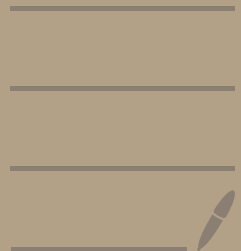


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Fourier Analysis



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Fourier Transform (R. Strichartz)

Let  $f$  be a (complex valued)  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  on  $\mathbb{R}$  which is integrable &  $2\pi$ -periodic.

$$f(\theta) = f(\theta + 2\pi) \quad \forall \theta \in \mathbb{R}$$

Def.  $\hat{f}(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) e^{-inx} dx$

$\hat{f}(n)$  is called the  $n^{\text{th}}$  Fourier coeff. of  $f$ .

The (formal) series  $\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(n) e^{inx}$  is called the Fourier series of  $f$ .

Consider the seq. of partial sums.

$$S_N(f) = \sum_{n=-N}^N \hat{f}(n) e^{inx}, \quad \forall N \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$$

$$\{S_N(f)\}_{N \geq 1} \rightarrow g, \quad \text{then} \quad \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(n) e^{inx} \rightarrow g$$

Fourier series are a part of a larger class called the trigonometric series which are expressions of the form  $\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{in\theta}$  for  $c \in \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{C}$ .

If a trig. series involves only finitely many terms, then it is called trig. polynomial.

The  $N$ th partial sum of the Fourier series of  $f$  is the trig. poly.

$$S_N(f) = \sum_{n=-N}^N \hat{f}(n) e^{in\theta}, \quad N \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$$

In what sense does  $S_N(f) \rightarrow f$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ ?

eg: 1.  $f(\theta) = \theta \quad \forall \theta \in [-\pi, \pi)$  &  $f(\pi) = -\pi$

$$\hat{f}(0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(\theta) d\theta = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \theta d\theta = 0$$

$$n \neq 0, \quad \hat{f}(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \theta e^{-in\theta} d\theta = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[ \frac{-\theta e^{-in\theta}}{in} + \int \frac{e^{-in\theta}}{in} d\theta \right]_{-\pi}^{\pi}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[ \frac{-\theta e^{-i\theta}}{in} + \frac{e^{i\theta}}{n^2} \right]_{-\pi}^{\pi} \\
&= \frac{(-1)}{2\pi} \left[ \frac{\pi e^{-in\pi}}{in} - \frac{(-\pi) e^{-in(-\pi)}}{in} \right] \\
&= \frac{(-1)}{2\pi} \left[ \frac{\pi (-1)^n}{in} + \frac{\pi (-1)^n}{in} \right] \quad (\because e^{i\pi} = -1) \\
&= \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{in}
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, the Fourier series is

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{n \neq 0} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{in} e^{inx} &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{(-1)^{-k+1} e^{-ikx}}{i(-k)} + \frac{(-1)^{k+1} e^{ikx}}{ik} \right] \\
&= 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{k} \sin kx
\end{aligned}$$

Remarks:

$$\underline{1.} \quad L^2[-\pi, \pi] := \left\{ f: [-\pi, \pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{C} : \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f|^2 dx < \infty \right\}$$

$$\langle f, g \rangle := \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \overline{g(x)} dx$$

The set  $\{e^{inx} : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  forms a countable orthonormal basis.

$\|f\|^2 = \langle f, f \rangle$  defines the  $L^2$  norm

$$f \sim \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(n) e^{inx} \Leftrightarrow \|f - S_N(f)\| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } N \rightarrow \infty$$

Note that,  $\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{inx} dx = 1$  for  $n=0$

&  $\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{inx} dx = 0$  for  $n \neq 0$ .

Hence,  $\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{inx} \cdot \overline{e^{imx}} dx = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{i(n-m)x} dx = \begin{cases} 1, & n=m \\ 0, & n \neq m \end{cases}$

The space  $L^2[-\pi, \pi]$  is separable.

2. If  $f$  is integrable, does the Fourier series of  $f$  conv. to  $f$  ptwise?

This is not true because we can change  $f$  at one pt. w/o changing its Fourier coeffs.

3. There exist a cont.  $f$  which is  $2\pi$ -periodic, but its Fourier series diverges at a pt.

4. For cont.  $f$ 's, we can get uniform convergence for Cesaro & Abel sums of the Fourier series.

5. In 1966, L. Carleson showed that if  $f$  is integrable &  $2\pi$ -periodic, then the Fourier series of  $f$  converges to  $f$  at all pts. except possibly for a set of measure zero.

## Convolution

Given two  $2\pi$ -periodic integrable fns  $f$  &  $g$  on  $\mathbb{R}$ , we define their convolution  $f * g$  on  $[-\pi, \pi]$  by

$$(f * g)(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(y) g(x-y) dy$$

Let  $f$  be a  $2\pi$ -periodic int. fn<sup>n</sup>. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} S_N(f) &= \sum_{n=-N}^N \hat{f}(n) e^{inx} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{n=-N}^N \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(y) e^{-iny} dy e^{inx} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(y) \left( \sum_{n=-N}^N e^{in(x-y)} \right) dy \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(y) D_N(x-y) dy \\ &= (f * D_N)(x) \end{aligned}$$

where  $D_N(x) = \sum_{n=-N}^N e^{inx}$  denotes the  $N^{\text{th}}$  Dirichlet kernel.

Claim :  $D_N = \frac{\sin\left(\frac{N+1}{2}\right)x}{\sin x/2}$  if  $x \neq 0$ ,  $D_N(0) = 2N+1$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{for } x \neq 0, \quad D_N(x) &= \frac{e^{i(-N)x} (1 - e^{i(2N+1)x})}{1 - e^{ix}} \\
 &= \frac{e^{-iNx} - e^{i(N+1)x}}{1 - e^{ix}} \\
 &= \frac{e^{-i\left(\frac{N+1}{2}\right)x} - e^{i\left(\frac{N+1}{2}\right)x}}{e^{-ix/2} - e^{ix/2}} \\
 &= \frac{\sin\left(\frac{N+1}{2}\right)x}{\sin x/2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Good kernels :

A family of kernels  $\{k_n(x)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  on the circle (i.e.  $2\pi$ -periodic) is said to be a family of good kernels if it satisfies the following properties :

1.  $\forall n \geq 1, \quad \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} k_n(x) dx = 1$

2.  $\exists M > 0$  s.t.  $\forall n \geq 1, \quad \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |k_n(x)| dx \leq M$

$$3. \forall \delta > 0, \int_{\delta \leq |x| \leq \pi} |K_n(x)| dx \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

Then:

let  $f$  be a  $2\pi$ -periodic int.  $f \in L^1$  &  $\{K_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  be a family of good kernels. Then,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (f * K_n)(x) = f(x)$$

whenever  $f$  is cont. at  $x$ .

If  $f$  is cont. everywhere, then the above lim. is uniform

Pf: let  $\epsilon > 0$ . let  $f$  be cont. at  $x$

So,  $\exists \delta > 0$  s.t.  $|y| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x+y) - f(x)| < \epsilon$

$$(f * K_n)(x) - f(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(y) K_n(x-y) dy - \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) K_n(y) dy \quad \left( \because 1 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} K_n(y) dy \right)$$

Note that  $f * g = g * f$ .

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} K_n(y) [f(x-y) - f(x)] dy$$

$$\Rightarrow |(f * K_n)(x) - f(x)| = \left| \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} K_n(y) [f(x-y) - f(x)] dy \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{|y| < \delta} |K_n(y)| |f(x-y) - f(x)| dy$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\delta \leq |y| \leq \pi} |K_n(y)| |f(x-y) - f(x)| dy$$

$\therefore f$  is integrable,  $\exists D > 0$  s.t.  $|f(x)| \leq D \quad \forall x \in [-\pi, \pi]$

$$\therefore |(f * K_n)(x) - f(x)| \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |K_n(y)| dy + \frac{D}{\pi} \int_{\delta \leq |y| \leq \pi} |K_n(y)| dy$$

Since  $\{K_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a family of good kernels,

$$\exists M > 0 \text{ s.t. } \forall n \geq 0, \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |K_n(y)| dy \leq M \quad \&$$

$$\exists n_0 \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0} \text{ s.t. } \forall n \geq n_0, \frac{D}{\pi} \int_{\delta \leq |y| \leq \pi} |K_n(y)| dy < \epsilon$$

Hence,  $|(f * K_n)(x) - f(x)| \leq c\epsilon \quad \forall n \geq n_0$

i.e.  $(f * K_n)(x) \rightarrow f(x)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

This proves the first assertion of the thm.

If  $f$  is cont. on  $[-\pi, \pi]$ , then  $f$  is uniformly cont.  
( $\because [-\pi, \pi]$  is compact)

In this case,  $\delta$  can be chosen indep. of  $x$ , so  
 $f * K_n \rightarrow f$  uniformly ( $\because n_0$  is indep. of  $x$ )

$$D_N(x) = \sum_{n=-N}^N e^{inx}$$

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} D_N(x) dx = 1$$

$$\text{However, } \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |D_N(x)| dx = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{|\sin(N+\frac{1}{2})x|}{|\sin(x/2)|} dx$$

$$(\because |\sin(x)| \leq |x|) \quad \geq 2 \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{|\sin(N+\frac{1}{2})x|}{|x|} dx$$

$$\left( \text{Sub. } t = \frac{(2N+1)x}{2} \right) = 4 \int_0^{(2N+1)\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{|\sin t|}{t} dt$$

$$\geq 4 \int_0^{N\pi} \frac{|\sin t|}{t} dt$$

$$\geq 4 \sum_{k=1}^N \int_{(k-1)\pi}^{k\pi} \frac{|\sin t|}{t} dt$$

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$$\left( \because \int_0^{\pi} \sin t dt = 2 \right) \geq \frac{8}{\pi} \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k}$$

As  $N \rightarrow \infty$ , RHS diverges

So,  $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |D_N(x)| dx \rightarrow \infty$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$

Hence  $\{D_n(x)\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  is not a family of good kernels.

Since Fourier series does not conv. ptwise at all pts.,  
we consider a diff. sum.

## Cesaro sum

Let  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} c_k$  be a series of complex nos. &  $S_n = \sum_{k=0}^n c_k$

The  $N^{\text{th}}$  Cesaro sum or mean of the series  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} c_k$  is defined as  $\sigma_n = \frac{S_0 + S_1 + \dots + S_{n-1}}{n}$

If  $\sigma_n$  conv. to a lim.  $\sigma$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ , then we say that  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n$  is Cesaro summable.

Rem: If a series conv., then it is also Cesaro summable

eg: Consider  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k$ . Then  $S_n$ 's are  $1, 0, 1, 0, \dots$   
So, the series does not conv.

However,  $\sigma_n$ 's are  $1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{1}{2}, \dots$

Thus, the Cesaro sum of  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k$  is  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

The  $N^{\text{th}}$  Cesaro mean of the Fourier series of an int. fn<sup>n</sup>  $f$  on the circle is

$$\sigma_N(f)(x) = \frac{S_0(f) + S_1(f) + \dots + S_{N-1}(f)}{N}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, } \sigma_N(f)(x) &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} S_k(f) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} (f * D_k)(x) \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(y) D_k(x-y) dy \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(y) \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} D_k(x-y) \right] dy \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(y) F_N(x-y) dy \\ &= (f * F_N)(x) \end{aligned}$$

where  $F_N(x) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} D_k(x)$  is the Fejer's kernel.

Lemma:  $F_N(x) = \frac{1}{N} \frac{\sin^2\left(\frac{Nx}{2}\right)}{\sin^2\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)}$  and  $\{f_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  is a family of good kernels.

Pf: Let  $\omega = e^{ix}$ .

$$\text{Then } N f_N(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \frac{e^{-kix} - e^{(k+1)ix}}{1 - e^{ix}}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \frac{\omega^{-k} - \omega^{(k+1)}}{1 - \omega}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 - \omega} \left( \frac{\omega^{-N+1}(1 - \omega^N)}{1 - \omega} - \frac{\omega(1 - \omega^N)}{1 - \omega} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1 - \omega)^2} \left[ (\omega^{-N+1} - \omega) - (\omega - \omega^{N+1}) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1 - \omega)^2} (\omega^{-N+1} - 2\omega + \omega^{N+1}) = \frac{\omega}{\omega} \frac{(\omega^{-N} - 2 + \omega^N)}{(\omega^{-1/2} - \omega^{1/2})^2}$$

$$= \left( \frac{\omega^{-N/2} - \omega^{N/2}}{\omega^{-1/2} - \omega^{1/2}} \right)^2 = \frac{\sin^2 Nx/2}{\sin^2 x/2}$$

Note:  $\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f_N(x) dx = 1$

For  $\delta > 0$ ,  $\delta \leq |x| \leq \pi$ ,  $\exists C_\delta > 0$  st  $\sin^2\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) > C_\delta$

Hence,  $N F_N(x) < \frac{1}{C_\delta} \Rightarrow F_N(x) < \frac{1}{N C_\delta}$

Moreover,  $\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\delta \leq |x| \leq \pi} F_N(x) dx < \frac{1}{N C_\delta} \rightarrow 0$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$

Thus,  $\{f_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  satisfies the def<sup>n</sup> of Good kernel.

Thm: (Fejer's thm)

If  $f$  is an integrable  $f^n$  on the circle, then the Fourier series of  $f$  is Cesaro summable to  $f$  at every pt. of cont. of  $f$ . Moreover, if  $f$  is (uniformly) cont., then the Fourier series is uniformly Cesaro summable to  $f$ .

Rem: ! Cont.  $f^n$ s on the circle can be uniformly approximated by trigonometric polynomials.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \underline{2.} \quad (f * g)(x) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(y) g(x-y) dy \\
 \text{let } z = x-y & \quad = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{x+\pi}^{x-\pi} f(x-z) g(z) dz \\
 dz = -dy & \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{x-\pi}^{x+\pi} f(x-z) g(z) dz \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} g(z) f(x-z) dz \\
 &= (g * f)(x)
 \end{aligned}$$

### Abel mean

A series of complex nos.  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} C_k$  is said to be Abel summable to  $s$  if for every  $0 \leq \lambda < 1$ , the series  $A(\lambda) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} C_k \lambda^k$  conv. &

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 1} A(\lambda) = s$$

The quantity  $A(\lambda)$  is called the Abel mean of the series.

Rem: 1. If a series conv., then it is Abel summable.

2. If a series is Cesaro summable, then it is Abel summable.

eg: Consider  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k (k+1) = 1 - 2 + 3 - 4 + 5 \dots$

$$\text{Then } A(\lambda) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k (k+1) \lambda^k$$

$$(1+\lambda)^{-2} = 1 + \underbrace{(-2)\lambda}_{2!} + \underbrace{(-2)(-3)\lambda^2}_{3!} + (-2)(-3)(-4)\lambda^3 + \dots$$

$$= 1 + (-1)(1+1)\lambda + (-1)^2(2+1)\lambda^2 + (-1)^3(3+1)\lambda^3 + \dots$$

$$= A(\lambda)$$

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 1} A(\lambda) = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 1} \frac{1}{(1+\lambda)^2} = \frac{1}{2^2} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\{S_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} = \{1, -1, 2, -2, 3, -3, \dots\}$$

$$\{C_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} = \{1, 0, \frac{2}{3}, 0, \frac{3}{5}, 0, \dots\}$$

So, the series is not Cesaro summable

We define the Abel mean of an integrable fn<sup>n</sup>  $f$  or its Fourier series  $\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(n) e^{inx}$  by

$$A_\lambda(f) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda^{|n|} \hat{f}(n) e^{inx} \quad (0 \leq \lambda < 1)$$

Note that, since  $f$  is integrable,  $|\hat{f}(n)|$  is uniformly bounded. i.e.  $\exists M > 0$  s.t.  $|\hat{f}(n)| < M \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$|\hat{f}(n)| = \left| \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) e^{-inx} dx \right| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x)| dx = M$$

(  $\because f$  is int.,  $\exists M$  s.t.  $|f(x)| < M$  )

$$\Rightarrow |\lambda^{|n|} \hat{f}(n) e^{inx}| \leq M \lambda^{|n|} \quad \& \quad \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} M \lambda^{|n|} < \infty$$

So,  $A_\lambda(f)$  conv. absolutely & uniformly for  $0 \leq \lambda < 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Further, } A_\lambda(f)(\theta) &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda^{|n|} \hat{f}(n) e^{in\theta} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda^{|n|} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) e^{-inx} dx e^{in\theta} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \left( \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda^{|n|} e^{in(\theta-x)} \right) dx \\ &= (f * P_\lambda)(\theta) \end{aligned}$$

where  $P_\lambda$  denotes the Poisson kernel given by

$$P_\lambda(\theta) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda^{|n|} e^{in\theta}$$

lem: If  $0 \leq \lambda < 1$ , then  $P_\lambda(\theta) = \frac{1 - \lambda^2}{1 - 2\lambda \cos \theta + \lambda^2}$

The Poisson kernel is a family of Good kernels as  $\lambda \rightarrow 1$  from below.

Pf: Let  $\omega = \lambda \cdot e^{i\theta}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} P_\lambda(\theta) &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda^{|n|} e^{in\theta} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \omega^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \bar{\omega}^n = \frac{1}{1-\omega} + \frac{\bar{\omega}}{1-\bar{\omega}} \\ &= \frac{1 - \bar{\omega} + \bar{\omega} - |\omega|^2}{(1-\omega)(1-\bar{\omega})} \\ &= \frac{1 - \lambda^2}{(1 - \lambda e^{i\theta})(1 - \lambda e^{-i\theta})} = \frac{1 - \lambda^2}{1 - 2\lambda \cos(\theta) + \lambda^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} P_\lambda(\theta) d\theta = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left( \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda^{|n|} e^{in\theta} \right) d\theta = 1$$

Also,  $P_\lambda(\theta) \geq 0$ . Hence 1. & 2. of the def<sup>n</sup> of Good kernel hold.

Rem: Note the modification in the def<sup>n</sup> of Good kernels

So, for a fixed  $\delta > 0$ , if  $\frac{1}{2} \leq \lambda < 1$  &  $\delta \leq |\theta| \leq \pi$ , then

$$\exists C_\delta > 0 \text{ s.t. } 1 - \cos(\theta) > C_\delta$$

$$\therefore 1 - 2\lambda \cos(\theta) + \lambda^2 \geq 0 + (1 - \cos(\theta)) > C_\delta$$

$$\underbrace{\min_{\frac{1}{2} \leq \lambda < 1} (1 - \lambda)^2}_{\text{min}(1-\lambda)^2} \underbrace{\min_{\frac{1}{2} \leq \lambda < 1} (2\lambda(1 - \cos(\theta)))}_{\text{min}(2\lambda(1 - \cos(\theta)))}$$

$$\text{So, } P_\lambda(\theta) < \frac{1 - \lambda^2}{C_\delta} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } \lambda \rightarrow 1$$

Hence, 2. of the def<sup>n</sup> of Good kernel is satisfied.

This proves the following.

Thm: The Fourier series on an integrable  $f \in L^1$  on the circle is Abel summable to  $f$  at every pt. of continuity of  $f$ .

Moreover, if  $f$  is cont. on the circle, then the Fourier series is uniformly Abel summable to  $f$ .

Cor: (of Fejer's thm)

If  $f$  is integrable on the circle &  $\hat{f}(n) = 0 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  
then  $f$  is 0 at any pt. of continuity.

Steady state Heat eq<sup>n</sup>

A twice continuously diff. real valued fun<sup>n</sup>  $u(x, y)$  is said to satisfy steady state heat eq<sup>n</sup> if  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0$  or  $\Delta u = 0$   
where  $\Delta$  is called the Laplace operator or Laplacian.

The solutions to the eq<sup>n</sup> are called harmonic fun<sup>n</sup>s

Time dependent heat eq<sup>n</sup>:  $k \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}$

$u(x, y)$  may denote the temperature at a pt.  $(x, y)$ .

