

ON PARTIALLY HYPOELLIPTIC OPERATORS

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§ 1. Introduction

In this note we shall consider the differential operator $P(D) = P(D_{x'}, D_{x''})$ with complex constant coefficients defined in some open set $\Omega \subset R^m \times R^n$ whose points are denoted by $x = (x', x'') = (x'_1, \dots, x'_m, x''_1, \dots, x''_n)$, where $D_{x'} = (D_{x'_1}, \dots, D_{x'_m}) = (-\sqrt{-1} \partial/\partial x'_1, \dots, -\sqrt{-1} \partial/\partial x'_m)$ and $D_{x''} = (D_{x''_1}, \dots, D_{x''_n}) = (-\sqrt{-1} \partial/\partial x''_1, \dots, -\sqrt{-1} \partial/\partial x''_n)$.

L. Gårding and B. Malgrange [3] introduced the notions of partial hypoellipticity, partial ellipticity and conditional ellipticity for the operator $P(D)$, and characterized each of these notions completely by the property of the algebraic variety $V(P) = \{\zeta = (\zeta', \zeta'') \in C^m \times C^n; P(\zeta) = 0\}$. J. Friberg [1] and L. Hörmander [6] proved that, if $P(\zeta)$ is a polynomial of finite type σ in a fixed direction, any solution of $P(D)u = 0$ is hypoanalytic of type σ in the same direction. J. Friberg [1] expected that if $P(\zeta)$ is partially hypoelliptic of type σ in x' , $P(\zeta)$ will be conditionally hypoelliptic of type σ in x' . In this note we shall prove the above fact. The method of the proof is based on the idea of Gårding and Malgrange [3] and that of Friberg [1]. The theorem 5.1 of [3] follows from our results by setting $\sigma = 1$.

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§ 2. Definitions and Algebraic Considerations

Let $\alpha = (\alpha^{1'}, \dots, \alpha^{m'}, \alpha^{1''}, \dots, \alpha^{n''})$ be a multi-integer whose elements are non-negative integers.

In what follows we use the following notations:

$$|\alpha| = \alpha^{1'} + \dots + \alpha^{m'} + \alpha^{1''} + \dots + \alpha^{n''},$$

$$D^\alpha = D_{x'}^{\alpha'} D_{x''}^{\alpha''} = D_{x'_1}^{\alpha^{1'}} \dots D_{x'_m}^{\alpha^{m'}} D_{x''_1}^{\alpha^{1''}} \dots D_{x''_n}^{\alpha^{n''}}.$$

DEFINITION 2.1. Let Ω be an open set in $R^m \times R^n$ and $f(x', x'') \in \mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$ be a distribution. We say that f is *regular in x'* if, for every pair of

open sets $A \subset R^m, B \subset R^n, A \times B \subset \Omega$ and for any $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(B)$, the distribution in x'

$$(2.1) \quad f(x', \varphi) = \int f(x', x'') \varphi(x'') dx''$$

is an infinitely differentiable function.

DEFINITION 2.2. Let Ω be an open set in $R^m \times R^n$ and $f(x', x'') \in \mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$ be a distribution. We say that f is *analytic in x'* if, for every pair of open sets $A \subset R^m, B \subset R^n, A \times B \subset \Omega$ and for any $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(B)$, the distribution in x'

$$(2.2) \quad f(x', \varphi) = \int f(x', x'') \varphi(x'') dx''$$

is an analytic function.

DEFINITION 2.3. $P = P(D_{x'}, D_{x''})$ is said to be *partially hypoelliptic in x'* if, for an open set Ω , every distribution solution of $Pf = 0$ in Ω is regular in x' .

DEFINITION 2.4. When the operator $P(D)$ is hypoelliptic, we say P is *strictly stronger* than Q (it is written by $Q \ll P$) if $Q(\xi)/P(\xi) \rightarrow 0$ as $\xi \rightarrow \infty, \xi \in R^N$.

The following Gårding-Malgrange's theorem [3] is important.

Theorem 2.1. *An operator P is partially hypoelliptic in x' if and only if one of the following equivalent two conditions are satisfied*

- (I) $P(\zeta', \zeta'') = 0, \zeta''$ and $\mathcal{I}_m \zeta'$ are bounded then $\mathcal{R}_e \zeta'$ is bounded.
- (II) $P(\zeta', \zeta'') = P_0(\zeta') + \sum P_\gamma(\zeta') \cdot (\zeta'')^\gamma \quad |\gamma| > 0$
 where $P_0(\zeta')$ is hypoelliptic and $P_\gamma(\zeta') \ll P_0(\zeta')$.

(I) is equivalent to

- (I') There exist $\sigma > 0$ and $C > 0$ such that
 $P(\zeta', \zeta'') = 0$ implies
 $|\mathcal{R}_e \zeta'| \leq C(1 + |\zeta''| + |\mathcal{I}_m \zeta'|)^\sigma.$

Corollary 2.1. *An operator $P(D)$ is partially hypoelliptic if and only if every solution of $P(D)u = 0$ such that $u \in C_{(x'')}^\infty$, belongs to $C_{(x')}^\infty$.*

(See, L. Hörmander [6] or proof of Theorem 3.1. in [3].)

DEFINITION 2.5. A function $u(x) \in C^\infty(\Omega)$ is said to be *hypoanalytic of type σ in Ω* (we denote it $u(x) \in A_{\sigma(x)}$) if for every compact subset K of Ω , there exists a positive constant C depending only on K and u such that

$$(2.3) \quad \text{Max}_{x \in K} |D^p u(x)| \leq C^{p+1} p^{\sigma \cdot p} \quad p = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

where $|D^p u(x)|^2 = \sum_{|\alpha|=p} \frac{p!}{\alpha'! \alpha''!} |D_{x'}^{\alpha'} D_{x''}^{\alpha''} u|^2$.

DEFINITION 2.6. $P(\zeta)$ is said to be *hypoelliptic polynomial of type σ* if

$$(2.4) \quad |\mathcal{R}_e \zeta| \leq C(1 + |\mathcal{I}_m \zeta|)^\sigma \quad \text{for all } \zeta \in V(p).$$

Here we take σ as small as possible.

Lemma 2.1. P is hypoelliptic of type σ , if and only if

$$(2.5) \quad \sum_{|\alpha|>0} |P^{(\alpha)}(\xi')|^2 |\xi'|^{2|\alpha|/\sigma} \leq C' \sum_{|\alpha| \geq 0} |P^{(\alpha)}(\xi')|^2 \quad (\xi' \in R^m)$$

or equivalently

$$(2.5)' \quad \sum_{|\alpha|>0} |P^{(\alpha)}(\xi')| |\xi'|^{|\alpha|/\sigma} \leq C'' |P(\xi')| \quad (|\xi'| > A_1)$$

with some constant A_1 . (For a proof, see p. 25-28 of Friberg [1].)

