

Problem Sheet 5

To be discussed on Wednesday, 25.5.2016.

Ex. 1: (a) Let $p_1(x, \xi) = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq m_1} a_\alpha(x) \xi^\alpha$ and $p_2(x, \xi) = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq m_2} b_\alpha(x) \xi^\alpha$ with $a_\alpha, b_\alpha \in C_b^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$. Compute $p_1(x, D_x)p_2(x, D_x)$ directly as well as with the composition formula.

(b) Let $p_1 \in S_{1,0}^{m_1}(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $p_2 \in S_{1,0}^{m_2}(\mathbb{R}^n)$. Compute the first two terms in the asymptotic expansion of $(p_1 \# p_2)(x, \xi)$.

(c) Let p_1, p_2 be as in (b). Prove that there exists $c \in S_{1,0}^{m_1+m_2-1}(\mathbb{R}^{2n})$ such that

$$p_1(x, D)p_2(x, D) - p_2(x, D)p_1(x, D) = c(x, D).$$

Compute the first term in the asymptotic expansion of c .

Ex. 2: (a) Let $p \in S_{1,0}^m(\mathbb{R}^{2n})$ be an elliptic symbol and let $q \in S_{1,0}^{m-\epsilon}(\mathbb{R}^{2n})$ for some $\epsilon > 0$. Prove that $p + q$ is an elliptic symbol of order m .

(b) Let $p, q, q' \in S_{1,0}^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{2n})$, $r, r' \in S_{1,0}^{-\infty}(\mathbb{R}^{2n})$ be such that

$$\begin{aligned} p(x, D)q(x, D) &= I + r(x, D), \\ q'(x, D)p(x, D) &= I + r'(x, D). \end{aligned}$$

Prove that $q - q' \in S_{1,0}^{-\infty}(\mathbb{R}^{2n})$.

Ex. 3: Consider the partial differential operator of second order

$$p(x, D) := \sum_{i,j=1}^n \partial_{x_i} a_{ij}(x) \partial_j + \sum_{j=1}^n b_j(x) \partial_{x_j} + c(x)$$

with smooth and bounded coefficients. Here, $(a_{ij})_{i,j=1}^n$ is symmetric, and there exists $\lambda > 0$ such that

$$\sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}(x) \xi_i \xi_j \geq \lambda |\xi|^2, \quad x, \xi \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

(a) Determine the symbol of $p(x, D)$ and prove that it is elliptic of order 2.

(b) Explicitly construct a parametrix $q(x, D)$ such that $p(x, D)q(x, D) = I + r(x, D)$, where $r \in S_{1,0}^{-2}(\mathbb{R}^{2n})$.

Ex. 4: Let $(a_j)_{j=0}^{\infty}$ be an arbitrary sequence in \mathbb{R} . Show that there exists a function $f \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R})$ such that $f^{(j)}(0) = j!a_j$.