- Abel sum:  $(f * P_r)(\theta) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(n) r^{|n|} e^{in\theta}$

Consider the unit disc in the plane

$$D = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x^2 + y^2 < 1\}$$

whose b'ry is the unit circle  $C$ .

The Dirichlet problem: To solve the steady-state heat eq<sup>n</sup> in the unit disc  $D$  subject to the b'ry cond<sup>n</sup>  $u = f$  on  $C$  where  $f$  is an integrable fun<sup>n</sup> on the unit circle  $C$ .

Thm: let  $f$  be an integrable fun<sup>n</sup> on the unit circle.

Then the fun<sup>n</sup>  $u$  defined in the unit disc by the

Poisson integral

$$u(r, \theta) = (f * P_r)(\theta)$$

has the following properties:

1.  $u$  is twice continuously diff. in the unit disc

&  $\Delta u = 0$ .

2. If  $\theta$  is any pt. of continuity of  $f$ , then

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 1} u(r, \theta) = f(\theta)$$

If  $f$  is continuous everywhere, then the limit is uniform.

3. If  $f$  is continuous, then  $u(x, \theta)$  is the unique sol<sup>n</sup> to the steady state heat eq<sup>n</sup> in the unit disc satisfying cond<sup>n</sup> 2.

{ If  $f$  is cont. on  $C$ ,  $f = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma_n(f)$  (uniform conv.) }

Pf:  $u(x, \theta) = (f * P_x)(\theta) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} a_m x^{|m|} e^{im\theta}$   
where  $a_m$ 's are the Fourier coeffs. of  $f$ .

For any fixed  $\rho < 1$ , inside the disc of radius  $\rho < r < 1$  centered at origin, the series for  $u$  can be differentiated (wrt  $\theta$  &  $x$ ) term by term and the diff. series conv. uniformly & absolutely (in each case).

$$\left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n x^n, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |C_n|^{1/n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |nC_n|^{1/n} \right\}$$

Thus,  $u$  can be twice continuously differentiated (can be differentiated infinitely many times) inside the unit disc.

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta} \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial x}$$

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}(y/x)$$

$$= \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} - \frac{y}{x^2 + y^2} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta}$$

$$= \cos(\theta) \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} - \frac{\sin \theta}{r} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \sin(\theta) \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r} \cos \theta \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta}$$

$$\Delta u = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \theta^2}$$

$$\text{i.e., } \Delta u = \sum (|m|(|m|-1) r^{|m|-2} e^{im\theta} + |m| r^{|m|-2} e^{im\theta} - |m|^2 r^{|m|-2} e^{im\theta}) = 0$$

This proves 1.

The proof of 2. follows from a prev. thm.

Suppose  $v$  solves the steady-state heat eq<sup>n</sup> on the disc & conv. to the given cont. fun<sup>n</sup>  $f$  uniformly as  $r \rightarrow 1$  from below.

For each fixed  $r$  with  $0 < r < 1$ , the fun<sup>n</sup>  $v(r, \theta)$  has a Fourier series  $\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a_n(r) e^{in\theta}$  where  $a_n(r) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} v(r, \theta) e^{-in\theta} d\theta$

Note that, 
$$\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial v}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial \theta^2} = 0 \quad (*)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial \theta^2} e^{-in\theta} d\theta &= \underbrace{\frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\partial v}{\partial \theta} e^{-in\theta}}_0 \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} + \frac{in}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{\partial v}{\partial \theta} e^{-in\theta} d\theta \\ &= \underbrace{\frac{in}{2\pi} v e^{-in\theta}}_0 \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} - \frac{n^2}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} v e^{-in\theta} d\theta \\ &= -n^2 a_n(r) \end{aligned}$$

further,

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial r^2} e^{-in\theta} d\theta + \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1}{r} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{\partial v}{\partial r} e^{-in\theta} d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{d^2}{dr^2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} v e^{-in\theta} d\theta + \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1}{r} \frac{d}{dr} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} v e^{-in\theta} d\theta \\ &(\because v \text{ is twice continuously differentiable}) \\ &= a_n''(r) + \frac{1}{r} a_n'(r) \end{aligned}$$

So, by (\*) we get 
$$a_n''(r) + \frac{1}{r} a_n'(r) - \frac{n^2}{r^2} a_n(r) = 0$$

Substituting  $\lambda^m$ , we get  $m(m-1) + m - n^2 = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow m = \pm n$  (for  $n \neq 0$ )

So,  $a_n(\lambda) = A_n \lambda^{|n|} + B_n \lambda^{-|n|}$  for  $n \neq 0$ .

for  $n=0$ ,  $a_0(\lambda) = A_0 + B_0 \log(\lambda)$

Since  $v$  is bounded,  $a_n(\lambda)$ 's are b'nd. But  $\lambda^{-n}$  &  $\log(\lambda)$  is not b'nd as  $\lambda \rightarrow 0$ . So,  $B_n$ 's are zero.

Since  $v$  conv. uniformly to  $f$  as  $\lambda \rightarrow 1$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} A_n &= \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 1} a_n(\lambda) = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 1} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} v(\lambda, \theta) e^{-in\theta} d\theta \\ &= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 1} v(\lambda, \theta) e^{-in\theta} d\theta \\ &= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(\theta) e^{-in\theta} d\theta = \hat{f}(n) \end{aligned}$$

Hence, for each  $0 < \lambda < 1$ , the Fourier series of  $u$  &  $v$  are same in any circle of radius  $\lambda$ .

Since  $v$  is cont., by corollary of Fejer's thm, we conclude that  $u=v$ .

Example 1:  $l^2(\mathbb{Z}) = \{ (\dots, a_{-n}, \dots, a_0, \dots, a_n, \dots) : a_i \in \mathbb{C} \text{ \& } \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |a_n|^2 < \infty \}$

Add<sup>n</sup> & scalar multip<sup>n</sup> is defined component-wise.

for  $A = (\dots, a_{-n}, \dots, a_0, \dots, a_n, \dots)$ ,

$$\|A\| = \left( \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |a_n|^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

The triangle inequality can be shown as follows:

let  $A, B \in l^2(\mathbb{Z})$ . Def.  $A_N = (\dots, 0, a_{-N}, \dots, a_0, \dots, a_N, 0, \dots)$  &

$B_N$  similarly. Then  $\|A_N + B_N\| \leq \|A_N\| + \|B_N\| \leq \|A\| + \|B\|$

By letting  $N \rightarrow \infty$ , we get  $\|A+B\| \leq \|A\| + \|B\|$

Hence,  $l^2(\mathbb{Z})$  is a vector sp.

Sim. to triangle ineq., we can show Cauchy-Schwarz

$$\left| \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a_n \bar{b}_n \right| \leq \|A\| \|B\|$$

Therefore, we can define the inner product

$$\langle A, B \rangle := \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a_n \bar{b}_n$$

Note:  $\|A\| = \langle A, A \rangle^{1/2}$

Hilbert space: If a vector space with an inner product is complete w.r.t. norm induced by the inner product, then it is called a Hilbert space.

eg:  $l^2(\mathbb{Z})$ ,  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\mathbb{C}^n$ .

Example 2: Let  $R$  denote the set of all complex valued Riemann integrable fun<sup>n</sup>s on  $[0, 2\pi]$ .

Def: 
$$\|f\| = \left( \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |f(\theta)|^2 d\theta \right)^{1/2}$$

One can prove Cauchy-Schwarz & triangle inequality for this example.

$R$  is a vector sp. with pt. wise add<sup>n</sup> & scalar multiplication.

$$(f+g)(\theta) = f(\theta) + g(\theta)$$

$$(\lambda f)(\theta) = \lambda \cdot f(\theta)$$

An inner product here is defined as

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(\theta) \cdot \bar{g}(\theta) d\theta$$

In order to ensure that  $\|f\|=0 \Rightarrow f=0$ , we assume

$f \sim g$  if  $f-g$  vanishes except on a set of 'measure zero'.

- A set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is said to be of 'measure zero' if

$$\inf \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (b_n - a_n) : A \subseteq \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} [a_n, b_n] \right\} = 0$$

eg: singleton sets,  $\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\mathbb{Q}$  are of measure zero.

Note that  $\mathbb{R}$  is not complete.

Thm: Let  $f$  be an int. fun<sup>n</sup> on the circle.

Then  $\|f - S_N(f)\| \rightarrow 0$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$  i.e.  $\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |f - S_N(f)|^2 d\theta \rightarrow 0$

Pf: Set  $e_n = e^{in\theta}$

Clearly,  $\langle e_n, e_m \rangle = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } n=m \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

Let  $a_n = \hat{f}(n)$  for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

$$\langle f, e_n \rangle = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(\theta) e^{-in\theta} d\theta = \hat{f}(n) = a_n$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f - S_N(f), e_m \rangle &= \langle f - \sum_{|n| \leq N} a_n e_n, e_m \rangle \quad \text{for } |m| \leq N \\ &= \langle f, e_m \rangle - a_m = 0 \end{aligned}$$

i.e.,  $f - S_N(f) \perp e_m \quad \forall |m| \leq N$

i.e.,  $f - S_N(f) \perp \sum_{|n| \leq N} b_n e_n$  for any  $b_n \in \mathbb{C}$ .  $-(*)$

lem: (Best approximation)

If  $f$  is integrable on the circle with Fourier coeffs.  $a_n$ ,

then  $\|f - S_n\| \leq \|f - \sum_{|n| \leq n} c_n e_n\|$

Pf:

$$\begin{aligned} \|f - \sum_{|n| \leq n} c_n e_n\|^2 &= \|f - \sum_{|n| \leq n} a_n e_n + \sum_{|n| \leq n} (a_n - c_n) e_n\|^2 \\ &= \|f - \sum_{|n| \leq n} a_n e_n\|^2 + \|\sum_{|n| \leq n} (a_n - c_n) e_n\|^2 \quad (\text{using } *) \\ &= \|f - \sum_{|n| \leq n} a_n e_n\|^2 + \sum_{|n| \leq n} (a_n - c_n)^2 \\ &\geq \|f - S_n(f)\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the lemma holds.

Suppose  $f$  is cont. on the circle. Then by Fejer's thm, given  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists$  a trigonometric polynomial  $P(\theta)$  say of degree  $m$

s.t.  $|f(\theta) - P(\theta)| < \epsilon \quad \forall \theta \in [0, 2\pi]$

$$\Rightarrow \|f - P\| \leq \left( \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |f(\theta) - P(\theta)|^2 d\theta \right)^{1/2} < \epsilon$$

Hence by prev. lemma,  $\|f - S_n(f)\| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq N$

This proves the thm when  $f$  is cont.

Lemma: (Appendix lemma 1.5 Stein & Shakarchi)

Suppose  $f$  is int. on the circle & is bounded by  $B$ .

Then  $\exists$  a seq.  $\{f_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$  of cont. fcn's on the circle s.t.  
 $\sup_{x \in [0, 2\pi]} |f_k(x)| \leq B \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  &  $\int_0^{2\pi} |f(x) - f_k(x)| dx \rightarrow 0$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ .

(Pf of Thm continued)

Let  $f$  be merely integrable.

Let  $B = \sup_{\theta \in [0, 2\pi]} |f(\theta)|$  & let  $\epsilon > 0$ . By prev. lemma,  $\exists$  continuous fcn  $g$  on the circle s.t.

$$\sup_{\theta \in [0, 2\pi]} |g(\theta)| < B \quad \& \quad \int_0^{2\pi} |f(\theta) - g(\theta)| d\theta \leq \frac{\epsilon^2 \pi}{4B}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } \|f - g\|^2 &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |f(\theta) - g(\theta)|^2 d\theta = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |f(\theta) - g(\theta)| |f(\theta) - g(\theta)| d\theta \\ &\leq \frac{2B}{2\pi} \underbrace{\int_0^{2\pi} |f(\theta) - g(\theta)| d\theta}_{\leq \frac{\epsilon^2 \pi}{4B}} \\ &\leq \frac{\epsilon^2}{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \|f - g\| \leq \epsilon/2$$

Since  $g$  is cont.,  $\exists$  a trigonometric poly.  $P$  of deg  $m$  st  
 $\|g - P\| < \epsilon/2$

So,  $\|f - P\| \leq \|f - g\| + \|g - P\| < \epsilon$

Hence, by Best Approx. lemma,  $\|f - S_N(f)\| < \epsilon \quad \forall N \geq m$

This completes the proof.

Recall:  $l^2(\mathbb{Z})$  &  $\mathbb{R}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We have } \|f\|^2 &= \|f - S_N(f)\|^2 + \|S_N(f)\|^2 \\ &= \|f - S_N(f)\|^2 + \sum_{|n| \leq N} |a_n|^2 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\|f - S_N(f)\| \rightarrow 0$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ , we get

$$\|f\|^2 = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |a_n|^2$$

This is Parseval's identity

An orthonormal set of a complete inner product space (i.e. Hilbert space) which satisfies Parseval's identity is called an orthonormal basis of the Hilbert space.

The set  $\{(\dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots) : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is an orb of  $l^2(\mathbb{Z})$ .  
↑  $n^{\text{th}}$  position

Rem:  $l^2(\mathbb{Z})$  is complete but  $\mathbb{R}$  is not complete.

So,  $\exists \{a_n\}_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \in l^2(\mathbb{Z})$  s.t.  $\nexists f \in \mathbb{R}$  whose Fourier coeffs. are  $a_n$ .

Thm: (Riemann-Lebesgue lemma)

If  $f$  is integrable on the circle, then  $\hat{f}(n) \rightarrow 0$  as  $|n| \rightarrow \infty$

Pf: Since  $\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |\hat{f}(n)|^2 < \infty$ , it follows that  $|\hat{f}(n)| \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$   
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Pp<sup>n</sup>: Suppose  $f, g$  &  $h$  are integrable fun<sup>n</sup>s on the circle.

Then

$$\underline{1.} \quad f * (g+h) = (f * g) + (f * h)$$

$$\underline{2.} \quad (cf) * g = c(f * g) = f * (cg)$$

$$\underline{3.} \quad f * g \text{ is cts.}$$

Pf: 1. & 2. Trivial

3. Assume  $g$  is cts.

Let  $\epsilon > 0$  be given. Since  $g$  is cts., it is uniformly cts. on  $[-\pi, \pi]$ .

So,  $\exists \delta > 0$  s.t.  $|s-t| < \delta \Rightarrow |g(s) - g(t)| < \epsilon$

Let  $x_1, x_2 \in [-\pi, \pi]$  &  $|x_1 - x_2| < \delta$ .

$$\begin{aligned} |(f * g)(x_1) - (f * g)(x_2)| &\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(y)| \cdot |g(x_1 - y) - g(x_2 - y)| dy \\ &< \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(y)| \cdot \epsilon dy = \frac{\epsilon}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(y)| dy \end{aligned}$$

Since  $f$  is integrable, we get  $f * g$  is cts. in this case.

Next, assume that  $g$  is integrable (not necessarily cts.).

Apply a prev. lemma to  $g$  to obtain cts.  $f^n$ 's  $\{g_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$  of approximating  $f^n$ 's.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then, } |(f * g - f * g_k)(x)| &= |f * (g - g_k)(x)| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(y)| \cdot |g(x-y) - g_k(x-y)| dy \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \sup_{y \in [-\pi, \pi]} |f(y)| \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |g(x-y) - g_k(x-y)| dy \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \sup_{y \in [-\pi, \pi]} |f(y)| \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |g(z) - g_k(z)| dz \\ &\rightarrow 0 \quad \text{uniformly as } k \rightarrow \infty \end{aligned}$$

Since  $f * g_k$  are cts., it follows that  $f * g$  is cts.

Pp<sup>n</sup>: Suppose  $f, g$  &  $h$  are integrable fun<sup>n</sup>s on the circle.

Then  $\therefore \hat{f * g}(n) = \hat{f}(n) \cdot \hat{g}(n) \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$

$\therefore (f * g) * h = f * (g * h)$

Pf: Assume  $f, g$  &  $h$  are cts.

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{f * g}(n) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (f * g)(x) e^{-inx} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(y) \cdot g(x-y) dy e^{-inx} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(y) \frac{e^{-iny}}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} g(x-y) e^{-in(x-y)} dx dy \quad (\text{Fubini's}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(y) \frac{e^{-iny}}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} g(z) e^{-inz} dz dy \quad (\text{Then}) \\ &= \hat{f}(n) \cdot \hat{g}(n)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}((f * g) * h)(x) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (f * g)(z) h(x-z) dz \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(y) g(z-y) dy h(x-z) dz \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{f(y)}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} g(z-y) h(x-z) dz dy\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{f(y)}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \underbrace{g(z-y)}_w \underbrace{h((x-y)-(z-y))}_w dz dy \\
&= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(y) (g * h)(x-y) dy \\
&= f * (g * h)(x)
\end{aligned}$$

Pf: for the general case where  $f, g, h$  are not necessarily cts.  
 $\exists \{f_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}, \{g_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}, \{h_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$  be the seq. of cts. fun's on the circle approximating  $f, g, h$  resp. by lemma proved earlier.

$$\begin{aligned}
| \hat{f * g}(n) - \hat{f}(n) \cdot \hat{g}(n) | &\leq | \hat{f * g}(n) - \hat{f}_k * \hat{g}_k(n) | \\
&\quad + | \hat{f}_k * \hat{g}_k(n) - \hat{f}(n) \cdot \hat{g}(n) | \\
&= | \hat{f * g}(n) - \hat{f}_k * \hat{g}_k(n) | \\
(\text{by prev. part}) &\quad + | \hat{f}_k \cdot \hat{g}_k(n) - \hat{f}(n) \cdot \hat{g}(n) |
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
f * g - f_k * g_k &= (f * g - f_k * g) + (f_k * g - f_k * g_k) \\
&= (f - f_k) * g + f_k * (g - g_k)
\end{aligned}$$

by the argument similar to the pp<sup>n</sup> ( $f * g$  is cont.),

$$f_k * g_k \rightarrow f * g \text{ uniformly}$$

Let  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists k_0$  s.t.  $\forall k \geq k_0$ ,  $\sup |(f_k * g_k)(n) - (f * g)(n)| < \epsilon/2$

$$\begin{aligned} (f_k * g_k - f_k * g)(n) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f_k(y)| |(g_k - g)(n-y)| dy \\ (\exists B \text{ s.t. } |f_k(y)| \leq B) &\leq \frac{B}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |g_k(z) - g(z)| dz \\ &< \epsilon/2 \quad (\exists k_1 \text{ s.t. } \forall k \geq k_1) \end{aligned}$$

For  $k \geq \max\{k_0, k_1\}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |\hat{f} * \hat{g}(n) - \hat{f}_k * \hat{g}_k(n)| &\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |(f * g(x) - f_k * g_k(x)) e^{-inx}| dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |(f * g)(n) - (f_k * g_k)(n)| dx \end{aligned}$$

Since  $f_k * g_k \rightarrow f * g$  uniformly, we get  $\hat{f} * \hat{g}(n) \rightarrow \hat{f}_k * \hat{g}_k(n)$

$$|\hat{f}(n) - \hat{f}_k(n)| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x) - f_k(x)| dx \rightarrow 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{f}_k(n) \rightarrow \hat{f}(n)$$

Similarly,  $\hat{g}_k(n) \rightarrow \hat{g}(n)$

Thus  $\hat{f}_k(n) \cdot \hat{g}_k(n) \rightarrow \hat{f}(n) \cdot \hat{g}(n)$

for associativity,

$$(f * g) * h - (f_k * g_k) * h_k = [(f * g) * h - (f_k * g_k) * h] + [(f_k * g_k) * h - (f_k * g_k) * h_k]$$

Both of these can be made  $< \epsilon/2$ , hence

$$(f_k * g_k) * h_k \rightarrow (f * g) * h$$

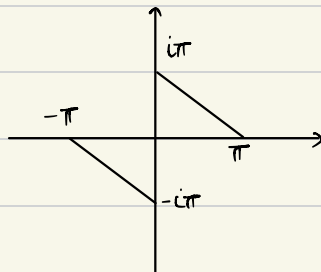
Sim.  $f_k * (g_k * h_k) \rightarrow f * (g * h)$ .