Since $P(\zeta) = P(\zeta', \zeta'')$ is a polynomial in $C^m \times C^n$, $P(\zeta)$ can be written as a finite sum ;

$$P(\zeta', \zeta'') = P_0(\zeta') + \sum_{N \geq |\gamma| > 0} P_\gamma(\zeta') \cdot (\zeta'')^\gamma$$

where $\gamma = (\gamma^1, \dots, \gamma^n)$ with non-negative integer γ^i . Then the following important theorem is established.

Theorem 2.2. In order that a polynomial $P(\zeta)$ satisfies the condition for some constant $C_0 > 0$

$$(2.6) \quad |\mathcal{R}_e \zeta'| \leq C_0(1 + |\mathcal{I}_m \zeta'| + |\zeta''|)^\sigma \quad (\zeta \in V(p)),$$

it is necessary and sufficient that the following estimate holds with some constant C_1 .

$$(2.7) \quad \sum_{|\alpha+\gamma| \geq 0} |P_\gamma^{(\alpha)}(\xi')|^2 |\xi'|^{2|\alpha+\gamma|/\sigma} \leq C_1(|P_0(\xi')|^2 + 1) \quad (\xi' \in R^m).$$

REMARK. If $P(\zeta)$ satisfies the inequality (2.6), then $P_0(\zeta') (= P(\zeta', 0))$ is hypoelliptic of type σ as a polynomial in ζ' . Thus the following inequality is valid from Lemma 2.1, with some $C_2 > 0$,

$$(2.8) \quad \sum_{|\alpha|>0} |P_0^{(\alpha)}(\xi')| |\xi'|^{|\alpha|/\sigma} \leq C_2 |P_0(\xi')| \quad (\xi' \in R^m, |\xi'| > A_2)$$

Proof of Theorem 2.2. It is easily verified that (2.7) is equivalent to

$$(2.7)' \quad \sum_{\substack{|\alpha+\gamma|>0 \\ |\alpha| \geq 0}} |P_\gamma^{(\alpha)}(\xi')| |\xi'|^{|\alpha+\gamma|/\sigma} \leq C'_1 |P_0(\xi')| \quad (|\xi'| > A_3)$$

for suitably chosen A_3 and C'_1 which depend only on P and C_1 . Setting

$W_t = \{\zeta = (\zeta', \zeta''); |\mathcal{J}_m \zeta'| + |\zeta''| < t |\mathcal{R}_e \zeta'|^{1/\sigma}\}$ and writing $\zeta' = \xi' + i\eta'$ where $\xi', \eta' \in R^m, \zeta \in W_t$ implies

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.9) \quad |P(\zeta)| &= |P_0(\zeta') + \sum_{|\gamma|>0} P_\gamma(\zeta') \cdot (\zeta'')^\gamma| \\
 &= |P_0(\xi') + \sum_{|\alpha|\geq 0} c_\alpha P_0^{(\alpha)}(\xi') \cdot (i\eta')^\alpha + \sum_{|\gamma|>0} \sum_{|\alpha|\geq 0} c_\alpha P_\gamma^{(\alpha)}(\xi') \cdot (i\eta')^\alpha (\zeta'')^\gamma| \\
 &\geq |P_0(\xi')| - C \sum_{0<|\alpha|\leq \rho_0} t^{|\alpha|} |P_0^{(\alpha)}(\xi')| |\xi'|^{|\alpha|/\sigma} \\
 &\quad - C \sum_{0<|\gamma|\leq N'} \sum_{0\leq|\alpha|\leq \rho} t^{|\alpha|+|\gamma|} |P_\gamma^{(\alpha)}(\xi')| |\xi'|^{|\alpha|+|\gamma|/\sigma}
 \end{aligned}$$

where $\rho_0 = \text{degree of } P_0, \rho = \text{degree of } P$. From the inequality (2.7)' we have the following estimate

$$(2.9)' \quad |P(\zeta)| \geq |P_0(\xi')| \{1 - CC'_1 \sum_{0<|\alpha|+|\gamma|\leq \rho+N} t^{|\alpha|+|\gamma|}\}.$$

It is obvious that there exists a sufficiently small positive number t_0 such that if $0 < t \leq t_0$ then $1 - CC'_1 \sum_{0<|\alpha|+|\gamma|\leq \rho+N} t^{|\alpha|+|\gamma|} > 0$, and from (2.8) follows

$$|P_0(\xi')| > 0 \text{ for } |\xi'| > A_2.$$

These facts show that if $|\eta'| + |\zeta''| < t_0 |\xi'|^{1/\sigma}$ and $1 < A_4^{-1/\sigma} |\xi'|^{1/\sigma}$ then $P(\zeta) \neq 0$ where $A_4 = \max.(A_2, A_3)$. Now let $C' = \min.(t_0, A_2^{-1/\sigma})$ then

$$1 + |\eta'| + |\zeta''| < C' |\xi'|^{1/\sigma} \text{ implies } P(\zeta) \neq 0.$$

Thus the sufficiency of (2.7) is proved.

(Necessity). Writing $\zeta' = \xi' + i\eta'$ ($\xi', \eta' \in R^m$) as above, (2.6) is equivalent to

$$(2.6)' \quad |\xi'|^{1/\sigma} \leq C'_0 (|\eta'| + |\zeta''|) \quad (\zeta \in V(P), |\xi'| > A_5)$$

for some positive C'_0 and A_5 . From Taylor's formula $P(\zeta)$ can be written as follows,

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.11) \quad P(\zeta) &= P_0(\xi') + \sum_{0<|\alpha|} c_\alpha P_0^{(\alpha)}(\xi') \cdot (i\eta')^\alpha \\
 &\quad + \sum_{|\gamma|>0} \sum_{|\alpha|\geq 0} c_\alpha P_\gamma^{(\alpha)}(\xi') \cdot (i\eta')^\alpha (\zeta'')^\gamma.
 \end{aligned}$$

Now let $\eta' = |\xi'|^{1/\sigma} \tilde{\eta}', \zeta'' = |\xi'|^{1/\sigma} t \cdot \tilde{\zeta}''$ where $\tilde{\eta}' \in R^m, \tilde{\zeta}'' \in C^n$ ($|\tilde{\zeta}''| = 1$), $t \in C^1$ and $t \cdot \tilde{\zeta}'' = (t \tilde{\zeta}''_1, \dots, t \tilde{\zeta}''_n)$, then (2.11) is transformed into

