

Today we prove the following

Propagation of Singularities

Let $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be open, $P \in \Psi_h^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ be a differential operator,
 $\sigma_h(P) = p \in S^1$ be real-valued, $\varphi_t := \exp(tH_p) : T^*\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow S$

Assume $A, B, B_1 \in \Psi_h^0(\mathbb{R}^n)$ are compactly supported in U

and $\forall (x, \xi) \in WF_h(A), \exists T \geq 0 :$

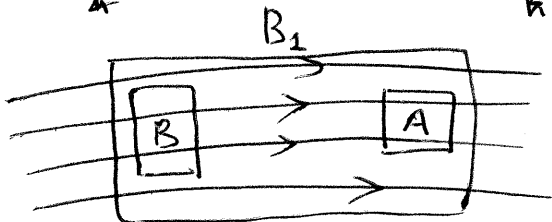
$$\varphi_{-T}(x, \xi) \in \text{ell}_h(B) \text{ and}$$

$$\varphi_{[-T, 0]}(x, \xi) \in \text{ell}_h(B_1).$$

Then $\exists \chi \in C_c^\infty(U)$ such that for all $s \geq N$

and all $u \in C^\infty(U)$,

$$\|Au\|_{\mathbb{R}^s L^2} \leq C \|Bu\|_{\mathbb{R}^s L^2} + Ch^{-1} \|B_1 Pu\|_{\mathbb{R}^s L^2} + C_h h^N \|\chi u\|_{H_h^{-N}}.$$



Note: this is weaker than PoS (II) we stated last time:

- ① we assume $P \in \Psi_h^1$, i.e. $k=1$.
 also assume $s=0 \rightarrow$ estimates in L^2

The general case is not harder though, just need to keep track of the orders s, k, \dots

- ② we assume $u \in C^\infty$ already [SEE EXERCISE E.28]
 (rather than $bu \in L^2, B_1 P \in L^2 \Rightarrow Au \in L^2 \dots$)

To get the regularity statement, need an extra regularization procedure that we do not do here...

Useful notation for the proof:

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for an operator A , denote

$$\operatorname{Re} A := \frac{A+A^*}{2}, \quad \operatorname{Im} A = \frac{A-A^*}{2i}, \quad \text{so that}$$

$$A = \operatorname{Re} A + i \operatorname{Im} A \quad \text{and} \quad \operatorname{Re} A, \operatorname{Im} A \text{ are self-adjoint}$$

Scheme of the proof: a positive commutator argument
(well, strictly speaking, negative commutator here...)

Step 1: fix $g \in C_c^\infty(\overline{T^*U} \setminus \mathbb{R})$ to be chosen later.
 g is called escape function. Will have $\operatorname{supp} g \subset \operatorname{cell}_h(B_1)$.

Choose $G \in \mathcal{Y}_h^\circ(\mathbb{R}^n)$ comp. supp. inside U ,

$$\sigma_h(G) = g \quad (\text{e.g. } G = \tilde{\chi} \operatorname{Op}_h(g) \tilde{\chi},$$

$\tilde{\chi} \in C^\infty(U)$, $\tilde{\chi} = 1$ near $\operatorname{supp} g$)
WILL ARRANGE $\operatorname{WF}_h(G) \subset \operatorname{cell}_h(B_1)$!

Step 2: a formal computation.

$$\operatorname{Im} \langle Pu, G^*Gu \rangle_{L^2} = \operatorname{Im} \langle (\operatorname{Re} P)u, G^*Gu \rangle + \operatorname{Re} \langle (\operatorname{Im} P)u, G^*Gu \rangle \quad (\star)$$

Note: we can take $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ since

$$u \in C^\infty \Rightarrow Pu \in C^\infty(U) \text{ and } G^*Gu \in C^\infty(U).$$

For general u , more work would be needed in this step!

LHS of (\star) : $|\operatorname{Im} \langle Pu, G^*Gu \rangle|$

$$\leq \|G Pu\|_{L^2} \cdot \|Gu\|_{L^2}$$

$$\leq C \|B_1 Pu\|_{L^2} \cdot \|Gu\|_{L^2} + O(h^\infty) \|\chi u\|_{L^2}^2 \quad \text{by elliptic estimate!}$$

Step 3: analyze

$\operatorname{Re} \langle (\operatorname{Im} P)u, G^*Gu \rangle$. We have

$$\sigma_h(P) = \overline{\sigma_h(P)} = \sigma_h(P^*) \Rightarrow \operatorname{Im} P \in h\mathcal{Y}_h^0.$$

~~Thus $|\operatorname{Re} \langle (\operatorname{Im} P)u, G^*Gu \rangle|$~~

~~$\leq Ch \|u\|$~~

Write $\langle (\operatorname{Im} P)u, G^*Gu \rangle = \langle G(\operatorname{Im} P)u, Gu \rangle$
 $= \underbrace{\langle (\operatorname{Im} P)Gu, Gu \rangle}_{\in h\mathcal{Y}_h^0} + \underbrace{\langle [G, \operatorname{Im} P]u, Gu \rangle}_{\in h^2\mathcal{Y}_h^{-1}, \text{WF cell}_h(B_1)}$.

