

INVARIANT PSEUDODIFFERENTIAL OPERATORS ON TWO STEP NILPOTENT LIE GROUPS, II

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In [7] a method was given for constructing parametrices and inverses for invariant hypoelliptic pseudodifferential operators which are homogeneous with respect to the natural dilations on a step two nilpotent Lie group. The construction made use of a calculus for invariant pseudodifferential operators described in [6]. It will be shown here that a similar calculus is also valid in the case of arbitrary dilations on a step two group. The parametrix construction of [7] can then be easily extended to include operators homogeneous with respect to arbitrary dilations. As noted in [8], this construction can be “microlocalized”.

In [4] Melin gave a somewhat different parametrix construction on the Heisenberg group and extended this procedure to arbitrary graded Lie groups with the natural dilations in [5]. Glowacki’s construction of a commutative approximate identity, given in [2] for arbitrary dilations on the Heisenberg group, makes use of the parametrix construction in [4]. A pseudodifferential operator calculus such as that given below is a prerequisite for extending the results of [2] and [4] to all step two groups with arbitrary dilations.

The classes of pseudodifferential operators considered here differ from those considered in [6] in that here we require estimates for derivatives in all directions, not just the orbit directions. The asymptotic formula (17) for a composition product $p\#q$ is also valid for the classes considered in [6], since the estimates for derivatives of $p\#q$ in the orbit directions will be seen to depend only on estimates for derivatives of p and q in the orbit directions.

The point to be made in this paper is that the calculus in the orbit directions follows naturally from the Weyl calculus of Hörmander [3], while the estimates in non-orbit directions can then be obtained by making use of identities derived from the Lie algebra structure. We note that the development here is somewhat more natural than that in [6], since we have not needed to polarize the orbits.

DEFINITION. A family of dilations on a finite-dimensional Lie algebra \mathfrak{G} is a one-parameter family $\delta = \{\delta_r : r > 0\}$ of automorphisms of \mathfrak{G} such that

$$(1) \quad \delta_r e_j = r^{\mu_j} e_j, \quad \mu_j > 0,$$

for some basis $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ for \mathfrak{G} . A connected, simply connected nilpotent Lie group is said to be a homogeneous group if its Lie algebra is endowed with a family of dilations ([1]).

Without loss of generality we may assume that $\min \mu_j = 1$. It can be easily shown that there is a linearly independent set $S = \{e_1, \dots, e_N\}$ which generates \mathfrak{G} , satisfies (1), and such that $\mathfrak{G}_1 = \text{span } S$ intersects $\mathfrak{G}_2 = [\mathfrak{G}, \mathfrak{G}]$ trivially. Assuming for the

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rest of the paper that \mathcal{G} is step two, let $\{e_{N+1}, \dots, e_n\}$ be a basis for \mathcal{G}_2 chosen so that each e_k , $k > N$, is a multiple of $[e_i, e_j]$ for some $i < j \leq N$. Since δ is a family of automorphisms, if the numbers γ_{ij}^k are defined by

$$(2) \quad [e_i, e_j] = \sum \gamma_{ij}^k e_k,$$

then

$$(3) \quad \gamma_{ij}^k \neq 0 \text{ implies } \mu_i + \mu_j = \mu_k.$$

For $x \in \mathcal{G}$ let $|x| = (x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2)^{1/2}$, where (x_1, \dots, x_n) are the coordinates of x with respect to the basis $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$. By replacing each e_k , $N < k \leq n$, by ce_k for sufficiently large c we may assume that

$$(4) \quad |[x, y]| \leq |x| |y|, \text{ for all } x \text{ and } y \text{ in } \mathcal{G}.$$

We fix a basis $\mathcal{B} = \{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ for \mathcal{G} having the properties just described. Coordinates and norms on \mathcal{G} and \mathcal{G}^* will always be with respect to this basis or its dual $\{e_1^*, \dots, e_n^*\}$.

