

Complex Analysis

Complex number properties

Cartesian vs. Polar:

$$x = \operatorname{Re} z = r \cos(\theta)$$

$$y = \operatorname{Im} z = r \sin(\theta)$$

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = |z|$$

$$\theta = \arg(z)$$

$$\arg(z): \theta = \arctan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \quad x > 0$$

$$\theta = \pm \frac{\pi}{2} \quad x = 0$$

$$\theta = \pi + \arctan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \quad x < 0, y > 0$$

$$\theta = \arctan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) - \pi \quad x < 0, y < 0$$

Complex sum and multiplication:

$$z_1 + z_2 = (x_1 + x_2) + i(y_1 + y_2)$$

$$z_1 \cdot z_2 = (x_1 x_2 - y_1 y_2) + i(x_1 y_2 + x_2 y_1)$$

$$- \sqrt{2} \neq 0 \quad \frac{1}{z} = \frac{\bar{z}}{|z|^2}$$

Basic equations:

$$r^n e^{in\theta} = p \cdot e^{i\varphi} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} r^n = p \\ e^{in\theta} = e^{i\varphi} \end{cases}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} r = \sqrt[n]{p} \\ \theta_n = \frac{\varphi + 2k\pi}{n} \quad k = 0, \dots, n-1 \end{cases} \quad \text{L}^n \text{ solutions}$$

$$\Delta z^2 = i \Rightarrow z = \pm \sqrt{i}$$

Complex and holomorphic functions

$$f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \quad f(x+iy) = u(x,y) + i v(x,y)$$

Basic functions:

$f(z) =$	$U+iV$	V
\bar{z}	x	$-y$
z^2	$(x^2 - y^2)$	$2xy$
e^{x+iy}	$e^x \cos(y)$	$e^x \sin(y)$
$\log(z)$	$\log(z)$	$\arg(z)$

$$\sin(z) = \frac{e^{iz} - e^{-iz}}{2}$$

$$\cos(z) = \frac{e^{iz} + e^{-iz}}{2}$$

$$\sinh(z) = \frac{e^z - e^{-z}}{2}$$

$$\cosh(z) = \frac{e^z + e^{-z}}{2}$$

Continuity:

Continuous at $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$ if $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$:

$$|z - z_0| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(z) - f(z_0)| < \varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = f(z_0) \quad (\text{all directions})$$

Holomorphic:

$f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ holomorphic if $\forall z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{f(z) - f(z_0)}{z - z_0} \text{ exists and is finite}$$

Let $u(x,y) = \operatorname{Re}(f)$ and $v(x,y) = \operatorname{Im}(f)$

f holomorphic $\Leftrightarrow u, v: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are $C^2(\mathbb{C})$ and satisfy C-R eqns.

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$$

$$f'(z) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} - i \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$$

Complex derivative properties

$$(f+g)' = f' + g'$$

$$(\frac{f}{g})' = \frac{f'g - fg'}{g^2} \quad (fog)' = f'(g) \cdot g'$$

Complex logarithm properties

$$\log(z \cdot w) = \begin{cases} \log(z) + \log(w) & \text{if } \arg(z) + \arg(w) \in [-\pi, \pi] \\ \log(z) + \log(w) - 2\pi i & \arg(z) + \arg(w) \in [\pi, 2\pi] \\ \log(z) + \log(w) + 2\pi i & \arg(z) + \arg(w) \in [-2\pi, -\pi] \end{cases}$$

Complex function integral along curve $\Gamma \subset \mathbb{C}$

Curves: $\Gamma \subset \mathbb{C}^n$ is image of $\gamma: I \subset \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$

Param: $\gamma(t) = (\gamma_1(t), \gamma_2(t), \dots, \gamma_n(t)) \quad t \in [a, b]$

Γ simple \Rightarrow does not cross same point twice

Γ closed $\Rightarrow \gamma[a] = \gamma[b]$

Γ regular $\Rightarrow \gamma'(t) \neq 0 \forall t \in I$, i.e. only 1 direction

Γ piecewise regular \Rightarrow union of regular curves

Γ positively oriented, simple, closed \Rightarrow goes along border with domain to the left.



