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4 Notation

- (i) A multiindex is a vector $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$ where each component $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{N}_0$. A multiindex has an order defined by

$$|\alpha| = \alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_n.$$

- (ii) Using our definition of a multiindex and letting $u(x)$ be some function, we define

$$D^\alpha u(x) = \frac{\partial^{|\alpha|} u(x)}{\partial x_1^{\alpha_1} \dots \partial x_n^{\alpha_n}} = \partial_{x_1}^{\alpha_1} \dots \partial_{x_n}^{\alpha_n} u(x).$$

- (iii) Let $U, V \subset \mathbb{R}^n$. Then define

$$V \subset\subset U$$

to be when $V \subset \bar{V} \subset U$ and \bar{V} is compact. In plain english this means V is *compactly conatined* in U .

- (iv) Let f and g be functions. Then define $*$ to be the Convolution operator where

$$(f * g)(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau)g(x - \tau)d\tau = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x - \tau)g(\tau)d\tau$$

is the Convolution of the functions f and g which results in a third function that expresses how one of the functions modifies the other. Note that I am assuming f and g are both supported on an infinite interval, which may not always be the case.