \downarrow t^1} \mathbf{v}_\perp(s) = -\mathbf{v}_\perp(s^1) + \int_{t^1}^{s^1} F_\perp(\mathbf{X}(\tau), \mathbf{V}(\tau)) d\tau$, we apply Lemma 4.2 and $|s^1 - t^1| \lesssim_\xi \min\{\frac{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|}{|v|^2}, t\}$ and (5.2),

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial t^1}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp(s^1)} \\ \frac{\partial t^1}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^1)} \\ \frac{\partial t^1}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp(s^1)} \\ \frac{\partial t^1}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^1)} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\mathbf{v}_\perp^1} \left\{ 1 + \int_{t^1}^{s^1} \int_s^{s^1} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp(s^1)} F_\perp(\mathbf{X}(\tau), \mathbf{V}(\tau)) d\tau ds \right\} \\ \frac{1}{\mathbf{v}_\perp^1} \int_{t^1}^{s^1} \int_s^{s^1} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^1)} F_\perp(\mathbf{X}(\tau), \mathbf{V}(\tau)) d\tau ds \\ \frac{1}{\mathbf{v}_\perp^1} \left\{ (t^1 - s^1) + \int_{t^1}^{s^1} \int_s^{s^1} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp(s^1)} F_\perp(\mathbf{X}(\tau), \mathbf{V}(\tau)) d\tau ds \right\} \\ \frac{1}{\mathbf{v}_\perp^1} \int_{t^1}^{s^1} \int_s^{s^1} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^1)} F_\perp(\mathbf{X}(\tau), \mathbf{V}(\tau)) d\tau ds \end{bmatrix} \lesssim_{\xi, t} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \\ \frac{(|v|^2 + O(1))|s^1 - t^1|^2}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \\ \frac{|s^1 - t^1|}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \\ \frac{(|v| + O(1))|s^1 - t^1|^2}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \end{bmatrix},$$

Taking $(\mathbf{x}(s^1), \mathbf{v}(s^1))$ derivatives of the characteristic equations

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v}_\perp^1 &= -\lim_{s \downarrow t^1} \mathbf{v}_\perp(s) = -\mathbf{v}_\perp(s^1) + \int_{t^1}^{s^1} F_\perp(\mathbf{X}_{\text{cl}}(\tau), \mathbf{V}_{\text{cl}}(\tau)) d\tau, \\ \mathbf{x}_\parallel^1 &= \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^1) - \int_{t^1}^{s^1} \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s) ds, \\ \mathbf{v}_\parallel^1 &= \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^1) - \int_{t^1}^{s^1} F_\parallel(\mathbf{X}_{\text{cl}}(\tau), \mathbf{V}_{\text{cl}}(\tau)) d\tau. \end{aligned}$$

and using the above estimates and (5.42) and Lemma 4.2 yields

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel^1}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp(s^1)} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel^1}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^1)} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel^1}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp(s^1)} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel^1}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^1)} \end{bmatrix} \lesssim_{\xi, t} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{|v|}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} + (|v|^2 + O(1))|s^1 - t^1|^2 \\ \mathbf{Id}_{2,2} + (|v| + O(1))|s^1 - t^1| \\ \frac{|s^1 - t^1||v|}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} + |s^1 - t^1|^2|v| \\ |s^1 - t^1| \end{bmatrix}, \\ & \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp^1}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp(s^1)} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp^1}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^1)} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp^1}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp(s^1)} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp^1}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^1)} \end{bmatrix} \lesssim_{\xi, t} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{|v|^2 + O(1)}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} + (|v|^2 + O(1))|s^1 - t^1| \\ (|v|^2 + O(1))|s^1 - t^1| \\ 1 + |v||s^1 - t^1| \\ (|v| + O(1))|s^1 - t^1| \end{bmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel^1}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp(s^1)} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel^1}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^1)} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel^1}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp(s^1)} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel^1}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^1)} \end{bmatrix} \lesssim_{\xi, t} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{(|v|^2 + O(1))}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} + (|v|^2 + O(1))|s^1 - t^1| \\ (|v|^2 + O(1))|s^1 - t^1| \\ 1 + |v||s^1 - t^1| \\ \mathbf{Id}_{2,2} + (|v| + O(1))|s^1 - t^1| \end{bmatrix}.$$

Secondly, we claim

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial(\mathbf{X}_1(s^1), \mathbf{V}_1(s^1))}{\partial(t, x, v)} &= \frac{\partial(\mathbf{X}_1(s^1), \mathbf{V}_1(s^1))}{\partial(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1))} \frac{\partial(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1))}{\partial(t, x, v)} \\ &= \left[\begin{array}{c|c|c} |t-s^1|^2 & O(1) + O_\xi(|v||t^1-s^1|^2) & O_\xi(|t-s^1|) \\ O(1) + O_\xi(|v||t^1-s^1|^2) & O(1) + O_\xi(|v||t^1-s^1|^2) & O_\xi(|t-s^1|) \\ O(1) + O_\xi(|v||t^1-s^1|^2) & O(1) + O_\xi(|v||t^1-s^1|^2) & O_\xi(|t-s^1|) \\ \hline |t-s^1| & O_\xi(|v|) & O(1) + O_\xi(|v||t-s^1|) \\ & O_\xi(|v|) & O(1) + O_\xi(|v||t-s^1|) \\ & O_\xi(|v|) & O(1) + O_\xi(|v||t-s^1|) \end{array} \right]_{6 \times 7}, \end{aligned} \tag{5.43}$$

where the entries are evaluated at $(\mathbf{X}_1(s^1), \mathbf{V}_1(s^1))$. Note that $|v||t^1-s^1| \lesssim_\xi 1$.

From (4.5)

$$\frac{\partial(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1))}{\partial(\mathbf{X}(s^1), \mathbf{V}(s^1))} = \frac{\partial\Phi(\mathbf{X}(s^1), \mathbf{V}(s))}{\partial(\mathbf{X}(s^1), \mathbf{V}(s))} := \left[\begin{array}{c|c} A & \mathbf{0}_{3,3} \\ \hline B & A \end{array} \right] + \mathbf{x}_\perp \left[\begin{array}{c|c} \mathbf{0}_{3,3} & \mathbf{0}_{3,3} \\ \hline D & \mathbf{0}_{3,3} \end{array} \right].$$

From direct computation and (4.3),

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A) &= \det \left[\begin{array}{cc} -\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) & \begin{array}{c} \frac{\partial\eta}{\partial\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,1}}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) \\ + \mathbf{x}_\perp[-\frac{\partial\mathbf{n}}{\partial\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,1}}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel)] \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} \frac{\partial\eta}{\partial\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,2}}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) \\ + \mathbf{x}_\perp[-\frac{\partial\mathbf{n}}{\partial\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,2}}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel)] \end{array} & \end{array} \right] \\ &= -\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) \cdot \left(\frac{\partial\eta}{\partial\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,1}}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) \times \frac{\partial\eta}{\partial\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,2}}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) \right) + O_\xi(|\mathbf{x}_\perp|) \neq 0, \\ A^{-1} &= \frac{1}{[-\mathbf{n}] \cdot (\partial_{\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,1}}\eta \times \partial_{\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,2}}\eta) + O(1)|\mathbf{x}_\perp|} \\ &\quad \times \left[(1-\mathbf{x}_\perp)^2(\partial_{\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,1}}\eta \times \partial_{\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,2}}\eta)^T, (1-\mathbf{x}_\perp)(\partial_{\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,2}}\eta \times [-\mathbf{n}]^T), (1-\mathbf{x}_\perp)([-\mathbf{n}] \times \partial_{\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,1}}\eta)^T \right]. \end{aligned}$$

From basic linear algebra

$$\begin{aligned} \det \left(\frac{\partial(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1))}{\partial(\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1), \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1))} \right) &= \det \left[\begin{array}{c|c} A & \mathbf{0}_{3,3} \\ \hline B + \mathbf{x}_\perp D & A \end{array} \right] = \{\det(A)\}^2 \\ &= \{[-\mathbf{n}] \cdot (\partial_1\eta \times \partial_2\eta) + O(1)|\mathbf{x}_\perp|\}^2, \end{aligned}$$

and $\left(\frac{\partial(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1))}{\partial(\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1), \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1))} \right)$ is invertible. By the basic linear algebra

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial(\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1), \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1))}{\partial(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1))} &= \left[\frac{\partial(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1))}{\partial(\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1), \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1))} \right]^{-1} = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} A & \mathbf{0}_{3,3} \\ \hline B + \mathbf{x}_\perp D & A \end{array} \right]^{-1} \\ &= \left[\begin{array}{c|c} A^{-1} & \mathbf{0}_{3,3} \\ \hline -A^{-1}(B + \mathbf{x}_\perp D)A^{-1} & A^{-1} \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} A^{-1}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) & \mathbf{0}_{3,3} \\ \hline |v| + O_\xi(\mathbf{x}_\perp) & A^{-1}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) \end{array} \right], \end{aligned} \tag{5.44}$$

and we obtain

$$\frac{\partial(\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1), \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1))}{\partial(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1))} = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} \begin{array}{l} \frac{(1-\mathbf{x}_\perp)^2(\partial_1\eta \times \partial_2\eta)^T}{[-\mathbf{n}] \cdot (\partial_1\eta \times \partial_2\eta) + O(1)|\mathbf{x}_\perp|} \\ \frac{(1-\mathbf{x}_\perp)(\partial_2\eta \times [-\mathbf{n}]^T}{[-\mathbf{n}] \cdot (\partial_1\eta \times \partial_2\eta) + O(1)|\mathbf{x}_\perp|} \\ \frac{(1-\mathbf{x}_\perp)([-\mathbf{n}] \times \partial_1\eta)^T}{[-\mathbf{n}] \cdot (\partial_1\eta \times \partial_2\eta) + O(1)|\mathbf{x}_\perp|} \end{array} & \mathbf{0}_{3,3} \\ \hline \begin{array}{l} O_\xi(1)(|v|) \\ O_\xi(1)(|v|) \\ O_\xi(1)(|v|) \end{array} & \begin{array}{l} \frac{(1-\mathbf{x}_\perp)^2(\partial_1\eta \times \partial_2\eta)^T}{[-\mathbf{n}] \cdot (\partial_1\eta \times \partial_2\eta) + O(1)|\mathbf{x}_\perp|} \\ \frac{(1-\mathbf{x}_\perp)(\partial_2\eta \times [-\mathbf{n}]^T}{[-\mathbf{n}] \cdot (\partial_1\eta \times \partial_2\eta) + O(1)|\mathbf{x}_\perp|} \\ \frac{(1-\mathbf{x}_\perp)([-\mathbf{n}] \times \partial_1\eta)^T}{[-\mathbf{n}] \cdot (\partial_1\eta \times \partial_2\eta) + O(1)|\mathbf{x}_\perp|} \end{array} \end{array} \right].$$

From $X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1; t, x, v) = x - (t - s^1)v + \int_{s^1}^t \int_s^t E(\tau) d\tau ds = x - \Delta \times v + \int_{t-\Delta}^t \int_s^t E(\tau) d\tau ds$, and $V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1; t, x, v) = v - \int_{t-\Delta}^t E(s) ds$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1)}{\partial t} &= - \int_{t-\Delta}^t E(s) ds + \int_{t-\Delta}^t E(t) ds + \int_{t-\Delta}^t \int_s^t \partial_t E(\tau) d\tau ds \\ &= - \int_{t-\Delta}^t \int_s^t \left(\frac{\partial E(\tau)}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\partial E(\tau)}{\partial t} \right) d\tau ds \\ &= - \int_{t-\Delta}^t \int_s^t (\partial_\tau E + \nabla E \cdot \nabla_x X) d\tau ds = O(1)|t - s^1|^2, \\ \frac{V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1)}{\partial t} &= -E(t) + E(t - \Delta) - \int_{t-\Delta}^t \frac{\partial E(s)}{\partial t} ds \\ &= - \int_{t-\Delta}^t \left(\frac{\partial E(s)}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial E(s)}{\partial t} \right) ds \\ &= - \int_{t-\Delta}^t (\partial_s E + \nabla E \cdot \nabla_x X) ds = O(1)|t - s^1|. \end{aligned}$$

And using $|\nabla_{x,v} X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1)| + |\nabla_{x,v} V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^1)| \lesssim 1$,

$$\frac{\partial(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s_1), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s_1))}{\partial(t, x, v)} = \begin{bmatrix} O(1)|t - s^1|^2 \mathbf{Id}_{3,3} + O(1)|t - s^1|^2 & -(t - s^1)\mathbf{Id}_{3,3} + O(1)|t - s^1|^2 \\ O(1)|t - s^1| & O(1)|t - s^1| \mathbf{Id}_{3,3} + O(1)|t - s^1| \end{bmatrix}.$$

Finally we multiply above two matrices and use $|\mathbf{x}_\perp(s^1)| \lesssim |v||t^1 - s^1|$ to conclude the second claim (5.43).

Step 4. Estimate of $\partial(t^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{x}_{\|\ell+1}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell+1}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\|\ell+1}^{\ell+1}) / \partial(t^\ell, \mathbf{x}_{\|\ell}^\ell, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}^\ell, \mathbf{v}_{\|\ell}^\ell)$.

Recall \mathbf{r}^ℓ from (5.18). We show that for $0 < T \ll 1$ small enough, there exists $0 < \delta_1 \ll 1$, $M = M_{\xi,t} \gg 1$, such that for all $\ell \in \mathbb{N}$ and $0 \leq t^{\ell+1} \leq t^\ell \leq t$, if ℓ is Type II or Type III,

$$\begin{aligned} J_\ell^{\ell+1} &:= \frac{\partial(t^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{x}_{\|\ell+1}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell+1}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\|\ell+1}^{\ell+1})}{\partial(t^\ell, \mathbf{x}_{\|\ell}^\ell, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}^\ell, \mathbf{v}_{\|\ell}^\ell)} \\ &\leq \begin{bmatrix} 1 + M|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}| & \frac{M}{|v|} \mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & \frac{M}{|v|} \mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & \frac{M}{|v|^2} & \frac{M}{|v|^2} \mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & \frac{M}{|v|^2} \mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} \\ M|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}| & 1 + M\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & M\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & \frac{M}{|v|} & \frac{M}{|v|} \mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & \frac{M}{|v|} \mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} \\ M|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}| & M\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & 1 + M\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & \frac{M}{|v|} & \frac{M}{|v|} \mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & \frac{M}{|v|} \mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} \\ M|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2 |v| & M|v|(\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1})^2 & M|v|(\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1})^2 & 1 + M\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & M(\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1})^2 & M(\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1})^2 \\ M|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}| & M|v| \mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & M|v| \mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & M & 1 + M\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & M\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} \\ M|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}| & M|v| \mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & M|v| \mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & M & M\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & 1 + M\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \leq \left[\begin{array}{ccc|cc} 1+5M\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & \frac{M}{|v|}\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & \frac{M}{|v|}\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & \frac{M}{|v|^2} & \frac{M}{|v|^2}\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & \frac{M}{|v|^2}\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} \\ 5M\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}|v| & 1+M\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & M\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & \frac{M}{|v|} & \frac{M}{|v|}\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & \frac{M}{|v|}\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} \\ 5M\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}|v| & M\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & 1+M\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & \frac{M}{|v|} & \frac{M}{|v|}\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & \frac{M}{|v|}\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} \\ \hline 5M(\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1})^2|v|^2 & M|v|(\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1})^2 & M|v|(\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1})^2 & 1+M\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & M(\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1})^2 & M(\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1})^2 \\ 5M\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}|v|^2 & M|v|\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & M|v|\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & M & 1+M\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & M\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} \\ 5M\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}|v|^2 & M|v|\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & M|v|\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & M & M\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & 1+M\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} \end{array} \right] \\
& := \underbrace{J(\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1})}_{\text{Definition of } J(\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1})}. \tag{5.45}
\end{aligned}$$

And if ℓ is *Type I*, then

$$\begin{aligned}
J_\ell^{\ell+1} & := \frac{\partial(t^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\ell+1}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell+1}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell+1}^{\ell+1})}{\partial(t^\ell, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\ell}^\ell, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}^\ell, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell}^\ell)} \\
& \leq \left[\begin{array}{ccc|cc} 1+M|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}| & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} \\ M|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}| & 1+M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} \\ M|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}| & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & 1+M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} \\ \hline M|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2 & M(\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1})^2 & M(\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1})^2 & 1+M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M(\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1})^2 & M(\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1})^2 \\ M|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}| & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M & 1+M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} \\ M|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}| & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & 1+M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} \end{array} \right] \\
& \leq \left[\begin{array}{ccc|cc} 1+5M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} \\ 5M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & 1+M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} \\ 5M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & 1+M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} \\ \hline 5M(\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1})^2 & M(\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1})^2 & M(\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1})^2 & 1+M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M(\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1})^2 & M(\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1})^2 \\ 5M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M & 1+M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} \\ 5M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & M & M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} & 1+M\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} \end{array} \right] \\
& := \underbrace{J(\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1})}_{\text{Definition of } J(\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1})}. \tag{5.46}
\end{aligned}$$

We also denote the Jacobian matrix within a single \mathbf{p}^ℓ -spherical coordinate:

$$\tilde{J}_\ell^{\ell+1} := \frac{\partial(t^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\ell}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell}^{\ell+1})}{\partial(t^\ell, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\ell}^\ell, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}^\ell, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell}^\ell)}.$$

We split the proof for each *Type*:

Proof of (5.46) (Type I), and (5.45) when ℓ is Type II: Note that \mathbf{p}^ℓ -spherical coordinate is well-defined of all $\tau \in [t^{\ell+1}, t^\ell]$ for those cases. Due to the chart changing

$$\frac{\partial(t^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\ell+1}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell+1}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell+1}^{\ell+1})}{\partial(t^\ell, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\ell}^\ell, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}^\ell, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell}^\ell)} = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} 1 & \mathbf{0}_{1,5} \\ \mathbf{0}_{5,1} & \frac{\partial(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel\ell+1}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell+1}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell+1}^{\ell+1})}{\partial(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel\ell}^\ell, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}^\ell, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell}^\ell)} \end{array} \right] \underbrace{\frac{\partial(t^{\ell+1}, 0, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\ell}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell}^{\ell+1})}{\partial(t^\ell, 0, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\ell}^\ell, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}^\ell, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell}^\ell)}}_{=:\tilde{J}_\ell^{\ell+1}}.$$

where $\frac{\partial(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel\ell+1}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell+1}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell+1}^{\ell+1})}{\partial(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel\ell}^\ell, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}^\ell, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell}^\ell)}$ is the 5×5 right lower submatrix of (4.6).

Note that $|\mathbf{p}^\ell - \mathbf{p}^{\ell+1}| \lesssim_\xi \sqrt{\delta}$ from (5.20). In order to show (5.45) and (5.46) it suffices to show that $\tilde{J}_\ell^{\ell+1}$ is bounded:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{J}_\ell^{\ell+1} &\leq J(\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}), \text{ if } \ell \text{ is Type II or Type III,} \\ \tilde{J}_\ell^{\ell+1} &\leq J(\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}), \text{ if } \ell \text{ is Type I.} \end{aligned} \tag{5.47}$$

This is due to the following matrix multiplication

$$\begin{aligned} &\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \mathbf{0}_{1,5} \\ \mathbf{0}_{5,1} & \frac{\partial(\mathbf{x}_{\|\ell+1}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell+1}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\|\ell+1}^{\ell+1})}{\partial(\mathbf{x}_{\|\ell}^\ell, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}^\ell, \mathbf{v}_{\|\ell}^\ell)} \end{bmatrix} \tilde{J}_\ell^{\ell+1} \\ \leq &\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \mathbf{0}_{1,2} & \mathbf{0}_{1,3} \\ \mathbf{0}_{2,1} & 1 + C\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & C\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} \\ & C\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & 1 + C\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} \\ \mathbf{0}_{3,1} & 0 & 0 \\ & C\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}|v| & C\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}|v| \\ & C\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}|v| & C\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}|v| \end{bmatrix} J(\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}) \leq J(C\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}), \text{ if } |v| > \delta, \\ &\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \mathbf{0}_{1,5} \\ \mathbf{0}_{5,1} & \frac{\partial(\mathbf{x}_{\|\ell+1}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell+1}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\|\ell+1}^{\ell+1})}{\partial(\mathbf{x}_{\|\ell}^\ell, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}^\ell, \mathbf{v}_{\|\ell}^\ell)} \end{bmatrix} \tilde{J}_\ell^{\ell+1} \\ \leq &\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \mathbf{0}_{1,2} & \mathbf{0}_{1,3} \\ \mathbf{0}_{2,1} & 1 + C\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & C\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} \\ & C\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} & 1 + C\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} \\ \mathbf{0}_{3,1} & 0 & 0 \\ & C\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}|v| & C\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}|v| \\ & C\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}|v| & C\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}|v| \end{bmatrix} J(\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}) \leq J(C\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}), \text{ if } |v| \leq \delta, \end{aligned}$$

where we used (4.6) with an adjusted constant $C > 0$.

Now we prove the claim (5.47). We fix the \mathbf{p}^ℓ -spherical coordinate and drop the index ℓ for the chart.

If $\mathbf{v}_\perp^\ell = 0$ then $t^{\ell+1} = t^\ell$. Otherwise if $\mathbf{v}_\perp^\ell \neq 0$ then $t^{\ell+1}$ is determined through

$$0 = \mathbf{v}_\perp^\ell (t^{\ell+1} - t^\ell) + \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} \int_s^{t^\ell} F_\perp(\mathbf{X}_\ell(\tau; t^\ell, x^\ell, v^\ell), \mathbf{V}_\ell(\tau; t^\ell, x^\ell, v^\ell)) d\tau ds. \tag{5.48}$$

We first consider the $\frac{\partial}{\partial t^\ell}$ derivatives.