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.12) \quad P(\zeta) &= P_0(\xi') + \sum_{0\leq|\alpha|} c_\alpha P_0^{(\alpha)}(\xi') \cdot |\xi'|^{|\alpha|/\sigma} (i\tilde{\eta}')^\alpha \\
 &\quad + \sum_{|\gamma|>0} \sum_{|\alpha|\geq 0} c_\alpha P_\gamma^{(\alpha)}(\xi') \cdot |\xi'|^{|\alpha|+|\gamma|/\sigma} (i\tilde{\eta}')^\alpha (\tilde{\zeta}'')^\gamma t^{|\gamma|}.
 \end{aligned}$$

First of all fix the length of $\tilde{\eta}' (= \varepsilon)$ suitably, then according to (2.8) there exist constants C_3, C'_3 such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.13) \quad C_3 |P_0(\xi')| &\leq |P_0(\xi') + \sum_{|\alpha|\geq 0} c_\alpha P_0^{(\alpha)}(\xi') \cdot |\xi'|^{|\alpha|/\sigma} (i\tilde{\eta}')^\alpha| \\
 &\leq C'_3 |P_0(\xi')| \quad (|\xi'| > A_3).
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus from the condition (2.6)', if $t \in C^1$ is a root of the algebraic equation :

$$(2.14) \quad P_0(\xi') + \sum_{|\alpha| > 0} c_\alpha P_\gamma^{(\alpha)}(\xi') \cdot |\xi'|^{|\alpha|/\sigma} (i\eta')^\alpha \\ + \sum_{|\gamma| > 0} \sum_{|\alpha| \geq 0} c_\alpha P_\gamma^{(\alpha)}(\xi') \cdot |\xi'|^{|\alpha+\gamma|/\sigma} (i\eta')^\alpha (\tilde{\zeta}'')^\gamma t^{|\gamma|} = 0,$$

then $\zeta = (\xi' + i|\xi'|^{1/\sigma}\eta', |\xi'|^{1/\sigma}t \cdot \tilde{\zeta}'') \in V(P)$ and $|t| > C_4$ for some $C_4 > 0$ (For example $C_4 = (1 - C'_0 \varepsilon) C'_0{}^{-1}$), for arbitrary $\eta' \in R^m$ ($|\eta'| = \varepsilon$), $\tilde{\zeta}'' \in C^n$ ($|\tilde{\zeta}''| = 1$) and uniformly in ξ' for $|\xi'| > A_6$ where $A_6 = \max.(A_3, A_5)$. This shows that every solution τ of the algebraic equation :

$$(2.14)' \quad \tau^\rho + \sum_{k=1}^{\rho} \sum_{|\gamma|=k} \frac{\sum_{|\alpha| \geq 0} c_\alpha P_\gamma^{(\alpha)}(\xi') \cdot |\xi'|^{|\alpha+\gamma|/\sigma} (i\eta')^\alpha}{\sum_{|\alpha| \geq 0} c_\alpha P_0^{(\alpha)}(\xi') \cdot |\xi'|^{|\alpha|/\sigma} (i\eta')^\alpha} (\tilde{\zeta}'')^\gamma \tau^{\rho-k} = 0$$

satisfies $|\tau| < 1/C_4$ uniformly in $\eta', \tilde{\zeta}'', |\xi'|$ determined above.

This implies that every coefficient of τ^k ($k=0, \dots, \rho-1$) is uniformly bounded, i.e.

$$(2.15) \quad \sum_{|\gamma|=k} \frac{\sum_{|\alpha| \geq 0} c_\alpha P_\gamma^{(\alpha)}(\xi') \cdot |\xi'|^{|\alpha+\gamma|/\sigma} (i\eta')^\alpha}{\sum_{|\alpha| \geq 0} c_\alpha P_0^{(\alpha)}(\xi') \cdot |\xi'|^{|\alpha|/\sigma} (i\eta')^\alpha} (\tilde{\zeta}'')^\gamma = Q(\xi', \eta', \tilde{\zeta}'')$$

is uniformly bounded in $\eta' \in R^m$ ($|\eta'| = \varepsilon$), $\tilde{\zeta}'' \in C^n$ ($|\tilde{\zeta}''| = 1$) and $|\xi'| > A_6$. Therefore by virtue of uniformity in $\tilde{\zeta}''$ we can choose suitably finite number of vectors $\tilde{\zeta}''_{(i)}$ ($i=1, \dots, M$) such that the coefficients of $(\tilde{\zeta}'')^\gamma$ are solvable in $Q(\xi', \eta', \tilde{\zeta}''_{(i)})$ ($i=1, \dots, M$). Thus

$$(2.16) \quad \frac{\sum_{|\alpha| \geq 0} c_\alpha P_\gamma^{(\alpha)}(\xi') \cdot |\xi'|^{|\alpha+\gamma|/\sigma} (i\eta')^\alpha}{\sum_{|\alpha| \geq 0} c_\alpha P_0^{(\alpha)}(\xi') \cdot |\xi'|^{|\alpha|/\sigma} (i\eta')^\alpha} = R(\xi', \eta')$$

is bounded for arbitrary $\eta' \in R^m$ ($|\eta'| = \varepsilon$) and $|\xi'| > A_6$. From the inequality (2.13), the absolute value of $R(\xi', \eta')$ is not smaller than the absolute value of

$$(2.17) \quad \frac{\sum_{|\alpha| \geq 0} c_\alpha P_\gamma^{(\alpha)}(\xi') \cdot |\xi'|^{|\alpha+\gamma|/\sigma} (i\eta')^\alpha}{C'_3 |P_0(\xi')|} = \hat{R}(\xi', \eta')$$

for arbitrary $\eta' \in R^m$ ($|\eta'| = \varepsilon$) and $|\xi'| > A_6$. The same argument as above is applicable to η' in place of $\tilde{\zeta}''$. Hence $\{P_\gamma^{(\alpha)}(\xi') \cdot |\xi'|^{|\alpha+\gamma|/\sigma}\} |P_0(\xi')|^{-1}$ is bounded for $|\xi'| > A_6$. This completes the proof.

REMARK. As in the proof of Lemma 3.9 in Hörmander [6] the best possible choice of σ , such that for some C

$$|\mathcal{R}_e \zeta'| \leq C(1 + |\mathcal{I}_m \zeta'| + |\zeta''|)^\sigma \quad (\zeta \in V(P))$$

is always a rational number, therefore we may assume in this note $\sigma=r/s (\geq 1)$ with mutually prime positive integers r and s . Then the inequality (2.7) is equivalent to

$$(2.7)'' \quad \sum_{\substack{|\alpha+\gamma|>0 \\ |\alpha|\geq 0}} |P_\gamma^{(\alpha)}(\xi')|^{2r} |\xi'|^{2s|\alpha+\gamma|} \leq C_1''(|P_0(\xi')|^{2r} + 1) \quad (\xi' \in R^m).$$

§ 3. A priori estimates and the main theorem

In this section we introduce a new norm (similar to the norm introduced in [1]) which depend on the operator $P(D)$ and δ with $0 < \delta \leq 1$. Let K be any given relatively compact subset in $\Omega \subset R^m \times R^n$ such that $\bar{K} \subset \Omega$. We then define the norm of $u (\in C^\infty(\Omega))$ as follows

$$(3.1) \quad |u, K|_\delta^2 = \sum_{0 \leq |\gamma|} \sum_{\substack{0 < |\alpha_1| \leq \dots \leq |\alpha_r| \\ 0 \leq k < s|\alpha_1|}} \|Q_\gamma^{(\alpha_1)}(D) \dots Q_\gamma^{(\alpha_r)}(D) \cdot D^k u, K\|^2 \delta^{2(\sigma k - \sum |\alpha_i|)}$$

where $Q_\gamma(D) = P_\gamma(D_x) D_x^\gamma$ and $\|f, K\|$ denotes the usual L^2 norm of f on K .

