

ON THE SOLVABILITY OF CONVOLUTION EQUATIONS IN \mathcal{K}'_M

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Abstract. Let \mathcal{K}'_M be the space of distributions on R^n which grow no faster than $e^{M(kx)}$ for some $k > 0$ where M is an increasing continuous function on R^n , and let $\mathcal{O}'_C(\mathcal{K}'_M; \mathcal{K}'_M)$ be the space of convolution operators in \mathcal{K}'_M . We show that, for $S \in \mathcal{O}'_C(\mathcal{K}'_M; \mathcal{K}'_M)$, $S * \mathcal{K}'_M = \mathcal{K}'_M$ is equivalent to the following: Every distribution $u \in \mathcal{O}'_C(\mathcal{K}'_M; \mathcal{K}'_M)$ with $S * u \in \mathcal{K}'_M$ is in \mathcal{K}'_M .

1. Introduction.

Let \mathcal{K}'_M be the space of distributions on R^n which grow no faster than $e^{M(kx)}$ for some $k > 0$, where M is an increasing continuous functions on R^n ; \mathcal{K}'_M is the dual space of \mathcal{K}_M , which we describe later. We denote by $\mathcal{O}'_C(\mathcal{K}'_M; \mathcal{K}'_M)$ the space of convolution operators in \mathcal{K}'_M .

In [1], S. Abdullah proved that, if S is a distributions in $\mathcal{O}'_C(\mathcal{K}'_M; \mathcal{K}'_M)$ and \hat{S} is its Fourier transform, the following conditions are equivalent:

- (a) There exist positive constants A, C and a positive integer N such that

$$\sup_{\substack{z \in \mathbb{C}^n \\ |z| \leq A\Omega^{-1}(\log(2+|\xi|))}} |\hat{S}(z+\xi)| \geq \frac{C}{(1+|\xi|)^N}, \quad \xi \in R^n$$

where Ω^{-1} is the inverse of Ω , which is the dual to M in the sense of Young.

- (b) $S * \mathcal{K}'_M = \mathcal{K}'_M$.

In this paper we prove that, for $S \in \mathcal{O}'_C(\mathcal{K}'_M; \mathcal{K}'_M)$, the statements (a) and (b) are equivalent to the following: Every distribution $u \in \mathcal{O}'_C(\mathcal{K}'_M; \mathcal{K}'_M)$ satisfying $S * u \in \mathcal{K}'_M$ is in \mathcal{K}'_M .

The motivation for this problem comes from the paper [5]. Here S. Sznajder and Z. Zielezny proved that, if S is a distribution in $\mathcal{O}'_C(\mathcal{K}'_1; \mathcal{K}'_1)$ and \hat{S} is its Fourier transform, the following statements are equivalent:

(i) There exist positive constants N, r, C such that

$$\sup_{z \in \mathcal{O}_C^n, |z| \leq r} |\hat{S}(\xi+z)| \geq \frac{C}{(1+|\xi|)^N}, \quad \xi \in R^n,$$

(ii) $S^* \mathcal{K}'_1 = \mathcal{K}'_1$

(iii) If $u \in \mathcal{O}'_C(\mathcal{K}'_1; \mathcal{K}'_1)$ and $S^*u \in \mathcal{K}_1$, then $u \in \mathcal{K}_1$.

In view of this result it is natural to think the property (iii) in the space \mathcal{K}'_M of distributions on R^n which grow no faster than $\exp(M(kx))$ for some $k > 0$. Before presenting our theorems we recall briefly the basic facts about the spaces $\mathcal{K}'_M, \mathcal{O}'_C(\mathcal{K}'_M; \mathcal{K}'_M)$ and \mathcal{K}'_M , for further details, we refer to [3].