Using the trajectory in the standard coordinates we have

$$0 = \xi(x^{\ell+1}) = \xi\left(x^\ell - (t^\ell - t^{\ell+1})v^\ell + \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} \int_s^{t^\ell} E(\tau, X(\tau)) d\tau ds\right). \tag{5.49}$$

Taking the $\frac{\partial}{\partial t^\ell}$ derivative we get

$$\begin{aligned} 0 = \nabla \xi(x^{\ell+1}) \cdot &\left[-\left(1 - \frac{\partial t^{\ell+1}}{\partial t^\ell}\right)v^\ell - \frac{\partial t^{\ell+1}}{\partial t^\ell} \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} E(\tau, X(\tau)) d\tau + \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} E(t^\ell, x^\ell) ds \right. \\ &\left. + \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} \int_s^{t^\ell} \frac{\partial E(\tau, X(\tau))}{\partial t^\ell} d\tau ds \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \nabla \xi(x^{\ell+1}) \cdot \left[-v^\ell + \frac{\partial t^{\ell+1}}{\partial t^\ell} v^{\ell+1} + \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} E(s, X(s)) ds + \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} (E(t^\ell, x^\ell) - E(s, X(s))) ds \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} \int_s^{t^\ell} \frac{\partial E(\tau, X(\tau))}{\partial t^\ell} d\tau ds \right] \\
&= \nabla \xi(x^{\ell+1}) \cdot \left[-v^{\ell+1} + \frac{\partial t^{\ell+1}}{\partial t^\ell} v^{\ell+1} + \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} \int_s^{t^\ell} \left(\frac{\partial E(\tau, X(\tau))}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\partial E(\tau, X(\tau))}{\partial t^\ell} \right) d\tau ds \right].
\end{aligned} \tag{5.50}$$

Thus

$$\frac{\partial t^{\ell+1}}{\partial t^\ell} = 1 - \frac{\nabla \xi(x^{\ell+1})}{\nabla \xi(x^{\ell+1}) \cdot v^{\ell+1}} \cdot \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} \int_s^{t^\ell} \left(\frac{\partial E(\tau, X(\tau))}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\partial E(\tau, X(\tau))}{\partial t^\ell} \right) d\tau ds. \tag{5.51}$$

By (5.34) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\left| \frac{\partial E(\tau, X(\tau))}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\partial E(\tau, X(\tau))}{\partial t^\ell} \right| &= |\partial_s E(\tau, X(\tau))_\infty + \nabla_x E \cdot (V(\tau) - V(\tau) + O(1)|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|)| \\
&= |\partial_s E(\tau, X(\tau))_\infty + O(1)\nabla_x E(\tau, X(\tau))(t^\ell - t^{\ell+1})| \\
&\lesssim \|\partial_t E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + \|\nabla_x E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} |t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|.
\end{aligned} \tag{5.52}$$

Thus from (5.51), (5.52), and (5.2) we have

$$\frac{\partial t^{\ell+1}}{\partial t^\ell} = 1 - O_{\xi, E}(1) \frac{|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2}{|v_\perp^{\ell+1}|} = 1 - O_{\xi, E}(1) |t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|. \tag{5.53}$$

Now by directly computing $\frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}}{\partial t^\ell}$ we would have

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}}{\partial t^\ell} &= \frac{-F_\perp(t^{\ell+1})}{\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}} \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} \int_s^{t^\ell} \left(\frac{\partial F_\perp(\tau)}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\partial F_\perp(\tau)}{\partial t^\ell} \right) d\tau ds \\
&\quad + \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} \left(\frac{\partial F_\perp(s)}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial F_\perp(s)}{\partial t^\ell} \right) ds.
\end{aligned} \tag{5.54}$$

Recall

$$\begin{aligned}
F_\perp &= F_\perp(\mathbf{x}_\perp, \mathbf{x}_\parallel, \mathbf{v}_\parallel) \\
&= \sum_{j,k=1}^2 \mathbf{v}_{\parallel,k} \mathbf{v}_{\parallel,j} \partial_j \partial_k \eta(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) \cdot \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) - \mathbf{x}_\perp \sum_{k=1}^2 \mathbf{v}_{\parallel,k} (\mathbf{v}_\parallel \cdot \nabla) \partial_k \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) \cdot \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) \\
&\quad - E(s, -\mathbf{x}_\perp \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) + \eta(\mathbf{x}_\parallel)) \cdot \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel).
\end{aligned} \tag{5.55}$$

So by direct computation

$$\dot{F}_\perp(\tau) := \frac{\partial F_\perp(\tau)}{\partial \tau} = \mathbf{v}_\perp \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\perp} F_\perp + \mathbf{v}_\parallel \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\parallel} F_\perp + F_\parallel \nabla_{\mathbf{v}_\parallel} F_\perp - \partial_s E \cdot \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel), \tag{5.56}$$

so $\|\nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\perp} \dot{F}_\perp\|_\infty + \|\nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\parallel} \dot{F}_\perp\|_\infty \lesssim |v|^3 + 1$, and $\|\nabla_{\mathbf{v}_\perp} \dot{F}_\perp\|_\infty + \|\nabla_{\mathbf{v}_\parallel} \dot{F}_\perp\|_\infty \lesssim |v|^2 + 1$. Thus together with (5.27) we have

$$\left| \frac{d}{d\tau} \left(\frac{\partial F_\perp(\tau)}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\partial F_\perp(\tau)}{\partial t^\ell} \right) \right|$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \left| \frac{\partial \dot{F}_\perp(\tau)}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\partial \dot{F}_\perp(\tau)}{\partial t^\ell} \right| \\
 &= \left| \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\perp} \dot{F}_\perp \cdot \left(\mathbf{v}_\perp(s) + \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp(s)}{\partial t^\ell} \right) + \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\parallel} \dot{F}_\perp \cdot \left(\mathbf{v}_\parallel(s) + \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s)}{\partial t^\ell} \right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \nabla_{\mathbf{v}_\parallel} \dot{F}_\perp \cdot \left(F_\parallel(s) + \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s)}{\partial t^\ell} \right) + \nabla_{\mathbf{v}_\perp} \dot{F}_\perp \cdot \left(F_\perp(s) + \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp(s)}{\partial t^\ell} \right) - \partial_s^2 E \cdot \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) \right| \\
 &\lesssim (|v|^3 + 1) \int_s^{t^\ell} \int_\tau^{t^\ell} (|\partial_{\tau'} F_\perp(\tau') + \partial_{t^\ell} F_\perp(\tau')| + |\partial_{\tau'} F_\parallel(\tau') + \partial_{t^\ell} F_\parallel(\tau')|) d\tau' d\tau \\
 &\quad + (|v|^2 + 1) \int_s^{t^\ell} (|\partial_{\tau'} F_\perp(\tau') + \partial_{t^\ell} F_\perp(\tau')| + |\partial_{\tau'} F_\parallel(\tau') + \partial_{t^\ell} F_\parallel(\tau')|) d\tau' + \|\partial_t^2 E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} \\
 &\lesssim \|\partial_t^2 E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + (|v|^3 + 1)(t^\ell - t^{\ell+1})^2 + (|v|^2 + 1)(t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}) \\
 &\lesssim \|\partial_t^2 E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + |v| + 1. \tag{5.57}
 \end{aligned}$$

Combining (5.26), (5.54), (5.57), and expanding $\frac{\partial F_\perp(\tau)}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\partial F_\perp(\tau)}{\partial t^\ell}$ at t^ℓ we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}}{\partial t^\ell} &= \left(\frac{\partial F_\perp(t^\ell)}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\partial F_\perp(t^\ell)}{\partial t^\ell} \right) \left(\frac{F_\perp(t^{\ell+1})}{\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}} \frac{|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2}{2} - |t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}| \right) \\
 &\quad + O_{\|E\|_{C^2,\Omega}}(1) |t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2 (|v| + 1). \tag{5.58}
 \end{aligned}$$

Now since we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 = \mathbf{x}_\perp^\ell &= \mathbf{x}_\perp^{\ell+1} + \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} \mathbf{v}_\perp(s) ds \\
 &= \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} \left(-\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} + \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^s F_\perp(\tau) d\tau \right) ds \\
 &= (t^\ell - t^{\ell+1})(-\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}) + \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^s F_\perp(\tau) d\tau ds \\
 &= (t^\ell - t^{\ell+1})(-\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}) + \frac{|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2}{2} F_\perp(t^{\ell+1}) + O(1)(\|\partial_t E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + |v|^3) |t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^3, \tag{5.59}
 \end{aligned}$$

we get the following important cancellation identity:

$$\frac{F_\perp(t^{\ell+1})}{\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}} \frac{|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2}{2} - |t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}| = O(1)(\|\partial_t E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + |v|^3) \frac{|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^3}{\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}}. \tag{5.60}$$

By (5.58) and (5.60) we get

$$\left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}}{\partial t^\ell} \right| \lesssim \left(\|\partial_t E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty}^2 + \|\partial_t^2 E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + 1 \right) (|v| |t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2 + |t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2). \tag{5.61}$$

Next, taking $\frac{\partial}{\partial t^\ell}$ derivative to $\mathbf{v}_\parallel^{\ell+1} = \mathbf{v}_\parallel^\ell - \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} F_\parallel(s) ds$, and $\mathbf{x}_\parallel^{\ell+1} = \mathbf{x}_\parallel^\ell - (t^\ell - t^{\ell+1})\mathbf{v}_\parallel^\ell +$

$\int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} \int_s^{t^\ell} F_{\parallel}(\tau) d\tau ds$ we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}^{\ell+1}}{\partial t^\ell} &= -F_{\parallel}(t^\ell) + \frac{\partial t^{\ell+1}}{\partial t^\ell} F_{\parallel}(t^\ell) - \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} \partial_{t^\ell} F_{\parallel}(s) ds \\ &= F_{\parallel}(t^{\ell+1}) - F_{\parallel}(t^\ell) + O(1) \frac{|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}|} - \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} \partial_{t^\ell} F_{\parallel}(s) ds \\ &= O(1) \frac{|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}|} - \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} (\partial_s F_{\parallel}(s) + \partial_{t^\ell} F_{\parallel}(s)) ds \lesssim |t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell+1}}{\partial t^\ell} &= -\mathbf{v}_{\parallel}^\ell + \frac{\partial t^{\ell+1}}{\partial t^\ell} \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}^{\ell+1} + \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} F_{\parallel}(t^\ell) ds + \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} \int_s^{t^\ell} \partial_{t^\ell} F_{\parallel}(\tau) d\tau ds \\ &= \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}^{\ell+1} - \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}^\ell - O(1) \frac{|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}|} \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}^{\ell+1} + \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} F_{\parallel}(t^\ell) ds + \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} \int_s^{t^\ell} \partial_{t^\ell} F_{\parallel}(\tau) d\tau ds \\ &= \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} (F_{\parallel}(t^\ell) - F_{\parallel}(s)) ds + \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} \int_s^{t^\ell} \partial_{t^\ell} F_{\parallel}(\tau) d\tau ds - O(1) \frac{|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}|} \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}^{\ell+1} \\ &= \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} \int_s^{t^\ell} (\partial_s F_{\parallel}(\tau) + \partial_{t^\ell} F_{\parallel}(\tau)) d\tau ds + O(1) |t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}| \lesssim |t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|. \end{aligned}$$

Where we've used (5.26) and (5.53). This proves the first column of (5.45) and (5.46).

Taking derivatives of (5.48) as before and using $|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}| \lesssim_{\xi, t} \min\{\frac{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}|}{|v|^2}, 1\}$ and Lemma 4.2,

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial t^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell+1}} \\ \frac{\partial t^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}} \\ \frac{\partial t^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}^{\ell+1}} \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}} \int_{t^\ell}^{t^{\ell+1}} \int_s^{t^\ell} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} F_{\perp}(\mathbf{X}_{\ell}(\tau), \mathbf{V}_{\ell}(\tau)) d\tau ds \\ \frac{1}{\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}} \left\{ (t^{\ell+1} - t^\ell) + \int_{t^\ell}^{t^{\ell+1}} \int_s^{t^\ell} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell}} F_{\perp}(\mathbf{X}_{\ell}(\tau), \mathbf{V}_{\ell}(\tau)) d\tau ds \right\} \\ \frac{1}{\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}} \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} \int_s^{t^\ell} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} F_{\perp}(\mathbf{X}_{\ell}(\tau), \mathbf{V}_{\ell}(\tau)) d\tau ds \end{bmatrix} \\ &\lesssim_{\xi, t} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}|} (|v|^2 + O(1)) \\ \frac{|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}|} + \frac{|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}|} (|v| + O(1)) \\ \frac{|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}|} (|v| + O(1)) \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned} \tag{5.62}$$

Thus from (5.2) we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial t^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell+1}} \\ \frac{\partial t^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}} \\ \frac{\partial t^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}^{\ell+1}} \end{bmatrix} \lesssim \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{|v|} \frac{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}|}{|v|} \\ \frac{1}{|v|^2} \\ \frac{1}{|v|^2} \frac{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}|}{|v|} \end{bmatrix}, \text{ for } |v| > \delta. \quad \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial t^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell+1}} \\ \frac{\partial t^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}} \\ \frac{\partial t^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}^{\ell+1}} \end{bmatrix} \lesssim \begin{bmatrix} |\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}| \\ O(1) \\ |\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}| \end{bmatrix}, \text{ for } |v| \leq \delta. \tag{5.63}$$

Taking $(\mathbf{x}(t^\ell), \mathbf{v}(t^\ell))$ derivatives of the characteristic equations

$$\mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell+1} = \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell} - \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}(s; t^\ell x^\ell, v^\ell) ds,$$

by Lemma 4.2 and (5.62), we estimate directly

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\perp}^{\ell}} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell}} \end{bmatrix} \lesssim_{\xi,t} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Id}_{2,2} + \frac{|t^{\ell}-t^{\ell+1}|^2|v|^3}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}|} + O(1) \frac{|t^{\ell}-t^{\ell+1}|^2|v|}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}|} \\ O(1) \frac{|t^{\ell}-t^{\ell+1}||v|}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}|} + |t^{\ell}-t^{\ell+1}| \\ \frac{|t^{\ell}-t^{\ell+1}|^2}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}|} (|v|^2 + O(1)|v|) + |t^{\ell}-t^{\ell+1}| \end{bmatrix}.$$

Thus from (5.2) we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\perp}^{\ell}} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\perp}^{\ell}} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} \end{bmatrix} \lesssim_{\xi,t} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Id}_{2,2} + \frac{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell}|}{|v|} \\ \frac{1}{|v|} \\ \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}|} \\ \frac{1}{|v|} \end{bmatrix}, \text{ for } |v| > \delta. \quad \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\perp}^{\ell}} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell}} \end{bmatrix} \lesssim_{\xi,t} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Id}_{2,2} + |\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell}| \\ O(1) \\ |\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell}| \end{bmatrix}, \text{ for } |v| \leq \delta.$$

Also,

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\perp}^{\ell}} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell}} \end{bmatrix} \lesssim_{\xi,t} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{|t^{\ell}-t^{\ell+1}|^2}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}|} (|v|^2 + O(1)|v|)^2 + |t^{\ell}-t^{\ell+1}| (|v|^2 + O(1)) \\ (|v|^2 + O(1)) \left(\frac{|t^{\ell}-t^{\ell+1}|}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}|} + \frac{|t^{\ell}-t^{\ell+1}|^2 (|v|^2 + O(1)|v|)}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}|} \right) + |t^{\ell}-t^{\ell+1}| \langle v \rangle \\ \mathbf{Id}_{2,2} + (|v|^2 + O(1)|v|) \frac{|t^{\ell}-t^{\ell+1}|^2}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}|} (|v| + O(1)) + |t^{\ell}-t^{\ell+1}| (|v| + O(1)) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Thus from (5.2) we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\perp}^{\ell}} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell}} \end{bmatrix} \lesssim_{\xi,t} \begin{bmatrix} |\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}| \\ 1 + \frac{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}|}{|v^{\ell}|} \\ \mathbf{Id}_{2,2} + \frac{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}|}{|v^{\ell}|} \end{bmatrix}, \text{ for } |v| > \delta. \quad \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\perp}^{\ell}} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell}} \end{bmatrix} \lesssim_{\xi,t} \begin{bmatrix} |\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}| \\ 1 + |\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}| \\ \mathbf{Id}_{2,2} + |\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}| \end{bmatrix}, \text{ for } |v| \leq \delta.$$

Now we move to $D\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}$ estimates.

Taking derivatives in (5.77), from the extra cancellation in terms of order of $t^{\ell}-t^{\ell+1}$ in (5.60), by (5.62), and plugging the expansion

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} F_{\perp}(\mathbf{X}_{\ell}(\tau), \mathbf{V}_{\ell}(\tau)) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} F_{\perp}(\mathbf{x}^{\ell}, \mathbf{v}^{\ell}) - \int_{\tau}^{t^{\ell}} \frac{d}{d\tau'} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} F_{\perp}(\mathbf{X}_{\ell}(\tau'), \mathbf{V}_{\ell}(\tau')) \right) d\tau'$$

into

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} &= \frac{-F_{\perp}(\mathbf{x}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}^{\ell+1})}{\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}} \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^{\ell}} \int_s^{t^{\ell}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} F_{\perp}(\mathbf{X}_{\ell}(\tau), \mathbf{V}_{\ell}(\tau)) d\tau ds \\ &\quad + \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^{\ell}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} F_{\perp}(\mathbf{X}_{\ell}(\tau), \mathbf{V}_{\ell}(\tau)) d\tau, \end{aligned}$$

and using the cancellation (5.60) we obtain

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} = \left\{ \frac{(t^{\ell}-t^{\ell+1})F_{\perp}(\mathbf{x}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}^{\ell+1})}{-2\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}} + 1 \right\} (t^{\ell}-t^{\ell+1}) \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} F_{\perp}(\mathbf{x}^{\ell}, \mathbf{v}^{\ell})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \frac{F_{\perp}(\mathbf{x}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}^{\ell+1})}{\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}} \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^{\ell}} \int_s^{t^{\ell}} \int_{\tau}^{t^{\ell}} \frac{d}{d\tau'} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} F_{\perp}(\mathbf{X}_{\ell}(\tau'), \mathbf{V}_{\ell}(\tau')) \right) d\tau' d\tau ds \\
& + \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^{\ell}} \int_{\tau}^{t^{\ell}} \frac{d}{d\tau'} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} F_{\perp}(\mathbf{X}_{\ell}(\tau'), \mathbf{V}_{\ell}(\tau')) \right) d\tau' d\tau \\
& \lesssim \left\{ -1 + O_{\xi}(1) \frac{|t^{\ell} - t^{\ell+1}|^2 (|v^{\ell}|^3 + 1)}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}|} + 1 \right\} |t^{\ell} - t^{\ell+1}| (|v^{\ell}|^2 + 1) \\
& + \frac{F_{\perp}(\mathbf{x}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}^{\ell+1})}{\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}} \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^{\ell}} \int_s^{t^{\ell}} \int_{\tau}^{t^{\ell}} \frac{d}{d\tau'} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} F_{\perp}(\mathbf{X}_{\ell}(\tau'), \mathbf{V}_{\ell}(\tau')) \right) d\tau' d\tau ds \\
& + \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^{\ell}} \int_{\tau}^{t^{\ell}} \frac{d}{d\tau'} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} F_{\perp}(\mathbf{X}_{\ell}(\tau'), \mathbf{V}_{\ell}(\tau')) \right) d\tau' d\tau. \tag{5.64}
\end{aligned}$$

Now since

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{d}{d\tau'} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} F_{\perp}(\mathbf{X}_{\ell}, \mathbf{V}_{\ell}) \right) \\
& \lesssim |v^{\ell}|^3 + \left| \frac{d}{d\tau'} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} (E(\tau', \mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \cdot \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{X}_{\ell})) \right| \\
& \lesssim |v^{\ell}|^3 + \left| \frac{d}{d\tau'} \left(\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \cdot \nabla_x E(\tau', \mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}_{\ell}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} + E(\tau', \mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \cdot \nabla_x \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}_{\ell}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} \right) \right| \\
& \lesssim |v^{\ell}|^3 + \left| \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \cdot \nabla_x E(\tau', \mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \cdot \left(\frac{d}{d\tau'} \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}_{\ell}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} \right) + \left(\frac{d}{d\tau'} \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \right) \cdot \nabla_x E(\tau', \mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}_{\ell}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} \right. \\
& \quad + \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \cdot \partial_t \nabla_x E(\tau', \mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}_{\ell}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} + \sum_{1 \leq i, j, k \leq 3} \mathbf{n}^i(\mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \partial_{x_j} \partial_{x_k} E^i(\tau', \mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}_{\ell}^j}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} \mathbf{V}_{\ell}^k(\tau') \\
& \quad \left. + (\partial_t E(\tau', \mathbf{X}_{\ell}) + \nabla_x E(\tau', \mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \cdot \mathbf{V}_{\ell}(\tau')) \cdot \nabla_x \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}_{\ell}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + E(\tau', \mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \cdot \left(\frac{d}{d\tau'} \nabla_x \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \right) \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}_{\ell}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} + E(\tau', \mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \cdot \nabla_x \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \cdot \left(\frac{d}{d\tau'} \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}_{\ell}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} \right) \right| \\
& \lesssim |v^{\ell}|^3 + \left| \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \cdot \nabla_x E(\tau', \mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{V}_{\ell}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} + (\nabla_x \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \cdot \mathbf{V}_{\ell}(\tau')) \cdot \nabla_x E(\tau', \mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}_{\ell}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} \right. \\
& \quad + \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \cdot \partial_t \nabla_x E(\tau', \mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}_{\ell}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} + \sum_{1 \leq i, j, k \leq 3} \mathbf{n}^i(\mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \partial_{x_j} \partial_{x_k} E^i(\tau', \mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}_{\ell}^j}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} \mathbf{V}_{\ell}^k(\tau') \\
& \quad \left. + (\partial_t E(\tau', \mathbf{X}_{\ell}) + \nabla_x E(\tau', \mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \cdot \mathbf{V}_{\ell}(\tau')) \cdot \nabla_x \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}_{\ell}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + E(\tau', \mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \cdot (\nabla_x^2 \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \cdot \mathbf{V}_{\ell}(\tau')) \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}_{\ell}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} + E(\tau', \mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \cdot \nabla_x \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{X}_{\ell}) \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{V}_{\ell}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell}} \right| \\
& \lesssim |v^{\ell}|^3 + |v^{\ell}| \|\nabla_x^2 E\|_{L_{i,x}^{\infty}} + \|\partial_t \nabla_x E\|_{L_{i,x}^{\infty}}, \tag{5.65}
\end{aligned}$$

where we use the bounds from (4.10). We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel^\ell} \\ & \lesssim \left(\frac{|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|(|v^\ell|^2 + 1)}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}|} \right) \left(|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2(|v^\ell|^3 + 1) + |v^\ell|^3 + |v^\ell| \|\nabla_x^2 E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + \|\partial_t \nabla_x E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} \right) \\ & \lesssim_{\xi,t} \min \left\{ \frac{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}|^2}{|v^\ell|}, |\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}|^2 \right\} \end{aligned} \tag{5.66}$$

as long as $\|\nabla_x^2 E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} + \|\partial_t \nabla_x E\|_{L_{t,x}^\infty} < \infty$. Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp^\ell} = -1 - \frac{\partial t^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp^\ell} F_\perp(\mathbf{x}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}^{\ell+1}) + \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp^\ell} F_\perp(\mathbf{X}_\ell(\tau), \mathbf{V}_\ell(\tau)) d\tau \\ & = -1 + \frac{F_\perp(\mathbf{x}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}^{\ell+1})}{\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}} (t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}) \\ & \quad - \frac{F_\perp(\mathbf{x}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}^{\ell+1})}{\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}} \int_{t^\ell}^{t^{\ell+1}} \int_{t^\ell}^s \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp^\ell} F_\perp(\mathbf{X}_\ell(\tau), \mathbf{V}_\ell(\tau)) d\tau ds \\ & \quad + \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp^\ell} F_\perp(\mathbf{X}_\ell(\tau), \mathbf{V}_\ell(\tau)) d\tau \\ & = -1 + 2 + O_\xi(1) \frac{|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2(|v^\ell|^3 + 1)}{\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}} \\ & \quad - \frac{F_\perp(\mathbf{x}^\ell, \mathbf{v}^\ell)}{\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}} \frac{(t^\ell - t^{\ell+1})^2}{2} \left\{ \lim_{s \uparrow t^\ell} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp^\ell} F_\perp(\mathbf{X}_\ell(\tau), \mathbf{V}_\ell(\tau)) + O_\xi(1) |t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}| (|v^\ell|^2 + 1) \right\} \\ & \quad + (t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}) \left\{ \lim_{s \uparrow t^\ell} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp^\ell} F_\perp(\mathbf{X}_\ell(\tau), \mathbf{V}_\ell(\tau)) + O_\xi(1) |t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}| (|v^\ell|^2 + 1) \right\} \\ & = 1 + O_\xi(1) \left\{ \frac{|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2(|v^\ell|^3 + 1)}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}|} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^3}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}|} (|v^\ell|^3 + 1) \left| \lim_{s \uparrow t^\ell} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp^\ell} F_\perp(\mathbf{X}_\ell(\tau), \mathbf{V}_\ell(\tau)) \right| + |t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2 (|v^\ell|^2 + 1) \right\} \\ & \lesssim 1 + |t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2 (|v^\ell|^2 + 1) \left\{ 1 + \frac{|v^\ell| + 1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}|} + \frac{|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}| (|v^\ell|^2 + 1)}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}|} \right\} \\ & \lesssim_{\xi,t} 1 + \min \left\{ \frac{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}|}{|v^\ell|}, |\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}| \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel^\ell} = \frac{-F_\perp(\mathbf{x}^{\ell+1}, v^{\ell+1})}{\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}} \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} \int_s^{t^\ell} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel^\ell} F_\perp(\mathbf{X}_\ell(\tau), \mathbf{V}_\ell(\tau)) d\tau ds \\ & \quad - \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel^\ell} F_\perp(\mathbf{X}_\ell(\tau), \mathbf{V}_\ell(\tau)) d\tau \\ & = \left\{ \frac{(t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}) F_\perp(\mathbf{x}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}^{\ell+1})}{-2\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}} + 1 \right\} (t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}) \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel^\ell} F_\perp(\mathbf{x}^\ell, \mathbf{v}^\ell) \\ & \quad + O_\xi(1) |t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2 (|v^\ell|^2 + 1) \left\{ \frac{|F_\perp(\mathbf{x}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}^{\ell+1})| |t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}|} + 1 \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\lesssim_{\xi} |t^{\ell} - t^{\ell+1}|^2 (|v^{\ell}|^2 + 1) \left\{ 1 + \frac{|t^{\ell} - t^{\ell+1}| (|v^{\ell}|^2 + 1)}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}|} \right\} \lesssim_{\xi, t} \min \left\{ \frac{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}|^2}{|v^{\ell}|^2}, |\mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}|^2 \right\}. \tag{5.67}$$

