

**Exercise 3.4.3:**

Suppose that  $f$  is a bounded Lipschitz function with Lipschitz constant  $C$ . Then  $f \in L^\infty$ . To reason about the first order derivatives  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} f$ , we convolve with an approximate identity as in Proposition 3.1.2 and define the sequence  $f_n = f * \phi_n$ , where  $\phi_n$  is the approximate identity. Then we see that  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} f_n = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} f * \psi_n \rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} f$  uniformly with  $n$ . Then we compute the partial derivatives via the difference quotient yielding

$$\int \frac{f(x + y + \epsilon e_j) - f(x + y)}{\epsilon} \psi_n(y) dy \leq C \int \psi_n(y) dy$$

This goes to  $C$  uniformly in  $n$ . So the partial derivatives are uniformly bounded by the Lipschitz constant  $C$ .

**Exercise 3.4.4:**

- (a) Because  $F$  is a distribution on  $\Omega$ , we can apply Proposition 3.1.2 to get a sequence of  $C^\infty$  functions  $f_n$  such that  $f_n \rightarrow F$  in the sense of distributions. Now we use the fact that  $C_{\text{com}}^\infty \subset C^\infty$  is a dense containment to get a sequence of functions  $f_{n,m} \rightarrow f_n$  as  $m \rightarrow \infty$ , where the convergence takes place in  $C^\infty$ . Because this convergence is in the sense of functions, we can conclude that  $f_{n,m} \rightarrow f_n$  in the sense of distributions as well. Finally, we note that in the sense of distributions

$$|f_{n,n}(\varphi) - F(\varphi)| = |(f_{n,n}(\varphi) - f_n(\varphi)) + (f_n(\varphi) - F(\varphi))| \leq |(f_{n,n}(\varphi) - f_n(\varphi))| + |(f_n(\varphi) - F(\varphi))|$$

Letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$  gives the result.

- (b) Now let  $C$  be the support of  $F$ . We need to restrict the approximating functions  $f_n$  to an  $\epsilon$ -neighborhood of  $C$ . For  $0 \leq \delta \leq \epsilon$  let  $C_\delta$  be all the points within  $\delta$  of  $C$ . Fix a  $\delta_0 < \epsilon/2$  and choose a function  $\varphi$  supported in the unit ball such that  $\int \varphi = 1$ . Then we consider the family of scaling functions

$$\varphi_R(x) = R^{-d} \varphi(x/R)$$

which are supported in the balls of radius  $R$  about the origin. We then consider the convolutions

$$\varphi_{\delta_0} * \chi_{C_{\delta_0}} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \varphi_{\delta_0}(y) \chi_{C_{\delta_0}}(x - y) dy = \int_{|y| \leq \delta_0} \varphi_{\delta_0}(y) \chi_{C_{\delta_0}}(x - y) dy$$

because  $\varphi_{\delta_0}$  is supported on the ball of radius  $\delta_0$ . Now if  $x \in C$  and  $|y| \leq \delta_0$  then  $\chi_{C_{\delta_0}}(x - y) = 1$ , but if  $x \notin C_\epsilon$  and  $|y| \leq \delta_0$  then  $x - y \notin C_\epsilon$ . Thus, we see that

$$(\varphi_{\delta_0} * \chi_{C_{\delta_0}})(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \in C \\ 0 & \text{outside } C_\epsilon \end{cases}$$

Now we simply note that  $\varphi_{\delta_0} * \chi_{C_{\delta_0}} \in C_{\text{com}}^\infty$  by construction and we then simply take a sequence  $f_n \rightarrow F$  with the  $f_n \in C^\infty$  and define the new sequence  $(\varphi_{\delta_0} * \chi_{C_{\delta_0}}) \cdot f_n$  which has the desired properties.

**Exercise 3.4.7:** In the forward direction, we suppose that  $F$  is a tempered distribution. The by Proposition 3.1.4 we can find an  $N$  such that  $|F(\varphi)| \leq C \|\varphi\|_N$  for all  $\varphi \in \mathcal{S}$ . Now suppose that  $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}$  and has support in the ball  $|x| \leq R$ , then we have the bound  $|x|^\beta \leq c_{n,\beta} |x|^{|\beta|} \leq c_{n,\beta} R^n$ . This implies that

$$|F(\varphi)| = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d} |x^\beta \partial_x^\alpha \varphi| \leq C c_{n,N} R^N \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d} |\partial_x^\alpha \varphi|$$

with  $A = Cc_{n,N}$ , as desired.

