

# Distribution theory

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We know from the previous section that there are functions in  $L^p$ -spaces which are differentiable in  $L^p$ -sense. That is,  $\exists g \in L^p$  s.t.  $\| \Delta_h f - g \|_p \rightarrow 0$  as  $|h| \rightarrow 0$ . However, there is a large class of functions which are neither differentiable nor their  $L^p$ -derivative exist. Though, there is a large sub-class of such functions whose derivative can be realized with the help of certain class of differentiable functions, known as "test functions".

For example, suppose  $f$  is diff and  $g$  is a compactly supported differentiable function on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

$$\text{Then } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f' g = -f g \Big|_{-\infty}^{\infty} - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f g' = - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f g'$$

because  $g$  is compactly supported. Therefore, this gives way to realize the derivative of  $f \in L'_{loc}(\mathbb{R})$ . For  $g \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ , write

$$\Lambda_f(g) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f g,$$

then the derivative of  $\Lambda_f$  can be defined

$$\text{by } \Lambda_f'(g) = - \int f g'$$

In fact, functional  $\Lambda_f$  is all time diff

and its  $k^{\text{th}}$  derivative is given by (2)  
 $D^k f(x) = (-1)^k f^{(k)}(x)$ , where  $D = \frac{d}{dx}$ .

In order to discuss "distributions" in details, we need to derive a complete topology on  $C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Since, the space  $C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$  cannot be made complete under sup norm, a complete top. on  $C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$  will be <sup>derived</sup> from a family of semi-norms (defined on compact subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ). Thus, the space  $C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$  becomes a locally convex top. space.

Locally Convex topology:

Let  $\{p_i : i \in I\}$  be a family of semi-norm on a top. vector space  $X$ . For finite set  $F \subset I$ , let

$$U_{F,\epsilon} = \bigcap_{i \in F} \{x \in X : p_i(x) < \epsilon\} = \bigcap_{i \in F} V_{i,\epsilon}.$$

Then each of  $V_{i,\epsilon}$  is convex and balanced.

Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{U_{F,\epsilon} : \epsilon > 0, F \subset I, \#(F) < \infty\}$ .

Then the collection

$\mathcal{T} = \{O \subset X : \exists \epsilon > 0, \exists U \in \mathcal{B} \text{ st } x + U \subset O\}$  is a topology on  $X$ .

obviously,  $\mathcal{I}$  contains  $\varphi$  &  $\chi$  and closed under arbitrary union. Now, let  $(3)$

$$O = \bigcap_{i=1}^k O_i, \quad O_i \in \mathcal{I}$$

If  $x \in O$ , then  $x \in O_i$  and  $\exists U_{F_i, \epsilon_i} \in \mathcal{B}$  such that  $x + U_{F_i, \epsilon_i} \subset O_i$ . Write

$$E = \bigcap_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \epsilon_i \text{ and } F = \bigcup_{i=1}^k F_i. \text{ Then } E > 0,$$

and  $F$  is finite, and hence

$$x + U_{F, E} \subset \bigcap_{i=1}^k (x + U_{F_i, \epsilon_i}) \subset O.$$

The space  $(X, \mathcal{I})$  is known as locally convex top. space.

Ex. Show that a locally convex top. v.s.  $X$  is Hausdorff iff  $\{p_i : i \in I\}$  separates pts in  $X$ .

C.e.  $x \in X, x \neq 0$ , implies  $\exists i \in I$  s.t.  $p_i(x) > 0$ .

ex. Let  $X$  be a locally convex Hausdorff space whose top. is induced by

$\{p_i : i \in I\}$ . Define

$$d(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{-n} \phi_n(x-y)}{1 + \phi_n(x-y)}$$

show that top- $\mathcal{I}_d$  coincide with  $\mathcal{I}$ .

Note that, in general setting,  $\cup_{F, \epsilon}$  plays the role of  $B_\epsilon(0)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , as  $B_\epsilon(0), \epsilon > 0$  forms a local base at '0'. Hence, (4)

$$\mathcal{B} = \{ \cup_{F, \epsilon} : \epsilon > 0, F \in \mathcal{I}, \#(F) < \infty \}$$

is a local base at  $0 \in X$ .

Converges

Def<sup>n</sup>: (i) A seq<sup>n</sup>  $(x_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \subset X$  is said to converge to  $x \in X$  if  $\forall U \in \mathcal{B}, \exists N = N_U \in \mathbb{N}$ , such that  $x - x_j \in U, \forall j > N$ .

