

180. Complex Powers of Non-elliptic Operators

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1. Introduction.

In the present paper we shall construct symbols of pseudo-differential operators which define complex powers of a pseudo-differential operator in a class S_λ^m which contains semi-elliptic operators. Complex powers of an elliptic operator as pseudo-differential operators are defined by Burak [1] and Seely [4]. They constructed symbols through Dunford's integrals for an elliptic operator defined on a C^∞ compact manifold without boundary, so the global ellipticity of the operator is required. Here, we shall construct symbols only by local calculation. The precise calculation of symbols for iterations of a pseudo-differential operator gives the relations among polynomials in coefficients of the symbols, then the symbols of integral powers of an operator is extended to be those of complex ones.

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2. Definitions and lemmas.

Definition 1. A real valued $C^\infty(R^n)$ function $\lambda(\xi)$ is called a basic weight function when it satisfies the conditions:

$$(2.1) \quad 1 \leq \lambda(\xi) \leq A(1 + |\xi|),$$

$$(2.2) \quad |\partial_x^\alpha \lambda(\xi)| \leq A_\alpha \lambda(\xi)^{1-|\alpha|} \quad \text{for any } \alpha,$$

for some constants A and A_α . (See Kumano-go [3].)

Definition 2. Let $\lambda(\xi)$ be a basic weight function. Then we say $p(x, \xi) \in S_\lambda^m$, when $p(x, \xi) \in C^\infty(R^n \times R^n)$ and

$$(2.3) \quad |D_x^\alpha \partial_x^\beta p(x, \xi)| \leq C_{\alpha, \beta} \lambda(\xi)^{m-|\beta|} \quad \text{for any } \alpha, \beta,$$

for some constants $C_{\alpha, \beta}$, where $D_x = (-i)\partial_x$.

For $p(x, \xi) \in S_\lambda^m$ we define the pseudo-differential operator $p(X, D_x)$ by

$$(2.4) \quad p(X, D_x)u(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} \int e^{ix \cdot \xi} p(x, \xi) \hat{u}(\xi) d\xi,$$

where $u(x)$ is a C^∞ function which together with all their derivatives decreases faster than any powers of $|x|$ as $|x| \rightarrow \infty$, and

$$\hat{u}(\xi) = \int e^{-ix \cdot \xi} u(x) dx.$$

We denote the symbol of an operator $p(X, D_x)$ by

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