Now by the above definition $\sigma k - \sum |\alpha_i| < 0$, because

$$\sigma k - \sum |\alpha_i| < \sigma s |\alpha_1| - \sum |\alpha_i| = r |\alpha_1| - \sum |\alpha_i| = \sum (|\alpha_1| - |\alpha_i|) \leq 0.$$

Since the degree of $P(\xi)$ is ρ , there exists at least one $\alpha_0 (|\alpha_0| = \rho)$ such that $P^{(\alpha_0)}(D) = c \neq 0$. Thus $|u, K|_1$ contains terms of type $\|c^r D^k u, K\|^2$ for all k with $0 \leq k < s\rho$, and since $\sigma k - \sum |\alpha_i| \geq -\rho \cdot r$ and $0 < \delta \leq 1$, the following estimates are established:

$$(3.2) \quad |u, K|_1 \leq |u, K|_\delta \leq |u, K|_1 \cdot \delta^{-\rho r}$$

$$(3.3) \quad c \sum_{0 \leq k < s\rho} \|D^k u, K\|^2 \leq |u, K|_1^2 \leq |u, K|_\delta^2.$$

On the other hand the total degree of the polynomial $Q_\gamma^{(\alpha_1)}(\xi)^2 \dots Q_\gamma^{(\alpha_r)}(\xi)^2 \cdot |\xi|^{2k}$ is smaller than $2 \max_{|\alpha_i| > 0} \{\rho \cdot r - \sum |\alpha_i| + s \min |\alpha_i|\} = 2 \{\rho \cdot r - (r-s)\}$.

Hence the following important lemma is established.

Lemma. 3.1. There exist constants C_5 and C_6 (independent of u) such that the inequalities

$$(3.4) \quad C_5 \sum_{0 \leq k < s\rho} \|D^k u, K\|^2 \leq |u, K|_1^2 \leq C_6 \sum_{|\alpha| \leq \rho \cdot r - (r-s)} \|D^\alpha u, K\|^2$$

is valid for all $u \in C^\infty(\Omega)$.

REMARK. $\rho \cdot r - (r-s) > s \cdot \rho$ except in the trivial case $\rho=1$ or $r=s=\sigma=1$. The case $r=s=\sigma=1$ is treated in [3]. When $r=s=\sigma=1$, our norm is equivalent to that of §5 in [3].

Lemma 3.2. *Let K_0, K_1 be relatively compact subdomains of Ω such that $K_0 \subset K_1 \subset \bar{K}_1 \subset \Omega$ and $\text{dist}(\partial K_0, \partial K_1) = \delta > 0$. Then it is possible to find a function $\varphi(x) \in C_0^\infty(K_1)$ which is equal to 1 on K_0 such that*

$$(3.5) \quad |D^\alpha \varphi(x)| \leq \tilde{c}_\alpha \delta^{-|\alpha|} \quad (x \in K_1)$$

where \tilde{c}_α is a constant depending only on α and $m+n$.

Proof is easy. cf. p. 205 in Hörmander [7].

Hereafter we only consider the case such that $|\alpha| \leq \rho \cdot r$, thus we may suppose

$$(3.5)' \quad |D^\alpha \varphi(x)| \leq \tilde{c} \delta^{-|\alpha|} \quad (x \in K_1, |\alpha| \leq \rho \cdot r)$$

where $\tilde{c} = \max_{|\alpha| \leq \rho \cdot r} \tilde{c}_\alpha$.

Parseval's formula shows the

Lemma 3.3. *If $R_i(\xi)$ ($i=1, 2, \dots, r$) are polynomials with constant coefficients then the following inequality is valid for all $v(x) \in C_0^\infty$.*

$$(3.6) \quad \|R_1(D) \cdots R_r(D)v(x)\|^2 \leq r^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^r \|R_i(D)v(x)\|^2,$$

where integration is taken over the full space.

Now we state the most important estimate.

Theorem 3.1. *Let $P(\zeta)$ be a polynomial which satisfies the condition :*

$$(2.6) \quad |\mathcal{R}_e \zeta'| \leq C_0(1 + |\mathcal{I}_m \zeta'| + |\zeta''|)^\sigma \quad (\zeta \in V(P)),$$

and K_0, K_1 be two relatively compact subdomains of Ω such that $K_0 \subset K_1 \subset \bar{K}_1 \subset \Omega$ and $\text{dist}(\partial K_0, \partial K_1) = \delta$ ($0 < \delta \leq 1$).

Then there exists a constant C_γ (independent of u, δ, K_0 and K_1) such that

$$(3.7) \quad \begin{aligned} & \delta^\sigma |Du, K_0|_\delta \\ & \leq C_\gamma \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{r-s+1} |D_x^k u, K_1|_\delta \delta^k + \sum_{0 \leq |\alpha| \leq \rho(r-1)} \|D^\alpha P(D)u, K_1\| \delta^{-\rho(r-1)} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

is valid for all $u \in C^\infty(\Omega)$.

Proof. First we estimate the quantity

$$(3.8) \quad \begin{aligned} & \delta^{2\sigma} |Du, K_0|_\delta^2 \\ & = \sum_{|\gamma| > 0} \sum_{\substack{0 < |\alpha_1| \leq \dots \leq |\alpha_r| \\ 0 \leq k < s|\alpha_1|}} \|Q_\gamma^{(\alpha_1)}(D) \cdots Q_\gamma^{(\alpha_r)}(D) \cdot D^{k+1}u, K_0\|^2 \delta^{2\sigma(k+1) - 2\sum |\alpha_i|}. \end{aligned}$$

We can split the above sum into two parts so that in the first part $k+1 < s|\alpha_1|$ and in the second part $k+1 = s|\alpha_1|$. In the first part each

term is contained in the members of $|u, K_0|_{\delta}^2$, hence there exists a positive constant C_8 such that

$$(3.9) \quad \text{The 1st part} \leq C_8 |u, K_0|_{\delta}^2 \leq C_8 |u, K_1|_{\delta}^2.$$

