

**Planar Complex Vector Fields with  
Homogeneous Singular Points**  
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$$L = A(x, y)\partial_x + B(x, y)\partial_y$$

with  $A, B \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus 0, \mathbb{C})$  and homogeneous of degree  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\operatorname{Re}(\lambda) > 1$ :

$$A(tx, ty) = t^\lambda A(x, y), \quad B(tx, ty) = t^\lambda B(x, y) \quad \forall (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus 0, \quad t > 0.$$

$L$  has a singular point at 0.

Solvability of  $Lu = f$  is an open set  $\Omega \ni 0$  depends heavily on number theoretic properties of an associated pair  $(\lambda, \mu)$ :

- ▶  $\lambda$  homogeneity degree;
- ▶  $\mu$  invariant given by

$$\mu = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{|z|=1} \frac{x A + y B}{x B - y A} \frac{dz}{z}, \quad z = x + iy$$

## Results based on two papers

1. A.M. *Solvability of complex vector fields with homogeneous singularities*, Complex Var. Elliptic Eq. (2017)

Among results:

- ▶ If  $\mu = i\beta \in i\mathbb{R}^*$  and  $u$  is a distribution solution of  $Lu = 0$  in an annulus  $\{r^2 \leq x^2 + y^2 \leq R^2\}$  with  $R > re^{2\pi|\beta|}$ , then  $u$  extends as a distribution solution to  $\mathbb{R}^2$
- ▶ If  $f \in C^\infty$  at 0, the equation  $Lu = f$  has a solution if the pair  $(\lambda, \mu)$  is nonresonant.

2. C. Campana, P. Dattori, A.M. *A class of planar vector fields with homogeneous singular points: Solvability and boundary value problems*, J. Diff. Eq. (2018)

Solvability studied through integral operator

$$T_Z f(x, y) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Omega} \frac{f(\xi, \eta)}{Z(\xi, \eta) - Z(x, y)} d\xi d\eta$$

## Preliminaries

$$x = r \cos \theta, \quad y = r \sin \theta, \quad A = r^\lambda a(\theta), \quad B = r^\lambda b(\theta), \\ a, b \in C^\infty(\mathbb{S}^1, \mathbb{C})$$

$$L = A\partial_x + B\partial_y = r^{\lambda-1} (p(\theta)\partial_\theta - iq(\theta)r\partial_r) = r^{\lambda-1}L_0$$

$$p(\theta) = b(\theta) \cos \theta - a(\theta) \sin \theta, \quad q(\theta) = i(a(\theta) \cos \theta + b(\theta) \sin \theta).$$

Set of nonellipticity (union of ray):

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma &= \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2; L \wedge \bar{L} = 0\} = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2; \operatorname{Im}(A\bar{B}) = 0\} \\ &= \{(r, \theta) \in [0, \infty) \times \mathbb{S}^1; \operatorname{Re}(q\bar{p}) = 0\} = [0, \infty) \times \Sigma_0 \end{aligned}$$

Hypotheses:

- ▶  $\Sigma$  has an empty interior in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  ( $\Longleftrightarrow \Sigma_0$  has an empty interior in  $\mathbb{S}^1$ );
- ▶  $L \wedge (x\partial_x + y\partial_y) \neq 0$  everywhere in  $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus 0$   
( $\Longleftrightarrow p(\theta) \neq 0 \quad \forall \theta \in \mathbb{S}^1$ )

$L$  is locally solvable at  $m \in \mathbb{R}^2$  if  $\exists V \subset U \subset \mathbb{R}^2, m \in V$ , such that

$\forall f \in C^\infty(U)$  equation  $Lu = f$  has a solution  $u \in \mathcal{D}'(V)$ .

$L$  is locally solvable at each point  $m \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \Sigma$ .  $L$  is locally solvable at  $m_0 \in \Sigma \setminus 0 \iff L$  satisfies condition  $(\mathcal{P})$  at  $m_0$  ( $\text{Im}(A\bar{B})$  does not change sign in a neighborhood of  $m_0$ ; equivalently  $\text{Re}(q\bar{p})$  does not change sign near  $\theta_0 \in \mathbb{S}^1$ ).

