

1ST YEAR MASTER : FUNCT. ANAL., MOD. & NUM. ANAL.
EXAM

THEORY OF DISTRIBUTIONS
DURATION 01^h30^{mn}

EXERCISE 1. (04 PTS)

Let Ω is a bounded open set of \mathbb{R}^N and $p \in [1, \infty[$.

– Show that the following condition :

$$f_n \rightarrow f \text{ in } L^p(\Omega)$$

is sufficient for $f_n \rightarrow f$ in $D'(\Omega)$.

EXERCISE 2. (08 PTS)

For all $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R})$, we set

$$\varphi \mapsto \langle pf(x^{-2}), \varphi \rangle = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\int_{|x| \geq \varepsilon} \frac{\varphi(x)}{x^2} dx - 2 \frac{\varphi(0)}{\varepsilon} \right].$$

1. Show that $pf(x^{-2})$ is a distribution. What is its order ?
2. Define the distribution $pf(x^{-3})$. What is its order ?
3. Calculate $xpf(x^{-3})$.

EXERCISE 3. (08 PTS)

1. Let $T \in S'(\mathbb{R}^N)$ be a tempered distribution. Show that

$$\widehat{x^\alpha T} = i^{|\alpha|} \partial^\alpha \widehat{T}.$$

2. A distribution $u \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^N)$ is said to be homogeneous of degree $p \in \mathbb{R}$ if, for all $\lambda > 0$ and all $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^N)$, we have

$$\langle u, \varphi_\lambda \rangle = \lambda^{-N-p} \langle u, \varphi \rangle,$$

where : $\varphi_\lambda \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^N)$ is defined by

$$\varphi_\lambda(x) = \varphi(\lambda x).$$

- 2.1. Show that on \mathbb{R}^N , the Dirac mass at 0 is homogeneous of degree $(-N)$.
- 2.2. Let $T \in S'(\mathbb{R}^N)$ be an homogeneous tempered distribution of degree p . Show that its Fourier transform \widehat{T} is homogeneous. What is its degree ?

Cor. 1

We suppose that $f_n \rightarrow f$ in $L^p(\Omega)$. Let $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\Omega)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\langle f_n, \varphi \rangle - \langle f, \varphi \rangle| &= \left| \int_{\Omega} f_n(x) \varphi(x) dx - \int_{\Omega} f(x) \varphi(x) dx \right| \\ &= \left| \int_{\Omega} (f_n(x) - f(x)) \varphi(x) dx \right| \\ &\leq \int_{\Omega} |(f_n(x) - f(x)) \varphi(x)| dx. \end{aligned}$$

According to Hölder's inequality, we obtain

$$|\langle f_n, \varphi \rangle - \langle f, \varphi \rangle| \leq \|\varphi\|_{L^p(\Omega)} \|f_n - f\|_{L^p(\Omega)} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0.$$

Then $f_n \rightarrow f$ in $\mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$.

Cor. 2

1. Let $\varphi(x) = \varphi(0) + x \varphi'(0) + x^2 \varphi''(0)$, where $\|\varphi''\|_{\infty} \leq C \|\varphi''\|_{\infty}$ and $\text{Supp}(\varphi) = [-M, M]$.

We have

$$\langle \rho f(x^{-2}), \varphi \rangle = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\underbrace{\varphi(0) \int_{\varepsilon \leq |x| \leq M} \frac{1}{x^2} dx}_{\varepsilon \leq |x| \leq M} + \underbrace{\varphi'(0) \int_{\varepsilon \leq |x| \leq M} \frac{1}{x} dx}_{\varepsilon \leq |x| \leq M} + \int_{\varepsilon \leq |x| \leq M} \varphi''(x) dx - 2 \frac{\varphi(0)}{\varepsilon} \right].$$

$$\text{Since } \varphi(0) \int_{\varepsilon \leq |x| \leq M} \frac{1}{x^2} dx = 2 \varphi(0) \int_{\varepsilon}^M \frac{1}{x^2} dx = \frac{2\varphi(0)}{\varepsilon} - \frac{2\varphi(0)}{M},$$

