# Analysis of Functions

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#### 1 Review of Basic Concepts

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#### 1.1 Probmeas

- 1. The Lebesgue measure is inner regular, i.e., for all  $A \in B(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $\mu(A) = \sup\{\mu(K) : K \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n\}$  $A, K \text{ compact}\}.$
- 2. Recall that  $\mu$  extends to the  $\mu$ -completion of  $\mathcal{B}$ , which equals  $M_{\mu} = \{B \cup A : B \in \mathcal{B}, A \in \mathcal{N}, \ \mu(A) = \{B \in \mathcal{B}, A \in \mathcal{B}, A \in \mathcal{N}, \ \mu(A) = \{B \in \mathcal{B}, A \in$ 0}.
- 3. For measurable functions  $f: E \to F$ , if  $(F, \mathcal{F}) = (\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B})$  (or  $(\mathbb{C}, \mathcal{B})$ ), then we say that f is Borel. This extends to maps taking values  $\pm \infty$  if  $f^{-1}(\pm \infty) \in \mathcal{E}$ . If f takes values in  $[0, \infty]$ , then we say  $f \ge 0$  (non-negative).
- 4. Recall MCT and DCT.

## $L^p$ -spaces and Approximation

For  $f:(E,\mathcal{E},\mu)\to\mathbb{R}$  (or  $\mathbb{C}$ ), define

$$\begin{split} \|f\|_{L^p} &= \left(\int_E |f|^p d\mu\right)^{1/p}, \ 1 \leq p < \infty \\ \|f\|_{L^\infty} &= \operatorname{ess\,sup} |f| = \inf\{\lambda \geq 0: |f| \leq \lambda \text{ a.e.}\} \end{split}$$

We use  $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$  to denote the usual sup-norm. Define  $L^p(E,\mu) = \{f: E \to \mathbb{R} : \text{meas. } \|f\|_{L^p} < \infty\}$ Recall Riesz-Fischer Theorem. Also recall the spaces  $C^k(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , the set of all functions on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with continuous partial derivatives up to order k. We note that  $C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n) = \bigcap_{k \geq 0} C^k(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Note that this includes unbounded smooth functions. Use subscript c to denote the linear subspaces consisting of compactly supported functions.

Remark 1.  $C_c^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is non-empty, e.g.,

$$\psi(x) = \begin{cases} e^{\frac{1}{|x|^2 - 1}} & |x| < 1\\ 0 & \text{o/w} \end{cases}$$

**Theorem 1.1.**  $C_c^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is dense in  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n, dx)$  for  $1 \leq p < \infty$ .

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We admit the following lemma from PM.

**Lemma 1.2.**  $C_c(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is dense in  $L^p$ ,  $1 \leq p < \infty$ .

Recall convolution and basic properties including commutativity, associativity, and  $\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f * g dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} g$  (translation invariance and Fubini).

Recall multi-index notation  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n$  is written as  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, ..., \alpha_n)$  with order  $|\alpha| = \alpha_1 + ... + \alpha_n$  and we set  $\alpha! = \alpha_1! \cdots \alpha_n!$ , and for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , we write  $x^{\alpha} = x_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots x_n^{\alpha_n}$ , so the partial differential operator becomes

$$D^{\alpha} = \frac{\partial^{|\alpha|}}{\partial x^{\alpha}} = \frac{\partial^{|\alpha|}}{\partial x_1^{\alpha_1} ... \partial x_n^{\alpha_n}}$$

In particular  $D_i = D^{(0,...,1,0,...,0)}$ 

**Theorem 1.3.** Let  $f \in L^1_{loc}$  (i.e.,  $f1_K \in L^1$  for any  $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  compact), and  $g \in C^k_c(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Then  $f * g \in C^k(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and for all  $0 \le |\alpha| \le k$ , we have

$$D^{\alpha}(f * g) = f * (D^{\alpha}g)$$

*Proof.* Recall the translation operator  $\tau_z h = h(\bullet - z), z \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Then for all  $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,

$$\tau_z(f * g)(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} g(x - u - y) f(y) dy$$

Since  $g \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^n)$  we have  $|g(x-u-y)| \le ||g||_{\infty} 1_K$  for all  $|u| \le 1$ , where  $K = K_{x,g}$  is a compact set, so tht  $||g||_{\infty} 1_K |f|$  gives an integrable upper bounde for the integrand. Since  $g(x-u-y) \to g(x-y)$  as  $u \to 0$ , we have pointwise convergence. Apply DCT, we see that f \* g is cts.

Now for k = 1, we define difference operators  $\forall e_i$  (standard basis vector) by  $\Delta_h^i g(z) = \frac{g(z + he_i) - g(z)}{h}$  which converges to  $D_i g(z)$ . We can write

$$\Delta_h^i(f * g)(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \Delta_h^i g(x - y) f(y) dy$$

Apply mean value inequality, get  $|\Delta_h^i g(x-y)| \leq ||D_i g||_{\infty} 1_K$ . Apply DCT,  $\Delta_h^i (f * g) \to f * (D_i g)$ , which is continuous, so  $f * g \in C^1$ . Induction...

**Proposition 1.4** (Continuity of translation in  $L^p$ ). Let  $1 \le p < \infty$ . Then  $\|\tau_z f - f\|_{L^p} \to 0$  as  $z \to 0$  for all  $f \in L^p$ .

*Proof.* Hold for cts functions with compact support. Then apply  $\varepsilon/3$ -argument.

**Theorem 1.5** (Minkowski's inequality for integrals). Let  $F : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$  be a measurable non-negative or  $dx \otimes dx$ -integrable function. Then

$$\left\| \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} F(x, \cdot) dx \right\|_{L^p} \le \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \|F(x, \cdot)\|_{L^p} dx$$

*Proof.* Example sheet.

**Theorem 1.6** (Mollification/Approximate identity). Let  $\varphi \in C_c^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  be non-negative s.t.  $\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi(x) dx = 1$ . Define  $\varphi_{\varepsilon}^{-n} \varphi(\cdot/\varepsilon)$ ,  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Then for  $1 \leq p < \infty$  and any  $f \in L^p$ ,

$$||f - \varphi_{\varepsilon} * f||_{L^p} \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \to 0} 0$$

Proof. For  $f \in L^p$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,

$$|\varphi_{\varepsilon} * f(x) - f(x)| = \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(x - y) \varepsilon^{-n} \varphi(y/\varepsilon) dy - f(x) \right|$$
$$= \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (f(x - \varepsilon u) \varphi(u) - f(x)) du \right|$$
$$\leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |f(x - \varepsilon) - f(x)| \varphi(u) du$$

Apply Minkowski's inequality for integrals,

$$\|\varphi_{\varepsilon} * f - f\|_{L^p} \le \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \|\tau_{\varepsilon u} f = f\|_{L^p} \varphi(u) du$$

This converges to 0 as  $\varepsilon \to 0$  by DCT.

In particular, since  $C_c(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is dense in  $L^p$  and  $\{\varphi_{\varepsilon} * f : f \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^n)\} \subseteq C_c^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , we have also proved that  $C_c^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is dense in  $L^p$ .

## 1.3 Lebesgue's Differentiation Theorem

**Definition 1.7** (Hardy-Littlewood maximal function). For  $f \in L^1$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , let

$$Mf(x) = \sup_{r>0} \frac{1}{|B_r(x)|} \int_{B_r(x)} f(y) dy$$

**Lemma 1.8.** For  $f \in L^1$ , Mf maps  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}$  and is Borel-measurable, and for all  $\lambda > 0$ ,

$$|\{x: Mf(x) > \lambda\}| \le \frac{3^n}{\lambda} ||f||_{L^1}$$

*Proof.* Define  $A_{\lambda} = \{x : Mf(x) > \lambda\}$ . If  $x_m \in A_{\lambda}^c$  s.t.  $x_m \to x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Then

$$\frac{1}{|B_{r_x}(x_m)|}\int_{\mathbb{R}^n}1_{B_{r_x}(x_m)}|f(y)|dy\leq \lambda$$

by definition of  $A_{\lambda}^{c}$ . Apply DCT, get a contradiction, so  $A_{\lambda}^{c}$  is closed, so  $A_{\lambda}$  is open. This gives measurability.

To prove the inequality, we use the inner regularity of  $\mu$  and take an arbitrary compact subset  $K \subseteq A_{\lambda}$ . K has an open cover  $\{B_{r_x}(x) : x \in A_{\lambda}\}$ . Pass to a finite subcover  $B_1, ..., B_N$  of such balls. By Wiener's covering lemma (ES1), reduce to a subcollection osf disjoint balls  $B_1, ..., B_k$  s.t.

$$|K| \le 3^n \sum_{i=1}^k |B_i| = \frac{3^n}{\lambda} \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda |B_i| \le \frac{3^n}{\lambda} \sum_{i=1}^k \int_{B_i} |f(y)| dy \le \frac{3^n}{\lambda} ||f||_{L^1}$$

By inner regularity,  $|A_{\lambda}| \leq \sup\{|K| : K \subseteq A_{\lambda} \text{ cpt}\} \leq \frac{3^n}{\lambda} ||f||_{L^1}$ .

**Theorem 1.9.** Let  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $B_r(x)$  ball centered at x with radius r. Then

$$\lim_{r\to 0} \frac{1}{|B_r(x)|} \int_{B_r(x)} |f(y) - f(x)| dy = 0, \ a.e. \tag{\dagger}$$

Remark 2. The set of points  $A = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : (\dagger)\}$  are called Lebesgue points of f.

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Proof. Consider

$$\bar{A}_{\lambda} = \left\{ x : \lim_{r \to 0} |B_r(x)^{-1}| \int_{B_r(x)} |f(y) - f(x)| dy > 2\lambda \right\}$$

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Pick  $g \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^n)$  s.t.  $||f - g||_{L^1} < \varepsilon$ . Then

$$\frac{1}{|B_r(x)|} \int_{B_r(x)} |f(y) - f(x)| dy \leq \frac{1}{|B_r(x)|} \int_{B_r(x)} |f(y) - g(y)| dy + \frac{1}{|B_r(x)|} \int_{B_r(x)} |g(y) - g(x)| dy + |f(x) - g(x)|$$

g is unif. cts, so the second term is small. If  $x \in \bar{A}_{\lambda}$ , either the first term or the third term is  $> \lambda$ . The third term is bounded using Markov's inequality

$$\{x: |f(x) - g(x)| > \lambda\} \le \frac{\|f - g\|_{L^1}}{\lambda} < \varepsilon/\lambda$$

For the first term, use HL-maximal inequality,

$$|\{x: \text{first term} > \lambda\}| \le |\{x: M(f-g)(x) > \lambda\}| \le \frac{3^n}{\lambda} ||f-g||_{L^1} \le 3^n \varepsilon / \lambda$$

Therefore  $|\bar{A}_{\lambda}| \leq C\varepsilon$ . So  $|A^c| \leq |\bigcup_n \bar{A}_{1/n}| \leq \sum_n |\bar{A}_{1/n}| = 0$ .

Remark 3. In particular, for  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $\lim_{h\to 0} \int_x^{x+h} f(y) dy = f(x)$  a.e.

**Theorem 1.10** (Egorov). Let  $E \in B(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $|E| < \infty$ . Suppose  $f_j : E \to \mathbb{R}$  measurable s.t.  $f_j \to f$  a.e. on E. Then

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \ \exists A_{\varepsilon} \ s.t. \ |E \setminus A_{\varepsilon}| < \varepsilon \ and \ f_i \stackrel{unif}{\to} f \ on \ A_{\varepsilon}$$

*Proof.* By discarding a null set, we may assume that  $f_i \to f$  pointwise on E. Define

$$E_k^m = \{x : \forall j > k, |f_j(x) - f(x)| < 1/m\}$$

 $E_k^m$  is increasing as  $k \to \infty$ , and  $\bigcup_k E_k^m = E$  by pointwise convergence. Pick a subsequence  $k_m$  s.t.  $|E \setminus E_{k_m}^m| \le \varepsilon 2^{-m}$ . Define  $A_\varepsilon = \bigcap_m E_{k_m}^m$ . For all  $x \in A_\varepsilon$ ,  $|f_j(x) - f(x)| < 1/m$  whenever  $j > k_m$ , so the convergence is uniform on  $A_\varepsilon$ , and

$$|E \setminus A_{\varepsilon}| \le \sum_{m} |E \setminus E_{k_m}^m| \le \varepsilon$$

**Theorem 1.11** (Lusin). Let  $|E| < \infty$ ,  $f: E \to \mathbb{R}$  (or  $\mathbb{C}$ ) Borel-measurable. Then

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \ \exists F_{\varepsilon} \ s.t. \ |E \setminus F_{\varepsilon}| < \varepsilon \ and \ f : F_{\varepsilon} \to \mathbb{R} \ cts$$

Remark 4. Note that f is not necessarily continuous  $F_{\varepsilon}$  when regarded as a map defined on E.