Note: If  $L$  satisfies condition  $(\mathcal{P})$  at  $m_0 \in \Sigma \setminus 0$ , then hypothesis  $L \wedge (x\partial_x + y\partial_y) \neq 0$  implies that  $L$  is hypoelliptic at each point on the ray containing  $m_0$ .

To  $L = A\partial_x + B\partial_y = r^{\lambda-1}(p(\theta)\partial_\theta - iq(\theta)r\partial_r)$  associate  $\mu \in \mathbb{C}$

$$\mu = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{|z|=1} \frac{x A + y B}{x B - y A} \frac{dz}{z} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{q(\theta)}{p(\theta)} d\theta.$$

We can assume  $\text{Re}(\mu) \geq 0$ . If  $L$  satisfies condition  $(\mathcal{P})$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus 0$ , then  $\text{Re}(\mu) > 0$ .

# First Integrals

$F$  is a first integral of  $L$  in  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  if  $LF = 0$  and  $dF \neq 0$  in  $\Omega$ .

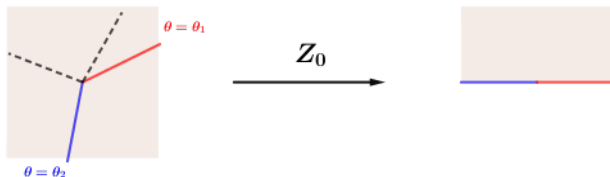
► **Case:**  $\mu = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{q(\theta)}{p(\theta)} d\theta = 0$

$m(\theta) = \int_0^\theta \frac{q(s)}{p(s)} ds$ .  $m$  is  $2\pi$ -periodic and  $\text{Re}(m) \not\equiv 0$ .

$\text{Re}(m(\theta_1)) = \min_{\pi} \text{Re}(m)$ ;  $\text{Re}(m(\theta_2)) = \max \text{Re}(m)$ . Define

$\sigma = \frac{\pi}{\text{Re}(m(\theta_2)) - \text{Re}(m(\theta_1))}$  and  $\phi(\theta) = \sigma(m(\theta) - m(\theta_1))$ .

$Z_0(r, \theta) = r^\sigma e^{i\phi(\theta)}$ : First integral of  $L$  and  $Z_0(\mathbb{R}^2) = \mathbb{C}^+$ .



► **Case:**  $\mu = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{q(\theta)}{p(\theta)} d\theta \neq 0$

$$c_j = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{q(\theta)}{p(\theta)} e^{ij\theta} d\theta; \quad \phi(\theta) = \sum_{j \neq 0} \frac{c_j}{ij\mu} e^{ij\theta} = \phi_1(\theta) + i\phi_2(\theta)$$

$Z_\mu(r, \theta) = r^{1/\mu} e^{i(\theta + \phi(\theta))}$  is a  $C^\infty$  first integral of  $L$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus 0$ .

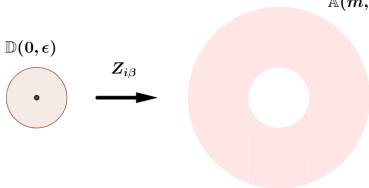
- If  $\operatorname{Re}(\mu) > 0$ , then  $Z_\mu(\mathbb{R}^2) = \mathbb{C}$  and if  $L$  satisfies condition  $(\mathcal{P})$ ,  $Z$  is a global homeomorphism.
- If  $\operatorname{Re}(\mu) = 0$ ,  $\mu = i\beta$ ,

$$Z_{i\beta}(r, \theta) = e^{-\phi_2(\theta)} \exp \left[ i \left( \theta + \phi_1(\theta) - \frac{\ln r}{\beta} \right) \right]$$

$$m = \min (e^{-\phi_2(\theta)}) \quad M = \max (e^{-\phi_2(\theta)}), \quad \forall \epsilon > 0$$

$$Z(\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus 0) = Z(\mathbb{D}(0, \epsilon)) = \mathbb{A}(m, M) = \{z : m \leq |z| \leq M\}$$

$$\mathbb{A}(m, M)$$



## Equation $Lu = 0$

Direct consequence of order of vanishing of  $L$  at 0 and definition of  $Z_\mu$