Complex curve integrals

$f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \Gamma \subset \mathbb{C}$ simple regular curve

$$\int_{\Gamma} F(z) dz := \int_a^b F(\gamma(t) + \dot{\gamma}(t)) \cdot \dot{\gamma}'(t) dt$$

complex multiplication

Cauchy theorem

$D \subset \mathbb{C}$ simply connected

$f: D \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ holomorphic

$\Gamma \subset D$ simple closed

$$\oint_{\Gamma} F(z) dz = 0$$

Cauchy integral formula

$D \subset \mathbb{C}$ simply connected $F: D \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ holomorphic

$\gamma: [a, b] \rightarrow D$ simple closed curve

$$F(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{F(w)}{w - z_0} dw$$

$$F^{(n)}(z_0) = \frac{n!}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{F(w)}{(w - z_0)^{n+1}} dw$$

USE: i.e. calculate all possible values for:

$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{\cos(2w)}{w} dw \Rightarrow 3 \text{ cases:}$$



Cauchy $\Rightarrow \int_{\gamma} = 0$

Integral undefined

Laplace transforms

Laplace transform form: Definition $f: [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ piecewise continuous, $y \in \mathbb{R}$, $\int_0^{\infty} |f(t)| e^{-yt} dt < \infty$, $\forall z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{y\}$ $\operatorname{Re}(z) \geq 0$

$$\mathcal{L}(f)(z) = \int_0^{\infty} f(t) e^{-zt} dt$$

Laplace transform properties

$$1) \text{ If } \int_0^{\infty} |t \cdot f(t)| e^{-yt} dt < \infty \Rightarrow \mathcal{L}(f)(z) \text{ holomorphic } \forall z \in \mathbb{C}$$

$$(\mathcal{L}(f)(z))' = -\mathcal{L}(t f(t))(z)$$

$$2) \mathcal{L}$$
 is linear $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\mathcal{L}(af + bg)(z) = a \mathcal{L}(f)(z) + b \mathcal{L}(g)(z)$$

$$3) \text{ If } \int_0^{\infty} |t^k f(t)| e^{-yt} dt < \infty \quad \forall k = 0, \dots, n$$

$$\mathcal{L}(f^{(n)})(z) = z^n \mathcal{L}(f)(z) - \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} z^{n-k-1} f^{(k)}(0)$$

$$4) \text{ Let } \Phi(s) = \int_0^{\infty} f(t) s^t dt$$

$$\mathcal{L}(f)(z) = \Phi(z)/z$$

$$5) \text{ Scaling: } \forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}, a > 0$$

$$\Phi(s) = e^{-bt} F(at) \quad \mathcal{L}(f)(z) = \frac{1}{a} \mathcal{L}(f)(\frac{z+b}{a})$$

6) Convolution of functions: $f, g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ p.w. continuous.

$$(f * g)(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t-s) g(s) ds = \int_0^{\infty} f(t-s) g(s) ds$$

$$\mathcal{L}(f * g)(z) = \mathcal{L}(f)(z) \cdot \mathcal{L}(g)(z)$$

Solving ODEs with Laplace transforms

TYPE 1:

$$y: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } \begin{cases} y'(t) + ay(t) = f(t) \\ y(0) = y_0 \end{cases}$$

1) Apply Laplace:

$$y(t) = \mathcal{L}(y)(z) \quad f(t) = \mathcal{L}(f)(z)$$

$$\mathcal{L}(y')(t) = z \mathcal{L}(y)(z) - y(0)$$

2) Solve for Laplace transform:

$$z \mathcal{L}(y)(z) - y(0) + a \mathcal{L}(y)(z) = f(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow (z+a) \mathcal{L}(y)(z) = y_0 + f(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}(y)(z) = \frac{y_0}{z+a} + \frac{f(t)}{z+a}$$

solution for Laplace transform

3) Transform back

$$y(t) = y_0 e^{-at} + \int_0^t f(s) e^{-a(t-s)} ds$$

$$\mathcal{L}(e^{-at})(z) = \frac{1}{z+a} \quad \mathcal{L}(f(s) e^{-a(t-s)}) = \mathcal{L}(f)(s) \cdot \mathcal{L}(e^{-at})(z)$$

$$\text{TYPE 2: } \begin{cases} y''(t) = -k y(t) - \beta g(t) \\ y(0) = y_0, y'(0) = y_1 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} g''(t) + \omega^2 g(t) - 2\alpha y(t) = 0 \\ g(0) = y_0, g'(0) = y_1 \end{cases}$$