These estimates complete the proof of the claims (5.46), and of (5.45) when ℓ is *Type II*.

Proof of (5.45) when ℓ is Type III: Recall that we chose a \mathbf{p}^{ℓ} -spherical coordinate as $\mathbf{p}^{\ell} = (z^{\ell}, w^{\ell})$ with $|z^{\ell} - x^{\ell}| \leq \sqrt{\delta}$ and any $w^{\ell} \in \mathbb{S}^2$ with $n(z^{\ell}) \cdot w^{\ell} = 0$.

Fix ℓ . Let us choose fixed numbers $\Delta_1, \Delta_2 > 0$ such that $|v| \Delta_1 \ll 1$ and $|v| |t^{\ell+1} - (t^{\ell} - \Delta_1 - \Delta_2)| \ll 1$ so that

$$s^{\ell} \equiv t^{\ell} - \Delta_1, \quad s^{\ell+1} \equiv s^{\ell} - \Delta_2 = t^{\ell} - \Delta_1 - \Delta_2,$$

satisfying $|v| |t^{\ell+1} - s^{\ell+1}| = |v| |t^{\ell+1} - (t^{\ell} - \Delta_1 - \Delta_2)| \ll 1$ and $|v| |t^{\ell} - s^{\ell}| = |v| \Delta_1 \ll 1$ so that the spherical coordinates are well-defined for $s \in [t^{\ell+1}, s^{\ell+1}]$ and $s \in [s^{\ell}, t^{\ell}]$.

Notice that

$$\frac{\partial s^{\ell+1}}{\partial s^{\ell}} = \frac{\partial (s^{\ell} - \Delta_1)}{\partial s^{\ell}} = 1, \quad \frac{\partial s^{\ell}}{\partial t^{\ell}} = \frac{\partial (t^{\ell} - \Delta_1)}{\partial t^{\ell}} = 1.$$

We first follow the flow in \mathbf{p}^{ℓ} -spherical coordinate, then change to the Euclidian coordinate to near the boundary at s^{ℓ} , follow the flow until $s^{\ell+1}$, and then change to the chart to $\mathbf{p}^{\ell+1}$ -spherical coordinate. By the chain rule,

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial(t^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell+1}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp \ell+1}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell+1}^{\ell+1})}{\partial(t^{\ell}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell}^{\ell}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp \ell}^{\ell}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell}^{\ell})} \\ &= \frac{\partial(t^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell+1}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp \ell+1}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell+1}^{\ell+1})}{\partial(s^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{x}_{\perp \ell+1}(s^{\ell+1}), \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell+1}(s^{\ell+1}), \mathbf{v}_{\perp \ell+1}(s^{\ell+1}), \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell+1}(s^{\ell+1}))} \\ & \quad \times \frac{\partial(s^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{p}^{\ell+1}}(s^{\ell+1}), \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{p}^{\ell+1}}(s^{\ell+1}))}{\partial(s^{\ell+1}, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell+1}), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell+1}))} \frac{\partial(s^{\ell+1}, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell+1}), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell+1}))}{\partial(s^{\ell}, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell}), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell}))} \\ & \quad \times \frac{\partial(s^{\ell}, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell}), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell}))}{\partial(s^{\ell}, \mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{p}^{\ell}}(s^{\ell}), \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{p}^{\ell}}(s^{\ell}))} \frac{\partial(s^{\ell}, \mathbf{x}_{\perp \ell}(s^{\ell}), \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell}(s^{\ell}), \mathbf{v}_{\perp \ell}(s^{\ell}), \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell}(s^{\ell}))}{\partial(t^{\ell}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell}^{\ell}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp \ell}^{\ell}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell}^{\ell})}. \end{aligned}$$

We can express that $t^{\ell+1} = t^{\ell} - t_{\mathbf{b}}(x^{\ell}, v^{\ell}) = s^{\ell+1} + \Delta_1 + \Delta_2 - t_{\mathbf{b}}(x^{\ell}, v^{\ell})$. Let us regard $t^{\ell+1}$ as t^1 and $s^{\ell+1}$ as s^1 and $\Delta_1 + \Delta_2$ as Δ in (5.39). Then we use (5.40) and (5.2) to have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial(t^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}^{\ell+1})}{\partial(s^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{x}_{\perp}(s^{\ell+1}), \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}(s^{\ell+1}), \mathbf{v}_{\perp}(s^{\ell+1}), \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}(s^{\ell+1}))} \\ & \leq \left[\begin{array}{c|c|c} 1 + O(1)|t^{\ell} - t^{\ell+1}| & O_{\delta, \xi}(1) \frac{1}{|v|} & O_{\delta, \xi}(1) \frac{1}{|v|^2} \\ \hline O(1)|t^{\ell} - t^{\ell+1}| & O_{\delta, \xi}(1) & O_{\delta, \xi}(1) \frac{1}{|v|} \\ \hline O(1)|t^{\ell} - t^{\ell+1}| & O_{\delta, \xi}(1) (|v| + \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp \ell+1}|}) & O_{\delta, \xi}(1) \end{array} \right] \\ & \leq \left[\begin{array}{c|c|c} 1 + O(1)|t^{\ell} - t^{\ell+1}| & O_{\delta, \xi}(1) \frac{1}{|v|} & O_{\delta, \xi}(1) \frac{1}{|v|^2} \\ \hline O(1)|t^{\ell} - t^{\ell+1}| & O_{\delta, \xi}(1) & O_{\delta, \xi}(1) \frac{1}{|v|} \\ \hline O(1)|t^{\ell} - t^{\ell+1}| & O_{\delta, \delta', \xi}(1) |v| & O_{\delta, \xi}(1) \end{array} \right], \end{aligned}$$

where we have used from (5.44)

$$\frac{\partial(s^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{p}^{\ell+1}}(s^{\ell+1}), \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{p}^{\ell+1}}(s^{\ell+1}))}{\partial(s^{\ell+1}, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell+1}), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell+1}))} \lesssim_{\xi} \left[\begin{array}{c|c|c} 1 & \mathbf{0}_{1,3} & \mathbf{0}_{1,3} \\ \mathbf{0}_{3,1} & O_{\xi}(1) & \mathbf{0}_{3,3} \\ \mathbf{0}_{3,1} & O_{\xi}(1)|v| & O_{\xi}(1) \end{array} \right],$$

and from $s^{\ell+1} = s^{\ell} - \Delta_2$, $X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell+1}) = X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell}) - (s^{\ell+1} - s^{\ell})V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell})$, $V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell+1}) = V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell})$,

$$\frac{\partial(s^{\ell+1}, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell+1}), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell+1}))}{\partial(s^{\ell}, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell}), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell}))} \lesssim_{\xi} \left[\begin{array}{c|c|c} 1 & \mathbf{0}_{1,3} & \mathbf{0}_{1,3} \\ \mathbf{0}_{3,1} & \mathbf{Id}_{3,3} & |s_1 - s_2| \mathbf{Id}_{3,3} \\ \mathbf{0}_{3,1} & \mathbf{0}_{3,3} & \mathbf{Id}_{3,3} \end{array} \right],$$

and from (4.5)

$$\frac{\partial(s^{\ell}, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell}), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell}))}{\partial(s^{\ell}, \mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{p}^{\ell}}(s^{\ell}), \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{p}^{\ell}}(s^{\ell}))} \lesssim_{\xi} \left[\begin{array}{c|c|c} 1 & \mathbf{0}_{1,3} & \mathbf{0}_{1,3} \\ \mathbf{0}_{3,1} & O_{\xi}(1) & \mathbf{0}_{3,3} \\ \mathbf{0}_{3,1} & |v| & O_{\xi}(1) \end{array} \right].$$

Recalling (5.36), we have

$$\frac{\partial(s^{\ell}, \mathbf{x}_{\perp \ell}(s^{\ell}), \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell}(s^{\ell}), \mathbf{v}_{\perp \ell}(s^{\ell}), \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell}(s^{\ell}))}{\partial(t^{\ell}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell}^{\ell}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp \ell}^{\ell}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell}^{\ell})} \lesssim_{\xi} \left[\begin{array}{c|c|c} 1 & \mathbf{0}_{1,2} & \mathbf{0}_{1,3} \\ O_{\xi}(1)|v| & O_{\xi}(1) & O_{\xi}(1)|t^{\ell} - s_1| \\ O_{\xi}(1)|v|^2 & O_{\xi}(1)|v| & O_{\xi}(1) \end{array} \right].$$

By direct matrix multiplication

$$\frac{\partial(t^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell+1}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp \ell+1}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell+1}^{\ell+1})}{\partial(t^{\ell}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell}^{\ell}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp \ell}^{\ell}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell}^{\ell})} \lesssim_{t, \xi} \left[\begin{array}{c|c|c} 1 & \frac{1}{|v|} & \frac{1}{|v|^2} \\ \mathbf{0}_{2,1} & 1 & \frac{1}{|v|} \\ \mathbf{0}_{3,1} & |v| & 1 \end{array} \right].$$

Note that for *Type III* we have $\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1} \gtrsim \sqrt{\delta}$ so that from (5.45)

$$J(\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}) \gtrsim \left[\begin{array}{c|c|c} 1 & \frac{M}{|v|} \sqrt{\delta} & \frac{M}{|v|^2} \min\{1, \sqrt{\delta}\} \\ \mathbf{0}_{2,1} & M \sqrt{\delta} & \frac{M}{|v|} \min\{1, \sqrt{\delta}\} \\ \mathbf{0}_{3,1} & M|v| \min\{\delta, \sqrt{\delta}\} & M \min\{\delta, \sqrt{\delta}\} \end{array} \right] \gtrsim_{\delta, t, \xi} \frac{\partial(t^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell+1}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp \ell+1}^{\ell+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell+1}^{\ell+1})}{\partial(t^{\ell}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell}^{\ell}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp \ell}^{\ell}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell}^{\ell})}.$$

This proves our claim (5.45) for *Type III*.

Step 5. Eigenvalues and diagonalization of (5.45).

We consider the case when ℓ is *Type II* or *Type III*. By a basic linear algebra (row and column operations), the characteristic polynomial of (5.45) equals, with $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}$,

$$\det \left[\begin{array}{cccccc} 1 + 5M\mathbf{r} - \lambda & \frac{M}{|v|} \mathbf{r} & \frac{M}{|v|} \mathbf{r} & \frac{M}{|v|^2} & \frac{M}{|v|^2} \mathbf{r} & \frac{M}{|v|^2} \mathbf{r} \\ 5M\mathbf{r}|v| & 1 + M\mathbf{r} - \lambda & M\mathbf{r} & \frac{M}{|v|} & \frac{M}{|v|} \mathbf{r} & \frac{M}{|v|} \mathbf{r} \\ 5M\mathbf{r}|v| & M\mathbf{r} & 1 + M\mathbf{r} - \lambda & \frac{M}{|v|} & \frac{M}{|v|} \mathbf{r} & \frac{M}{|v|} \mathbf{r} \\ 5M\mathbf{r}^2|v|^2 & M|v|\mathbf{r}^2 & M|v|\mathbf{r}^2 & 1 + M\mathbf{r} - \lambda & M\mathbf{r}^2 & M\mathbf{r}^2 \\ 5M\mathbf{r}|v|^2 & M|v|\mathbf{r} & M|v|\mathbf{r} & M & 1 + M\mathbf{r} - \lambda & M\mathbf{r} \\ 5M\mathbf{r}|v|^2 & M|v|\mathbf{r} & M|v|\mathbf{r} & M & M\mathbf{r} & 1 + M\mathbf{r} - \lambda \end{array} \right] \\ = (\lambda - 1)^5 (\lambda - (10M\mathbf{r} + 1)).$$

Therefore eigenvalues are

$$\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = \lambda_4 = \lambda_5 = 1, \lambda_6 = 1 + 10M\mathbf{r}. \tag{5.68}$$

Corresponding eigenvectors are

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{5|v|} \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{5|v|} \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{5|v|^2\mathbf{r}} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{5|v|^2} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{5|v|^2} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{|v|^2} \\ \frac{1}{|v|} \\ \frac{1}{|v|} \\ \mathbf{r} \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Write $P = P(\mathbf{r}^\ell)$ as a block matrix of above column eigenvectors. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P} &= \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{5|v|} & -\frac{1}{5|v|} & -\frac{1}{5|v|^2\mathbf{r}} & -\frac{1}{5|v|^2} & -\frac{1}{5|v|^2} & \frac{1}{|v|^2} \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{|v|} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{|v|} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{r} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \\ \mathcal{P}^{-1} &= \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{|v|}{2} & \frac{9}{10} & -\frac{1}{10} & -\frac{1}{10|v|\mathbf{r}} & -\frac{1}{10|v|} & -\frac{1}{10|v|} \\ -\frac{|v|}{2} & -\frac{1}{10} & \frac{9}{10} & -\frac{1}{10|v|\mathbf{r}} & -\frac{1}{10|v|} & -\frac{1}{10|v|} \\ -\frac{|v|^2\mathbf{r}}{2} & -\frac{|v|\mathbf{r}}{10} & -\frac{|v|\mathbf{r}}{10} & \frac{9}{10} & -\frac{\mathbf{r}}{10} & -\frac{\mathbf{r}}{10} \\ -\frac{|v|^2}{2} & -\frac{|v|}{10} & -\frac{|v|}{10} & -\frac{1}{10\mathbf{r}} & \frac{9}{10} & -\frac{1}{10} \\ -\frac{|v|^2}{2} & -\frac{|v|}{10} & -\frac{|v|}{10} & -\frac{1}{10\mathbf{r}} & -\frac{1}{10} & \frac{9}{10} \\ \frac{|v|^2}{2} & \frac{|v|}{10} & \frac{|v|}{10} & \frac{1}{10\mathbf{r}} & \frac{1}{10} & \frac{1}{10} \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned} \tag{5.69}$$

Therefore

$$J(\mathbf{r}) = \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{r})\Lambda(\mathbf{r})\mathcal{P}^{-1}(\mathbf{r}),$$

and

$$\Lambda(\mathbf{r}) := \text{diag}\left[1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1 + 10M\mathbf{r}\right],$$

where the notation $\text{diag}[a_1, \dots, a_m]$ is a $m \times m$ -matrix with $a_{ii} = a_i$ and $a_{ij} = 0$ for all $i \neq j$.

Similarly for the case when ℓ is *Type I*, the eigenvalues of the matrix (5.46) are (with $\mathbf{v}_\perp = \mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}$)

$$\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = \lambda_4 = \lambda_5 = 1, \lambda_6 = 1 + 10M\mathbf{v}_\perp. \tag{5.70}$$

Corresponding eigenvectors are

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{5} \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{5} \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{5\mathbf{v}_\perp} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{5} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{5} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ \mathbf{v}_\perp \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Write $P = P(\mathbf{v}_\perp^\ell)$ as a block matrix of above column eigenvectors. Then

$$\mathcal{P} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{5} & -\frac{1}{5} & -\frac{1}{5\mathbf{v}_\perp} & -\frac{1}{5} & -\frac{1}{5} & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{v}_\perp \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathcal{P}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{9}{10} & -\frac{1}{10} & -\frac{1}{10\mathbf{v}_\perp} & -\frac{1}{10} & -\frac{1}{10} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{10} & \frac{9}{10} & -\frac{1}{10\mathbf{v}_\perp} & -\frac{1}{10} & -\frac{1}{10} \\ -\frac{\mathbf{v}_\perp}{2} & -\frac{\mathbf{v}_\perp}{10} & -\frac{\mathbf{v}_\perp}{10} & \frac{9}{10} & -\frac{\mathbf{v}_\perp}{10} & -\frac{\mathbf{v}_\perp}{10} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{10} & -\frac{1}{10} & -\frac{1}{10\mathbf{v}_\perp} & \frac{1}{10} & -\frac{1}{10} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{10} & -\frac{1}{10} & -\frac{1}{10\mathbf{v}_\perp} & -\frac{1}{10} & \frac{9}{10} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{10} & \frac{1}{10} & \frac{1}{10\mathbf{v}_\perp} & \frac{1}{10} & \frac{1}{10} \end{bmatrix}. \tag{5.71}$$

Therefore

$$J(\mathbf{v}_\perp) = \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{v}_\perp)\Lambda(\mathbf{v}_\perp)\mathcal{P}^{-1}(\mathbf{v}_\perp),$$

and

$$\Lambda(\mathbf{v}_\perp) := \text{diag} [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1 + 10M\mathbf{v}_\perp],$$

Step 6. The i -th intermediate group.