Proof. First prove it for simple functions  $f = \sum_{i=1}^m a_i 1_{A_i}$  (wlog assume  $A_i$  disjoint), where  $\bigcup A_i = E$ . Use inner regularity to find compact sets  $K_k \subseteq A_k$  s.t.  $|A_k \setminus K_k| < \varepsilon/m$ . f is cts on  $\bigcup_k K_k$  and  $|E \setminus \bigcup_k K_k| \le \varepsilon$ . For general f, approximate f ptwise by simple functions on E. Pick  $A_\varepsilon$  s.t.  $|E \setminus A_\varepsilon| < \varepsilon/2$  s.t.  $f_m \to f$  unif. by Egorov. Take  $C_m$  compact s.t.  $|E \setminus C_m| < \varepsilon 2^{-m-1}$ . Then Take  $F_\varepsilon = A_\varepsilon \cap \bigcap_m C_m$ . Can check that  $|E \setminus F_\varepsilon| \le \varepsilon$ .

Recall Riesz representation theorem in Hilbert spaces (bounded linear functionals can be written as taking inner product with a certain element).

Consider two measures  $\mu, \nu$  on a measurable space  $(E, \mathcal{E})$ .

**Definition 1.12.** We say that  $\nu$  is absolutely continuous w.r.t  $\mu$  if  $\mu(A) = 0 \implies \nu(A) = 0$  for any  $A \in \mathcal{E}$ . We write  $\nu \ll \mu$ . If  $\nu \ll \mu$  and  $\mu \ll \nu$  both hold, then we say that  $\mu, \nu$  are mutually absolutely continuous.

If there exists  $B \in \mathcal{E}$  s.t.  $0 = \mu(B) = \nu(B^c)$ , then we say that  $\mu, \nu$  are mutually singular, and we write  $\mu \perp \nu$ .

**Theorem 1.13** (Radon-Nikodym). Let  $\mu, \nu$  be finite measures on  $(E, \mathcal{E})$  s.t.  $\nu \ll \mu$ . Then  $\exists w \in L^1(\mu)$ ,  $w \geq 0$ , s.t. for all  $A \in \mathcal{E}$ ,  $\nu(A) = \int_A d\nu = \int_A w d\mu$ .

Remark 5.

- 1) w is unique.
- 2) Will show that  $\int_E h d\nu = \int_E h w d\mu$  for all  $h \ge 0$  measurable. In particular,  $w = d\nu/d\mu$  (Leibniz notation) is called the Radon-Nikodym derivative (or density) of  $\nu$  w.r.t.  $\mu$ .
- 3) The result extends to  $\mu, \nu$   $\sigma$ -finite.

*Proof (von Neumann)*. Define  $\alpha = \mu + 2\nu$  and  $\beta = 2\mu + \nu$ . On  $L^2(\alpha)$ , consider the map  $\Lambda(f) = \int_E f d\beta$ . This is bounded since

$$|\Lambda(f)| \le \int_E |f| d\beta \le 2 \int_E |f| d\alpha \le 2\sqrt{\alpha(E)} ||f||_{L^2(\alpha)}$$

By Riesz, there exists  $g \in L^2(\alpha)$  s.t.  $\Lambda(f) = \int_E gfd\alpha$ , i.e.,  $\int f(2d\mu + d\nu) = \int gf(d\mu + 2d\nu)$  for all  $f \in L^2(\alpha)$ . Rearrange,

$$\int_{E} f(2-g)d\mu = \int_{E} f(2g-1)d\nu$$

Consider  $A_j = \{x : g(x) \leq \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{i}\}, j \in \mathbb{N}$ . Thus, by taking  $f = 1_{A_j}$ ,

$$\frac{3}{2}\mu(A_j) \le \int_E f(2g-1)d\mu \le -\frac{2}{j}\nu(A_j)$$

So,  $g \ge 1/2$  a.e. (w.r.t. both  $\mu, \nu$ ). Similarly, by considering  $\{x : g(x) \ge 2 + 1/j\}$ , can prove that  $g \le 2$  $\mu$ -,  $\nu$ - a.e. We extend to simple functions and then to non-negative measurable functions by MCT.

Consider  $f = 1_{\{x:g(x)=1/2\}}$ , then get  $\frac{3}{2}\mu(\{x:g(x)=1/2\}) = 0$ , so  $\nu(\{x:g(x)=1/2\}) = 0$ . Let  $h \ge 0$  measurable and define  $f = \frac{h}{2g-1}$  and  $w = \frac{2-g}{2g-1}$  (define it to be 0 if 2g-1=0). Now

$$\int_{E} h d\nu = \int_{E} f(2g-1)d\nu = \int_{E} f(2-g)d\mu = \int_{E} hwd\mu$$

Done by taking  $h = 1_A$ . Note that  $w \in L^1(\mu)$  since  $\int_E w d\mu = \int_E 1_E w d\mu = \nu(E) < \infty$ . 

Remark 6.

1) If  $\mathbb{P}$  is a prob measure on B s.t.  $\mathbb{P} \ll dx$ , where dx is the Lebesgue measure, then  $\frac{d\mathbb{P}}{dx} = p(x)$  is the Lebesuge prob density of  $\mathbb{P}$ . Moreover, there exists a unique decomposition  $\mathbb{P} = \mathbb{P}_{\ll} + \mathbb{P}_{\perp}$ . (ESheet)

#### $\mathbf{2}$ Dual Spaces

**Definition 2.1.** Let X be a topological vector space. The top dual space is

$$X' = \{\Lambda : X \to \mathbb{R} \text{ linear and cts}\}\$$

If  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  is a normed space, then cts $\Leftrightarrow$ bounded, and X' has the operator norm. X'' = (X')' is called the bidual space.

We have a point evaluation map  $\Lambda \mapsto \Lambda(x)$  for each  $x \in X$ . [Note that  $|\Lambda(x)| \leq ||\Lambda||_{X'}||x||_X \leq$  $C\|\lambda\|_{X'}$ . Can identify  $x\mapsto (\Lambda\mapsto\Lambda(x))$  and regard X as a subspace of X".

**Definition 2.2.** If X'' = X, then say X is reflexive.

For  $1 , consider the Hölder conjugate q of p. Each <math>q \in L^q$  defines a linear functional on  $L^p$  by  $\Lambda_q(f) = \int fg dx$ . This is bounded since  $|\Lambda_q(f)| \leq ||g||_{L^q} ||f||_{L^p}$ . In fact  $||\Lambda_q|| = ||g||_{L^q}$ . Get an embedding  $L^q \subseteq (L^p)'$ .

**Theorem 2.3.** For  $1 \le p < \infty$ ,  $(L^p)' = L^q$ . For  $1 , <math>L^p$  is reflexive.

Remark 7. The result is false for  $p = \infty$ , so  $L^1$  is not reflexive.

**Lemma 2.4.** Under the hypothesis of the theorem, let  $U \in (L^p)'$  positive, then  $\exists g \in L^q$  s.t.  $U(f) = \Lambda_q$ and  $||U|| = ||g||_{L^q}$ .

*Proof of lemma.* On  $\mathbb{R}^n$  consider the finite measure  $\mu$  with density  $e^{-|x|^2}$ . Further define, for each  $A \in \mathcal{B}$ ,

$$\nu(A) = U(e^{-|x|^2/p} 1_A) \ge 0$$

To show that  $\nu$  is countably additive, consider  $A_m \in \mathcal{B}$  s.t.  $A_m \downarrow \bigcap_m A_m = \emptyset$  and note  $\nu(A_m) = \emptyset$  $U(e^{-|x|^2/p}1_{A_m}) \leq ||U|| |||e^{-|x|^2/p}1_{A_m}||_{L^p} \to 0$  by DCT. Hence  $\nu$  is a finite measure. Note that  $\nu \ll \mu$ . [If  $\mu(A) = 0$ , then  $\nu(A) \leq ||U|| |||e^{-|x|^2/p}||_{L^p} = ||U||\mu(A)^{1/p} = 0$ .] By Radon-Nikodym,  $\exists \mathcal{G} \in L^1(\mu)$  non-negative s.t.  $\nu(A) = \int_A \mathcal{G} d\mu$ . Consider a simple function  $F = \sum_k a_k 1_{A_k}$ . Compute

$$U(e^{-|x|^2/p}F) = \int \sum_k a_k 1_{A_k} \mathcal{G} e^{-|x|^2} dx = \int e^{-|x|^2/p} \sum_k a_k 1_{A_k} \mathcal{G} e^{-|x|^2/q} dx$$

Set  $g = \mathcal{G}e^{-|x|^2/q}$ . Note that  $\{e^{-|x|^2/p}F : F \text{ simple}\}$  is dense in  $L^p \cap \{\geq 0\}$ . Since  $fg \in L^1$  [Note  $\int |fg| = \int |f|g = U(|f|) \le ||U|| ||f||_{L^p} < \infty$ ]. Decomposing fg into  $f_+g - f_-g$  and taking limits, we see that  $U(f) = \int fg$  for all  $f \in L^p$ .

(cf. ES1), have  $\|g\|_{L^q} = \sup\{\int |fg| : \|f\|_{L^p} \le 1\} = U(|f|) \le \|U\| < \infty$  and  $\|U\| = \sup_{\|f\|_{L^p} \le 1} |\int fg| \le 1$  $||g||_{L^q}$  by Hölder, so  $||U|| = ||g||_{L^q}$ .

*Proof of thm.* Note (ES) that  $\Lambda \in (L^p)'$  can be uniquely decomposed as  $\Lambda_+ - \Lambda_-$ , where  $\Lambda_\pm$  are positive linear functionals  $(\Lambda_{\pm}(h) \geq 0 \text{ for all } h \geq 0 \text{ a.e.})$ . Apply the preceding lemma.

We can characterize duals of subspace of  $L^{\infty}$ , e.g., any finite measure defines a linear functional in  $C_c(\mathbb{R}^n)'$  by  $f \mapsto \mu(f)$ .

**Definition 2.5.** A measure is regular on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  if  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \forall A \in \mathcal{B}, \exists C \text{ closed}, D \text{ open s.t. } C \subseteq A \subseteq D \text{ s.t.}$   $\mu(D \setminus C) < \varepsilon$ 

**Theorem 2.6** (Riesz). Let  $\Lambda \in (C_c(\mathbb{R}^n))'$  be positive. Then  $\exists \ a \ \sigma$ -algebra  $M \supseteq \mathcal{B}$  and a regular measure  $\mu$  on M s.t.  $\Lambda(f) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f d\mu$ .

Proof omitted.

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# 3 Weak and Weak\* Topology

**Definition 3.1.** A semi-norm p on a vector space X is a functional  $p: X \to [0, \infty)$  s.t.

- 1)  $\forall x, y \in X$ ,  $p(x+y) \le p(x) + p(y)$ ;
- 2)  $\forall x \in X, \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R} \text{ (or } \mathbb{C}), \ p(\lambda x) = |\lambda| p(x)$

The collection  $\mathcal{P}$  of seminorms introduces a 'locally convex' topology  $\tau_{\mathcal{P}}$  generated by

$$V_x(p,n) = \{ y \in X : p(y-x) < 1/n \}$$

for  $x \in X$ ,  $p \in \mathcal{P}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Definition 3.2.** The family  $\mathcal{P}$  is said to separate points if for any  $0 \neq x \in X$ , there exists  $p \in \mathcal{P}$  s.t.  $p(x) \neq 0$ .

Therefore (ES) a sequence  $x_n$  converges in  $\tau_{\mathcal{P}}$  iff for all  $p \in \mathcal{P}$ ,  $p(x_n - x) \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ . This topology is not generally metrizable unless  $\mathcal{P}$  is countable. In that case a metric is given by

$$d_{\mathcal{P}}(x,y) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{p_i(x-y)}{2^{-i}(1+p_i(x-y))}$$

**Definition 3.3.** We say that  $(X, \tau_{\mathcal{P}})$  is a locally convex topological vector space (LCTVS). If it's complete, then we call it a Frechet space.

Consider the semi-norms given by  $p_{\Lambda}(x) = |\Lambda(x)|$ .

**Definition 3.4.** The topology  $\tau_{\mathcal{P}}$  induced by  $\mathcal{P} = \{p_{\Lambda} : \Lambda \in X'\}$  is called the weak topology  $\tau_w$ . We say that  $x_n \to x$  weakly in X or  $x_n \rightharpoonup x$  if  $\Lambda(x_n) \to \Lambda(x)$  for all  $\Lambda \in X'$ .

**Definition 3.5.** On the dual space X', we can consider the weak-\* topology  $\tau_{w^*}$  induced by  $\mathcal{P} = \{p_x(\Lambda) = |\Lambda(x)| : x \in X\}$ . Note that  $\Lambda_n \to \Lambda$  weak-\*, or  $\Lambda_n \rightharpoonup^* \Lambda$  if  $\Lambda_n(x) \to \Lambda(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ .

### Example 3.6.

1) Consider  $L^p(\mathbb{R}, dx)$ .  $f_n \to f$  weakly in  $L^p$  iff

$$\forall g \in L^q, \int_{\mathbb{P}^n} f_n g dx \to \int_{\mathbb{P}^n} f g dx$$
 (†)

Since  $L^p = (L^q)'$ ,  $\Lambda_{f_n} \to \Lambda_f$  weak-\* (or  $f_n \to f$  weak-\*) iff (†) holds. For 1 , weak convergence and weak-\* convergence coincide. (This is true in any reflexive space.)