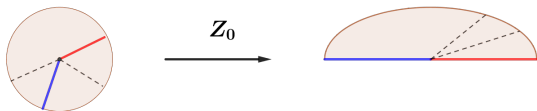
- ▶  $L \left( \frac{\partial^{j+k} \delta}{\partial_x^j \partial_y^k} \right) = 0$  for  $j + k \leq \operatorname{Re}(\lambda) - 1$ ;
- ▶ If  $\mu = 0$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\sigma m < \operatorname{Re}(\lambda) - 1$ ,  $L(Z_0^{-m}) = 0$ ;
- ▶ If  $\operatorname{Re}(\mu) > 0$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}(\frac{m}{\mu}) < \operatorname{Re}(\lambda) - 1$ ,  $L(Z_\mu^{-m}) = 0$ ;
- ▶ If  $\mu = i\beta \in i\mathbb{R}^*$ ,  $L(Z_{i\beta}^m) = 0$ ,  $\forall m \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

### Continuous solutions.

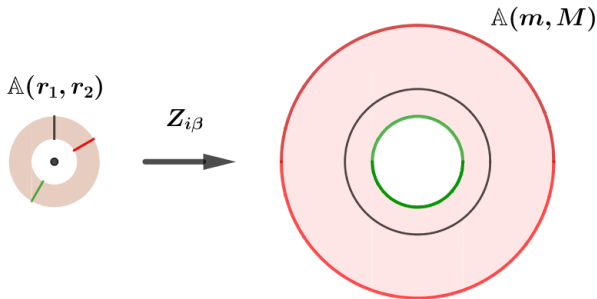
- ▶ If  $L$  satisfies condition  $(\mathcal{P})$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus 0$  and  $u \in C^0(\Omega)$ , solves  $Lu = 0$  in  $\Omega$  open, then  $u = H \circ Z_\mu$  with  $H$  holomorphic in  $Z_\mu(\Omega)$ .



- If  $\mu = 0$ ,  $\Omega \ni 0$  open,  $u \in C^0(\Omega)$  solves  $Lu = 0$ , then there is  $\epsilon > 0$  such that  $u \in C^\infty(\mathbb{D}(0, \epsilon) \setminus Z_0^{-1}(\mathbb{R}))$ .



- If  $\mu = i\beta \in i\mathbb{R}^*$ ,  $Z_{i\beta} = e^{-\phi_2(\theta)} \exp[i(\theta + \phi_1(\theta) - \ln r/\beta)]$ .  
 $m = \min |Z_{i\beta}|$ ,  $M = \max |Z_{i\beta}|$ . If  $\Omega \supset \mathbb{A}(r_1, r_2)$  with  
 $r_2 > r_1 \exp(2\pi/|\beta|)$ , then  $u \in C^0(\Omega)$ ,  $Lu = 0$  can be written  
 $u = H \circ Z_{i\beta}$  where  $H \in C^0(\mathbb{A}(m, M))$  and holomorphic in the  
interior of  $\mathbb{A}(m, M)$ . In particular,  $u$  extends as a  $C^0$ -solution to  
 $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\}$ .



## Domain of extendability of solutions of $Lu = 0$

$\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  is *starlike* w.r.t. 0 if  $[0, p] \subset \Omega$ ,  $\forall p \in \Omega$ .

Consider  $L$  with  $\mu \geq 0$ . Define an equivalence relation on  $\partial\Omega$  by

$$p \sim p' \iff \arg(Z_\mu(p)) = \arg(Z_\mu(p')); \text{cl}(p) = \{p' \in \partial\Omega, p' \sim p\}.$$

Define  $\rho : \partial\Omega \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ ;  $\rho(p) = \max_{p' \in \text{cl}(p)} |Z_\mu(p')|$ , and

$$\Omega_L = \bigcup_{p \in \partial\Omega} [0, \Lambda(p)e^{i\arg(p)}), \text{ where } \Lambda(p) = \rho(p)^\mu e^{\mu\phi_2(\arg(p))} \text{ if } \mu > 0$$

