

LOCAL SOLVABILITY OF ANALYTIC PSEUDODIFFERENTIAL COMPLEXES IN TOP DEGREE

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1. Introduction. The present work concerns the local solvability of analytic pseudodifferential complexes in top degree associated to a Frobenius ideal of codimension one in the ring of pseudodifferential operators. Without further specification, all operators are analytic throughout this paper. Let Ω be an open subset in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} and $\Psi(\Omega)$ be the ring of pseudodifferential operators on Ω . A left ideal \mathcal{P} in $\Psi(\Omega)$ is said to be a Frobenius ideal of rank n if, for every point $y \in \Omega$, there exists an open neighborhood U of y and n first-order pseudodifferential operators $P_1, \dots, P_n \in \mathcal{P}$, such that P_1, \dots, P_n are linearly independent over $\Psi(U)$, and for all $P \in \mathcal{P}$, there exist $A_1, \dots, A_n \in \Psi(U)$ such that

$$P = \sum_{i=1}^n A_i P_i,$$

and there exist $c_{jk}^l \in \Psi^0(\Omega)$ such that

$$[P_j, P_k] = \sum_l c_{jk}^l P_l.$$

We define the characteristic set of \mathcal{P} to be $\text{char } \mathcal{P} = \text{char } P_1 \cap \dots \cap \text{char } P_n$. Our entire analysis will focus on a neighborhood of 0. \mathcal{P} is said to be elliptic at 0 if $\text{char } \mathcal{P}|_0 = \{0\}$. In this paper, we assume that \mathcal{P} is nonelliptic at 0. Furthermore, we require that \mathcal{P} has *simple real* characteristics, that is, for every $\gamma = (y, \eta) \in \text{char } \mathcal{P}$, $d_\eta p_{1,0}, \dots, d_\eta p_{n,0}$ are independent over \mathbb{C} at γ , where η is the fiber variable of the cotangent bundle $T^*\Omega$, and $p_{1,0}, \dots, p_{n,0}$ are the *principal symbols* of P_1, \dots, P_n , respectively. We study the local solvability of the following equation:

$$(1.1) \quad P_1 u_1 + P_2 u_2 + \dots + P_n u_n = f.$$

Equation (1.1) is *locally solvable* at 0 if there exist open neighborhoods $V \subset U$ of 0, such that for any function $f \in C^\infty(U)$, there exist $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n \in \mathcal{E}'(U)$ which satisfy (1.1) in V . For convenience, usually we write (1.1) as

$$Pu = f,$$

where $P = (P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n)$, $u = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)^T$, T denotes the transpose.

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