(ii)  $(x_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \subset X$  is called Cauchy seq<sup>n</sup> if  $\forall U \in \mathcal{B}, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $x_k - x_l \in U, \forall k, l > N$ .

(iii)  $X$  is called sequentially complete if every Cauchy seq<sup>n</sup> in  $X$  has limit in  $X$ .

Lemma: A sequence  $(x_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \subset X$  converges to  $x \in X$  iff  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} p_n(x_i - x) = 0, \forall n \in \mathbb{I}$ .

Proof: let  $\cup_{j \in \mathbb{I}} = \{ x \in X : p_j(x) < \epsilon \}$ . Then  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $p_j(x_i - x) < \epsilon, \forall j > N$ . etc.

Theorem: Let  $\{f_i: i \in I\}$  be a separable family of semi-norms on a v.s.  $X$ , and

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$$\text{write } V_{f_i, n} = \{x \in X: f_i(x) < \frac{1}{n}\}.$$

Then  $\mathcal{J} = \{V_{f_i, n}: f_i \in I, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  forms a convex balanced local base for a topology  $\tau$  on  $X$ , which makes  $X$  into a locally convex space, such that

- (i) each  $f_i$  is continuous, and
- (ii) a set  $E \subset X$  is bounded iff  $\forall f_i \in I, f_i(E)$  is bounded.

Proof: Let  $x \in X$  and  $\alpha \neq 0$ , then  $\exists f_i$  s.t.  $f_i(x) > 0$ . Therefore, for some  $n, n f_i(x) > 1$ . implies  $x \notin V(f_i, n)$ , a nbhd of 0. Hence,  $\{0\}$  is closed. Since  $\tau$  is translation-invariant, each  $\{x\} \subset X$  is closed in  $(X, \tau)$ .

Additional v. continuous: Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be a nbhd of  $0 \in X$ . Then  $\bigcap_{i \in I} V(f_i, n_i) \subset \mathcal{U}$  (by def<sup>n</sup> of  $\mathcal{J}$ )

Let  $V = \bigcap_{i \in I} V(f_i, 2n_i)$ . Then  $V + V \subset \mathcal{U}$ .

Consider  $(x_1, x_2) \rightarrow x_1 + x_2$  and  $\mathcal{U}$  be an open set containing  $x_1 + x_2$ . Then  $V = (x_1 + x_2)$  is a nbhd of 0. Hence,  $\exists$  a nbhd  $V'$  of 0 s.t.

$$V+V \subset U - (x_1 + x_2) \quad (6)$$

$$\Rightarrow (V+x_1) + (V+x_2) \subset U$$

$\Rightarrow$  addition is continuous.

For scalar multiplication, let  $x \in X$  and  $d \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $U$  and  $V$  as above. Then  $x \in \delta V$  for some  $\delta > 0$ . Write  $t = \frac{\delta}{1+|d|\delta}$ , and  $y \in x + tV$ , with  $|d-d| < \frac{1}{\delta}$ . Then

$$\beta y - dx = \beta(y-x) + (\beta-d)x$$

$$\in |\beta|tV + |\beta-d|\delta V$$

$$\subset V+V \subset U.$$

Since  $|\beta|t < (|\beta| + \frac{1}{\delta})t = 1$ , and  $V$  is balanced. Thus,  $\beta(y-x) + tV \subset dx + U$ , this implies scalar multiplication is continuous.

(ii) Suppose  $E$  is a bounded subset of  $X$ .

Since each  $V(p_i, 1)$  is a nbhd of 0,  $\exists$

$$K_i > 0 \text{ s.t. } E \subset K_i V(p_i, 1) = V(p_i, K_i)$$

$$\Rightarrow p_i(x) < K_i, \forall i, \forall x \in E.$$

Conversely, suppose  $p_i(x) < M_i \forall x \in E, \forall i \in \mathbb{N}$ , then for each nbhd  $V$  of 0,

$$U \supset \bigcap_{i=1}^m V(p_i, m_i)$$

$$\Rightarrow E \subset \bigcap_{i=1}^m V(p_i, \frac{1}{M_i}) = \bigcap_{i=1}^m M_i m_i V(p_i, m_i).$$

If  $m > m_i, n_i, f^{-1} = 1, 2, \dots \rightarrow \infty$ , then

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$$E \subset \bigcap_{i=1}^m D^m(f_i, n_i) \subset mV.$$

hence  $E$  is bounded in  $(X, \tau)$ .