The space \mathcal{K}'_M . Let $\mu(\xi) (0 \leq \xi \leq \infty)$ denote a continuous increasing function such that $\mu(0) = 0, \mu(\infty) = \infty$. For $x \geq 0$, we define

$$M(x) = \int_0^x \mu(\xi) d\xi.$$

The functions $M(x)$ is an increasing, convex and continuous function with $M(0) = 0, M(\infty) = \infty$. For $x < 0$, we define $M(x)$ to be $M(-x)$ and for $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in R^n, n \geq 2$, we define $M(x)$ to be $M(x_1) + \dots + M(x_n)$.

Now we list some properties of $M(x)$ which will be used later;

(i) $M(x) + M(y) \leq M(x+y)$ for all $x, y \geq 0$

(ii) $M(x+y) \leq M(2x) + M(2y)$ for all $x, y \geq 0$.

Let \mathcal{K}_M be the space of all C^∞ -functions ϕ in R^n such that

$$\nu_k(\phi) = \sup_{\substack{x \in R^n \\ |x| \leq k}} |D^\alpha \phi(x)| < \infty, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots,$$

where $D^\alpha = D_1^{\alpha_1} \dots D_n^{\alpha_n}$ and $D_j = i^{-1}(\partial/\partial x_j)$. Provided with the topology defined by the seminorms ν_k, \mathcal{K}_M is a Frechet space. The dual \mathcal{K}'_M of \mathcal{K}_M is the space of all continuous linear functionals on \mathcal{K}_M . Then a distribution u is in \mathcal{K}'_M if and only if there exist $m \in N^n, k \in N$ and a bounded continuous function $f(x)$ on R^n such that

$$u = D^m(e^{M(kx)} f(x)).$$

\mathcal{K}'_M is endowed with the topology of uniform convergence on all bounded sets in \mathcal{K}_M .

The space $\mathcal{O}'_C(\mathcal{K}'_M; \mathcal{K}'_M)$. If $u \in \mathcal{K}'_M$ and $\phi \in \mathcal{K}_M$, then the convolution $u * \phi$ is a C^∞ -function defined by

$$u * \phi(x) = \langle u, \phi(x-y) \rangle.$$

where $\langle u, \phi \rangle = u(\phi)$.

The space $\mathcal{O}'_C(\mathcal{K}'_M; \mathcal{K}'_M)$ of convolution operators in \mathcal{K}'_M consists of distributions $S \in \mathcal{K}'_M$ such that $S * u \in \mathcal{K}'_M$ for every $u \in \mathcal{K}'_M$, where $\langle S * u, \phi \rangle = \langle u, \check{S} * \phi \rangle$ for every $\phi \in \mathcal{K}_M$. Then the space is the set of distributions S which satisfy the following equivalent conditions [3]:

(i) The distributions $S_k = \gamma_k S$, $k=1, 2, \dots$ are in tempered distribution space, where $\gamma_k = e^{M(kx)}$.

(ii) For every integer $k \geq 0$, there exists an integer $m \geq 0$ such that

$$S = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq m} D^\alpha f_\alpha$$

where f_α are continuous functions in R^n whose products with $e^{M(kx)}$ are bounded.

(iii) For every $\phi \in \mathcal{K}_M$, the convolution $S * \phi$ is in \mathcal{K}_M .

The space K'_M . For $\phi \in \mathcal{K}_M$, the Fourier transform

$$\hat{\phi}(\xi) = \int_{R^n} e^{-i\langle x, \xi \rangle} \phi(x) dx$$

can be continued in C^n as an entire function of $\zeta = \xi + i\eta$ such that

$$(1) \quad \omega_k(\hat{\phi}) = \sup_{\zeta \in C^n} (1 + |\xi|)^k e^{-\Omega(\eta/k)} |\hat{\phi}(\zeta)| < \infty, \quad k=1, 2, \dots$$

where $\Omega(y)$ is the dual of $M(x)$ in the sense of Young. If K_M is the space of all entire functions with the property (1) and the topology in K_M is defined by the seminorms ω_k , then the Fourier transform is an isomorphism of \mathcal{K}_M onto K_M . The dual K'_M of K_M is the space of the Fourier transforms of distributions in \mathcal{K}'_M . The Fourier transform \hat{u} of a distribution $u \in \mathcal{K}'_M$ is defined by the Parseval formula

$$\langle \hat{u}, \hat{\phi} \rangle = (2\pi)^n \langle u_x, \phi(-x) \rangle.$$