If ℓ is *Type II* or *Type III*, we claim that, for $i = 1, 2, \dots, \lfloor \frac{|t-s|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor$,

$$\begin{aligned} & J_{\ell_{i+1}-1}^{\ell_{i+1}} \times \dots \times J_{\ell_i}^{\ell_{i+1}} \\ &= \frac{\partial(t^{\ell_{i+1}}, \mathbf{x}_{\|\ell_{i+1}}^{\ell_{i+1}}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell_{i+1}}^{\ell_{i+1}}, \mathbf{v}_{\|\ell_{i+1}}^{\ell_{i+1}})}{\partial(t^{\ell_{i+1}-1}, \mathbf{x}_{\|\ell_{i+1}-1}^{\ell_{i+1}-1}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell_{i+1}-1}^{\ell_{i+1}-1}, \mathbf{v}_{\|\ell_{i+1}-1}^{\ell_{i+1}-1})} \times \dots \times \frac{\partial(t^{\ell_i+1}, \mathbf{x}_{\|\ell_i+1}^{\ell_i+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell_i+1}^{\ell_i+1}, \mathbf{v}_{\|\ell_i+1}^{\ell_i+1})}{\partial(t^{\ell_i}, \mathbf{x}_{\|\ell_i}^{\ell_i}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell_i}^{\ell_i}, \mathbf{v}_{\|\ell_i}^{\ell_i})} \\ &\leq \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{r}_i)(\Lambda(\mathbf{r}_i))^{\frac{C_\xi}{r_i}} \mathcal{P}^{-1}(\mathbf{r}_i). \end{aligned} \tag{5.72}$$

By the definition of the group, $L_\xi \leq |v| |t^{\ell_i} - t^{\ell_{i+1}}| \leq C_1 < +\infty$ for all i . By the Velocity lemma (Lemma 3.1),

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{C_1} e^{-\frac{C}{2} C_1 \mathbf{r}^{\ell_i}} \leq \mathbf{r}^{\ell_{i+1}} &\equiv \frac{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell_{i+1}}|}{|v^{\ell_{i+1}}|}, \mathbf{r}^{\ell_{i+1}-1} \equiv \frac{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell_{i+1}-1}|}{|v^{\ell_{i+1}-1}|}, \\ \dots, \mathbf{r}^{\ell_i+1} &\equiv \frac{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell_i+1}|}{|v^{\ell_i+1}|}, \mathbf{r}^{\ell_i} \equiv \frac{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell_i}|}{|v^{\ell_i}|} \leq C_1 e^{\frac{C}{2} C_1 \mathbf{r}^{\ell_i}}, \end{aligned}$$

and define

$$\mathbf{r}_i \equiv C_1 e^{\frac{C}{2} C_1 \mathbf{r}^{\ell_i}}.$$

Then we have

$$\frac{1}{(C_1)^2} e^{-CC_1 \mathbf{r}_i} \leq \mathbf{r}^j \leq \mathbf{r}_i \quad \text{for all } \ell_{i+1} \leq j \leq \ell_i. \tag{5.73}$$

From (5.45), we have a uniform bound for all $\ell_{i+1} \leq j \leq \ell_i$

$$J_j^{+1} \lesssim J(\mathbf{r}_i) = \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{r}_i)\Lambda(\mathbf{r}_i)\mathcal{P}^{-1}(\mathbf{r}_i).$$

Therefore

$$J_{\ell_{i+1}-1}^{\ell_{i+1}} \times \dots \times J_{\ell_i}^{\ell_{i+1}} \leq \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{r}_i)[\Lambda(\mathbf{r}_i)]^{|\ell_{i+1}-\ell_i|} \mathcal{P}^{-1}(\mathbf{r}_i).$$

Now we have only left to prove $|\ell_{i+1} - \ell_i| \lesssim_{\Omega} \frac{1}{\mathbf{r}_i}$: For any $\ell_{i+1} \leq j \leq \ell_i$, we have $\xi(x^j) = 0 = \xi(x^{j+1}) = \xi(x^j - (t^j - t^{j+1})v^j)$. We expand $\xi(x^j - (t^j - t^{j+1})v^j)$ in time to have

$$\begin{aligned} \xi(x^{j+1}) &= \xi(x^j) + \int_{t^j}^{t^{j+1}} \frac{d}{ds} \xi(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)) ds \\ &= \xi(x^j) + (v^j \cdot \nabla \xi(x^j))(t^{j+1} - t^j) + \int_{t^j}^{t^{j+1}} \int_{t^j}^s \frac{d^2}{d\tau^2} \xi(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau)) d\tau ds, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= (v^j \cdot \nabla \xi(x^j))(t^{j+1} - t^j) + \frac{(t^j - t^{j+1})^2}{2} (V_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau_*) \cdot \nabla^2 \xi(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau_*)) \cdot V_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau_*) \\ &\quad + E(\tau, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau_*)) \cdot \nabla \xi(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau_*))), \end{aligned}$$

for some $\tau_* \in [t^{j+1}, t^j]$. Therefore

$$\frac{v^j \cdot \nabla \xi(x^j)}{|v|} = (t^j - t^{j+1}) |v| \frac{V_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau_*) \cdot \nabla^2 \xi(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau_*)) \cdot V_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau_*) + E(\tau, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau_*)) \cdot \nabla \xi(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau_*))}{2|v|^2}.$$

Thus there exists $C_2(\delta, \xi, E) \gg 1$

$$\frac{|v^j \cdot \nabla \xi(x^j)|}{|v|} \leq C_2 |t^j - t^{j+1}| |v|. \tag{5.74}$$

Therefore we have a lower bound of $|v||t^j - t^{j+1}|$: $|v||t^j - t^{j+1}| \geq \frac{1}{C_2} |\mathbf{r}^j| \geq \frac{1}{(C_1)^2 C_2} e^{-CC_1 \mathbf{r}_i}$, where we have used (5.73). Finally, using the definition of one group ($1 \leq |v||t^{\ell_i} - t^{\ell_{i+1}}| \leq C_1$), we have the following upper bound of the number of bounces in this one group (i -th intermediate group)

$$|\ell_i - \ell_{i+1}| \leq \frac{|v||t^{\ell_i} - t^{\ell_{i+1}}|}{\min_{\ell_i \leq j \leq \ell_{i+1}} |v||t^j - t^{j+1}|} \leq \frac{C_1}{\frac{1}{(C_1)^2 C_2} e^{-CC_1 \mathbf{r}_i}} \lesssim_{\xi} \frac{1}{\mathbf{r}_i},$$

and this completes our claim (5.72).

Let's consider the whole intermediate groups

$$J_{\ell_*-1}^{\ell_*} \times \dots \times J_{\ell}^{\ell+1} \times J_{\ell-1}^{\ell} \times \dots \times J_1^2 \leq J(\mathbf{r}^{\ell_*}) \times \dots \times J(\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}) \times J(\mathbf{r}^{\ell}) \times \dots \times J(\mathbf{r}^2). \tag{5.75}$$

We have from (5.69) that

$$J(\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}) \times J(\mathbf{r}^{\ell}) = \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}) \Lambda(\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}) \mathcal{P}^{-1}(\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}) \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{r}^{\ell}) \Lambda(\mathbf{r}^{\ell}) \mathcal{P}^{-1}(\mathbf{r}^{\ell}),$$

and by direct computation

$$\mathcal{P}^{-1}(\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}) \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{r}^{\ell}) = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{|v|}{2} & \frac{9}{10} & -\frac{1}{10} & -\frac{1}{10|v|\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}} & -\frac{1}{10|v|} & -\frac{1}{10|v|} \\ -\frac{|v|}{2} & -\frac{1}{10} & \frac{9}{10} & -\frac{1}{10|v|\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}} & -\frac{1}{10|v|} & -\frac{1}{10|v|} \\ -\frac{|v|^2 \mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}}{2} & -\frac{|v| \mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}}{10} & -\frac{|v| \mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}}{10} & \frac{9}{10} & -\frac{\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}}{10} & -\frac{\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}}{10} \\ -\frac{|v|^2}{2} & -\frac{|v|}{10} & -\frac{|v|}{10} & -\frac{1}{10\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}} & \frac{9}{10} & -\frac{1}{10} \\ -\frac{|v|^2}{2} & -\frac{|v|}{10} & -\frac{|v|}{10} & -\frac{1}{10\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}} & -\frac{1}{10} & \frac{9}{10} \\ \frac{|v|^2}{2} & \frac{|v|}{10} & \frac{|v|}{10} & \frac{1}{10\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}} & \frac{1}{10} & \frac{1}{10} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \times \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{5|v|} & -\frac{1}{5|v|} & -\frac{1}{5|v|^2\mathbf{r}^\ell} & -\frac{1}{5|v|^2} & -\frac{1}{5|v|^2} & \frac{1}{|v|^2} \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{|v|} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{|v|} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{r}^\ell \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 & = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{10|v|}(\frac{1}{\mathbf{r}^\ell} - \frac{1}{\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}}) & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{10|v|}(1 - \frac{\mathbf{r}^\ell}{\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}}) \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{10|v|}(\frac{1}{\mathbf{r}^\ell} - \frac{1}{\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}}) & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{10|v|}(1 - \frac{\mathbf{r}^\ell}{\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}}) \\ 0 & 0 & 1 + \frac{1}{10}(\frac{\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}}{\mathbf{r}^\ell} - 1) & 0 & 0 & \frac{9}{10}(\mathbf{r}^\ell - \mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}) \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{10}(\frac{1}{\mathbf{r}^\ell} - \frac{1}{\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}}) & 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{10}(1 - \frac{\mathbf{r}^\ell}{\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}}) \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{10}(\frac{1}{\mathbf{r}^\ell} - \frac{1}{\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}}) & 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{10}(1 - \frac{\mathbf{r}^\ell}{\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}}) \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{10}(\frac{1}{\mathbf{r}^\ell} - \frac{1}{\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}}) & 0 & 0 & 1 + \frac{1}{10}(\frac{\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}}{\mathbf{r}^\ell} - 1) \end{bmatrix}. \tag{5.76}
 \end{aligned}$$

Since from the definition of \mathbf{v}_\perp^ℓ , and (5.60) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} &= -\lim_{s \downarrow t^{\ell+1}} \mathbf{v}_\perp(s) = -\mathbf{v}_\perp^\ell + \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} F_\perp(\mathbf{X}(\tau; t, x, v), \mathbf{V}(\tau; t, x, v)) d\tau \\
 &= -\mathbf{v}_\perp^\ell + (t^\ell - t^{\ell+1})F_\perp(t^\ell) + O(1)|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2(|v|^3 + 1) \\
 &= -\mathbf{v}_\perp^\ell + 2\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} + O(1)|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2(|v|^3 + 1). \tag{5.77}
 \end{aligned}$$

This implies $\mathbf{v}_\perp^\ell - \mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} = O(1)|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2(|v|^3 + 1)$. Similarly by plugging in

$$(t^\ell - t^{\ell+1})F_\perp(t^\ell) = 2\mathbf{v}_\perp^\ell + O(1)|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2(|v|^3 + 1),$$

(5.77) becomes

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} &= -\mathbf{v}_\perp^\ell + (t^\ell - t^{\ell+1})F_\perp(t^\ell) + O(1)|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2(|v|^3 + 1) \\
 &= \mathbf{v}_\perp^\ell + O(1)|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2(|v|^3 + 1).
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} - \mathbf{v}_\perp^\ell = O(1)|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2(|v|^3 + 1)$, therefore

$$|\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} - \mathbf{v}_\perp^\ell| = O(1)|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2(|v|^3 + 1). \tag{5.78}$$

From (5.78) we have

$$\left| \frac{1}{\mathbf{r}^\ell} - \frac{1}{\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}} \right| = \frac{1}{|v|} \frac{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} - \mathbf{v}_\perp^\ell|}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}||\mathbf{v}_\perp^\ell|} \lesssim \frac{|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2(|v|^2 + 1)}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}||\mathbf{v}_\perp^\ell|} \lesssim 1, \tag{5.79}$$

and

$$\left| 1 - \frac{\mathbf{r}^\ell}{\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}} \right| = \frac{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1} - \mathbf{v}_\perp^\ell|}{\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}} \lesssim \frac{|t^\ell - t^{\ell+1}|^2(|v|^2 + 1)}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^{\ell+1}|} \lesssim \mathbf{r}^\ell. \tag{5.80}$$

Thus

$$|\mathcal{P}^{-1}(\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1})\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{r}^\ell)| \leq \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{M}{|v|} & 0 & 0 & \frac{M}{|v|}\mathbf{r}^\ell \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{M}{|v|} & 0 & 0 & \frac{M}{|v|}\mathbf{r}^\ell \\ 0 & 0 & 1 + M\mathbf{r}^\ell & 0 & 0 & M(\mathbf{r}^\ell)^2 \\ 0 & 0 & M & 1 & 0 & M\mathbf{r}^\ell \\ 0 & 0 & M & 0 & 1 & M\mathbf{r}^\ell \\ 0 & 0 & M & 0 & 0 & 1 + M\mathbf{r}^\ell \end{bmatrix} := \mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{r}^\ell).$$

Now we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & J(\mathbf{r}^{\ell_*}) \times \dots \times J(\mathbf{r}^{\ell+1}) \times J(\mathbf{r}^\ell) \times \dots \times J(\mathbf{r}^2) \\
 & \leq \widetilde{\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{r}^{\ell_*})} \Lambda(\mathbf{r}^{\ell_*}) \mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{r}^{\ell_*-1}) \Lambda(\mathbf{r}^{\ell_*-1}) \dots \mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{r}^\ell) \Lambda(\mathbf{r}^\ell) \dots \mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{r}^2) \Lambda(\mathbf{r}^2) \widetilde{\mathcal{P}^{-1}(\mathbf{r}^2)} \\
 & \leq \prod_{j=2}^{\ell_*} (1 + 10M\mathbf{r}^j) \widetilde{\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{r}^{\ell_*})} \mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{r}^{\ell_*-1}) \dots \mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{r}^2) \widetilde{\mathcal{P}^{-1}(\mathbf{r}^2)} \\
 & \leq C^{C(t-s)|v|} \widetilde{\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{r}^{\ell_*})} \mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{r}^{\ell_*-1}) \dots \mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{r}^2) \widetilde{\mathcal{P}^{-1}(\mathbf{r}^2)},
 \end{aligned} \tag{5.81}$$

where we have used $\Lambda(\mathbf{r}^j) \leq (1 + 10M\mathbf{r}^j) \mathbf{Id}_{6,6}$, and

$$\prod_{j=2}^{\ell_*} (1 + 10M\mathbf{r}^j) \leq \prod_{i=1}^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L\xi} \rfloor} \prod_{j=\ell_{i-1}}^{\ell_i} (1 + 10M\mathbf{r}^j) \lesssim \prod_{i=1}^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L\xi} \rfloor} (1 + 10M\mathbf{r}_i)^{\frac{C_\xi}{r_i}} \lesssim C^{C(t-s)|v|}.$$

Next we estimate $\mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{r}^{\ell_*-1}) \dots \mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{r}^2)$. First, by diagonalization we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{r}) &= \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{r}) \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{r}) \mathcal{R}^{-1}(\mathbf{r}) \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{|v|} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{|v|} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -\mathbf{r} & \mathbf{r} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 + 2M\mathbf{r} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2|v|\mathbf{r}} & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2|v|} \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2|v|\mathbf{r}} & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2|v|} \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2\mathbf{r}} & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2\mathbf{r}} & 1 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2\mathbf{r}} & 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2\mathbf{r}} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{5.82}$$

Thus

$$\prod_{j=2}^{\ell_*} \mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{r}^j) \leq \prod_{i=1}^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L\xi} \rfloor} \prod_{j=\ell_{i-1}}^{\ell_i} \mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{r}^j) \lesssim \prod_{i=1}^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L\xi} \rfloor} [\mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{r}_i)]^{\ell_i - \ell_{i-1}} \leq \prod_{i=1}^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L\xi} \rfloor} \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{r}_i) [\mathcal{B}(\mathbf{r}_i)]^{\ell_i - \ell_{i-1}} \mathcal{R}^{-1}(\mathbf{r}_i),$$

note that for some $C \gg 1$

$$[\mathcal{B}(\mathbf{r}_i)]^{\ell_i - \ell_{i-1}} \lesssim [\mathcal{B}(\mathbf{r}_i)]^{\frac{C_\xi}{r_i}} \lesssim \text{diag}[1, 1, 1, 1, 1, C]. \tag{5.83}$$

Next we have again by explicit computation and using $|\frac{\mathbf{r}_i}{\mathbf{r}_{i+1}}| \lesssim C_\xi$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{R}^{-1}(\mathbf{r}_{i+1}) \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{r}_i) &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2|v|} \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_i}{\mathbf{r}_{i+1}} - 1 \right) & -\frac{1}{2|v|} \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_i}{\mathbf{r}_{i+1}} - 1 \right) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2|v|} \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_i}{\mathbf{r}_{i+1}} - 1 \right) & -\frac{1}{2|v|} \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_i}{\mathbf{r}_{i+1}} - 1 \right) \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_i}{\mathbf{r}_{i+1}} - 1 \right) & -\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_i}{\mathbf{r}_{i+1}} - 1 \right) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_i}{\mathbf{r}_{i+1}} - 1 \right) & -\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_i}{\mathbf{r}_{i+1}} - 1 \right) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_i}{\mathbf{r}_{i+1}} + 1 \right) & -\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_i}{\mathbf{r}_{i+1}} - 1 \right) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_i}{\mathbf{r}_{i+1}} - 1 \right) & \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_i}{\mathbf{r}_{i+1}} + 1 \right) \end{bmatrix} \\
 &\lesssim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \frac{C_\xi}{|v|} & \frac{C_\xi}{|v|} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{C_\xi}{|v|} & \frac{C_\xi}{|v|} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & C_\xi & C_\xi \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & C_\xi & C_\xi \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & C_\xi & C_\xi \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & C_\xi & C_\xi \end{bmatrix} := \mathcal{S}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{5.84}$$

Again we diagonalize \mathcal{S} as

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{S} &= \mathcal{F}\mathcal{A}\mathcal{F}^{-1} \\
 &:= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{2C_\xi}{|v|(2C_\xi-1)} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \frac{2C_\xi}{|v|(2C_\xi-1)} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{2C_\xi}{2C_\xi-1} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{2C_\xi}{2C_\xi-1} \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2C_\xi \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{C_\xi}{|v|(2C_\xi-1)} & -\frac{C_\xi}{|v|(2C_\xi-1)} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{C_\xi}{|v|(2C_\xi-1)} & -\frac{C_\xi}{|v|(2C_\xi-1)} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -\frac{C_\xi}{(2C_\xi-1)} & -\frac{C_\xi}{(2C_\xi-1)} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{C_\xi}{(2C_\xi-1)} & -\frac{C_\xi}{(2C_\xi-1)} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}, \tag{5.85}
 \end{aligned}$$

and directly

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{S}^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} &= \mathcal{F}\mathcal{A}^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor}\mathcal{F}^{-1} \\
 &= \mathcal{F}\text{diag}\left[0, 1, 1, 1, 1, (2C_\xi)^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor}\right]\mathcal{F}^{-1} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{|v|}\frac{C_\xi}{2C_\xi-1}\left((2C_\xi)^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor}-1\right) & \frac{1}{|v|}\frac{C_\xi}{2C_\xi-1}\left((2C_\xi)^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor}-1\right) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{|v|}\frac{C_\xi}{2C_\xi-1}\left((2C_\xi)^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor}-1\right) & \frac{1}{|v|}\frac{C_\xi}{2C_\xi-1}\left((2C_\xi)^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor}-1\right) \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{C_\xi}{2C_\xi-1}\left((2C_\xi)^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor}-1\right) & \frac{C_\xi}{2C_\xi-1}\left((2C_\xi)^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor}-1\right) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{C_\xi}{2C_\xi-1}\left((2C_\xi)^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor}-1\right) & \frac{C_\xi}{2C_\xi-1}\left((2C_\xi)^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor}-1\right) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{(2C_\xi)^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor}}{2} & \frac{(2C_\xi)^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor}}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{(2C_\xi)^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor}}{2} & \frac{(2C_\xi)^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor}}{2} \end{bmatrix} \\
 &\leq \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{|v|}C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} & \frac{1}{|v|}C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{|v|}C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} & \frac{1}{|v|}C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} & C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} & C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} & C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} & C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} \end{bmatrix} := \mathcal{D}. \tag{5.86}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore from (5.83) and (5.86) we have for some $C_1 \gg 1$,

$$\prod_{j=2}^{\ell_*} \mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{r}^j) \leq C_1^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} \widetilde{\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{r}_{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor})} \mathcal{F}\mathcal{A}^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor}\mathcal{F}^{-1}\widetilde{\mathcal{R}^{-1}(\mathbf{r}_1)} \leq C_1^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} \widetilde{\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{r}_{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor})} \mathcal{D}\widetilde{\mathcal{R}^{-1}(\mathbf{r}_1)}. \tag{5.87}$$

Finally using $\mathbf{r}_1 \sim \mathbf{r}^2 \sim \mathbf{r}^1$, and $\mathbf{r}^{\ell_*} \sim \mathbf{r}_{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor}$. Putting everything together we have from (5.81), for $C_2 \gg 1$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 &J(\mathbf{r}^{\ell_*}) \times \dots \times J(\mathbf{r}^{\ell_*+1}) \times J(\mathbf{r}^\ell) \times \dots \times J(\mathbf{r}^2) \\
 &\leq C^{C(t-s)|v|} \widetilde{\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{r}^{\ell_*})} \prod_{j=2}^{\ell_*} \mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{r}^j) \widetilde{\mathcal{P}^{-1}(\mathbf{r}^2)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\leq C_2^{C_2(t-s)|v|} \widetilde{\mathcal{P}}(\mathbf{r}^{\ell_*}) \widetilde{\mathcal{R}}(\mathbf{r}_{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor}) \widetilde{\mathcal{D}\mathcal{R}^{-1}}(\mathbf{r}_1) \widetilde{\mathcal{P}^{-1}}(\mathbf{r}^2) \\
 &\lesssim C_2^{C_2(t-s)|v|} \widetilde{\mathcal{P}}(\mathbf{r}^{\ell_*}) \widetilde{\mathcal{R}}(\mathbf{r}^{\ell_*}) \widetilde{\mathcal{D}\mathcal{R}^{-1}}(\mathbf{r}^1) \widetilde{\mathcal{P}^{-1}}(\mathbf{r}^1) \\
 &= C_2^{C_2(t-s)|v|} \\
 &\quad \times \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{5|v|} & \frac{1}{5|v|} & \frac{1}{5|v|^2} & \frac{1}{5|v|^2} & \frac{6}{5|v|^2} & \frac{2}{|v|^2} \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{|v|} & \frac{2}{|v|} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{|v|} & \frac{2}{|v|} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{2}{\mathbf{r}^{\ell_*}} & \frac{2}{\mathbf{r}^{\ell_*}} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{|v|} C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} & \frac{1}{|v|} C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{|v|} C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} & \frac{1}{|v|} C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} & C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} & C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} & C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} & C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} \end{bmatrix} \\
 &\quad \times \begin{bmatrix} |v| & 1 & \frac{1}{5} & \frac{3}{5\mathbf{r}^1|v|} & \frac{1}{5|v|} & \frac{1}{5|v|} \\ |v| & \frac{1}{5} & 1 & \frac{3}{5\mathbf{r}^1|v|} & \frac{1}{5|v|} & \frac{1}{5|v|} \\ |v|^2 & \frac{|v|}{5} & \frac{|v|}{5} & \frac{3}{5\mathbf{r}^1} & 1 & \frac{1}{5} \\ |v|^2 & \frac{|v|}{5} & \frac{|v|}{5} & \frac{3}{5\mathbf{r}^1} & \frac{1}{5} & 1 \\ \frac{|v|^2}{2} & \frac{|v|}{10} & \frac{|v|}{10} & \frac{1}{2\mathbf{r}^1} & \frac{1}{10} & \frac{1}{10} \\ \frac{|v|^2}{2} & \frac{|v|}{10} & \frac{|v|}{10} & \frac{1}{2\mathbf{r}^1} & \frac{1}{10} & \frac{1}{10} \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= C_2^{C_2(t-s)|v|} \\
 &\quad \times \begin{bmatrix} 4C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + \frac{4}{5} & \frac{20C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 8}{25|v|} & \frac{20C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 8}{25|v|} & \frac{4(25C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 3)}{25\mathbf{r}^1|v|^2} & \frac{4(5C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 2)}{25|v|^2} & \frac{4(5C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 2)}{25|v|^2} \\ |v|(4C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 1) & \frac{4C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 1}{5} & \frac{4C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 1}{5} & \frac{20C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 3}{5\mathbf{r}^1|v|} & \frac{4C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 1}{5|v|} & \frac{4C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 1}{5|v|} \\ |v|(4C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 1) & \frac{4C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 1}{5} & \frac{4C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 1}{5} & \frac{20C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 3}{5\mathbf{r}^1|v|} & \frac{4C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 1}{5|v|} & \frac{4C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 1}{5|v|} \\ 4C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} \mathbf{r}^{\ell_*} |v|^2 & \frac{4}{5} C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} \mathbf{r}^{\ell_*} |v| & \frac{4}{5} C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} \mathbf{r}^{\ell_*} |v| & \frac{4C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} \mathbf{r}^{\ell_*}}{\mathbf{r}^1} & \frac{4}{5} C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} \mathbf{r}^{\ell_*} & \frac{4}{5} C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} \mathbf{r}^{\ell_*} \\ |v|^2(4C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 1) & \frac{|v|}{5} (4C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 1) & \frac{|v|}{5} (4C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 1) & \frac{20C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 3}{5\mathbf{r}^1} & \frac{4C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 1}{5} & \frac{4C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 1}{5} \\ |v|^2(4C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 1) & \frac{|v|}{5} (4C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 1) & \frac{|v|}{5} (4C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 1) & \frac{20C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 3}{5\mathbf{r}^1} & \frac{4C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 1}{5} & \frac{4C^{\lfloor \frac{\tilde{t}|v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 1}{5} \end{bmatrix} \\
 &\lesssim C^{C|t-s||v|} \begin{bmatrix} O_\xi(1) & \frac{1}{|v|} & \frac{1}{|v||\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \frac{1}{|v|^2} \\ |v| & O_\xi(1) & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \frac{1}{|v|} \\ \frac{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1||v|}{|v|^2} & \frac{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|}{|v|} & O_\xi(1) & \frac{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|}{|v|} \\ |v|^2 & |v| & \frac{|v|}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & O_\xi(1) \end{bmatrix}_{6 \times 6}, \tag{5.88}
 \end{aligned}$$

where we have used (5.74) and the Velocity lemma (Lemma 3.1) and (5.2) and

$$\mathbf{r}_i = C_1 e^{\frac{c}{2} C_1 \mathbf{r}^i} \lesssim e^{C|t-s||v|} \frac{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|}{|v|}, \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\mathbf{r}_{\lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor}}{\mathbf{r}_1} = \frac{\mathbf{r}^{\lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor}}{\mathbf{r}^1} = \frac{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^{\lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor}}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \leq C_1 e^{\frac{c}{2} |v||t-s|}.$$