Combining, we get the result.

## Sawtooth $f_n^n$

$$f(\theta) = \begin{cases} i(\pi - \theta) & \text{for } 0 < \theta \leq \pi \\ i(-\pi - \theta) & \text{for } -\pi \leq \theta < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\& f(0) = 0$$



The Fourier series of  $f$  is  $\sum_{n \neq 0} \frac{e^{in\theta}}{n}$

$$S_N(f)(\theta) = f_N(\theta) = \sum_{0 < |n| \leq N} \frac{e^{in\theta}}{n}$$

$$\tilde{f}_N(\theta) = \sum_{n=-N}^{-1} \frac{e^{in\theta}}{n}$$

Objective: To construct a cts.  $f_n^n$  on the circle whose Fourier series at 0 diverges.

Claim:  $\sum_{n=-\infty}^{-1} \frac{e^{in\theta}}{n}$  is not a Fourier series of a Riemann int'ble  $f(x)$

Pf: Assume that it is the Fourier series of a Riemann int'ble  $f(x)$   $\tilde{f}$ .

$$\text{Then } A_x(\tilde{f})(\theta) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x^{|n|} e^{in\theta}}{n}$$

$$\therefore |A_x(\tilde{f})(\theta)| = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n} \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } x \rightarrow 1$$

$$\left( \because \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \text{ diverges} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{But } |A_x(\tilde{f})(\theta)| &\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |\tilde{f}(\theta)| P_x(0-\theta) d\theta \\ &\leq \sup |\tilde{f}(\theta)| \end{aligned}$$

This is a cont'd<sup>n</sup>.

Claim: 1.  $|\tilde{f}_N(0)| \geq \log N$

2.  $f_N(\theta)$  is uniformly b'nd wrt  $N$  &  $\theta$ .

$$\left( \tilde{f}_N(\theta) = \sum_{n=-N}^1 \frac{e^{in\theta}}{n}, \quad f_N(\theta) = \sum_{0 < |n| \leq N} \frac{e^{in\theta}}{n} \right)$$

Pf: for 1., note that  $|\tilde{f}_N(0)| = \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{n} \geq \int_1^{N+1} \frac{dx}{x} \geq \int_1^N \frac{dx}{x}$   
 $\geq \log(N)$

for 2., we need the following lemma.

lem: Suppose that the Abel means  $A_\lambda = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda^n c_n$  of the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n$  are bounded as  $\lambda \rightarrow 1$  from below.

If  $c_n = O(1/n)$ , then the partial sums  $S_N = \sum_{n=1}^N c_n$  are bounded.

Pf:  $\lambda = 1 - 1/N$ . Since  $c_n = O(1/n)$ ,  $\exists n_0 \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  &  $M > 0$  s.t.

$$|c_n| \leq \frac{M}{n} \quad \forall n \geq n_0$$

for  $N \geq n_0$ ,  $|S_N - A_\lambda| = \left| \sum_{n=1}^N (c_n - \lambda^n c_n) + \sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} \lambda^n c_n \right|$

$$(1-x^n) = (1+x+\dots+x^{n-1})(1-x)$$

$$\leq n(1-x) \quad [\because x < 1]$$

$$\Rightarrow |S_N - A_x| \leq \sum_{n=1}^N n(1-x)|c_n| + \frac{M}{N} \sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} x^n$$

$$\leq \sum_{n=1}^N M(1-x) + \frac{M}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$$

$$= MN(1-x) + \frac{M}{N(1-x)}$$

$$= 2M \quad \left[ \because x = 1 - \frac{1}{N} \right]$$

Since  $A_x$ 's are also bounded as  $x \rightarrow 1$  from below, we conclude that  $S_N$ 's are bounded.

We apply the lemma to the series  $\sum_{n \neq 0} \frac{e^{in\theta}}{n}$  with

$$c_n = \frac{e^{in\theta}}{n} + \frac{e^{-in\theta}}{(-n)} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$$

$$\Rightarrow |c_n| \leq \frac{2}{|n|} \quad \text{ie.} \quad c_n = O\left(\frac{1}{|n|}\right)$$



Claim: If  $\alpha_k = 1/k^2$  &  $N_k = 3^{2^k}$  for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ , then the fn<sup>n</sup>  
 $g(\theta) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \alpha_k P_{N_k}(\theta)$  is the desired fn<sup>n</sup>.

Pf: We have  $|P_{N_k}(\theta)| = |e^{i(2N_k)\theta} f_{N_k}(\theta)| = |f_{N_k}(\theta)|$

Since  $f_n$ 's are uniformly b'nd, so is  $P_N$  i.e.  $\exists B > 0$  s.t.  $|P_N(\theta)| < B$

$$\therefore |\alpha_k P_{N_k}(\theta)| \leq \frac{B}{k^2}$$

So,  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \alpha_k P_{N_k}(\theta)$  conv. uniformly by Weierstrass M-test.

Since  $\sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k P_{N_k}(\theta)$  are cts. & periodic, the fn<sup>n</sup>  $g$  is cts. & periodic.

Since  $3^{2^{k+1}} > 3^{2^k+1} = 3 \cdot 3^{2^k}$ , we have  $N_{k+1} > 3N_k$

Claim:  $|S_{2N_m}(g)(0)| > \alpha_m \log N_m + c$

Pf:  $|S_{2N_m}(\alpha_m P_{N_m})(0)| = |\alpha_m \tilde{P}_{N_m}(0)| > \alpha_m \log N_m$   
( $|\tilde{f}_N(0)| > \log N$ )

for  $k < m$ ,  $2N_m > 2 \cdot 3 N_k$  prev. lemma

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \left| S_{2N_m} \left( \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \alpha_k P_{N_k}(\theta) \right) \right| &= \left| \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \alpha_k P_{N_k}(f)(\theta) \right| \\ &\leq \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \frac{B}{k^2} \leq \frac{\pi^2 B}{6} \end{aligned}$$

for  $k' > m$ ,  $2N_m < \frac{2N_{k'}}{3} < N_{k'}$

$$\left| S_{2N_m}(\alpha_{k'} P_{N_{k'}}(\theta)) \right| = 0 \quad (\text{by prev. lemma})$$

So, the claim holds.

Since  $\alpha_k \log N_k = \frac{1}{k^2} \log 3^{2^k} = \frac{2^k}{k^2} \log(3) \rightarrow \infty$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$

Hence,  $|S_{2N_m}(g)(0)| \rightarrow \infty$  as  $m \rightarrow \infty$

Rem: 1. If  $f$  is diff. at a pt.  $\theta_0$ , then

$$S_N(f)(\theta_0) \rightarrow f(\theta_0) \text{ as } N \rightarrow \infty$$

2. If  $f$  is ctly diff. on the circle, then the Fourier series of  $f$  is absolutely & uniformly convergent.

(Rectified)

Lemma: Given  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n$  s.t.  $A_N = \sum_{n=1}^N x^n c_n$  is b'nd as  $x \rightarrow 1$

from below. Also,  $c_n = O(\frac{1}{n})$ .

Then, for  $S_N = \sum_{n=1}^N c_n$ ,  $\{S_N\}_{N=1}^{\infty}$  is a b'nd seq.

Pf: Let  $x = 1 - \frac{1}{N}$ .

$$\exists M_1 > 0 \text{ \& } n_0 \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0} \text{ s.t. } |c_n| < \frac{M_1}{n} \quad \forall n \geq n_0$$

$$\text{Let } M = \max\{|c_1|, 2|c_2|, \dots, n_0|c_{n_0}|, M_1\}$$

$\forall N \geq n_0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |S_N - Ax| &= \left| \sum_{n=1}^N c_n - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x^n c_n \right| \\ &= \left| \sum_{n=1}^N c_n(1-x^n) + \sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} x^n c_n \right| \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq \sum_{n=1}^N (1-x^n) |c_n| + \sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} x^n |c_n|$$

$$\leq \sum_{n=1}^N n(1-x) |c_n| + \sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} x^n |c_n|$$

$$(\because (1-x^n) = (1-x)(1+x+\dots+x^{n-1}))$$

$$(1+x+\dots+x^{n-1})$$

$$\leq \sum_{n=1}^N (1-x) M + \sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} x^n |c_n|$$

$$\leq n(1-x)$$

## Distribution theory

let  $\Omega$  be an open set in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  & let  $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Then the support of  $f$ , denoted by  $\text{supp } f$ , is defined as the closure of  $\{x \in \Omega : f(x) \neq 0\}$

Def<sup>n</sup>: let  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  be an open set. The class of test fns

$\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$  consists of fns  $\varphi$  defined on  $\Omega$ , vanishing outside a b'nd set  $B$  of  $\Omega$  s.t.  $\bar{B} \cap \partial\Omega = \emptyset$  & all

the partial derivatives of all orders of  $\varphi$  are cts.

(i.e.  $\varphi \in C^\infty$ )

Note:  $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$  is a vector space.

In fact, it is a locally convex topological vector space.

eg: On  $\mathbb{R}$ , 
$$\varphi(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-1/x^2}, & x > 0 \\ 0, & x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

Note that 
$$\frac{d^k}{dx^k} e^{-1/x^2} = \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} e^{-1/x^2}$$

where  $p$  &  $q$  are polynomials.



1.  $\varphi(x) = \varphi(x)\varphi(1-x)$  is a test  $f_n^m$  & vanishes outside  $0 < x < 1$

2. If  $\varphi$  is a test  $f_n^m$ , then  $\varphi_{x_0}(x) = \varphi(x+x_0)$  is also a test  $f_n^m$ .

3. Sim.,  $a\varphi$ ,  $a_1\varphi_1(x) + a_2\varphi_2(x)$  are test  $f_n^m$ 's.

4. Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\varphi: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Then with  $\tilde{\Omega} = \Omega \times \Omega \times \dots \times \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\varphi_i: \tilde{\Omega} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  def. by  $\varphi_i(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \varphi(x_1)\varphi(x_2)\dots\varphi(x_n)$  is also a test  $f_n^m$ .

Def<sup>n</sup>: A seq. of test  $f_n^m$ 's  $\{\varphi_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  in  $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$  is said to converge to 0 in  $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$  if  $\exists$  a compact set  $K \subset \Omega$  s.t.  $\text{supp } \varphi_n \subseteq K \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  &  $\varphi_n$  & all its derivatives converge uniformly to 0 on  $K$ .

Def<sup>n</sup>: The class of distributions on  $\Omega$ , denoted by  $\mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$  is defined as the set of all cts. linear functionals on  $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ . The distributions will be denoted by  $\langle f, \varphi \rangle$  where  $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ .

This means the linear functional is  $\varphi \mapsto \langle f, \varphi \rangle$

By linearity,  $\langle f, a_1\varphi_1 + a_2\varphi_2 \rangle = a_1\langle f, \varphi_1 \rangle + a_2\langle f, \varphi_2 \rangle$

eg: 1. If  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is cts., then  $\langle f, \varphi \rangle = \int f(x)\varphi(x) dx$  is a distribution

2. Since  $\int_{|x| < r} |x|^{-t} dx$  converges for  $t < n$  (in  $n$  dimensions)

& diverges for  $t \geq n$ .

The form  $|x|^{-t}$  for  $t < n$  gives rise to the distribution

$$\langle f, \varphi \rangle = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |x|^{-t} \varphi(x) dx$$

$$\left( \int_{|x| < r} \frac{dx}{|x|^t} = \int_{|x| < r} \int \frac{dx_1 dx_2}{(x_1^2 + x_2^2)^{t/2}} = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^r \frac{x dx d\theta}{x^t} = 2\pi \int_0^r \frac{dx}{x^{t-1}} \right)$$

converges for  $0 < t-1 < 1$ ,  $t < 2 = n$

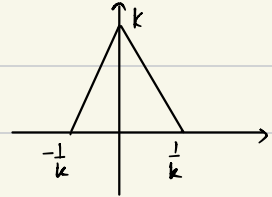
3. Dirac  $\delta$ -fn is defined by  $\langle \delta, \varphi \rangle = \varphi(0)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Linearity: } a_1 \langle \delta, \psi_1 \rangle + a_2 \langle \delta, \psi_2 \rangle &= a_1 \psi_1(0) + a_2 \psi_2(0) \\ &= \langle \delta, a_1 \psi_1 + a_2 \psi_2 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

where  $\psi_1, \psi_2 \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R})$

Motivation for  $\delta$  : Let  $f_k$  be given by

$$\langle f_k, \varphi \rangle = \int f_k(x) \varphi(x) dx$$



Assume  $\varphi(x)$  to be const. around 0 for a small interval.

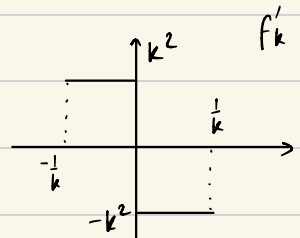
$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \langle f_k, \varphi \rangle &= \varphi(0) \int f_k(x) dx = \varphi(0) \\ &= \langle \delta, \varphi \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\langle f_k, \varphi \rangle \rightarrow \langle \delta, \varphi \rangle \quad \text{as } k \rightarrow \infty$$

i.e.  $f_k \rightarrow \delta$  in distribution

4.  $\delta'$  is defined by  $\langle \delta', \psi \rangle = -\psi'(0)$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f'_k, \varphi \rangle &= \int f'_k(x) \varphi(x) dx \\ &= \frac{k^2}{k} \varphi(-1/2k) - \frac{k^2}{k} \varphi(1/2k) \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{\varphi\left(\frac{-1}{2k}\right) - \varphi\left(\frac{1}{2k}\right)}{1/k} \\
&= \frac{\varphi\left(\frac{-1}{2k}\right) - \varphi(0)}{1/k} + \frac{\varphi(0) - \varphi\left(\frac{1}{2k}\right)}{1/k}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \langle f'_k, \varphi \rangle &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\varphi\left(\frac{-1}{2k}\right) - \varphi(0)}{1/k} + \frac{\varphi(0) - \varphi\left(\frac{1}{2k}\right)}{1/k} \\
&= -\frac{\varphi'(0)}{2} - \frac{\varphi'(0)}{2} = -\varphi'(0)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle f'_k, \varphi \rangle \rightarrow -\varphi'(0) = \langle S', \varphi \rangle \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\Rightarrow f'_k \rightarrow S' \text{ in distribution}$$

Alternately, assuming  $f$  is classically diff, we get using integration by parts

0 ( $\because \varphi$  has compact support)

$$\begin{aligned}
\int f'_k(x) \varphi(x) dx &= \overbrace{f_k(x) \varphi(x)}^{\phantom{f_k(x) \varphi(x)}} \Big|_{-\infty}^{\infty} - \int f_k(x) \varphi'(x) dx \\
&= -\int f_k(x) \varphi'(x) dx \\
&= -\langle S, \varphi \rangle = -\varphi(0) \\
&= \langle S', \varphi \rangle
\end{aligned}$$

Def<sup>n</sup>: A fun<sup>n</sup>  $f$  def. on  $\Omega$  for which  $\int f(x)\varphi(x) dx$  is absolutely conv. for every  $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\Omega)$  is called locally int'ble, denoted by  $f \in L^1_{loc}(\Omega)$ .

eg: 1. Any int'ble fun<sup>n</sup> is loc. int'ble.

2.  $f(x) = 1$  is loc. int'ble but not int'ble on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

3.  $f(x) = 1/x$  is loc. int'ble but not int'ble on  $(0, \infty)$ .

4.  $f(x) = 1/x$  is not loc. int'ble on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Rem: 1. If  $f \notin L^1_{loc}(\Omega)$ , then the associated distributions are badly behaved (ie there can be more than one distribution).

for  $\frac{1}{|x|}$ , we have  $\langle f, \varphi \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{-a} \frac{\varphi(x)}{|x|} dx + \int_{-a}^a \frac{\varphi(x) - \varphi(0)}{|x|} dx + \int_a^{\infty} \frac{\varphi(x)}{|x|} dx$

2.  $\mathcal{D}(\Omega) \subset L^1_{loc}(\Omega) \subset \mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$

Def<sup>n</sup>: We say a seq.  $\{f_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$  of distr. conv. to a distr.  $f$  if the seq.  $\{\langle f_k, \varphi \rangle\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$  conv. to  $\langle f, \varphi \rangle \forall \varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R})$ .  
We write  $f_k \rightarrow f$  in distribution.

Def<sup>n</sup>: A operation means a linear operator, i.e.

1. for  $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $T\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R})$
2.  $T(a_1\varphi_1 + a_2\varphi_2) = a_1T\varphi_1 + a_2T\varphi_2$

Def<sup>n</sup>: Let  $f$  &  $g$  be fun<sup>s</sup> on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Then the convolution of  $f$  &  $g$  is defined as

$$(f * g)(x) = \int f(x-y) g(y) dy$$

whenever it exists.

Ex:  $f * g = g * f$  for  $f, g$  int<sup>2</sup>ble.

for  $\phi \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R})$  with compact support,  $\int \phi(x) dx = 1$ ,

$\phi(x) \geq 0, \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$

Def.  $\phi_\epsilon(x) = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \phi(x/\epsilon) \quad \forall \epsilon > 0$ .

lem: If  $f$  is cts. on  $\mathbb{R}$ , then the fcn  $f * \phi_\epsilon$  conv. uniformly to  $f$  on every b'nd interval  $[a, b]$ .

Pf: let  $c > 0$  s.t.  $\phi(x) = 0 \quad \forall |x| \geq c$ .

$$\int \phi_\epsilon(x) dx = \int \frac{1}{\epsilon} \phi\left(\frac{x}{\epsilon}\right) dx = \int \phi(z) dz = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore (f * \phi_\epsilon)(x) - f(x) &= \int f(x-y) \phi_\epsilon(y) dy - \int f(x) \phi_\epsilon(y) dy \\ \left( \begin{array}{l} \because \phi_\epsilon(x) = 0 \\ \forall |x| \geq c\epsilon \end{array} \right) &= \int_{-c\epsilon}^{c\epsilon} (f(x-y) - f(x)) \cdot \phi_\epsilon(y) dy \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore |(f * \phi_\epsilon)(x) - f(x)| &\leq \sup_{|y| \leq c\epsilon} |f(x-y) - f(x)| \int_{-c\epsilon}^{c\epsilon} \phi_\epsilon(y) dy \\ &= \sup_{|y| \leq c\epsilon} |f(x-y) - f(x)| \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\epsilon' > 0$ . The continuity of  $f$  gives that the form  $f$  is uniformly cts. on b'nd interval  $[a, b]$

This implies  $\exists \delta > 0$  s.t.  $x \in [a, b]$ ,  $|y| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x-y) - f(x)| < \epsilon'$

Choosing  $\epsilon < \delta/c$ , we get  $|(f * \phi_\epsilon)(x) - f(x)| < \epsilon'$ .

Thm: 1. Given any distr.  $f \in \mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$ ,  $\exists$  a seq. of test fun's  $\{\phi_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  s.t.  $\phi_n \rightarrow f$  in distr.

2. If  $\{f_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  is a seq. of distr. s.t.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle f_n, \varphi \rangle$  exists  $\forall \varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ , then  $\langle f, \varphi \rangle = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle f_n, \varphi \rangle$  defines a distr. &  $f_n \rightarrow f$  in distr.

(An application of UBP for locally convex topologies)

Def<sup>n</sup>: If  $T$  is an operation,  $f$  is a distr. s.t.  $\{\varphi_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  of test fun's with  $\varphi_n \rightarrow f$  &  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T\varphi_n$  exists & is indep. of the choice of  $\{\varphi_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ , then  $Tf$  is defined as  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T\varphi_n$

(This is the case for most interesting operators & it is a consequence of continuity)

Let  $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ ,  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ .

Then by lemma,  $(\varphi * \phi_\epsilon)(0) \rightarrow \varphi(0)$  as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$

$$\therefore (\phi_\epsilon * \varphi)(0) \rightarrow \varphi(0) \text{ as } \epsilon \rightarrow 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \phi_\epsilon(-y) \varphi(y) dy \rightarrow \varphi(0)$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \tilde{\varphi}_n(z) \varphi(z) dz \rightarrow \varphi(0) \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{with } \tilde{\varphi}_n(y) = \phi_{\frac{1}{n}}(-y) \\ \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty \end{array} \right)$$

$$\text{i.e. } \langle \tilde{\varphi}_n, \varphi \rangle \rightarrow \langle \delta, \varphi \rangle$$

$$\text{i.e. } \tilde{\varphi}_n \rightarrow \delta \text{ in distribution \& } \int \tilde{\varphi}_n(x) dx = 1$$

for  $\tilde{\varphi}_n(x) = \phi_{1/n}(-x)$ , we have  $\tilde{\varphi}_n \rightarrow \delta$  in distribution

Example 1: fix  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Define  $(T\varphi)(x) = \varphi(x+y)$ ,  $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

let  $\tilde{\varphi}_n \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  be s.t.  $\tilde{\varphi}_n \rightarrow f$  in dist, i.e.

$$\langle f, \varphi \rangle = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle \tilde{\varphi}_n, \varphi \rangle \quad \forall \varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int T\tilde{\varphi}_n(x) \varphi(x) dx &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int \tilde{\varphi}_n(x+y) \varphi(x) dx \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int \tilde{\varphi}_n(z) \varphi(z-y) dz \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{with} \\ z = x+y \end{array} \right) \\ &= \langle f, \varphi(\cdot - y) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So, } \langle Tf, \varphi \rangle = \langle f, \varphi(\cdot - y) \rangle$$

We have  $(\varphi * \phi_\epsilon)(-y) \rightarrow \varphi(-y)$

$$\Rightarrow (\phi_\epsilon * \varphi)(-y) \rightarrow \varphi(-y)$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \phi_\epsilon(-y-z) \varphi(z) dz \rightarrow \varphi(-y) \quad \text{as } \epsilon \rightarrow 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \tilde{\varphi}_n(z+y) \varphi(z) dz \rightarrow \varphi(-y)$$

$$\Rightarrow \int T\tilde{\varphi}_n(z) \varphi(z) dz \rightarrow \varphi(-y)$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle T\delta, \varphi \rangle = \varphi(-y) \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{where } \tilde{\varphi}_n(x) = \phi_{1/n}(-x) \\ \tilde{\varphi}_n \rightarrow \delta \end{array} \right)$$

$$\text{Alternately, } \langle T\delta, \varphi \rangle = \langle \delta, \varphi(\cdot - y) \rangle = \varphi(-y)$$

The distribution  $\langle \delta, \varphi \rangle = \varphi(-y)$  is called the S-fm at  $-y$ .

Example 2 : let  $T = \frac{d}{dx}$  &  $n=1$ . We write  $T_y(n) = \varphi(x+y)$   
for translation &  $\frac{d}{dx} I\varphi(x) = \varphi(x)$  for  $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R})$

$$\text{Then } \frac{d}{dx} = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{y} (T_y - I)$$

$$\text{i.e. } \frac{d}{dx} f = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{T_y f - f}{y}$$

$$\langle T_y f, \varphi \rangle = \langle f, T_{-y} \varphi \rangle \quad (\because \langle T f, \varphi \rangle = \langle f, \varphi(\cdot - y) \rangle)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We have } \left\langle \frac{d}{dx} f, \varphi \right\rangle &= \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{y} (\langle f, T_{-y} \varphi \rangle - \langle f, \varphi \rangle) \\ &= \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \left\langle f, \frac{1}{y} (T_{-y} \varphi - \varphi) \right\rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{But, } \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{y} (T_{-y} \varphi - \varphi)(x) &= \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{\varphi(x-y) - \varphi(x)}{y} \\ &= -\varphi'(x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\left\langle \frac{df}{dx}, \varphi \right\rangle = - \left\langle f, \frac{d\varphi}{dx} \right\rangle$$

Alternately, let  $\{\tilde{\psi}_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a seq. in  $\mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R})$  s.t.  
 $\tilde{\psi}_n \rightarrow f$  in distr.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int \left( \frac{d}{dx} \tilde{\psi}_n(x) \right) \varphi(x) dx &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} - \int \tilde{\psi}_n(x) \varphi'(x) dx && \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{Integration} \\ \text{by Parts} \end{array} \right) \\ &= - \langle f, \varphi' \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So, } \left\langle \frac{df}{dx}, \varphi \right\rangle = - \langle f, \varphi' \rangle$$

Def<sup>n</sup>: A family of sets  $\{E_i : i \in \mathcal{I}\}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is said to be locally finite if for every pt.  $x$ ,  $\exists$  a nbd which intersects almost finitely many  $E_i$ 's.

Thm: Let  $\Omega$  be an open set in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  & let  $\{\Omega_i : i \in \mathcal{I}\}$  be a family of open sets s.t.  $\Omega = \bigcup_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \Omega_i$ .

Then  $\exists C^\infty$  fns  $\{\phi_i : i \in \mathcal{I}\}$  defined on  $\Omega$  st

1.  $\text{supp } \phi_i \subset \Omega_i$

2.  $\{\text{supp } \phi_i : i \in \mathcal{I}\}$  is locally finite

3.  $0 \leq \phi_i \leq 1 \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{I}$

4.  $\sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \phi_i = 1$

The coll.  $\{\phi_i : i \in \mathcal{I}\}$  is a locally-finite  $C^\infty$  partition of unity subordinate to the open cover  $\{\Omega_i : i \in \mathcal{I}\}$

$$\left( \text{Uses } f(x) = \begin{cases} e^{\frac{-a^2}{a^2 - |x|^2}}, & \text{if } |x| < a \\ 0, & \text{if } |x| \geq a \end{cases} \right)$$

Cor: Let  $K$  be compact set in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Then  $\exists \phi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  s.t.  $\phi = 1$  on  $K$ .

Pf: Let  $U$  be an open set whose closure is compact &  $K \subset U$ .

Then  $\{U, \mathbb{R}^n \setminus K\}$  is an open cover of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Let  $\{\phi, \psi\}$  be a locally finite  $C^\infty$  partition of unity subordinate to this cover s.t.  $\text{supp } \phi \subset U$ ,  $\text{supp } \psi \subset \mathbb{R}^n \setminus K$ .

We have  $0 \leq \phi, \psi$ ,  $\phi + \psi = 1$

further  $\psi \equiv 0$  on  $K$ . So,  $\phi \equiv 1$  on  $K$ .

Also,  $\text{supp } \phi \subset U \subset \bar{U}$  &  $\bar{U}$  is compact

Hence  $\phi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

The  $C^\infty$   $\phi$  constructed above is called a cutoff function w.r.t the compact set  $K$ .

Claim:  $\delta$  cannot be generated by a  $L^1_{loc}(\mathbb{R})$   $f$ .

Pf: Assume that  $\exists f \in L^1_{loc}(\mathbb{R})$  s.t.  $\langle f, \varphi \rangle = \langle \delta, \varphi \rangle \forall \varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R})$

Then for every  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists$  a  $\phi_\epsilon \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R})$  with support in  $B(0, \epsilon)$ ,  
 $0 \leq \phi_\epsilon \leq 1$  &  $\phi_\epsilon = 1$  on  $B(0, \epsilon/2)$

$$\langle \delta, \phi_\epsilon \rangle = \phi_\epsilon(0) = 1 \quad \forall \epsilon > 0$$

$$\langle \delta, \phi_\epsilon \rangle = \int f(x) \phi_\epsilon(x) dx = \int_{B(0, \epsilon)} f(x) \phi_\epsilon(x) dx$$

$$\text{So, } |\langle \delta, \phi_\epsilon \rangle| \leq \int_{B(0, \epsilon)} |f(x)| dx \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } \epsilon \rightarrow 0$$

This is a contradiction.

Another example of distribution

Let  $\mu$  be a Borel measure s.t.  $\mu(K) < \infty$  for every compact  $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Then  $\phi \rightarrow \int \phi d\mu$ ,  $\phi \in \mathcal{D}$  defines a dist.

Rem: 1. Distributions are infinitely differentiable

$$\left\langle \frac{d^n}{dx^n} f, \varphi \right\rangle = (-1)^n \left\langle f, \frac{d^n}{dx^n} \varphi \right\rangle \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$$

$$\langle D^\alpha f, \varphi \rangle = (-1)^{|\alpha|} \langle f, D^\alpha \varphi \rangle$$

multinomial  
notation for  
partial derivatives

2. The distributional derivative & the distribution generated by the classical derivatives are not necessarily same.

Define Heaviside  $f_{x^n}$  H.

$$H(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \geq 0 \\ 0, & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

The derivative of H a.e is 0.

H is locally int<sup>3</sup>ble & hence defines a distr.

Let  $H'$  be the distr. derivative

$$\begin{aligned} \langle H', \varphi \rangle &= -\langle H, \varphi' \rangle = -\int H(x) \varphi'(x) dx \\ &= -\int_0^{\infty} \varphi'(x) dx = \varphi(0) = \langle \delta, \varphi \rangle \quad \forall \varphi \in \mathcal{D} \end{aligned}$$

So,  $H' = \delta$

for absolutely cts. fn's &  $C^\infty$  fn's, the derivatives are same.

Rem: Operations on distr.

$$- \langle T_y f, \varphi \rangle = \langle f, T_y \varphi \rangle \quad \forall \varphi \in \mathcal{D}$$

$$- \langle \frac{d}{dx} f, \varphi \rangle = - \langle f, \frac{d}{dx} \varphi \rangle \quad \forall \varphi \in \mathcal{D}$$

- Linear  $T(\mathcal{D}) \subseteq \mathcal{D}$ , extending  $T$  to distributions

i.e.  $\tilde{\Psi}_n \rightarrow f$  exists  $\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T\tilde{\Psi}_n$  exists & is indep. of  $\tilde{\Psi}_n$

- Distributions are infinitely many times diff.

- Distr. derivative may not be same as the distr. induced by classical derivative.

But they are same for absolutely cts. fn's &  $C^\infty$  fn's.

- A fn<sup>n</sup>  $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is said to be abs. cts. if  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ ,

$\exists \delta > 0$  s.t. if  $\{[a_i, b_i] : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  is a coll. of disjoint

intervals in  $[a, b]$ , then

$$\sum_{i=1}^n b_i - a_i < \delta \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n |f(b_i) - f(a_i)| < \epsilon$$

- If  $f$  is abs. cts, then  $f$  is a.e. differentiable.

Another method of defining operations on distributions is the method of adjoint identities which is as follows:

let  $T$  be the op<sup>n</sup> with another operation  $S$  s.t

$$\int T\psi(x) \varphi(x) dx = \int \psi(x) S\varphi(x) dx, \quad \psi, \varphi \in \mathcal{D}$$
$$S\varphi \in \mathcal{D} \quad \forall \varphi \in \mathcal{D}$$

let  $\varphi_n \rightarrow f$  in distr. where  $\varphi_n \in \mathcal{D}$ .

$$\text{Then } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int T(\varphi_n(x)) \varphi(x) dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int \varphi_n(x) S\varphi(x) dx$$
$$= \langle f, S\varphi \rangle$$

So, it is indep. of the choice of  $\tilde{\varphi}_n \rightarrow f$

Thus, we can extend  $T$  to  $\mathcal{D}'$  &

$$\langle Tf, \varphi \rangle = \langle f, S\varphi \rangle \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{D}', \varphi \in \mathcal{D}$$

In the previous two examples

$$\langle \tau_y f, \varphi \rangle = \langle f, \tau_y \varphi \rangle$$

$$\& \langle \frac{d}{dx} f, \varphi \rangle = - \langle f, \frac{d}{dx} \varphi \rangle \quad \forall \varphi \in \mathcal{D}, f \in \mathcal{D}'$$

Example: Multiply by a  $C^\infty$   $m(x)$ .

Clearly the adjoint identity is

$$\int (m(x)\psi(x)) \varphi(x) dx = \int \psi(x) (m(x)\varphi(x)) dx$$

To ensure,  $m(x)\varphi(x) \in \mathcal{D}$  if  $\varphi(x) \in \mathcal{D}$ , we assume that  $m(x)$  is infinitely diff.

So, if we denote this op<sup>n</sup> by  $T$ , then

$$\langle T\psi, \varphi \rangle = \langle \psi, m\varphi \rangle \quad \forall \varphi \in \mathcal{D}$$

Let  $m$  be a  $C^\infty$   $f(x)$ . Then what is  $mS'$ ?

$$\text{for } \varphi \in \mathcal{D}, \quad \langle mS', \varphi \rangle = \langle S', m\varphi \rangle = -\langle S, (m\varphi)' \rangle$$

$$= -\langle S, m'\varphi \rangle - \langle S, m\varphi' \rangle$$

$$= -m'(0)\varphi(0) - m(0)\varphi'(0)$$

Rem: 1. Even if  $f \in L'_{loc}$ , the distr.  $(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_k})f$  need not correspond to a locally int'ble fun.

Nevertheless, we can perform various op<sup>n</sup>s on this distr.

In this sense, distribution theory can be thought of as completion of differential calculus.

2. The product of two arbitrary distributions may not be defined.

$$\text{We have } \text{sgn } x = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x > 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ -1 & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

Consider, if  $f(x) = \text{sgn } x$ , then

$$\langle f, \delta \rangle = \langle \delta, f \rangle = f(0) \text{ is a possibility.}$$

but there is no consistent way to define  $f(0)$ .

(classical derivative)

Thm: Let  $f \in L'_{loc}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , let  $g = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} f$  exists & cts. except at a pt.  $y$  & let  $g \in L'_{loc}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . (define it arbitrarily at pt.  $y$ )

Then if  $n \geq 2$ , then the distr. derivative of  $f$  w.r.t  $x_k$  equals  $g$ , while for  $n=1$ , this is true if in add<sup>n</sup>,  $f$  is cts. at  $y$ .

Pf: wlog let  $y=0$

Case  $n=1$ : The distributional derivative

$$\begin{aligned}\left\langle \frac{d}{dx} f, \varphi \right\rangle &= - \left\langle f, \frac{d}{dx} \varphi \right\rangle = - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \varphi'(x) dx \\ &= - \int_{-\infty}^0 f(x) \varphi'(x) dx - \int_0^{\infty} f(x) \varphi'(x) dx \\ &= - \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \int_{-\infty}^{-\epsilon} f(x) \varphi'(x) dx + \int_{\epsilon}^{\infty} f(x) \varphi'(x) dx \right\} \quad (\because f \in L^1_{loc}) \\ &= - \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left\{ f(-\epsilon) \varphi(-\epsilon) - \int_{-\infty}^{-\epsilon} f'(x) \varphi(x) dx \right. \\ &\quad \left. + f(\epsilon) \varphi(\epsilon) - \int_{\epsilon}^{\infty} f'(x) \varphi(x) dx \right\} \\ &= \{f(0) \varphi(0) - f(0) \varphi(0)\} + \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \int_{-\infty}^{-\epsilon} f'(x) \varphi(x) dx + \int_{\epsilon}^{\infty} f'(x) \varphi(x) dx \right\} \\ &\quad (\because f \text{ is ctr at } y=0) \\ &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \int_{-\infty}^{-\epsilon} g(x) \varphi(x) dx + \int_{\epsilon}^{\infty} g(x) \varphi(x) dx \right\} \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) \varphi(x) dx \quad (\because g \in L^1_{loc})\end{aligned}$$

Hence, the claim holds for this case.

Case  $n \geq 2$ : we would consider the  $n=2$  case &  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We have } \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} f, \varphi \right) &= - \int f(x) \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x_1} dx \\ &= - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x_1, x_2) \frac{\partial \varphi(x_1, x_2)}{\partial x_1} dx_1 \right) dx_2 \end{aligned}$$

Now, for every  $x_2 \neq 0$ ,  $f(x_1, x_2)$  is classically diff. for all  $x_1 \in \mathbb{R}$  & so for such  $x_2$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x_1, x_2) \frac{\partial \varphi(x_1, x_2)}{\partial x_1} dx_1 &= - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\partial f(x_1, x_2)}{\partial x_1} \varphi(x_1, x_2) dx_1 \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{Int.} \\ \text{by} \\ \text{parts} \end{array} \right) \\ &= - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x_1, x_2) \varphi(x_1, x_2) dx_1 \end{aligned}$$

Substituting this back in the iterated integral, we get

$$\left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}, \varphi \right) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x_1, x_2) \varphi(x_1, x_2) dx_1 \right) dx_2$$

( $\because$  The value of the inside integral at  $x_2=0$  (single pt.) does not contribute to the double integral.)

$$= \int g(x) \varphi(x) dx$$

Hence, the claim holds for this case too.

## Solving PDEs using distributions

Def<sup>n</sup>: If a distribution is a sol<sup>n</sup> of a diff. eq<sup>n</sup>, then it is called a weak solution.

(1) Consider the 'vibrating string eq<sup>n</sup>'

$$\frac{\partial^2 u(x,t)}{\partial t^2} = k^2 \frac{\partial^2 u(x,t)}{\partial x^2}$$

If  $f$  is twice classically diff., then  $u(x,t) = f(x-kt)$  is a sol<sup>n</sup>.

Claim:  $u(x,t) = f(x-kt)$  for  $f \in L^1_{loc}(\mathbb{R})$  is a weak sol<sup>n</sup>.

Clearly, this defines a dist. for  $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}$

$$\left\langle \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2}, \varphi \right\rangle = \left\langle u, \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial t^2} \right\rangle$$

$$\& \left\langle \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}, \varphi \right\rangle = \left\langle u, \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x^2} \right\rangle$$

$$\text{So, } \left\langle \frac{\partial u}{\partial t^2} - k^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x^2}, \varphi \right\rangle = \left\langle u, \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial t^2} - k^2 \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x^2} \right\rangle$$

$$= \iint f(x-kt) \left( \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial t^2} - k^2 \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x^2} \right) dx dt$$

We introduce new variables  $y = x - kt$ ,  $z = x + kt$ .

$$\frac{\partial(y,z)}{\partial(x,t)} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -k \\ 1 & k \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -k \\ 1 & k \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -k & k \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ -k \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + k \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}, \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial t} = -k \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + k \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} = \begin{pmatrix} -k \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + k \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ -k \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + k \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -k \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + k \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ -k \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + k \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix} = k^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} - 2k^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z \partial y} + k^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + 2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z \partial y} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} - k^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} = -4k^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y \partial z}$$

Thus, RHS becomes,

$$\begin{aligned} \iint f(x-kt) \left( \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial t^2} - k^2 \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x^2} \right) dx dt &= \iint f(y) \frac{-4k^2 \partial^2 \tilde{\varphi}(y,z)}{\partial y \partial z} \frac{dy dz}{2k} \\ &= -2k \iint f(y) \frac{\partial^2 \tilde{\varphi}(y,z)}{\partial y \partial z} dy dz \\ &= -2k \int f(y) \int \frac{\partial^2 \tilde{\varphi}(y,z)}{\partial y \partial z} dz dy \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Since } \int_a^b \frac{\partial^2 \tilde{\varphi}(y,z)}{\partial y \partial z} dz = \frac{\partial \tilde{\varphi}(y,b)}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial \tilde{\varphi}(y,a)}{\partial y},$$

$$\text{we get } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\partial^2 \tilde{\varphi}(y,z)}{\partial y \partial z} dz = 0 \quad \left( \because \tilde{\varphi} \text{ is of compact support,} \right. \\ \left. \text{so does } \frac{\partial \tilde{\varphi}}{\partial y} \right)$$

$$\text{Thus, we get } \left\langle \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} - k^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}, \varphi \right\rangle = 0$$

(2) Next, we would check if  $u(x,y) = \log(x^2+y^2)$  is a weak sol<sup>n</sup> for  $\Delta u = 0$  (Laplace eq<sup>n</sup>).