Conversely, suppose that  $F$  is a functional that satisfies

$$|F(\varphi)| \leq AR^N \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d} |\partial_x^\alpha \varphi|$$

for all  $\varphi$  supported in  $|x| \leq R$ . Then we see that  $F \in \mathcal{D}^*$ . Choose a partition of unity on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ , say  $\psi_j$  with each of the  $\psi_j$  supported in a ball about the origin. TO construct such a partition we will use a function  $\eta(x) + \eta(x-1) = 1$  supported in  $(-1, 1)$ . Then  $\eta$  induces a partition of unity given by  $\psi_j(x) = \eta(|x| - j)$  supported in the disk of radius  $j$ . For a given  $\varphi_j \in \mathcal{D}$  so that

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j \varphi = \varphi$$

where the convergence is in  $\mathcal{D}$ . Thus, we can set

$$|F(\varphi)| \leq |F(\psi_0 \varphi)| + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |F(\psi_j \varphi)|$$

Because  $\psi_0$  is supported in the unit ball, we take  $R = 1$  to see that

$$|F(\psi_0 \varphi)| \leq C \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} |\partial_x^\alpha (\psi_0 \varphi)| \leq C' \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} |\partial_x^\alpha (\varphi)|$$

where  $C'$  is a constant depending only on the  $\psi_j$  and  $N$ . Now we will go through a similar process for each of the  $|F(\psi_j \varphi)|$  yielding

$$|F(\psi_j \varphi)| \leq C(j+1)^N \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N} \sup_{x \in B_j} |\partial_x^\alpha \varphi|$$

As before we can then bound this with a new constant  $C'_j$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} C(j+1)^N \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} |\partial_x^\alpha \varphi| &\leq C'_j(j+1)^N \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N} \sup_{x \in B_j} |\partial_x^\alpha \varphi| \\ &= C'_j(j+1)^{-2} \left( \frac{j+1}{j} \right)^{N+2} \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N} j^{N+2} |\partial_x^\alpha \varphi| \end{aligned}$$

Now we use the fact that  $j \leq 1 + |x|$  for  $x$  in the ball of radius  $j$  and get a bound

$$\begin{aligned} C'_j(j+1)^{-2} \left( \frac{j+1}{j} \right)^{N+2} \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N} j^{N+2} |\partial_x^\alpha \varphi| &\leq C'_j(j+1)^{-2} 2^{N+2} \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N} (1+|x|)^{N+2} |\partial_x^\alpha \varphi| \\ &\leq C'_j(j+1)^{-2} 2^{N+2} \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N} \|\varphi\|_{N+2} \end{aligned}$$

So we have bounded  $F(\varphi)$  in terms of finite sums of  $\|\varphi\|_N$  for various  $N$ . Hence,  $F$  extends to be bounded on  $\mathcal{S}$  by density and so we have that  $F \in \mathcal{S}^*$ .

#### Exercise 3.4.8:

Suppose that  $F$  is a homogeneous distribution of degree  $\lambda$ . Then we know that  $|F_a(\varphi)| = a^\lambda F$ . Consider a scaling operator  $\eta \in \mathcal{D}$  with  $\eta(x)$  in  $|x| \leq 1$ , supported in  $|x| \leq 2$  and  $\eta_R(x) = \eta(x/R)$ . We know because  $F$  is a distribution and  $\eta$  has compact support

$$|\eta_1 F(\varphi)| = |f(\eta_1 \varphi)| \leq C \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N} \sup_{|x| \leq 1} |\partial_x^\alpha \varphi| \leq C \|\varphi\|_N$$

We can see this because we can approximate  $F$  by a sequence of distributions with compact sense  $F_n \rightarrow F$  in the weak sense as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and by the discussion after Proposition 3.1.4, the limit holds for each of the  $F_n$  and thus for  $F$  as well. Now suppose that we have a distribution  $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}$  that is supported in the ball of radius  $R$  about the origin with  $R \geq 1$ . Then we see that  $\eta_R \varphi$  is supported in the unit ball and the above estimate gives

$$\begin{aligned} |\eta_R F(\varphi)| &\leq C \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N} \sup_{|x| \leq 1} |\partial_x^\alpha (\eta_R \varphi)| \\ &= C \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N} \sup_{|x| \leq 1} R^{-|\alpha|} |\partial_x^\alpha (\varphi)| \end{aligned}$$

Now because  $F$  is homogenous we also know that  $F(\eta_R \varphi) = R^{-n-\lambda} |F(\varphi)|$ . Combining these facts we see that

$$|F(\eta_R \varphi)| \leq C R^{n+\lambda} \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N} \sup_{|x| \leq R} |\partial_x^\alpha \varphi| \leq C R^{n+\lambda} \|\varphi\|_N$$

We can then apply the previous exercise to see that  $F$  must be tempered.

