
TD 9: PSEUDO-DIFFERENTIAL OPERATORS II

EXERCISE 1. Let $K : \mathbb{R}^{2d} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a continuous function. Assume that there exists $A > 0$ such that

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |K(x, y)| dy \leq A, \quad \sup_{y \in \mathbb{R}^d} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |K(x, y)| dx \leq A.$$

For all $u \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$, we set

$$(Pu)(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} K(x, y)u(y) dy, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d.$$

1. Check that Pu is well-defined and belongs to $L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$.
2. We will prove Schur's lemma, stating that P can be uniquely extended to a bounded operator in $L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ satisfying $\|P\|_{\mathcal{L}(L^2)} \leq A$.
 - a) By using Cauchy-Schwarz' inequality, check that for all $u \in C_0^0(\mathbb{R}^d)$ and $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$,

$$|(Pu)(x)|^2 \leq A \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |K(x, y)||u(y)|^2 dy.$$

- b) Conclude.

EXERCISE 2. The purpose of this exercise is to prove Calderón-Vaillancourt's theorem: any pseudo-differential operator $\text{Op}(a)$, with $a \in S^0$, is bounded in $L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$.

1. We first assume that $a \in S^{-(d+1)}$.
 - a) Check that $\text{Op}(a)$ can be written

$$\text{Op}(a)u(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} K(x, y)u(y) dy, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d.$$

where K is a kernel to be precised.

- b) Prove that the function $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^{2d} \mapsto (1 + |x - y|^{d+1})K(x, y)$ is bounded.
 - c) Prove the theorem by using Exercise 1.
2. Prove with an induction that for all $k \in \{0, \dots, d\}$, the theorem is true when $a \in S^{k-(d+1)}$.
Hint: Consider the operator $\text{Op}(a)^ \text{Op}(a)$.*
 3. The previous question implies in particular that the theorem holds when $a \in S^{-1}$. We now assume that $a \in S^0$.
 - a) Prove that if $M > 0$ is large enough, there exist symbols $c \in S^0$ and $r \in S^{-1}$ such that

$$\text{Op}(c)^* \text{Op}(c) = M \text{Id} - \text{Op}(a)^* \text{Op}(a) + \text{Op}(r).$$

- b) Conclude.

EXERCISE 3. Let $m \in \mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty\}$ and $a \in S^m$.

1. Recall the expression of the kernel K of the operator $\text{Op}(a)$.
2. Prove that when $m = -\infty$, K belongs to $C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{2d})$.
3. Let $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^d$ such that $x \neq y$. We consider $\varphi, \psi \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$ satisfying
 - a) $\varphi = 1$ is a neighborhood of x ,
 - b) $\psi = 1$ is a neighborhood of y ,
 - c) $\text{supp } \varphi \cap \text{supp } \psi = \emptyset$.

Show that $M_\varphi \text{Op}(a) M_\psi$ belongs to $\text{Op}(S^{-\infty})$, where M_φ and M_ψ denote the multiplication by φ and ψ respectively.

4. Compute the kernel of the operator $M_\varphi \text{Op}(a) M_\psi$ as a function of K .
5. Prove that K is C^∞ in a neighborhood of (x, y) .

EXERCISE 4.

1. Let $a \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{2d})$ and $\chi \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$ satisfying

$$\chi(\xi) \neq 0 \iff 1/2 < |\xi| < 2.$$

For all $\lambda \geq 1$, we set $a_\lambda(x, \xi) = \chi(\xi)a(x, \lambda\xi)$. Prove that the following conditions are equivalent:

- a) $a \in S^m$,
 - b) $\forall (\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{N}^{2d}, \exists C_{\alpha, \beta} > 0, \forall \lambda \geq 1, \|\partial_\xi^\alpha \partial_x^\beta a_\lambda\|_{L^\infty} \leq C\lambda^m$.
2. Let $f \in C^k(\mathbb{R}^d)$ satisfying that f and $\partial^\alpha f$ are bounded for all $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^d$ such that $|\alpha| = k$.
 - a) Prove that there exists a positive constant $c > 0$ independent on f such that for all $\beta \in \mathbb{N}^d$ satisfying $0 \leq |\beta| \leq k$,

$$\|\partial^\beta f\|_{L^\infty} \leq c \left(\|f\|_{L^\infty} + \sum_{|\alpha|=k} \|\partial^\alpha f\|_{L^\infty} \right).$$

- b) Prove that for all $\beta \in \mathbb{N}^d$ satisfying $0 \leq |\beta| \leq k$,

$$\|\partial^\beta f\|_{L^\infty} \leq c \|f\|_{L^\infty}^{1-|\beta|/k} \left(\sum_{|\alpha|=k} \|\partial^\alpha f\|_{L^\infty} \right)^{|\beta|/k}.$$

Hint: Consider the function $g : x \in \mathbb{R}^d \mapsto f(\lambda x)$ for a well-chosen $\lambda > 0$.

3. Let $a \in S^m$. Assume that there exists $\mu > 0$ and $c > 0$ such that

$$\forall (x, \xi) \in \mathbb{R}^{2d}, \quad |a(x, \xi)| \leq c \langle \xi \rangle^\mu.$$

Prove that $a \in S^{\mu+\varepsilon}$ for all $\varepsilon > 0$.

4. Let A be a nilpotent pseudo-differential operator, i.e. satisfying $A^k = 0$ for some $k \geq 1$.
 - a) Prove that $A \in \text{Op}(S^{-\infty})$.
 - b) Give a non-trivial example when $k = 2$.