In the complement of  $B(0,\epsilon)$ , we have  $\log r^2$  & it solves the eq<sup>n</sup>.

$$\left\langle \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}, \varphi \right\rangle = \left\langle u, \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial y^2} \right\rangle \quad \text{for } \varphi \in \mathcal{D}$$

We use polar coordinates.

$$\text{So, } \Delta u = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \theta^2} \quad \& \quad dx dy = r dr d\theta$$

$$\text{for } u = \log(x^2+y^2) = \log(r^2)$$

$$\text{We consider } \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\infty \log(r^2) \left( \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} \right) \varphi(r,\theta) \right) r dr d\theta$$

To avoid the singularity of  $u$  at the origin, we integrate w<sup>rt</sup>  $r$  from  $\epsilon$  to  $\infty$  & let  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$

The computation is as follows

$$\int_0^{2\pi} (\log r^2) r \frac{\partial^2 \varphi(r, \theta)}{\partial \theta^2} d\theta = \frac{\log r^2}{r} \frac{\partial \varphi(r, \theta)}{\partial \theta} \Big|_0^{2\pi} = 0$$

because  $\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial \theta}$  is periodic.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{further, } & \int_{\epsilon}^{\infty} \log(r^2) \frac{\partial \varphi(r, \theta)}{\partial r} dr \\ &= - \int_{\epsilon}^{\infty} \frac{\partial \log(r^2)}{\partial r} \cdot \varphi(r, \theta) dr - \log(\epsilon^2) \varphi(\epsilon, \theta) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\epsilon}^{\infty} (\log r^2) r \frac{\partial^2 \varphi(r, \theta)}{\partial r^2} dr &= - \int_{\epsilon}^{\infty} \frac{\partial (\log(r^2) r)}{\partial r} \frac{\partial \varphi(r, \theta)}{\partial r} dr \\ &\quad - \log(\epsilon^2) \epsilon \frac{\partial \varphi(\epsilon, \theta)}{\partial r} \\ &= \int_{\epsilon}^{\infty} \frac{\partial^2 (\log(r^2) r)}{\partial r^2} \varphi(r, \theta) dr - \log(\epsilon^2) \epsilon \frac{\partial \varphi(\epsilon, \theta)}{\partial r} \\ &\quad + \frac{\partial (\log(r^2) \cdot r)}{\partial r} \varphi(r, \theta) \Big|_{\epsilon}^{\infty} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial (r \log(r^2))}{\partial r} = \log(r^2) + \frac{2r^2}{r^2} = \log(r^2) + 2$$

$$\frac{\partial (r \log(r^2))}{\partial r^2} = \frac{2}{r}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We get } & \int_0^{2\pi} \int_{\epsilon}^{\infty} (\log r^2) \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} \right) \varphi(r, \theta) r \, dr \, d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_{\epsilon}^{\infty} \left( \frac{-2}{r} + \frac{2}{r} \right) \varphi(r, \theta) \, dr + \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{(-\log(\epsilon^2) + \log(\epsilon^2) + 2) \partial \varphi(\epsilon, \theta)}{\partial r} \, d\theta \\ &\quad - \int_0^{2\pi} (\log \epsilon^2) \epsilon \frac{\partial \varphi(\epsilon, \theta)}{\partial r} \, d\theta \\ &= 2 \int_0^{2\pi} \varphi(\epsilon, \theta) \, d\theta + \int_0^{2\pi} \epsilon \log(\epsilon^2) \frac{\partial \varphi(\epsilon, \theta)}{\partial r} \, d\theta \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \langle \Delta u, \varphi \rangle &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left( 2 \int_0^{2\pi} \varphi(\epsilon, \theta) \, d\theta + \int_0^{2\pi} \epsilon \log(\epsilon^2) \frac{\partial \varphi(\epsilon, \theta)}{\partial r} \, d\theta \right) \\ &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} 2 \int_0^{2\pi} \varphi(\epsilon, \theta) - \varphi(0) \, d\theta + 4\pi \varphi(0) + \dots \\ &= 0 + 4\pi \varphi(0) + 0 \quad \left( \because \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial r} \text{ is b'nd \& } \varphi \text{ is ct.} \right) \\ &= 4\pi \varphi(0) \\ &= 4\pi \langle \delta, \varphi \rangle \end{aligned}$$

So,  $\log(x^2 + y^2)$  is not a weak sol<sup>n</sup> of  $\Delta u = 0$ .

Rem: The computation shows that  $u = \frac{1}{4\pi} \log(x^2 + y^2)$  solves the eq<sup>n</sup>  $\Delta u = \delta$ .

This is called the 'fundamental sol<sup>n</sup> of the Laplacian'.

## Fourier Transform

If  $f$  is int'ble, then  $\hat{f}(\xi) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-ix\xi} dx$

Under suitable cond<sup>n</sup>,  $f(x) \sim \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(\xi) e^{ix\xi} d\xi$

Let  $f$  be  $2\pi$ -periodic int'ble. Then  $a_k = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) e^{-ikx} dx$

Def.  $f\left(\frac{T}{2\pi}x\right) = f(x)$ . So,  $f$  is  $T$ -periodic.

So,  $a_k = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f\left(\frac{T}{2\pi}x\right) e^{-ikx} dx = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} f(y) \cdot \frac{2\pi}{T} e^{-ik\frac{2\pi}{T}y} dy$  (with  $y = \frac{Tx}{2\pi}$ )

$$\Rightarrow a_k = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} f(y) e^{-ik\frac{2\pi}{T}y} dy$$

$$\Rightarrow T a_k \sim g(\xi_k) = \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} f(y) e^{-i\xi_k y} dy$$

where  $\xi_k = \frac{2\pi k}{T}$

So, as  $T \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$g(\xi) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(y) e^{-i\xi y} dy$$

$$f(x) \sim \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{ikx} \Rightarrow f\left(\frac{T}{2\pi}x\right) \sim \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{ik\frac{T}{2\pi}x}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(y) \sim \frac{1}{T} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} (T a_k) e^{i\xi_k y} = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} g(\xi_k) e^{i\xi_k y}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} g(\xi_k) e^{i\xi_k y} \frac{2\pi}{T}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(y) \sim \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} g(\xi_k) e^{i\xi_k y} (\xi_k - \xi_{k-1})$$

As  $T \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$f(y) \sim \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \underbrace{g(\xi)}_{\hat{f}(\xi)} e^{i\xi y} d\xi$$

$$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |a_k|^2 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x)|^2 dx \quad (\text{Parseval's identity})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |T \cdot a_k|^2 \cdot \frac{1}{T^2} &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left| f\left(\frac{T}{2\pi} x\right) \right|^2 dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} |f(y)|^2 \cdot \frac{2\pi}{T} dy \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |g(\xi_k)|^2 \cdot \frac{2\pi}{T^2} = 2\pi \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} |f(y)|^2 dy$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |g(\xi_k)|^2 (\xi_k - \xi_{k-1}) = 2\pi \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} |f(y)|^2 dy$$

$$\text{As } T \rightarrow \infty, \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \underbrace{|g(\xi)|^2}_{\hat{f}} d\xi \sim 2\pi \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(y)|^2 dy$$

(Plancherel's eq<sup>n</sup>)

The Fourier series is equal to the given form  $f$ , assuming  $F$  to be diff. (smooth).

But, for the Fourier transform, we would need smooth & decay at infinity.

Def<sup>n</sup>: A fcn  $f$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is said to be rapidly decreasing if  
 $\forall N \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}, \exists M_N > 0$  st  $|f(x)| \leq M_N |x|^{-N}$  as  $|x| \rightarrow \infty$

A  $C^\infty$ -fcn is of Schwartz class  $S(\mathbb{R}^n)$  if  $f$  & all its partial derivatives are rapidly decreasing.

eg:  $\mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^n) \subseteq S(\mathbb{R}^n)$

Note that  $e^{-|x|^2}$  for  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  does not have compact support

& so does not belong to  $\mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . This is called the Gaussian.

But  $f(x) = e^{-|x|^2} \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , because any partial derivative of  $e^{-|x|^2}$  is of the form  $P(x_1, \dots, x_n) e^{-|x|^2}$  where  $P$  is a polynomial &  $e^{-|x|^2}$  dominates all polynomials as  $|x| \rightarrow \infty$

The properties of  $S(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is as follows:

1.  $S(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is a vector sp.

If  $f, g \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then for every  $N \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}, \exists M_N, L_N$  st

$|f(x)| \leq M_N |x|^{-N}, |g(x)| \leq L_N |x|^{-N}$  as  $|x| \rightarrow \infty$ .

So,  $|kf(x) + lg(x)| \leq (|k|M_N + |l|L_N) |x|^{-N}$  as  $|x| \rightarrow \infty$

2. Products of  $f, g$  in  $S(\mathbb{R}^n)$  also belong to  $S(\mathbb{R}^n)$

$$(fg)^{(n)} = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} f^{(k)} g^{(n-k)} \quad \text{by Leibnitz Rule in } \mathbb{R}.$$

for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , do the same for partial derivatives

3.  $S(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is closed under multiplication by polynomials.

If  $P$  is a poly. of degree  $n$ , then for  $f \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$

$$\exists M_{N+n} > 0 \text{ s.t. } |f(x)| \leq M_{N+n} |x|^{-(n+N)} \text{ as } |x| \rightarrow \infty$$

Note,  $|x_1 x_2| \leq |x|^2$ . So,  $|p(x)| \leq C|x|^n$

$$\text{So, } |p(x)f(x)| \leq M_{N+n} C|x|^{-N} \text{ as } |x| \rightarrow \infty$$

4.  $S(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is closed under differentiation.

5.  $S(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is closed under translation & multiplication by complex exponent  $e^{ix \cdot \xi}$

Let  $g(x) = f(x+a)$  where  $f \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

$$\text{Then } \exists M_N > 0 \text{ s.t. } |g(x)| = |f(x+a)| \leq |x+a|^{-N} \text{ as } |x| \rightarrow \infty$$

Since  $\frac{|x+a|}{|x|} \rightarrow 1$  as  $|x| \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\exists M_{N'} > 0$  s.t.

$$M_N |x+a|^{-N} \leq M_{N'} |x|^{-N} \text{ as } |x| \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\therefore |g(x)| \leq M_N |x|^{-N}$$

If  $h(x) = f(x) e^{ix}$ , then  $|h(x)| = |f(x)|$

6.  $S(\mathbb{R}^n)$  fns are int'ble.

Let  $f \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . So  $\exists M_{n+1} > 0$  s.t.  $|f(x)| \leq M_{n+1} |x|^{-(n+1)}$  as  $|x| \rightarrow \infty$

Also,  $\frac{|x|}{1+|x|} \rightarrow 1$  as  $|x| \rightarrow \infty$

So,  $\exists M > 0$  s.t.  $|f(x)| \leq M(1+|x|)^{-(n+1)}$

$$\begin{aligned} \int (1+|x|)^{-(n+1)} dx &= \int_{\varphi_{n+1}=0}^{2\pi} \int_{\varphi_n=0}^{\pi} \dots \int_{\varphi_1=0}^{\pi} \int_{r=0}^{\infty} (1+r)^{-(n+1)} r^{(n-1)} \sin^2 \varphi_1 \sin^2 \varphi_2 \dots \sin^2 \varphi_{n-2} \\ &\quad d\varphi_1 d\varphi_2 \dots d\varphi_{n-1} dr \\ &= C \int_0^{\infty} (1+r)^{-(n+1)} r^{(n-2)} dr < \infty \end{aligned}$$

since  $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{dr}{r^2} < \infty$ . Use comparison test

$$\frac{(1+r)^{-(n+1)} r^{n-1}}{r^{-2}} = (1+r)^{-(n+1)} r^{n+1} = \left(1 + \frac{1}{r}\right)^{-(n+1)} \rightarrow 1 \text{ as } r \rightarrow \infty.$$

Def<sup>n</sup>: The Fourier transform of  $f \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is defined by

$$F(f)(\xi) = \hat{f}(\xi) = \int f(x) e^{-ix \cdot \xi} dx \quad \text{for } x, \xi \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

where  $x \cdot \xi = x_1 \xi_1 + x_2 \xi_2 + \dots + x_n \xi_n$

Pr<sup>p</sup>: If  $f \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then

1.  $F(\tau_y f)(\xi) = e^{iy \cdot \xi} F(f)(\xi) \quad \text{where } (\tau_y f)(x) = f(x+y)$

2.  $F(e^{ix \cdot y} f(x))(\xi) = \tau_y F(f)(\xi)$

3.  $F(f(sx))(\xi) = s^{-n} F(f)(s^{-1}\xi) \quad \text{whenever } s > 0$

4.  $\left( F \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_k} \right) (\xi) = i \xi_k F(f)(\xi)$

5.  $\frac{\partial F}{\partial \xi_k} f(\xi) = -i F(x_k f(x))(\xi)$

Pf:  $\mathcal{L}(T_y f)(\xi) = \int f(x+y) e^{-ix \cdot \xi} dx$   
 $= \int f(z) e^{-i(z-y) \cdot \xi} dz$  with  $z = x+y$   
 $= e^{iy \cdot \xi} \int f(z) e^{-iz \cdot \xi} dz = e^{iy \cdot \xi} F(f)(\xi)$

2.  $\mathcal{L}(e^{iny} f(x))(\xi) = \int f(x) e^{-ix(\xi-y)} dx$   
 $= F(f)(\xi-y) = T_y F(f)(\xi)$

3.  $\mathcal{L}(f(sx))(\xi) = \int f(sx) \cdot e^{-ix \cdot \xi} dx$   
 $= \int f(y) e^{-is^{-1}y \cdot \xi} s^{-n} dy$  (with  $y = sx$ )  
 $= s^{-n} F(f)(s^{-1}\xi)$   $\left( \begin{array}{c} dy = \left| \begin{array}{c|c} s & \\ \hline & \ddots & \\ & & s \end{array} \right| dx \\ = s^n dx \end{array} \right)$

4.  $\mathcal{L}\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_k}\right)(\xi) = \int \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_k} e^{-ix \cdot \xi} dx$   
 $= \underbrace{f}_{=0} e^{-ix \cdot \xi} \Big|_{-\infty}^{\infty} - \int f(x) (-i\xi_k) e^{-ix \cdot \xi} dx$   
 $= i\xi_k \int f(x) e^{-ix \cdot \xi} dx$   
 $= i\xi_k F(f)(\xi)$

5. Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . Let  $e_k = (0, 0, \dots, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$   
 $\uparrow$   
 $k^{\text{th}}$  pos.

$$\frac{F(f)(\xi + he_k) - F(f)(\xi) - (-i)F(x_k f(x))(\xi)}{h}$$

$$= \int f(x) e^{-ix\xi} \left( \frac{e^{-ix_k h} - 1}{h} + ix_k \right) dx$$

Since  $f(x) \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $x_k f(x)$  is rapidly decreasing, so

$$\exists R > 0 \text{ s.t. } \int_{|x| > R} |x_k| |f(x)| dx < \epsilon/4$$

$$\left( \because \exists M > 0 \text{ s.t. } |x_k f(x)| < \frac{M}{|x|^{n+1}}, \text{ so } \int |x_k f(x)| dx < \infty \right)$$

$$\text{Further for } |x| \leq R, \exists \delta > 0 \text{ s.t. } |h| < \delta \Rightarrow \left| \frac{e^{-ix_k h} - 1}{h} + ix_k \right| < \frac{\epsilon}{2VS}$$

$$\text{where } V = \int_{|x| \leq R} dx \text{ \& } S = \sup |f(x)|$$

By MVT,  $\exists h_1$  s.t.  $0 < h_1 < h$  &  $(e^{-ix_k h} - 1) = -ix_k h_1 e^{-ix_k h_1}$

$$\text{So, } \left| \frac{e^{-ix_k h} - 1}{h} \right| \leq |x_k|$$

For  $|h| < \delta$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{F(f)(\xi + h e_k) - F(f)(\xi) - (-i)F(\chi_k f)(\xi)}{h} \right| \\ & \leq \int_{|x| \leq R} \left| f(x) e^{-ix \cdot \xi} \left( \frac{e^{-ix_k h} - 1}{h} + ix_k \right) \right| dx + \frac{2 \cdot \epsilon}{4} \\ & \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2\delta} \sup_{|x| \leq R} |f(x)| \left( \int_{|x| \leq R} dx \right) + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

So,  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \xi_k} F(f)(\xi) = -i F(\chi_k f)(\xi)$

Rem: If  $f$  is int'ble, then  $|\hat{f}(\xi)| \leq \int |f(x)| dx$   
ie  $\hat{f}$  is b'nd. If  $f \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then  $f$  is int'ble &  
hence  $\hat{f}$  is b'nd.

Thm: If  $f \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then  $\hat{f} \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$

Pf: If  $f \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then  $\hat{f}$  is  $C^\infty$

Claim: If  $f \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then  $\hat{f}$  is rapidly decreasing.