2) Consider a probmeas on a metric space D (with Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra). Let  $C_b(D)$  denote the Banach space of bounded cts functions on D. Then  $\mu(f)$  defines an element  $C_b(D)'$ . A sequence of probmeas  $\mu_n$  converges to  $\mu$  in  $\tau_{w^*}$  if  $\mu_n(f) \to \mu(f)$  for all  $f \in C_b(D)$ . (i.e. weak convergence of laws)

Recall Arzela-Ascoli. A sufficient condition for equicontinuity is given by Hölder continuity, defined as

$$||f||_{C^{0,\gamma}} = ||f||_{\infty} + \sup_{x \neq y} \frac{|f(x) - f(y)|}{|x - y|^{\gamma}}$$

where  $0 < \gamma < 1$  and

$$||f||_{C^{m,\gamma}} = \sum_{0 \le |\alpha| \le m} ||D^{\alpha} f||_{\infty} + \max_{|\alpha| = m} \sup_{x \ne y} \frac{|D^{\alpha} f(x) - D^{\alpha} f(y)|}{|x - y|^{\gamma}}$$

So  $\{f: ||f||_{C^{0,\gamma}} \leq 1\}$  is compact in C([0,1]) by Arzela-Ascoli.

**Theorem 3.7** (Banach-Alaoglu). Let X be a normed space. The unit ball  $B_1 = \{\Lambda \in X' : \|\Lambda\|_{X'} \le 1\}$  of X' is compact in weak-\* topology

Remark 8. In  $(C_b(D))'$  any sequence of probmeas has a weak-\* convergent subsequence.

We will prove Banach Alaoglu for X separable.

**Lemma 3.8.** For a countable dense subset  $D = \{x_1, ..., x_n\}$  of X, consider seminorms  $\tilde{\mathcal{P}} = \{p_{x_k}(\Lambda) = |\Lambda(x_k)| : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$  with induced topology  $\tau_{\tilde{\mathcal{P}}}$ . Then  $\tau_{w^*} = \tau_{\tilde{\mathcal{P}}}$  coincide as topologies on  $B'_1 = \{\Lambda \in X' : \|\Lambda\|_{X'} \leq 1\}$  and are metrized by

$$d_{\tilde{\mathcal{P}}(\Lambda,\Lambda')} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{|\Lambda(x_k) - \Lambda'(x_k)|}{2^k (1 + |\Lambda(x_k) + \Lambda'(x_k)|)}$$

Proof. The open sets for  $\tau_{\tilde{\mathcal{P}}}$  are generated by  $V(x_k,m) = \{\Lambda : |\Lambda(x_k)| < 1/m\}$ . To prove that the two topologies are equivalent, it suffices to show that V(x,n) contain some  $V(x_k,m)$  for all  $x \in X, n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Suppose  $x \in X \setminus D$  and pick  $x_k \in D$  s.t.  $||x - x_k|| < \varepsilon$ . For  $\Lambda \in V(x_k,m)$  we have  $|\Lambda(x)| \le |\Lambda(x_k - x)| + |\Lambda(x_k)| \le ||\Lambda||_{X'}\varepsilon + 1/m < n$  when  $\varepsilon$  is sufficiently small and m sufficiently large, so  $V(x_k,m) \subseteq V(x,n)$ .

If 
$$\Lambda_j(x_k) \stackrel{j \to \infty}{\longrightarrow} \Lambda(x_k)$$
 for all  $k$  then  $d_{\tilde{\mathcal{P}}}(\Lambda_j, \Lambda) \to 0$  by DCT applied to counting measure on  $\mathbb{N}$ .  $\square$ 

**Theorem 3.9.** Let  $\Lambda_j \in B'_1$ . Then  $\exists \Lambda \in B'_1$  s.t.  $\Lambda_{j_k} \to \Lambda$  weak-\*.

Proof. Let D be a countable dense subset of X. Since  $|\Lambda_j(x_k)| \leq ||x_k|| < \infty$ . Diagonalization argument. Find convergent subsequences  $\Lambda_{i,j}$  Find a  $\Lambda$  as the limit of  $\Lambda_{j,j}$ . Need to show linearity and continuity. Note that  $\Lambda$  is unif cts on D. [If  $x,y \in D$  with  $||x-y|| < \varepsilon/2$ , then for all j sufficiently large,  $|\Lambda_{j,j}(x) - \Lambda(x)|, |\Lambda(y) - \Lambda_{j,j}(y)| < \varepsilon/4$ ] Apply triangle inequality to  $|\Lambda(x) - \Lambda(y)|$ . Note that  $\Lambda_{j,j}$  is uniformly Lipschitz. By uniform continuity, we can extend  $\Lambda$  to a unif cts function on X.

To show linearity, let  $x, y \in X$ , z = x + ay for  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  (or  $\mathbb{C}$ ) and pick  $x', y', z' \in D$  s.t.  $||x - x'|| + |a|||y - y;|| + ||z - z'|| < \delta$ .

Apply a big triangle inequality.

$$|\Lambda(z) - \Lambda(x) - a\Lambda(y)| \le |\Lambda(z) - \Lambda(z')| + |\Lambda(x) - \Lambda(x')| + |a||\Lambda(y) - \Lambda(y')|$$
  
 $< +|\Lambda(z') - \Lambda_{i,i}(z')| + \dots$ 

each term is small either by unif continuity or unif convergence or linearity of  $\Lambda$  on D.

Need to show that  $\|\Lambda\| \le 1$  ( $|\Lambda(x)| \le |\Lambda(x-x')| + |\Lambda(x')|$ ) and that the convergence holds on X.  $\square$ 

# 4 The Hahn-Banach theorem and its consequences

**Definition 4.1.** A functional  $p: X \to \mathbb{R}$  on a real vector space is called sub-linear if

- (i)  $p(x+y) \le p(x) + p(y)$  for all  $x, y \in X$
- (ii) p(tx) = tp(x) for all  $t \ge 0, x \in X$ .

**Lemma 4.2** (Bounded extension). Let X be a real vector space and  $p: X \to \mathbb{R}$  sub-linear Let  $M \subsetneq X$  be a vector subspace, and for  $x \in X \setminus M$  define  $\tilde{M} = \operatorname{span}(M, x) = \{M + cx : c \in \mathbb{R}\}$ . If  $l: M \to \mathbb{R}$  is a linear form s.t.  $l(x) \leq p(x)$  for all  $x \in M$ , then there exists  $\tilde{l}: \tilde{M} \to \mathbb{R}$  linear s.t.  $\tilde{l}_M = l$  and  $\tilde{l}(x) \leq p(x)$  for all  $x \in \tilde{M}$ .

Proof. Let  $y_1, y_2 \in M$ .  $l(y_1) + l(y_2) = l(y_1 + y_2) \le p(y_1 + y_2) \le p(y_1 - x) + p(y_2 + x)$  for all  $x \in X \setminus M$ . Rearrange,  $l(y_1) - p(y_1 - x) \le l(y_2) - p(y_2 + x)$ . Take sup/inf,

$$\sup\{l(y) - p(y - x) : y \in M\} \le a \le \inf\{p(y + x) - l(y) : y \in M\} \tag{*}$$

for some  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ . If  $z \in \tilde{M}$ , then it has a unique decomposition  $z = y + \lambda x$  for some  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ . Define  $\tilde{l}(z) = \tilde{l}(y + \lambda x) = l(y) + \lambda a$ . To see  $\tilde{l} \leq p$  on  $\tilde{M}$ , for  $\lambda > 0$ , write  $\tilde{l}(y + \lambda x) = \lambda (l(y/\lambda) + a) \overset{(*)}{\leq} \lambda (l(\frac{y}{\lambda}) + p(\frac{y}{\lambda} + x) - l(\frac{y}{\lambda})) = p(y + \lambda x)$ . For  $\lambda < 0$ , let  $\mu = -\lambda$  and  $\tilde{l}(y + \lambda x) = \mu (l(\frac{y}{\mu} - a)) \leq \mu (l(\frac{y}{\mu}) - l(\frac{y}{\mu}) + p(\frac{y}{\mu} - x))$ .  $\square$ 

To extend l to all of X (for X separable), we can apply the extension lemma inductively to  $M_n = \text{span}(M; x_1, ..., x_n)$ , where  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a countable dense subset of X.

In general, consider  $S = \{(N, \tilde{l}) : M \subseteq N \subseteq X \text{ vec.sp.}, \ \tilde{l}|_{M} = l, \ \tilde{l} \leq p \text{ on } N\}$ . Apply Zorn's lemma.

**Theorem 4.3** (Hahn-Banach). Let X be a real vector space and  $p: X \to \mathbb{R}$  a sublinear functional. For  $M \subseteq X$  vec. subspace, let  $l: M \to \mathbb{R}$  be a linear functional s.t.  $l(x) \le p(x)$  for all  $x \in M$ . Then there exists an extension  $\tilde{l}: X \to \mathbb{R}$  (linear) s.t.  $\tilde{l}(x) \le p(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ .

Remark 9. Extensions need not be unique. If X is non-separable, the result depends on Axiom of Choice.

**Corollary 4.4** (Norming Functional). Let X be a normed linear space. For all  $x \in X$ , there exists a linear functional  $\Lambda = \Lambda_x \in X'$  s.t.  $\|\Lambda\| = 1$  and  $|\Lambda(x)| = \|x\|_X$ . In particular, if  $\Lambda(x - y) = 0$  for all  $\Lambda \in X'$ , then x = y.

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Proof. For  $x \in X$  define the vector subspace  $M = \{cx : c \in \mathbb{R}\}$  and consider the linear functional  $l(cx) = c\|x\|_X$ , so  $|l(y)| \le p(y) = \|y\|_X$ . By Hahn-Banach, there exists  $\Lambda = \Lambda_x : X \to \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $|\Lambda_x(y)| \le \|y\|_X$ , so  $\Lambda \in X'$  and  $\|\Lambda\| \le 1$ . Note that  $\|\Lambda\|_{X'} \ge \sup_{y \in M \cap B_X} |l(y)| \ge \|x\|_X$ 

**Corollary 4.5.** The canonical injection of  $i: X \hookrightarrow X''$  given by  $x \mapsto (\Lambda \to \Lambda(x))$  is an isometric embedding.

*Proof.* Consider 
$$||i(x)||_{X''} = \sup_{\|\Lambda\| \le 1} |\Lambda(x)| \le ||x||_X$$
. By taking a norming functional,  $||i(x)||_{X''} \ge ||\Lambda_x(x)|| = ||x||$ .

If X is reflexive, then X is isometrically isomorphic to (X')' which is complete. (i.e., reflexive normed lienar space is Banach.) If X is not reflexive, then X'' provides (up to iso) the completion of X for  $\|\cdot\|_X$ .

In particular, if X is reflexive ,then the weak topology coincides with the weak-\* topology on (X')', so Banach-Alaoglu the unit ball  $B_X$  is compact in  $\tau_w$ .

**Theorem 4.6** (Hyperplane Separation). Let A, B be non-empty disjoint convex sets in a Banach space X over  $\mathbb{R}$ .

- (i) If A is open, then  $\exists \Lambda \in X'$  and  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $\Lambda(a) < \gamma \leq \Lambda(b)$  for all  $a \in A$  and  $b \in B$ .
- (ii) If A is compact and B is closed, then  $\exists \Lambda \in X'$  and  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $\Lambda(a) < \gamma_1 < \gamma_2 < \Lambda(b)$  for all  $a \in A$ .  $b \in B$ .

*Proof.* (i): Pick  $a_0 \in A$ ,  $b_0 \in B$  and let  $x_0 = b_0 - a_0$ . Define  $C = A - B + x_0$ . C is convex,  $0 \in C$ ,  $x_0 \notin C$ . C is open. Consider the Minkowski functional defined as

$$p_C(x) = \inf\{t > 0 : x/t \in C\}$$

Can show (ES) that  $p_C$  is

- $\bullet$  sublinear on X
- there exists k > 0 s.t.  $p_C(x) \le k||x||$
- $p_C(x) < 1$  for  $x \in C$  and  $p_C(x) \ge 1$  for  $x \notin C$ .

Take

$$M = \{tx_0 : t \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

and consider the linear functional  $l: M \to \mathbb{R}$ ,  $tx_0 = t$ . Then l is dominated by  $p_C$  since

$$l(tx_0) = t \le tp_C(x_0) = p(tx_0) = p_C(tx_0)$$

for t > 0 and  $l(tx_0) = t \le 0 \le p_C(tx_0)$ . By Hahn-Banach, there exists  $\Lambda : X \to \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $-k||x|| \le -p_C(x) \le \Lambda(x) \le p_C(x) \le k||x||$  for all  $x \in X$ , so  $\Lambda \in X'$ . Pick  $a \in A$ ,  $b \in B$ . Note that

$$\Lambda(a) - \Lambda(b) + \Lambda(x_0) = \Lambda(a - b + x_0) \le p_C(a - b + x_0) < 1$$

So  $\Lambda(a) < \sup \Lambda(A) \le \Lambda(b)$ .

(2):  $\Lambda(A)$  is compact in  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $d = ||A - B||_X$ . Then consider  $\tilde{A}_d = A + B_{d/2}$ , where  $B_{d/2} = \{y : ||y|| < d/2 \text{ still disjoint from } B$ . Apply (1).