Also if $S \in \mathcal{O}'_C(\mathcal{K}'_M; \mathcal{K}'_M)$ and $u \in \mathcal{K}'_M$, we have the formula

$$\widehat{S * u} = \hat{S} \cdot \hat{u},$$

where the product on the right—hand side is defined by

$$\langle \hat{S} \hat{u}, \phi \rangle = \langle \hat{u}, \hat{S} \phi \rangle, \quad \phi \in K_M.$$

The following lemma will be used in the next section. It's proof can be found in [3].

LEMMA (Paley-Wiener type theorem). *Let $\zeta = \xi + i\eta \in C^n$. An entire function $F(\zeta)$ is the Fourier transform of a distribution S in $\mathcal{O}'_C(\mathcal{K}'_M; \mathcal{K}'_M)$ if and only if for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exist constants N and C such that*

$$|F(\xi+i\eta)| \leq C(1+|\xi|)^N e^{\rho(\varepsilon\eta)}.$$

2. Main Theorem

THEOREM. *If S is a distribution in $\mathcal{O}'_C(\mathcal{K}'_M; \mathcal{K}'_M)$ and \hat{S} be its Fourier transform, then the following conditions are equivalent:*

(a) *There exist positive constants A, C and a positive integer N such that*

$$\sup_{\substack{z \in \mathbb{C}^n \\ |z| \leq A\Omega^{-1}(\log(2+|\xi|))}} |\hat{S}(z+\xi)| \geq \frac{C}{(1+|\xi|)^N}, \quad \xi \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

(b) $S * \mathcal{K}'_M = \mathcal{K}'_M$

(c) *If $u \in \mathcal{O}'_C(\mathcal{K}'_M; \mathcal{K}'_M)$ and $S * u \in \mathcal{K}_M$, then $u \in \mathcal{K}_M$.*

PROOF. It suffices to show that (b) \Rightarrow (c) \Rightarrow (a).

(b) \Rightarrow (c). The proof goes along exactly the same lines as proof of Theorem 1 in [5]. For the completeness we give the proof. If S is a distribution in $\mathcal{O}'_C(\mathcal{K}'_M; \mathcal{K}'_M)$, then so is $T = \check{S}$ and, by (1), the mapping $S^* : u \rightarrow S * u$ of \mathcal{K}'_M into \mathcal{K}'_M is the transpose of the mapping $T^* : \phi \rightarrow T * \phi$ of \mathcal{K}_M into \mathcal{K}_M . Condition (b) is satisfied if and only if T^* an isomorphism of \mathcal{K}_M onto $T * \mathcal{K}_M$ (see e. g., [2, Corollary on p. 92]). In particular the inverse $T * \phi \rightarrow \phi$ must be continuous.

Suppose now that $S * u = \phi$ where $u \in \mathcal{O}'_C(\mathcal{K}'_M; \mathcal{K}'_M)$ and $\phi \in \mathcal{K}_M$. Since $\langle S * u, \varphi \rangle = \langle T * \check{u}, \check{\varphi} \rangle$ for $\varphi \in \mathcal{K}_M$, then

$$(2) \quad T * \check{u} = (-1)^n \check{\phi}$$

and for the proof it suffices to show that $\check{u} \in \mathcal{K}_M$. If ψ is a C^∞ -function with $\text{supp } \psi \subset B(0, 1) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |x| \leq 1\}$ and $\hat{\psi}(0) = 1$, we define $\phi_k(x) = k^n \psi(kx)$, $k = 1, 2, \dots$. From (2) it follows that