### Topology of the spaces $C^\infty(\Omega)$ and $A_K$

We define a topo. on  $C^\infty(\Omega)$  which makes  $C^\infty(\Omega)$  a Fréchet space with Heine-Borel property such that the space

$$A_K = \{f \in C^\infty(\Omega), \text{supp } f \subset K\},$$

where  $K$  is a cpt set in  $\Omega$ , is a closed subspace of  $C^\infty(\Omega)$ .

Define a seq<sup>n</sup> of compact sets in  $\Omega$  such that  $K_i \subset K_{i+1}$  by

$$K_i = \{x \in \Omega : d(x, \partial\Omega) \geq \frac{1}{i}\} \cap B_i,$$

$$\text{where } B_i = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |x| < i\}.$$

For  $f \in C^\infty(\Omega)$ , define

$$p_N(f) = \sup \{ |f(x)| : x \in K_N, N \in \mathbb{N} \}$$

then  $\{p_N\}_{N \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a separating family of seminorms that makes  $C^\infty(\Omega)$  a metrizable locally convex top. space (exercise). (By the previous thm)

For  $x \in \Omega$ , define  $S_x(f) = f(x)$ . Then each  $S_x$  is a conti linear functional on the top. induced by  $\{p_N\}_{N \in \mathbb{N}}$ .

That is,  $P_N(f) \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow |f(x)| \leq P_N(f) \rightarrow 0$ .

It is easy to see that

$$A_K = \bigcap_{x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus K} \text{Ker } \mathcal{D}_x$$

Hence  $A_K$  is a closed subspace of  $C^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ .  
Notice that the collection

$$V_N = \{f \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}) : P_N(f) < \frac{1}{N}\}, \quad N = 1, 2, \dots$$

forms a convex balanced local base at  $0 \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ .

If  $\{f_j\}$  is a Cauchy seq<sup>n</sup> in  $C^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ , then  
for each  $V_N$ ,  $\exists k_N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.

$$f_i - f_j \in V_N, \quad \forall i, j > k_N$$

$$\Rightarrow P_N(f_i - f_j) < \frac{1}{N}, \quad \text{and hence}$$

$$|\mathcal{D}^k f_i(x) - \mathcal{D}^k f_j(x)| < \frac{1}{N}, \quad \forall x \in K_N$$

That is,  $\mathcal{D}^k f_i \rightarrow \mathcal{D}^k g$  on each compact set  
 $K_N$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ . In particular,  $f_i(x) \rightarrow g(x)$ .

Thus,  $g \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R})$  and  $\mathcal{D}^k g = \mathcal{D}^k f_i$ . This implies

that  $f_i \rightarrow g$  in the topo. of  $C^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ . Hence,

$C^\infty(\mathbb{R})$  is a Fréchet space and same is true  
for  $A_K$ .

Suppose  $E \subset C^\infty(\mathbb{R})$  is closed and bounded.

Then by the previous theorem A,  $\exists 0 < M_N < \infty$

such that  $P_N(f) < M_N$ ,  $N = 1, 2, \dots$ ,  $\forall f \in E$ .



Thm.  $|D^\alpha f| \in M_N$  on  $K_N$ ,  $|\alpha| \leq N$ . Hence

$\{D^\beta f: f \in E\}$  is an equicontinuous family on  $K_{N-1}$ , if  $|\beta| \leq N-1$ . (9)

By MVT,  $|f(x) - f(y)| \leq \|D^\alpha f\|_\infty \|x - y\|$  (1)

Replacing  $f \rightarrow D^\beta f$  in (1), we get

$$|D^\beta f(x) - D^\beta f(y)| \leq \|D^{\beta+\alpha} f\|_\infty \|x - y\|$$

$$\leq \|f\|_N \|x - y\|.$$

By Arzela-Ascoli theorem, every seq<sup>n</sup> in  $E$  has convergent subsequence. Hence  $E$  is compact in  $C^0(\Omega)$ . Thus,  $C^0(\Omega)$  has Heine-Borel property.

Since  $d(f, 0) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{P_k(f)}{1 + P_k(f)} < 2$ , the top. on  $C^0(\Omega)$  is not separable.