$$\text{and } \varphi'(0) \int_{\varepsilon \leq |x| \leq M} \frac{1}{x} dx = 0 \quad (x \mapsto \frac{1}{x} \text{ is odd}).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \langle \rho f(x^{-2}), \varphi \rangle &= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[-\frac{2\varphi(0)}{M} + \int_{\varepsilon \leq |x| \leq M} \varphi''(x) dx \right] \\ &= \int_{|x| \leq M} \varphi''(x) dx - \frac{2\varphi(0)}{M}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we deduce that $|\langle \rho f(x^{-2}), \varphi \rangle| \leq C \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \|\varphi^{(j)}\|_{\infty}$. Hence $\rho f(x^{-2})$ is a distribution of order ≤ 2 .

2. Let $\varphi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ such that $\text{Supp}(\varphi) \subset [-M/M]$ and

$$\varphi(x) = \varphi(0) + x\varphi'(0) + \frac{x^2}{2}\varphi''(0) + x^3\varphi'''(x), \text{ where } \|\varphi\|_\infty \leq c\|\varphi^{(3)}\|_\infty.$$

We set $\langle \text{pf}(x^{-3}), \varphi \rangle = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\int_{|x| \geq \varepsilon} \frac{\varphi(x)}{x^3} dx + R(\varepsilon) \right].$

We have

$$\int_{\varepsilon \leq |x| \leq M} \frac{\varphi(x)}{x^3} dx = \varphi(0) \int_{\varepsilon \leq |x| \leq M} \frac{1}{x^3} dx + \varphi'(0) \int_{\varepsilon \leq |x| \leq M} \frac{1}{x^2} dx + \frac{1}{2} \varphi''(0) \int_{\varepsilon \leq |x| \leq M} \frac{1}{x} dx + \int_{\varepsilon \leq |x| \leq M} \varphi'''(x) dx.$$

Since $\int_{\varepsilon \leq |x| \leq M} \frac{1}{x^3} dx = \int_{\varepsilon \leq |x| \leq M} \frac{1}{x} dx = 0$ ($x \mapsto \frac{1}{x^3}$ and $x \mapsto \frac{1}{x}$ are odd),

$$\text{and } \varphi'(0) \int_{\varepsilon \leq |x| \leq M} \frac{1}{x^2} dx = 2\varphi'(0) \int_{\varepsilon}^M \frac{1}{x^2} dx = -2\frac{\varphi'(0)}{M} + 2\frac{\varphi'(0)}{\varepsilon},$$

Then $R(\varepsilon) = -2\frac{\varphi'(0)}{\varepsilon}.$

We deduce that

$$\langle \text{pf}(x^{-3}), \varphi \rangle = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\int_{|x| \geq \varepsilon} \frac{\varphi(x)}{x^3} dx - 2\frac{\varphi'(0)}{\varepsilon} \right]. \quad (\checkmark)$$

Therefore $|\langle \text{pf}(x^{-3}), \varphi \rangle| = \left| -2\frac{\varphi'(0)}{M} + \int_M^\infty \varphi(x) dx \right| \leq c \sum_j \|\varphi^{(j)}\|_\infty.$

Hence $\text{pf}(x^{-3})$ is a distribution of order ≤ 3 .

3. We have

$$\langle \text{pf}(x^{-3}), \varphi \rangle = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\int_{|x| \geq \varepsilon} \frac{\varphi(x)}{x^3} dx - 2\frac{\varphi'(0)}{\varepsilon} \right].$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x \text{pf}(x^{-3}), \varphi \rangle &= \langle \text{pf}(x^{-3}), x\varphi \rangle \\ &= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\int_{|x| \geq \varepsilon} \frac{(x\varphi)(x)}{x^2} dx - 2\frac{(x\varphi)'(0)}{\varepsilon} \right]. \quad (\text{OK}) \end{aligned}$$