The case where ℓ is *Type I* is easier, we first claim

$$J_{\ell_*-1}^{\ell_*} \times \dots \times J_1^2 = \frac{\partial(t^{\ell_*}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell_*}^{\ell_*}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp \ell_*}^{\ell_*}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell_*}^{\ell_*})}{\partial(t^{\ell_*-1}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell_*-1}^{\ell_*-1}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp \ell_*-1}^{\ell_*-1}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell_*-1}^{\ell_*-1})} \times \dots \times \frac{\partial(t^2, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel 2}^2, \mathbf{v}_{\perp 2}^2, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel 2}^2)}{\partial(t^1, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel 1}^1, \mathbf{v}_{\perp 1}^1, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel 1}^1)}$$

$$\leq \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{v}_\perp^1)(\Lambda(\mathbf{v}_\perp^1))^{\frac{C_\xi}{\mathbf{v}_\perp^1}} \mathcal{P}^{-1}(\mathbf{v}_\perp^1). \tag{5.89}$$

From the same arguments between (5.72) and (5.73), we have

$$\frac{1}{(C_1)^2} e^{-cC_1 \mathbf{v}_\perp^1} \leq \mathbf{v}_\perp^j \leq \mathbf{v}_\perp^1 \quad \text{for all } 1 \leq j \leq \ell_*. \tag{5.90}$$

Therefore

$$J_{\ell_*-1}^{\ell_*} \times \dots \times J_1^2 \leq \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{v}_\perp^1)(\Lambda(\mathbf{v}_\perp^1))^{|\ell_*|} \mathcal{P}^{-1}(\mathbf{v}_\perp^1).$$

Now we have only left to prove $|\ell_*| \lesssim \Omega \frac{1}{\mathbf{v}_\perp^1}$: For any $1 \leq j \leq \ell_*$, we have $\xi(x^j) = 0 = \xi(x^{j+1}) = \xi(x^j - (t^j - t^{j+1})v^j)$. We expand $\xi(x^j - (t^j - t^{j+1})v^j)$ in time to have

$$\begin{aligned} \xi(x^{j+1}) &= \xi(x^j) + \int_{t^j}^{t^{j+1}} \frac{d}{ds} \xi(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)) ds \\ &= \xi(x^j) + (v^j \cdot \nabla \xi(x^j))(t^{j+1} - t^j) + \int_{t^j}^{t^{j+1}} \int_{t^j}^s \frac{d^2}{d\tau^2} \xi(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau)) d\tau ds, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= (v^j \cdot \nabla \xi(x^j))(t^{j+1} - t^j) + \frac{(t^j - t^{j+1})^2}{2} (V_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau_*) \cdot \nabla^2 \xi(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau_*)) \cdot V_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau_*) \\ &\quad + E(\tau, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau_*)) \cdot \nabla \xi(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau_*))), \end{aligned}$$

for some $\tau_* \in [t^{j+1}, t^j]$. Therefore there exists $C_2(\delta, \xi, E) \gg 1$ such that

$$|t^j - t^{j+1}| = \frac{2v^j \cdot \nabla \xi(x^j)}{V_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau_*) \cdot \nabla^2 \xi(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau_*)) \cdot V_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau_*) + E(\tau, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau_*)) \cdot \nabla \xi(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau_*))} \geq \frac{1}{C_2} \mathbf{v}_\perp^j \gtrsim \mathbf{v}_\perp^1.$$

Thus

$$|\ell_*| \leq \frac{T}{\min_j |t^j - t^{j+1}|} \lesssim \frac{T}{\mathbf{v}_\perp^1},$$

and this completes our claim (5.89).

Then directly from (5.89) we have for some $C \gg 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} J_{\ell_*-1}^{\ell_*} \times \dots \times J_1^2 &\leq \widetilde{\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{v}_\perp^1)(\Lambda(\mathbf{v}_\perp^1))^{\frac{C_\xi}{\mathbf{v}_\perp^1}} \mathcal{P}^{-1}(\mathbf{v}_\perp^1)} \\ &\leq \widetilde{\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{v}_\perp^1)((1 + M\mathbf{v}_\perp^1)^{\frac{C_\xi}{\mathbf{v}_\perp^1}} \mathbf{Id}_{6,6}) \mathcal{P}^{-1}(\mathbf{v}_\perp^1)} \\ &\leq C \widetilde{\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{v}_\perp^1) \mathcal{P}^{-1}(\mathbf{v}_\perp^1)} \\ &\leq C \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{9}{25} & \frac{9}{25} & \frac{9}{25|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \frac{9}{25} & \frac{9}{25} \\ 1 & 1 & \frac{1}{5} & \frac{1}{5|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \frac{1}{5} & \frac{1}{5} \\ 1 & \frac{1}{5} & 1 & \frac{1}{5|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \frac{1}{5} & \frac{1}{5} \\ |\mathbf{v}_\perp^1| & \frac{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|}{5} & \frac{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|}{5} & 1 & \frac{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|}{5} & \frac{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|}{5} \\ 1 & \frac{1}{5} & \frac{1}{5} & \frac{1}{5|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & 1 & \frac{1}{5} \\ 1 & \frac{1}{5} & \frac{1}{5} & \frac{1}{5|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \frac{1}{5} & 1 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned} \tag{5.91}$$

Step 8. Intermediate summary for the matrix method and the final estimate for Type III.

Recall from (5.25) and (5.36), (5.88), (5.40),

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial(s^{\ell^*}, \mathbf{X}_{\ell^*}(s^{\ell^*}), \mathbf{V}_{\ell^*}(s^{\ell^*}))}{\partial(s^1, \mathbf{X}_1(s^1), \mathbf{V}_1(s^1))} \equiv \frac{\partial(s^{\ell^*}, \mathbf{x}_{\perp_{\ell^*}}(s^{\ell^*}), \mathbf{x}_{\parallel_{\ell^*}}(s^{\ell^*}), \mathbf{v}_{\perp_{\ell^*}}(s^{\ell^*}), \mathbf{v}_{\parallel_{\ell^*}}(s^{\ell^*}))}{\partial(s^1, \mathbf{x}_{\perp_1}(s^1), \mathbf{x}_{\parallel_1}(s^1), \mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}(s^1), \mathbf{v}_{\parallel_1}(s^1))} \\ &= \frac{\partial(s^{\ell^*}, \mathbf{x}_{\perp_{\ell^*}}(s^{\ell^*}), \mathbf{x}_{\parallel_{\ell^*}}(s^{\ell^*}), \mathbf{v}_{\perp_{\ell^*}}(s^{\ell^*}), \mathbf{v}_{\parallel_{\ell^*}}(s^{\ell^*}))}{\partial(t^{\ell^*}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel_{\ell^*}}^{\ell^*}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp_{\ell^*}}^{\ell^*}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel_{\ell^*}}^{\ell^*})} \\ &\times \prod_{i=1}^{\lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L\xi} \rfloor} \frac{\partial(t^{\ell_{i+1}}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel_{\ell_{i+1}}}^{\ell_{i+1}}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp_{\ell_{i+1}}}^{\ell_{i+1}}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel_{\ell_{i+1}}}^{\ell_{i+1}})}{\partial(t^{\ell_{i+1}-1}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel_{\ell_{i+1}-1}}^{\ell_{i+1}-1}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp_{\ell_{i+1}-1}}^{\ell_{i+1}-1}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel_{\ell_{i+1}-1}}^{\ell_{i+1}-1})} \times \cdots \times \frac{\partial(t^{\ell_i}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel_{\ell_i}}^{\ell_i}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp_{\ell_i}}^{\ell_i}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel_{\ell_i}}^{\ell_i})}{\partial(t^{\ell_i}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel_{\ell_i}}^{\ell_i}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp_{\ell_i}}^{\ell_i}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel_{\ell_i}}^{\ell_i})} \\ &\times \frac{\partial(t^1, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel_1}^1, \mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel_1}^1)}{\partial(s^1, \mathbf{x}_{\perp_1}(s^1), \mathbf{x}_{\parallel_1}(s^1), \mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}(s^1), \mathbf{v}_{\parallel_1}(s^1))} \\ &\leq (5.36) \times (5.88) \times (5.40). \end{aligned}$$

Then directly since $|v| > \delta$, we bound it by

$$\begin{aligned} & \leq (5.36) \times C^{|t-s||v|} \\ & \times \left[\begin{array}{c|c|c|c|c} \frac{|v|^2}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|^2} & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|} + \frac{|v|}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|^2} + |t^1 - s^1| & \frac{1}{|v|} & \frac{1}{|v||\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|} + |s^1 - t^1|^2 & \frac{1}{|v|^2} + \frac{|s^1 - t^1|}{|v|} \\ \frac{|v|^3}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|} + \frac{|v|^2}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|^2} & \frac{|v|^2}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|^2} + \frac{|v|}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|} + |v||s^1 - t^1| & O_{\xi}(1) & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|} + |s^1 - t^1| & \frac{1}{|v|} \\ \frac{|v|^3}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|} & \frac{|v|^2}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|} + |v| & |\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1| & O_{\xi}(1) & \frac{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|}{|v|} \\ \frac{|v|^4}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|^2} & \frac{|v|^3}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|^2} + \frac{|v|^2}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|} + |v|^2|s^1 - t^1| & |v| & \frac{|v|}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|} + |v||s^1 - t^1| & O_{\xi}(1) \end{array} \right], \end{aligned} \tag{5.92}$$

where we have used the Velocity lemma (Lemma 3.1) and (5.74), (5.2), and

$$|v||t^1 - s^1| \leq \lesssim_{\Omega} \min\left\{ \frac{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|}{|v|}, (t-s)|v| \right\} \lesssim_{\Omega} C^{|t-s||v|} \min\left\{ \frac{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|}{|v|}, 1 \right\}.$$

Again we use the Velocity lemma (Lemma 3.1), (5.2), and

$$\begin{aligned} |v||t^{\ell^*} - s^{\ell^*}| & \leq \min\{|v||t^{\ell^*} - t^{\ell^*+1}|, |t-s||v|\} \lesssim_{\Omega} \min\left\{ \frac{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^{\ell^*}|}{|v|}, |t-s||v| \right\} \\ & \lesssim_{\Omega} C^{|t-s||v|} \min\left\{ \frac{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|}{|v|}, 1 \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

and $|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}(s^{\ell^*})| \lesssim_{\Omega} C^{|v|(t-s)} |\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|$ to have, from (5.92)

$$\frac{\partial(s^{\ell^*}, \mathbf{X}_{\ell^*}(s^{\ell^*}), \mathbf{V}_{\ell^*}(s^{\ell^*}))}{\partial(s^1, \mathbf{X}_1(s^1), \mathbf{V}_1(s^1))} \lesssim C^{|t-s||v|} \left[\begin{array}{c|c|c|c|c} 0 & 0 & \mathbf{0}_{1,2} & 0 & \mathbf{0}_{1,2} \\ \frac{|v|^2}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|^2} & \frac{|v|}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|} & \frac{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|}{|v|} & \frac{1}{|v|} & \frac{1}{|v|} \\ \frac{|v|^3}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|} & \frac{|v|^2}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|^2} & 1 & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|} & \frac{1}{|v|} \\ \frac{|v|^4}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|^2} & \frac{|v|^3}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|^2} & |v| & \frac{|v|}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp_1}^1|} & O_{\xi}(1) \end{array} \right]_{7 \times 7}. \tag{5.93}$$

We consider the following case:

$$\text{There exists } \ell \in [\ell_*(s; t, x, v), 0] \text{ such that } \mathbf{r}^\ell \geq \sqrt{\delta}. \tag{5.94}$$

Therefore ℓ is *Type III* in (5.19). Equivalently $\tau \in [t^{\ell+1}, t^\ell]$ for some $\ell_* \leq \ell \leq 0$ and $|\xi(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(\tau; t, x, v))| \geq C\delta$. By the Velocity lemma (Lemma 3.1), for all $1 \leq i \leq \ell_*(s; t, x, v)$,

$$|\mathbf{r}^i| = \frac{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^i|}{|v|} \gtrsim_\xi e^{-C_\xi|v||t^i-t^\ell|} |\mathbf{r}^\ell| \gtrsim_\xi e^{-C_\xi|v|(t-s)} \sqrt{\delta}.$$

Especially, for all $1 \leq i \leq \ell_*(s; t, x, v)$,

$$|\mathbf{r}^i| \gtrsim_\xi e^{-C_\xi|v|(t-s)} \sqrt{\delta}, \quad \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r}^i|} = \frac{|v|}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^i|} \lesssim_\xi \frac{e^{C_\xi|v|(t-s)}}{\sqrt{\delta}}.$$

Note that $\ell_*(s; t, x, v) \lesssim \max_i \frac{|v||t-s|}{|\mathbf{r}^i|} \lesssim_\delta C^C |v||t-s|$.

Therefore in the case of (5.94), from (5.93),

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial(s^{\ell_*}, \mathbf{X}_{\ell_*}(s^{\ell_*}), \mathbf{V}_{\ell_*}(s^{\ell_*}))}{\partial(s^1, \mathbf{X}_1(s^1), \mathbf{V}_1(s^1))} &\lesssim C^{C(t-s)|v|} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \mathbf{0}_{1,2} & 0 & \mathbf{0}_{1,2} \\ |v| & \frac{1}{\sqrt{\delta}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{\delta}} & \frac{1}{|v|} & \frac{1}{|v|} \\ |v| & \frac{1}{\delta} & \frac{1}{\delta} & \frac{1}{|v|} & \frac{1}{|v|} \\ |v|^2 & |v|\frac{1}{\delta} & |v|\frac{1}{\delta} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{\delta}} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\lesssim_\delta C^{C|v|(t-s)} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \mathbf{0}_{1,3} & \mathbf{0}_{1,3} \\ |v| & 1 & \frac{1}{|v|} \\ |v|^2 & |v| & 1 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

From (5.30) and (5.43) we conclude

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{\partial(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s; t, x, v), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s; t, x, v))}{\partial(t, x, v)} \\ &\lesssim_{\delta, \xi} C^{C|v|(t-s)} \frac{\partial(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s))}{\partial(s^{\ell_*}, \mathbf{X}_{\ell_*}(s^{\ell_*}), \mathbf{V}_{\ell_*}(s^{\ell_*}))} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \mathbf{0}_{1,3} & \mathbf{0}_{1,3} \\ |v| & 1 & \frac{1}{|v|} \\ |v|^2 & |v| & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\quad \times \frac{\partial(s^1, \mathbf{x}_{\perp 1}(s^1), \mathbf{x}_{\parallel 1}(s^1), \mathbf{v}_{\perp 1}(s^1), \mathbf{v}_{\parallel 1}(s^1))}{\partial(t, x, v)} \\ &\lesssim_{\delta, \xi} C^{C|v|(t-s)} \begin{bmatrix} |v| & 1 & |s^{\ell_*} - s| \\ 1 & |v| & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \mathbf{0}_{1,3} & \mathbf{0}_{1,3} \\ |v| & 1 & \frac{1}{|v|} \\ |v|^2 & |v| & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \mathbf{0}_{1,3} & \mathbf{0}_{1,3} \\ |t-s^1|^2 & 1 & |t-s^1| \\ |t-s^1| & |v| & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\lesssim_{\delta, \xi} C^{C|v|(t-s)} \begin{bmatrix} |v|+1 & 1 & \frac{1}{|v|} \\ |v|^2+1 & |v| & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{6 \times 7}. \tag{5.95} \end{aligned}$$

Now for $|v| < \delta$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{\partial(s^{\ell_*}, \mathbf{X}_{\ell_*}(s^{\ell_*}), \mathbf{V}_{\ell_*}(s^{\ell_*}))}{\partial(s^1, \mathbf{X}_1(s^1), \mathbf{V}_1(s^1))} \\ &\leq (5.36) \times (5.91) \times (5.40) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \lesssim \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \mathbf{0}_{1,3} & 0 & \mathbf{0}_{1,2} \\ \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & |v|^2|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1| & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & |v||\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2 \\ |v| & 1 & |v||\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2 & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \\ 1 & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & 1 & |v||\mathbf{v}_\perp^1| \\ 1 & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & |v||\mathbf{v}_\perp^1| & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{7 \times 6} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & 1 \\ \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & 1 & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \\ 1 & 1 & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{6 \times 6} \\
 & \times \begin{bmatrix} \frac{|v|}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & |\mathbf{v}_\perp^1| & 1 & |\mathbf{v}_\perp^1| \\ \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \frac{|v|}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & 1 & |v| & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \\ \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & |\mathbf{v}_\perp^1| & 1 & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \\ \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & |\mathbf{v}_\perp^1| & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{6 \times 7} \\
 & \lesssim \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \mathbf{0}_{1,3} & 0 & \mathbf{0}_{1,2} \\ \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & |v|^2|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1| & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & |v||\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2 \\ |v| & 1 & |v||\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2 & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \\ 1 & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & 1 & |v||\mathbf{v}_\perp^1| \\ 1 & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & |v||\mathbf{v}_\perp^1| & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{7 \times 6} \times \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & 1 & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & 1 \\ \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & 1 & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & 1 \\ \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & |\mathbf{v}_\perp^1| & 1 & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \\ \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & 1 & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{6 \times 7} \\
 & \lesssim \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \mathbf{0}_{1,2} & 0 & \mathbf{0}_{1,2} \\ \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & |\mathbf{v}_\perp^1| & 1 & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \\ \frac{|v|}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & 1 & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & 1 \\ \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & 1 & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & 1 \\ \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & 1 & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{7 \times 7}. \tag{5.96}
 \end{aligned}$$

Now let's address the derivatives $\partial_x t^\ell$, and $\partial_v t^\ell$ for any $1 \leq \ell \leq \ell^*$, as we will need them later. For $|v| > \delta$, we compute [the first row of (5.88) \times (5.40)] $\cdot \frac{\partial(s^1, \mathbf{x}_\perp(s^1), \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^1), \mathbf{v}_\perp(s^1), \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^1))}{\partial(t, x, v)}$ and use (5.2) to get

$$\begin{bmatrix} \partial_x t^\ell \\ \partial_v t^\ell \end{bmatrix} \lesssim \begin{bmatrix} \frac{|v|^2}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \frac{|v|}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{1}{|v||\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0}_{1,3} & \mathbf{0}_{1,3} \\ 1 & |t - s^1| \\ |v| & 1 \end{bmatrix} \lesssim \begin{bmatrix} \frac{|v|}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} \\ \frac{1}{|v||\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \end{bmatrix}. \tag{5.97}$$

And similarly, for $|v| \leq \delta$, we compute [the first row of (5.91) \times (5.40)] $\cdot \frac{\partial(s^1, \mathbf{x}_\perp(s^1), \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^1), \mathbf{v}_\perp(s^1), \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^1))}{\partial(t, x, v)}$ and use (5.2) to get

$$\begin{bmatrix} \partial_x t^\ell \\ \partial_v t^\ell \end{bmatrix} \lesssim \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0}_{1,3} & \mathbf{0}_{1,3} \\ 1 & |t - s^1| \\ |v| & 1 \end{bmatrix} \lesssim \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} \\ \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \end{bmatrix}. \tag{5.98}$$

We remark $\partial \mathbf{x}_{\perp \ell^*}$ and $\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp \ell^*}$ have desired bounds but $\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell^*}$ and $\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell^*}$ still have undesired bounds in (5.93), (5.96).

We only need to consider the remaining cases, i.e. ℓ is *Type I* or *Type II*. Note that in either case the moving frame (\mathbf{p}^ℓ -spherical coordinate) is well-defined for all $\tau \in [s, t]$. In next two steps we use the ODE method to refine the submatrix of (5.93) and (5.96):

$$\frac{\partial(\mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell^*}(s^{\ell^*}), \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell^*}(s^{\ell^*}))}{\partial(\mathbf{x}_{\perp 1}(s^1), \mathbf{x}_{\parallel 1}(s^1), \mathbf{v}_{\perp 1}(s^1), \mathbf{v}_{\parallel 1}(s^1))} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell^*}(s^{\ell^*})}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\perp 1}(s^1)} & \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell^*}(s^{\ell^*})}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel 1}(s^1)} & \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell^*}(s^{\ell^*})}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp 1}(s^1)} & \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell^*}(s^{\ell^*})}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel 1}(s^1)} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell^*}(s^{\ell^*})}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\perp 1}(s^1)} & \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell^*}(s^{\ell^*})}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel 1}(s^1)} & \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell^*}(s^{\ell^*})}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp 1}(s^1)} & \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell^*}(s^{\ell^*})}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel 1}(s^1)} \end{bmatrix}_{4 \times 6}.$$

Step 9. ODE method within the time scale $|t - s||v| \simeq L_\xi$.

