

$\mathcal{D}'(U)$ = space of distributions =

$$\downarrow = \{ T: \mathcal{C}_c^\infty(U) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ linear and continuous} \}$$

(w.r.t. convergence in $\mathcal{C}_c^\infty(U)$)

as a dual space it inherits a notion of convergence

$$T_n \rightarrow T \text{ if } \forall \phi \in \mathcal{C}_c^\infty(U) \quad T_n(\phi) \rightarrow T(\phi)$$

With the topology associated to this convergence $\mathcal{D}'(U)$ is a locally convex Hausdorff space, & compact (NOT METRIZABLE)

$$f_n, f \in L^1_{loc}(U) \quad T_{f_n}(\phi) := \int f_n \phi dx \quad T_f(\phi) = \int f \phi dx$$

$f_n \rightarrow f$ weakly in $L^1(K)$ for all $K \subset\subset U$ then $T_{f_n} \rightarrow T_f$ in the sense of distribution
weakly* in $L^\infty(K)$ for all $K \subset\subset U$ then $T_{f_n} \rightarrow T_f$

$$f_n \rightarrow f \text{ a.e. } \not\Rightarrow T_{f_n} \rightarrow T_f$$

$$\mu_n \rightarrow \mu \text{ in } \mathcal{M}(U) \Rightarrow T_{\mu_n} \rightarrow T_\mu$$

$$T_{\mu_n} \phi = \int_U \phi d\mu_n \quad T_\mu \phi = \int_U \phi d\mu$$

ORDER of the distribution T : minimum $p \in \mathbb{N}$ (if it exists)
 s.t. $\forall K \subset\subset U \exists c_K$ for which $\forall \phi \in C_c^\infty(U)$ $\text{supp } \phi \subseteq K$
 $|T(\phi)| \leq c_K \sup_{|a| \leq p} \|D^a \phi\|_\infty$

Observation: A distribution of order $p \geq 0$ can be extended to a continuous linear functional

$$T: \underline{C_c^p(U)} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

we say $f_n \rightarrow f$ in $C_c^p(U)$ if $\exists K \subset\subset U$ such
 that $\text{supp } f_n, \text{supp } f \subseteq K$ $\|D^a f_n - D^a f\|_\infty \rightarrow 0$
 $\forall |a| \leq p$.

therefore: Distributions of order 0 on U are exactly signed Radon measure on U .

$$T \text{ distribution of order } 0 \iff \begin{matrix} \exists \mu^+, \mu^- \in \mathcal{M}(U) \\ T\phi = \int_U \phi d\mu^+ - \int \phi d\mu^- \end{matrix}$$

Prop If T is positive ($T\varphi \geq 0 \forall \varphi \geq 0$) then T has order 0

Proof $\phi \in C_c^\infty(U)$ fix $K > \text{supp } \phi$

Fix $\gamma \in C_c^\infty(U)$ $\gamma \equiv 1$ on K $0 \leq \gamma \leq 1$

$$-\|\phi\|_\infty \gamma \leq \phi \leq \|\phi\|_\infty \gamma \Rightarrow |T\phi| \leq \|\phi\|_\infty T(\gamma) \quad C_K = T\gamma \quad \square.$$

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Ex $T \in D'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ $T(\varphi) = \varphi'(0)$ has order 1

$$|T\varphi| \leq \|\varphi'\|_\infty \quad \forall \varphi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}) \Rightarrow \text{order of } T \leq 1.$$

Let $\psi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ $\psi'(0) = 1$. Let $\psi_n(x) = \psi(nx)$ $\psi_n'(0) = n$

$$T\psi_n = \psi_n'(0) = n$$

Let $K = [-R, R]$ such that $\text{supp } \psi \subseteq [-R, R] \Rightarrow \text{supp } \psi_n \subseteq [-R, R]$

If T is of order 0 $|T\psi_n| = \psi_n'(0) = n \leq C_K \|\psi_n\|_\infty = C_K \|\psi\|_\infty$ ABSURD

Another example of a distribution of order 1.