$\omega^2 = \frac{k}{m}, 2\alpha = \frac{\beta}{m}, \alpha > 0$

1) Laplace transform:

$$y(t) = \mathcal{L}(y)(z)$$

$$\Rightarrow z^2 y(z) - z y(0) - y'(0) + \omega^2 y(z) + 2\alpha (y(t) - y_0) = 0$$

$$2) \text{ Solve: } (z^2 + \omega^2 + 2\alpha z) y(z) - z y_0 - 2\alpha y_0 - \omega^2 y_0 = 0$$

$$y(z) = \frac{y_0}{z^2 + \omega^2 + 2\alpha z} + \frac{2\alpha y_0 + \omega^2 y_0}{z^2 + \omega^2 + 2\alpha z}$$

3) Reverse transform

3.1) If possible, use properties to reduce to known transforms

3.2) Use inverse transform formula.

Using the inverse transform formula

$f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ continuous with $F(s) = 0$

$$\tilde{f}(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}(F(z))$$

Assume that $\exists y \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t.: $\int_0^{+\infty} |f(t)| e^{-yt} dt < +\infty; \int_{-\infty}^0 |f(t)| e^{-yt} dt < +\infty$

$$\tilde{f}(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \tilde{F}(s) e^{(y+is)t} ds$$

Using the formula:

→ Use residue theorem.

1) What we have:

complex function: $\tilde{f}(z) := f(z) e^{-yz}$

2) Domain choice:

we take $\tilde{\Gamma} \subset \mathbb{C}$ $\cap \operatorname{Re}(z) < 0$ s.t. all singularities of $\tilde{f}(z)$ are in $\tilde{\Gamma}$

$$\tilde{\Gamma}_r = L_r \cup C_{r,r}$$

$$L_r = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid \operatorname{Im}(z) = 0, -\pi \leq \operatorname{Re}(z) \leq r\}$$

$$C_{r,r} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid \operatorname{Im}(z) = r, \operatorname{Re}(z) \in [-r, r]\}$$

$$C_{-r,r} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid \operatorname{Im}(z) = r, \operatorname{Re}(z) \in [-r, r]\}$$

$$3) \text{ Show that } \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \int_{C_{r,r}} \tilde{f}(z) dz = 0$$

we will need to show that:

$$\int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{3\pi}{2}} \tilde{f}(z) dz \xrightarrow[r \rightarrow \infty]{} 0$$

Showing the following is sufficient:

$$\left| \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{3\pi}{2}} \tilde{f}(z) dz \right| \leq \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{3\pi}{2}} |\tilde{f}(z)| dz$$

4) Residue theorem gives result

$$f(t) = \sum_{j=1}^n \operatorname{Res}_{z_j}(\tilde{f})$$

Cauchy theorem	Cauchy corollary
$D \subset \mathbb{C}$ simply connected	$D \subset \mathbb{C}$ holomorphic
$\Gamma \subset D$ simple closed	Γ simple
$\gamma_1, \gamma_2: [a, b] \rightarrow D$ s.t. $\gamma_1(b) = \gamma_2(a)$ and $\gamma_1(a) = \gamma_2(b)$	
$\int_{\gamma_1} F(z) dz = \int_{\gamma_2} F(z) dz$	

Partial differential equations

3 methods to solve PDEs

- Separation of variables
- Method of propagation of the fundamental solution to Distributions Theory
- Fourier series

METHOD 1: Separation of variables

→ Reduces a PDE to a system of ODEs

→ Useful when equations are on an interval

I.E. Heat equation on interval

$$(H) \begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x,t) - \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = f(x,t) & x \in [0,1], t > 0 \\ u(g,t) = u(1,t) = 0 & \forall t > 0 \\ u(x,0) = u_0(x) \end{cases}$$