Recall the end points (time) of intermediate groups from (5.23):

$$s < \underbrace{t^{\ell_*} < t^{\ell_{\lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 1}}_{\lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor + 1} < \underbrace{t^{\ell_{\lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor}} < t^{\ell_{\lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor - 1} + 1}}_{\lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} < \dots < \underbrace{t^{\ell_i} < t^{\ell_{i-1} + 1}}_i < \dots < \underbrace{t^{\ell_1} < t^1}_{1} < t,$$

where the underbraced numbering indicates the index of the intermediate group. We further choose points independently on (t, x, v) for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, \lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor$:

$$\begin{aligned} & t^{\ell_1 + 1} < s^2 < t^{\ell_1}, \\ & t^{\ell_2 + 1} < s^3 < t^{\ell_2}, \\ & \vdots \\ & t^{\ell_i + 1} < s^{i+1} < \underbrace{t^{\ell_i} < \dots < t^{\ell_{i-1} + 1}}_{i\text{-intermediate group}} < s^i < t^{\ell_{i-1}}, \\ & \vdots \\ & t^{\ell_{\lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 1} < s^{\ell_{\lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + 1} < t^{\ell_{\lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor}}. \end{aligned}$$

We claim the following estimate at s^{i+1} via s^i . Within the i -th intermediate group, we fix \mathbf{p}^{ℓ_i} -spherical coordinate in Step 9. The goal is to estimate derivatives with respect to initial $(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{v}_1)$ at s^{i+1} in terms of s^i . This is different from previous steps.

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[\begin{array}{c} \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell_i}(s^{i+1})}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\perp 1}(s^1)} \right| \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell_i}(s^{i+1})}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel 1}(s^1)} \right| \\ \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell_i}(s^{i+1})}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\perp 1}(s^1)} \right| \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell_i}(s^{i+1})}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel 1}(s^1)} \right| \end{array} \right] \\ & \lesssim_{\delta, \xi} \left[\begin{array}{c} 1 & \frac{1}{|v|} \\ |v| & 1 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c} \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell_i}(s^i)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\perp 1}(s^1)} \right| \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell_i}(s^i)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel 1}(s^1)} \right| \\ \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell_i}(s^i)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\perp 1}(s^1)} \right| \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell_i}(s^i)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel 1}(s^1)} \right| \end{array} \right] \\ & \quad + e^{C|v||t-s^i|} \left[\begin{array}{c} 1 & \frac{1}{|v|} \\ |v| & 1 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c} 0 & 0 \\ |v| \left(1 + \frac{|v|}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp 1}^1} \right) & |v| \left(1 + \frac{|v|}{|\mathbf{v}_{\perp 1}^1} \right) \end{array} \right], \tag{5.99} \\ & \left[\begin{array}{c} \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell_i}(s^{i+1})}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp 1}(s^1)} \right| \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell_i}(s^{i+1})}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel 1}(s^1)} \right| \\ \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell_i}(s^{i+1})}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp 1}(s^1)} \right| \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell_i}(s^{i+1})}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel 1}(s^1)} \right| \end{array} \right] \\ & \lesssim_{\delta, \xi} \left[\begin{array}{c} 1 & \frac{1}{|v|} \\ |v| & 1 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c} \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell_i}(s^i)}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp 1}(s^1)} \right| \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\parallel \ell_i}(s^i)}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel 1}(s^1)} \right| \\ \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell_i}(s^i)}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\perp 1}(s^1)} \right| \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel \ell_i}(s^i)}{\partial \mathbf{v}_{\parallel 1}(s^1)} \right| \end{array} \right] + e^{C|v||t-s^i|} \left[\begin{array}{c} 1 & \frac{1}{|v|} \\ |v| & 1 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{cc} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

For the sake of simplicity we drop the index ℓ_i .

Denote, from (4.9),

$$F_{\parallel}(\mathbf{x}_{\perp}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}, \mathbf{v}_{\perp}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}) := D(\mathbf{x}_{\perp}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}) + H(\mathbf{x}_{\perp}, \mathbf{x}_{\parallel}, \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}) \mathbf{v}_{\perp}, \tag{5.100}$$

where D is a \mathbf{r}^3 -vector-valued function and H is a 3×3 matrix-valued function:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & D(\mathbf{x}_\perp, \mathbf{x}_\parallel, \mathbf{v}_\parallel) \\
 &= \sum_i G_{ij}(\mathbf{x}_\perp, \mathbf{x}_\parallel) \frac{(-1)^{i+1}}{-\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) \cdot (\partial_1 \eta(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) \times \partial_2 \eta(\mathbf{x}_\parallel))} (-\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) \times \partial_{i+1} \eta(\mathbf{x}_\parallel)) \\
 & \quad \cdot \left\{ \mathbf{v}_\parallel \cdot \nabla^2 \eta(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) \cdot \mathbf{v}_\parallel - \mathbf{x}_\perp \mathbf{v}_\parallel \cdot \nabla^2 \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) \cdot \mathbf{v}_\parallel - E(s, -\mathbf{x}_\perp \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) + \eta(\mathbf{x}_\parallel)) \right\},
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 & H(\mathbf{x}_\perp, \mathbf{x}_\parallel, \mathbf{v}_\parallel) \\
 &= \sum_i G_{ij}(\mathbf{x}_\perp, \mathbf{x}_\parallel) \frac{(-1)^{i+1}}{-\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) \cdot (\partial_1 \eta(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) \times \partial_2 \eta(\mathbf{x}_\parallel))} 2\mathbf{v}_\parallel \cdot \nabla \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) \cdot (-\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) \times \partial_{i+1} \eta(\mathbf{x}_\parallel)).
 \end{aligned}$$

Note that H is linear in \mathbf{v}_\parallel . Here $G_{ij}(\cdot, \cdot)$ is a smooth bounded function defined in (4.16) and we used the notational convention $i \equiv i \pmod 2$.

From Lemma 4.1 we take the time integration of (4.7) along the characteristics to have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^{i+1}) &= \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^i) - \int_{s^{i+1}}^{s^i} \mathbf{v}_\parallel(\tau) d\tau, \\
 \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^{i+1}) &= \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^i) - \int_{s^{i+1}}^{s^i} \left\{ H(\mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau), \mathbf{x}_\parallel(\tau), \mathbf{v}_\parallel(\tau)) \mathbf{v}_\perp(\tau) + D(\mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau), \mathbf{x}_\parallel(\tau), \mathbf{v}_\parallel(\tau)) \right\} d\tau.
 \end{aligned}$$

Note that $\mathbf{v}_\perp(\tau)$ is not continuous with respect to the time τ . Using (4.7) we rewrite this time integration as

$$\int_{s^{i+1}}^{s^i} H(\mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau), \mathbf{x}_\parallel(\tau), \mathbf{v}_\parallel(\tau)) \mathbf{v}_\perp(\tau) d\tau = \int_{t^{\ell_{i-1}+1}}^{s^i} + \sum_{\ell=\ell_i-1}^{\ell_{i-1}+1} \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} + \int_{s^{i+1}}^{t^{\ell_i}},$$

then we use $\mathbf{v}_\perp(\tau) = \dot{\mathbf{x}}_\perp(\tau)$ and the integration by parts to have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_{t^{\ell_{i-1}+1}}^{s^i} H(\mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau), \mathbf{x}_\parallel(\tau), \mathbf{v}_\parallel(\tau)) \dot{\mathbf{x}}_\perp(\tau) d\tau + \sum_{\ell=\ell_i-1}^{\ell_{i-1}+1} \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} H(\mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau), \mathbf{x}_\parallel(\tau), \mathbf{v}_\parallel(\tau)) \dot{\mathbf{x}}_\perp(\tau) d\tau \\
 & + \int_{s^{i+1}}^{t^{\ell_i}} H(\mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau), \mathbf{x}_\parallel(\tau), \mathbf{v}_\parallel(\tau)) \dot{\mathbf{x}}_\perp(\tau) d\tau \\
 &= H(s^i) \mathbf{x}_\perp(s^i) - H(t^{\ell_{i-1}+1}) \underbrace{\mathbf{x}_\perp(t^{\ell_{i-1}+1})}_{=0} - \int_{t^{\ell_{i-1}+1}}^{s^i} [\mathbf{v}_\perp(\tau), \mathbf{v}_\parallel(\tau), F_\parallel(\tau)] \cdot \nabla H(\tau) \mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau) d\tau \\
 & + \sum_{\ell=\ell_i-1}^{\ell_{i-1}+1} \left\{ H(t^\ell) \underbrace{\mathbf{x}_\perp(t^\ell)}_{=0} - H(t^{\ell+1}) \underbrace{\mathbf{x}_\perp(t^{\ell+1})}_{=0} \right. \\
 & \left. - \int_{t^{\ell+1}}^{t^\ell} [\mathbf{v}_\perp(\tau), \mathbf{v}_\parallel(\tau), F_\parallel(\tau)] \cdot \nabla H(\tau) \mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau) d\tau \right\} \\
 & + H(t^{\ell_i}) \underbrace{\mathbf{x}_\perp(t^{\ell_i})}_{=0} - H(s^{i+1}) \mathbf{x}_\perp(s^{i+1}) - \int_{s^{i+1}}^{t^{\ell_i}} [\mathbf{v}_\perp(\tau), \mathbf{v}_\parallel(\tau), F_\parallel(\tau)] \cdot \nabla H(\tau) \mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau) d\tau
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= H(\mathbf{x}_\perp, \mathbf{x}_\parallel, \mathbf{v}_\parallel)(s^i)\mathbf{x}_\perp(s^i) - H(s^{i+1})\mathbf{x}_\perp(s^{i+1}) - \int_{s^i}^{s^{i+1}} [\mathbf{v}_\perp(\tau), \mathbf{v}_\parallel(\tau), F_\parallel(\tau)] \cdot \nabla H(\tau)\mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau) d\tau,$$

where we have used the fact $X_{\mathbf{cl}}(t^\ell) \in \partial\Omega$ (therefore $\mathbf{x}_\perp(t^\ell) = 0$) and the notation $H(\tau) = H(\mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau), \mathbf{x}_\parallel(\tau), \mathbf{v}_\parallel(\tau))$, $D(\tau) = D(\mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau), \mathbf{x}_\parallel(\tau), \mathbf{v}_\parallel(\tau))$, $F_\parallel(\tau) = F_\parallel(\mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau), \mathbf{x}_\parallel(\tau), \mathbf{v}_\perp(\tau), \mathbf{v}_\parallel(\tau))$.

Overall we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^{i+1}) &= \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^i) - \int_{s^{i+1}}^{s^i} \mathbf{v}_\parallel(\tau) d\tau, \\ \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^{i+1}) &= \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^i) - H(s^i)\mathbf{x}_\perp(s^i) + H(s^{i+1})\mathbf{x}_\perp(s^{i+1}) \\ &\quad + \int_{s^{i+1}}^{s^i} [\mathbf{v}_\perp(\tau), \mathbf{v}_\parallel(\tau), F_\parallel(\tau)] \cdot \nabla H(\tau)\mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau) d\tau - \int_{s^{i+1}}^{s^i} D(\tau) d\tau. \end{aligned} \tag{5.101}$$

Denote

$$\partial = [\partial_{\mathbf{x}_\perp(s^1)}, \partial_{\mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^1)}, \partial_{\mathbf{v}_\perp(s^1)}, \partial_{\mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^1)}] = \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp(s^1)}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^1)}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp(s^1)}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^1)} \right].$$

We claim that, in a sense of distribution on $(s^1, \mathbf{x}_\perp(s^1), \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^1), \mathbf{v}_\perp(s^1), \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^1)) \in [0, \infty) \times (0, C_\xi) \times (0, 2\pi] \times (\delta, \pi - \delta) \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^2$,

$$\begin{aligned} &[\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp(s^{i+1}; s^1, \mathbf{x}(s^1), \mathbf{v}(s^1)), \partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^{i+1}; s^1, \mathbf{x}(s^1), \mathbf{v}(s^1)), \partial \mathbf{v}_\perp(s^{i+1}; s^1, \mathbf{x}(s^1), \mathbf{v}(s^1))] \\ &= \sum_\ell \mathbf{1}_{[t^{\ell+1}, t^\ell)}(s^{i+1}) [\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp, \partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel, \partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel], \\ &\quad \partial [\mathbf{v}_\perp(s^{i+1}; s^1, \mathbf{x}(s^1), \mathbf{v}(s^1))\mathbf{x}_\perp(s^{i+1}; s^1, \mathbf{x}(s^1), \mathbf{v}(s^1))] \\ &= \sum_\ell \mathbf{1}_{[t^{\ell+1}, t^\ell)}(s^{i+1}) \{ \partial \mathbf{v}_\perp \mathbf{x}_\perp + \mathbf{v}_\perp \partial \mathbf{x}_\perp \}, \end{aligned} \tag{5.102}$$

i.e. the distributional derivatives of $[\mathbf{x}_\perp, \mathbf{x}_\parallel, \mathbf{v}_\parallel]$ and $\mathbf{v}_\perp \mathbf{x}_\perp$ equal the piecewise derivatives.

Proof. (Proof of (5.102).) Let $\phi(\tau', \mathbf{x}_\perp, \mathbf{x}_\parallel, \mathbf{v}_\perp, \mathbf{v}_\parallel) \in C_c^\infty([0, \infty) \times (0, C_\xi) \times \mathbb{S}^2 \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^2)$. Therefore $\phi \equiv 0$ when $\mathbf{x}_\perp < \delta$, $|v| > \frac{1}{\delta}$. For $\mathbf{x}_\perp \geq \delta$ we use the proof of Lemma 4.1: For $x = \eta(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) + \mathbf{x}_\perp[-\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel)]$,

$$|\mathbf{x}_\perp| \lesssim_\xi \xi(x) = \xi(\eta(\mathbf{x}_\parallel) + \mathbf{x}_\perp[-\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}_\parallel)]) \lesssim_\xi |\mathbf{x}_\perp|,$$

and therefore $\xi(x) \gtrsim_\xi \delta$ and $\alpha(t, x, v) \gtrsim_{\xi, E} \sqrt{|\xi(x)|} \gtrsim_{\xi, E} \sqrt{\delta}$. By the Velocity lemma, for $(x, v) \in \text{supp}(\phi)$

$$\alpha(x^\ell, v^\ell) \gtrsim_\xi e^{-C(|v|+1)|t^1-t^\ell|} \alpha(t, x, v) \gtrsim_\xi e^{-\frac{C}{\delta}(t-s)} \sqrt{\delta} \gtrsim_{\xi, E, |t-s|, \delta, \phi} 1 > 0,$$

where we used the fact that ϕ vanishes away from a compact subset $\text{supp}(\phi)$. Therefore $t^\ell(t, x, v) = t^\ell(t, \mathbf{x}_\perp, \mathbf{x}_\parallel, \mathbf{v}_\perp, \mathbf{v}_\parallel)$ is C^1 with respect to $\mathbf{x}_\perp, \mathbf{x}_\parallel, \mathbf{v}_\perp, \mathbf{v}_\parallel$ locally on $\text{supp}(\phi)$ and therefore $\mathcal{M} = \{(\tau', \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}) \in \text{supp}(\phi) : \tau' = t^\ell(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v})\}$ is a C^1 manifold.

It suffices to consider the case $|\tau' - t^\ell(t, x, v)| \ll 1$. Denote $\partial_{\mathbf{e}} \in \{\partial_{\mathbf{x}_\perp}, \partial_{\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,1}}, \partial_{\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,2}}, \partial_{\mathbf{v}_\perp}, \partial_{\mathbf{v}_{\parallel,1}}, \partial_{\mathbf{v}_{\parallel,2}}\}$ and $n_{\mathcal{M}} = e_1$ to have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\{(\tau', \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}) \in \text{supp}(\phi)\}} [\partial_{\mathbf{e}} \mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau'; t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}), \partial_{\mathbf{e}} \mathbf{x}_\parallel(\tau'; t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}), \partial_{\mathbf{e}} \mathbf{v}_\parallel(\tau'; t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v})] \phi(\tau', \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}) d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{v} d\tau' \\ &= \int_{\tau' < t^\ell} + \int_{\tau' \geq t^\ell} \\ &= \int_{\mathcal{M}} \left(\lim_{\tau' \uparrow t^\ell} [\mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau'), \mathbf{x}_\parallel(\tau'), \mathbf{v}_\parallel(\tau')] - \lim_{\tau' \downarrow t^\ell} [\mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau'), \mathbf{x}_\parallel(\tau'), \mathbf{v}_\parallel(\tau')] \right) \phi(\tau', \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}) \{ \mathbf{e} \cdot n_{\mathcal{M}} \} d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{v} \\ &\quad - \int_{\{\tau' \neq t^\ell(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v})\}} [\mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau'), \mathbf{x}_\parallel(\tau'), \mathbf{v}_\parallel(\tau')] \partial_{\mathbf{e}} \phi(\tau', \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}) d\tau' d\mathbf{v} d\mathbf{x} \\ &= - \int_{\{\tau' \neq t^\ell(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v})\}} [\mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau'), \mathbf{x}_\parallel(\tau'), \mathbf{v}_\parallel(\tau')] \partial_{\mathbf{e}} \phi(\tau', \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}) d\tau' d\mathbf{v} d\mathbf{x}, \end{aligned}$$

where we used the continuity of $[\mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau'; t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}), \mathbf{x}_\parallel(\tau'; t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}), \mathbf{v}_\parallel(\tau'; t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v})]$ in terms of τ' near $t^\ell(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v})$.

Note that $\mathbf{v}_\perp(\tau'; t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v})$ is discontinuous around $|\tau' - t^\ell| \ll 1$ ($\lim_{\tau' \downarrow t^\ell} \mathbf{v}_\perp(\tau') = -\lim_{\tau' \uparrow t^\ell} \mathbf{v}_\perp(\tau')$). However with crucial $\mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau')$ -multiplication we have $\mathbf{x}_\perp(t^\ell) \mathbf{v}_\perp(t^\ell) = 0$ and therefore

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\{(\tau', \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}) \in \text{supp}(\phi)\}} \partial_{\mathbf{e}} [\mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau'; t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}) \mathbf{v}_\perp(\tau'; t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v})] \phi(\tau', \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}) d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{v} d\tau' \\ &= \int_{\tau' < t^\ell} + \int_{\tau' \geq t^\ell} \\ &= \int_{\mathcal{M}} \left(\lim_{\tau' \uparrow t^\ell} [\mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau') \mathbf{v}_\perp(\tau')] - \lim_{\tau' \downarrow t^\ell} [\mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau') \mathbf{v}_\perp(\tau')] \right) \phi(\tau', \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}) \{ \mathbf{e} \cdot n_{\mathcal{M}} \} d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{v} \\ &\quad - \int_{\{\tau' \neq t^\ell(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v})\}} [\mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau') \mathbf{v}_\perp(\tau')] \partial_{\mathbf{e}} \phi(\tau', \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}) d\tau' d\mathbf{v} d\mathbf{x} \\ &= - \int_{\{\tau' \neq t^\ell(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v})\}} [\mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau'; t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}) \mathbf{v}_\perp(\tau'; t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v})] \partial_{\mathbf{e}} \phi(\tau', \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}) d\tau' d\mathbf{v} d\mathbf{x}. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of (5.102). □

Since \mathbf{v}_\perp always is multiplied with \mathbf{x}_\perp in (5.101), we may apply (5.102) and take derivative inside each $\int_{s^{i+1}}^{s^i}$ of (5.101), separating the main terms with $\partial_{\mathbf{e}} \mathbf{x}_\parallel$ and $\partial_{\mathbf{e}} \mathbf{v}_\parallel$, and treating the rest (underbraced terms) as forcing terms to be obtained, for $\partial_{\mathbf{e}} \in \{\partial_{\mathbf{x}_\perp}, \partial_{\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,1}}, \partial_{\mathbf{x}_{\parallel,2}}, \partial_{\mathbf{v}_\perp}, \partial_{\mathbf{v}_{\parallel,1}}, \partial_{\mathbf{v}_{\parallel,2}}\}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_{\mathbf{e}} \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^{i+1}) &= \partial_{\mathbf{e}} \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^i) - \int_{s^{i+1}}^{s^i} \partial_{\mathbf{e}} \mathbf{v}_\parallel(\tau) d\tau, \\ \partial_{\mathbf{e}} \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^{i+1}) &= \partial_{\mathbf{e}} H(s^{i+1}) \mathbf{x}_\perp(s^{i+1}) + H(s^{i+1}) \underbrace{\partial_{\mathbf{e}} \mathbf{x}_\perp(s^{i+1})}_{\text{forcing}} + \partial_{\mathbf{e}} \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^i) - \partial_{\mathbf{e}} [H(\mathbf{x}_\perp, \mathbf{x}_\parallel, \mathbf{v}_\parallel) \mathbf{x}_\perp](s^{i+1}) \\ &\quad + \int_{s^{i+1}}^{s^i} \underbrace{\partial_{\mathbf{e}} \mathbf{v}_\perp(\tau)}_{\text{forcing}} \partial_{\mathbf{x}_\perp} H(\tau) \mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau) + \partial_{\mathbf{e}} \mathbf{v}_\parallel(\tau) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\parallel} H(\tau) \mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau) d\tau \\ &\quad + \int_{s^{i+1}}^{s^i} \left\{ \underbrace{\partial_{\mathbf{e}} \mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau)}_{\text{forcing}} \partial_{\mathbf{x}_\perp} H(\tau) + \partial_{\mathbf{e}} \mathbf{x}_\parallel(\tau) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\parallel} H(\tau) + \partial_{\mathbf{e}} \mathbf{v}_\parallel(\tau) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{v}_\parallel} H(\tau) \right\} \mathbf{v}_\perp(\tau) \\ &\quad + H(\tau) \underbrace{\partial_{\mathbf{e}} \mathbf{v}_\perp(\tau)}_{\text{forcing}} + \underbrace{\partial_{\mathbf{e}} \mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau)}_{\text{forcing}} \partial_{\mathbf{x}_\perp} D(\tau) + \partial_{\mathbf{e}} \mathbf{x}_\parallel(\tau) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\parallel} D(\tau) + \partial_{\mathbf{e}} \mathbf{v}_\parallel(\tau) \nabla_{\mathbf{v}_\parallel} D(\tau) \Big\} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{v}_\parallel} H(\tau) \mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau) d\tau \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \int_{s^{i+1}}^{s^i} \left\{ \mathbf{v}_\perp(\tau) \underbrace{[\partial_{\mathbf{e}\mathbf{x}_\perp}(\tau), \partial_{\mathbf{e}\mathbf{x}_\parallel}(\tau), \partial_{\mathbf{e}\mathbf{v}_\parallel}(\tau)] \cdot \nabla \partial_{\mathbf{x}_\perp} H(\tau) + \mathbf{v}_\parallel(\tau) \cdot \underbrace{[\partial_{\mathbf{e}\mathbf{x}_\perp}(\tau), \partial_{\mathbf{e}\mathbf{x}_\parallel}(\tau), \partial_{\mathbf{e}\mathbf{v}_\parallel}(\tau)] \cdot \nabla \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\parallel} H(\tau)} \right. \\
 & \left. + F_{\parallel}(\tau) \cdot \underbrace{[\partial_{\mathbf{e}\mathbf{x}_\perp}(\tau), \partial_{\mathbf{e}\mathbf{x}_\parallel}(\tau), \partial_{\mathbf{e}\mathbf{v}_\parallel}(\tau)] \cdot \nabla \nabla_{\mathbf{v}_\parallel} H(\tau)} \right\} \mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau) d\tau \\
 & + \int_{s^{i+1}}^{s^i} \left\{ \mathbf{v}_\perp(\tau) \partial_{\mathbf{x}_\perp} H(\tau) + \mathbf{v}_\parallel(\tau) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\parallel} H(\tau) + F_{\parallel}(\tau) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{v}_\parallel} H(\tau) \right\} \underbrace{\partial_{\mathbf{e}\mathbf{x}_\perp}(\tau)} d\tau \\
 & - \int_{s^{i+1}}^{s^i} \left[\underbrace{\partial_{\mathbf{e}\mathbf{x}_\perp}(\tau), \partial_{\mathbf{e}\mathbf{x}_\parallel}(\tau), \partial_{\mathbf{e}\mathbf{v}_\parallel}(\tau)} \cdot \nabla D(\tau) \right] d\tau. \tag{5.103}
 \end{aligned}$$