## 5 Generalized Functions and Distributions

Consider a topological vec. space  $X \subseteq \bigcap_{q \ge 1} L^q(\Omega, dx)$ , where  $\Omega$  is an open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Suppose X contains  $C_c^{\infty}(\Omega)$ . Let  $f \in L^q$ , then obtain a linear functional on X given by  $\Lambda_f(g) = \int_{\Omega} f g dx$ ,  $g \in X$ . If the embedding  $X \hookrightarrow L^q$  is cts, then  $\Lambda_f \in X'$ . Note that  $g = \phi_{\epsilon}$  is contained in X, mollification implies  $\Lambda_f = 0 \implies f = 0$  a.e.. So we can identify  $\Lambda_f$  with f and study the weak-\* topology of X' on  $L^p$ .

Define seminorms on  $C^{\infty}(\Omega)$ ,  $p_N(\phi) = \max_{0 \le |\alpha| \le n} \sup_{x \in K_N} |D^{\alpha}\phi(x)|$ , where  $K_i \subseteq K_{i+1}$  and  $\bigcup_i K_i = \Omega$ . We define the Frechet space  $\mathcal{E}(\Omega) = (C^{\infty}(\Omega), \tau_{\mathcal{P}})$ , where  $\mathcal{P} = \{p_N : N \in \mathbb{N}\}$ . [Note that  $\mathcal{E}(\Omega)$  may contain non-integrable functions.]

**Theorem 5.1.** There exists a topology  $\tau$  on  $C_c^{\infty}(\Omega)$  s.t.

- (1) vector space operations are cts
- (2) a sequence  $\phi_j \stackrel{j \to \infty}{\to} 0$  iff  $\exists K \subseteq \Omega$  compact s.t.  $\operatorname{supp}(\phi_j) \subseteq K$  for all j and  $D^{\alpha}\phi_j \to 0$  unif. on K for all  $0 \le |\alpha| < \infty$ .
- (3) If  $T: C_c^{\infty}(\Omega) \to \mathbb{R}$  (or  $\mathbb{C}$ ) is linear, then it's cts iff  $T(\phi_j) \to 0$  for all  $\phi_j \to 0$  in  $\tau$ . proof omitted.

**Definition 5.2.** We define  $\mathcal{D} = \mathcal{D}(\Omega) = (C_c^{\infty}(\Omega), \tau)$ , the space of test functions.

For each  $\phi \in C_c^{\infty}(\Omega)$ , define  $e^{-j}\phi(\cdot/j)$ , then  $e^{-j}\phi(\cdot/j) \to 0$  in D, but  $j^{-2025}\phi(\cdot/j)$  does not converge to 0 in D.

**Definition 5.3.** Call  $\phi \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  rapidly decreasing if  $\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} (1 + |x|)^N |D^{\alpha}\phi(x)| < \infty$  for all  $0 \le |\alpha| < \infty$  and all  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ .

[Note that  $e^{-|x|^2}$  is rapidly decreasing but  $(1+|x|)^{-2025}$  is not.] Define seminorms  $\tilde{\mathcal{P}}=\{\tilde{p}_N:N\in\mathbb{N}\}$  with

$$\tilde{p}_N = \max_{0 \le |\alpha| \le N} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} (1 + |x|)^N |D^{\alpha} \phi(x)|$$

Define Frechet space  $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n) = (\{\phi \text{ rapidly decreasing}\}, \tau_{\tilde{\mathcal{P}}})$ . This is metrizable since  $\tilde{\mathcal{P}}$  is countable. This is called the Schwartz class.

Clearly  $\mathcal{D}(\Omega) \subsetneq \mathcal{E}(\Omega)$ ,  $D(\mathbb{R}^n) \subsetneq \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n) \subsetneq \mathcal{E}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  with continuous embedding (ES). We can now define  $\mathcal{D}'(\Omega) = \{T : \mathcal{D}(\Omega) \to \mathbb{R} \text{ (or } \mathbb{C}) \text{ linear and cts} \}$ , the space of Schwartz distributions. We also define  $\mathcal{E}(\Omega) = \{T : \mathcal{E}(\Omega) \to \mathbb{R} \text{ (or } \mathbb{C}) \text{ linear and cts} \}$  the space of compactly supported Schwartz distributions. Finally for  $\Omega = \mathbb{R}^n$  we define  $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n) = \{T : \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n) \to \mathbb{R} \text{ (or } \mathbb{C}) \text{ linear and cts} \}$  the space of tempered distributions. These spaces are equipped with their weak-\* topologies of pointwise convergence on  $\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{S}$  resp. Have cts embeddings  $\mathcal{E}' \subset \mathcal{D}'$ , and  $\mathcal{E}(\mathbb{R}^n) \subset \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n) \subset \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

**Example 5.4.** Consider  $\delta_x(\phi) = \phi(x)$ , then if  $\phi_j \to 0$  in  $\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{S}$ , then  $\delta_x(\phi_j) = \phi_j(x) \to 0$  as  $j \to \infty$ , so  $\delta_x \in \mathcal{E}', \mathcal{D}', \mathcal{S}'$ .

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Let  $f \in L^1_{loc}(\Omega)$ . Then  $T_f(\phi) = \int_{\Omega} f \phi dx$ ,  $\phi \in \mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ . Have  $T_f \in \mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$  since for  $\phi_j \to 0$  in  $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$  we have  $T_f \phi_j \to 0$  by DCT with dominating function  $\sup_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \|\phi_j\|_{\infty} 1_K |f| \in L^1$  (K compact). Also,  $T_f = 0$  in  $\mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$  still implies f = 0 a.e. by applying the mollification theorem (ES) to  $f1_{B(x)}$  where B(x) is a ball in  $\Omega$  containing  $x \in \Omega$ , so  $L^1_{loc} \subseteq \mathcal{D}'$ 

ball in  $\Omega$  containing  $x \in \Omega$ , so  $L^1_{\text{loc}} \subseteq \mathcal{D}'$ If  $\varphi_{\varepsilon} = \varepsilon^{-n} \varphi(\cdot/\varepsilon)$ ,  $\varphi \geq 0$ , smooth, compactly supported, normalized, then for  $g \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $T_{\varphi_{\varepsilon}}(g) = g * \varphi_{\varepsilon}(0) \to g(0) = \delta_0(g)$  as  $\varepsilon \to 0$ . So  $T_{\varphi_{\varepsilon}} \overset{\varepsilon \to 0}{\to} \delta_0$  in  $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

## 5.1 Generalized (Distributional) Derivatives in $\mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$ )

Let  $f \in C^1(\Omega)$ , then  $D_i f \in L^1_{loc}$ . Consider  $T_{D_i f}$ . Let  $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ 

$$\int (D_i f) \varphi dx \stackrel{ibp}{=} - \int f D_i \varphi dx = -T_f(D_i \varphi)$$

So we define (for all multi-index  $\alpha$ ) the generalized derivative of any  $T \in \mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$  as

$$(D^{\alpha}T)(\varphi) = (-1)^{|\alpha|}T(D^{\alpha}\varphi)$$

so  $D^{\alpha}T \in \mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$ . If  $T = T_f$  and  $D^{\alpha}T = T_g$  for some  $f, g \in L^1_{loc}$ , then say  $g = D^{\alpha}_w f$  the weak partial derivative of f.

**Example 5.5.** Let  $f(x) = x1_{\{x>0\}}$ . Consider  $T_f$ .

$$DT_f(\varphi) = -T_f(\varphi') = -\int_0^\infty x \varphi'(x) dx \stackrel{ibp}{=} \int_0^\infty \varphi(x) dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}} H \varphi dx$$

where H is the Heaviside function, so H is the weak derivative of f.

Consider the second derivative.

$$D^{2}T_{f}(\varphi) = DT_{H}(\varphi) = -T_{H}(\varphi') = -\int_{0}^{\infty} \varphi' = \varphi(0) = \delta_{0}(\varphi)$$

 $\delta_0$  cannot be represented by locally integrable functions.

Have  $D^3T_f(\varphi) = -\delta_0(\varphi') = -\varphi'(0)$  which is a Schwartz distribution but not a measure.

# 5.2 Multiplication of Distributions with Smooth Functions

If  $f \in L^1_{loc}$  and  $a \in C^{\infty}(\Omega)$ , the  $T_{af}(\varphi) = \int_{\Omega} af\varphi = T_f(a\varphi)$ . Note that  $a\varphi \in \mathcal{D}$  if  $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}$ , so we define

$$(aT)(\varphi) = T(a\varphi)$$

for  $T \in \mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$  and  $a \in C^{\infty}(\Omega)$ .

# 5.3 Compactly Supported Distributions

**Proposition 5.6.** A linear map  $T : \mathcal{E}(\Omega) \to \mathbb{R}$  (or  $\mathbb{C}$ ) is cts iff there exists  $K \subseteq \Omega$  compact,  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ , and C > 0 s.t. for all  $\varphi \in \mathcal{E}(\Omega)$ 

$$|T(\varphi)| \leq C \max_{0 \leq |\alpha| \leq N} \sup_{x \in K} |D^{\alpha} \varphi(x)| \tag{\dagger}$$

*Proof.* Suppose (†) holds and  $\phi_j \to 0$  in  $\mathcal{E}(\Omega)$ . By defin of  $\tau_{\mathcal{P}}$ , for j large enough,  $K \subseteq K_j$  and RHS of (†) with  $\phi = \phi_j$  converges to 0, so  $T(\phi_j) \to 0$ , so  $T \in \mathcal{E}'(\Omega)$ .

Conversely, assume T is cts but  $(\dagger)$  fails. If  $K_j \subseteq K_{j+1}$  is any exhaustion of compact sets of  $\Omega$ , we obtain a sequence  $\varphi_j \in \mathcal{E}'(\Omega)$  s.t.

$$|T(\varphi_j)| \ge j \max_{0 \le |\alpha| \le j} \sup_{x \in K_j} |D^{\alpha}(\varphi_j)|$$

Define  $\psi_j = \frac{\varphi_j}{|T(\varphi_j)|}$ . Have

$$|D^{\beta}\psi_j(x)| \le \frac{1}{j} \frac{|D^{\beta}\varphi_j(x)|}{\max_{0 \le |\alpha| \le j} \sup_{x \in K_i} |D^{\alpha}\varphi_j(x)|} \stackrel{e.v.}{\le} \frac{1}{j} \to 0$$

So  $\psi_j \to 0$  in  $\mathcal{E}(\Omega)$  but  $T(\psi_j) = 1$  for all j. Contradiction.

**Definition 5.7.** Say  $T \in \mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$  has support in a closed set  $K \subseteq \Omega$  if  $T(\varphi) = 0$  whenever  $\varphi \in C_c^{\infty}(\Omega \setminus K) \subseteq C_c^{\infty}(\Omega)$ .

The last proposition implies that  $T \in \mathcal{E}'(\Omega)$  is supported in some compact subset of  $\Omega$ . If  $f \in L^1_{loc}$  s.t. f = 0 outside of a compact set, then  $T_f$  is compactly supported. If  $T \in \mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$  is compactly supported, then so is  $D^{\alpha}T$  for any  $\alpha$ .

**Proposition 5.8.** Any  $T \in \mathcal{E}'(\Omega)$  restricts to  $T \in \mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$  of compact support. Any  $T \in \mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$  that is compactly supported extends to  $\tilde{T} \in \mathcal{E}'(\Omega)$ .

*Proof.* The first claim follows from (†) in the preceding proposition. Conversely, if K is compact and supports  $T_1$ . Take  $\xi \in C_c^{\infty}(\Omega)$  s.t.  $\xi = 1$  on K and define  $\tilde{T}(\varphi) = T(\xi\varphi), \ \varphi \in \mathcal{E}(\Omega)$ , which define an element of  $\mathcal{E}'(\Omega)$ .