I.E. Wave equation on interval

$$(W) \begin{cases} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} - c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = f(x,t) & x \in [0,1] \\ u(x,0) = u_0(x) & u(0,t) = u_1(t) \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial t} u(x,0) = v_0(x) \end{cases} \quad t > 0$$

Francesca Caracci method

1) Extend $u(x,t)$, $f(x,t)$, $u_0(x)$, $v_0(x)$ if $w(t)$ to odd, 2 periodic functions

2) Take Fourier series expansions

$$u(x,t) = \sum_{n \geq 1} b_n(t) \sin(\pi n x)$$

↪ $b_n(t) = 2 \int_0^1 u(x,t) \sin(\pi n x) dx \rightarrow$ unknown

$$F(f(G_x)) = \sum_{n \geq 1} b_n(t) \sin(\pi n x) dx$$

↪ $P_n(t) = 2 \int_0^1 f(x,t) \sin(\pi n x) dx \rightarrow$ known

$$F_f(u_0(x)) = \sum_{n \geq 1} b_n \sin(\pi n x) \rightarrow$$
 known

$$\text{if } w: F_f(v_0(x)) = \sum_{n \geq 1} \text{con} \sin(\pi n x) \rightarrow \text{con} \rightarrow \text{known}$$

4) (H) and (W) become:

$$(H) \begin{cases} b_n'(t) + \pi^2 n^2 b_n(t) = p_n(t) \\ b_n(0) = b_{n0} \end{cases} \quad \forall n$$

$$(W) \begin{cases} b_n''(t) + c^2 \pi^2 n^2 b_n(t) = p_n(t) \\ b_n(0) = b_{n0} \\ c n(t) = \text{con} \end{cases} \quad \forall n$$

5) Solve ODEs with i.e. Laplace transform

→ Find values of $b_n(t)$

$$u(x,t) = \sum b_n(t) \sin(\pi n x)$$

6) Try to convert back to function

→ If Fourier series recognized → give fact.
→ If not answer is Fourier series.

David Sauter method

1) On pose $u(x,t) = \varphi(x) \cdot \psi(t)$

2) On obtient: (H)

$$\begin{cases} \varphi(x) \cdot \psi'(t) = c^2 \varphi''(x) \cdot \psi(t) \\ \varphi(0) \cdot \psi(t) = \varphi(L) \cdot \psi(t) = 0 \\ \varphi(x) \cdot \psi'(0) = f(x) \end{cases}$$

L'équation n'est que valide si les fonctions sont des constantes

3) On a ensuite: (1) devient:

$$\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\psi'(t)}{\psi(t)} = \frac{\varphi''(x)}{\varphi(x)} = \lambda \text{ une constante}$$

$$\psi'(t) - c^2 \lambda \psi(t) = 0 \quad \varphi''(x) - \lambda \varphi(x) = 0$$

↪ 1 EDO par variable!

ce qui va avec x:

$$\varphi''(x) - \lambda \varphi(x) = 0 \quad \text{et} \quad \varphi(0) = \varphi(L) = 0$$

ce qui va avec t:

$$\psi'(t) - c^2 \lambda \psi(t) = 0$$

ce qu'on ne peut pas séparer: (on laissé de côté)

$$\varphi(x) \cdot \psi(0) = f(x)$$

5) On retrouve un problème de Sturm-Liouville

$$\begin{cases} \varphi''(x) - \lambda \varphi(x) \\ \varphi(0) = \varphi(L) = 0 \end{cases} \quad (P_\pm^x) \rightarrow \text{Sturm-Liouville}$$

$$\psi'(t) - c^2 \lambda \psi(t) = 0 \quad (P_\pm^t)$$

6) Sturm-Liouville nous donne:

$$\varphi_n(x) = P_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L} x\right), \quad \lambda = -\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 1}$$

7) On prend (P_\pm^t)

$$\psi_n'(t) + c^2 \left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2 \psi_n(t) = 0 \Rightarrow \psi_n(t) = P_n e^{-c^2 \left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2 t}$$