It is enough to show that  $p(\xi)\hat{f}(\xi)$  is b'nd for any polynomial  $p(x)$ .

$$\text{But, } p(\xi)\hat{f}(\xi) = F\left(\underbrace{p\left(-i\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right)f(x)}_{\in S(\mathbb{R}^n)}\right)(\xi) \quad (\text{by pp}^n(4))$$

(Here,  $p\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right)$  means we replace  $x_k$  by  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}$  in  $p(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ )

Hence, by above remark  $p(\xi)\hat{f}(\xi)$  is b'nd i.e.  $\hat{f}$  is rapidly decreasing

To show: Any derivative of  $\hat{f}$  is also rapidly decreasing.

$$p\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \xi}\right)\hat{f}(\xi) = F(p(-ix)f(x))(\xi) \quad (\text{by pp}^n(5))$$

$\therefore p(-ix)f(x) \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , using the claim, it follows that

$p\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \xi}\right)\hat{f}$  is rapidly decreasing

Hence,  $\hat{f} \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

Thm: 
$$F\left(e^{-\frac{|x|^2}{2t}}\right)(\xi) = (2\pi)^{n/2} e^{-|\xi|^2/2}$$

Pf: let  $f(x) = e^{-t|x|^2}$  for  $t > 0$  &  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$

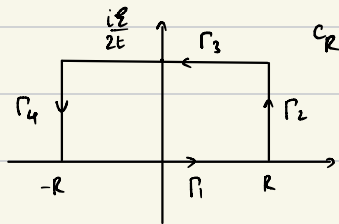
$$\begin{aligned} \hat{f}(\xi) &= \int e^{-t|x|^2} \cdot e^{-ix \cdot \xi} dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-t(x_1^2 - ix_1 \xi_1)} \cdot e^{-t(x_2^2 - ix_2 \xi_2)} \dots e^{-t(x_n^2 - ix_n \xi_n)} dx_1 dx_2 \dots dx_n \\ &= \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-t(x_1^2 - ix_1 \xi_1)} dx_1 \right) \dots \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-t(x_n^2 - ix_n \xi_n)} dx_n \right) \end{aligned}$$

It is enough to compute  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-tx^2 - ix\xi} dx$  for  $x, \xi \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-tx^2 - ix\xi} dx &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-t\left(x + \frac{i\xi}{2t}\right)^2 - \frac{\xi^2}{4t}} dx \\ &= e^{-\xi^2/4t} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-t\left(x + \frac{i\xi}{2t}\right)^2} dx \end{aligned}$$

We replace the above integral by

$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-tx^2} dx$  which is easy to compute.



for this, we would use Cauchy's Thm for the following contour  $C_R$ :

Since  $e^{-tz^2}$  is analytic,

$$\int_{C_R} e^{-tz^2} dz = 0 \quad (\text{by Cauchy's theorem})$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\Gamma_1} e^{-tz^2} dz = \int_{-R}^R e^{-tx^2} dx$$

$$\int_{\Gamma_3} e^{-tz^2} dz = - \int_{-R}^R e^{-t(x + i\frac{R}{2t})^2} dx$$

To show :

$$\left| \int_{\Gamma_2} e^{-tz^2} dz \right| = \left| \int_{\Gamma_2} e^{-t(x+iy)^2} dz \right|$$
$$= \left| \int_0^{\frac{R}{2t}} e^{-t(R^2-y^2) - 2itRy} dy \right|$$
$$\leq e^{-tR^2} \int_0^{\frac{R}{2t}} e^{ty^2} dy$$
$$\leq e^{-tR^2} \cdot e^{t\left(\frac{R}{2t}\right)^2} \cdot \frac{R}{2t} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } R \rightarrow \infty$$

Sim.  $\int_{\Gamma_4} e^{-tz^2} dz \rightarrow 0$  as  $R \rightarrow \infty$

Thus,  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-tx^2} dx - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-t(x + i\frac{R}{2t})^2} dx = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-t\left(x + \frac{ix}{t}\right)^2} dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-tx^2} dx$$

Therefore, 
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-tx^2} e^{-ix \cdot \frac{x}{t}} dx = e^{-\frac{x^2}{4t}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-tx^2} dx$$

Claim: 
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-tx^2} dx = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{t}}$$

Pf: Let  $g(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-tx^2} dx$

Then  $g^2(t) = \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-tx^2} dx \right) \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ty^2} dy \right)$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-t(x^2+y^2)} dx dy$$

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-tr^2} r dr d\theta$$

$$= \pi \int_0^{\infty} e^{-ty} dy = \pi \left. \frac{e^{-ty}}{(-t)} \right|_0^{\infty} = \frac{\pi}{t}$$

So, 
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-tx^2} dx = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{t}}$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-tx^2} \cdot e^{-ix \cdot \xi} dx = e^{-\frac{\xi^2}{4t}} (\pi/t)^{1/2}$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-t|x|^2} \cdot e^{-ix \cdot \xi} dx = (\pi/t)^{n/2} e^{-\frac{|\xi|^2}{4t}} \quad \text{for } \xi \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\text{for } t=1/2, \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}|x|^2} \cdot e^{-ix \cdot \xi} dx = (\pi/t)^{n/2} e^{-\frac{|\xi|^2}{2}}$$

Thm: Let  $K_\delta = \delta^{-n/2} e^{-\frac{\pi}{\delta}|x|^2}$ . Then the coll.  $\{K_\delta\}_{\delta>0}$  is a family of good kernels as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$ .

Pf: Recall,  $\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{-\pi|x|^2} dx = \left(\frac{\pi}{\pi}\right)^{n/2} = 1 \quad \left(\because \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{-t|x|^2} dx = \left(\frac{\pi}{t}\right)^{n/2}\right)$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} K_\delta(x) dx = \int \delta^{-n/2} \cdot e^{-\pi|x|^2/\delta} dx = \delta^{-n/2} \left(\frac{\pi}{\pi/\delta}\right)^{n/2} = 1$$

So, ppt 1 of good kernel holds

further,  $K_\delta(x) \geq 0$ , so ppt 2 of good kernels also holds.

for  $\eta > 0$ ,

$$\int_{|x| > \eta} K_\delta(x) dx = \int_{|y| > \frac{\eta}{\delta^{1/2}}} e^{-\pi|y|^2} dy \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{with } y_i = x_i/\delta^{1/2} \\ dy = \delta^{-n/2} dx \end{array} \right)$$

$\rightarrow 0$  as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$

So, ppt 3 of good kernels is also satisfied.

Note that if  $f, g \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then for any fixed  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$   $f(x-t)g(t) \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$  & is thus rapidly decaying

So,  $\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(x-t)g(t) dt$  converges.

This integral is defined as  $(f * g)$ .

Cor: If  $f \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then  $(f * K_\delta)(x) \rightarrow f(x)$  uniformly in  $x$  as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$ .

Pf: let  $\epsilon > 0$  be given. Since  $f \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $\exists B > 0$  s.t

$$|f(z)| < B \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Further  $K > 0$ . Since  $f \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $\exists R > 0$  s.t  $|f(z)| < \epsilon/4 \quad \forall |z| \geq R$

Since  $f$  is cts. on  $L = \{x : |x| \leq R+K\}$ , it is uniformly cts.

So, we can find  $\eta > 0$  st  $\eta < K$  &  $|f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon/2$  whenever  $|x - y| < \eta$ ,  $x, y \in L$ .

Observe that  $|f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon/2$  whenever  $|x - y| < \eta$ .

Thus,  $f$  is uniformly cts. on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

$$\text{Now, } |(f * K_\delta)(x) - f(x)| = \left| \int f(x-t) K_\delta(t) dt - \int K_\delta(t) f(x) dt \right|$$

$$\text{(by ppt 1)} \quad = \left| \int K_\delta(t) (f(x-t) - f(x)) dt \right|$$

$$(\because K_\delta \geq 0) \quad \leq \int_{|t| > \eta} + \int_{|t| < \eta} K_\delta(t) |f(x-t) - f(x)| dt$$

$$\text{By ppt 3, } \exists \delta' > 0 \text{ st } \forall 0 < \delta < \delta', \int_{|t| > \eta} K_\delta(t) dt < \frac{\epsilon}{4B}$$

$$\text{So, the first integral is } < 2B \cdot \epsilon/4B = \epsilon/2$$

The second integral is  $< \epsilon/2$  since  $f$  is uniformly cts.

$$\& \int K_\delta(t) dt = 1$$

Hence, the corollary follows.

$P_p^n$ : (Multiplication formula)

If  $f, g \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(x) \cdot \hat{g}(x) dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \hat{f}(y) \cdot g(y) dy$$

A cts. (complex-valued)  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is said to be of moderate decrease on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  if  $\exists M > 0$  s.t.  $|f(x)| \leq \frac{M}{(1+|x|)^{n+1}}$  as  $|x| \rightarrow \infty$

Suppose  $F$  is cts. on  $\mathbb{R}^{2n} = \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$  & of moderate decrease.

Then  $F_1(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} F(x, y) dy$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is cts. & of moderate decrease.

Similarly,  $F_2(y) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} F(x, y) dx$ ,  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is cts. & of moderate decrease.

further 
$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^{2n}} F(x, y) dx dy = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} F_1(x) dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} F_2(y) dy$$

Rem :

$$- \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-N}^N f(x) dx$$

$$- f(e^{-t|x|^2}) = \left(\frac{\pi}{t}\right)^{n/2} e^{-\frac{|x|^2}{4t}}$$

$$- \{K_\delta(x)\}_{\delta > 0}, \quad K_\delta(x) = \delta^{-n/2} e^{-\frac{\pi|x|^2}{\delta}}$$

- If  $f \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then  $(f * K_\delta)(x) \rightarrow f(x)$  uniformly as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$

Ex: If  $f, g \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then  $f * g = g * f$

$$- \text{for } h \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x+h) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx \quad \forall f \in S(\mathbb{R})$$

(even for moderately decreasing  $f$ )

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_{-N}^N f(x+h) dx - \int_{-N}^N f(x) dx \right| &= \left| \int_{-N-h}^{N-h} f(x) dx - \int_{-N}^N f(x) dx \right| \\ &= \left| \int_{-N-h}^{-N} f(x) dx - \int_{N-h}^N f(x) dx \right| \\ &\leq \left| \int_{-N-h}^{-N} f(x) dx \right| + \left| \int_{N-h}^N f(x) dx \right| \rightarrow 0 \\ &\text{as } N \rightarrow \infty \end{aligned}$$

- If  $F$  is cts. on  $\mathbb{R}^{2n} = \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$  & of moderate decrease, then

$$F_1(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} F(x, y) dy \text{ is also cts. \& of moderate decrease.}$$

$$\text{Sim. for } F_2(y) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} F(x, y) dx$$

$$\text{Further, } \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2n}} F(x, y) dx dy = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} F_1(x) dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} F_2(y) dy \quad - (*)$$

P<sub>pn</sub>: (Multiplication formula)

If  $f, g \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(x) \cdot \hat{g}(x) dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \hat{f}(y) \cdot g(y) dy$$

Pf: Let  $F(x, y) = f(x) g(y) e^{-ixy}$ ,  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\text{Then } F_1(x) = \int f(x) g(y) e^{-ixy} dy = f(x) \cdot \hat{g}(x)$$

$$F_2(y) = \int f(x) g(y) e^{-ixy} dx = \hat{f}(y) \cdot g(y)$$

$$\text{So, by } (*) \text{ we get } \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(x) \hat{g}(x) dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \hat{f}(y) g(y) dy$$

Thm: (Fourier Inversion)

$$\text{If } f \in S(\mathbb{R}^n), \text{ then } f(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} \int \hat{f}(\xi) e^{ix\xi} d\xi$$

Pf: Claim:  $f(0) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} \int \hat{f}(\xi) d\xi$

Let  $q_s(x) = e^{-\frac{s}{4\pi}|x|^2}$  for  $s > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{q}_s(\xi) &= \int q_s(x) e^{-ix\xi} dx = \int e^{-\frac{s}{4\pi}|x|^2} e^{-ix\xi} dx \\ &= \left(\frac{\pi \cdot 4\pi}{s}\right)^{n/2} e^{-\frac{4\pi}{s}|\xi|^2} = (2\pi)^n s^{-n/2} e^{-\frac{\pi}{s}|\xi|^2} \\ &= (2\pi)^n K_s(\xi) \end{aligned}$$

By Multip<sup>n</sup> formula,  $\int f(x) \cdot \hat{q}_s(x) dx = \int \hat{f}(\xi) q_s(\xi) d\xi$

i.e.  $(2\pi)^n \int f(x) K_s(x) dx = \int \hat{f}(\xi) q_s(\xi) d\xi$

We can replace  $K_s(x)$  by  $K_s(-x)$  & since  $\{K_s\}$  is a family of good kernels, we get as  $s \rightarrow 0$ ,  $(2\pi)^n f(0) = \int \hat{f}(\xi) d\xi$

(Since  $\int f(x) K_s(-x) dx = (f * K_s)(0)$ )

This proves the claim.

Let  $f(y) = f(x+y)$  for  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$(2\pi)^n f(x) = (2\pi)^n F(0) = \int \hat{F}(\xi) d\xi = \int \hat{f}(\xi) e^{ix\xi} d\xi$$

$$\text{i.e. } f(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} \int \hat{f}(\xi) e^{ix\xi} d\xi$$

Cor: The Fourier transform is a bijective mapping on the Schwartz space.

Pf: Let  $T(g)(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} \int g(\xi) e^{ix\xi} d\xi$  for  $g \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$

By prev. thm, we have  $T \circ F = \text{id}$

$$T \circ F(f) = f \quad \text{i.e. } T \circ F = \text{id}$$

$$(\because F(f_1) = F(f_2) \Rightarrow T \circ F(f_1) = T \circ F(f_2) \Rightarrow f_1 = f_2 \text{ (injectivity)})$$

We need to show  $F \circ T = \text{id}$  ( $F \circ T(g) = g$  (surjectivity))

We would show  $F \circ T = T \circ F$

Observe

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(f)(\xi) &= \int f(x) e^{-ix\xi} dx \\
 &= \frac{(2\pi)^n}{(2\pi)^n} \int f(x) e^{ix(-\xi)} dx \\
 &= (2\pi)^n (Tf)(-\xi) \quad - \text{ (#)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore (F \circ T)(f) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} F(F(f(-x))) \quad (\text{by \#})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(f(-x))(\xi) &= \int f(-x) e^{-ix\xi} dx = \int f(y) e^{-iy(-\xi)} dy = F(f)(\xi) \\
 &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} F((Ff)(-\xi)) \\
 &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} \widetilde{F(Ff)} \quad (\text{Here, } \check{k}(x) = k(-x)) \\
 &= T(Ff) \quad (\text{by \#})
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $(F \circ T)(f) = (T \circ F)(f)$

So,  $T$  is the inverse of  $F$ . We use  $F^{-1}$  to denote  $T$ .

Pp<sup>n</sup>: If  $f, g \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then

1.  $f * g \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$

2.  $\widehat{f * g} = \widehat{f} * \widehat{g}$

Pf: 1) Claim: For  $l \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we have  $\sup_x |x|^l |g(x-y)| \leq A_l (1+|y|)^l$   
for some  $A_l > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} |x|^l |g(x-y)| &= |y + (x-y)|^l |g(x-y)| \\ &\leq (|y| + |x-y|)^l |g(x-y)| \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^l \binom{l}{i} |y|^i |x-y|^{l-i} |g(x-y)| \\ &\leq \sum_{i=0}^l \binom{l}{i} |y|^i A_l \\ &= (1+|y|)^l A_l \end{aligned}$$

where  $A_l = \max \{ |x|^j |g(x)| : j=0, 1, \dots, l \}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence, } \sup_x |x|^l |(f * g)(x)| &= \sup_x |x|^l \left| \int f(y) g(x-y) dy \right| \\ &\leq A_l \int |f| (1+|y|)^l dy \end{aligned}$$

So,  $|x|^l |(f * g)(x)|$  is b'nd for every  $l \geq 0$  - (\*)

Since interchanging differentiation & integration is justified for Schwartz class  $f^n$ 's (use uniform conv.), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right)^\alpha (f * g)(x) &= \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right)^\alpha \int f(y) g(x-y) dy \\ &= \int f(y) \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right)^\alpha g(x-y) dy = f * \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right)^\alpha g \end{aligned}$$

Hence, (\*) is true for derivatives of  $f * g$  i.e.  $f * g \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$

2) Let  $F(x, y) = f(y) g(x-y) e^{-ix\xi}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, } F_1(x) &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} F(x, y) dy = \int f(y) g(x-y) e^{-ix\xi} dy \\ &= e^{-ix\xi} (f * g)(x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\times F_2(y) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(y) g(x-y) e^{-ix\xi} dx = f(y) e^{-iy\xi} \hat{g}(\xi)$$

Also,  $\int F_1(x) dx = \int F_2(y) dy$

i.e.  $\hat{f * g}(\xi) = \hat{f}(\xi) \hat{g}(\xi)$

$$\text{Let } \langle f, g \rangle = \int f(x) \overline{g(x)} dx$$

$$\|f\|^2 = \langle f, f \rangle$$

Then: (Plancherel)

$$\text{If } f \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n), \text{ then } \|f\| = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2}} \|\hat{f}\|$$

Pf: Let  $f^b(x) = \overline{f(-x)}$ . Let  $h(x) = (f * f^b)(x)$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{f}^b(\xi) &= \int f^b(x) e^{-ix\xi} dx = \int \overline{f(-x)} e^{-ix\xi} dx \\ &= \int \overline{f(-x)} e^{ix\xi} dx \\ &= \int \overline{f(y)} e^{-iy\xi} dy \\ &= \overline{\hat{f}(\xi)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\hat{h}(\xi) = (f * f^b)(\xi) = \hat{f}(\xi) \cdot \hat{f}^b(\xi) = \hat{f}(\xi) \cdot \overline{\hat{f}(\xi)} = |\hat{f}(\xi)|^2$$

$$h(0) = \int f(y) \cdot \overline{f(-y)} dy = \int f(y) \overline{f(y)} dy = \int |f(y)|^2 dy$$

$$\int |f(y)|^2 dy = h(0) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} \int \hat{h}(\xi) d\xi = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} \int |\hat{f}(\xi)|^2 d\xi$$

$$\Rightarrow \|f\| = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2}} \|\hat{f}\|$$

Thm: If  $f, g \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then  $F(fg) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} \hat{f} * \hat{g}$

Pf: For  $g \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $F^2(g)(\xi) = (2\pi)^n \tilde{g}(\xi)$

(Recall,  $\frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} \tilde{F}^2(g) = T \circ F(g) = g$ )

We have  $F(f * g) = F(f) \cdot F(g)$

Replacing  $f$  &  $g$  by  $F(f)$  &  $F(g)$ , we obtain,

$$F(F(f) * F(g)) = F^2(f) \cdot F^2(g) = (2\pi)^{2n} \tilde{f} \tilde{g} = (2\pi)^n F^2(fg)$$

By applying  $F^{-1}$  to both the sides, we get  $F(f) * F(g) = (2\pi)^n F(fg)$

## Fourier Transforms of Tempered Distributions

Def<sup>n</sup>: Cts. linear functionals on the space of Schwartz class  $f_n$ 's are called Tempered distributions.

The class of tempered distributions is denoted by  $S'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

eg: For int'ble  $f_n$ 's, their tempered distribution is

$$\langle f, \varphi \rangle = \int f(x) \varphi(x) dx \quad \text{where } \varphi \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

Rem: Every distr. is not a tempered distr.

Let  $f(x) = e^{x^2}$  for  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Clearly,  $f$  defines a distr.  $\int f(x) \varphi(x) dx = \int e^{x^2} \varphi(x) dx < \infty$  for  $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}$

Note that  $e^{-x^2/2} \in S(\mathbb{R})$  &  $\int f(x) e^{-x^2/2} dx = \int e^{x^2} e^{-x^2/2} dx$   
 $= \int e^{x^2/2} dx = \infty$

( $\because e^{x^2/2}$  dominates  $x^2$  as  $|x| \rightarrow \infty$  &  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 dx = \infty$ )

Ex: If  $f \in L^1_{loc}$  &  $\exists C > 0$  &  $N \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  s.t.  $\int |f(x)| dx \leq CA^N$   
as  $A \rightarrow \infty$ , then  $f$  defines a tempered  $|x|^N$  distr.

eg: Polynomials

Adjoint identity for  $S'(\mathbb{R})$

If  $T$  &  $S$  are operations that maps  $S(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to  $S(\mathbb{R}^n)$  &

$$\int (T\psi(x)) \varphi(x) dx = \int \psi(x) S\varphi(x) dx \quad \text{for } \psi, \varphi \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

then we define  $\langle Tf, \varphi \rangle = \langle f, S\varphi \rangle$  for  $f \in S'(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $\varphi \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$

The concept of tempered distr. is introduced to deal with Fourier transforms, because Fourier transforms preserve Schwartz class  $f$ 's but not  $\mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$ .

All operations we discussed in the prev. section on  $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$  are also valid on  $S'(\mathbb{R}^n)$  except 'multip<sup>n</sup> by  $C^\infty$ - $f$ 's  $m(x)$ '.

Multip<sup>n</sup> by  $C^\infty$ - $f$ 's  $m(x)$  defines an operation on  $S'(\mathbb{R}^n)$  if

$$|m(x)| \leq C|x|^N \quad \text{as } |x| \rightarrow \infty$$

Especially  $m(x)$  cannot be  $e^{|x|^2}$  because  $e^{|x|^2} e^{-|x|^2/2} \notin S(\mathbb{R}^n)$

though  $e^{-|x|^2/2} \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$

Recall that for  $\psi, \varphi \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , we have

$$\int \hat{\psi}(x) \varphi(x) dx = \int \psi(x) \hat{\varphi}(x) dx$$

- Distributions ( $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ) v/s Tempered distributions ( $S'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ )
- Topology on  $S'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ : A seq.  $\{\varphi_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  in  $S(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is said to conv. to 0 if for every polynomial  $p$  & every differential operator  $L$  with const. coeff., then seq.  $p(x) L(\varphi_n(x)) \rightarrow 0$  uniformly as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Rem: Inclusion map  $\iota: \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^n) \hookrightarrow S(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is cts.