#### 5.4 Convolutions of Distributions

Notation: Recall the shift operator  $\tau_x g = g(\cdot - x)$ . Let  $\overset{\vee}{g} = g(-\cdot)$ , and  $\overset{\vee}{\tau_x} g = g(x - \cdot)$ . In this notation  $f * g(x) = T_f(\overset{\vee}{\tau_x} g)$ . If  $g \in C_c^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $\overset{\vee}{\tau_x} g \in C_c^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , and we can define for  $T \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , the convolution

$$x \mapsto T * \varphi(x) = T[\tau_x^{\vee} \varphi]$$

**Theorem 5.9.** Let  $T \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $\alpha$  any multi-index. Then  $T * \varphi \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $D^{\alpha}(T * \varphi) = 0$  $(D^{\alpha}T) * \varphi = T * (D^{\alpha}\varphi).$ 

*Proof.* Take  $e_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$  (basis vector), and let  $h \to 0$ . Write

$$\frac{1}{h}[T * \varphi(x + he_i) - T * \varphi(x)] = T \left[ \frac{\varphi(x + he_i - \cdot) - \varphi(x - \cdot)}{h} \right]$$

$$\stackrel{ES2}{\longrightarrow} D_i(\varphi(x - \cdot))$$

in  $\mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and since T is cts in this topology, RHS  $\overset{h\to 0}{\to} T[D_i\varphi(x-\cdot)] = T(\tau_x\overset{\vee}{D_i\varphi}) = T*D_i\varphi$ . In particular  $T*\varphi$  is cts for any  $\varphi\in\mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and is  $T*D_i\varphi$ , and by iterating we deduce that  $T*\varphi\in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . In particular,  $D^{\alpha}(T * \varphi) = T * (D^{\alpha}\varphi).$ 

Need to prove the first equality. Note

$$D^{\alpha}(\tau_x^{\vee}\varphi) = D^{\alpha}\varphi(x-\cdot) = (-1)^{|\alpha|}(D^{\alpha}\varphi)(x-\cdot) = (-1)^{|\alpha|}\tau_x \overset{\vee}{D^{\alpha}}\varphi$$

Thus 
$$(D^{\alpha}) * \varphi(x) = D^{\alpha}T(\tau_x^{\vee}\varphi) = (-1)^{|\alpha|}T(D^{\alpha}(\tau_x^{\vee}\varphi)) = \tau(\tau_x\overset{\vee}{D^{\alpha}}\varphi) = T*(D^{\alpha}\varphi).$$

Notice if  $T \in \mathcal{E}'(\Omega)$ , supported in K cpt and  $K_x$  the shifted support of  $\tau_x^{\vee} \varphi = \varphi(x - \cdot), \ \varphi \in C_c^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Thus for |x| large enough,  $K \cap K_x = \emptyset$  and  $T_*\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

**Definition 5.10.** Let  $T(1) \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $T(1) \in \mathcal{E}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Then define their convolution by the action

$$(T_1 * T_2) * \varphi(x) = T_1 * (T_2 * \varphi)(x)$$

for  $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

Remark 10. Note that  $T_1 * T_2$  is assigned on  $\mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  as we can consider  $x = 0, \varphi = \phi(-\cdot)$  so that  $T_1 * T_2(\varphi)(0) = T_1 * T_2(\phi) \text{ for } \phi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^n).$ 

Remark 11. Note that  $\delta_0$  has cpt support and  $\delta_0*\varphi = \delta_0[\varphi(x-\cdot)] = \varphi(x)$ . Therefore for any  $T_1 \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $(T_1 * \delta_0) * \varphi = T_1 * (\delta_0 * \varphi) = T_1 * \varphi$ , so  $\delta_0 * [\cdot]$  acts as a right identity on all of  $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

**Theorem 5.11.** Let  $T_1 \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n), T_2 \in \mathcal{E}'(\mathbb{R}^n), \alpha$  any multi-index. Then

$$D^{\alpha}(T_1 * T_2) = (D^{\alpha}T_1) * T_2 = T_1 * (D^{\alpha}T_2)$$

*Proof.* Using the previous theorem and the definitions, for any  $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , we have  $D^{\alpha}(T_1 * T_2) \stackrel{\text{thm}}{=}$  $(T_1*T_2)*D^{\alpha}\varphi \stackrel{\mathrm{def}}{=} T_1*(T_2*D^{\alpha}\varphi) \stackrel{\mathrm{thm}}{=} T_1*(D^{\alpha}T_2*\varphi) \stackrel{\mathrm{def}}{=} (T_1*D^{\alpha}T_2)*\varphi.$ 

### Fundamental Solutions of Linear PDEs

Consider a partial differential operator  $L = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq k} a_{\alpha} D^{\alpha}$ ,  $a_{\alpha} \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Consider  $Lu = u_0$  for  $u, u_0 \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . A weak solution u is one s.t.  $(Lu)(\varphi) = u_0(\varphi)$  for all  $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}$ . An element  $\mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is called a fundamental solution for L if  $L\mathcal{G} = \delta_0$  in  $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . If  $\mathcal{G} = T_q$  for some  $g \in L^1_{loc}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then we call g the Green kernel of  $\mathcal{G}$ .

**Theorem 5.12.** Suppose L has constant coefficients  $a_{\alpha} \in \mathbb{R}$  (or  $\mathbb{C}$ ), and  $\mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is its fundamental solution. Then, if  $u_0 \in \mathcal{E}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , a solution  $Lu = u_0$  is given by

$$u = \mathcal{G} * u_0$$

Remark 12. If  $u_0 \in \mathcal{D}$ , then  $\mathcal{G} * u_0 \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and the equation  $Lu = u_0$  holds pointwise on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Proof. By linearity and the previous theorem

$$Lu = \sum_{|\alpha| \le k} a_{\alpha} D^{\alpha}(\mathcal{G} * u_0) = \sum_{|\alpha| \le k} a_{\alpha} (D^{\alpha} \mathcal{G} * u_0) = LG * u_0 = \delta_0 * u_0 = u_0$$

Note that the last equality follows from the fact that we can swap  $\delta_0$  and  $u_0$  when  $u_0$  is compactly supported.

## 5.6 Fourier Transforms of Distributions

Recall Fourier transform

$$\hat{f}(u) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{-ix \cdot u} f(x) dx$$

for  $f \in L^1$ . Since  $\hat{f} \in L^1_{loc}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , we can consider the operator

$$T_{\hat{f}}(\varphi) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \hat{f}(u)\varphi(u)du = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(x)e^{-ix\cdot u}\varphi(u)dudx = T_f(\hat{\varphi})$$

for  $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}$ . Note that we used Fubini. Since  $\hat{\varphi}$  is not necessarily in  $\mathcal{D}$ , this defin doesn't extend to  $\mathcal{D}'$ , and we choose to work with  $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $\mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$  instead.

Recall Riemann Lebesgue lemma from PM.

**Lemma 5.13.** Let  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then  $\hat{f} \in C_0(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

Proof. For any  $u_j \to u$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , we have  $e^{-ix \cdot u_j} f(x) \to e^{-ix \cdot u} f(x)$ , and this gives a dominating function. By DCT,  $\hat{f}(u_j) \to \hat{f}(u)$ , so  $\hat{f}$  is cts. Also have  $\|\hat{f}\|_{\infty} \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |f(x)| dx = \|f\|_{L^1}$ . For any  $f \in L^1$ , take a sequence  $f_k \in C_c^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  s.t.  $f_n \to f$  in  $L^1$ , so that  $\|\hat{f}_k - \hat{f}\|_{\infty} \leq \|f_k - f\|_{L^1} \to 0$  so  $\hat{f}_k \to \hat{f}$  unif. on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , and  $\hat{f}_k \in C_0(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Now have  $|u_j|\hat{f}_l(u)| = |D_j\hat{f}_k(u)| \leq \|D_jf\|_{L^1} < \infty$ . By completeness of  $C_0(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $\hat{f} \in C_0(\mathbb{R}^n)$ 

Remark 13. Note that Fourier transform does not map  $L^1$  onto  $C_0(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

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Lemma 5.14. Let  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

- (i) If  $f_{\lambda} = \lambda^{-n} f(\cdot/\lambda)$ ,  $\lambda > 0$ , then  $\hat{f}_{\lambda} = \hat{f}(\lambda u)$ ,  $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$
- (ii)  $\mathcal{F}[\tau_x f](u) = e^{-ix \cdot u} \hat{f}(u), \, \mathcal{F}[e^{i\langle y, \cdot \rangle} f] = \tau_u \hat{f}.$
- (iii) If  $g \in L^1$ , then  $f * g \in L^1$  and  $\mathcal{F}[f * g] = \hat{f} \cdot \hat{g}$

*Proof.* Fubini and substitution.

### Theorem 5.15.

- (i) Let  $f \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $f, D_j f \in L^1$  for j = 1, ..., n. Then  $\mathcal{F}[D_j f](u) = iu_j \hat{f}(u)$  for  $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .
- (ii) If  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (1+|x|)|f(x)|dx < \infty$ , then for any j = 1, ..., n,  $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , have  $D_j \hat{f}(u) = -i\mathcal{F}[x_j \hat{f}(x)]$ . In particular,  $\hat{f} \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$

Proof. (i) For any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , we can pick  $f_{\varepsilon} \in C_c^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  s.t.  $||f_{\varepsilon} - f||_{L^1} + ||D_j f_{\varepsilon} - D_j f||_{L^1} < \varepsilon$ . [First approximate by  $\bar{f} = f\xi$ , with  $\xi \in C_c^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  s.t.  $\xi = 1$  on D(0, M). Approximate  $\bar{f}$  by  $\phi_{\varepsilon} * \bar{f} \to \bar{f}$  in  $L^1$ . Also have  $D_j(\phi_{\varepsilon} * f) = \phi_{\varepsilon} * (D_j \bar{f}) \to D_j \bar{f}$  as  $\varepsilon \to 0$ .] For such  $f_{\varepsilon}$  we see

$$\mathcal{F}[D_j f_{\varepsilon}](u) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{ix \cdot u} D_j f_{\varepsilon}(x) dx \stackrel{ibp}{=} - \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} i u_j x^{-ix \cdot u} f_{\varepsilon}(x) dx$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathcal{F}[D_{j}f](u) - iu_{j}\hat{f}(u)| &\leq |\mathcal{F}[D_{j}\hat{f}](u) - \mathcal{F}[D_{j}f_{\varepsilon}](u)| + |iu_{j}(\hat{f}_{\varepsilon}(u) - f(u))| \\ &\leq ||D_{j}f - D_{j}f_{\varepsilon}|| + |u_{j}|||f_{\varepsilon} - f||_{L^{1}} \\ &\leq (1 + |u_{j}|)\varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

(ii) 
$$\frac{1}{h}(\hat{f}(u+he_j) - \hat{f}(u)) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{1}{h} (e^{-ix \cdot (u+he_j)} - e^{-ix \cdot u}) f(x) dx$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{-ix \cdot u} (\frac{e^{-ix \cdot (he_j)} - 1}{h}) f(x) dx \xrightarrow{\text{DCT}} -i \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{-ix \cdot u} x_j f(x) dx$$

Dominating function  $|x_i|$ , which is |f(x)|dx-integrable by assumption.

Recall from PM.

**Theorem 5.16** (Fourier Inversion). Let  $f \in L^1$  and  $\hat{f} \in L^1$  Then  $f(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{ix \cdot u} \hat{f}(u) dx = \mathcal{F}^{-1}[\hat{f}](x)$  a.e.

Note that for the unique cts representative of f, the formula holds everywhere.

Note that  $\mathcal{F}^{-1}[\mathcal{F}\varphi] = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} \mathcal{F}[\mathcal{F}\varphi](-\cdot)$ , so  $\mathcal{F}^{-1}$  is a Fourier transform, and  $\mathcal{F}^2\varphi = (2\pi)^n \overset{\vee}{\varphi}$ .

**Theorem 5.17.**  $\mathcal{F}$  is a linear automorphism of  $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

Proof. Can check  $S(\mathbb{R}^n) \subseteq L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . If  $f \in L^1$ , then  $\int |f| \leq (\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} (1+|x|)^{n+1} |f(x)|) \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{dx}{(1+|x|)^{n+1}} < \infty$ . For multi-indices  $\alpha, \beta$ ,

$$|u^{\alpha}||D^{\beta}\hat{f}(u)| = |\mathcal{F}[D^{\alpha}(x^{\beta}f)]|(u) \stackrel{\text{RL}}{\leq} ||D^{\alpha}(x^{\beta}f)||_{L^{1}} \leq p_{N}(f)$$

where  $p_N(f)$  is an expression of the form in the previous ineq. If  $\phi_j \to 0$  in  $\mathcal{S}$ , have  $p_N(\hat{\phi}_j) \to 0$  and  $\mathcal{F}: \mathcal{S} \to \mathcal{S}$  is cts. Moreover, if  $\mathcal{F}[\phi] = 0$  for  $\phi \in \mathcal{S} \subseteq L^1$ , then by the Fourier inversion formula,  $\phi = \mathcal{F}^{-1}(0) = 0$ , so F is injective. For any  $\phi \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , have  $\mathcal{F}^{-1}\mathcal{F}\phi = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n}\mathcal{F}^2\phi$ , which is the fourier transform of some function, so also surjective.

**Definition 5.18.** For  $T \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$  we define its distributional Fourier transform  $\hat{T}(\phi) = T(\hat{\phi})$  for all  $\phi \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ 

Remark 14. Clearly by the previous theorem,  $\hat{T} \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . If  $f \in L^1$ , then  $T_{\hat{f}}(\phi) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \hat{f} \phi dx \stackrel{\text{Fubini}}{=} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f \hat{\phi} = T_f(\hat{\phi})$ .

**Definition 5.19.** Call  $\phi$  slowly increasing if  $\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} (1+|x|)^{-N} |\phi(x)| < \infty$  for some N.

Then  $T_{\phi} \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Even if  $\hat{T}_{\phi}$  is given by  $T_g$  for some  $g \in L^1_{loc}$ , can't conclude  $\hat{\phi}$  is pointwise defined. If  $T_j, T \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $T_j \to T$  weak-\* in  $\mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then  $\hat{T}_j(\phi) = T_j(\hat{\phi}) \to T(\hat{\phi}) = \hat{T}(\phi)$ , so  $\mathcal{F} : \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n) \to \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is sequentially continuous. One shows further that  $\hat{T} = 0 \Longrightarrow T = 0$ , so  $\mathcal{F}$  is inj. Define  $\mathcal{F}^{-1}T$  via  $\mathcal{F}^{-1}T(\phi) = T(\mathcal{F}^{-1}\phi)$  for all  $\phi$  in  $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .  $\mathcal{F}^{-1} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} \overset{\vee}{\mathcal{F}}$ . Can check  $\mathcal{F}^{-1}[\mathcal{F}T](\phi) = T(\phi)$ .