8) On a la solution générale:

$$u(x,t) = P_n t \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L} x\right) e^{-c^2 \left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2 t}$$

9) On finit de résoudre:

$$u(x,t) = \sum_{n \geq 1} P_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L} x\right) e^{-c^2 \left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2 t}$$

on choisit les P_n tels que $u(x,0) = f(x)$

$$f(x) = \sum_{n \geq 1} P_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L} x\right)$$

↪ Avec P_n les coefs en sinus de $f(x)$

METHOD 2: Fourier transform

1) Fourier transform

Find the Fourier transforms of all relevant facts.

for (H):

$$\hat{u}(x,t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} U(x,t) e^{-ix\omega} d\omega \text{ (unknown)}$$

$$\hat{f}(x,t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(x,t) e^{-ix\omega} d\omega$$

$$\hat{U}_0(\omega) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} U_0(x) e^{-ix\omega} d\omega$$

2) Rewrite diff eq in terms of F.T.

$$\text{Use: } \mathcal{F}(f^{(n)})(\omega) = (-i\omega)^n \mathcal{F}(f)(\omega)$$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial \hat{u}}{\partial t}(x,t) + \omega^2 \hat{u}(x,t) = \hat{f}(x,t) \\ \hat{u}(x,0) = \hat{U}_0(\omega) \end{cases}$$

3) Solve the ODE in t (i.e. with Laplace transform)

$$\hat{U}(x,t) = \hat{U}_0(\omega) e^{-\omega^2 t} + \int_0^t \hat{f}(x,s) e^{-\omega^2(t-s)} ds$$

4) Invert Fourier transform

$$U(x,t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi t}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} U_0(\omega) e^{-\omega^2 t} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi t}} \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^t \hat{f}(x,s) e^{-\omega^2(t-s)} ds e^{i\omega x} d\omega$$

Solving wave equations with distributions

Problem:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial x^2} & t > 0 \\ U(x,0) = g(x), \quad \frac{\partial U}{\partial t}(x,0) = h(x) \end{cases}$$

Generalized problem in distributional sense

$$\langle \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial t^2}, \varphi \rangle = 0 \quad \forall \varphi \in \mathcal{D}_{\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}}$$

$$\langle \frac{\partial U}{\partial t}, \varphi(x,t) \rangle \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 0} 0 \quad \text{We want!}$$

$$\langle \frac{\partial U}{\partial t}, \varphi(x,t) \rangle \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 0} \langle \delta_{(0,0)}, \varphi \rangle$$

If φ is a solution to ②:

$$\langle U, - \rangle := \langle \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} * g(x), - \rangle + \langle \delta_{(0,0)} * h(x), - \rangle$$

is a solution to ① in the distributional sense

② is solved by the distribution associated with the p.w. cont. fact.:

$$k(x,t) = \frac{1}{2c} (H(x+ct) - H(x-ct))$$

$$H(y) = \begin{cases} 0 & y < 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & y = 0 \\ 1 & y > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow U(x,t) = \frac{g(x+ct) + g(x-ct)}{2} + \int_{|x|-ct}^{x+ct} h(y) dy$$

Theory of distributions

Test function

A test function is such that:

$\varphi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ i.e. φ infinitely differentiable with compact support

• $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{N}$ $\varphi^{(\alpha)}$ exists and is continuous

• $\text{supp}(\varphi) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid \varphi(x) \neq 0\}$

• Compact support \Rightarrow closed + bounded

Dirac mass

We take F_ε s.t.:

$$\langle F_\varepsilon, \varphi \rangle := \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} F_\varepsilon(x) \varphi(x) dx = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \int_0^\varepsilon \varphi(x) dx$$

$$\langle F_\varepsilon, - \rangle : C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad \varphi \rightarrow \langle F_\varepsilon, \varphi \rangle$$

⚠ F_ε is not a function, $\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} F_\varepsilon(x)$ makes no sense

We can however take: assuming φ has a primitive $\tilde{\varphi}$

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \langle F_\varepsilon, \varphi \rangle = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \int_0^\varepsilon \varphi(x) dx \stackrel{\uparrow}{=} \varphi(0)$$

