

$T: \mathcal{D}(\Omega) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ linear & cont.

\uparrow
 C^∞ functions with compact support in Ω

$$\|\phi\|_j = \max_{\substack{|a| \leq j \\ x \in \mathbb{R}^n}} |\partial_x^a \phi(x)|, \quad j=0,1,\dots$$

Ex $u \in L^1_{loc}(\Omega)$

$$T_u(\phi) = \int_{\Omega} \underbrace{u(x)}_{\text{"density"}} \phi(x) dx, \quad \phi \in \mathcal{D}(\Omega)$$

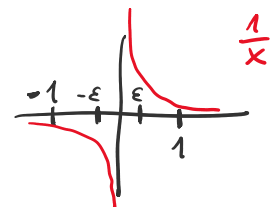
$\Rightarrow T_u \in \mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$ *regular* distribution

$$T_u = T_v \iff u = v \text{ in } L^1_{loc}(\Omega) \\ \text{(i.e. } u=v \text{ a.e.)}$$

\rightarrow "generalized functions"

Ex $\delta_{x_0}(\phi) = \phi(x_0), \quad x_0 \in \mathbb{R} \rightsquigarrow \delta_{x_0} \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$

Example $\frac{1}{x} \notin L^1_{loc}(\mathbb{R})$



$$T(\phi) := \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{\mathbb{R} \setminus [-\epsilon, \epsilon]} \frac{\phi(x)}{x} dx, \quad \phi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}).$$

Taylor expansion: $\phi(x) = \phi(0) + x \Gamma_\phi(x), \quad \Gamma_\phi \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R})$

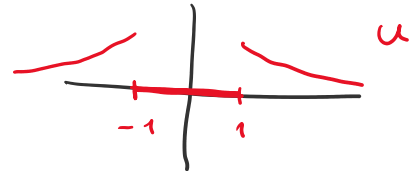
$$[\Gamma_\phi(x) = \int_0^1 \phi'(tx) dt]$$

$$T(\phi) = \int_{\mathbb{R} \setminus [-1,1]} \frac{\phi(x)}{x} dx + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{[-1,1] \setminus [-\varepsilon, \varepsilon]} \frac{\phi(x)}{x} dx$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}} u(x) \phi(x) dx + \int_{-1}^1 \Gamma_\phi(x) dx$$

where

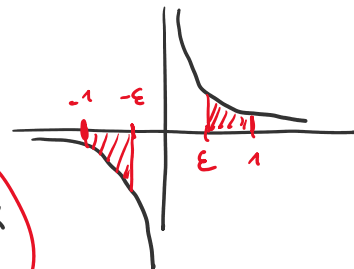
$$u(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x \in [-1,1] \\ \frac{1}{x}, & x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus [-1,1] \end{cases}$$



$$u \in L^1_{loc}(\mathbb{R})$$

and because

$$\int_{[-1,1] \setminus [-\varepsilon, \varepsilon]} \frac{\phi(x)}{x} dx = \int_{[-1,1] \setminus [-\varepsilon, \varepsilon]} \frac{\phi(0)}{x} dx$$



$$+ \int_{[-1,1] \setminus [-\varepsilon, \varepsilon]} \Gamma_\phi(x) dx$$

$$\xrightarrow{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{-1}^1 \Gamma_\phi(x) dx$$

$$S(\phi) := \int_{-1}^1 \Gamma_\phi(x) dx$$

$$|S(\phi)| \leq \int_{-1}^1 |\Gamma_\phi(x)| dx$$

$$\begin{aligned}
|S(\phi)| &\leq \int_{-1}^1 |\Gamma_{\phi}(x)| dx \\
&= \int_{-1}^1 \underbrace{\left| \frac{\phi(x) - \phi(0)}{x} \right|}_{= |\phi'(\xi_x)|} dx \quad \text{with } \xi_x \text{ between } 0 \text{ and } x \\
&\leq \|\phi\|_1 \\
&\leq 2\|\phi\|_1 \quad \forall \phi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R})
\end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow S \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R})$ of order 1

$\Rightarrow T = T_u + S \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R})$ of order 1

T is called the **principal value of $\frac{1}{x}$** ,

$$T = \text{pv} - \frac{1}{x} .$$

Multiplication with smooth functions

$$u \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\Omega) , a \in C^{\infty}(\Omega)$$

$$\Rightarrow au \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\Omega)$$

$$T_{au}(\phi) = \int_{\Omega} a(x)u(x)\phi(x) dx$$

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$$= T_u(a\phi)$$

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Definition $T \in \mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$, $a \in C^\infty(\Omega)$. Then

$$(aT)(\phi) := T(a\phi), \quad \phi \in \mathcal{D}(\Omega)$$

defines $aT \in \mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$.