So, $|\operatorname{Re} \langle (\operatorname{Im} P)u, G^*Gu \rangle| \leq Ch \|Gu\|_{L^2}^2 + Ch^2 \|B_1 u\|_{H_h^{-1/2}}^2 + O(h^4) \|u\|_{H_h^0}^2$ (1)

Step 4: analyze

~~Re~~ $\operatorname{Im} \langle (\operatorname{Re} P)u, G^*Gu \rangle =$

$$= \frac{1}{2i} (\langle (\operatorname{Re} P)u, (G^*G)u \rangle - \langle (G^*G)u, (\operatorname{Re} P)u \rangle)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2i} (\langle \operatorname{Re} G^*G(\operatorname{Re} P)u, u \rangle - \langle (\operatorname{Re} P)G^*Gu, u \rangle)$$

$$= \frac{i}{2} \langle [\operatorname{Re} P, G^*G] u, u \rangle_{L^2}$$

Got the commutator!

$$= h \langle Z u, u \rangle_{L^2} \text{ where } Z = \frac{i}{2h} [\operatorname{Re} P, G^*G] \in \mathcal{Y}_h^0$$

compactly supp. in \mathcal{U} .

By the commutator formula,

$$\sigma_h(Z) = \frac{1}{2} \{ p, \sharp g \}^2 = g \cdot H_p g$$

(note: $H_p g = \sharp p, g$)

We want $H_p g$ to have a specific sign so that this part is controlled.

This cannot be done everywhere since $g \in C^\infty$.
But we can do it everywhere except $\text{ell}_h(B)$.
For that we come back to

Step 1 revisited: construction of g

Lemma. Fix $C_1 > 0$ (will come from (1)).

Then $\exists g \in C^\infty(\overline{T^*U}; \mathbb{R})$ such that:
 $\text{supp } g \subset \text{ell}_h(B_1)$ and READ [Dy2w, LEMMA E.50]

- (a) $g \geq 0$ everywhere
- (b) $g > 0$ on $\text{WF}_h(A)$

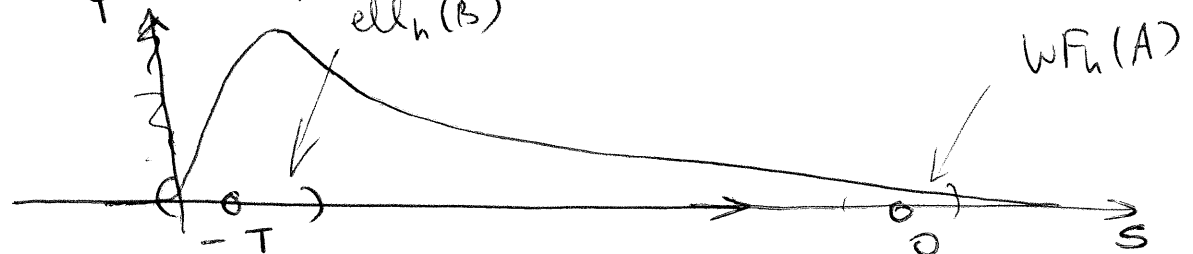
(c) $H_p g \leq -10C_1 g$ in a nbhd of $\overline{T^*U} \setminus \text{ell}_h(B)$.

Proof Imagine $\text{WF}_h(A) =$ one point (x_0, ξ_0) .
Use the control condition: take $T > 0$ s.t.

$\varphi_{-T}(x_0, \xi_0) \in \text{ell}_h(B)$, $\varphi_{[-T, 0]}(x_0, \xi_0) \in \text{ell}_h(B_1)$.
 $(x_0, \xi_0) \mapsto (0, 0)$

Take coordinates (s, θ) near $\varphi_{[-T, 0]}(x_0, \xi_0)$,
Such that $H_p = \partial_s$, accordingly $\varphi_t(s, \theta) = (s+t, \theta)$

Now put $g = \psi(s) \varphi(\theta)$ where $\varphi(0) = 0$, $\varphi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n-1})$
and ψ has the form:



Then if $\text{supp } \varphi$ is small enough,
 g satisfies (a) - (c)