For $\xi \in \mathcal{G}^* - \{0\}$, define $[\xi]$ by $[\xi] = r$ if $|\delta_r^{-1} \xi| = 1$. Note that, in terms of the chosen coordinate system,

$$[\xi] \approx \sum_{j=1}^n |\xi_j|^{1/\mu_j}.$$

Let $\chi: \mathcal{G}^* \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a smooth function such that $\chi(\xi) \approx [\xi] + 1$. For ξ and η in \mathcal{G}^* define

$$g_\xi(\eta) = |\delta_{\chi(\xi)}^{-1} \eta|^2.$$

We consider g as determining a Riemannian metric on each of the orbits of the coadjoint action of G in \mathcal{G}^* . Since \mathcal{G} is step two nilpotent, if \mathcal{O}_ξ is that orbit containing ξ then \mathcal{O}_ξ is an affine space, $\mathcal{O}_\xi = \xi + T\mathcal{O}_\xi$, where $T\mathcal{O}_\xi = \{\text{ad } x^* \xi : x \in \mathcal{G}\}$. \mathcal{O}_ξ has a natural symplectic structure defined as follows: If η and ζ are in $T\mathcal{O}_\xi$, define $\sigma_\xi(\eta, \zeta) = \langle \eta, \zeta \rangle$ for any z such that $(\text{ad } z)^* \xi = \zeta$. As in Hörmander [3], for $\eta \in T\mathcal{O}_\xi$ define

$$g_\xi^\sigma(\eta) = \sup\{|\sigma_\xi(\eta, \zeta)|^2 / g_\xi(\zeta) : \zeta \in T\mathcal{O}_\xi\}.$$

PROPOSITION. *There exist N , C , and $c > 0$ such that*

- (5) $[\xi - \eta] \leq c\chi(\xi) \text{ implies } c\chi(\eta) \leq \chi(\xi) \leq C\chi(\eta);$
- (6) $g_\xi(\eta) \leq c \text{ implies } g_\xi(\zeta) \approx g_{\xi+\eta}(\zeta) \text{ for } \zeta \in \mathcal{G}^*;$
- (7) $g_\xi(\eta) \leq g_\xi^\sigma(\eta) \text{ for all } \xi \in \mathcal{G}^*, \eta \in T\mathcal{O}_\xi;$
- (8) $\chi(\eta) \leq C\chi(\xi)(1 + g_\xi(\eta - \xi))^{1/2} \text{ for all } \xi \in \mathcal{G}^*, \eta \in \mathcal{G}^*; \text{ and}$
- (9) $\chi(\xi) \leq C\chi(\eta)(1 + g_\xi^\sigma(\eta - \xi))^N \text{ for all } \xi \in \mathcal{G}^*, \eta \in \mathcal{O}_\xi.$

Proof. Since $[\xi] \leq C([\eta] + [\xi - \eta])$, there exist $c_1 > 0$ and $C_1 \geq 1$ such that $[\xi - \eta] \leq c_1 \chi(\xi)$ implies $\chi(\xi) \leq C_1 \chi(\eta)$. (5) follows by letting $c = c_1 C_1^{-1}$, and (6) follows immediately from (5).

Let $\delta = \delta_{\chi(\xi)}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} g_{\xi}^{\sigma}(\eta)^{1/2} &= \sup\{|\langle \eta, z \rangle| / |\delta^{-1} \operatorname{ad} z^* \xi| : z \in \mathcal{G}\} \\ &= \sup\{|\langle \delta^{-1} \eta, z \rangle| / |\operatorname{ad} z^* \delta^{-1} \xi| : |z| = 1\}, \end{aligned}$$

since $\delta^{-1} \operatorname{ad} z^* \xi = (\operatorname{ad} \delta z)^* \delta^{-1} \xi$. Note that

$$|\operatorname{ad} z^* \delta^{-1} \xi| = \sup\{|\langle \delta^{-1} \xi, [z, y] \rangle| : |y| = 1\} \leq |\delta^{-1} \xi'| |z|$$

by (4), where $\xi' = \xi|_{\mathcal{G}_2}$. Thus $g_{\xi}^{\sigma}(\eta)^{1/2} \geq |\delta^{-1} \xi'|^{-1} \sup\{|\langle \delta^{-1} \eta, z \rangle| : |z| = 1\}$. Consequently,

$$(10) \quad g_{\xi}(\eta)^{1/2} g_{\xi}^{\sigma}(\eta)^{-1/2} \leq |\delta_{\chi(\xi)}^{-1} \xi'|,$$

which proves (7), since $|\delta_{\chi(\xi)}^{-1} \xi'| \leq |\delta_{[\xi]}^{-1} \xi| = 1$.