Now, for each fixed  $K \subset \Omega$ ,  $\mathcal{D}_K$  is a Frechet space and  $\mathcal{D}(\Omega) = C^\infty(\Omega) = \bigcup_{K \subset \Omega} \mathcal{D}_K$ .

is known as space of test functions.

For  $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ , define

$$\|\varphi\|_N = \sup \{ |D^\alpha \varphi(x)|: x \in \Omega, |\alpha| \leq N \}$$

for  $N = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

Note that restriction of these norms to  $\mathcal{D}_K$  gives the same top. as do the semi-norms

$\{P_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ . For this, let  $K \subset \Omega$ , compact.

Proof:  $\exists N_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $K \subset K_{N_0}$ ,  $\forall N \geq N_0$ ,  
 and for these  $N \geq N_0$ , (10)

$$\| \varphi \|_N = P_N(\varphi), \forall \varphi \in D_K$$

Since  $\| \varphi \|_N \leq \| \varphi \|_{N+1}$  ... and

$$P_N(\varphi) \leq P_{N+1}(\varphi) \dots$$

The top given by either sequence  $\{P_N\}_{N=N_0}^{\infty}$   
 or  $\{ \| \cdot \|_N \}_{N=N_0}^{\infty}$  will be same. Thus, two  
 top. on  $D_K$  coincides. Therefore,

$V_N = \{ \varphi \in D_K : \| \varphi \|_N < \frac{1}{N} \}$  form a local  
 base for  $D_K$ .

Notice that  $\{ \| \cdot \|_N \}_{N=N_0}^{\infty}$  can be used to  
 define a locally convex metrizable top. on  
 $D(\Omega)$ , but this topology is not complete.

For  $\varphi \in D(\Omega)$ ,  $\text{supp } \varphi \subset \text{comp } \Omega$ ,  $\varphi > 0$  on  $(\text{comp } \Omega)$

$$\varphi_m(x) = \varphi(x-1) + \frac{1}{2} \varphi(x-2) + \dots + \frac{1}{m} \varphi(x-m)$$

is a Cauchy seq. in that top. but  
 not  $\varphi_m$  is not compactly supported. This  
 happens because  $\{P_N\}_{N=N_0}^{\infty}$  is not enough to  
 prevent Cauchy seq. leaking towards the  
 boundary of  $\Omega$ . So that we can add  
 more semi-norms to the family  $\{P_N\}_{N=N_0}^{\infty}$   
 that makes more functions on  $D(\Omega)$  to be

Continuity. Now, we define another top.  $\tau$  on  $\mathcal{D}(C)$  in which Cauchy sequences do converge, however  $\tau$  is not metrizable. (11)

(i) let  $\beta = \{W \in \mathcal{D}(C) : W\text{-convex, balanced sets with } \Delta_K \cap W \in \tau_K, \forall \text{ cpt } K \subset \mathcal{D}(C)\}$

(ii)  $\tau = \{\text{unions of the form } \phi + W, \phi \in \mathcal{D}(C), \text{ and } W \in \beta\}$

Note that the top.  $\tau$  is different than the top. generated by  $\mathcal{P}_K$ 's, as the top.  $\tau$  includes more semi-norms. For example

let  $\phi \in \mathcal{D}(C)$  and  $\{c_i\} \subset \mathbb{R}$  be seq<sup>n</sup> having no limit pt, then for any  $c_i > 0$ , <sup>only</sup>

$$p(\phi) = \sup c_i |\phi(x_i)| / \infty \quad (c_i \text{ finitely many})$$

is a semi-norm on  $\mathcal{D}(C)$  and  $p$  restricted to each  $\mathcal{D}_K$  is continuous.

In fact,  $W = \{\phi \in \mathcal{D}(C) : p(\phi) < \infty\}$  is convex balanced

and belongs to  $\beta$  is a  $\tau$ -nhd of  $0 \in \mathcal{D}(C)$ .

This forces every  $\tau$ -bdd set (or l.b.  $\tau$  in  $\mathcal{D}(C)$ ) to be concentrated on a common compact set  $K \subset \mathcal{D}$ . This we see in the

next theorem. That is, a seq<sup>n</sup>  $\phi_i \in \mathcal{D}(C)$  converges

to 0 if  $\text{supp } \phi_i \subset K, \forall i \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Theorem: (a)  $\mathcal{T}$  is topology on  $\mathcal{A}(\Omega)$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  is a local base for  $\mathcal{T}$ . (12)

(b)  $\mathcal{T}$  makes  $\mathcal{A}(\Omega)$  into a locally convex top. v. space.