For general $WF_h(A)$, use partition of unity. \square

Back to Step 4. We have $\langle Zu, u \rangle$
 and we know that

- $WF_h(Z) \subset \text{cell}_h(B_1)$
- $\sigma_h(Z) = g H_p g \leq -10C_1 \sigma_h$ in an nbhd of $\overline{T^*O} \setminus \text{cell}_h(B)$
- ~~$WF_h(A) \subset \text{cell}_h(Z)$~~

To pass from $\sigma_h(Z) \leq \dots$ to $\langle Zu, u \rangle \leq \dots$
 we use the following tool from semiclassical analysis:

Sharp Gårding Inequality READ [Zw, Thm 4.32 + Thm 9.11]

Assume $A \in \Psi_h^k(\mathbb{R}^n)$ and $\text{Re } \sigma_h(A) \geq 0$. Then
 $\exists C = C(A)$ s.t. $\forall u \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$,

$$\text{Re } \langle Au, u \rangle_{L^2} \geq -Ch \|u\|_{H^{\frac{k-1}{2}}_h}$$

Note: the meaning of A, B
 here is not the same
 as in the ambient space.

Proof. Replacing A with $\frac{A+A^*}{2} = \text{Re } A$, may assume
 $A^* = A$ and $a := \sigma_h(A) \geq 0$.
 We will do the easy case $a = b^2$ where $b \in S^{\frac{k}{2}}$ real valued.

Put $B := \text{Op}_h(b) \in \Psi_h^{\frac{k}{2}}$, then $\sigma_h(A) = \sigma_h(B^*B) \Rightarrow$
 $\Rightarrow A = B^*B + hR$, $R \in h\Psi_h^{k-1}$. So then,
 $\langle Au, u \rangle = \underbrace{\|Bu\|_{L^2}^2}_0 + h \langle Ru, u \rangle$ and $|\langle Ru, u \rangle| \leq C \|u\|_{H^{\frac{k-1}{2}}_h}$
 as $|\langle Ru, u \rangle| \leq C \|Ru\|_{H^{\frac{1-k}{2}}_h} \cdot \|u\|_{H^{\frac{k-1}{2}}_h}$

General case: see [Zw]. \square

Return to Step 4:

$$\sigma_h(Z) + 10C_1 \sigma_h(\overset{G^*G}{Z}) \leq 0 \text{ on a nbhd of } \tau^+ \cup \text{cell}_h(B).$$

$\sigma_h(B^*B) \geq c > 0$ outside of this nbhd.

So $\exists C_2$:

$$\sigma_h(Z) + 10C_1 \sigma_h(\overset{G^*G}{Z}) + C_2 \sigma_h(B^*B) \leq 0 \text{ everywhere!}$$

~~Can actually replace B^*B with $(BB_1)^*BB_1$ since $\text{WF}_h(Z), \text{WF}_h(G) \subset \text{cell}_h(B_1)$.~~

~~So:~~

$$\sigma_h(Z + 10C_1 \overset{G^*G}{Z} - C_2 (BB_1)^*BB_1) \leq 0$$

~~and $\text{WF}_h(\dots) \subset \text{cell}_h(B_1)$~~

So $\sigma_h(Z + 10C_1 \overset{G^*G}{Z} - C_2 B^*B) \leq 0$ everywhere

Can shrink $\text{WF}_h(B)$ so that the control condition holds

& $\text{WF}_h(\tilde{Z}) \subset \text{cell}_h(B)$.

So the $\text{WF}_h(\tilde{Z}) \subset \text{cell}_h(B_1)$.

By sharp Garding with an extra cutoff [E2, Proposition E.35]

$\exists C_3$ s.t.

$$\langle \tilde{Z}u, u \rangle \leq C_3 \cancel{\|u\|_{H_h^{-1/2}}^2} \cdot C_3 h \|B_1 u\|_{H_h^{-1/2}}^2 + O(h^\alpha) \|u\|_{H_h^{-N}}^2$$

$$\text{So } \langle Zu, u \rangle \leq -10C_1 \|Gu\|_{L^2}^2 + C_2 \|Bu\|_{L^2}^2 + C_3 h \|B_1 u\|_{H_h^{-1/2}}^2 + O(h^\alpha) \|u\|_{H_h^{-N}}^2$$

This gives

$$\operatorname{Im} \langle (Re P)u, G^* G u \rangle$$

$$\leq -10 C_1 h \|G u\|_{L^2}^2 + C h \|B u\|_{L^2}^2 + C h^2 \|B_1 u\|_{H_h^{-1/2}}^2 \quad (2)$$