The space  $\mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is dense in  $S(\mathbb{R}^n)$  (check) - (\*)

Given any  $f \in S'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , the fun  $f|_{\mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^n)} \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$

Because of (\*), different elems. of  $S'(\mathbb{R}^n)$  define different elems. of  $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

In fact,  $S'(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is a subspace of  $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$

- We have the adjoint identity: for  $\varphi, \psi \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$

$$\int \hat{\psi}(x) \varphi(x) dx = \int \psi(x) \hat{\varphi}(x) dx$$

$$\& F: S(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow S(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

So, for  $f \in S'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $\langle Ff, \varphi \rangle = \langle \hat{f}, \varphi \rangle = \langle f, \hat{\varphi} \rangle$  for  $\varphi \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$

lem: If  $f$  is int'ble, then  $\hat{f}$  is (uniformly) cts.

Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . Since  $f$  is int'ble,  $\exists N$  st  $\int_{|x| > N} |f(x)| dx < \epsilon$

for  $|x| < N$ ,  $|e^{-ix(\xi+h)} - e^{-ix\xi}| = |e^{-ixh} - 1| \leq |h|N$  (using MVT)

So, with  $\delta = \epsilon/N$ , we get  $|h| < \delta \Rightarrow |e^{-ix(\xi+h)} - e^{-ix\xi}| < \epsilon$

So, for  $|h| < \delta$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\hat{f}(\xi+h) - \hat{f}(\xi)| &= \left| \int f(x) e^{-ix(\xi+h)} dx - \int f(x) e^{-ix\xi} dx \right| \\ &= \left| \int f(x) (e^{-ix(\xi+h)} - e^{-ix\xi}) dx \right| \\ &\leq \int_{|x| \leq N} |f(x)| |e^{-ix(\xi+h)} - e^{-ix\xi}| dx + \int_{|x| > N} |f(x)| dx \\ &< \epsilon \int |f(x)| dx + 2\epsilon = c\epsilon \end{aligned}$$

T'fore  $\hat{f}$  is uniformly cts.

Claim: The definition of Fourier transform for tempered distributions is consistent with that for f.m.s.

Pf: Since  $\mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is dense in the space of all int'ble f.m.s., we have  $S(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is dense in the space of all int'ble f.m.s.,

Let  $f$  be int'ble. So  $\exists$  seq.  $\{\varphi_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  in  $S(\mathbb{R}^n)$  s.t.  
$$\int |\varphi_n(x) - f(x)| dx \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

Also, for any int'ble f.m.s.  $g$ , we have  $|\hat{g}(x)| \leq \int |g(x)| dx$

Since  $|(\hat{\varphi}_n - \hat{f})(x)| \leq \int |\varphi_n - f| dx \quad \forall x$ , we get  $\hat{\varphi}_n \rightarrow \hat{f}$   
uniformly

Hence, 
$$\int \hat{\varphi}_n(x) \psi(x) dx \rightarrow \int \hat{f}(x) \psi(x) dx \quad \text{(i)}$$
  
ie 
$$\int \varphi_n(x) \hat{\psi}(x) dx \rightarrow \int \hat{f}(x) \psi(x) dx$$

Also, 
$$\int \varphi_n(x) \hat{\psi}(x) dx \rightarrow \int f(x) \hat{\psi}(x) dx \quad \text{(ii)}$$

$$\left( \left| \int (\varphi_n(x) - f(x)) \hat{\psi}(x) dx \right| \leq \sup \|\hat{\psi}\| \int |\varphi_n(x) - f(x)| dx \right)$$

From (i) & (ii), 
$$\int \hat{f}(x) \psi(x) dx = \int f(x) \hat{\psi}(x) dx$$

This proves the claim.

Riemann-Lebesgue lemma: If  $f$  is int'ble, then  $\lim_{|\xi| \rightarrow \infty} |\hat{f}(\xi)| = 0$

Pf: (continuing from prev. argument)

Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . So,  $\exists n_0 \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  s.t.  $|\hat{\varphi}_n(\xi) - \hat{f}(\xi)| < \epsilon/2 \quad \forall n \geq n_0, \forall \xi$

Further, for  $\hat{\varphi}_{n_0}$ ,  $\exists N > 0$  s.t. for  $|\xi| > N$ ,  $|\hat{\varphi}_{n_0}(\xi)| < \epsilon/2$

Thus, for  $|\xi| > N$ ,  $|\hat{f}(\xi)| \leq |\hat{\varphi}_{n_0}(\xi) - \hat{f}(\xi)| + |\hat{\varphi}_{n_0}(\xi)| < \epsilon$

Note:  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^n) \Rightarrow \hat{f} \in C_0(\mathbb{R}^n)$

Thm: (Fourier Inversion Formula)

The inverse of distributional Fourier transform is given by

$$F^{-1}f = (2\pi)^{-n} (Ff)^{\sim}$$

(where for  $f \in S'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $\langle \tilde{f}, \varphi \rangle = \langle f, \tilde{\varphi} \rangle$  &  $\tilde{\varphi}(x) = \varphi(-x)$  for  $\varphi \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ )

Pf: Recall that  $F^{-1}\varphi = (2\pi)^{-n} (F\varphi)^{\sim} \quad \forall \varphi \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$

Let  $Sf = (2\pi)^{-n} (Ff)^{\sim}$  for  $f \in S'(\mathbb{R}^n)$

So, for  $f \in S'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $\varphi \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f, \varphi \rangle &= \langle f, FF^{-1}\varphi \rangle = \langle Ff, F^{-1}\varphi \rangle \\ &= (2\pi)^{-n} \langle Ff, (F\varphi)^{\sim} \rangle \\ &= (2\pi)^{-n} \langle (Ff)^{\sim}, F\varphi \rangle \\ &= \langle Sf, F\varphi \rangle = \langle FSf, \varphi \rangle \end{aligned}$$

So,  $FSf = f$  & similarly  $SFf = f$ .

Hence, the formula holds.

Example 1: Consider distribution  $\delta$ . Then  $\varphi \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$

$$\langle \hat{\delta}, \varphi \rangle = \langle \delta, \hat{\varphi} \rangle = \hat{\varphi}(0) = \int \varphi(x) dx$$

$$\therefore \hat{\delta} = 1$$

Thm:  $F\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} f\right) = i\xi_k \hat{f}$  for  $f \in S'(\mathbb{R}^n)$

Pf:

$$\begin{aligned}\left\langle F\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} f\right), \varphi \right\rangle &= \left\langle \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_k}, \hat{\varphi} \right\rangle \quad \text{for } \varphi \in S(\mathbb{R}^n) \\ &= - \left\langle f, \frac{\partial \hat{\varphi}}{\partial x_k} \right\rangle \\ &= - \langle f, F(-i\xi_k \varphi) \rangle \\ &= \langle Ff, i\xi_k \varphi \rangle \\ &= \langle i\xi_k Ff, \varphi \rangle\end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $F\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} f\right) = i\xi_k \hat{f}$

Formulas similar to those of Fourier transform of  $S(\mathbb{R}^n)$  also hold for Fourier transform of tempered dist.

Rem:

- $f$  is smooth  $\Rightarrow \hat{f}$  has rapid decay at  $\infty$
- $f$  has rapid decay at  $\infty \Rightarrow \hat{f}$  is smooth

- Since  $\delta$  is not smooth, so  $\hat{\delta}$  has no decay at  $\infty$ .  
But  $\delta$  has rapid decay at infinity, so  $\hat{\delta}$  is smooth.

Example 2 : Consider distribution  $S'$ .

$$\text{Then } \hat{S}' = i\xi \hat{S} = i\xi$$

Since  $S'$  is rougher than  $S$ , the Fourier transform of  $S'$  grows at  $\infty$ .

Example 3 : Let  $f(x) = e^{i\lambda|x|^2}$  for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\lambda \neq 0$  real.

$$\text{Recall } F(e^{-t|x|^2}) = \left(\frac{\pi}{t}\right)^{n/2} e^{-|\xi|^2/4t}$$

$$\therefore \int e^{-t|x|^2} \hat{\varphi}(x) dx = \left(\frac{\pi}{t}\right)^{n/2} \int e^{-|\xi|^2/4t} \varphi(\xi) d\xi \quad \text{for } \varphi \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

We consider the analytic continuation for  $\text{Re } z > 0$  &

$$\text{obtain } F(z) = \int e^{-z|x|^2} \hat{\varphi}(x) dx,$$

$$G(z) = \left(\frac{\pi}{z}\right)^{n/2} \int e^{-|\xi|^2/4z} \varphi(\xi) d\xi$$

Note that for  $z = a + ib$  with  $a > 0$ .

$$\text{So, } e^{-z|x|^2} \hat{\varphi}(x) = e^{-(a+ib)|x|^2} \hat{\varphi}(x)$$

$$\text{Re}\left(\frac{1}{z}\right) = \text{Re}\left(\frac{1}{a+ib}\right) = \text{Re}\left(\frac{a-ib}{a^2+b^2}\right) > 0$$

But  $F$  &  $G$  are equal if  $z$  is real.

So, by Identity Principle,  $F(z) = G(z) \forall \operatorname{Re}(z) > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Finally for } \lambda \neq 0, \quad F(i) &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} F(\epsilon + i) \\ &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} G(\epsilon + i) \\ &= G(i) \end{aligned} \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \because F \text{ \& } G \text{ are} \\ \text{cts. up to the b'dry} \end{array} \right)$$

$$\text{i.e. } \int e^{i\lambda|x|^2} \hat{\varphi}(x) dx = \left( \frac{\pi}{i\lambda} \right)^{n/2} \int e^{-|\xi|^2/4(i\lambda)} \varphi(\xi) d\xi$$

The square root appearing in  $\left( \frac{-\pi}{i\lambda} \right)^{n/2}$  can be uniquely determined in the following way.

For  $\operatorname{Re}(z) > 0$ , we take the sq. root  $z^{1/2}$  by requiring  $\arg(z)$  to satisfy  $-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq \arg(z) \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$

(This is consistent with choosing the positive sq. root when  $z$  is real & positive)

So,  $\left( \frac{-\pi}{i\lambda} \right)$  becomes  $\left( \frac{\pi}{|\lambda|} \right)$  when  $\lambda > 0$  & becomes  $\left( \frac{-\pi}{|\lambda|} \right)$  when  $\lambda < 0$ .

$$\text{Hence, } \left( \frac{-\pi}{i\lambda} \right)^{n/2} = \begin{cases} \left( \frac{\pi}{|\lambda|} \right)^{n/2} e^{i\frac{n\pi}{4}}, & \lambda > 0 \\ \left( \frac{\pi}{|\lambda|} \right)^{n/2} e^{-i\frac{n\pi}{4}}, & \lambda < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{So, } F(e^{i\lambda|x|^2}) = \left( \frac{-\pi}{i\lambda} \right)^{n/2} e^{\frac{|\xi|^2}{4i\lambda}}$$

Example 4: Let  $f(x) = e^{-t|x|}$ ,  $t > 0$

This is rapidly decreasing  $f(x)^n$  but it is not in  $S(\mathbb{R}^n)$  because it fails to be diff. at  $x=0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{for } n=1, \quad \hat{f}(\xi) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-t|x|} e^{-ix\xi} dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{tx - ix\xi} dx + \int_0^{\infty} e^{-tx - ix\xi} dx \\ &= \frac{e^{x(t-i\xi)}}{t-i\xi} \Big|_{-\infty}^0 + \frac{e^{x(-t-i\xi)}}{-t-i\xi} \Big|_0^{\infty} \\ &= \frac{1}{t-i\xi} - \frac{1}{-t-i\xi} = \frac{2t}{t^2 + \xi^2} \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  By Fourier Inversion formula,

$$e^{-t|x|} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{t}{t^2 + \xi^2} e^{ix\xi} d\xi \quad (*)$$

for  $n > 1$ , we attempt to write  $e^{-t|x|}$  as an 'average' of Gaussian  $e^{-s|x|^2}$  because we know that the Fourier transform of  $e^{-s|x|^2}$  i.e., we want to find  $g(s,t)$  s.t

$$e^{-t|x|} = \int_0^{\infty} g(s,t) e^{-\frac{|x|^2}{4s}} ds$$

Note that 
$$\int_0^{\infty} e^{-st^2} e^{-s\ell^2} ds = \frac{e^{-s(t^2+\ell^2)}}{-(t^2+\ell^2)} \Big|_0^{\infty} = \frac{1}{t^2+\ell^2}$$

Substituting this in (\*), we get

$$\begin{aligned} e^{-t|x|} &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st^2} e^{-s\ell^2} ds e^{i\ell x} d\ell \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} t e^{-st^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-s\ell^2} e^{i\ell x} d\ell ds \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} t e^{-st^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-s\ell^2} e^{-i\ell x} d\ell ds \quad (\text{replace } \ell \text{ by } -\ell) \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} t e^{-st^2} \left(\frac{\pi}{s}\right)^{1/2} e^{-\frac{x^2}{4s}} ds \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{t}{(\pi s)^{1/2}} e^{-st^2} e^{-\frac{x^2}{4s}} ds \end{aligned}$$

The identity is independent of the dimension because only  $|x|$  appears which is a scalar. It follows that we have for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$e^{-t|x|} = \int_0^{\infty} \left( \frac{t}{(\pi s)^{1/2}} e^{-st^2} \right) e^{-\frac{|x|^2}{4s}} ds$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, } f(e^{-t|x|}) &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{t}{(\pi s)^{1/2}} e^{-st^2} f\left(e^{-\frac{|x|^2}{4s}}\right) ds \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{t}{(\pi s)^{1/2}} e^{-st^2} (4\pi s)^{n/2} e^{-s|x|^2} ds \end{aligned}$$

Substituting  $k = s(t^2 + |x|^2)$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} f(e^{-t|x|}) &= t \int_0^{\infty} \frac{2^n k^{n/2} \pi^{n/2-1/2}}{(t^2 + |x|^2)^{n/2}} e^{-k} \frac{dk}{(t^2 + |x|^2)} \frac{(t^2 + |x|^2)^{1/2}}{k^{1/2}} \\ &= 2^n \pi^{\frac{(n-1)}{2}} t \int_0^{\infty} \frac{k^{\frac{n-1}{2}} e^{-k} dk}{(t^2 + |x|^2)^{(n+1)/2}} \\ &= 2^n \pi^{\frac{(n-1)}{2}} t \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right)}{(t^2 + |x|^2)^{(n+1)/2}} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $F^{-1}f = (2\pi)^{-n} (\tilde{F}f)$ , we get

$$f^{-1}(e^{-t|x|}) = \pi^{-\frac{(n+1)}{2}} t \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right)}{(t^2 + |x|^2)^{\frac{n+1}{2}}}$$

Since  $e^{-t|x|}$  decays at  $\infty$ , the Fourier Transform is smooth. The lack of smoothness of  $e^{-t|x|}$  at  $x=0$  is reflected as the FT is just having polynomial decay at  $\infty$ .

Example 5: Let  $f(x) = |x|^\alpha$  where  $-n < \alpha < 0$

This is not int'ble. But it is locally int'ble.

$$\text{Also } \int_{|x| < A} |x|^\alpha dx = \int_0^A x^{n-1+\alpha} \left( \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta_{n-1} \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta_{n-2} \dots \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta_1 \right) = CA^{n+1+\alpha}$$

So,  $f$  is a tempered distribution

$$\text{We have } \int_0^\infty s^{-\alpha/2-1} e^{-s|x|^2} ds = \int_0^\infty t^{-\alpha/2-1} |x|^{-\alpha-1/2} e^{-t} \frac{dt}{|x|^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{(with } t = s|x|^2) \\ &= |x|^\alpha \int_0^\infty t^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}-1} e^{-t} dt \\ &= |x|^\alpha \Gamma(-\alpha/2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow |x|^\alpha = \frac{1}{\Gamma(-\alpha/2)} \int_0^\infty s^{-\alpha/2-1} e^{-s|x|^2} ds$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow F(|x|^\alpha) &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(-\alpha/2)} \int_0^\infty s^{-\alpha/2-1} F(e^{-s|x|^2}) ds \\ &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(-\alpha/2)} \int_0^\infty s^{-\alpha/2-1} \left(\frac{\pi}{s}\right)^{n/2} e^{-\frac{|x|^2}{4s}} ds \\ &= \frac{\pi^{n/2}}{\Gamma(-\alpha/2)} \int_0^\infty s^{-\alpha/2-n/2-1} e^{-\frac{|x|^2}{4s}} ds \end{aligned}$$

Substituting  $t = |z|^2/4s$ , we get  $s = |z|^2/4t$

$$\begin{aligned} f(|x|^\alpha)(z) &= \frac{-\pi^{n/2}}{\Gamma(-\alpha/2)} \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{|z|^2}{4t}\right)^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}-\frac{n}{2}-1} e^{-t} \frac{|z|^2}{4t^2} dt \\ &= \frac{\pi^{n/2}}{\Gamma(-\alpha/2)} |z|^{-\alpha-n} 2^{\alpha+n} \int_0^\infty t^{\frac{\alpha}{2}+\frac{n}{2}-1} e^{-t} dt \\ &= \frac{\pi^{n/2} 2^{\alpha+n}}{\Gamma(-\alpha/2)} \Gamma\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}+\frac{n}{2}\right) |z|^{-n-\alpha} \end{aligned}$$

Note that  $\Gamma(1/2) = \sqrt{\pi}$ ,  $\Gamma(n+1) = n!$  for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ .

For  $n=3$ ,  $\alpha=-1$ . Then

$$f(|x|^{-1})(z) = \frac{\pi^{3/2} 2^2 |z|^{-2}}{\pi^{1/2}} = 4\pi |z|^{-2}$$

$$\text{So, } f^{-1}(|z|^{-2})(x) = \frac{1}{4\pi|x|}$$

## Convolution with tempered distribution

Fix  $\psi \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , we define convolution of  $\psi$  as an operation.

Now, for  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$

$$\begin{aligned} \int (\psi * \varphi_1)(x) \varphi_2(x) dx &= \int \int \psi(x-y) \varphi_1(y) dy \varphi_2(x) dx \\ &= \int \varphi_1(y) \int \psi(x-y) \varphi_2(x) dx dy \\ &= \int \varphi_1(y) \int \tilde{\psi}(y-x) \varphi_2(x) dx dy \\ &= \int \varphi_1(y) (\tilde{\psi} * \varphi_2)(y) dy \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{where } \tilde{\psi}(x) = \psi(-x)$$

Using the adjoint identity, we define the operation  
(& hence the convolution of distribution) as

$$\langle (\psi * f), \varphi \rangle = \langle f, \tilde{\psi} * \varphi \rangle \quad \text{for } \psi, \varphi \in S(\mathbb{R}^n) \text{ \& } f \in S'(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

$$\text{Prop}^n: F(\psi * f) = \hat{\psi} \cdot \hat{f} \quad \text{for } \psi \in S(\mathbb{R}^n), f \in S'(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Pf: } \langle F(\psi * f), \varphi \rangle &= \langle \psi * f, \hat{\varphi} \rangle = \langle f, \tilde{\psi} * \hat{\varphi} \rangle \\ &= \langle f, F(F^{-1}(\tilde{\psi} * \hat{\varphi})) \rangle \\ &= \langle \hat{f}, F^{-1}(F(F^{-1}(\tilde{\psi} * \hat{\varphi}))) \rangle \\ &= \langle \hat{f}, (2\pi)^n (F^{-1}\tilde{\psi}) \varphi \rangle \quad \left( \because F(\hat{a} \cdot \hat{b}) = \frac{\hat{a} * \hat{b}}{(2\pi)^n} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \because (F^{-1}\tilde{\psi})(x) &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} \int \psi(-\xi) e^{ix\xi} d\xi = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} \int \psi(\xi) e^{-ix\xi} d\xi = \frac{\hat{\psi}(x)}{(2\pi)^n} \right) \\ &= \langle \hat{\psi} \cdot \hat{f}, \varphi \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Another way to define convolution

$$\begin{aligned} \text{for } \psi, \varphi \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n), \quad \psi * \varphi &= \int \psi(x-y) \varphi(y) dy \\ &= \int \tau_{-x} \tilde{\psi}(y) \varphi(y) dy \end{aligned}$$

Motivated by this, we define

$$(\psi * f)(x) = \langle f, \tau_{-x} \tilde{\psi} \rangle \quad \text{for } f \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n), \psi \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

Note that this def<sup>n</sup> makes  $\psi * f$  a  $f_x^n$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{further } p\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right) (\psi * f)(x) &= p\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right) \langle f, \tau_{-x} \tilde{\psi} \rangle \\ &= \langle f, p\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right) \tau_{-x} \tilde{\psi} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

So,  $\psi * f$  is a  $C^\infty$ - $f_x^n$ .