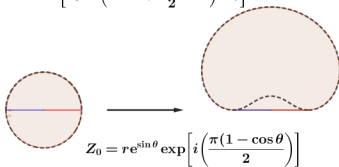
and  $\Lambda(p) = \rho(p)^{1/\sigma} e^{\phi_2(\arg(p))/\sigma}$  if  $\mu = 0$

- ▶  $(\Omega_L)_L = \Omega_L$ ,  $\Omega_L = Z_\mu^{-1}(Z_\mu(\Omega))$
- ▶ If  $u \in C^0(\Omega)$  solves  $Lu = 0$ , then there exists  $\hat{u} \in C^0(\Omega_L)$ ,  $L\hat{u} = 0$  and  $\hat{u} = u$  in  $\Omega$ . Moreover,  $\hat{u} \in C^\infty(\Omega_L \setminus 0)$  if  $\mu > 0$  and  $\hat{u} \in C^\infty(\Omega_L \setminus Z_0^{-1}(\mathbb{R}))$  if  $\mu = 0$
- ▶ There exists  $v \in C^0(\Omega_L)$  with  $Lv = 0$  such that  $v$  has no extension as a solution to a larger set.

# Examples

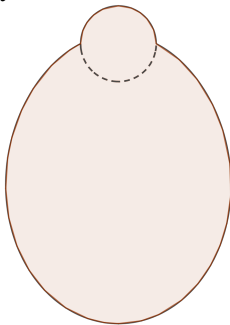
►  $\mu = 0$

$$L = r^{\lambda-1} \left[ \partial_\theta - \left( \cos \theta + i \frac{\pi}{2} \sin \theta \right) r \partial_r \right]$$



$\mathbb{D}_L$  is the region enclosed by the curve  $e^{(|\sin\theta| - \sin\theta)} e^{i\theta}$ .

$\mathbb{D}$  and  $\mathbb{D}_L$



►  $\mu \in \mathbb{R}^+ + i\mathbb{R}$  and  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

$$L = r^{\lambda-1} [\partial_\theta - i\mu (1 + k \cos(k\theta)) r \partial_r], Z_\mu = r^{1/\mu} e^{i(\theta + \sin(k\theta))}$$

$\Sigma$  consists of  $2k$  rays given by  $\cos \theta = -1/k$ .

$L$  does not satisfy condition  $(\mathcal{P})$  at any point of  $\Sigma$ .  $Z_\mu(\mathbb{D}) = \mathbb{D}$ .

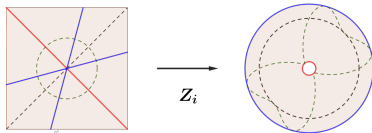
If  $u \in C^0(\mathbb{D})$  solves  $Lu = 0$ , then  $u \in C^\infty(\mathbb{D} \setminus 0)$ .

►  $\mu = i$

$$L = r^{\lambda-1} [\partial_\theta - i (2 \cos(2\theta) - 2 \sin(4\theta) + i) r \partial_r],$$

$$Z_i = r^{-i} \exp \left[ \sin(2\theta) + \frac{\cos(4\theta)}{2} \right] e^{i\theta}$$

$\Sigma = \{ \theta = \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{4}, \frac{7\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{12}, \frac{5\pi}{12}, \frac{13\pi}{12}, \frac{17\pi}{12} \}$   $Z_i$  is a fold along each ray of  $\Sigma$ .  $\max |Z_i| = e^{3/4}$  reached along  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{12}, \frac{5\pi}{12}, \frac{13\pi}{12}, \frac{17\pi}{12}$   
 $\min |Z_i| = e^{-3/2}$  reached along  $\theta = \frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{7\pi}{4}$ .  
 $\mathbb{A}(e^{-3/2}, e^{3/4})$



If  $u \in C^0(\mathbb{A}(r_1, r_2))$  with  $r_2 > r_1 e^{2\pi}$  and  $Lu = 0$ , then  $u$  extends as a continuous solution  $\hat{u}$  to  $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\}$  and  $\hat{u}$  is  $C^\infty$  on the rays  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{7\pi}{4}$ .

## Equation $Lu = f$ (\*)

►  $f \in C^l(\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus 0)$ ,  $\sigma$ -homogeneous with  $\sigma \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $\operatorname{Re}(\sigma) > 0$ .