**Exercise 3.4.10:**

To see that  $\mathcal{D}$  is dense in  $\mathcal{S}$  we let  $\varphi \in \mathcal{S}$  fix an  $\eta \in \mathcal{D}$  that has  $\eta = 1$  on the unit ball. We then set  $\eta_k(x) = \eta(x/k)$  and  $\varphi_k = \eta_k \varphi$ . Then consider  $\|\varphi_k - \varphi\|_N$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\varphi_k - \varphi\|_N &= \sup_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^d \\ |\alpha|, |\beta| \leq N}} |x^\beta \partial_x^\alpha (\eta_k \varphi - \varphi)| \\ &= \sup_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^d \\ |\alpha|, |\beta| \leq N}} |x^\beta \partial_x^\alpha (\eta_k \varphi) - x^\beta \partial_x^\alpha (\varphi)| \end{aligned}$$

Then we compute

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_x^\alpha (\eta_k \varphi) &= \sum_{|\gamma| \leq |\alpha|} \binom{|\alpha|}{|\gamma|} k^{|\gamma|-\alpha} \partial_x^\gamma \varphi \partial_x^{\alpha-\gamma} \eta_k \\ &= \partial_x^\alpha \varphi + \sum_{\substack{|\gamma| \leq |\alpha| \\ \gamma \neq \alpha}} \binom{\alpha}{\gamma} k^{|\gamma|-\alpha} \partial_x^\gamma \varphi \partial_x^{\alpha-\gamma} \eta_k \end{aligned}$$

So we can estimate the above by

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^d \\ |\alpha|, |\beta| \leq N}} |x^\beta \partial_x^\alpha (\eta_k \varphi) - x^\beta \partial_x^\alpha (\varphi)| &\leq \left| x^\beta \sum_{\substack{|\gamma| \leq |\alpha| \\ |\gamma-\alpha| \geq 1}} \binom{|\alpha|}{|\gamma|} k^{|\gamma|-\alpha} \partial_x^\gamma \varphi \partial_x^{\alpha-\gamma} \eta_k \right| \\ &\leq \frac{\|\varphi\|_N}{k} \sum_{\substack{|\gamma| \leq |\alpha| \\ |\gamma-\alpha| \geq 1}} \|\varphi\|_{|\alpha|} \end{aligned}$$

This clearly goes to zero as  $k \rightarrow \infty$  for all  $N$  and so we have that  $\varphi_k \rightarrow \varphi$  as desired.

**Exercise 3.4.11:**

1. Suppose that both  $\varphi_1, \varphi \in \mathcal{S}$ . Then we need to show that

$$\|\varphi_1 \varphi_2\|_N = \sup_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^d \\ |\alpha|, |\beta| \leq N}} |x^\beta \partial_x^\alpha (\varphi_1 \varphi_2)| < \infty$$

We then compute the product via

$$\partial_x^\alpha(\varphi_1\varphi_2) = \sum_{\gamma \leq \alpha} \binom{\alpha}{\gamma} (\partial_x^{\alpha-\gamma}\varphi_1)(\partial_x^\gamma\varphi_2)$$

Substituting this formula above gives

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^d \\ |\alpha|, |\beta| \leq N}} |x^\beta \partial_x^\alpha(\varphi_1\varphi_2)| &= \sup_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^d \\ |\alpha|, |\beta| \leq N}} \left| x^\beta \sum_{\gamma \leq \alpha} \binom{\alpha}{\gamma} (\partial_x^{\alpha-\gamma}\varphi_1)(\partial_x^\gamma\varphi_2) \right| \\ &\leq \sup_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^d \\ |\alpha|, |\beta| \leq N}} \left| \sum_{\gamma \leq \alpha} \binom{\alpha}{\gamma} (x^{N-|\gamma|} \partial_x^{\alpha-\gamma}\varphi_1) (x^{|\gamma|} \partial_x^\gamma\varphi_2) \right| \\ &\leq \sup_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^d \\ |\alpha|, |\beta| \leq N}} \sum_{\gamma \leq \alpha} \binom{\alpha}{\gamma} \|\varphi_1\|_{N-|\gamma|} \|\varphi_2\|_{|\gamma|} \end{aligned}$$

This is a finite sum and hence, is bounded so that  $\|\varphi_1\varphi_2\|_N \leq \infty$  and so  $\varphi_1\varphi_2 \in \mathcal{S}$  as claimed.