Proof: To prove (a), it is enough to prove that for  $V_1, V_2 \in \mathcal{T}$  and  $\phi \in V_1 \cap V_2$ ,  $\exists W \in \mathcal{B}$  such that  $\phi + W \subset V_1 \cap V_2$ .

By definition,  $\exists \phi_i + W_i \in \mathcal{T}$  such that  $\phi \in \phi_i + W_i \subset V_i$ ,  $i=1,2$ .

Choose  $K \subset \Omega$  s.t.  $\phi_1, \phi_2, \phi \in \mathcal{D}_K$ .

Since  $\mathcal{D}_K \cap W_i$  is open in  $\mathcal{D}_K$  and  $\phi - \phi_i \in \mathcal{D}_K \cap W_i$ ,

it follows that  $\phi - \phi_i \in (1 - \delta_i) W_i$  for  $\delta_i > 0$ .

(This is like, if  $x \in B_{\epsilon}(0) \subset W$ , then  $x \in (1 - \delta) B_{\epsilon}(0) \cup \delta W$ )

By the convexity of  $W_i$ , we get

$$\phi - \phi_i + \delta_i W_i \subset (1 - \delta_i) W_i + \delta_i W_i = W_i$$

So  $\phi + \delta_i W_i \subset \phi_i + W_i \subset V_i$ ;  $i=1,2$ .

Hence  $\phi + (\delta_1 W_1) \cap (\delta_2 W_2) \subset V_1 \cap V_2$ . This proves (a).

(b) Let  $\phi_1, \phi_2 \in \mathcal{A}(\Omega)$  be distinct and work  $W = \{ \phi \in \mathcal{A}(\Omega) : \|\phi\|_0 < \|\phi_1 - \phi_2\|_0 \}$ .

Then  $w \in \beta$ , and  $\phi_2 \notin \phi_1 + W$ . Since  $\phi_2$  is arbitrary, it implies that  $\{\phi_1\}$  is closed set relative to  $\mathcal{L}$ . (13)

Notice that for every pair of  $\psi_1, \psi_2 \in \mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ ,

$$(\psi_1 + \frac{1}{2}W) + (\psi_2 + \frac{1}{2}W) = (\psi_1 + \psi_2) + W,$$

hence addition is continuous in  $(\mathcal{D}(\Omega), \mathcal{L})$ .

Pick dot  $\phi_0$  and  $\phi_0 \in \mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ . Then  $\phi_0 + \frac{1}{2}W$  for some  $\delta > 0$ . Let  $|\alpha - \alpha_0| < \frac{\delta}{2}$  and  $t = \frac{\delta}{2(|\alpha| + |\alpha_0|)}$

Then for  $\phi \in \phi_0 + tW$ ,

$$\alpha\phi - \alpha_0\phi_0 = \alpha(\phi - \phi_0) + (\alpha - \alpha_0)\phi_0$$

$$\in |\alpha|tW + \frac{1}{2}W$$

$$\in \frac{1}{2}W + \frac{1}{2}W = W,$$

Since  $|\alpha|t < (|\alpha| + \frac{1}{\delta})t = \frac{1}{2}$ . Thus,

$$\alpha(\phi_0 + tW) \subset \alpha_0\phi_0 + |\alpha|tW \subset \alpha_0\phi_0 + W.$$

Hence scalar multiplication is continuous.

now onward by  $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$  we mean  $(\mathcal{D}(\Omega), \mathcal{L})$ .

Theorem:

(a) A convex balanced subset  $V \in \mathcal{D}(\Omega)$  is open iff  $V \in \beta$ .

(b) Topology  $\mathcal{L}_K$  of  $\mathcal{D}_K \subset \mathcal{D}(\Omega)$  coincides with the top. on  $\mathcal{D}_K$  that inherited from  $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ .  
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(c) If  $E$  is a bounded subset of  $D(\Omega)$ , then  
 $E \subset A_K$  for some compact  $K \subset \Omega$  and  
 $\exists \{M_N\}_{N \in \mathbb{N}} \subset \infty$  s.t.  
 $\|\varphi\|_N \leq M_N \quad \forall \varphi \in E, N = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  (14)

(d)  $D(\Omega)$  has the Heine-Borel property.