In the second part each term is estimated as follows (we set $v(x) = \varphi(x) \cdot u(x) \in C_0^\infty(K_1)$),

$$(3.10) \quad \begin{aligned} & \|Q_\gamma^{(\alpha_1)}(D) \dots Q_\gamma^{(\alpha_r)}(D) \cdot D^{s|\alpha_1|} u, K_0\|^2 \delta^{2\sigma s|\alpha_1| - 2\sum|\alpha_i|} \\ &= \|Q_\gamma^{(\alpha_1)}(D) \dots Q_\gamma^{(\alpha_r)}(D) \cdot D^{s|\alpha_1|} u, K_0\|^2 \delta^{2\sum(|\alpha_1| - |\alpha_i|)} \\ &\leq \|Q_\gamma^{(\alpha_1)}(D) \dots Q_\gamma^{(\alpha_r)}(D) \cdot D^{s|\alpha_1|} v\|^2 \delta^{-2\sum(|\alpha_i| - |\alpha_1|)} \\ &\leq r^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^r \|Q_\gamma^{(\alpha_i)}(D)^r D^{s|\alpha_i|} v\|^2 \delta^{-2r(|\alpha_i| - |\alpha_1|)}. \end{aligned}$$

The last inequality is obtained from Lemma 3.3. by setting $R_i(D) = Q_\gamma^{(\alpha_i)}(D) \delta^{-\langle |\alpha_i| - |\alpha_1| \rangle}$. The last sum in (3.10) is composed of terms of two different types generally.

One type is

$$(3.11) \quad \|Q_\gamma^{(\alpha)}(D)^r D^{s|\alpha|} v\|^2 \quad (\text{when } |\alpha_i| = |\alpha_1|)$$

and another type is

$$(3.12) \quad \|Q_\gamma^{(\alpha)}(D)^r D^{sk} v\|^2 \delta^{-2r(|\alpha| - k)} \quad \text{with } k < |\alpha|.$$

A term of the second type is estimated as follows. Since $v = \varphi \cdot u$ belongs to $C_0^\infty(K_1)$, applying lemma 3.2 we obtain

$$(3.13) \quad \begin{aligned} & \|Q_\gamma^{(\alpha)}(D)^r D^{sk} v\|^2 \delta^{-2r(|\alpha| - k)} \\ &= \|Q_\gamma^{(\alpha)}(D)^r D^{sk}(\varphi \cdot u), K_1\|^2 \delta^{-2r(|\alpha| - k)}. \\ &\leq C \sum_{\substack{|\beta_i| \geq 0 \\ sk \geq j \geq 0}} \|Q_\gamma^{(\alpha+\beta_1)}(D) \dots Q_\gamma^{(\alpha+\beta_r)}(D) \cdot D^{sk-j} u, K_1\|^2 \delta^{-2(\sum|\alpha+\beta_i| - rk+j)} \\ & \hspace{20em} (k < |\alpha|). \end{aligned}$$

Here, $sk - j \leq sk < s \cdot |\alpha| \leq s \min_i |\alpha + \beta_i|$, and (the exponent of δ^2)

$$- \sum |\alpha + \beta_i| + rk - j = \sigma sk - j - \sum |\alpha + \beta_i| \geq \sigma(sk - j) - \sum |\alpha + \beta_i|,$$

by the assumption on σ : $\sigma \cdot s = r$ and $\sigma \geq 1$. The fact that $0 < \delta \leq 1$ implies

$$\delta^{-2(\sum|\alpha+\beta_i| - rk+j)} \leq \delta^{2\sigma(sk-j) - 2\sum|\alpha+\beta_i|}.$$

Therefore the right hand side of (3.13) is majorated by

$$(3.13)' \quad \begin{aligned} & C \cdot \sum_{\substack{|\alpha+\beta_i| > 0 \\ 0 \leq k < s \cdot \min|\alpha+\beta_i|}} \|Q_\gamma^{(\alpha+\beta_1)}(D) \dots Q_\gamma^{(\alpha+\beta_r)}(D) \cdot D^k u, K_1\|^2 \delta^{2\sigma k - 2\sum|\alpha+\beta_i|} \\ & \leq C_9 |u, K_1|_{\delta}^2 \quad \text{for some } C_9 > 0. \end{aligned}$$

i.e.

$$(3.14) \quad \|Q_\gamma^{(\alpha)}(D)^r D^{s_k} v\|^2 \delta^{-2r(|\alpha|-k)} \leq C_9 \|u, K_1\|_\delta^2 \quad \text{with } k < |\alpha|.$$

Finally we consider the terms of the first type, (3.11).

$$(3.15) \quad \begin{aligned} & \|Q_\gamma^{(\alpha)}(D)^r D^{s|\alpha|} v, K_1\|^2 \\ &= \int |Q_\gamma^{(\alpha)}(\xi)|^{2r} |\xi'|^{2s|\alpha|} |\hat{v}(\xi)|^2 d\xi \\ &+ \sum_{k=1}^{s|\alpha|} \binom{s|\alpha|}{k} \int |Q_\gamma^{(\alpha)}(\xi)|^{2r} |\xi'|^{2(s|\alpha|-k)} |\xi''|^{2k} |\hat{v}(\xi)|^2 d\xi \end{aligned}$$

where $\hat{v}(\xi)$ denotes the Fourier transform of $v(x)$.

The last sum of the above equality is estimated as follows:

$$(3.16) \quad \begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=1}^{s|\alpha|} \binom{s|\alpha|}{k} \int |Q_\gamma^{(\alpha)}(\xi)|^{2r} |\xi'|^{2(s|\alpha|-k)} |\xi''|^{2k} |\hat{v}(\xi)|^2 d\xi \\ & \leq C \int |Q_\gamma^{(\alpha)}(\xi)|^{2r} |\xi|^{2(s|\alpha|-1)} |\xi''|^2 |\hat{v}(\xi)|^2 d\xi \\ & = C \|Q_\gamma^{(\alpha)}(D)^r D^{s|\alpha|-1} D_{x''}(\varphi \cdot u), K_1\|^2 \\ & \leq C' \sum_{\substack{0 \leq |\beta_i| \\ 0 \leq k \leq s|\alpha|-1}} \|Q_\gamma^{(\alpha+\beta_1)}(D) \dots Q_\gamma^{(\alpha+\beta_r)}(D) \cdot D^{s|\alpha|-1-k} u, K_1\|^2 \delta^{-2 \sum |\beta_i| - 2(k+1)} \\ & + C'' \sum_{0 \leq |\beta_i|} \|Q_\gamma^{(\alpha+\beta_1)}(D) \dots Q_\gamma^{(\alpha+\beta_r)}(D) \cdot D^{s|\alpha|-1} (D_{x''} u), K_1\| \delta^{-2 \sum |\beta_i|}. \end{aligned}$$

We denote by I_1 and I_2 , the first and the second sum of the right hand side of the above inequality respectively. Then we must calculate the exponent of δ^2 and the orders of operators.

