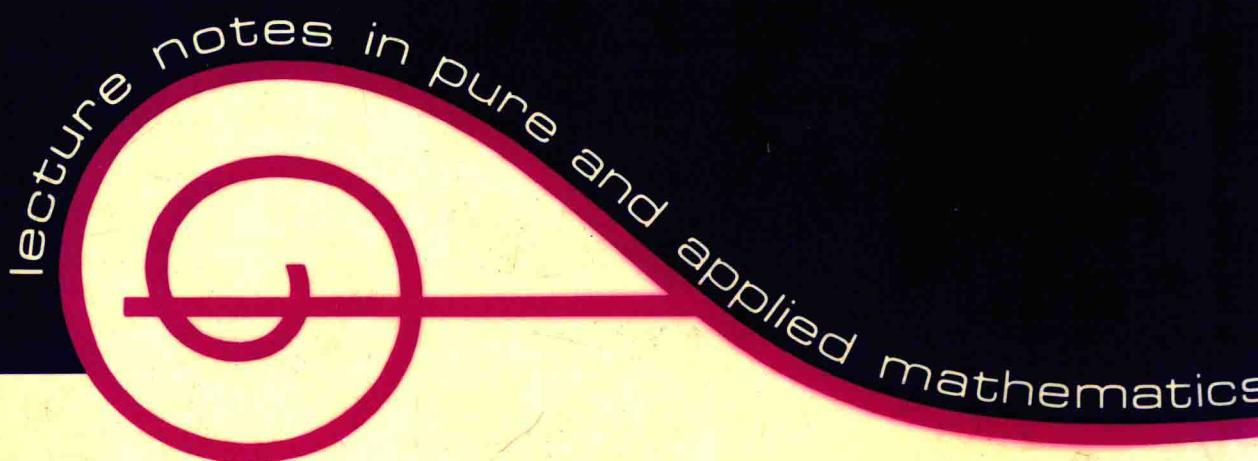


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# 1

## Zygmund Classes with Boundary Conditions as Interpolation Spaces

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### 0. INTRODUCTION

In this paper we are concerned with the characterization of real interpolation spaces  $(D_A, E)_{\alpha, \infty}$  (Lions-Peetre, 1964) and  $(D_A, E)_\alpha$  (Da Prato-Grisvard, 1979), where  $A$  is an elliptic differential operator of order  $2m$ , with general boundary conditions, and  $E$  is the Banach space of continuous functions on a bounded open set  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ ; following Grisvard (1969), we denote such spaces by  $D_A(\theta, \infty)$  and  $D_A(\theta)$ , respectively, where  $\theta = 1 - \alpha$ .

In an earlier paper (Acquistapace-Terreni, 1987) we studied the case  $2m\theta \notin \mathbb{N}$ ; the purpose here is to study the "critical" cases  $2m\theta = q \in \mathbb{N}$ . All notations here are the same as in Acquistapace-Terreni (1987).

### 1. ASSUMPTIONS

Let  $\Omega$  be a bounded open set of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $n \geq 1$ , with  $C^{2m}$  boundary,  $m \geq 1$ . We introduce the differential operators

$$A(x, D) := \sum_{|\alpha| \leq 2m} a_\alpha(x) D^\alpha, \quad x \in \bar{\Omega} \quad (1.1)$$

$$B_j(x, D) := \sum_{|\beta| \leq m_j} b_{j\beta}(x) D^\beta, \quad x \in \partial\Omega, \quad j = 1, \dots, m \quad (1.2)$$

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under the following assumptions:

$$a_\alpha \in C(\bar{\Omega}, \mathbb{C}), \quad |\alpha| \leq 2m; \quad b_{j\beta} \in C^{2m-m_j}(\partial\Omega, \mathbb{C}), \quad |\beta| \leq m_j, \quad j = 1, \dots, m \quad (1.3)$$

(ellipticity) There exist  $n \in [0, 2\pi[$ ,  $v > 0$  such that  $(1.4)$

$$v(|\xi|^{2m} + t^{2m}) \leq \left| \sum_{|\alpha|=2m} a_\alpha(x) \xi^\alpha - (-1)^m e^{in} t^{2m} \right|, \quad \forall x \in \bar{\Omega},$$

$$\forall \xi \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$$

(root condition) If  $x \in \partial\Omega$ ,  $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ , and  $|\xi| + |t| > 0$ ,  $(\xi|v(x)) = 0$ , then the polynomial  $(1.5)$

$$\zeta \mapsto \sum_{|\alpha|=2m} a_\alpha(x) [\xi + \zeta v(x)]^\alpha - (-1)^m e^{in} t^{2m}$$

has exactly  $m$  roots  $\zeta_j^+(x, \xi, t)$  with positive imaginary part.

(complementing condition) If  $x \in \partial\Omega$ ,  $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ , and  $|\xi| + |t| > 0$ ,  $(\xi|v(x)) = 0$ , then the  $m$  polynomials  $(1.6)$

$$\zeta \mapsto \sum_{|\beta|=m_j} b_{j\beta}(x) [\xi + \zeta v(x)]^\beta$$

are linearly independent modulo the polynomial

$$\zeta \mapsto \prod_{j=1}^m [\zeta - \zeta_j^+(x, \xi, t)].$$

$$0 \leq m_j \leq m_i \leq 2m - 1 \quad \text{if } 1 \leq j < i \leq m. \quad (1.7)$$

REMARK 1.1 Condition (1.7) replaces the normality condition assumed in Acquistapace-Terreni (1987).

Indeed, it is easily seen that the transversality condition [(1.9) of that paper], that is,

$$\sum_{|\beta|=m_j} b_{j\beta}(x) v(x)^\beta \neq 0, \quad x \in \partial\Omega, \quad j = 1, \dots, m,$$

is implied by the complementing condition (1.6); thus the only difference here with respect to Acquistapace-Terreni (1987) is that we just require the orders of the boundary operators to be less than  $2m$ , without forcing them to be different from one another.