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Step 5

Combining (1), (2) see that (could take $C_1 \geq 1 \dots$)

$$\text{RHS} (\star) \leq -h \|G u\|_{L^2}^2 + C h \|B u\|_{L^2}^2 + C h^2 \|B_1 u\|_{H_h^{-1/2}}^2 + O(h^\infty) \|X u\|_{H_h^{-N}}^2.$$

$$\text{So } \|G u\|_{L^2}^2 \leq C \|B u\|_{L^2}^2 + C h \|B_1 u\|_{H_h^{-1/2}}^2 + C h^{-1} \|B_2 P u\|_{L^2} \cdot \|G u\|_{L^2} + O(h^\infty) \|X u\|_{H_h^{-N}}^2.$$

$$\text{Using } C \|B_2 P u\|_{L^2} \cdot \|G u\|_{L^2} \leq \frac{1}{2} \|G u\|_{L^2}^2 + \tilde{C} \|B_2 P u\|_{L^2}^2$$

$$\text{get } \|G u\|_{L^2} \leq C \|B u\|_{L^2} + C h^{1/2} \|B_1 u\|_{H_h^{-1/2}} + C \|B_2 P u\|_{L^2} + O(h^\infty) \|X u\|_{H_h^{-N}}.$$

Finally, $W_F(A)$ call (B) ,

so by the elliptic estimate get

$$(3) \|A u\|_{L^2} \leq C \|B u\|_{L^2} + C h^{-1/2} \|B_2 P u\|_{L^2} + C h^{1/2} \|B_1 u\|_{H_h^{-1/2}} + O(h^\infty) \|X u\|_{H_h^{-N}}.$$

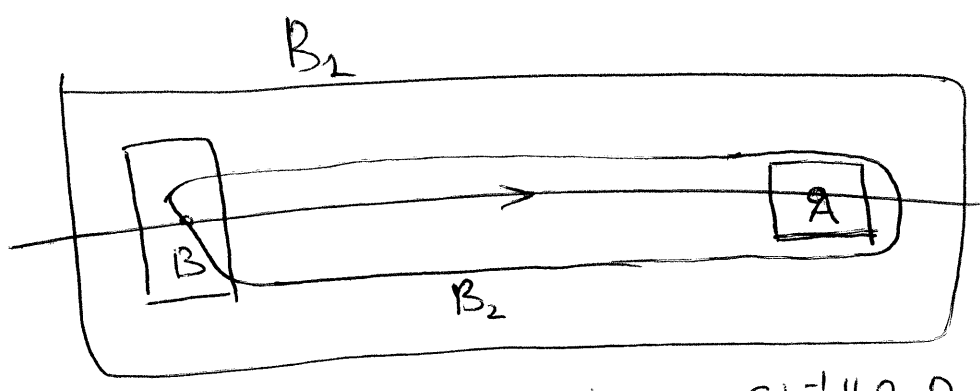
Arguing similarly (just need to get the order of G right!) we set $\forall s$,

$$(4) \|A u\|_{H_h^s} \leq C \|B u\|_{H_h^s} + C h^{-1} \|B_2 P u\|_{H_h^s} + C h^{1/2} \|B_1 u\|_{H_h^{s-1/2}} + O(h^\infty) \|X u\|_{H_h^{-N}}.$$

Step 6. It remains to remove the error $Ch^{1/2} \|B_2\|_{H_h^{s-1/2}}$, for that we iterate.

~~We prove by~~

Take A, B, B_2 satisfying the control condition & fix $B_2 \in \mathcal{U}_h^0(\mathbb{R}^n)$ [c.s. inside \mathcal{U}]
 so that A, B, B_2 satisfy c.c.
 & B_2, B, B_2 satisfy c.c.?



Then $\|A\|_{H_h^s} \leq C \|B\|_{H_h^s} + Ch^{-1} \|B_2 P\|_{H_h^s} + Ch^{1/2} \|B_2\|_{H_h^{s-1/2}} + O(h^\infty) \dots$

$\leq C \|B\|_{H_h^s} + Ch^{-1} \|B_2 P\|_{H_h^s} + Ch^{1/2} (C \|B\|_{H_h^{s-1/2}} + Ch^{-1} \|B_1 P\|_{H_h^{s-1/2}} + Ch^{1/2} \|B_1\|_{H_h^{s-1}}) + O(h^\infty)$

(a can be replaced by B_1 by ellipticity)

$\leq C \|B\|_{H_h^s} + Ch^{-1} \|B_1 P\|_{H_h^s} + Ch \|B_1\|_{H_h^{s-1}} + O(h^\infty) \|X\|_{H_h^\infty}$

Iterating, we get $Ch^{j/2} \|B_2\|_{H_h^{s-j/2}} \forall j$
 which can be absorbed into $h^\infty \|X\|_{H_h^{-N}}$.

End of proof of P.O.S. □