

# Chapter 1

m.s. for measure space  
 mrb. for measurable  
 t.v.s. for a topological vector space

## 1.1 Test functions and Distributions

### Theorem 1.1

Suppose  $\mathcal{P}$  is a separating family of seminorms on a vector space  $X$ . Associate to each  $p \in \mathcal{P}$  and to each positive  $n$  the set

$$V(p, n) = \{x : p(x) < n^{-1}\}$$

Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be the collection of all finite intersections of the sets  $V(p, n)$ . Then  $\mathcal{B}$  is a convex balanced local base for a topology  $\tau$  on  $X$ , which turns  $X$  into a locally convex space such that

- every  $p \in \mathcal{P}$  is continuous
- a set  $E \subset X$  is bounded, i.e. for any neighbourhood  $V$  of 0, there exists  $s$  real positive such that  $E \subset rV$  for any  $|r| \geq s$ , if and only if every  $p \in \mathcal{P}$  is bounded on  $E$ .



### Proof

Obviously,  $\mathcal{B}$  is a convex balanced local base for  $\tau$ . Let  $A \subset X$  be open iff  $A$  is a union of translates of members of  $\mathcal{B}$ , which defines a topology  $\tau$  on  $X$ . By the way, it is easy to check that  $p(0) = 0$  for all  $p \in \mathcal{P}$ , and if  $x_n \rightarrow y$ , then we know  $x_n - y \rightarrow 0$ , which means for any integer  $m$ , there exists  $N$  such that  $x_n - y \in V(p, m)$  for any  $n \geq N$  and hence  $p(x_n - y) \rightarrow 0$ , which means  $p$  is continuous under  $\tau$ .

Then we consider if  $x + y \in U$  for some  $x, y \in X, U$  open, then we know  $U - (x + y)$  is an open neighbourhood of 0 and hence there exists a union of finite elements of  $V(p, n)$  denoted as  $V$  such that  $0 \in V + q$  and hence there exists  $p_i, n_i$  such that  $V' = \bigcup_{i=1}^m V(p_i, n_i) \subset V + q$ , then we know let  $T = \bigcup_{i=1}^m V(p_i, 2n_i)$  and  $T + T \subset V' \subset V + Q$ . Now we know  $(T + T) + (x + y) \subset U$  and hence  $(T + x) + (T + y) \subset U$ , which means addition is continuous under  $\tau$ .

Now consider if  $\alpha x$  for some  $\alpha \in \mathbb{K}, x \in X$  such that  $\alpha x \in U$  for some  $U$  open, then if  $\alpha = 0$ , then we may find  $\delta$  and a neighbourhood  $V$  of  $x$  such that  $\text{diam}(B(\alpha, \delta)V)$  is small sufficiently and hence  $B(\alpha, \delta)V \subset U$ . Now consider if  $\alpha \neq 0$ , then we know we may find  $V = \bigcup_{i=1}^m V(p_i, n_i)$  and  $V + y \subset U$  for some  $y \in X$  with  $\alpha x \in V + y$ , then we know  $\alpha(x - y') \in V$  where  $y' = \alpha^{-1}y$ . Then we may find  $V'$  an open neighbourhood of  $x - y'$  and  $B$  centered at  $\alpha$  such that  $BV' \subset V$  and hence multiplication is continuous under  $\tau$ .

To sum up,  $(X, \tau)$  is a locally convex space. (b) is obviously then.

### Theorem 1.2

For the conditions provided in theorem 1.1., if we know  $\mathcal{P}$  is a countable separating family of seminorms on  $X$ , we claim that

$$d(x, y) = \max_i \frac{c_i p_i(x - y)}{1 + p_i(x - y)}$$

where  $c_i \rightarrow 0$  positive, is a metric on  $X$  metrize  $\tau$ .



**Proof** It is easy to check that  $d$  is a metric on  $X$  and consider  $B_r = B_d(0, r)$ , then we know

$$B_r = \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} \left\{x, \frac{c_i p_i(x)}{1 + p_i(x)} < r\right\} = \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} \{x, (c_i - r)p_i(x) < r\} = \bigcap_{c_i > r} V(p_i, \frac{c_i - r}{r})$$

which is an open set in  $\tau$  and for any  $V(p, n)$ , we may find  $r$  small enough such that  $B_r \subset V(p, n)$ , which means for any open set  $U$ , it can be a union of open balls of  $d$  and hence they induce the same topology.

**Definition 1.1**

(Frechet space) A local convex t.v.s. with the topology induced by a translation-invariant complete metric.

**Definition 1.2**

If  $K$  is a compact set in an open set  $\Omega$ , then  $\mathcal{D}_K$  denotes the space of all  $f \in C^\infty(\Omega)$  whose support lies in  $K$ .

**Proposition 1.1**

There exists a topology in  $C^\infty(\Omega)$  makes  $C^\infty(\Omega)$  into a Frechet space with the Heine-Borel property, i.e. any bounded closed set in  $C^\infty(\Omega)$  is compact, such that  $\mathcal{D}_K$  is a closed subspace of  $C^\infty$  whenever  $K \subset \Omega$ .