(e)  $\{\varphi_i\}$  is a Cauchy seq<sup>n</sup> in  $D(\Omega)$ , then  
 $\{\varphi_i\} \subset A_K$  for some  $K \subset \Omega$ ,  $K$  cpt.

(f)  $\varphi_i \rightarrow 0$  in  $D(\Omega)$ , then  $\exists$  a cpt set  $K \subset \Omega$   
s.t.  $\text{supp } \varphi_i \subset K, \forall i$  &  $\partial \varphi_i \rightarrow 0$  unif,  $\forall d$ .

(g) In  $D(\Omega)$ , every Cauchy seq<sup>n</sup> is convergent.

Proof: (a) Suppose  $V \in \mathcal{E}$ . Claim  $V \in \mathcal{B}$ . Consider  
 $\varphi \in A_K \cap V$ . By previous theorem,  $\exists$   
 $W \in \mathcal{B}$  s.t.  $\varphi + W \subset V$ .

$$\Rightarrow \varphi + (A_K \cap W) \subset A_K \cap V$$

Since  $A_K \cap W$  is open in  $A_K$ , implies

$A_K \cap V$  is open in  $A_K$ , for each  $V \in \mathcal{E}$ .  $\rightarrow (*)$

Conversely, if  $V \in \mathcal{B}$ , then  $V \in \mathcal{E}$ , since  
 $\mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{E}$ .

(b) Let  $V \in \mathcal{E}$ , then  $A_K \cap V \in \mathcal{E}_K$  (by  $(a)^{(*)}$ )  
that is,  $\mathcal{E} \cap A_K \in \mathcal{E}_K, \forall K \subset \Omega$

Conversely, suppose  $E \in \mathcal{E}_K$ , for some  $K \subset \Omega$ .

Claim.  $E = \bigcup_k D_k \cap V$ , for some  $V \in \mathcal{I}$ .

Let  $\phi \in E$ , then  $\exists N$  and  $\delta > 0$  s.t.

$$\{ \psi \in D_k : \|\psi - \phi\|_N < \delta \} \subset E$$

$$\& \{ \psi \in D_k : \|\psi\|_N < \delta \} \subset E - \phi.$$

Let  $W_\phi = \{ \psi \in D_k : \|\psi\|_N < \delta \}$ . Then

$$W_\phi \cap D_k \in \mathcal{I}_k \quad (\text{an open ball in } D_k)$$

$$\Rightarrow W_\phi \in \mathcal{B}, \text{ and}$$

$$D_k \cap (\phi + W_\phi) = \phi + W_\phi \cap D_k \subset \phi + E - \phi = E.$$

Let  $V = \bigcup_{\phi \in E} (\phi + W_\phi)$ . Then

$$E = \bigcup_{\phi \in E} ( (\phi + W_\phi) \cap D_k )$$

$\therefore$  Union of all balls around  $\phi \in E$ .

$$\therefore V \cap D_k.$$

(c) let  $E$  be a bounded set in  $\mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R})$ . Suppose

$E \not\subset D_k$ , for any  $k$ . Then  $\exists \phi_m \in E$  and

a seq<sup>n</sup>  $x_m \in \mathbb{R}$  having no limit pt such

that  $\phi_m(x_m) \neq 0$ ,  $m = 1, 2, \dots$

$$\text{let } W = \left\{ \phi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}) : |\phi(x_m)| < \frac{1}{m} \phi_m(x_m), \right. \\ \left. m = 1, 2, \dots \right\}$$

Since each  $k$  contains only finitely many  $x_m$ ,

$$W \cap D_k = \left\{ \phi \in D_k : |\phi(x_m)| < \frac{1}{m} \phi_m(x_m) \right\}$$

is open in  $D_k$ . For this, let  $\phi \in W \cap D_k$ .

Then  $|\varphi(\alpha_m)| \leq \frac{1}{m} |\varphi_m(\alpha_m)|$ ;  $m = 1, 2, \dots \in \mathbb{C}$

$p(\varphi) = \sup_{1 \leq m \leq \infty} |\varphi(\alpha_m)| \leq C_L$ , where  $C_L = \max_{1 \leq m \leq \infty} \frac{1}{m} |\varphi_m(\alpha_m)|$ .

Since  $p$  is cont, it follows that  $WNAK$  is  $\textcircled{16}$   
open in  $D_K$ . Thus,  $W \in B$ . Since  
 $\varphi_m \notin mW$  for any  $m$ , it follows that  $E$   
is not bounded.