2. To see that  $\varphi_1 * \varphi_2 \in \mathcal{S}$  whenever  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in \mathcal{S}$  we will invoke the Fourier transform. We saw that the Fourier transform  $\mathcal{F}: \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$  was a homeomorphism and that

$$\mathcal{F}(\varphi_1 * \varphi_2) = \mathcal{F}(\varphi_1)\mathcal{F}(\varphi_2)$$

Because  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$  are both in  $\mathcal{S}$  we conclude that  $\mathcal{F}(\varphi_1 * \varphi_2) \in \mathcal{S}$  as well. Then applying Fourier inversion in  $\mathcal{S}$  we get that  $\varphi_1 * \varphi_2 \in \mathcal{S}$  as desired.

3. To verify that  $\varphi_1 * \varphi_2 \in \mathcal{S}$  directly from the definition we first recall that differentiation commutes with the convolution to compute

$$\begin{aligned} \|\varphi_1 * \varphi_2\|_N &= \sup_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^d \\ |\alpha|, |\beta| \leq N}} |x^\beta \partial_x^\alpha(\varphi_1 * \varphi_2)| \\ &= \sup_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^d \\ |\alpha|, |\beta| \leq N}} |x^\beta \varphi_1 * \partial_{x-y}^\alpha \varphi_2| \\ &\leq \sup_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^d \\ |\alpha|, |\beta| \leq N}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |\varphi_1(y)| \cdot |x^\beta \partial_{x-y}^\alpha \varphi_2(x-y)| dy \\ &\leq \sup_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^d \\ |\alpha|, |\beta| \leq N}} \sum_{\gamma \leq \beta} \binom{\beta}{\gamma} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |y^\gamma \varphi_1(y)| \cdot |(x-y)^{\beta-\gamma} \partial_{x-y}^\alpha \varphi_2(x-y)| dy \\ &\leq \sup_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^d \\ |\alpha|, |\beta| \leq N}} \sum_{\gamma \leq \beta} \binom{\beta}{\gamma} \|\varphi_2\|_N \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |y^\gamma \varphi_1(y)| \frac{1+y^2}{1+y^2} dy \\ &\leq \sup_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^d \\ |\alpha|, |\beta| \leq N}} C \sum_{\gamma \leq \beta} \binom{\beta}{\gamma} \|\varphi_2\|_N (\|\varphi_1\|_\gamma + \|\varphi_1\|_{|\gamma|+2}) \end{aligned}$$

The last term is bounded because it is a finite sum of bounded terms. Hence  $\varphi_1 * \varphi_2 \in \mathcal{S}$

**Exercise 3.4.12:** Let  $F$  be a distribution with compact support and let  $\varphi \in \mathcal{S}$ . We will first show that for each  $N$  we can find a constant  $C_N$  such that

$$\|\varphi \tilde{\varphi}\|_N \leq C_N (1 + |y|)^N \|\varphi\|_N$$

Indeed, we first note that

$$\|\varphi_y^\sim\|_N = \sup_{\substack{y \in \mathbb{R}^d \\ |\alpha|, |\beta| \leq N}} |y^\beta \partial_y^\alpha \varphi(x - y)| \leq \sup_{\substack{y \in \mathbb{R}^d \\ |\alpha|, |\beta| \leq N}} |(1 + |y|)^\beta \partial_y^\alpha \varphi(y - y)|$$

Then we note that  $(1 + |y|) \leq (1 + |y|)(1 + |x - y|)$  to conclude that

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{\substack{y \in \mathbb{R}^d \\ |\alpha|, |\beta| \leq N}} |(1 + |y|)^\beta \partial_y^\alpha \varphi(x - y)| &\leq \sup_{\substack{y \in \mathbb{R}^d \\ |\alpha|, |\beta| \leq N}} |(1 + |y|)^\beta (1 + |x - y|)^\beta \partial_y^\alpha \varphi(x - y)| \\ &\leq C_N (1 + |y|)^N \sup_{\substack{y \in \mathbb{R}^d \\ |\alpha|, |\beta| \leq N}} |x - y|^\beta \partial_y^\alpha \varphi(x - y)| \\ &\leq C_N (1 + |y|)^N \|\varphi\|_N \end{aligned}$$

Now we note that because  $F$  has compact support it must also be tempered and therefore we can apply Proposition 3.1.4 to see that the function  $F * \varphi = F(\varphi_y^\sim)$  must satisfy

$$|F(\varphi_x^\sim)| \leq c \|\varphi_y^\sim\|_N \leq C' (1 + |x|)^N \|\varphi\|_N$$

Thus, we see that

$$\|F(\varphi_x^\sim)\|_N = \sup_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^d \\ |\alpha|, |\beta| \leq N}} |x^\beta \partial_x^\alpha$$