Since $(x\varphi)'(0) = (\varphi + x\varphi')(0) = \varphi(0)$, we obtain

$$\langle x \text{pf}(x^{-3}), \varphi \rangle = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\int_{|x| \geq \varepsilon} \frac{\varphi(x)}{x^2} dx - 2\frac{\varphi(0)}{\varepsilon} \right] = \langle \text{pf}(x^{-2}), \varphi \rangle. \quad (\text{OK})$$

Then $x \text{pf}(x^{-3}) = \text{pf}(x^{-2}).$

Cor. 3

1. Let $\varphi \in S(\mathbb{R}^N)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle \widehat{x^\alpha T}, \varphi \rangle &= \langle \widehat{x^\alpha T}, \widehat{\varphi} \rangle = \langle T, \widehat{x^\alpha \varphi} \rangle = \langle T, x^\alpha \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} e^{-iy \cdot x} \varphi(y) dy \rangle \\
 &= \langle T, i^{|\alpha|} \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} (-i)^{|\alpha|} x^\alpha e^{-iy \cdot x} \varphi(y) dy \rangle \\
 &= i^{|\alpha|} \langle T, \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} (x^\alpha e^{-iy \cdot x}) \varphi(y) dy \rangle \quad \text{[1]} \\
 &= i^{|\alpha|} \langle T, (-1)^{|\alpha|} \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} e^{-iy \cdot x} (\delta \varphi(y)) dy \rangle \quad \text{[O/S]} \\
 &= i^{|\alpha|} \langle T, (-1)^{|\alpha|} \widehat{\delta \varphi} \rangle \quad \text{[O/S]} \\
 &= i^{|\alpha|} (-1)^{|\alpha|} \langle \widehat{T}, \widehat{\delta \varphi} \rangle \quad \text{[O/S]} \\
 &= i^{|\alpha|} \langle \delta \widehat{T}, \varphi \rangle. \quad \text{[O/S]}
 \end{aligned}$$

2.1. We have

$$\langle \delta_0, \varphi_\lambda \rangle = \varphi_\lambda(0) = \varphi(\lambda \cdot 0) = \varphi(0) = \langle \delta_0, \varphi \rangle = \lambda^{-N - (-N)} \langle \delta_0, \varphi \rangle.$$

then δ_0 is homogeneous of degree $(-N)$. [1]

2.2 If $T \in S'(\mathbb{R}^N)$ is an homogeneous tempered distribution of degree p , then for all $\varphi \in S(\mathbb{R}^N)$ we obtain

$$\langle T, \varphi_\lambda \rangle = \lambda^{-N-p} \langle T, \varphi \rangle.$$

We have $\langle \widehat{T}, \varphi_\lambda \rangle = \langle T, \widehat{\varphi}_\lambda \rangle.$ [O/S]

$$\begin{aligned}
 \widehat{\varphi}_\lambda(\xi) &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} e^{-ix \cdot \xi} \varphi(\lambda x) dx = \lambda^{-N} \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} e^{-iy \cdot \frac{\xi}{\lambda}} \varphi(y) dy \\
 &= \lambda^{-N} \widehat{\varphi}\left(\frac{\xi}{\lambda}\right) = \lambda^{-N} \widehat{\varphi}_{\frac{1}{\lambda}}. \quad \text{[1]}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{therefore } \langle \widehat{T}, \varphi_\lambda \rangle &= \langle T, \lambda^{-N} \widehat{\varphi}_{\frac{1}{\lambda}} \rangle = \lambda^{-N} \langle T, \widehat{\varphi}_{\frac{1}{\lambda}} \rangle \\
 &= \lambda^{-N} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda} \right)^{-N-p} \langle T, \widehat{\varphi} \rangle \\
 &= \lambda^{-N - (-N-p)} \langle \widehat{T}, \varphi \rangle. \quad \text{[2]}
 \end{aligned}$$

then \widehat{T} is homogeneous of degree $(-N-p)$. [O/S]