It follows from (5) that (8) holds if $[\xi - \eta] \leq c\chi(\eta)$. Thus to prove (8) it suffices to show that $[\xi - \eta] \leq C\chi(\xi)(1 + g_{\xi}(\eta - \xi))^{1/2}$, which follows from $\chi(\xi)^{-1}[\zeta] = [\delta_{\chi(\xi)}^{-1} \zeta] \leq C(1 + |\delta_{\chi(\xi)}^{-1} \zeta|)$ for all $\zeta \in \mathcal{G}^*$. (8) implies that

$$(11) \quad g_{\xi}(\zeta) \leq Cg_{\eta}(\zeta)(1 + g_{\xi}(\eta - \xi))^{\bar{\mu}/2}$$

for all $\zeta \in \mathcal{G}^*$, where $\bar{\mu} = \max \mu_j$. Hence $g_{\eta}^{\sigma}(\zeta) \leq Cg_{\xi}^{\sigma}(\zeta)(1 + g_{\xi}^{\sigma}(\eta - \xi))^{\bar{\mu}/2}$ for $\zeta \in T\mathcal{O}_{\xi}$ and $\eta \in \mathcal{O}_{\xi}$. Taking $\zeta = \eta - \xi$, this implies that

$$1 + g_{\eta}^{\sigma}(\eta - \xi) \leq C(1 + g_{\xi}^{\sigma}(\eta - \xi))^{1 + \bar{\mu}/2},$$

which proves (9) since $\chi(\xi) \leq C\chi(\eta)(1 + g_{\eta}^{\sigma}(\eta - \xi))$ by (8). \square

In the terminology of Hörmander [3], (6) and (11) imply that g is slowly varying and σ -temperate on each of the orbits, with constants c and C independent of the orbit. Inequalities (6), (8), and (9) imply that for any real m , χ^m is g continuous and σ, g temperate on each orbit with constants independent of the orbit.

DEFINITION. Let $\delta = \{\delta_r : r > 0\}$ be a family of dilations on \mathcal{G} and let $m \in \mathbf{R}$. $S^m(\mathcal{G}^*, \delta)$ is the set of $p \in C^{\infty}(\mathcal{G}^*)$ such that for every integer $j \geq 0$, $\|p\|^j$ is finite, where

$$(12) \quad \|p\|^j = \sup |d^{(j)}p(\xi; \eta_1, \dots, \eta_j)| \chi(\xi)^{-m} \prod g_{\xi}(\eta_i)^{-1/2},$$

with the supremum taken over all $\xi \in \mathcal{G}^*$, $(\eta_1, \dots, \eta_j) \in \mathcal{G}^* \times \dots \times \mathcal{G}^*$. Here $d^{(j)}p$ denotes the j th total derivative of p .

Let $\mathcal{B}^* = \{e_1^*, \dots, e_n^*\}$ be the basis for \mathcal{G}^* chosen earlier and let μ_j be defined by (1). If α is a multi-index, let $\mu\alpha = \sum \mu_j \alpha_j$ and let D^{α} denote the α th partial derivative with respect to the coordinate system determined by \mathcal{B}^* . Noting that $g_{\xi}(e_j^*)^{1/2} = \chi(\xi)^{-\mu_j}$ we obtain the following characterization of $S^m(\mathcal{G}^*, \delta)$: $p \in S^m(\mathcal{G}^*, \delta)$ if and only if, for every multi-index α ,

$$(13) \quad |D^{\alpha}p(\xi)| \leq C_{\alpha} \chi(\xi)^{m - \mu\alpha} \quad \text{for all } \xi \in \mathcal{G}^*.$$

Note that if $p \in C^{\infty}(\mathcal{G}^*)$ is homogeneous of degree m with respect to δ for large ξ , then $p \in S^m(\mathcal{G}^*, \delta)$.

For $\xi \in \mathcal{G}^*$, let $\xi' = \xi|_{\mathcal{G}_2}$. Define $h(\xi) = |\delta_{\chi(\xi)}^{-1} \xi'|$. It follows from (5) and (8) that h is g -continuous and σ, g temperate on each orbit, with constants independent of the orbit. By (10), $\sup g_{\xi}(\eta) g_{\xi}^{\sigma}(\eta)^{-1} \leq h(\xi)^2$, the supremum taken over $\eta \in T\mathcal{O}_{\xi}$.