In I_1 , the exponent of δ^2 , $-\sum |\beta_i| - (k+1)$, is

$$\geq \sigma(s|\alpha| - k - 1) - \sum |\alpha + \beta_i|,$$

and $s \cdot |\alpha| - 1 - k \leq s|\alpha| - 1 < s|\alpha| \leq s \cdot \min. |\alpha + \beta_i|$, thus I_1 is majorated by $C \|u, K_1\|_\delta^2$ with some positive constant C .

In I_2 the exponent of δ^2 , $-\sum |\beta_i|$, is

$$= \sigma(s|\alpha| - 1) - \sum |\alpha + \beta_i| + \sigma$$

and $s \cdot |\alpha| - 1 < s \cdot |\alpha| \leq s \cdot \min. |\alpha + \beta_i|$, hence $I_2 \leq C \|D_{x''} u, K_1\|_\delta^2 \delta^{2\sigma}$ with another constant C .

Therefore we obtain the following inequality,

$$(3.17) \quad \begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=1}^{s|\alpha|} \binom{s|\alpha|}{k} \int |Q_\gamma^{(\alpha)}(\xi)|^{2r} |\xi'|^{2(s|\alpha|-k)} |\xi''|^{2k} |\hat{v}(\xi)|^2 d\xi \\ & \leq C_{10} \{ \|u, K_1\|_\delta^2 + \|D_{x''} u, K_1\|_\delta^2 \cdot \delta^{2\sigma} \} \end{aligned}$$

with some constant $C_{10} > 0$.

Next if we define $\xi^{\gamma-\alpha''}$ as follows,

- 1) $\gamma - \alpha'' = (\gamma' - \alpha^{1''}, \dots, \gamma^n - \alpha^{n''})$ when $\gamma^i - \alpha^{i''} \geq 0$ for all i .
- 2) $\xi^{\gamma - \alpha''} \equiv 0$ when $\gamma^i - \alpha^{i''} < 0$ for some i .

(we shall write $\gamma \supset \alpha''$ for the case 1), and $\gamma \not\supset \alpha''$ for the case 2)), then $(\partial/\partial \xi'')^{\alpha''} \{(\xi'')^\gamma\} = C_{\gamma, \alpha''} (\xi'')^{\gamma - \alpha''}$ with suitable constant $C_{\gamma, \alpha''}$.

We shall estimate the quantity

$$(3.18) \quad I = \int |Q_\gamma^{(\alpha)}(\xi)|^{2r} |\xi'|^{2s|\alpha|} |\hat{v}(\xi)|^2 d\xi \\ = \int |P_\gamma^{(\alpha')}(\xi') \cdot (\partial/\partial \xi'')^{\alpha''} \{(\xi'')^\gamma\}|^{2r} |\xi'|^{2s|\alpha|} |\hat{v}(\xi)|^2 d\xi$$

in two cases.

In the first case; $\gamma \supset \alpha''$ and $|\gamma - \alpha''| > 0$, we obtain the following inequality with suitable β'' ($|\beta''| = 1$):

$$I \leq C \int |P_\gamma^{(\alpha')}(\xi') \cdot (\xi'')^{\gamma - \alpha''}|^{2r} |\xi'|^{2s|\alpha|} |\hat{v}(\xi)|^2 d\xi \\ \leq C \int |P_\gamma^{(\alpha')}(\xi') \cdot (\xi'')^{\gamma - \alpha'' - \beta''}|^{2r} |\xi'|^{2r} |\xi'|^{2s|\alpha|} |\hat{v}(\xi)|^2 d\xi \\ \leq C \int |P_\gamma^{(\alpha')}(\xi') \cdot (\xi'')^{\gamma - \alpha'' - \beta''}|^{2r} |\xi|^{2(s|\alpha| + s - 1)} |\xi'|^{2(r - s + 1)} |\hat{v}(\xi)|^2 d\xi \\ \leq C' \|Q_\gamma^{(\alpha', \alpha'' + \beta'')} (D)^r \cdot D^{s|\alpha| + s - 1} (D_{\alpha''}^{r - s + 1} v), K_1\|^2 \\ \quad \times \delta^{2(r - s + 1) + 2\sigma(s|\alpha| + s - 1) - 2\sum|\alpha + \beta''|} \\ \leq C' \sum_{\substack{0 \leq |\tilde{\alpha}_j| \\ 0 \leq k, k'}} \|Q_\gamma^{(\alpha + \tilde{\alpha}_1 + \beta'')} (D) \dots Q_\gamma^{(\alpha + \tilde{\alpha}_r + \beta'')} (D) \cdot D^{s|\alpha| + s - 1 - k} D_{\alpha''}^{r - s + 1 - k'} u, K_1\|^2 \\ \quad \times \delta^{2(r - s + 1 - k') + 2\sigma(s|\alpha| + s - 1 - k) - 2\sum|\alpha + \tilde{\alpha}_j + \beta''|}.$$

Therefore we obtain

$$(3.19) \quad I \leq C_{11} \sum_{0 \leq k \leq r - s + 1} |D_{\alpha''}^k u, K_1|_\delta^2 \delta^{2k} \quad \text{with some } C_{11} > 0.$$

In the second case; $\gamma = \alpha''$, from theorem 2.2 we obtain

$$(3.20) \quad I = \int |P_\gamma^{(\alpha')}(\xi')|^{2r} |\xi'|^{2s|\alpha'| + \gamma|} |\hat{v}(\xi)|^2 d\xi \\ \leq C_1'' \int (|P_0(\xi')|^{2r} + 1) |\hat{v}(\xi)|^2 d\xi \\ = C_1'' \int |\hat{v}(\xi)|^2 d\xi \\ + C_1'' \int |P(\xi) - \sum_{|\gamma| > 0} P_\gamma(\xi') \cdot (\xi'')^\gamma|^{2r} |\hat{v}(\xi)|^2 d\xi.$$

The first term of the right hand side of the above inequality is of course

less than $C|u, K_1|_\delta^2$ with some C . The second term in (3.20) is (for suitable $C > 0$)

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.21) \quad &\leq C \int |P(\xi)|^{2r} |\hat{v}(\xi)|^2 d\xi \\
 &+ C \sum_{|\gamma| > 0} \int |P_\gamma(\xi') \cdot (\xi'')^\gamma|^{2r} |\hat{v}(\xi)|^2 d\xi \\
 &= C \|P(D)^\gamma(\varphi \cdot u), K_1\|^2 \\
 &+ C \sum_{|\gamma| > 0} \int |P_\gamma(\xi') \cdot (\xi'')^{\gamma-\beta''}|^{2r} |\xi''|^{2r} |\hat{v}(\xi)|^2 d\xi \quad \text{with } |\beta''| = 1.
 \end{aligned}$$