**Theorem 5.20.**  $\mathcal{F}$  (Fourier transform) defines a linear automorphism of  $\mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

Remark 15. Recall Plancherel from PM.  $\mathcal{F}$  extends to the completion by unif continuity. Get an isometry  $\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2}}\bar{\mathcal{F}}$  of  $L^2 = \overline{L^1 \cap L^2}^{L^2}$ . If we define  $\bar{\mathcal{F}}T(\phi) = T(\bar{\mathcal{F}}\phi) = T(\hat{\phi})$  for all  $\phi \in \mathcal{S} \subseteq L^1 \cap L^2$ , then see that  $\bar{\mathcal{F}} = \mathcal{F}$  on  $\mathcal{S}^1$ .

For any finite measure  $\mu$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , have  $\hat{\mu}(u) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{-ix\cdot u} d\mu(x)$ . Then

$$\hat{T}_{\mu}(\phi) = T_{\mu}(\hat{\phi}) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{-ix \cdot u} \phi(u) du d\mu(x) = T_{\hat{\mu}}(\phi)$$

 $\mathcal{F}T_{\mu} = T_{\hat{\mu}} \text{ in } \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n).$ 

For  $T \in \mathcal{E}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , can define  $E(u) = T(e^{-i\langle \cdot, u \rangle})$ . Can show that  $\hat{T} = T_E$  in  $\mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$  with E slowly increasing.

Note that the product of a slowly increasing func with a rapidly decreasing func is again rapidly decreasing, i.e., in S. For  $T \in S'$ , define aT for  $a \in C^{\infty}$  slowly increasing by  $(aT)(\phi) = T(a\phi)$  for  $\phi \in S$ . For any  $T \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , define  $(\tau_k T)(\varphi) = T(\tau_{-k}\phi)$  for  $k \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Lemma 5.21.** Let  $T \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $\alpha$  any multi-index

(i) 
$$\mathcal{F}(\tau_y T) = e^{-i\langle y, \cdot \rangle} \hat{T}$$
 and  $\mathcal{F}[e^{-i\langle y, \cdot \rangle} T] = \tau_y T$ 

(ii) 
$$\mathcal{F}[D^{\alpha}T] = i^{|\alpha|}u^{\alpha}\hat{T}$$
 and  $D^{\alpha}\hat{T} = (-i)^{|\alpha|}\mathcal{F}[x^{\alpha}T]$ 

Proof. Compute.

Remark 16.  $\mathcal{F}[D^{\alpha}\delta_0] = i^{|\alpha|}u^{\alpha}$ . So the FT of partial derivatives of Dirac measure span the space of polys.

## Periodic Distribution

**Definition 5.22.**  $T \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is periodic if  $\tau_k T = T$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ 

**Definition 5.23.** For  $T \in \mathcal{E}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , define the periodization  $T_{\text{per}} = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \tau_k T$ .

The fundamental cell of the lattice is  $Q = [-1/2, 1/2)^n$ . The indicator  $1_Q$  is not smooth.

**Lemma 5.24.** There exists  $\psi \in C_c^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  s.t.

- (i)  $\psi > 0$
- (ii) supp  $\psi \subseteq \text{Int}(Q)$  where  $Q = [-1, 1]^n$ .
- (iii)  $\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \psi(x-k) = 1$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$

If  $\psi'$  is another such function and T is a periodic distribution, then  $T(\psi) = T(\psi')$ .

Call this  $\psi$  a periodic partition of unity (ppu).

*Proof.* Find  $\psi_0 \in C_0^{\infty}$  supported in Int(Q) s.t.  $\psi_0 = 1$  on Q. Define  $S(x) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \psi_0(x-k)$ . Normalize  $\psi(x) = \psi_0(x)/S(x).$ 

If T is a periodic distribution, then

$$T(\psi) = T(\sum_{g \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \tau_g \psi' \psi) = \sum_g \tau_g T(\psi \tau_g \psi') = \sum_g T(\psi' \tau_g \psi) = T(\psi')$$

Can take  $\psi_{0,j} \to 1_{\mathcal{Q}}$  ptwise and  $\sup_{j} \|\psi_{0,j}\|_{\infty} < \infty$ . Obtain a uniformly bounded sequence of ppu  $\psi_j \to 1_{\mathcal{Q}}$ .

**Definition 5.25.** For  $T \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$  periodic, define the mean of T as  $M(T) = T(\psi)$  where  $\psi$  is any ppu.

**Theorem 5.26.** Let  $\mathcal{E}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .  $T_{per}$  converges in  $\mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . If  $T \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is periodic, then there exists  $V \in \mathcal{E}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$  s.t.  $T = \sum_{g \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \tau_g V$  in  $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

*Proof.* For  $T \in \mathcal{E}'$ , have a cpt set  $K \subseteq B_R$  (ball of radius R) and N, C > 0 s.t. for all  $\phi \in \mathcal{E}$ 

$$|T(\phi)| \le C \sup_{x \in K, |\alpha| \le N} |D^{\alpha} \phi(x)|$$

Have  $1 + |g| \le 1 + |g + x| + |x| \le 1 + |g + x| + R \le (1 + R)(1 + |g + x|)$ , so

$$1 \le \frac{(1+R)^M (1+|g+x|)^M}{(1+|g|)^M}$$

for any  $M \in \mathbb{N}$ . For all  $\phi \in \mathcal{S} \subseteq \mathcal{E}$ ,

$$|T\phi| \le C \frac{(1+R)^M}{(1+|g|)^M} \sup_{x \in K, |\alpha| \le N} (1+|g+x|)^M |D^{\alpha}\phi(x)|$$

Applies to  $\tau_g \phi$ , get a similar inequality. Since  $\sum_{g \in \mathbb{Z}^n} (1+|g|)^{-n-1} < \infty$  we deduce

$$|\sum_g \tau_g T\phi| \le C' \sup_{y \in \mathbb{R}^n, |\alpha| \le N} (1+|y|)^{n+1} |D^{\alpha}\phi(y)|$$

so  $\sum_g \tau_g T \in \mathcal{S}'$  by ES.

For the converse, let T be periodic and  $\phi \in \mathcal{D}$ . If  $\psi$  is any ppu, have

$$T\phi = T(\phi \sum_{g} \tau_g \psi) = \sum_{g} T(\psi \tau_{-g} \phi) = \sum_{g} (\psi T)(\tau_{-g} \phi) = \sum_{g} \tau_g(\psi T)(\phi)$$

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**Theorem 5.27** (Convergence of Fourier series in S'). Let  $U \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$  be periodic. Then  $U = \sum_{g \in \mathbb{Z}^n} u_g T_{e_{2\pi g}}$  in  $S'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , where  $e_{2\pi h} = e^{i\langle 2\pi h, \cdot \rangle}$  and with Fourier coefficients  $u_g = M(e_{2\pi h})$ 

**Lemma 5.28.** If  $T \in \mathcal{S}'$  s.t.  $(e_{-k} - 1)T = 0$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ , then  $T = \sum_{g \in \mathbb{Z}^n} c_g \delta_{2\pi g}$  in  $\mathcal{S}'$ . Have  $|c_g| \leq C(1+|g|)^N$  for some N, C > 0

Proof. Let  $\Lambda^* = \{2\pi g : g \in \mathbb{Z}^n\}$ . Take  $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  s.t.  $\operatorname{supp} \varphi \cap \Lambda^* = \varnothing$ , so  $(e_{-k} - 1)^{-1}\varphi \in \mathcal{D}$  and  $T(\varphi) = (e_{-k} - 1)T((e_{-k} - 1)^{-1}\varphi) = 0$  for all k, so T is also supported in  $\Lambda^*$ . Now take ppu  $\psi$  and consider  $\tilde{\psi} = \psi(\cdot/(2\pi))$ .  $\operatorname{supp} \tilde{\psi} \subset \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : \forall i, -2\pi < x_i < 2\pi\}$  and  $\sum_{g \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \tau_{2\pi g} \tilde{\psi} = 1$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Now define  $T_g = (\tau_{2\pi g} \tilde{\psi})T$  which is supported in  $\{2\pi g\}$  and have  $\sum_{g \in \mathbb{Z}^n} T_g = \sum_g (\tau_{2\pi g} \tilde{\psi})T = T$  (in  $\mathcal{D}'$ ) and  $(e_{-k} - 1)T_g = (\tau_{2\pi g} \tilde{\psi})(e_{-k} - 1)T$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ .

Choose  $k = g_j$  (j-th standard basis vector), have  $(e_{-k}-1)T_g = (e^{-ix_j}-1)T_g = (e^{-(x_j-2\pi g)}-1)T_g \stackrel{\text{Taylor}}{=} (x_j-2\pi g)K(x_j)T_g$ , where K is the Taylor poly which doesn't vanish near  $2\pi g$ , so  $(x_j-2\pi g)T_g = 0$ .

Take  $\phi \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and apply Taylor expansion to get  $\phi(x) = \phi(2\pi g) + \sum_{j=1}^n (x_j - 2\pi g)\phi_j(x)$  for some  $\phi_j \in \mathcal{S}$ , so  $T_g \phi = T_g(\phi(2\pi g)) + \sum_{j=1}^n (x_j - 2\pi g)T\phi_j = \delta_{2\pi g}(\phi)T_g(1)$ . Let  $c_g = T_g(1)$ .

 $|c_g| = |T_g(\sum_{g'} \tau_{2\pi g'} \tilde{\psi})| = |T_g(\tau_{2\pi g} \tilde{\psi})|$ . Since  $T_g \in \mathcal{E}' \subseteq \mathcal{S}'$  and we have a characterization of  $\mathcal{S}'$  in ES3, have  $|c_g| \leq C_0 \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, |\alpha| \leq N} (1+|x|)^N |D^{\alpha} \tilde{\psi}(x-2\pi g)|$  for some  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ , c > 0, and  $\leq C_1 (1+|x|)^N \sup_{y \in \mathbb{R}^n, |\alpha| \leq N} (1+|y|)^N |D^{\alpha} \tilde{\psi}(y)| \leq C(1+|g|)^N$ . Therefore  $T = \sum_g c_g \delta_{2\pi g}$  converges in  $\mathcal{S}'$ .

Proof of Thm. Apply the lemma to U.  $\hat{U}=(2\pi)^n\sum_{g\in\mathbb{Z}^n}u_g\delta_{2\pi g},\ u_g=c_g/(2\pi)^n$ . Take inverse FT, see  $U=\sum_{g\in\mathbb{Z}^n}u_gT_{e_{2\pi g}}$ . Note that  $T\mapsto M[T]$  is cts on  $\mathcal{S}'$ , so  $M(e_{-2\pi k}U)=\sum_{g\in\mathbb{Z}^n}u_gM(e_{-2\pi k}T_{e_{2\pi g}})=\int_{\mathcal{Q}}e^{i2\pi\langle g-k,x\rangle}dx=1$  if g=k and 0 otherwise.  $\square$ 

Apply this to  $U = \sum_k \delta_k = \sum_k \tau_k \delta_0$  with ppu  $\psi$  s.t.  $\psi(0) = 1$ . Compute Fourier coeffs.  $M(e_{-2\pi g}U) = \sum_k \delta_k (e_{-2\pi g}\psi) = 1$  for all g, so  $\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \delta_k = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^n} T_{e_{2\pi k}}$  in  $\mathcal{S}'$ . Testing this identity on  $\phi(x - \cdot)$  for  $\phi \in \mathcal{S}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Get  $\sum_k \phi(x - k) = \sum_k T_{e_{2\pi k}} \phi(x - \cdot) = \sum_k e^{i2\pi k \cdot x} \hat{\phi}(2\pi k)$  (Poisson summation formula when x = 0).

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# 6 Sobolev Spaces and Elliptic PDEs

Let  $C^k(\Omega)$  denote th normed space  $\{f:\Omega\to\mathbb{R}:D^\alpha f \text{ exists for all }0\leq |\alpha|\leq k,\ \|f\|_{C^k}<\infty\}$ , where  $\|f\|_{C^k}=\sum_{0\leq |\alpha|\leq k}\|D^\alpha f\|_\infty$ . Similarly define the Hölder spaces for  $0<\eta<1$  as  $C^{k,\eta}(\Omega)=\{f\in C^k(\Omega):\|f\|_{C^{k,\eta}}<\infty\}$ , where  $\|f\|_{C^{k,\eta}}=\|f\|_k+\sum_{|\alpha|=k}\sup_{x\neq y}\frac{|D^\alpha f(x)-D^\alpha f(y)|}{|x-y|^\eta}$ .  $C^k$  and  $C^{k,\eta}$  are Banach spaces. We can replace  $\|\cdot\|_\infty$  and  $D^\alpha$  by  $L^p$ -norm and the weak derivative  $D^\alpha_w$ .