DEFINITION. If $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$ is a multi-index, let $\alpha' = (\alpha_{N+1}, \dots, \alpha_n)$, $N = \dim \mathcal{G}_1$, and $n = \dim \mathcal{G}$. Given $m \in \mathbf{R}$ and $k \geq 0$, define $S^{m,k}(\mathcal{G}^*, \delta)$ to be the set of those functions $p \in S^m(\mathcal{G}^*, \delta)$ such that, for every α ,

$$|D^\alpha p(\xi)| \leq C_\alpha h(\xi)^{\max\{k - |\alpha'|, 0\}} \chi(\xi)^{m - \mu_\alpha}, \quad \xi \in \mathcal{G}^*.$$

Let $S_0^{m,k}(\mathcal{G}^*, \delta)$ be the set of symbols for which the corresponding estimates are required to hold only for derivatives parallel to the orbits (see [6]).

The symbol classes $S^{m,k}$ were introduced by Melin in [4] for the case of the natural dilations on the Heisenberg group.

Given $\zeta \in \mathcal{G}^*$, define B_ζ on $\mathcal{G} \times \mathcal{G}$ by $B_\zeta(x, y) = \langle \zeta, [x, y] \rangle$. B_ζ is the symbol of a second-order differential operator $B_\zeta(D)$ on $\mathcal{G}^* \times \mathcal{G}^*$ ($D = -i\partial$). Given p and q in $C^\infty(\mathcal{G}^*)$ and an integer $j \geq 0$, define

$$\{p, q\}_j(\xi) = B_\xi(D)^j(p \otimes q)(\xi, \xi).$$

LEMMA. If $p \in S^{m_1, k_1}(\mathcal{G}^*, \delta)$ and $q \in S^{m_2, k_2}(\mathcal{G}^*, \delta)$, then

$$\{p, q\}_j \in S^{m_1 + m_2, k_1 + k_2 + j}(\mathcal{G}^*, \delta).$$

Proof. Suppose that g is a slowly varying Riemannian metric on an affine space with corresponding vector space V , m is g -continuous, and $u \in S(m, g)$ in the notation of Hörmander [3]. Let $\|u\|_k = \sum_{j \leq k} \|u\|^j$, where $\|u\|^j$ is the norm in $S(m, g)$ analogous to (12). If B is a real bilinear form on $V^* \otimes V^*$ with corresponding linear map $B: V^* \rightarrow V$, $g_x^B(t) = \sup |\langle \xi, t \rangle|^2 / g_x(B\xi)$, and $h(x)^2 = \sup g_x(t) / g_x^B(t)$, then for each j there is a C such that

$$(14) \quad |B(D)^j u(x)| \leq Ch(x)^j m(x) \|u\|_{2j}.$$

The constant C depends only on j , not on g , m , or B .

If \mathcal{O} is any orbit of the coadjoint action of G on \mathcal{G}^* , define \bar{g} on $\mathcal{O} \times \mathcal{O}$ by $\bar{g}_{\xi_1 \xi_2}(\eta_1, \eta_2) = g_{\xi_1}(\eta_1) + g_{\xi_2}(\eta_2)$, where ξ_1 and ξ_2 are in \mathcal{O} , η_1 and η_2 in $T\mathcal{O}$. Applying (14) with $B = B_\xi$ on $\mathcal{O}_\xi \times \mathcal{O}_\xi$ and $m = h^{k_1} \chi^{m_1} \otimes h^{k_2} \chi^{m_2}$ as in [3] yields

$$(15) \quad |\{p, q\}_j(\xi)| \leq C_j h(\xi)^{k_1 + k_2 + j} \chi(\xi)^{m_1 + m_2} \|p\|_{2j} \|q\|_{2j},$$

where $\|\cdot\|_{2j}$ now refers to a seminorm on $S_0^{m_i, k_i}(\mathcal{G}^*, \delta)$, $i = 1, 2$.