The first term in (3.21) is

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.22) \quad &\leq C \sum_{|\alpha_i| \leq 0} \|P^{(\alpha_1)}(D) \dots P^{(\alpha_r)}(D)u, K_1\|^2 \delta^{-2\sum |\alpha_i|} \\
 &= C \sum_{|\alpha_i| > 0} \|P^{(\alpha_1)}(D) \dots P^{(\alpha_r)}(D)u, K_1\|^2 \delta^{-2\sum |\alpha_i|} \\
 &+ C \sum_{|\alpha_i| > 0} \sum_{1 \leq k \leq r} \|P^{(\alpha_1)}(D) \dots P^{(\alpha_{r-k})}(D) \cdot P(D)^k u, K_1\|^2 \delta^{-2\sum_{i=1}^{r-k} |\alpha_i|} \\
 &\leq C|u, K_1|_\delta^2 + C \sum_{|\alpha| \leq \rho(r-1)} \|D^\alpha P(D)u, K_1\|^2 \delta^{-2\rho(r-1)}
 \end{aligned}$$

by the definition of P and lemma 3.3.

The second term in (3.21) is

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.23) \quad &\leq C' \sum_{|\gamma| > 0} \sum_{\substack{0 \leq |\alpha_i| \\ 0 \leq k, k'}} \|Q_\gamma^{(\alpha_1+\beta'')} (D) \dots Q_\gamma^{(\alpha_r+\beta'')} (D) \cdot D^{s-1-k'} (D_{x''}^{r-s+1-k} u), K_1\|^2 \\
 &\quad \times \delta^{-2(k+k')-2\sum |\alpha_i|} \\
 &\leq C' \sum_{|\gamma| > 0} \sum_{\alpha_i, k, k'} \|Q_\gamma^{(\alpha_1+\beta'')} (D) \dots Q_\gamma^{(\alpha_r+\beta'')} (D) \cdot D^{s-1-k'} (D_{x''}^{r-s+1-k} u), K_1\|^2 \\
 &\quad \times \delta^{2(\sigma(s-1-k')-\sum |\alpha_i+\beta''|)} \delta^{2(r-s+1-k)} \\
 &\leq C'' \sum_{0 \leq k \leq r-s+1} |D_{x''}^k u, K_1|_\delta^2 \cdot \delta^{2k}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we obtain the estimate :

$$(3.20)' \quad I \leq C_{12} \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{r-s+1} |D_{x''}^k u, K_1|_\delta^2 \cdot \delta^{2k} + \sum_{|\alpha| \leq \rho(r-1)} \|D^\alpha P(D)u, K_1\|^2 \delta^{-2\rho(r-1)} \right\}.$$

The inequality (3.9), (3.14), (3.17), (3.19) and (3.20)' show that the estimate (3.7) is established. This complete the proof of theorem 3.1. (In the above proof constants C 's are independent of u, δ, K_0 and K_1).

Theorem 3.2. *Let $P(\zeta)$ be a polynomial of the type σ considered in theorem 3.1, ρ be the degree of $P(\zeta)$, and K and L be arbitrary relatively compact subdomains of Ω such that $K \subset L \subset \bar{L} \subset \Omega$ and $\text{dist}(\partial K, \partial L) = \delta$ ($0 < \delta \leq 1$).*

Then there exists a constant C_{13} such that the inequality

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.24) \quad & (\delta/p)^{\sigma p} |D^p u, K|_{\delta/p} \\
 & \leq C_{13}^p \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{\rho(r-s+1)} (\delta/p)^k |D_{x''}^k u, L|_{\delta/p} \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + \sum_{k=0}^{\rho(r-s+1)} \sum_{|\alpha| \leq \rho(r-1)} \|D^\alpha P(D) \cdot D^k u, L\| (\delta/p)^{k-\rho(r-1)} \right\} \quad p = 0, 1, 2, \dots .
 \end{aligned}$$

is valid for all $u \in C^\infty(\Omega)$. The constant C_{13} does not depend on p, u, K and L .

Proof. By the assumptions on K and L there exists an increasing sequence of relatively compact domains: K_0, K_1, \dots, K_p such that $K = K_0 \subset K_1 \subset \dots \subset K_p = L$ and $\text{dist}(\partial K_i, \partial K_{i+1}) = \delta/p = h < 1$. Thus every pair K_i, K_{i+1} satisfies the conditions imposed on K_0 and K_1 with h in place of δ in theorem 3.1. If $u \in C^\infty(\Omega)$ then for every i ($i=0, 1, \dots, p$), $D^i u \in C^\infty(\Omega)$. Successive applications of theorem 3.1 to K_i, K_{i+1} show that the conclusion is obtained as follows,

$$\begin{aligned}
 h^{\sigma p} |D^p u, K_0|_h &= h^{(p-1)\sigma} h^\sigma |D(D^{p-1}u), K_0|_h \\
 &\leq h^{(p-1)\sigma} C_7 \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{r-s+1} |D_{x''}^k(D^{p-1}u), K_1|_h \cdot h^k \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \sum_{|\alpha| \leq \rho(r-1)} \|D^\alpha P(D)(D^{p-1}u), K_1\| h^{-\rho(r-1)} \right\} \\
 &\dots\dots\dots \\
 &\leq \{C_7(r-s+1)\}^p \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{\rho(r-s+1)} |D_{x''}^k u, K_p|_h h^k \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \sum_{k=0}^{\rho(r-s+1)} \sum_{|\alpha| \leq \rho(r-1)} \|D^\alpha P(D)D^k u, K_p\| h^{k-\rho(r-1)} \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of theorem 3.2 with $C_{13} = C_7(r-s+1)$.

Lemma 3.4. Let $P(\zeta)$ be a polynomial which satisfies the condition,

$$(2.6) \quad |\mathcal{R}_e \zeta'| \leq C_0(1 + |\mathcal{J}_m \zeta'| + |\zeta''|)^\sigma \quad (\zeta \in V(P))$$

(hereafter we call such P partially hypoelliptic of type σ in x') and u be an infinitely differentiable solution of $P(D)u = f$ (where f belongs to $A_{1(x)}$ in Ω) such that u and $D^k u \in A_{1(x'')} (k=1, 2, \dots, r\rho - (r-s))$.

Then the following estimate is valid.

$$(3.25) \quad |D^p u, K|_1 \leq C_{14}^{p+1} p^{\sigma p} \quad \text{for every } p \geq 0,$$

where C_{14} does not depend on p and u .