$$T * (\check{u} * \phi_k) = (-1)^n \check{\phi} * \phi_k,$$

and the convolutions $\check{u} * \phi_k$ and $(-1)^n \check{\phi} * \phi_k$ are in \mathcal{K}_M . Moreover, the sequence $\{\phi_k\}$ converges in $\mathcal{O}'_C(\mathcal{K}'_M; \mathcal{K}'_M)$ to δ , the Dirac measure at the origin. Hence $(-1)^n \check{\phi} * \phi \rightarrow (-1)^n \check{\phi}$ in \mathcal{K}_M and $\check{u} * \phi_k \rightarrow \check{u}$ in $\mathcal{O}'_C(\mathcal{K}'_M; \mathcal{K}'_M)$. On the other hand, the sequence $\{\check{u} * \phi_k\}$ converges in \mathcal{K}_M , by the assumption that the inverse of T^* is continuous. The limit must be again \check{u} , and so \check{u} is a function in \mathcal{K}_M .

(c) \Rightarrow (a). Let \mathcal{F} be the space all functions $u \in C(\mathbb{R}^n)$ such that

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} e^{M(kx)} |u(x)| < \infty, \quad \text{for all } k$$

and $S * u \in \mathcal{K}_M$. We provide \mathcal{F} with the topology defined by the seminorms

$$\|u\|_k = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} e^{M(kx)} |u(x)| + \nu_k(S*u), \quad k=0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Then \mathcal{F} becomes a Frechet space. Further, let \mathcal{G} be the space of all functions $u \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ such that

$$\|u\| = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \sup_{|\alpha| \leq 1} |D^\alpha u(x)| < \infty$$

with the norm $\|\cdot\|$, \mathcal{G} is a Banach space.

By the fact $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{O}'_C(\mathcal{K}'_M; \mathcal{K}'_M)$ and the assumption (c), each function $u \in \mathcal{F}$ is in \mathcal{G} . Also, the natural mapping $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$ is closed and therefore continuous. Consequently there exist an integer $\mu > 0$ and a constant C such that

$$\|u\| \leq C \|u\|_\mu = C \left\{ \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} e^{M(\mu x)} |u(x)| + \nu_\mu(S*u) \right\}$$

for all $u \in \mathcal{F}$. Since the Fourier transformation is an isomorphism from \mathcal{K}_M onto K_M , there exist another integer $\nu > 0$ and a constant C_0 such that

$$(3) \quad \|u\| - C \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} e^{M(\mu x)} |u(x)| \leq C_0 \omega_\nu(\hat{S} \cdot \hat{u}), \quad \text{for all } u \in \mathcal{K}_M.$$

Suppose now that the condition (a) is not satisfied. Then there exists a sequence $\{\xi_j\}$ such that $|\xi_j| \rightarrow +\infty$ as $j \rightarrow \infty$ and

$$(4) \quad \sup_{\substack{z \in \mathbb{C}^n \\ |z - \xi_j| \leq j \Omega^{-1}(\log(2 + |\xi_j|))}} |\hat{S}(z)| < \frac{1}{(1 + |\xi_j|)^j},$$

For each j , we define k_j to be the greatest integer equal or less than $\alpha_j = \Omega^{-1}(\log(2 + |\xi_j|))$. Let $\phi \geq 0$ in C_c^∞ , $\text{supp } \phi \subset B(0, 1)$ and $\hat{\phi}(0) = 1$. We also define

$$\phi_j^1(x) = e^{i \langle \xi_j, x \rangle} (\phi_j * \dots * \phi_j)(x),$$

and

$$\phi_j^2(x) = (\phi * (\phi_j * \dots * \phi_j))(x)$$

where $\phi_j(x) = \alpha_j^n \phi(\alpha_j x)$ and the convolution product in the parenthesis is being taken k_j -times. Now we define

$$\psi_j(x) = (\phi * \phi_j^1)(x)$$

Since $\text{supp } \phi_j \subset B(0, 2)$, clearly $\psi_j \in \mathcal{F}$.