We call $\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} F_\varepsilon$ the distribution δ_0

Dirac mass is given by:

$$\langle \delta_0, \varphi \rangle := \varphi(0) \quad \text{if } \varphi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R})$$

Definition of a distribution

A distribution is a continuous linear form on the set $C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}) := D$ - set of test functions

$$\text{i.e.: } \langle \mathcal{V}, - \rangle : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad \varphi \rightarrow \langle \mathcal{V}, \varphi \rangle$$

$$1) \langle \mathcal{V}, \varphi \rangle < +\infty \quad 2) \langle \mathcal{V}, \varphi_1 + \varphi_2 \rangle = \langle \mathcal{V}, \varphi_1 \rangle + \langle \mathcal{V}, \varphi_2 \rangle$$

Set of continuous linear forms is called set of distributions denoted \mathcal{D}' .

Distribution derivatives

For any $\mathcal{V} \in \mathcal{D}'$ a distribution

$$\langle \mathcal{V}^{(n)}, \varphi \rangle = \langle D^n \mathcal{V}, \varphi \rangle := (-1)^n \langle \mathcal{V}, \varphi^{(n)} \rangle$$

Laplace transform of a distribution:

Take $\langle \mathcal{V}, - \rangle \in \mathcal{D}'$ s.t.

$$\langle \mathcal{V}, - \rangle = \langle D^k h, - \rangle \text{ for } h: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$\langle \mathcal{V}, \varphi \rangle = \langle D^k h, \varphi \rangle$

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{V})(z) := z^k \mathcal{L}(h)(z)$$

Convolution of functions in distributions

Take $\langle \mathcal{V}_1, - \rangle \in \mathcal{D}'$ and $\langle \mathcal{V}_2, - \rangle \in \mathcal{D}'$ with: $\langle \mathcal{V}_1, - \rangle = \langle D^{k_1} h_1, - \rangle$ and $\langle \mathcal{V}_2, - \rangle = \langle D^{k_2} h_2, - \rangle$

$$\mathcal{V}_1 * \mathcal{V}_2 := D^{k_1+k_2}(h_1 * h_2)$$

↳ Distributional derivative

$$\langle \mathcal{V}_1 * \mathcal{V}_2, - \rangle := \langle D^{k_1+k_2}(h_1 * h_2), - \rangle$$

Generalization to multiple variables

Test functions in \mathbb{R}^n :

$$\mathcal{D}_{\mathbb{R}^n} = \{ \varphi: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid \begin{cases} (1) \varphi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}) \\ (2) \text{supp}(\varphi) \text{ is closed + bounded} \end{cases} \}$$

Distributions in \mathbb{R}^n :

$$\mathcal{D}'_{\mathbb{R}^n} = \{ \mathcal{V}: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid \begin{cases} (1) \mathcal{V} \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}) \\ (2) \text{supp}(\mathcal{V}) \text{ is closed + bounded} \end{cases} \}$$

Distributional partial derivatives:

let $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$ $|\alpha| = \sum \alpha_i$ of total order

$$\langle D^\alpha \mathcal{V}, \varphi \rangle := (-1)^{|\alpha|} \langle \mathcal{V}, \frac{\partial^|\alpha| \varphi}{\partial x_1^{\alpha_1} \dots \partial x_n^{\alpha_n}} \rangle$$

Convolutions in \mathbb{R}^n :

$$g_1 * g_2(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} g_1(x_1-t_1, \dots, x_n-t_n) \cdot g_2(t_1, \dots, t_n) dt_1 \dots dt_n$$

$$\langle \mathcal{V}_1, - \rangle = \langle D^\alpha g_1, - \rangle \text{ and } \langle \mathcal{V}_2, - \rangle = \langle D^\beta g_2, - \rangle$$

$$\langle \mathcal{V}_1 * \mathcal{V}_2, - \rangle := D^{\alpha+\beta} (g_1 * g_2)$$

Also:

$$D^k (g_1 * g_2)(x) = D^k g_1(x) * g_2(x)$$

— Laplace transform of distributions (Lecture 10)

— Diff. eqs. in distributions (Lecture 10)