

MICROLOCAL ANALYSIS BY P. HINTZ

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Part I pseudodifferential operators (ps.d.o.s) on \mathbb{R}^n

$$\Delta_{\mathbb{R}^n} := \sum_{j=1}^n D_{x_j}^2, \quad D_{x_j} := \frac{1}{i} \frac{\partial V}{\partial x_j}.$$

$$L := \Delta_{\mathbb{R}^n} + 1,$$

$L : \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ is inverse. What is inverse:

- $L \circ L^{-1} = I \in \text{Diff}^0(\mathbb{R}^n)$.
- $L^{-1} \in \Psi^{-2}(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

Can write

$$(L^{-1}u)(x) = (2\pi)^{-n} \iint e^{i(x-y)\xi} (1 + |\xi|^2)^{-1} u(y) dy d\xi \sim \mathcal{F}^{-1} \left((1 + |\xi|^2)^{-1} (\mathcal{F}u)(\xi) \right).$$

Define $\Psi^m(\mathbb{R}^n)$ by such integrals with $(1 + |\xi|^2)^{-1}$ replaced by more general “symbols” $a(x, \xi) \sim |\xi|^m$. E.g.,

$$\Psi^m(\mathbb{R}^n) \circ \Psi^{m'}(\mathbb{R}^n) \subset \Psi^{m+m'}(\mathbb{R}^n).$$

Highlight: Elliptic operators $L : C^\infty(M) \rightarrow C^\infty(M)$ with M compact without boundary are Fredholm: $\dim \ker L < \infty$, $\dim \text{coker } L < \infty$, $\text{Ran}(L)$ is closed.

Part II Microlocalization. Main notion: $\text{WF}(u)$ – wave front set of distribution, $u \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$. $\text{WF}(u) \subset \mathbb{R}_x^n \times (\mathbb{R}_\xi^n \setminus \{0\})$ or $\mathbb{R}_x^n \times \mathbb{S}_\xi^{n-1}$. Measure where (x, ξ) and in what “direction” (ξ) u is singular. Ex. $u = \delta_0$, $\text{F}(\delta) = \{(x, \xi) : x = 0, \xi \neq 0\}$. Ex. $u = 1_\Omega$, $\Omega = \text{smoothly bounded domain}$, $\text{WF}(u) = \{(x, \xi) : x \in \partial\Omega, \xi \in N_x^* \partial\Omega\}$. Application to PDE. $L \in \text{Diff}^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$, say $L = -D_t^2 + D_x^2$ on

$\mathbb{R}_{t,x}^2$, if $u \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^2)$ solves $Lu = 0$, then $\text{WF}(u) \subset \text{char}(L) := \{(t, x, \sigma, \xi) : \sigma(L)(t, x, \sigma, \xi) = -\sigma^2 + \xi^2 = 0\}$

Theorem: $\text{WF}(u)$ = union of integral curves of the Hamiltonian vector field of the principal symbol of L . Proof uses ps.d.o.s as tools.

Part III Applications to long time wave asymptotics de Sitter space (General Relativity).

Definition 1.1. The space $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ consists of all $\varphi \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ s.t. for all $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$,

$$\|\varphi\|_k := \sup_{|\alpha|+|\beta| \leq k} |x^\alpha D^\beta \varphi| < \infty.$$

Here

$$\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in \mathbb{N}_0^n,$$

$$|\alpha| = \sum \alpha_j,$$

$$x^\alpha = \prod x_j^{\alpha_j},$$

$$D^\alpha = D_{x_1}^{\alpha_1} \dots D_{x_n}^{\alpha_n} \in \text{Diff}^{|\alpha|}(\mathbb{R}^n).$$

Fact: $(\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n), \{\|\cdot\|_0, \|\cdot\|_1, \dots\})$ is a Fréchet space.