**Proof**

We choose compact sets  $K_i$  such that  $K_i$  lies in the interior of  $K_{i+1}$  at first with  $\Omega = \bigcup K_i$ . Define seminorms  $p_n$  by

$$p_n = \max\{|\partial^\alpha(x)| : x \in K_n, |\alpha| \leq n\}$$

Then by theorem 1.1 and 1.2. we know it defines a metrizable locally convex topology on  $C^\infty(\Omega)$  and for each  $x \in \Omega$ , the functional  $f \mapsto f(x)$  is continuous in this topology. Since

$$\mathcal{D}_K = \bigcap_{x \in K^c} \mathcal{N}(f \mapsto f(x))$$

and hence  $\mathcal{D}_K$  is closed under this topology in  $C^\infty(\Omega)$ .

It is easy to check that

$$V_n = \{f \in C^\infty(\Omega), p_n(f) < n^{-1}\}$$

then if  $f_i$  is Cauchy in  $C^\infty(\Omega)$  and then we know  $f_i - f_j \in V_n$  for fixed  $n$  if  $i, j$  large sufficiently. Then it is easy to see that  $\partial^\alpha f_i$  converges to some function  $g_\alpha$  uniformly since it is Cauchy uniformly. And hence it is easy to check that  $g_0 \in C^\infty(\Omega)$ , then we know  $C^\infty$  is a Frechet space and hence  $\mathcal{D}_K$  is because it is a closed subspace.

We skip the proof of Heine-Borel property of  $C^\infty(\Omega)$ .

**Definition 1.3**

Consider a nonempty open set  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ , then define

$$\mathcal{D}(\Omega) = \bigcup_{K \subset \Omega \text{ compact}} \mathcal{D}_K$$

as the test function space  $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ . The norms

$$\|\phi\|_N = \max\{|\partial^\alpha \phi(x)|, x \in \Omega, |\alpha| \leq N\}$$

is defined.

**Proposition 1.2**

The restrictions of these norms to any  $\mathcal{D}_K$  where  $K \subset \Omega$  compact induce the same topology on  $\mathcal{D}_K$  as do the seminorms  $p_N$  in proposition 1.1.

**Proof**

For each  $K$ . we know there exists  $N$  such that  $K$  is in the interior of  $K_N$  for  $N$  large enough and we have

$$\|\phi\|_N \leq p_N(\phi)$$

if  $\phi \in \mathcal{D}_K$  and then the problem goes since notice  $\|\phi\|_n \leq \|\phi\|_{n+1}, p_n \leq p_{n+1}$ . Then we may know

$$V_N = \{\phi \in \mathcal{D}_K, \|\phi\|_N < N^{-1}\}$$

will become a local base.

**Definition 1.4**

Let  $\Omega$  be a nonempty open set in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

- a. For every compact  $K \subset \Omega$ ,  $\tau_K$  denotes the Frechet space topology of  $\mathcal{D}_K$  as described above.
- b.  $\beta$  is the collection of all convex balanced sets  $W \subset \mathcal{D}(\Omega)$  such that  $\mathcal{D}_K \cap W \in \tau_K$  for every compact  $K \subset \Omega$ .
- c.  $\tau$  is the collection of all unions of sets of the form  $\phi + W$  with  $\phi \in \mathcal{D}(\Omega)$  and  $W \in \beta$ .



We can see that

$$\{\phi \in \mathcal{D}(\Omega), |\phi(x_m)| < c_m, m \geq 1\}$$

for a sequence  $x_m$  without limit point in  $\Omega$  and  $c_m$  a sequence of positive numbers belongs to  $\beta$ .

**Theorem 1.3**

- a.  $\tau$  is a topology in  $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$  and  $\beta$  is a local base for  $\tau$ .
- b.  $\tau$  makes  $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$  into a locally convex topological vector space.



**Proof** We claim that for any  $V_1, V_2 \in \tau, \phi \in V_1 \cap V_2$

$$\phi + W \subset V_1 \cap V_2$$

for some  $W \in \beta$ . We know there exist  $\phi_1, \phi_2 \in \mathcal{D}(\Omega)$  and  $W_1, W_2 \in \beta$  such that

$$\phi \in \phi_i + W_i \in V_i$$

and we may choose  $K$  so that  $\phi_1, \phi_2 \in \mathcal{D}_K$  and then since  $\mathcal{D}_K \cap W_i$  is open, we have

$$\phi - \phi_i \in (1 - \epsilon_i)W_i$$

for some  $\epsilon_i > 0$  and hence

$$\phi - \phi_i + \epsilon_i W_i \subset W_i$$

by the convexity of  $W_i$ , then

$$\phi + \epsilon_i W_i \subset \phi_i + W_i \subset V_i$$

and let  $W = (\epsilon_1 W_1) \cap (\epsilon_2 W_2)$  and we are done. Then we know any intersection of two open sets in  $\tau$  is open in  $\tau$  and if let  $\phi = 0, V_1 = V_2 = V$ , then we know there is always some  $W \in \beta$  such that  $W \subset V$  for any open set  $V$  and hence  $\beta$  is a local base.