

## 102. Analytic Hypo-Ellipticity of a System of Microdifferential Equations with Non-Involutive Characteristics

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We study the analytic hypo-ellipticity of a system of microdifferential equations whose characteristic variety (in the complex domain) has the form  $V = V_1 \cup V_2$ ; here  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  are regular involutive complex submanifolds with non-involutive intersection. We also assume that the system has regular singularities along  $V$  (cf. [4]). In particular, the system  $(P_1 P_2 I_m + A)u = 0$  satisfies the above conditions if  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are scalar operators such that the Poisson bracket  $\{\sigma(P_1), \sigma(P_2)\}$  does not vanish (where  $\sigma$  denotes the principal symbol),  $A$  is an  $m \times m$  matrix of operators of lower order, and  $I_m$  is the unit matrix of degree  $m$  (see Corollary in § 1).

Our result (Theorem in § 1) extends a part of the results of Kashiwara-Kawai-Oshima [3] to more general systems. We believe that our result is new even for single equations (see Example 2). The operator discussed in Corollary is contained in the class discussed by Treves [8] if  $\sigma(P_2)$  is the complex conjugate of  $\sigma(P_1)$ . See also Grušin [1] for a class of single partial differential equations.

**§ 1. Statement of the results.** Let  $M$  be an  $n$ -dimensional real analytic manifold and  $X$  be its complexification. We denote by  $\mathcal{C}_M$  the sheaf on  $T_M^*X$  of microfunctions, and by  $\mathcal{E}_X$  the sheaf on  $T^*X$  of microdifferential operators of finite order. Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be a system of microdifferential equations (i.e. a coherent  $\mathcal{E}_X$ -module) defined on an open subset  $\Omega$  of  $T^*X - X$ . Suppose that the characteristic variety of  $\mathcal{M}$  has the form  $V = V_1 \cup V_2 \subset \Omega$ . We assume the following conditions (see [4] for notations):

(A.1)  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  are  $d$ -codimensional homogeneous regular involutive submanifolds of  $\Omega$ , and  $V_0 = V_1 \cap V_2$  is non-singular.

(A.2)  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  intersect normally, i.e.,  $T_p V_1 \cap T_p V_2 = T_p V_0$  for any  $p \in V_0$ .

(A.3)  $\dim V_1 = \dim V_2 = \dim V_0 + 1$ .

(A.4)  $\text{rank } V_1 = \text{rank } V_2 = \text{rank } V_0$ .

(A.5)  $\mathcal{M}$  has regular singularities along  $V$ .

Let  $p_0$  be a point of  $V_0 \cap T_M^*X$ . We can find a neighborhood  $\Omega' \subset \Omega$  of  $p_0$  and a coherent sub- $\mathcal{E}_V$ -module  $\mathcal{M}_0$  of  $\mathcal{M}|_{\Omega'}$  such that  $\mathcal{E}_X \mathcal{M}_0 = \mathcal{M}|_{\Omega'}$ .

We set  $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_0 = \mathcal{M}_0/\mathcal{E}(-1)\mathcal{M}_0$ . Then we also assume

(A.6)  $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_0$  is a locally free  $\mathcal{O}_V(0)$ -module of rank  $m$ .

The polynomial  $e_{12}(\lambda, p, \mathcal{M}_0)$  in  $\lambda$  is defined for  $p \in V_0 \cap \Omega'$  as in [4]. Let  $\lambda = \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m$  be the roots of the equation  $e_{12}(\lambda, p_0, \mathcal{M}_0) = 0$ . We assume, in addition, the following two conditions:

(B.1) The generalized Levi form of  $V_1$  (cf. [6, Chapter III]) has at least one negative eigenvalue at  $p_0$ .

(B.2)  $\lambda_j \notin \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$  for  $j=1, \dots, m$ .

**Theorem.** *Under the assumptions (A.1)–(A.6) and (B.1) and (B.2), the system  $\mathcal{M}$  is micro-locally analytic hypo-elliptic at  $p_0$ ; i.e., we have*

$$\mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{E}_X}(\mathcal{M}, C_M)_{p_0} = 0.$$

**Remark.** The conclusion of Theorem is also valid if we replace the conditions (B.1) and (B.2) with

(B.1)' The generalized Levi form of  $V_2$  has at least one negative eigenvalue at  $p_0$ .

(B.2)'  $\lambda_j \notin \{-1, -2, -3, \dots\}$  for  $j=1, \dots, m$ .

For a homogeneous holomorphic function  $f$  defined in a neighborhood (in  $T^*X$ ) of  $p_0$ , we denote by  $f^c$  the complex conjugate of  $f$  with respect to  $T_M^*X$ ; i.e.,  $f^c$  is the unique holomorphic function such that  $f^c = \overline{f}$  holds on  $T_M^*X$ .