Thus every bounded set  $E \subset D(\Omega)$  must  
lie in some  $D_K$ . By (b),  $E$  is bounded  
in  $D_K$ . This implies,

$$\sup \{ \|\varphi\|_N : \varphi \in E \} \leq M_N < \infty, N = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

(d) It follows from (c), since  $D_K$  has the HBP.  
If  $E$  is a closed and bounded set in  $D(\Omega)$ ,  
then  $E$  is closed and bounded in  $D_K$ , hence  
compact. Thus,  $E$  is compact in  $D(\Omega)$ .

(e) If  $\{\varphi_i\}$  is a b.c. in  $D(\Omega)$ , then it is  
bounded and hence  $\varphi_i \in D_K$ , for some  $K$ .  
By (b)  $\{\varphi_i\}$  is b.c. relative to  $D_K$ .

(f) It is just restatement of (c).

Finally (g) follows from (b), (c) and completeness  
of  $D_K$  ( $\because D_K$  is a Frechet space).



Theorem: Let  $\Lambda$  be a linear map from  $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$  to a locally convex space  $Y$ . Then F.A.E. (17)

- (i)  $\Lambda$  is continuous. (ii)  $\Lambda$  is bounded.  
(iii) if  $\varphi_i \rightarrow 0$  in  $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ , then  $\Lambda\varphi_i \rightarrow 0$  in  $Y$ .  
(iv) if  $K \subset \Omega$ , the restriction  $\Lambda: \mathcal{D}_K \rightarrow Y$  is continuous.

Proof: (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) is known.

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii): Suppose  $\Lambda$  is bounded and  $\varphi_i \rightarrow 0$  in  $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ . Then  $\varphi_i \rightarrow 0$  in some  $\mathcal{D}_K$ , and hence  $\Lambda\mathcal{D}_K$  is bounded. Hence,  $\Lambda: \mathcal{D}_K \rightarrow Y$  is continuous, that  $\Lambda\varphi_i \rightarrow 0$  in  $Y$ .

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iv): Suppose  $\{\varphi_i\} \subset \mathcal{D}_K$  and  $\varphi_i \rightarrow 0$  in  $\mathcal{D}_K$ . Then by (b) of the previous theorem,  $\varphi_i \rightarrow 0$  in  $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ . By (iii)  $\Lambda\varphi_i \rightarrow 0$  in  $Y$ .

(iv)  $\Rightarrow$  (i): Let  $V$  be a convex balanced nhd of  $0 \in Y$ , and write  $V = \Lambda^{-1}(V)$ . Then  $V$  is a convex and balanced set in  $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ .

By (c) of the previous theorem,  $V \in \mathcal{I}$

if  $\Lambda \cap V \in \mathcal{E}_K$  for each  $K \subset \Omega$ .

By (iv)  $\mathcal{D}_K \cap V \in \mathcal{E}_K$ , hence  $V \in \mathcal{I}$ . Hence

$\Lambda$  is continuous.

Def<sup>n</sup>: A linear functional  $\lambda$  on  $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$  which is continuous in the top.  $\tau$  of  $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$  is called distribution. (18)

The space of all distributions is denoted by  $\mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$ .

Theorem: Let  $\lambda$  be a linear functional on  $(\mathcal{D}(\Omega), \tau)$ . Then F.A.E.

(i)  $\lambda \in \mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$

(ii) for each compact set  $K \subset \Omega$ ,  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $C > 0$  s.t.

(\*)  $|\lambda \phi| \leq C \|\phi\|_N, \forall \phi \in \mathcal{D}_K$ .

This result is nothing but equivalence of (i) and (iv) in the previous theorem.

Note that if  $N$  in the (\*) is independent of choice of  $K$ , then the minimum of such  $N$ 's is called order of distribution  $\lambda$ . If no such  $N$  exists, then we say  $\lambda$  has  $\infty$  order.

Remark: Since each  $\mathcal{D}_K$  is closed, it is obvious that  $\mathcal{D}_K$  has no interior in  $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ . Since  $\Omega$  a countable union of cpts sets in  $\Omega$

s.t.  $\Omega = \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} K_i, K_i \subset K_{i+1}$ , we get

$$\mathcal{D}(\Omega) = \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{D}_{K_i}$$

Since l.c. in  $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$  does converge in  $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ , by Baire Category theorem,  $(\mathcal{D}(\Omega), \tau)$  cannot be metrizable.