- If  $\mu(\lambda - \sigma - 1) \notin \mathbb{Z}$ , then (\*) has a solution  $u \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^2)$  with  $u \in C^{l+1}(\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus 0)$  and  $(\sigma + 1 - \lambda)$ -homogeneous. In particular if  $\operatorname{Re}(\sigma - \lambda) > -1$ ,  $u$  is Hölder continuous at 0.

Explicit construction of  $u$ :  $f(r, \theta) = r^\sigma f_0(\theta)$  with  $f_0 \in C^l(\mathbb{S}^1)$ ;

$$L = r^{\lambda-1}(p(\theta)\partial_\theta - iq(\theta)r\partial_r), \quad \psi(\theta) = \int_0^\theta \frac{q}{p} ds \quad \text{so that } \psi(2\pi) = 2\pi\mu.$$

$$u(r, \theta) = r^{\sigma+\lambda-1}v(\theta) \quad \text{with}$$

$$v(\theta) =$$

$$\left[ K + \int_0^\theta \frac{f_0(s)}{p(s)} \exp(-i(\sigma + 1 - \lambda)\psi(s)) ds \right] \exp(i(\sigma + 1 - \lambda)\psi(\theta))$$

$$\text{and } K = \frac{1}{1 - e^{2\pi i\mu(\sigma+1-\lambda)}} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{f_0(s)}{p(s)} \exp(-i(\sigma + 1 - \lambda)\psi(s)) ds.$$

- If  $\mu(\lambda - \sigma - 1) \in \mathbb{Z}$ , equation (\*) we have similar conclusion provided that  $f_0$  satisfies

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{f_0(s)}{p(s)} \exp(-i(\sigma + 1 - \lambda)\psi(s)) ds = 0.$$

►  $f$  real analytic at 0.

$(\mu, \lambda)$  is *resonant* if  $\exists l \in \mathbb{Z}^+, k \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $\mu\lambda = \mu l + k$ .

$\mathbb{J}(\mu, \lambda) = \{l \in \mathbb{Z}^+; \mu\lambda = \mu l + k\}$ : set of resonant integers.

When  $(\mu, \lambda)$  is resonant  $|\mathbb{J}(\mu, \lambda)| = 1$  if  $(\mu, \lambda) \notin \mathbb{Q}^+ \times \mathbb{Q}^+$  and  $|\mathbb{J}(\mu, \lambda)| = \infty$  if not.

A **nonresonant** pair  $(\mu, \lambda)$  satisfies Diophantine condition

$(\mathcal{DC})$ :  $\exists C > 0, \forall j \in \mathbb{Z}^+, |1 - e^{2\pi i \mu(j-\lambda)}| \geq C^j$

- If  $(\mu, \lambda)$  is nonresonant,  $(\mathcal{DC})$  holds whenever  $\mu \notin \mathbb{R}$  or  $\mu \in \mathbb{R}^+$  and  $\lambda \notin \mathbb{R}$ .

- For  $\mu, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ , condition  $(\mathcal{DC})$  is equivalent to

$(\mathcal{DC}')$   $\exists C > 0, \forall j \in \mathbb{Z}^+, k \in \mathbb{Z}, |\mu(j - \lambda) - k| \geq C^j$



- Suppose  $(\mu, \lambda)$  is nonresonant and satisfies  $(\mathcal{DC})$ . Then for every  $f$  real analytic at 0, there exists  $\epsilon > 0$  and

$w \in C^\infty(D(0, \epsilon) \setminus \{0\}) \cap L^\infty(D(0, \epsilon))$  such that  $u = \frac{w}{r^{\lambda-1}}$  is a distribution solution of  $Lu = f$ .

$f(x, y) = \sum_{j \geq 0} P_j(x, y)$ , with  $P_j$  homogeneous polynomial of degree  $j$ .

$(\mu, \lambda)$  nonresonant  $\implies Lu = P_j$  has solution  $r^{j+1-\lambda} v_j(\theta)$ .