We need similar estimates for the derivatives of $\{p, q\}_j$. To that end, note that if p and q are in $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{G}^*)$, then

$$\{p, q\}_s(\xi) = \iint e^{i\langle \xi, x+y \rangle} \langle \xi, [x, y] \rangle^s \hat{p}(x) \hat{q}(y) dx dy.$$

Define γ_{ij}^k by (2). It follows that

$$(16) \quad D_k \{p, q\}_s = \{D_k p, q\}_s + \{p, D_k q\}_s - s\sqrt{-1} \sum \gamma_{ij}^k \{D_i p, D_j q\}_{s-1}$$

for all p and q in $C^\infty(\mathcal{G}^*)$. Since $p \in S^{m,k}(\mathcal{G}^*, \delta)$ implies $D_j p \in S^{m-\mu_j, k}(\mathcal{G}^*, \delta)$ if $j \leq N$, or $D_j p \in S^{m-\mu_j, k-1}(\mathcal{G}^*, \delta)$ if $j > N$, and since $\gamma_{ij}^k = 0$ unless $\mu_i + \mu_j = \mu_k$, applying (16) and estimate (15) inductively yields $\{p, q\}_j \in S^{m_1 + m_2, k_1 + k_2 + j}(\mathcal{G}^*, \delta)$. \square

DEFINITION. If $p \in \mathcal{S}^*(\mathcal{G}^*)$, define $F_1 p \in \mathcal{S}^*(G)$ by $F_1 p = Fp \circ \log$, where F is the Euclidean Fourier transform and $\log: G \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$ is the inverse of the exponential map. If p and q are in $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{G}^*)$, define

$$p \# q = F_1^{-1}(F_1 p * F_1 q),$$

where $*$ is convolution on G .

Note that if the right invariant operator $Pu = F_1 p * u$ is associated to the symbol p (or if the left invariant operator $\tilde{P}u = u * F_1^{-1} p$ is associated to p), then $p \# q$ is the symbol of PQ (resp., of $\tilde{P}\tilde{Q}$).

Define the weak topology on symbol spaces as in [3].

THEOREM. The map $(p, q) \mapsto p \# q$ from $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{G}^*) \times \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{G}^*)$ to $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{G}^*)$ extends to a weakly continuous map from $S^{m_1, k_1}(\mathcal{G}^*, \delta) \times S^{m_2, k_2}(\mathcal{G}^*, \delta)$ to $S^{m_1+m_2, k_1+k_2}(\mathcal{G}^*, \delta)$. For any integer $J \geq 0$ define

$$(17) \quad r_J = p \# q - \sum_{j < J} (i/2)^j \{p, q\}_j / j!.$$

Then the map $(p, q) \mapsto r_J$ is weakly continuous from $S^{m_1, k_1}(\mathcal{G}^*, \delta) \times S^{m_2, k_2}(\mathcal{G}^*, \delta)$ to $S^{m_1+m_2, k_1+k_2+J}(\mathcal{G}^*, \delta)$.

Proof. Let p and q be in $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{G}^*)$. Then

$$(18) \quad \begin{aligned} p \# q(\xi) &= \int_{\mathcal{G}} \int_{\mathcal{G}} e^{i\langle \xi, x+y+(1/2)[x, y] \rangle} \hat{p}(x) \hat{q}(y) dy dx \\ &= \int_{\mathcal{G}^*} \int_{\mathcal{G}} e^{i\langle \xi - \eta, x \rangle} p(\eta) q(\xi + \text{ad } \frac{1}{2} x^* \xi) dx d\eta. \end{aligned}$$

Let R_{ξ} be the radical of the bilinear form B_{ξ} ,

$$R_{\xi} = \{x: \langle \xi, [x, y] \rangle = 0 \text{ for all } y \in \mathcal{G}\}.$$

By applying the Fourier inversion theorem on R_{ξ} and noting that $T\mathcal{O}_{\xi} = R_{\xi}^{\perp}$, we obtain

$$(19) \quad p \# q(\xi) = \int_{\mathcal{O}_{\xi}} \int_{\mathcal{G}/R_{\xi}} e^{i\langle \xi - \eta, x \rangle} p(\eta) q(\xi + \text{ad } \frac{1}{2} x^* \xi) dx d\eta.$$

In particular, $p \# q(\xi)$ is determined by the values of p and q on \mathcal{O}_{ξ} .