Proof. Considering $D^k u \in A_{1(x'')} (k=0, 1, \dots, r\rho - (r-s))$ and $f \in A_{1(x)}$, we may suppose that there exists a constant C_{15} such that the following inequalities are valid.

$$(3.26) \quad C_6 \sum_{|\alpha| \leq \rho r - (r-s)} \|D_x^{k,\prime} D^\alpha u, L\|^2 \leq (C_{15}^{k+1} k^k)^2$$

$$(3.27) \quad \sum_{|\alpha| \leq \rho(r-1)} \|D^k D^\alpha f, L\| \leq C_{15}^{k+1} k^k.$$

(3.26) and (3.4) imply that

$$(3.26)' \quad |D_x^{k,\prime} u, L|_h \leq |D_x^k u, L|_1 (\delta/p)^{-\rho r} \leq C_{15}^{k+1} k^k \delta^{-\rho r} p^{\rho \cdot r}$$

Hence theorem 3.2 implies

$$\begin{aligned} |D^p u, K|_1 &\leq |D^p u, K|_{\delta/p} \\ &\leq C_{13}^p (\delta/p)^{-p\sigma} \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{\rho(r-s+1)} (\delta/p)^k |D_x^{k,\prime} u, L|_{\delta/p} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{k=0}^{\rho(r-s+1)} \sum_{|\alpha| \leq \rho(r-1)} \|D^k D^\alpha f, L\| (\delta/p)^{k-\rho(r-1)} \right\} \\ &\leq C_{13}^p \delta^{-p\sigma} p^{p\sigma} \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{\rho(r-s+1)} \delta^k p^{-k} C_{15}^{k+1} k^k \delta^{-\rho r} p^{\rho \cdot r} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{k=0}^{\rho(r-s+1)} C_{15}^{k+1} k^k \delta^{k-\rho(r-1)} p^{-k} p^{\rho(r-1)} \right\} \\ &\leq 2C_{13}^p \delta^{-p\sigma} \delta^{-\rho r} p^{\sigma p} \sum_{k=0}^{\rho(r-s+1)} C_{15} \{C_{15} \delta(r-s+1)\}^k p^{\rho \cdot r} \\ &\leq 2C_{13}^p \delta^{-\rho r} \delta^{-\sigma p} p^{\sigma p} e^{p^2} \{(p r)!\} C_{15} \sum_{k=0}^{\rho(r-s+1)} \{C_{15} \delta(r-s+1)\}^k \\ &\leq C_{14}^{p+1} \cdot p^{\sigma p}. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof.

Lemma 3.4. and inequality (3.4) show the inequality,

$$(3.28) \quad \sum_{k=0}^{s-p-1} \|D^p D^k u, K\| \leq C_{14}^{p+1} p^{\sigma p}.$$

Sobolev's lemma. *If $u \in C^{m+n}(\Omega)$ and $M \subset \bar{M} \subset K \subset \bar{K} \subset \Omega$, then there exists a constant C_{16} such that*

$$(3.29) \quad \text{Sup}_{x \in \bar{M}} |u(x)|^2 \leq C_{16} \sum_{|\alpha| \leq m+n} \|D^\alpha u, K\|^2.$$

Proof is well known and we shall omit it.

Main Theorem. *Let a polynomial $P(\zeta)$ satisfy the inequality (2.6) (i.e. $P(\zeta)$ is partially hypoelliptic of type σ in x') and $f \in A_{1(x)}$ in Ω . The solution u ($\in C^\infty(\Omega)$) of $P(D)u=f$ in Ω such that $D^k u \in A_{1(x')}$ ($k=0, 1, \dots, r\rho-(r-s)$), also belongs to $A_{\sigma(x)}$ in M with $M \subset \bar{M} \subset K \subset \bar{K} \subset L \subset \bar{L}$, compact in Ω .*

Proof. From Sobolev's lemma we get that for every non-negative integer p ,

$$(3.29)' \quad \text{Sup}_{x \in \bar{M}} |D^p u(x)| \leq C_{16} \| \|D^{m+n}(D^p u), K\| \|,$$

where $|||D^q(u), K|||^2$ stands for $\sum_{j=0}^q ||D^j(u), K||^2$. Lemma 3.4 and (3.28) imply that a solution u satisfies

$$(3.28)' \quad |||D^{s\rho-1}(D^\rho u), K||| \leq C_{14}^{p+1} p^{\sigma p}.$$

Therefore we have, if $s \cdot \rho - 1 < m + n$, setting $\mu = m + n - (s \cdot \rho - 1)$

$$(3.30) \quad \begin{aligned} \text{Sup}_{x \in \bar{M}} |D^p u(x)| &\leq C_{16} |||D^{p+\mu} D^{s\rho-1} u, K||| \\ &\leq C_{16} C_{14}^{p+\mu+1} (p + \mu + 1)^{\sigma(p+\mu+1)} \\ &\leq C_{16} C_{14}^{p+\mu+1} e^{\sigma(p+\mu+1)} [(p + \mu + 1)!]^\sigma \\ &\leq C_{16} \{(\mu + 1)!\}^\sigma \prod_{q=1}^{\mu+1} \left(\frac{\mu + q + 1}{2q}\right)^\sigma 2^{p\sigma} C_{14}^{p+\mu+1} e^{\sigma(p+\mu+1)} (p!)^\sigma \end{aligned}$$

because $(p + \mu + 1)! = (\mu + 1)! \prod_{q=1}^{\mu+1} \left(\frac{\mu + q + 1}{2}\right) 2^p p!$.

Thus we obtain

$$(3.31) \quad \text{Sup}_{x \in \bar{M}} |D^p u(x)| \leq C_{17}^{p+1} (p!)^\sigma.$$

Next if $s \cdot \rho - 1 \geq m + n$, then obviously we obtain

$$(3.31)' \quad \text{Sup}_{x \in \bar{M}} |D^p u(x)| \leq C_{17}^{p+1} (p!)^\sigma.$$

This completes the proof.

REMARK. Corollary 2.1 shows that if $u \in C_{\infty}^{\rho'}$, and u is a distribution solution of $P(D)u = f$ with $f \in C^\infty(\Omega)$, then in virtue of the partial hypoellipticity of P , the solution u also belongs to $C^\infty(\Omega)$.

Therefore let u be a distribution solution of $P(D)u = f$ such that $D^k u \in A_{1(x)'} (k = 0, 1, \dots, r \cdot \rho - (r - s))$ and if $f \in A_{1(x)}$, and $P(\zeta)$ satisfy the condition (2.6), then using theorem 3.3, u belongs to $A_{(\sigma)x}$.

The above fact may be said, "if $P(\zeta)$ is partially hypoelliptic of type σ in x' , then $P(D)$ is conditionally hypoelliptic of type σ in x' ". Moreover if a distribution solution u of $P(D)u = 0$ possess the property described in the above remark, then it will be proved that $P(\zeta)$ satisfies the condition (2.6) analogically to the proof of Gårding and Malgrange [3] for the conditionally elliptic case.

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