**Definition 6.1** (Sobolev space). Let  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ . Then  $f \in W^{k,p}(\Omega)$  ( $\Omega$  open) if  $D_w^{\alpha} f \in L^p$  for all  $0 \leq |\alpha| \leq k$ . Then norm on  $W^{k,p}(\Omega)$  is given by

$$||f||_{W^{k,p}} = \left(\sum_{0 \le |\alpha| \le k} ||D_w^{\alpha} f||_{L^p}^p\right)^{1/p}$$

if  $p < \infty$  and

$$||f||_{W^{k,\infty}} = \max_{0 \le |\alpha| \le k} ||D_w^{\alpha} f||_{L^{\infty}}$$

When  $\Omega = \mathbb{R}^n$ , p = 2, have

**Definition 6.2.** Let  $s \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then  $H^s(\mathbb{R}^n)$  consists of  $f \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $(f = T_f)$ , s.t.  $\hat{f} \in L^2_{loc}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $||f||^2_{H^s} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |\hat{f}(u)|^2 (1 + |u|^2)^s du$ 

Note that  $H^s(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is a Hilbert space for the inner product  $(f,g)_{H^s} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \hat{f}(u) \overline{\hat{g}(u)} (1+|u|^2)^s du$ , so  $H^s = L^2(\mu_s)$  for some measure  $\mu_s$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

By Plancherel, for  $s \geq 0$ ,  $H^s(\mathbb{R}^n)$  consists of elements of  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n, dx)$ 

**Proposition 6.3.** For  $s \geq 0$ ,  $H^s(\mathbb{R}^n) = W^{s,2}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  with equivalent norms

Proof.

**Theorem 6.4** (Sobolev embedding). Let s > n/2 + k for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $f \in H^s$ . Then  $\exists f^* \in C^k(\mathbb{R}^n)$  s.t.  $f^* = f$  a.e. and  $\|f^*\|_{C^k} \leq C_{s,n,k} \|f\|_{H^s}$ . In particular, there is an embedding  $H^s(\mathbb{R}^n) \hookrightarrow C^k(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

Remark 17.

 $\{\varnothing\}$ : Have  $H^s \subseteq C^{k,\eta}$  if  $s > \frac{n}{2} + k + \eta$ .

 $\{\varnothing, \{\varnothing\}\}: \bigcap_{s>0} H^s \subseteq C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ 

*Proof.* Take  $f \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and note

$$\begin{split} |D^{\alpha}f(x)| &= |\mathcal{F}^{-1}[u^{\alpha}\hat{f}]| \\ &\stackrel{\text{R.L.}}{\leq} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n}} |u|^{|\alpha|} |\hat{f}(u)| \frac{(1+|u|^{2})^{s/2}}{(1+|u|^{2})^{s/2}} du \\ &\stackrel{\text{C.S.}}{\leq} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n}} \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n}} \frac{|u|^{2|\alpha|}}{(1+|u|^{2})^{s}} du \right) \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n}} |\hat{f}(u)|^{2} (1+|u|^{2})^{s} du \right) \\ &\leq C_{s.n.k} ||f||_{H^{s}} \end{split}$$

For  $f \in H^s$  take  $f_n \in \mathcal{S}$  s.t.  $f_n \to f$  in  $H^s$  and a.e. (pass to a subseq if necessary). This is Cauchy in  $H^s$  and by the same inequality in  $C^k$ , we have  $f_n \to f^*$  in  $C^k$  by completeness. By uniqueness of limit, we have  $f^* = f$  a.e. so  $f^* = f$ .

Consider

$$-\nabla^2 v + v = f \tag{\dagger}$$

where  $f \in H^s(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Have Fourier transform  $\hat{\nabla}^2 = -|u|^2$ .

**Theorem 6.5.** There exists a unique solution v in  $H^{s+2}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to  $(\dagger)$  and  $||v||_{H^{s+2}} \leq ||f||_{H^s}$  (elliptic regularity estimate)

*Proof.* Take FT get  $(1+|u|^2)\hat{v}=\hat{f}$  in  $\mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . For  $f\in L^1_{loc}$  this has unique soln  $\hat{v}(u)=\frac{\hat{f}(u)}{1+|u|^2},\ u\in\mathbb{R}^n$ , so  $v=\mathcal{F}^{-1}\hat{v}$ .

$$||v||_{H^{s+2}}^2 = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (1+|u|^2)^{s+r} \frac{\hat{f}(u)}{(1+|u|^2)^2} = ||f||_{H^s}^2$$

To study eqns restricted to open sets  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  with boundary  $\partial \Omega$ , need to define the restriction of  $f \in H^s$  to  $\partial \Omega$ . If  $f \in H^s$  for s > n/2, then Sobolev embedding implies that  $f \in C^{\varepsilon}$  for some  $\varepsilon > 0$  and the Sobolev trace  $f|_{\partial \Omega}$  exists by uniform continuity. For general s > 1/2, have

**Theorem 6.6** (Trace thm). There exists a bounded linear operator  $T: H^s(\mathbb{R}^n) \to H^{s-1/2}(\mathbb{R}^{n-1}),$  s > 1/2, s.t. for all  $f \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $Tf = f|_{\mathbb{R}^{n-1} \times \{0\}}$ 

$$Proof.$$
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Call  $T = T_{\Sigma}$  for  $\Sigma = \mathbb{R}^{n-1} \times \{0\}$  the boundary trace of  $f \in H^s$ . By change of coords, this operator extends to  $T_{\partial\Omega}$  for sufficiently regular  $\Omega$ . In particular, we have  $T_{\partial\Omega}: H^1(\mathbb{R}^n) \hookrightarrow H^{1/2}(\partial\Omega) \hookrightarrow L^2(\partial\Omega)$  is bounded linear.

# **6.1** $H_0^1(\Omega)$

Any  $f \in C_c^{\infty}(\Omega)$  (sufficiently regular  $\Omega$ ) extends by zero to an element of  $H^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$  (hence in  $H^s(\mathbb{R}^n)$  for all s). Have Hilbert norm

$$||f||_{H^1(\mathbb{R}^n)} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (1+|u|^2)||\hat{f}(u)|^2 du = (2\pi)^n \int_{\Omega} (|f(x)|^2 + |Df(x)|^2|) dx$$

where Df is the gradient vector. Define  $H_0^1(\Omega) = \overline{C_c^{\infty}(\Omega)}^{\|\cdot\|_{H^1}}$  in  $H^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . This is not  $W^{1,2}$  because

**Proposition 6.7.** Let  $f \in H_0^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Then f(x) = 0 for almost every  $x \in \Omega^c$  and if  $\partial \Omega$  is sufficiently regular, then  $T_{\partial \Omega} f = 0$ .

Proof. Take  $\varphi \in C_c^{\infty}((\Omega^c)^{\circ})$  and take  $f_n \in C_c^{\infty}(\Omega)$  s.t.  $f_n \to f$  in  $H^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Have  $\Lambda_{\varphi}(h) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi h$ , then  $\Lambda_{\varphi} \in (L^2)' \subseteq (H^1)'$ , so  $0 = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi f_n = \Lambda_{\varphi}(f_n) \to \Lambda_{\varphi} f = \int \varphi f = 0$ , so  $\operatorname{supp}(f) \subseteq \Omega$ . Similarly,  $0 = T_{\partial\Omega} f_n \to T_{\partial\Omega} f = 0$ , so f = 0 on  $\partial\Omega$ .

Consider the BVP

$$\begin{cases} -\nabla^2 v + v = f & \text{on } \Omega \\ v = 0 & \text{on } \partial \Omega \end{cases}$$

Interpret this as

$$\int_{\Omega} (-\nabla^2 v + v) \varphi \stackrel{ibp}{=} \int_{\partial \Omega} \nabla v \cdot \nabla \varphi + \int_{\Omega} v \varphi = \int_{\Omega} f \varphi$$

for  $f \in L^2$ ,  $v \in H^1$ .

Since  $C_c^{\infty}$  is dense in  $H_0^1$  and  $L^2$ , this equation is the same as solving

$$\langle v, \varphi \rangle_{H^1} = \langle f, \varphi \rangle_{L^2} \tag{\dagger'}$$

for all  $\varphi \in H_0^1(\Omega)$ .

**Theorem 6.8.** For every  $f \in L^2(\Omega)$ , there exists a unique  $v \in H_0^1(\Omega)$  s.t.  $(\dagger')$  holds and  $||v||_{H^1} = ||f||_{L^2}$ . Therefore the solution map  $S: f \mapsto v = v_f$  is a bounded linear form  $L^2(\Omega) \to H_0^1(\Omega)$  and self-adjoint for  $L^2(\Omega)$ .

*Proof.* Define  $\Lambda_f(\phi) = \int_{\Omega} f \phi$  so that  $\Lambda_f \in (H_0^1)'$  since

$$|\Lambda_f(\phi)| \stackrel{\text{C.S.}}{\leq} ||f||_{L^2} ||\phi||_{L^2} \leq ||f||_{L^2} ||\phi||_{H^1}$$

Hence by Riesz representation thm on  $H_0^1$ , there exists a uniuque  $v \in H_0^1$  s.t.  $\langle v, \phi \rangle_{H^1} = \langle f, \phi \rangle_{L^2}$  for all  $\phi \in H_0^1$ .

Next take  $f_1, f_2 \in L^2(\Omega)$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ , and take  $v_1 = S(f_1)$  and  $v_2 = S(f_2)$  and define  $v = v_1 + \alpha v_2$ . Then,

$$\langle v, \phi \rangle_{H^1} = \langle v_1 + \alpha v_2, \phi \rangle_{H^1} = \langle v, \phi \rangle_{H^1} + \alpha \langle v_2, \phi \rangle_{H^1} = = \langle f_1, \phi \rangle_{L^2} + \alpha \langle f_2, \phi \rangle_{L^2} = \langle f_1 + \alpha f_2, \phi \rangle_{L^2}$$

So  $S(f_1) + \alpha S(f_2) = S(f_1 + \alpha f_2)$ . Also have

$$||S(f)||_{H^1} = ||v_f||_{H^1} \stackrel{\text{Riesz}}{=} ||\Lambda_f|| \le ||f||_{L^2}$$

To see it's self-adjoint,

$$\langle S(f),g\rangle_{L^2}=\langle g,S(f)\rangle_{L^2}=\langle S(f),S(g)\rangle_{H^1}=\langle S(g),S(f)\rangle_{H^1}=\langle f,S(g)\rangle_{L^2}$$

To study regularity of v, we introduce

$$H^s_{\mathrm{loc}}(\Omega) = \{ f \in L^2_{\mathrm{loc}}(\Omega) : \forall \xi \in C^\infty_c(\Omega), \ f \xi \in H^s(\mathbb{R}^n) \}$$

**Proposition 6.9.** If  $f \in H^s_{loc}$  for s > k + n/2, then  $f \in C^k(U)$  for any U open s.t.  $\bar{U} \subseteq \Omega$ .

*Proof.* Given U, pick  $\xi \in C_c^{\infty}$  s.t.  $\xi = 1$  on  $\bar{U}$  and note that  $f\xi \in H^s(\mathbb{R}^n) \subseteq C^k(\mathbb{R}^n)$  (Sobolev embedding), so  $f = f\xi$  on U, the result then follows.

Corollary 6.10.  $\bigcap_{s>0} H^s_{loc}(\Omega) \subseteq C^{\infty}(\Omega)$ .

Note that  $f \in C^{\infty}(\Omega)$  may be unbounded at  $\partial \Omega$ .

**Theorem 6.11** (Interior regularity). Let  $f \in L^2(\Omega)$  and suppose  $v \in H^1_0$  solves  $(\dagger')$ . Then  $v \in H^2_{loc}(\Omega)$ . If additionally  $f \in L^2(\Omega) \cap H^k_{loc}(\Omega)$ , then  $v \in H^{k+2}_{loc}(\Omega)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $K \subseteq \Omega$  be any compact set, and take  $\chi \in C_c^{\infty}(\Omega)$  s.t.  $\chi = 1$  on K. Take  $\varphi \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and set  $\varphi = \chi \varphi \in H_0^1$ . Then  $(\dagger')$  implies

$$\int_{\Omega} (Dv \cdot D(\varphi \chi) + v \varphi \chi) dx = \int_{\Omega} f \varphi \chi dx$$

for all  $\varphi \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Using chain rule and IBP, we rearrange the equation above to get

$$\int_{\Omega} (D(v\chi) \cdot D\varphi + v\chi\varphi) dx = \int_{\Omega} g\varphi dx$$

where  $g = -(Dv) \cdot (D\chi) - vD\chi + f\chi \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . IBP again, can see that  $v\chi$  solves  $-\nabla^2(v\chi) + v\chi = g$  in  $\mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Hence by elliptic regularity estimate,  $\|v\chi\|_{H^2} \leq \|g\|_{L^2} < \infty$ .

To prove  $v \in H^2_{\text{loc}}$ , take  $\xi \in C_c^{\infty}(\Omega)$  and  $K = \text{supp}(\xi)$  s.t.  $v\xi = v\chi\xi$ . Then  $\|v\xi\|_{H^2} = \|v\chi\xi\|_{H^2} \le C_n\|v\chi\|_{H^2}\|\xi\|_{L^2} < \infty$  ( $\|fg\|_{L^2} \le \|f\|_{L^2}\|g\|_{L^\infty} + \text{chain rule}$ ) We recognize that  $g \in H^1_{\text{loc}}(\Omega)$  whenever  $f \in H^1_{\text{loc}}(\Omega)$  so repeating the preceding argument given  $v \in H^3_{\text{loc}}$ . Can prove the rest of the theorem using the inequality  $\|fg\|_{H^s} \le C_{n,s}\|f\|_{H^s}\|g\|_{C^s}$ 

Corollary 6.12. If  $f \in C^{\infty}(\Omega) \cap L^{2}(\Omega)$ , then  $v \in H_{0}^{1}(\Omega) \cap C^{\infty}(\Omega)$  solves  $-\nabla^{2}v + v = f$  on  $\Omega$  (pointwise)

**Theorem 6.13** (Rellich-Kondrashov). Let  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  be open and bounded. Let  $u_j \in H^1_0(\Omega)$  s.t.  $||u_j||_{H^1} \leq K$  for all j = 1, 2, ..., and some K > 0. Then  $\exists u \in H^1_0(\Omega)$  s.t.  $u_{j_k} \to u$  in  $L^2(\Omega)$  along a subsequence.