Claim: The distribution  $\psi * f$  is tempered & agrees with the previous def<sup>n</sup>.

Pf: Let  $g(x) = \langle f, \tau_{-x} \tilde{\psi} \rangle$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then for } \varphi \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n), \quad \int g(x) \varphi(x) dx &= \int \langle f, \tau_{-x} \tilde{\psi} \rangle \varphi(x) dx \\ &= \langle f, \int (\tau_{-x} \tilde{\psi}) \varphi(x) dx \rangle \\ &= \langle f, \int \tilde{\psi}(\cdot - x) \varphi(x) dx \rangle \\ &= \langle f, \tilde{\psi} * \varphi \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Convolution is a smoothening process.

Example: for  $\psi \in S(\mathbb{R})$

$$(\psi * \delta)(x) = \langle \delta, \tau_x \tilde{\psi} \rangle = \psi(x-y) \Big|_{x=0} = \psi(x)$$

$$\text{So, } \psi * \delta = \psi$$

This can be verified in another way:

$$f(\psi * \delta) = \hat{\psi} \cdot \hat{\delta} = \hat{\psi} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \psi * \delta = \psi \quad (\text{by Fourier inversion formula})$$

( $\because \hat{\delta} = 1$ )

$$\text{Observe that, } \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \psi(x) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} (\psi * \delta)(x) = \left( \psi * \frac{\partial \delta}{\partial x_k} \right)(x)$$

$$\left( \because \text{for } f \in S'(\mathbb{R}^n), \psi \in S(\mathbb{R}^n) \right. \\ \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} (\psi * f)(x) \leftarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} (\psi * \varphi_n)(x) \text{ for some } \varphi_n \rightarrow f \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \int f(y) \psi(x-y) dy = \int f(y) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \psi(x-y) dy$$

$$= - \int f(y) \frac{\partial}{\partial y_k} \psi(x-y) dy \quad (\text{by Chain Rule})$$

$$= \int \frac{\partial}{\partial y_k} f(y) \tau_x \tilde{\psi}(y) dy = \left( \psi * \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_k} \right)(x)$$

This implies differentiation of  $\varphi \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is convolving it with a derivative of  $\delta$ -fn.

- for  $\varphi \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$

$$\begin{aligned}(F^{-1}F\varphi)(x) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi(y) e^{-iy\xi} dy e^{ix\xi} d\xi \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi(y) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i(x-y)\xi} d\xi dy \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{in distribution} \\ \text{sense} \end{array} \right) \\ &= (\varphi * \delta)(x) = \varphi(x)\end{aligned}$$

In this way, Fourier inversion can be interpreted as a convolution eq<sup>n</sup>. In a sense, the inverse formula

' $\delta(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int e^{ix\xi} d\xi$ ' implies the Fourier inversion formula for distributions

## Applications to PDEs

for a given  $f \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , the sol<sup>n</sup> of  $\Delta u = f$  is not unique.

Because if  $\Delta u_1 = f$  &  $\Delta u_2 = 0$ , then  $\Delta(u_1 + u_2) = f$ .

i.e. we can add a harmonic  $f \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to the sol<sup>n</sup> of  $\Delta u = f$  to get another sol<sup>n</sup>.

Given  $f \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , if a tempered distr.  $P$  satisfies  $\Delta P = f$ , then

$$\Delta(P * f) = (\Delta P) * f = f * f = f$$

i.e.  $P * f$  is a sol<sup>n</sup> of  $\Delta u = f$

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} \text{Convolution is} \\ \text{commutative} \\ \psi * f = f * \psi \end{array} \right)$$

So, the sol<sup>n</sup>s of  $\Delta u = f$  are called fundamental sol<sup>n</sup>s or potentials.

Recall,  $\frac{1}{4\pi} \log(x_1^2 + x_2^2)$  is a sol<sup>n</sup> of  $\Delta P = f$  for  $n=2$ .

When  $n=3$  (i.e. in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ),  $\Delta P = f$  gives

$$F(\Delta P) = F(f) \Rightarrow -|\xi|^2 \hat{P} = \hat{f} \quad (*) \quad (\because F\left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial x_k}\right) = i\xi_k \hat{P})$$

One value of  $\hat{P}$  that satisfies (\*) is  $\hat{P} = -|\xi|^{-2}$

$$\therefore P(x) = -F^{-1}(|\xi|^{-2}) = -\frac{1}{4\pi|x|} \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{from example 5} \\ \text{of section 4} \end{array} \right)$$

This is called Newtonian potential.

As expected, the sol<sup>n</sup> is not unique & if  $\hat{P} = -|\xi|^2 + g$  satisfying  $-|\xi|^2 P = 1$  for some distr.  $g$ , then  $-|\xi|^2 \hat{g} = 0$

for example  $g = \delta$  satisfies the eq<sup>n</sup> since

$$\langle -|\xi|^2 \delta, \varphi \rangle = \langle \delta, -|\xi|^2 \varphi \rangle = -|\xi|^2 \varphi(\xi) \Big|_{\xi=0} = 0$$

In this case,  $P(x) = F^{-1}(-|\xi|^2 + \delta) = \frac{-1}{4\pi|x|} + \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3}$

Note that all sol<sup>n</sup>s of  $-|\xi|^2 \hat{g} = 0$  have pt. support & such distr. must be of the form  $g = \sum_{\text{finite}} \alpha_\alpha \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right)^\alpha \delta$  using 'structure theorem'.

$$\therefore F^{-1}(g) = F^{-1}\left(\sum_{\text{finite}} \alpha_\alpha \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right)^\alpha \delta\right) = \sum_{\text{finite}} k_\alpha \alpha_\alpha x^\alpha$$

In other words, the corresponding fundamental sol<sup>n</sup>s  $P$  are of the form: Newtonian potential + a polynomial.

Harmonic fun<sup>n</sup>s such as  $e^{x_1} \cos x_2$  does not appear here because they are not tempered distr.

Note that forms like  $\frac{\partial^2 S}{\partial x_1^2}$  cannot be  $g$   
(use  $mS'' = m''(0)S - 2m'(0)S' + m(0)S''$  where  $m = -|z|^2$ )

Solving DE with b'ry cond<sup>n</sup>

Example: The eq<sup>n</sup>  $\Delta(P*f) = f$  is valid for even more general  $f$ .

for example, since  $P$  is loc. int'ble in both the prev. situations,

$$(P*f)(x) = \int P(x-y) f(y) dy$$

would define convolution even for  $f$  cts. with cmt. support.

$$\& \Delta(P*f) = (\Delta P)*f = f$$

Dirichlet problem: Let  $D$  be a b'nd domain in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  or  $\mathbb{R}^3$  with smooth b'ry  $\partial$ . Let  $f$  be a cts. fun<sup>n</sup> with support in  $D$  &  $g$  be cts. on  $\partial$ . We want to solve  $\Delta u = f$  in  $D$  with  $u = g$  on  $\partial$ .

We extend  $f$  by setting it equal to 0 outside  $D$  & call it  $F$ .

$$\text{So, } \Delta(P*f) = (\Delta P)*f = \delta * F = F = f \text{ on } D.$$

Set  $v = P*f$  restricted to  $D$  & so  $\Delta v = f$  on  $D$ .

Def.  $w = u - v$ . Then  $\Delta w = \Delta u - \Delta v = f - f = 0$   
 $\&$   $w = g - h$  on  $B$  where  $h = v|_B = P \times f|_B$  }  $\rightarrow (*)$

Here  $h$  is also cts. So,  $(*)$  is the classical Dirichlet problem.

The classical Dirichlet problem has a unique sol<sup>n</sup> for  $w$   
 $\&$  for some domain  $D$  is given explicit integrals.

Hence  $u = v + w$  is the unique sol<sup>n</sup> to the original problem.

Example 2: Dirichlet problem for a Half plane

Let  $D$  be the half plane for  $t > 0$   $\&$   $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$

We want to solve for fixed  $f \in S$ ,

$$\left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} + \Delta x \right) u = 0 \text{ in } D \text{ with } u(x, 0) = f(x)$$

The sol<sup>n</sup> is not unique because we can always add ct  
 (which is harmonic  $\&$  vanishes at the b'ry)

for uniqueness, we assume that 'u is b'nd'.

We denote by  $f_x$  the F.T in  $x$ -variable.

Since  $u(x,t)$  is b'nd, it is a temporal distr.

We apply  $\mathcal{F}_x$  to our DE.

$$\frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{F}_x u(\xi, t)}{\partial t^2} - |\xi|^2 \mathcal{F}_x u(\xi, t) = 0 \rightarrow (a)$$

$$\text{with } \mathcal{F}_x u(\xi, 0) = \hat{f}(\xi) \rightarrow (b)$$

This becomes an ordinary DE. We would be vague by treating distr.  $\mathcal{F}_x u(\xi, t)$  as  $f(x)$ .

On solving a), we get

$$\mathcal{F}_x u(\xi, t) = c_1(\xi) e^{t|\xi|} + c_2(\xi) e^{-t|\xi|}$$

Since  $e^{t|\xi|}$  is un'b'nd,  $c_1(\xi) = 0$ .

$$\text{So, } \mathcal{F}_x u(\xi, x) = c_2(\xi) e^{-t|\xi|}$$

Using (b), we get  $\hat{f}(\xi) = \mathcal{F}_x u(\xi, 0) = c_2(\xi)$

$$\text{Hence } \mathcal{F}_x u(\xi, t) = \hat{f}(\xi) e^{-t|\xi|}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{T'fore, } u(x, t) &= \mathcal{F}^{-1}(\hat{f}(\xi) e^{-t|\xi|}) = \mathcal{F}^{-1}(\hat{f}(\xi) \mathcal{F}(e^{-t|\xi|})) \\ &= f(x) * \mathcal{F}^{-1}(e^{-t|\xi|}) \end{aligned}$$

Recall,  $f^{-1}(e^{-|z|t}) = \pi^{-\frac{(n+1)}{2}} \Gamma(\frac{n+1}{2}) \frac{t}{(t^2 + |x|^2)^{\frac{n+1}{2}}}$  (Poisson kernel of upper half plane)

Hence,  $u(x,t) = \pi^{-\frac{(n+1)}{2}} \Gamma(\frac{n+1}{2}) \int f(y) \frac{t}{(t^2 + |x-y|^2)^{\frac{n+1}{2}}} dy$

This is called Poisson integral formula for the upper half plane

- Verify that the sol<sup>n</sup> is harmonic (Hint: the kernel is harmonic for  $t > 0$ )

We can conformally transform the Poisson kernel of the disc to the Poisson kernel of the upper half plane for  $n=1$ .

$\left( \frac{z-i}{z+i} \text{ maps to the upper half plane to the unit disc} \right)$

Example : Let  $t \geq 0$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  &  $u(x, t)$  be b'nd.

The heat eq<sup>n</sup> is  $\frac{\partial u(x, t)}{\partial t} = k \Delta_x u(x, t)$  where  $k$  is a +ve const.

We consider  $t$  as time,  $t=0$  as initial time,  $x$  a pt. in space &  $u(x, t)$  as temperature. For a fixed  $f \in S$ , the b'ry cond<sup>n</sup>

$$u(x, 0) = f(x)$$

is the initial temp.

Applying the partial Fourier transform, we get

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathcal{F}_x u(\xi, t) = -k |\xi|^2 \mathcal{F}_x u(\xi, t) \quad \text{with the initial cond<sup>n</sup>}$$

$$\mathcal{F}_x u(\xi, 0) = \hat{f}(\xi)$$

Solving the DE, we get  $\mathcal{F}_x u(\xi, t) = c(\xi) e^{-k|\xi|^2 t}$

Using initial cond<sup>n</sup>, we obtain  $c(\xi) = \hat{f}(\xi)$

$$\text{So, } \mathcal{F}_x u(\xi, t) = \hat{f}(\xi) e^{-k|\xi|^2 t}$$

Note that the sol<sup>n</sup> is time irreversible.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence, } u(x, t) &= \mathcal{F}^{-1}(\hat{f}(\xi) e^{-k|\xi|^2 t}) \\ &= f * \mathcal{F}^{-1}(e^{-k|\xi|^2 t}) \end{aligned}$$

$$= f * \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} \left(\frac{\pi}{kt}\right)^{n/2} e^{-\frac{|x|^2}{4kt}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(4\pi kt)^{n/2}} \int f(y) e^{-\frac{|x-y|^2}{4kt}} dy$$

Heat kernel :  $\frac{1}{(4\pi kt)^{n/2}} e^{-\frac{|x|^2}{4kt}}$

3<sup>rd</sup> region :  $n=1, 0 \leq x \leq 1$

We consider it with periodic b'ry cond<sup>n</sup>.

$$u(0, t) = u(1, t) \text{ for all } t.$$

So,  $f(0) = f(1)$

We extend  $f$  to the whole line as a periodic fun<sup>n</sup> of  $x$ ,

$$f(x+1) = f(x) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\text{So, } u(x, t) = \frac{1}{(4\pi kt)^{1/2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(y) e^{-\frac{(x-y)^2}{4kt}} dy$$

$$= \frac{1}{(4\pi kt)^{1/2}} \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_j^{j+1} f(y) e^{-\frac{(x-y)^2}{4kt}} dy$$

By substituting  $y$  by  $y-j$  & using  $f(y) = f(y-j)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{(4\pi kt)^{1/2}} \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_0^1 f(y) e^{-\frac{(x+j-y)^2}{4kt}} dy \\ &= \int_0^1 \left( \frac{1}{(4\pi kt)^{1/2}} \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{(x+j-y)^2}{4kt}} \right) f(y) dy \end{aligned}$$

This  $u$  satisfies  $u(x+1, t) = u(x, t)$  for all  $x$  &  $t \geq 0$  i.e.

$u$  is periodic in  $x$ .

(This can be checked by change of summation variable from  $j$  to  $j-1$ )

Example 4: Wave eq<sup>n</sup>

Consider  $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} u(x,t) = k^2 \Delta_x u(x,t)$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

The constant  $k$  is 'the maximum propagation speed'

The initial cond<sup>s</sup> are  $u(x,0) = f(x)$ ,  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} u(x,0) = g(x)$  (Cauchy data)  
where  $f, g \in S$ . This determines a unique sol<sup>n</sup>.

Applying Fourier transform, we get

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t^2} F_x u(\xi, t) = -k |\xi|^2 F_x u(\xi, t)$$

$$F_x u(\xi, 0) = \hat{f}(\xi), \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial t} F_x u(\xi, 0) = \hat{g}(\xi)$$

Solving the DE, we get

$$F_x u(\xi, t) = c_1(\xi) \cos(k|\xi|t) + c_2(\xi) \sin(k|\xi|t)$$

$$\hat{f}(\xi) = F_x u(\xi, 0) = c_1(\xi)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{g}(\xi) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial t} F_x u(\xi, 0) = k|\xi| (-c_1(\xi) \sin(k|\xi|t) + c_2(\xi) \cos(k|\xi|t)) \\ &= k|\xi| c_2(\xi) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So, } c_2(\xi) = \hat{g}(\xi) / k|\xi|$$

$$\text{So, } f_x u(x, t) = \hat{f}(x) \cos(k|x|t) + \frac{\hat{g}(x)}{k|x|} \sin(k|x|t)$$

This is time reversible

We would do the  $n=1$  case.

$$F^{-1}(\hat{f}(x) \cos(k|x|t)) = F^{-1}\left(\hat{f}(x) \left(\frac{e^{ik|t|} + e^{-ik|t|}}{2}\right)\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (f(x+kt) + f(x-kt))$$

$$F^{-1}\left(\frac{\hat{g}(x) \sin(k|x|t)}{k|x|}\right) = F^{-1}\left(\hat{g}(x) \left(\frac{e^{ik|t|} - e^{-ik|t|}}{2ik|x|}\right)\right)$$

$$= F^{-1}\left(\frac{\hat{g}(x)}{i|x|} \left(\frac{e^{ik|t|} - e^{-ik|t|}}{2k}\right)\right)$$

Let  $Q(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x g(s) ds$ . By FTC,  $\frac{dQ(x)}{dx} = g(x)$

So, if  $\hat{Q}(x) = \hat{g}(x)$  i.e.  $\hat{Q}(x) = \frac{\hat{g}(x)}{i|x|}$  for  $x \neq 0$ .

$$= F^{-1}\left(\hat{Q}(x) \left(\frac{e^{ik|t|} - e^{-ik|t|}}{2k}\right)\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2k} (Q(x+kt) - Q(x-kt))$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{2k} \left( \int_{-\infty}^{x+kt} g(s) ds - \int_{-\infty}^{x-kt} g(s) ds \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2k} \int_{x-kt}^{x+kt} g(s) ds \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $u(x,t) = \frac{1}{2} (f(x+kt) + f(x-kt)) + \frac{1}{2k} \int_{x-kt}^{x+kt} g(s) ds$

Example 5: Free Schrodinger eq<sup>n</sup>

The quantum theory of a single particle is described by complex-valued 'wave function'  $\varphi(x)$  defined on  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

Here  $\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\varphi(x)|^2 dx$  is assumed to be finite.

Since  $\varphi$  & any multiple of  $\varphi$  describe the same physical state, we assume  $\int |\varphi(x)|^2 dx = 1$ .

The free Schrodinger eq<sup>n</sup> is

$$\frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial t} = ik \Delta_x u(x,t) \quad \text{where } k > 0.$$

with the initial cond<sup>n</sup>  $u(x,0) = \varphi(x)$ ,  $\varphi \in S(\mathbb{R}^3)$

Applying  $F_x$ , we get

$$\frac{\partial F_x u(x,t)}{\partial t} = -ik |x|^2 u(x,t)$$

$$F_x u(x,0) = \hat{\varphi}(x)$$

Solving the DE, we obtain

$$F_x u(x,t) = c(x) e^{-ik|x|^2 t}$$

Using the initial cond<sup>n</sup>, we get  $F_x u(x, t) = \hat{\varphi}(x) e^{-ik|x|t}$

Recall example 3 of section 4 that

$$F^{-1}(e^{-ik|x|t}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \left(\frac{\pi}{k|t|}\right)^{3/2} e^{\pm \frac{3\pi i}{4}} e^{\frac{i|x|^2}{4kt}}$$

$$\text{So, the sol<sup>n</sup> is } u(x, t) = \frac{1}{(4\pi k|t|)^{3/2}} e^{\pm \frac{3\pi i}{4}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \varphi(y) e^{\frac{i|x-y|^2}{4kt}} dy$$

where the  $\pm$  sign is the sign of  $t$ .

The factor  $e^{\pm \frac{3\pi i}{4}}$  has no physical significance by the prev. remark.

Since  $|F_x u(x, t)| = |\hat{\varphi}(x)|$ , we observe that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u(x, t)|^2 dx = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |F_x u(x, t)|^2 dx \quad (\text{by Plancherel formula})$$

is independent of time  $t$  & remain normalized.