Differentiation of distributions

$u \in C^1(\mathbb{R}) \Rightarrow u, u' \in C(\mathbb{R}) \subseteq L^1_{loc}(\mathbb{R})$

$$\begin{aligned} T_{u'}(\phi) &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} u'(x) \phi(x) dx \\ &\stackrel{\text{int. by parts}}{=} \underbrace{u(x)\phi(x) \Big|_{x=-\infty}^{x=+\infty}}_{=0} - \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} u(x) \phi'(x) dx \\ &= - \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} u(x) \phi'(x) dx \\ &= - T_u(\phi') \end{aligned}$$

Definition Let $T \in \mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$, $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}_0^n$. Then

$$(\partial^\alpha T)(\phi) = (-1)^{|\alpha|} T(\partial^\alpha \phi)$$

defines $\partial^\alpha T \in \mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$.

General principle

Assume $A: \mathcal{D}(\Omega) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(\Omega)$

If $u \in \mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ and

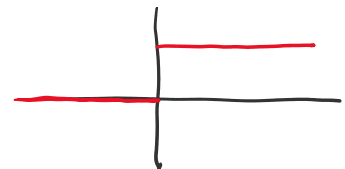
$$T_{Au}(\phi) = \dots = T_u(A^*\phi)$$

then define for $T \in \mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$

$$(AT)(\phi) := T(A^*\phi)$$

Check if then $AT \in \mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$. (This is the case if $A^*: \mathcal{D}(\Omega) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ is continuous in the following sense: $\phi_k \rightarrow \phi$ in $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ implies $A^*\phi_k \rightarrow A^*\phi$ in $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$).

Example $h(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & : x < 0 \\ 1 & : x > 0 \end{cases}$



$$T_h(\phi) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} h(x) \phi(x) dx = \int_0^{+\infty} \phi(x) dx$$

$$(T_h)'(\phi) \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} -T_h(\phi') = - \int_0^{+\infty} \phi'(x) dx$$

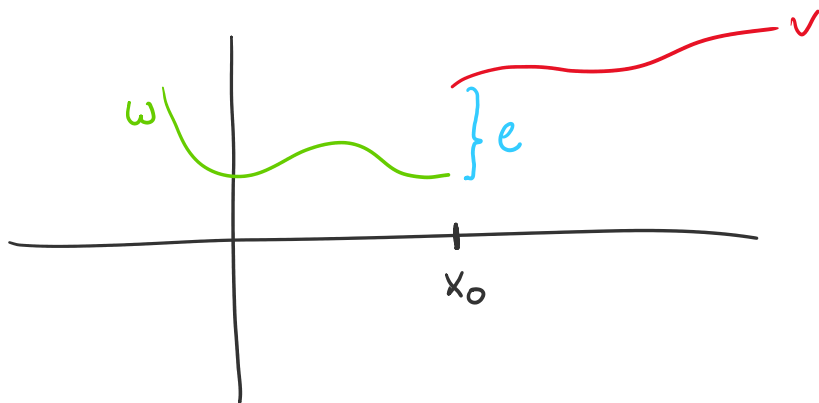
$$= - \phi(x) \Big|_{x=0}^{x=+\infty} = \phi(0)$$

$$= \delta(\phi)$$

The derivative of T_h is the δ -distribution

Theorem Let $u \in L^1_{loc}(\mathbb{R})$ be of the form

$$u(x) = \begin{cases} v(x) & , x > x_0 \\ w(x) & , x < x_0 \end{cases} \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{aligned} v &\in C^1([x_0, +\infty)), \\ w &\in C^1((-\infty, x_0]) \end{aligned}$$



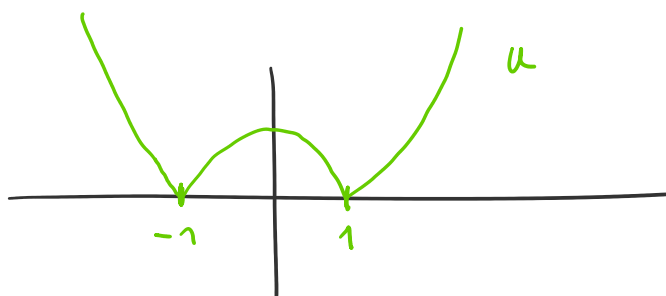
Then

$$(T_u)' = T_{\tilde{u}} + \overbrace{(v(x_0) - w(x_0))}^e \delta_{x_0}$$

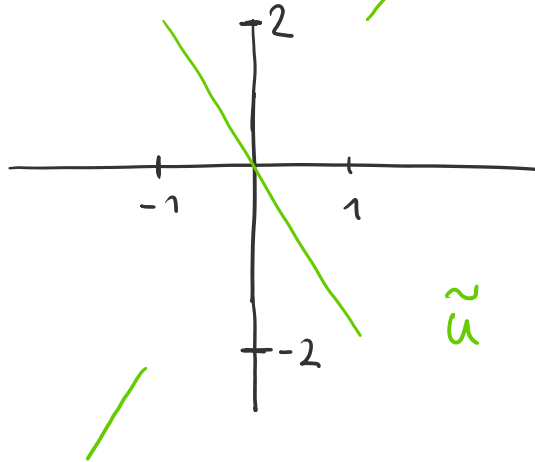
$$\text{with } \tilde{u}(x) = \begin{cases} v'(x) & , x > x_0 \\ w'(x) & , x < x_0 \end{cases}$$