$(\mu, \lambda)$  satisfies  $(\mathcal{DC}')$   $\implies$

$w = \sum_j r^j v_j(\theta) \in C^\infty(D(0, \epsilon) \setminus \{0\}) \cap L^\infty(D(0, \epsilon))$  and  $L(w/r^{\lambda-1}) = f$ .

- Suppose  $(\mu, \lambda)$  is resonant. A real analytic function  $f = \sum_j r^j f_j(\theta)$  is  $(\mu, \lambda)$ -compatible if

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{f_j(s)}{p(s)} e^{-i(j-1-\lambda)\psi(s)} ds = 0 \quad \forall j \in \mathbb{J}(\mu, \lambda).$$

Note: If  $\mu \notin \mathbb{Q}$ , there is only one compatibility condition and if  $\mu \in \mathbb{Q}$  there are infinitely many conditions.

Suppose  $(\mu, \lambda)$  is resonant and  $f$  is  $(\mu, \lambda)$ -compatible, then  $Lu = f$  has a solution as above.

# Integral operator and Hölder continuous solutions

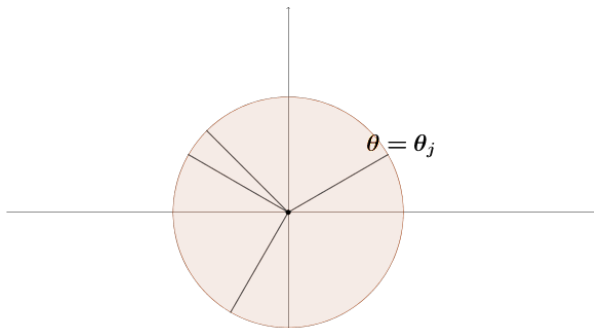
(join work with C. Campana and P. Dattori)

Class of vector fields  $L$  such that (i)  $\lambda\mu = 1$ ; (ii)  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^+$ ; (iii) satisfies condition  $(\mathcal{P})$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\}$ ; and (iv)  $L$  is of finite type.

There exist coordinates  $(r, \theta)$  such that  $Z = r^\lambda e^{i(\theta + \phi(\theta))}$  is a first integral with  $\phi \in C^\infty(\mathbb{S}^1, \mathbb{R})$ ;

$1 + \phi'(\theta) \geq 0$  for all  $\theta$ ; and

Taylor series of  $\phi''$  not identically 0 at for every  $\theta_j \in \Sigma_0$ .



$k_j$  smallest (odd) integer such that  $\phi^{k_j}(\theta_j) \neq 0$

$k^\bullet = \max k_j$ ,  $\tau = \frac{k^\bullet - 1}{k^\bullet}$ . Let  $\Omega$  open in  $\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{S}^1$ .

For  $0 < \lambda < 1$ , let  $\mathcal{F} = L^p(\Omega)$  with  $p > \max\{k^\bullet + 1, 1/(1 - \lambda)\}$ .

For  $\lambda \geq 1$ , let  $\delta > 0$  with  $1 - \frac{1}{\lambda} < \delta < 1 - \frac{1}{\lambda(2 - \tau)}$ ,

$\mathcal{F} = r^{\lambda\delta} L^p(\Omega)$  with  $p > 1/[1 - \lambda(1 - \delta)]$ .

$$\|f\|_{\mathcal{F}} = \begin{cases} \|f\|_p & \text{when } \mathcal{F} = L^p(\Omega) \\ \|f_0\|_p & \text{when } \mathcal{F} = r^{\lambda\delta} L^p(\Omega) \text{ and } f = r^{\lambda\delta} f_0 \end{cases}$$

For  $f \in \mathcal{F}$ , define

$$T_Z f(r, \theta) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Omega} \frac{f(\xi, \eta)}{Z(\xi, \eta) - Z(r, \theta)} d\xi d\eta.$$

- ▶  $\exists M > 0; |T_Z f(p)| \leq M \|f\|_{\mathcal{F}} \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{F}, p \in \Omega$
- ▶  $\exists C > 0, \beta > 0$  such that  $\forall f \in \mathcal{F}, p_1, p_2 \in \Omega$

$$|T_Z f(p_1) - T_Z f(p_2)| \leq C |Z(p_1) - Z(p_2)|^\beta.$$

- ▶  $L(T_Z f) = f.$

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