**Corollary.** *Let  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  be microdifferential operators of order  $l_1$  and  $l_2$  respectively defined in a neighborhood of  $p_0 \in T_M^*X - M$ . Set  $l = l_1 + l_2$  and let  $A = (A_{ij})$  be an  $m \times m$  matrix of microdifferential operators of order at most  $l - 1$  defined in a neighborhood of  $p_0$ . We assume the following conditions:*

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(P_1)(p_0) = \sigma(P_2)(p_0) = 0, & \quad \{\sigma(P_1), \sigma(P_2)\}(p_0) \neq 0, \\ \{\sigma(P_1), \sigma(P_1)^c\}(p_0) < 0. & \end{aligned}$$

*We also assume that no eigenvalue of the matrix*

$$(\sigma_{l-1}(A_{ij})(p_0) / \{\sigma(P_1), \sigma(P_2)\}(p_0))$$

*is a non-negative integer. Then the homomorphism*

$$P_1 P_2 I_m + A : (C_M)_{p_0}^m \rightarrow (C_M)_{p_0}^m$$

*is injective.*

Now we give some examples which are contained neither in the class discussed in [3] nor in that discussed in [8]. We set  $x = (x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  and  $D_j = \partial/\partial x_j$ .

**Example 1.** Set

$$P = (D_1 + \sqrt{-1}x_1 D_2)(D_1 - 2\sqrt{-1}x_1 D_2)I_m + A_1(x)D_1 + A_2(x)D_2 + B(x);$$

here  $A_1, A_2, B$  are  $m \times m$  matrices of real analytic functions defined in an open subset  $U$  of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Assume that no eigenvalue of the matrix  $A_2(0, x_2)$  belongs to  $\{3\sqrt{-1}j; j \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  for  $(0, x_2) \in U$ . Then  $P$  is analytic hypo-elliptic in  $U$ ; i.e., if  $f$  is a column vector of  $m$  hyperfunctions defined in an open subset  $U'$  of  $U$  such that each component of  $Pf$  is real analytic in  $U'$ , then each component of  $f$  is real analytic in  $U'$ .

**Example 2.** Set

$$P = (D_1 + \sqrt{-1}x_1D_2)(D_1 - \sqrt{-1}(x_1 + x_2)D_2) + a_1(x)D_1 + a_2(x)D_2 + b(x);$$

here  $a_1(x)$ ,  $a_2(x)$ , and  $b(x)$  are real analytic functions defined in a neighborhood of  $0 = (0, 0) \in \mathbf{R}^2$ . Assume that  $a_2(0) \notin \{2\sqrt{-1}j; j \in \mathbf{Z}\}$ . Then  $P$  is analytic hypo-elliptic at 0; i.e., if  $f$  is a hyperfunction defined in a neighborhood of 0 such that  $Pf$  is real analytic in a neighborhood of 0, then  $f$  is real analytic in a neighborhood of 0.

**§ 2.** Sketch of the proof. Since the proof of Theorem can be reduced to that of Corollary, we give a sketch of the proof of Corollary. Let  $z = (z_1, \dots, z_n)$  be a local coordinate system of  $X$  and  $(z, \zeta) = (z_1, \dots, z_n, \zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_n)$  be the corresponding local coordinate system of  $T^*X$ . We use the notation  $D_j = \partial/\partial z_j$ . Using methods of [2] and [7], we can find a complex contact transformation  $\varphi$  defined in a neighborhood of  $p_0$  such that

$$\varphi(\{\sigma(P_1) = 0\}) = \{z_1 = 0\}, \quad \varphi(\{\sigma(P_2) = 0\}) = \{\zeta_1 = 0\},$$

and  $\varphi(T_N^*X) = T_N^*X$  in a neighborhood of  $\varphi(p_0) = (0, dz_n)$ ; here  $N = \{h(z, \bar{z}) = 0\}$  with a real valued real analytic function  $h$  defined in a neighborhood of  $0 \in X$  such that  $h(0) = 0$ ,  $d_z h(0) = dz_n$ , and that the Levi form of  $h$  is positive definite. By a quantized contact transformation  $\Phi$  associated with  $\varphi$ , we may assume that

$$\Phi^{-1}(P_1 P_2 I_m + A) = z_1 D_1 I_m - B;$$

here  $B$  is an  $m \times m$  matrix of microdifferential operators of order at most 0 commuting with  $z_1$  and  $D_1$ , and the real part of each eigenvalue of  $\sigma_0(B)(0, dz_n)$  is negative. (See Theorem 1 of [4].) Then it is sufficient to show that the homomorphism

$$z_1 D_1 I_m - B : \mathcal{A}_Z^1(\mathcal{O}_X)_0^m \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_Z^1(\mathcal{O}_X)_0^m$$

is injective; here  $\mathcal{O}_X$  denotes the sheaf of holomorphic functions on  $X$  and  $Z = \{z \in X; h(z, \bar{z}) \geq 0\}$ . The injectivity of this homomorphism can be proved by the method developed in [5].

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