Example

$$u(x) = |x^2 - 1| = \begin{cases} 1 - x^2 & , |x| < 1 \\ x^2 - 1 & , |x| > 1 \end{cases}$$

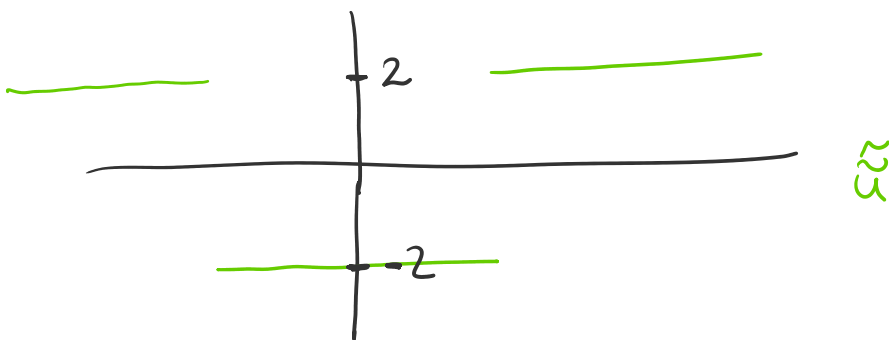


First derivative : $(T_u)' = T_{\tilde{u}}$, $\tilde{u}(x) = \begin{cases} -2x & , |x| < 1 \\ 2x & , |x| > 1 \end{cases}$



Second derivative : $(T_u)'' = (T_{\tilde{u}})' = T_{\tilde{\tilde{u}}} + 4\delta_{-1} + 4\delta_1$

$$\tilde{\tilde{u}}(x) = \begin{cases} -2 & , |x| < 1 \\ 2 & , |x| > 1 \end{cases}$$



Third derivative : $(T_u)''' = \underbrace{(T_{\tilde{\tilde{u}}})'}_{-4\delta_{-1} + 4\delta_1} + 4\delta_{-1}' + 4\delta_1'$

$$= -4\delta_{-1} + 4\delta_1$$

$$= 4(\delta_1 + \delta_1' - \delta_{-1} + \delta_{-1}')$$

$$[\tilde{u} = 0]$$

Convolution $f, g: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

$$\begin{aligned}(f * g)(x) &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(x-y) g(y) dy \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(y) g(x-y) dy\end{aligned}$$

Theorem $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $g \in L^q(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

If r with $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 + \frac{1}{r}$ then

$$f * g \in L^r(\mathbb{R}^n), \quad \|f * g\|_r \leq \|f\|_p \|g\|_q$$

In part: $p = q = 1 \Rightarrow r = 1$

Sketch: $p = q = 1 = r$

$$\int |f * g|(x) dx = \int \left| \int f(x-y) g(y) dy \right| dx$$

$$\leq \iint |f(x-y)| |g(y)| dy dx$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Fubini}}{=} \iint |f(x-y)| |g(y)| dx dy$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \int \left(\underbrace{\int |f(x-y)| dx}_{\substack{z=x-y \\ =}} \right) |g(y)| dy \\
&= \int |f(z)| dz = \|f\|_1 \\
&= \|f\|_1 \int |g(y)| dy \\
&= \|f\|_1 \|g\|_1
\end{aligned}$$

Extension to distributions:

$$u \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n), \phi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(u * \phi)(x) &= \int u(y) \underbrace{\phi(x-y)}_{\psi_x(y), \psi_x \in \mathcal{D}(\Omega)} dy = \\
&= \int u(y) \psi_x(y) dy \\
&= T_u(\psi_x)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\psi_x(y) &= \phi(x-y) \\
\psi_x &= \phi(x-\cdot)
\end{aligned}$$

Definition Let $T \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ and $\phi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^n)$. Then

$$f(x) := T(\phi(x-\cdot)), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n,$$

defines $f \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ with

$$\begin{aligned}
\partial^\alpha f(x) &= T(\partial^\alpha \phi(x-\cdot)) \\
&= (\partial^\alpha T)(\phi(x-\cdot))
\end{aligned}$$

$T * \phi := f$ convolution of T and ϕ .

In short:

$$\partial^\alpha (T * \phi) = (\partial^\alpha T) * \phi = T * \partial^\alpha \phi$$

Example $\delta \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$

$$\begin{aligned} (\delta * \phi)(x) &= \delta(\phi(x - \cdot)) \\ &= \phi(x - 0) = \phi(x) \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow \delta * \phi = \phi$ for all $\phi \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$.