*Proof.* By Banach-Alaoglu in  $H_0^1(\Omega)$ , we obtain  $u_{j_k} \rightharpoonup u$  in  $H_0^1$  and then in  $L^2$  (weakly), and  $||u||_{H^1} \leq K$ . Also  $u_{j_k}$ , u vanish a.e. on  $\Omega^c$  so

$$||u_{j_k} - u||_{L^2(\Omega)} = ||u_{j_k} - u||_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} ||\hat{u}_{j_k} - \hat{u}||_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(2\pi^n)} \left( \int_{|z| > R} |\hat{u}_{j_k}(z) - \hat{u}(z)|^2 dz + \int_{|z| < R} |\hat{u}_{j_k}(z) - \hat{u}(z)|^2 dz \right)$$

Given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , have

$$\int_{|z|>R} |\hat{u}_{j_k}(z) - \hat{u}(z)|^2 dz \le \int_{|z|>R} \frac{1+|z|^2}{1+|z|^2} (|\hat{u}_{j_k}(z)|^2 + |\hat{u}(z)|^2) dz \le \frac{2}{1+R^2} (\|u_{j_k}\|_{H^1}^2 + \|u\|_{H^1}^2) < \varepsilon$$

for R sufficiently large.

For  $z \in \mathbb{R}^n$  fixed,

$$\hat{u}_{j_k}(z) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{-ix \cdot z} u_{j_k(x)} dx = \int_{\Omega} e^{-ix \cdot z} u_{j_k}(x) dx = \langle e^{-i\langle \cdot, z \rangle}, u_{j_k} \rangle \to \langle e^{-i\langle \cdot, z \rangle}, u \rangle_{L^2(\Omega)} = \hat{u}(z)$$

by weak convergence. Also

$$|\hat{u}_{j_k}(z)| + |\hat{u}(z)| \le ||u_{j_k}||_{L^1(\Omega)} + ||u||_{L^1(\Omega)} \stackrel{\text{C.s.}}{\le} C_\omega(||u_{j_k}||_{L^2(\Omega)} + ||u||_{L^2(\Omega)}) \le 2C_\Omega K$$

which is dz-integrable on  $\{z:|z|\leq R\}$ , so  $\int_{|z|\leq R}|\hat{u}_{j_k}(z)-\hat{u}(z)|^2dz\to 0$  by DCT.

Corollary 6.14. The solution operator S from  $(\dagger')$  is a compact linear self-adjoint operator on  $L^2(\Omega)$ 

*Proof.* S maps  $L^2$  into  $H_0^1$  (bounded linear) and use Rellich-Kondrashov.

By spectral theorem, there exists ONB  $\{w_k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}\$  of  $L^2(\Omega)$  and real e-values  $\mu_k \downarrow 0$  as  $k \to \infty$  s.t.

$$Sw_k = \mu_k w_k$$

in  $L^2(\Omega)$ . Thus  $w_k \in H_0^1$ . For all  $\varphi \in H_0^1$ 

$$\langle w_k, \varphi \rangle_{L^2} \stackrel{(\dagger')}{=} \langle Sw_k, \varphi \rangle_{H^1} = \mu_k \langle w_k, \varphi \rangle_{H^1}$$

Tes  $\varphi = w_k$ , see that  $1 = \langle w_k, w_k \rangle_{L^2} = \mu_k ||w_k||_{H^1}$ , so  $\mu_k > 0$  for all k. In  $\mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$ ,

$$(-\nabla^2 + I)w_k = (-\nabla^2 + I)\frac{\mu_k}{\mu_k}w_k = \frac{1}{\mu_k}(-\nabla^2 + I)Sw_k = \frac{w_k}{\mu_k}$$

Therefore.

$$-\nabla^2 w_k = \left(\frac{1}{\mu_k} - 1\right) w_k = \lambda_k w_k$$

where  $\lambda_k = \frac{1}{\mu_k} - 1 \uparrow \infty$  are the e-values of  $-\nabla^2$ . The weak form is

$$\langle Dw_k, D\varphi \rangle_{L^2} = \lambda_k \langle w_k, \varphi \rangle_{L^2}$$

for all k and all  $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\Omega)$  (in fact  $H_0^1(\Omega)$ ) Note that  $w_k = f$  in  $(\dagger')$  and in  $H_0^1$ , so iterating the interior regularity thm,  $w_k \in C^{\infty}(\Omega)$ . Thus  $-\nabla^2 w_k = \lambda_k w_k$  is true on  $\Omega$  ptwise.

**Theorem 6.15** (Poincare inequality). For all  $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)$ ,

$$\frac{\langle Du, Du \rangle_{L^2}}{\langle u, u \rangle_{L^2}} \ge \lambda_1 > 0$$

Proof. ES 

We can now solve the Dirichlet problem for the Laplace equation

$$\begin{cases} -\nabla^2 v = f & \text{on } \Omega \\ v = 0 & \text{on } \partial \Omega \end{cases}$$

or the weak form: find  $v \in H_0^1 \langle Dv, D\varphi \rangle_{L^2} = \langle f, \varphi \rangle_{L^2}$  for all  $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ . Denote this by (\*)

**Theorem 6.16.** There exists a unique solution  $v \in H_0^1(\Omega)$  to (\*), for any  $f \in L^2(\Omega)$ .

$$v = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\lambda_k} \langle w_k, f \rangle_{L^2} w_k$$

*Proof.* Take partial sums  $v_J = \sum_{n=1}^J \lambda_k^{-1} \langle w_k, f \rangle_{L^2} w_k$ ,  $J \in \mathbb{N}$ , then (for J' < J)

$$\begin{split} \|v_J - v_{J'}\|_{H^1}^2 &= \langle v_J - v_{J'}, v_J - v_{J'} \rangle_{L^2} + \langle D(v_J - v_{J'}), D(v_J - v_{J'}) \rangle \\ &= \sum_{k=J'+1}^J \lambda_k^{-1} \langle w_k, f \rangle^2 + \sum_{k,k'=J'+1}^J \lambda_k^{-1} \lambda_{k'}^{-1} \langle f, w_k \rangle \langle f, w_{k'} \rangle \langle Dw_k, Dw_{k'} \rangle_{L^2} \\ &= \sum_{k=J'+1}^J \lambda_k^{-1} \langle w_k, f \rangle^2 + \sum_{k,k'=J'+1}^J \lambda_k^{-1} \lambda_{k'}^{-1} \langle f, w_k \rangle \langle f, w_{k'} \rangle \lambda_k^{-1} \langle w_k, w_{k'} \rangle_{L^2} \\ &\leq \sum_{k=J'+1}^\infty (\lambda_k^{-2} + \lambda_k^{-1} \langle w_k, f \rangle_{L^2}^2 \\ &\leq C(\lambda_1) \sum_{k=J'+1}^\infty \langle f, w_k \rangle^2 \xrightarrow{J' \to \infty} 0 \end{split}$$

So  $v_J$  is Cauchy in  $H_0^1$ , so  $v \in H_0^1$  Can check

$$\langle Dv, D\varphi \rangle_{L^2} \stackrel{ibp}{=} \langle v, -\nabla^2 \varphi \rangle_{L^2} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \lambda_k^{-1} \langle v, w_k \rangle_{L^2} \langle w_k, -\nabla^2 \varphi \rangle_{L^2}$$
$$= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \langle v, w_k \rangle_{L^2} \langle w_k, \varphi \rangle_{L^2}$$
$$= \langle v, \varphi \rangle_{L^2}$$

We used that  $\langle w_k, -\nabla^2 \varphi \rangle_{L^2} = \langle Dw_k, D\varphi \rangle_{L^2} = \lambda_k \langle w_k, \varphi \rangle_{L^2}$ . Need to show uniqueness. Suppose  $v' \in H^1_0(\Omega)$  s.t. (\*) holds. Then let  $w = v - v' \in H^1_0(\Omega)$  where  $\langle Dw, D\varphi \rangle_{L^2} = \langle f - f, \varphi \rangle_{L^2} = 0$  for all  $\varphi \in H^1_0(\Omega)$ . Now  $\|w\|_{H^1}^2 = \langle w, w \rangle_{L^2} + \langle Dw, Dw \rangle_{L^2} \leq \langle f - f, \varphi \rangle_{L^2}$  $(\frac{1}{\lambda_1} + 1)\langle Dw, Dw \rangle_{L^2} = 0$ , so w = 0 a.e.

Remark 18. One can also show interior regularity estimates to deduce that for  $f \in C^{\infty}(\Omega) \cap L^{2}(\Omega)$  then  $v \in C^{\infty}(\Omega)$ .

#### Variational Problems\* (non-examinable) 7

Consider minimizing a functional  $F(u) = ||u||_{H^2}^2 - \langle f, u \rangle_{L^2}$  over  $H_0^1(\Omega)$ , where f is fixed in  $L^2(\Omega)$ 

**Theorem 7.1.** Let  $f \in L^2(\Omega)$ . Then  $\inf\{F(u) : u \in H_0^1(\Omega)\} \geq \sigma > -\infty$ . Moreover, there exists a unique  $w \in H_0^1$  s.t.  $F(w) = \sigma$ , and w solves the PDE  $-\nabla^2 w + w = f$  in the weak sense.

Proof. Use the inequality  $ab \leq a^2/2 + b^2/2$  for  $a, b \geq 0$ . By Cauchy-Schwarz,  $F(u) = \|u\|_{H^1}^2 - 2\langle f, u \rangle_{L^2} \geq \|u\|_{H^1}^2 - 2\|f\|_{L^2}\|u\|_{L^2} \geq \|u\|_{H^1}^2 - 2\|f\|_{L^2}^2 \geq \frac{1}{2}\|u\|_{L^2}^2 \geq \frac{1}{2}\|u\|_{H^1}^2 - 2\|f\|_{L^2}^2 \geq -2\|f\|_{L^2} > -\infty$ . Then take  $u_k \in H_0^1$  s.t.  $F(u_k) \to \sigma$ . WLOg, assume  $|F(u_k)| \leq F < \infty$ . Then,  $\|u_k\|_{H^1}^2 = F(u_k) + 2\langle f, u_k \rangle_{L^2} \leq F + 2\|f\|_{L^2}\|u_k\|_{L^2} \leq F + 2\|f\|_{L^2}^2 + \frac{1}{2}\|u_k\|_{H^1??}^2$ . Subtracting we see  $\|u_k\|_{H^1}^2 \leq 2F + 4\|f\|_{L^2}^2$  for all k, so  $u_k$  is bounded in  $H_0^1$ . By Banach-Alaoglu, there exists  $u_{k_j} \to w$  weakly in  $H_0^1$  and  $L^2$  for some  $w \in H_0^1(\Omega)$ . By sheet 2, know that  $\|w\|_{H^1}^2 \leq \liminf \|u_{k_j}\|_{H^1}^2$  and  $\langle f, w \rangle = \lim \langle f, u_{k_j} \rangle_{L^2}$ . We have  $F(w) = \|w\|_{L^2}^2 = 2\langle f, w \rangle_{L^2} \leq \lim \inf \|u_{k_j}\|_{H^1}^2$  and  $F(w) \geq \sigma$  by defined in  $F(w) = \|u_k\|_{L^2}^2 = 2\langle f, w \rangle_{L^2} \leq \lim \inf \|u_{k_j}\|_{H^1}^2$ . have  $F(w) = ||w||_{H^1}^2 - 2\langle f, w \rangle_{L^2} \le \liminf (||u_{k_i}||_{H^1} - 2\langle f, u_{k_i} \rangle_{L^2}) = \sigma$ , and  $F(w) \ge \sigma$  by defin of inf, so  $F(w) = \sigma$ .

To prove uniqueness, it suffices to show that w solves the PDE. For all  $v \in H_0^1$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ , we have  $F(w) \leq F(w+tv)$  and  $\frac{d}{dt}F(w+tv)|_{t=0} = 0$ . Then  $F(w+tv) = \|w+tv\|_{H^1}^2 - 2\langle f, w+tv \rangle_{L^2} = 0$  $\|w\|_{H^1}^2 + t^2 \|v\|_{H^1}^2 + 2t \langle w, v \rangle_{H^1} - 2t \langle f, v \rangle_{L^2} - 2 \langle f, w \rangle_{L^2}, \text{ so } \frac{d}{dt} (F(w+tv)) = 2t \|v\|_{H^1} + 2(\langle w, v \rangle_{H^1} - \langle f, v \rangle_{L^2}).$  At t = 0, must have  $\langle w, v \rangle_{H^1} = \langle f, v \rangle_{L^2}$  for all  $v \in H_0^1$ .