$\text{im } \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R})$. **PRINCIPAL VALUE** p.v $\frac{1}{x}$

$$T(\varphi) := \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{\mathbb{R} \setminus (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)} \frac{\varphi(x)}{x} dx \quad \forall \varphi \in \mathcal{C}_c^\infty(\mathbb{R})$$

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well defined fix $\varphi \in \mathcal{C}_c^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ $\exists a > 0$ such that $\text{supp } \varphi \subset (-a, a)$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R} \setminus (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)} \frac{\varphi(x)}{x} dx = \int_{-a}^{-\varepsilon} \frac{\varphi(x)}{x} dx + \int_{\varepsilon}^a \frac{\varphi(x)}{x} dx = \int_{-a}^{-\varepsilon} \frac{\varphi(x) - \varphi(0)}{x} dx + \int_{-a}^{-\varepsilon} \frac{\varphi(0)}{x} dx$$

$$+ \int_{\varepsilon}^a \frac{\varphi(x) - \varphi(0)}{x} dx + \int_{\varepsilon}^a \frac{\varphi(0)}{x} dx$$

$\frac{\varphi(0)}{x}$ is odd!

$$\frac{\varphi(x) - \varphi(0)}{x} = \int_0^x \frac{\varphi'(y)}{x} dy = \int_0^1 \frac{\varphi'(tx)}{x} dt = \int_0^1 \varphi'(t) dt$$

$y = xt$

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{-a}^{-\varepsilon} \int_0^1 \phi'(tx) dt dx + \int_{\varepsilon}^a \int_0^1 \phi'(tx) dt dx =$$

$$= \int_{-a}^a \int_0^1 \phi'(tx) dt dx = \text{p.v.} \frac{1}{x}(\phi) = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{\mathbb{R} \setminus (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)} \frac{\phi(x)}{x} dx$$

Let us compute the order of $\text{p.v.} \frac{1}{x}$.

$$|\text{p.v.} \frac{1}{x}(\phi)| = \left| \int_{-a}^a \int_0^1 \phi'(tx) dt dx \right| \leq \|\phi'\|_{\infty} (\text{diam } K) \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \text{order} \\ \leq 1 \end{array} \right|$$

if $\text{supp } \phi \subseteq K$.

Note that it cannot have order 0

take ϕ_δ



$\delta > 0$

$\phi_\delta \equiv 1$ on (δ^2, δ)

$\phi_\delta \equiv 0$ $x \leq 0$ $x \geq 1$

$\phi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R})$

$\phi \geq 0 \quad \forall x$

$$\text{p.v.} \frac{1}{x}(\phi_\delta) = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{\varepsilon}^1 \frac{\phi_\delta(x)}{x} dx = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{\varepsilon}^{\delta^2} \frac{\phi_\delta(x)}{x} dx + \int_{\delta^2}^{\delta} \frac{\phi_\delta(x)}{x} dx + \int_{\delta}^1 \frac{\phi_\delta(x)}{x} dx$$

$$\geq \int_{\delta^2}^{\delta} \frac{1}{x} dx = \log \delta - \log \delta^2 = -\log \delta$$

p.v. $\frac{1}{x}$ is of order 1 (it cannot be of order 0
 since $\forall \delta \in (0,1) \exists \phi_\delta \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ $\text{supp } \phi_\delta \subset [0,1]$
 p.v. $\frac{1}{x} \phi_\delta \geq -\log \delta$.)

Since p.v. $\frac{1}{x}$ has order 1 $\rightarrow$ it is NOT ASSOCIATED to a Radon measure, (or to a L^1_{loc} function).

Ex DISTRIBUTION of ∞ ORDER

$\forall \phi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ $T\phi = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \phi^{(n)}(n)$ $\phi^{(n)}(x)$ = derivative of order n of ϕ

$\forall \phi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ let $k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\text{supp } \phi \subset [-k, k]$
 $\Rightarrow T\phi = \sum_{n=0}^k \phi^{(n)}(n) \leq k \sup_{\substack{n \leq k \\ n \in \mathbb{N}}} \|\phi^{(n)}\|_\infty$

T is a distribution, but it has order $+\infty$.

Differential operators on distributions

Let $T \in \mathcal{D}'(U)$ $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$ $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{N}$

$D^\alpha T$ is the distribution defined as

$$D^\alpha T(\phi) := (-1)^{|\alpha|} T(D^\alpha \phi) \quad \forall \phi \in C_c^\infty(U).$$

Note that since $\phi \in C_c^\infty(U) \rightarrow \partial_{x_i}^{\alpha_i} \partial_{x_j}^{\alpha_j} \phi = \partial_{x_j}^{\alpha_j} \partial_{x_i}^{\alpha_i} \phi$

The definition is a generalization of Gauss-Green / integration by parts

If T is associated to $f \in C^1(U) \cap L^1_{\text{loc}}(U)$

$$T = T_f \Rightarrow \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} T_f \right)(\phi) = (-1)^1 T_f \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \phi \right) = - \int_U f(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \phi(x) dx$$

$\alpha = (0 \dots 1 \dots 0)$ (1 at i)

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} T_f = -T \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}$$

$$= \int_U \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} f \phi(x) dx$$

GAUSS GREEN -

($\phi \equiv 0$ ∂U)

Note that $T_n \rightarrow T \Rightarrow D^\alpha T_n \rightarrow D^\alpha T \quad \forall \alpha$