Likewise the Fourier inversion theorem implies that if $\zeta \in \mathcal{O}_{\xi}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} (i/2)B_{\xi}(D)(p \otimes q)(\xi, \zeta) &= \int_{\mathcal{G}} \int_{\mathcal{G}} e^{i(\langle \xi, x \rangle + \langle \zeta, y \rangle)} i\langle \xi', [x/2, y] \rangle \hat{p}(x) \hat{q}(y) dy dx \\ &= \int_{\mathcal{O}_{\xi}} \int_{\mathcal{G}/R_{\xi}} e^{i\langle \xi - \eta, x \rangle} p(\eta) dq(\zeta; \text{ad } \frac{1}{2} x^* \xi) dx d\eta. \end{aligned}$$

Since the exponential of the directional derivative $q \mapsto dq(\cdot; \text{ad } \frac{1}{2} x^* \xi)$ is the operator of translation by $\text{ad } \frac{1}{2} x^* \xi$, we find that

$$p \# q(\xi) = \exp(\frac{1}{2} i B_{\xi}(D))(p \otimes q)(\xi, \xi).$$

By Theorem 3.6 of [3] and the Proposition above, $(p, q) \mapsto r_j$ is weakly continuous from $S_0^{m_1, k_1}(\mathcal{G}^*, \delta) \times S_0^{m_2, k_2}(\mathcal{G}^*, \delta)$ to $S_0^{m_1+m_2, k_1+k_2+J}(\mathcal{G}^*, \delta)$. In particular,

$$(20) \quad |r_j(\xi)| \leq C\chi(\xi)^{m_1+m_2}h(\xi)^{k_1+k_2+J}\|p\|\|q\|$$

for some seminorm $\|\cdot\|$ on $S_0^{m_i, k_i}(\mathcal{G}^*, \delta)$, $i = 1, 2$.

We still need to prove the appropriate estimates for derivatives of r_j . If p and q are in $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{G}^*)$, consider the derivatives dp and dq as elements of $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{G}^*) \otimes \mathcal{G}$. Given $\zeta \in \mathcal{G}_2^*$, $B_\zeta: \mathcal{G} \times \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$ and $\#: \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{G}^*) \times \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{G}^*) \rightarrow \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{G}^*)$ are bilinear. We define $B_\zeta^\#(p, q) = (\# \otimes B_\zeta)(dp, dq)$. If $\zeta = \sum \zeta_k e_k^*$ and γ_{ij}^k are defined by (2), then

$$(21) \quad B_\zeta^\#(p, q) = \sum \gamma_{ij}^k \zeta_k \partial_i p \# \partial_j q.$$

Let $B_j^\# = B_{e_j}^\#$ if $j > N$, $B_j = 0$ if $j \leq N$. It follows from (18) that

$$(22) \quad D_j(p \# q) = D_j p \# q + p \# D_j q - \frac{1}{2} B_j^\#(p, q).$$

Applying (20) to $D_i p$ and $D_l q$ when $\gamma_{il}^j \neq 0$, (21) implies that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| -\frac{1}{2} B_j^\#(p, q)(\xi) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{s < J} \sum_{i, l} (i/2)^{s-1} \gamma_{il}^j \{D_i p, D_l q\}_{s-1}(\xi) \right| \\ & \leq C\chi(\xi)^{m_1+m_2-\mu_j} h(\xi)^{k_1+k_2+J-1} \|p\| \|q\|. \end{aligned}$$

It follows from (22) and (16) that

$$|D_j r_j(\xi)| \leq \begin{cases} C\chi(\xi)^{m_1+m_2-\mu_j} h(\xi)^{k_1+k_2+J} & \text{if } j \leq N; \\ C\chi(\xi)^{m_1+m_2-\mu_j} h(\xi)^{k_1+k_2+J-1} & \text{if } j > N. \end{cases}$$

Estimates for higher derivatives follow by induction. The theorem now follows from the fact that every $p \in S^m(\mathcal{G}^*, \delta)$ is the weak limit of a sequence in $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{G}^*)$. \square

Concerning other matters that are usually part of a pseudodifferential operator calculus, we note that if $Pu = F_1 p * u$, then $P^*u = F_1 \bar{p} * u$. Also, by the same proof as in [6], if $p \in S^0(\mathcal{G}^*, \delta)$, then $P: L^2(G) \rightarrow L^2(G)$ is bounded.

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