Now we use (5.93) to control the underbraced term of (5.103). Notice that we cannot directly use (5.93) since now we fix the chart for whole i -th intermediate group but the estimate (5.93) is for the moving frame (for clarity, we write the index for the chart for this part). Note the times of bounces within the i -th intermediate group ($|t^{\ell_{i-1}} - t^{\ell_i}| |v| \simeq L_\xi$) are

$$t^{\ell_i+1} < s^{i+1} < t^{\ell_i} < t^{\ell_{i-1}} < \dots < t^{\ell_{i-1}+2} < t^{\ell_{i-1}+1} < s^i < t^{\ell_{i-1}}.$$

Now we apply (4.6) and (5.93) to bound, for $\tau \in (s^{i+1}, s^i)$ and $\ell \in \{\ell_i, \ell_i - 1, \dots, \ell_{i-1} + 2, \ell_{i-1} + 1, \ell_{i-1}\}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{\partial(\mathbf{x}_{\perp\ell}(\tau), \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\ell}(\tau), \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}(\tau), \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell}(\tau))}{\partial(\mathbf{x}_{\perp 1}(s^1), \mathbf{x}_{\parallel 1}(s^1), \mathbf{v}_{\perp 1}(s^1), \mathbf{v}_{\parallel 1}(s^1))} \\
 & = \frac{\partial(\mathbf{x}_{\perp\ell}(\tau), \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\ell}(\tau), \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell}(\tau), \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell}(\tau))}{\partial(\mathbf{x}_{\perp\ell_i}(\tau), \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\ell_i}(\tau), \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell_i}(\tau), \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell_i}(\tau))} \frac{\partial(\mathbf{x}_{\perp\ell_i}(\tau), \mathbf{x}_{\parallel\ell_i}(\tau), \mathbf{v}_{\perp\ell_i}(\tau), \mathbf{v}_{\parallel\ell_i}(\tau))}{\partial(\mathbf{x}_{\perp 1}(s^1), \mathbf{x}_{\parallel 1}(s^1), \mathbf{v}_{\perp 1}(s^1), \mathbf{v}_{\parallel 1}(s^1))} \\
 & \lesssim e^{C|t-s||v|} \left\{ \mathbf{Id}_{6,6} + O_\xi(|\mathbf{p}^\ell - \mathbf{p}^{\ell_i}|) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & | & \mathbf{0}_{3,3} \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & | & \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & |v| & |v| & | & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & |v| & |v| & | & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \\
 & \times \begin{bmatrix} \frac{|v|+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \frac{|v|+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \frac{|v|+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \min\{\frac{1}{|v|}, 1\} & \min\{\frac{1}{|v|}, 1\} & \min\{\frac{1}{|v|}, 1\} \\ \frac{|v|^2+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{|v|^2+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{|v|^2+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \min\{\frac{1}{|v|}, 1\} & \min\{\frac{1}{|v|}, 1\} \\ \frac{|v|^2+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{|v|^2+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{|v|^2+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \min\{\frac{1}{|v|}, 1\} & \min\{\frac{1}{|v|}, 1\} \\ \frac{|v|^3+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^3} & \frac{|v|^3+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^3} & \frac{|v|^3+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^3} & \frac{|v|+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & 1 & 1 \\ \frac{|v|^3+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^3} & \frac{|v|^3+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^3} & \frac{|v|^3+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^3} & \frac{|v|+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & 1 & 1 \\ \frac{|v|^3+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^3} & \frac{|v|^3+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^3} & \frac{|v|^3+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^3} & \frac{|v|+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 & \lesssim e^{C|t-s||v|} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{|v|+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \frac{|v|+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \frac{|v|+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \min\{\frac{1}{|v|}, 1\} & \min\{\frac{1}{|v|}, 1\} & \min\{\frac{1}{|v|}, 1\} \\ \frac{|v|^2+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{|v|^2+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{|v|^2+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \min\{\frac{1}{|v|}, 1\} & \min\{\frac{1}{|v|}, 1\} \\ \frac{|v|^2+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{|v|^2+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{|v|^2+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \min\{\frac{1}{|v|}, 1\} & \min\{\frac{1}{|v|}, 1\} \\ \frac{|v|^3+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^3} & \frac{|v|^3+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^3} & \frac{|v|^3+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^3} & \frac{|v|+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & 1 & 1 \\ \frac{|v|^3+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^3} & \frac{|v|^3+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^3} & \frac{|v|^3+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^3} & \frac{|v|+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & 1 & 1 \\ \frac{|v|^3+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^3} & \frac{|v|^3+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^3} & \frac{|v|^3+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^3} & \frac{|v|+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \tag{5.104}
 \end{aligned}$$

where we have used $|\mathbf{p}^\ell - \mathbf{p}^{\ell i}| \lesssim 1$.

We plug in (5.103) with (5.104) respectively with

$$\begin{aligned} |\partial_{\mathbf{x}_\perp} \mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau)| &\lesssim \frac{|v|+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|}, |\partial_{\mathbf{x}_\perp} \mathbf{v}_\perp(\tau)| \lesssim \frac{|v|^3+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2}, \\ |\partial_{\mathbf{v}_\perp} \mathbf{x}_\perp(\tau)| &\lesssim \min\left\{\frac{1}{|v|}, 1\right\}, |\partial_{\mathbf{v}_\perp} \mathbf{v}_\perp(\tau)| \lesssim 1, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$|\nabla_{\mathbf{v}_\parallel} H(\tau)| \lesssim 1, |\nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\parallel, \mathbf{x}_\perp} H(\tau)| \lesssim |v|+1, |\nabla_{\mathbf{v}_\parallel} D(\tau)| \lesssim |v|+1, |\nabla_{\mathbf{x}_\parallel, \mathbf{x}_\perp} D(\tau)| \lesssim |v|^2+1,$$

and use the fact that $|s^i - s^{i+1}| \lesssim \frac{1}{|v|+1}$ by the way we define s^i . Collecting terms with tedious but straightforward bounds, we summarize the results as: for $s \in [s^{i+1}, s^i]$

$$\begin{aligned} \left[\begin{array}{c} \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| \\ \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| \end{array} \right] &\lesssim \xi \left[\begin{array}{c} \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^i)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| \\ \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^i)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| + |v| \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^i)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| \end{array} \right] + \left[\begin{array}{c} \int_s^{s^i} \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| \\ \int_s^{s^i} (|v|^2+1) \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| + (|v|+1) \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| \end{array} \right] \\ &\quad + \left[\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ e^{C|v||t-s|} \frac{|v|^2+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \end{array} \right], \end{aligned} \tag{5.105}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left[\begin{array}{c} \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s)}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp} \right| \\ \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s)}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp} \right| \end{array} \right] &\lesssim \xi \left[\begin{array}{c} \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^i)}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp} \right| \\ \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^i)}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp} \right| + |v| \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^i)}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp} \right| \end{array} \right] + \left[\begin{array}{c} \int_s^{s^i} \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp} \right| \\ \int_s^{s^i} (|v|^2+1) \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp} \right| + (|v|+1) \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp} \right| \end{array} \right] \\ &\quad + \left[\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ e^{C|v||t-s|} \end{array} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

From (5.105) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle v \rangle \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| + \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| &\lesssim \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^i)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| + \langle v \rangle \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^i)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| + e^{C|v||t-s|} \frac{|v|^2+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \\ &\quad + \int_s^{s^i} \langle v \rangle \left(\langle v \rangle \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| + \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| \right), \end{aligned} \tag{5.106}$$

from the Gronwall inequality we get

$$\begin{aligned} \langle v \rangle \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| + \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| &\leq C'_\xi e^{\int_s^{s^i} \langle v \rangle d\tau} \left(\left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^i)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| + \langle v \rangle \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^i)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| + e^{C|v||t-s|} \frac{|v|^2+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \right) \\ &\leq C(\xi) \left(\left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^i)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| + \langle v \rangle \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^i)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| + e^{C|v||t-s|} \frac{|v|^2+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \right). \end{aligned} \tag{5.107}$$

Iterating (5.107) we get

$$\begin{aligned} &\langle v \rangle \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| + \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| \\ &\leq C^2 \left(\left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^{i-1})}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| + \langle v \rangle \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^{i-1})}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| \right) + (C^2 + C) e^{C|v||t-s|} \frac{|v|^2+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \\ &\vdots \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\leq C^{\lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} \left(\left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^1)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| + \langle v \rangle \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^1)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| \right) + (C^{\lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} + \dots + C) e^{C|v||t-s|} \frac{|v|^2 + 1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \\
 &\leq C^{\lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} \left(\left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^1)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| + \langle v \rangle \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^1)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| \right) + C^{2\lfloor \frac{|t-s||v|}{L_\xi} \rfloor} e^{C|v||t-s|} \frac{|v|^2 + 1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \\
 &\leq C^{C|t-s||v|} \left(\left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^1)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| + \langle v \rangle \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^1)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| + \frac{|v|^2 + 1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \right) \\
 &\leq C^{C|t-s||v|} \frac{\langle v \rangle^2}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{5.108}$$

And by the same argument as (5.106) - (5.108), we get from (5.105) that

$$\langle v \rangle \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s)}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp} \right| + \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s)}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp} \right| \leq C^{C|t-s||v|}. \tag{5.109}$$

Therefore, from (5.108) and (5.109) we get

$$\begin{bmatrix} \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s)}{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp} \right| \\ \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}_\perp(s)}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\perp} \right| \end{bmatrix} \lesssim C^{C|t-s||v|} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\langle v \rangle}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \\ \langle v \rangle \end{bmatrix}. \tag{5.110}$$

With the estimate (5.110), we refine (5.93) and (5.96) to give a final estimate for the case that some ℓ is *Type I* or *Type II* :

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\frac{\partial(s^{\ell*}, \mathbf{x}_\perp(s^{\ell*}), \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^{\ell*}), \mathbf{v}_\perp(s^{\ell*}), \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^{\ell*}))}{\partial(s^1, \mathbf{x}_\perp(s^1), \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^1), \mathbf{v}_\perp(s^1), \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^1))} \\
 &\lesssim C^{C|v|(t-s)} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \mathbf{0}_{1,2} & 0 & \mathbf{0}_{1,2} \\ \frac{|v|^2+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \frac{|v+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \min\{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|, \frac{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|}{\langle v \rangle}\} & \frac{1}{\langle v \rangle} & \frac{1}{\langle v \rangle} \\ \frac{|v|^3+|v|}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{|v+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & 1 & \frac{1}{\langle v \rangle} & \frac{1}{\langle v \rangle} \\ \frac{|v|^4+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{|v|^3+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & |v+1| & \frac{|v|}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & O_\xi(1) \\ \frac{|v|^4+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{|v|^2+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & |v+1| & O_\xi(1) & O_\xi(1) \end{bmatrix},
 \end{aligned} \tag{5.111}$$

and from (5.30) and (5.43)

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\frac{\partial(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s;t,x,v), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s;t,x,v))}{\partial(t,x,v)} \\
 &\lesssim C^{C|v|(t-s)} \frac{\partial(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s))}{\partial(s^{\ell*}, \mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell*}), \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{cl}}(s^{\ell*}))} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \mathbf{0}_{1,3} & \mathbf{0}_{1,3} \\ \frac{|v|^3+|v|}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{|v+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \frac{1}{\langle v \rangle} \\ \frac{|v|^4+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{|v|^3+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{|v+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \end{bmatrix} \\
 &\quad \times \frac{\partial(s^1, \mathbf{x}_\perp(s^1), \mathbf{x}_\parallel(s^1), \mathbf{v}_\perp(s^1), \mathbf{v}_\parallel(s^1))}{\partial(t,x,v)} \\
 &\lesssim C^{C|v|(t-s)} \begin{bmatrix} |v| + |s^{\ell*} - s| & 1 & |s^{\ell*} - s| \\ 1 & |v| & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \mathbf{0}_{1,3} & \mathbf{0}_{1,3} \\ \frac{|v|^3+|v|}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{|v+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \frac{1}{\langle v \rangle} \\ \frac{|v|^4+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{|v|^3+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{|v+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \mathbf{0}_{1,3} & \mathbf{0}_{1,3} \\ |t-s^1|^2 & 1 & |t-s^1| \\ |t-s^1| & |v| & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &\lesssim C^{C|v|(t-s)} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{|v|^3+|v|}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{|v+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \frac{1}{\langle v \rangle} \\ \frac{|v|^4+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{|v|^3+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{|v+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \end{bmatrix}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{5.112}$$

Finally from (5.95) and (5.112) we conclude, for all $\tau \in [s, t]$

$$\frac{\partial(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s; t, x, v), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s; t, x, v))}{\partial(t, x, v)} \leq C e^{C|v|(t-s)} \left[\begin{array}{c|c|c} \frac{|v|^3+|v|}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{|v|}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} & \frac{1}{\langle v \rangle} \\ \hline \frac{|v|^4+1}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{|v|^3}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|^2} & \frac{|v|}{|\mathbf{v}_\perp^1|} \end{array} \right]_{6 \times 7}.$$

From the Velocity lemma (Lemma 3.1),

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathbf{v}_\perp^1| &= |v^1 \cdot [-n(x^1)]| = |V_{\mathbf{cl}}(t^1; t, x, v) \cdot n(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(t^1; t, x, v))| \\ &= \sqrt{\alpha(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(t^1), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(t^1))} \geq e^{C|v||t-t^1|} \alpha(t, x, v) \gtrsim \alpha(t, x, v), \end{aligned}$$

and this completes the proof. □

6. Weighted C^1 estimate

In this section, we put together all the results we got in previous sections and prove our main theorem.

Proof. (Proof of Theorem 1.1.) We use the approximation sequence (2.5) with (2.6). Due to (2.7) we have

$$\sup_m \sup_{0 \leq t \leq T} \|e^{\theta|v|^2} f^m(t)\|_\infty \lesssim_{\xi, T} P(\|e^{\theta'|v|^2} f_0\|_\infty).$$

Now we claim that the distributional derivatives coincide with the piecewise derivatives. This is due to Proposition 2.1 with an invariant property of $\Gamma(f, f) = \Gamma_{\text{gain}}(f, f) - \nu(\sqrt{\mu}f)f$: Assume $f^m(v) = f^{m-1}(\mathcal{O}v)$ holds for some orthonormal matrix. Then

$$\Gamma(f^m, f^m)(v) = \Gamma(f^{m-1}, f^{m-1})(\mathcal{O}v). \tag{6.1}$$

Denote

$$\begin{aligned} \nu^{m-\ell}(s) &:= \nu^{m-\ell}(s, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)) \\ &:= \nu(\sqrt{\mu}f^{m-\ell})(s, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)) - \frac{V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)}{2} \cdot E(s, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)). \end{aligned} \tag{6.2}$$

Using (6.1), we apply Proposition 2.1 to have

$$\begin{aligned} &f^m(t, x, v) \\ &= e^{-\int_0^t \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_*(0)} \mathbf{1}_{[t^{\ell+1}, t^\ell]}(s) \nu^{m-\ell}(s) ds} f_0(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(0), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(0)) \\ &\quad + \int_0^t \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_*(0)} \mathbf{1}_{[t^{\ell+1}, t^\ell]}(s) e^{-\int_s^t \sum_{j=0}^{\ell_*(s)} \mathbf{1}_{[t^{j+1}, t^j]} \nu^{m-j} d\tau} \Gamma_{\text{gain}}(f^{m-\ell}, f^{m-\ell})(s, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)) ds. \end{aligned}$$

Now we consider the spatial and velocity derivatives. In the sense of distributions, we have for $\partial_{\mathbf{e}} \in \{\nabla_x, \nabla_v\}$

$$\partial_{\mathbf{e}} f^m(t, x, v) = \text{I}_{\mathbf{e}} + \text{II}_{\mathbf{e}} + \text{III}_{\mathbf{e}}. \tag{6.3}$$

Here

$$\text{I}_{\mathbf{e}} = e^{-\int_0^t \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_*(0)} \mathbf{1}_{[t^{\ell+1}, t^\ell]}(s) \nu^{m-\ell}(s) ds} \partial_{\mathbf{e}} [X_{\mathbf{cl}}(0), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(0)] \cdot \nabla_{x,v} f_0(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(0), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(0)),$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbb{II}_e &= \int_0^t \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_*(0)} \mathbf{1}_{[t^{\ell+1}, t^\ell]}(s) e^{-\int_s^t \sum_{j=0}^{\ell_*(s)} \mathbf{1}_{[t^{j+1}, t^j]}(\tau) \nu^{m-j}(\tau) d\tau} \\
 &\quad \times \partial_e \left[\Gamma_{\text{gain}}(f^{m-\ell}, f^{m-\ell})(s, X_{\text{cl}}(s), V_{\text{cl}}(s)) \right] ds \\
 &\quad - \int_0^t \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_*(0)} \mathbf{1}_{[t^{\ell+1}, t^\ell]}(s) e^{-\int_s^t \sum_j \mathbf{1}_{[t^{j+1}, t^j]}(\tau) \nu^{m-j}(\tau) d\tau} \\
 &\quad \times \int_s^t \sum_{j=0}^{\ell_*(s)} \mathbf{1}_{[t^{j+1}, t^j]}(\tau) \partial_e [\nu^{m-j}(\tau, X_{\text{cl}}(\tau), V_{\text{cl}}(\tau))] d\tau \\
 &\quad \times \Gamma_{\text{gain}}(f^{m-\ell}, f^{m-\ell})(s, X_{\text{cl}}(s), V_{\text{cl}}(s)) ds - e^{-\int_0^t \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_*(0)} \mathbf{1}_{[t^{\ell+1}, t^\ell]}(s) \nu^{m-\ell}(s) ds} \\
 &\quad \times f_0(X_{\text{cl}}(0), V_{\text{cl}}(0)) \int_0^t \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_*(0)} \mathbf{1}_{[t^{\ell+1}, t^\ell]}(s) \partial_e [\nu^{m-\ell}(s, X_{\text{cl}}(s), V_{\text{cl}}(s))] ds,
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\mathbb{III}_e \\
 &= \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_*(0)} \left[-\partial_e t^\ell \lim_{s \uparrow t^\ell} \nu^{m-\ell}(s) + \partial_e t^{\ell+1} \lim_{s \downarrow t^{\ell+1}} \nu^{m-\ell}(s) \right] \times e^{-\int_0^t \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_*(0)} \mathbf{1}_{[t^{\ell+1}, t^\ell]}(s) \nu^{m-\ell}(s)} \\
 &\quad + \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_*(0)} \left[\lim_{s \uparrow t^\ell} e^{-\int_s^t \sum_j \mathbf{1}_{[t^{j+1}, t^j]}(\tau) \nu^{m-j}(\tau) d\tau} \Gamma_{\text{gain}}(f^{m-\ell}, f^{m-\ell})(s, X_{\text{cl}}(s), V_{\text{cl}}(s)) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \lim_{s \downarrow t^{\ell+1}} e^{-\int_s^t \sum_j \mathbf{1}_{[t^{j+1}, t^j]}(\tau) \nu^{m-j}(\tau) d\tau} \Gamma_{\text{gain}}(f^{m-\ell}, f^{m-\ell})(s, X_{\text{cl}}(s), V_{\text{cl}}(s)) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \int_0^t \sum_{\ell} \mathbf{1}_{[t^{\ell+1}, t^\ell]}(s) \sum_{j=0}^{\ell_*(s)} \left[-\lim_{\tau \downarrow t^j} \nu^{m-j}(\tau, X_{\text{cl}}(\tau), V_{\text{cl}}(\tau)) + \lim_{\tau \uparrow t^{j+1}} \nu^{m-j}(\tau, X_{\text{cl}}(\tau), V_{\text{cl}}(\tau)) \right] \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \times e^{-\int_s^t \sum_{j=0}^{\ell_*(s)} \mathbf{1}_{[t^{j+1}, t^j]}(\tau) \nu^{m-j}(\tau) d\tau} \Gamma_{\text{gain}}(f^{m-\ell}, f^{m-\ell})(s, X_{\text{cl}}(s), V_{\text{cl}}(s)) \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

For \mathbb{III}_e we rearrange the summation and use (5.22), (6.2) and apply (6.1) to get

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\mathbb{III}_e \\
 &= \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_*(0)} \left[-\nu^{m-\ell}(t^\ell, x^\ell, v^\ell) + \nu^{m-\ell+1}(t^\ell, x^\ell, R_{x^\ell} v^\ell) \right] \partial_e t^\ell e^{-\int_0^t \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_*(0)} \mathbf{1}_{[t^{\ell+1}, t^\ell]}(s) \nu^{m-\ell}(s)} \\
 &\quad + \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_*(0)} e^{-\int_t^\ell \sum_j \mathbf{1}_{[t^{j+1}, t^j]}(\tau) \nu(\sqrt{\mu} f^{m-j})(\tau) d\tau} \\
 &\quad \times \left[\Gamma_{\text{gain}}(f^{m-\ell}, f^{m-\ell})(t^\ell, x^\ell, v^\ell) - \Gamma_{\text{gain}}(f^{m-\ell+1}, f^{m-\ell+1})(t^\ell, x^\ell, R_{x^\ell} v^\ell) \right] \\
 &\quad + \int_0^t \sum_{\ell} \mathbf{1}_{[t^{\ell+1}, t^\ell]}(s) e^{-\int_s^t \sum_{j=0}^{\ell_*(s)} \mathbf{1}_{[t^{j+1}, t^j]}(\tau) \nu^{m-j}(\tau) d\tau} \Gamma_{\text{gain}}(f^{m-\ell}, f^{m-\ell})(s, X_{\text{cl}}(s), V_{\text{cl}}(s)) \\
 &\quad \times \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_*(s)} \left[-\nu^{m-\ell}(t^\ell, x^\ell, v^\ell) + \nu^{m-\ell+1}(t^\ell, x^\ell, R_{x^\ell} v^\ell) \right] \\
 &= \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_*(0)} \left[\frac{R_{x^\ell} v^\ell - v^\ell}{2} \cdot E(t^\ell, x^\ell) \right] \partial_e t^\ell e^{-\int_0^t \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_*(0)} \mathbf{1}_{[t^{\ell+1}, t^\ell]}(s) \nu^{m-\ell}(s)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \int_0^t \sum_{\ell} \mathbf{1}_{[t^{\ell+1}, t^{\ell}]}(s) \int_s^t \sum_{j=0}^{\ell_*(s)} \mathbf{1}_{[t^{j+1}, t^j]}(\tau) \nu^{m-j}(\tau) d\tau \Gamma_{\text{gain}}(f^{m-\ell}, f^{m-\ell})(s, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)) \\
 & \quad \times \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_*(s)} \left[\frac{R_{x^{\ell}} v^{\ell} - v^{\ell}}{2} \cdot E(t^{\ell}, x^{\ell}) \right]. \tag{6.4}
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof. (Proof of (6.1).) The proof is due to the change of variables

$$\tilde{u} = \mathcal{O}u, \quad \tilde{\omega} = \mathcal{O}\omega, \quad d\tilde{u} = du, \quad d\tilde{\omega} = d\omega.$$

Note

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \Gamma(f^m, f^m)(v) \\
 & = \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \int_{\mathbb{S}^2} |v-u|^{\kappa} q_0\left(\frac{v-u}{|v-u|} \cdot \omega\right) \sqrt{\mu(u)} \\
 & \quad \times \left\{ f^m(u - [(u-v) \cdot \omega]\omega) f^m(v + [(u-v) \cdot \omega]\omega) - f^m(u) f^m(v) \right\} d\omega du \\
 & = \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \int_{\mathbb{S}^2} |\mathcal{O}v - \mathcal{O}u|^{\kappa} q_0\left(\frac{\mathcal{O}v - \mathcal{O}u}{|\mathcal{O}v - \mathcal{O}u|} \cdot \mathcal{O}\omega\right) \sqrt{\mu(\mathcal{O}u)} \\
 & \quad \times \left\{ f^{m-1}(\mathcal{O}u - [(\mathcal{O}u - \mathcal{O}v) \cdot \mathcal{O}\omega]\mathcal{O}\omega) f^{m-1}(\mathcal{O}v + [(\mathcal{O}u - \mathcal{O}v) \cdot \mathcal{O}\omega]\mathcal{O}\omega) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - f^{m-1}(\mathcal{O}u) f^{m-1}(\mathcal{O}v) \right\} d\omega du \\
 & = \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \int_{\mathbb{S}^2} |\mathcal{O}v - \tilde{u}|^{\kappa} q_0\left(\frac{\mathcal{O}v - \tilde{u}}{|\mathcal{O}v - \tilde{u}|} \cdot \tilde{\omega}\right) \sqrt{\mu(\tilde{u})} \\
 & \quad \times \left\{ f^{m-1}(\tilde{u} - [(\tilde{u} - \mathcal{O}v) \cdot \tilde{\omega}]\tilde{\omega}) f^{m-1}(\mathcal{O}v + [(\tilde{u} - \mathcal{O}v) \cdot \tilde{\omega}]\tilde{\omega}) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - f^{m-1}(\tilde{u}) f^{m-1}(\mathcal{O}v) \right\} d\tilde{\omega} d\tilde{u} \\
 & = \Gamma(f^{m-1}, f^{m-1})(\mathcal{O}v).
 \end{aligned}$$

This proves (6.1). Especially we can apply (6.1) for the specular reflection BC (2.4) with $\mathcal{O}v = R_x v$. □

Using Lemma 2.2 and (2.7), we obtain for $\partial_{\mathbf{e}} \in \{\nabla_x, \nabla_v\}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Pi_{\mathbf{e}} & \lesssim P(\|e^{\theta|v|^2} f_0\|_{\infty}) \int_0^t \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_*(0)} \mathbf{1}_{[t^{\ell+1}, t^{\ell}]}(s) |\partial_{\mathbf{e}} X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)| \\
 & \quad \times \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{e^{-C_{\theta}|V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)-u|^2}}{|V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)-u|^{2-\kappa}} |\nabla_x f^{m-\ell}(s, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), u)| dud s \\
 & + P(\|e^{\theta|v|^2} f_0\|_{\infty}) \int_0^t \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_*(0)} \mathbf{1}_{[t^{\ell+1}, t^{\ell}]}(s) |\partial_{\mathbf{e}} V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)| \\
 & \quad \times \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{e^{-C_{\theta}|V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)-u|^2}}{|V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)-u|^{2-\kappa}} |\nabla_v f^{m-\ell}(s, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), u)| dud s \\
 & + tP(\|e^{\theta|v|^2} f_0\|_{\infty}) \langle v \rangle^{\kappa} e^{-\theta|v|^2} \left(\|E\|_{L_{t,x}^{\infty}} + \|\nabla_x E\|_{L_{t,x}^{\infty}} \right) \\
 & \quad \times \left(\sup_{0 \leq s \leq t} |\partial_{\mathbf{e}} V(s; t, x, v)| + \sup_{0 \leq s \leq t} |\partial_{\mathbf{e}} X(s; t, x, v)| \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

We shall estimate the following:

$$e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \frac{[\alpha(t, x, v)]^\beta}{\langle v \rangle^{b+1}} |\partial_x f(t, x, v)|, \quad e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \frac{[\alpha(t, x, v)]^{\beta-1}}{\langle v \rangle^{b-1}} |\partial_v f(t, x, v)|.$$

From (5.1), the Velocity lemma (Lemma 3.1), Lemma 2.1, and $F^m \geq 0$ for all m , with $\varpi \gg 1$

$$\begin{aligned} & e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \frac{1}{\langle v \rangle^{b+1}} [\alpha(t, x, v)]^\beta \mathbf{I}_x \\ & \lesssim_{\xi, t} e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \frac{1}{\langle v \rangle^{b+1}} [\alpha(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(0), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(0))]^\beta e^{2C|v|t} \\ & \quad \times \left\{ \frac{\langle v \rangle}{\alpha(t, x, v)} |\partial_x f_0(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(0), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(0))| + \frac{\langle v \rangle^3}{\alpha^2(t, x, v)} |\partial_v f_0(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(0), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(0))| \right\} \\ & \lesssim_{\xi, t} \left\| \frac{\langle v \rangle}{\langle v \rangle^{b+1}} \alpha^{\beta-1} \partial_x f_0 \right\|_\infty + \left\| \frac{\langle v \rangle^3}{\langle v \rangle^{b+1}} \alpha^{\beta-2} \partial_v f_0 \right\|_\infty \\ & \lesssim_{\xi, t} \left\| \frac{\alpha^{\beta-1}}{\langle v \rangle^b} \partial_x f_0 \right\|_\infty + \left\| \frac{\alpha^{\beta-2}}{\langle v \rangle^{b-2}} \partial_v f_0 \right\|_\infty, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \frac{1}{\langle v \rangle^{b-1}} [\alpha(t, x, v)]^{\beta-1} \mathbf{I}_v \\ & \lesssim_{\xi, t} e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \frac{1}{\langle v \rangle^{b-1}} [\alpha(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(0), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(0))]^{\beta-1} e^{2C|v|t} \\ & \quad \times \left\{ \frac{1}{\langle v \rangle} |\partial_x f_0(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(0), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(0))| + \frac{\langle v \rangle}{\alpha(t, x, v)} |\partial_v f_0(X_{\mathbf{cl}}(0), V_{\mathbf{cl}}(0))| \right\} \\ & \lesssim_{\xi, t} \left\| \frac{\alpha^{\beta-1}}{\langle v \rangle^b} \partial_x f_0 \right\|_\infty + \left\| \frac{1}{\langle v \rangle^{b-2}} \alpha^{\beta-2} \partial_v f_0 \right\|_\infty, \end{aligned}$$

where we have used $\alpha(t, x, v) \lesssim_\xi |v|^2$ and the choice of $\varpi \gg 1$.

From Lemma 2.1 and Lemma 2.2,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{II}_e & \lesssim_t P(\|e^{\theta|v|^2} f_0\|_\infty) \int_0^t ds \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_*(0)} \mathbf{1}_{[t^{\ell+1}, t^\ell]}(s) \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} du \frac{e^{-C_\theta|u-V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)|^2}}{|u-V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)|^{2-\kappa}} \\ & \quad \times \left\{ |\partial_e X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)| |\partial_x f^{m-j}(s, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), u)| + |\partial_e V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)| (1 + |\partial_v f^{m-j}(s, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), u)|) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Now we use (5.1) to have

$$\begin{aligned} & e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \frac{[\alpha(t, x, v)]^\beta}{\langle v \rangle^{b+1}} \mathbf{II}_x \lesssim_{t, \xi} P(\|e^{\theta|v|^2} f_0\|_\infty) \\ & \quad \text{quad} \times \left\{ \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{e^{-C_\theta|V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)-u|^2}}{|u-V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)|^{2-\kappa}} e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} e^{\varpi\langle u \rangle s} e^{C|v||t-s|} \frac{|v| [\alpha(t, x, v)]^{\beta-\frac{1}{2}} \langle u \rangle^{b+1}}{[\alpha(s, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), u)]^\beta \langle v \rangle^{b+1}} du ds \right. \\ & \quad \times \sup_m \sup_{0 \leq s \leq t} \left\| e^{-\varpi\langle u \rangle s} \frac{[\alpha(s, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), u)]^\beta}{\langle u \rangle^{b+1}} \partial_x f^{m-j}(s, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), u) \right\|_\infty \\ & \quad + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{e^{-C_\theta|V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)-u|^2}}{|u-V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)|^{2-\kappa}} e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} e^{\varpi\langle u \rangle s} e^{C|v||t-s|} \frac{\langle u \rangle^b}{\langle v \rangle^b} \frac{|v|^2 [\alpha(t, x, v)]^{\beta-1}}{|u| [\alpha(s, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), u)]^{\beta-\frac{1}{2}}} \\ & \quad \left. \times \sup_m \sup_{0 \leq s \leq t} \left\| e^{-\varpi\langle u \rangle s} \frac{|u| [\alpha(s, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), u)]^{\beta-\frac{1}{2}}}{\langle u \rangle^b} \partial_v f^{m-j}(s, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), u) \right\|_\infty \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

We first claim that

$$e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} e^{\varpi\langle u \rangle s} e^{C|v|(t-s)} e^{-C'|v-u|^2} \lesssim e^{-\frac{\varpi\langle v \rangle}{2}(t-s)} e^{C''(s+s^2)} e^{-C''|v-u|^2}. \tag{6.5}$$

Using $\langle u \rangle \leq 1 + |u| \leq 1 + |v| + |u-v| \leq 1 + \langle v \rangle + |v-u|$, we bound the first three exponents as

$$-(\varpi - C)\langle v \rangle(t-s) - \varpi(\langle v \rangle - \langle u \rangle)s \leq -(\varpi - C)\langle v \rangle(t-s) + \varpi|v-u|s + \varpi s.$$

Then we use a complete square trick, for $0 < \sigma \ll 1$

$$\varpi|v-u|s = \frac{\sigma\varpi^2}{2}|v-u|^2 + \frac{s^2}{2\sigma} - \frac{1}{2\sigma}[s - \sigma\varpi|v-u|]^2 \leq \frac{\sigma\varpi^2}{2}|v-u|^2 + \frac{s^2}{2\sigma},$$

to bound the whole exponents of (6.5) by

$$\begin{aligned} & -(\varpi - C)\langle v \rangle(t-s) + \varpi|v-u|s - C'|v-u|^2 + \varpi s \\ & \leq -(\varpi - C)\langle v \rangle(t-s) - (C - \frac{\sigma\varpi^2}{2})|v-u|^2 + \frac{s^2}{2\sigma} + \varpi s \\ & \leq -(\varpi - C)\langle v \rangle(t-s) - C_{\sigma,\varpi}|v-u|^2 + C'_{\sigma,\varpi}\{s^2 + s\}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence we prove the claim (6.5) for $\varpi \gg 1$.

Now we use (6.5) to bound

$$\begin{aligned} & e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \frac{1}{\langle v \rangle^{b+1}} [\alpha(t, x, v)]^\beta \Pi_{\mathbf{x}} \\ & \lesssim_{t,\xi} P(\|e^{\theta|v|^2} f_0\|_\infty) \\ & \quad \times \underbrace{\left\{ \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} e^{-\frac{\varpi\langle v \rangle}{2}(t-s)} \frac{e^{-C'_\theta|V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)-u|^2} \langle u \rangle^{b+1} \langle v \rangle [\alpha(t, x, v)]^{\beta-1}}{|V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)-u|^{2-\kappa} \langle v \rangle^{b+1} [\alpha(s, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), u)]^\beta} du ds \right\}}_{\text{(A)}} \\ & \quad \times \sup_m \sup_{0 \leq s \leq t} \left\| e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle s} \frac{\alpha^\beta}{\langle v \rangle^{b+1}} \partial_x f^m(s) \right\|_\infty \\ & \quad + \underbrace{\left\{ \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} e^{-\frac{\varpi\langle v \rangle}{2}(t-s)} \frac{e^{-C'_\theta|V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)-u|^2} \langle u \rangle^{b-1} \langle v \rangle^3 [\alpha(t, x, v)]^{\beta-2}}{|V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)-u|^{2-\kappa} \langle v \rangle^{b+1} [\alpha(s, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), u)]^{\beta-1}} du ds \right\}}_{\text{(B)}} \\ & \quad \times \sup_m \sup_{0 \leq s \leq t} \left\| e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle s} \frac{\alpha^{\beta-1}}{\langle v \rangle^{b-1}} \partial_v f^m(s) \right\|_\infty \}. \tag{6.6} \end{aligned}$$

For (A) we use (3.7) with $Z = \langle v \rangle [\alpha(t, x, v)]^{\beta-1}$ and $l = \frac{\varpi}{2}$ and $r = b+1$. For (B) we use (3.7) with $\beta \mapsto \beta-1$ and $Z = \langle v \rangle [\alpha(t, x, v)]^{\beta-2}$ and $l = \frac{\varpi}{2}$ and $r = b-1$. Then

$$\text{(A), (B)} \ll 1.$$

Similarly, but with a different weight $e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \frac{1}{\langle v \rangle^{b-1}} [\alpha(t, x, v)]^{\beta-1}$, we use (5.1) to

have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \frac{1}{\langle v \rangle^{b-1}} [\alpha(t, x, v)]^{\beta-1} \mathbb{II}_{\mathbf{v}} \\
 & \lesssim_{t, \xi} P(\|e^{\theta|v|^2} f_0\|_{\infty}) \\
 & \quad \times \left\{ \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{e^{-C|V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)-u|^2}}{|u-V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)|^{2-\kappa}} e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} e^{\varpi\langle u \rangle s} e^{C|v||t-s|} \frac{[\alpha(t, x, v)]^{\beta-1}}{[\alpha(s, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), u)]^{\beta}} \frac{\langle u \rangle^{b+1}}{\langle v \rangle^b} \mathrm{d}u \mathrm{d}s \right. \\
 & \quad \times \sup_m \sup_{0 \leq s \leq t} \left\| \frac{e^{-\varpi\langle u \rangle s} [\alpha(s, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), u)]^{\beta}}{\langle u \rangle^{b+1}} \partial_x f^m(s, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), u) \right\|_{\infty} \\
 & \quad + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{e^{-C|V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)-u|^2}}{|u-V_{\mathbf{cl}}(s)|^{2-\kappa}} e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} e^{\varpi\langle u \rangle s} e^{C|v||t-s|} \frac{\langle u \rangle^{b-1}}{\langle v \rangle^{b-1}} \frac{\langle v \rangle [\alpha(t, x, v)]^{\beta-2}}{[\alpha(s, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), u)]^{\beta-1}} \\
 & \quad \left. \times \sup_m \sup_{0 \leq s \leq t} \left\| \frac{e^{-\varpi\langle u \rangle s} [\alpha(s, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), u)]^{\beta-1}}{\langle u \rangle^{b-1}} \partial_v f^m(s, X_{\mathbf{cl}}(s), u) \right\|_{\infty} \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Again we use (6.5) and (3.7) exactly as (6.6). Therefore for $0 < \delta = \delta(\|e^{\theta|v|^2} f_0\|_{\infty}) \ll 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \frac{1}{\langle v \rangle^{b+1}} [\alpha(t, x, v)]^{\beta} \mathbb{II}_{\mathbf{x}} + e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \frac{|v|}{\langle v \rangle^b} [\alpha(t, x, v)]^{\beta-1} \mathbb{II}_{\mathbf{v}} \\
 & \lesssim \delta \left\{ \sup_m \sup_{0 \leq s \leq t} \left\| e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle s} \frac{\alpha^{\beta}}{\langle v \rangle^{b+1}} \partial_x f^m(s) \right\|_{\infty} + \sup_m \sup_{0 \leq s \leq t} \left\| e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle s} \frac{\alpha^{\beta-1}}{\langle v \rangle^{b-1}} \partial_v f^m(s) \right\|_{\infty} \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Finally using $\frac{R_x \ell v^{\ell} - v^{\ell}}{2} = \mathbf{v}_{\perp}^{\ell}$, the bound on $\partial_{\mathbf{e}} t^{\ell}$ in (5.97) and (5.98), from (5.1), the Velocity lemma (Lemma 3.1)

$$\begin{aligned}
 e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \frac{1}{\langle v \rangle^{b+1}} [\alpha(t, x, v)]^{\beta} \mathbb{III}_{\mathbf{x}} & \lesssim e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \frac{1}{\langle v \rangle^{b+1}} [\alpha(t, x, v)]^{\beta} \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^{\infty}} e^{C\langle v \rangle t} \alpha(t, x, v) \ell_*(0) \\
 & \quad \times \sup_{0 \leq \ell \leq \ell_*(0)} |\partial_x t^{\ell}| + tP(\|e^{\theta|v|^2} f_0\|_{\infty}) \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^{\infty}} \\
 & \lesssim \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^{\infty}} \alpha(t, x, v)^{\beta-2} + tP(\|e^{\theta|v|^2} f_0\|_{\infty}) \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^{\infty}},
 \end{aligned}$$

for $\varpi \gg 1$. And similarly

$$\begin{aligned}
 e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \frac{1}{\langle v \rangle^{b-1}} [\alpha(t, x, v)]^{\beta-1} \mathbb{III}_{\mathbf{v}} & \lesssim e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \frac{1}{\langle v \rangle^{b-1}} [\alpha(t, x, v)]^{\beta-1} \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^{\infty}} e^{C\langle v \rangle t} \alpha(t, x, v) \ell_*(0) \\
 & \quad \times \sup_{0 \leq \ell \leq \ell_*(0)} |\partial_v t^{\ell}| + tP(\|e^{\theta|v|^2} f_0\|_{\infty}) \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^{\infty}} \\
 & \lesssim \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^{\infty}} \alpha(t, x, v)^{\beta-2} + tP(\|e^{\theta|v|^2} f_0\|_{\infty}) \|E\|_{L_{t,x}^{\infty}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Collecting all the terms, for $2 < \beta < 3$ and $b > 1$ with $\varpi \gg 1$ and $0 < \delta \ll 1$, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sup_m \sup_{0 \leq s \leq t} \left\| e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle s} \frac{\alpha^{\beta}}{\langle v \rangle^{b+1}} \partial_x f^m(s) \right\|_{\infty} + \sup_m \sup_{0 \leq s \leq t} \left\| e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle s} \frac{\alpha^{\beta-1}}{\langle v \rangle^{b-1}} \partial_v f^m(s) \right\|_{\infty} \\
 & \lesssim \left\| \frac{\alpha^{\beta-1}}{\langle v \rangle^b} \partial_x f_0 \right\|_{\infty} + \left\| \frac{\alpha^{\beta-2}}{\langle v \rangle^{b-2}} \partial_v f_0 \right\|_{\infty} + P(\|e^{\theta|v|^2} f_0\|_{\infty}).
 \end{aligned}$$

We remark that this sequence f^m is Cauchy in $L^{\infty}([0, T] \times \bar{\Omega} \times \mathbb{R}^3)$ for $0 < T \ll 1$. Therefore the limit function f is a solution of the Boltzmann equation satisfying the

specular reflection BC. On the other hand, due to the weak lower semi-continuity of L^p , $p > 1$, we pass a limit $\partial f^m \rightharpoonup \partial f$ weakly in the weighted L^∞ -norm.

Now we consider the continuity of $e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \langle v \rangle^{-b-1} \alpha^\beta \partial_x f$ and $e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \langle v \rangle^{-b+1} \alpha^{\beta-1} \partial_v f$. Remark that $e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \lambda \text{angle} v \rangle^{-b-1} \alpha^\beta \partial_x f^m$ and $e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \langle v \rangle^{-b+1} \alpha^{\beta-1} \partial_v f^m$ satisfy all the conditions of Proposition 2.1. Therefore we conclude

$$\begin{aligned} e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \langle v \rangle^{-b-1} \alpha^\beta \partial_x f^m &\in C^0([0, T] \times \bar{\Omega} \times \mathbb{R}^3), \\ e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \langle v \rangle^{-b+1} \alpha^{\beta-1} \partial_v f^m &\in C^0([0, T] \times \bar{\Omega} \times \mathbb{R}^3). \end{aligned}$$

Now we follow $W^{1,\infty}$ estimate proof for $e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \langle v \rangle^{-b-1} \alpha^\beta [\partial_x f^{m+1} - \partial_x f^m]$ and $e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \langle v \rangle^{-b+1} \alpha^{\beta-1} [\partial_v f^{m+1} - \partial_v f^m]$ to show that $e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \langle v \rangle^{-b-1} \alpha^\beta \partial_x f^m$ and $e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \langle v \rangle^{-b+1} \alpha^{\beta-1} \partial_v f^m$ are Cauchy in L^∞ . Then we pass a limit $e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \langle v \rangle^{-b-1} \alpha^\beta \partial_x f^m \rightarrow e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \langle v \rangle^{-b-1} \alpha^\beta \partial_x f$ and $e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \langle v \rangle^{-b+1} \alpha^{\beta-1} \partial_v f^m \rightarrow e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \langle v \rangle^{-b+1} \alpha^{\beta-1} \partial_v f$ strongly in L^∞ so that $e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \langle v \rangle^{-b-1} \alpha^\beta \partial_x f \in C^0([0, T^*] \times \bar{\Omega} \times \mathbb{R}^3)$ and $e^{-\varpi\langle v \rangle t} \langle v \rangle^{-b+1} \alpha^{\beta-1} \partial_v f \in C^0([0, T^*] \times \bar{\Omega} \times \mathbb{R}^3)$. \square

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