Substituting ψ_j 's into the inequality (3), we will show that the left side of (3) goes to ∞ and the right to 0, as $j \rightarrow \infty$, which gives the desired contradiction.

To show this, we first estimate

$$\begin{aligned}
 (5) \quad \|\phi_j\| &= \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, |\alpha| \leq 1} |D^\alpha \phi_j(x)| \\
 &\geq \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, |\alpha|=1} |\phi_* \{e^{i\langle x, \xi_j \rangle} D^\alpha(\phi_j * \dots * \phi_j) \\
 &\quad + D^\alpha(i\langle x, \xi_j \rangle) e^{i\langle x, \xi_j \rangle} (\phi_j * \dots * \phi_j)\}(x)| \\
 &\geq \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, |\alpha|=1} |D^\alpha(\langle x, \xi_j \rangle)(\phi_* \{ \phi_j * \dots * \phi_j \})(x)| \\
 &\geq \frac{|\xi_j|}{n} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} |\phi_j^2(x)|
 \end{aligned}$$

and since $\text{supp } \phi_j, \text{supp } \phi_j^2 \subset B(0, 2)$,

$$(6) \quad \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} e^{M(\mu x)} |\phi_j(x)| = \sup_{|x| \leq 2} e^{M(\mu x)} |\phi_j^2(x)| \leq C' \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} |\phi_j^2(x)|,$$

where $C' = e^{nM(2\mu)}$.

Viewing

$$1 = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \phi_j^2(x) dx \leq C'' \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} |\phi_j^2(x)|,$$

where C'' is the volume of $B(0, 2)$, we have

$$(7) \quad \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} |\phi_j^2(x)| \geq \frac{1}{C''}.$$

Substituting (5), (6) and (7) into (3), the left hand side of (3) behaves, as $j \rightarrow \infty$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \{ \|\phi_j\| - C \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} e^{M(\mu x)} |\phi_j(x)| \} \\
 &\geq \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \frac{|\xi_j|}{n} - CC' \right\} \frac{1}{C''} = \infty
 \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned}
 (8) \quad \omega_\nu(\hat{S} \cdot \hat{\phi}_j) &= \sup_{\zeta \in \hat{\sigma}^n} (1 + |\zeta|)^\nu e^{-\Omega(\eta/\nu)} |\hat{S}(\zeta)| |\hat{\phi}_j(\zeta)| \\
 &\leq \sup_{|\zeta - \xi_j| \leq j\alpha_j} (1 + |\zeta|)^\nu e^{-\Omega(\eta/\nu)} |\hat{S}(\zeta)| |\hat{\phi}_j(\zeta)| \\
 &\quad + \sup_{|\zeta - \xi_j| > j\alpha_j} (1 + |\zeta|)^\nu e^{-\Omega(\eta/\nu)} |\hat{S}(\zeta)| |\hat{\phi}_j(\zeta)|,
 \end{aligned}$$

where $\zeta = \xi + i\eta$.

It now suffices to prove that both terms in the right side of (8) go to 0, as $j \rightarrow \infty$. We first observe that, by the Paley-Wiener theorem for ϕ as element of C_c^∞ with $\text{supp } \phi \subset B(0, 1)$, there exist a $C_m \geq 0, m=0, 1, 2, \dots$, such that

$$(9) \quad |\hat{\phi}(\zeta)| \leq C_m (1 + |\zeta|)^{-m} e^{|\eta|}.$$

Also, we observe that

$$\hat{\phi}_j^1(\zeta) = [\hat{\phi}_j(\zeta - \xi_j)]^{k_j} = \left[\hat{\phi} \left(\frac{\zeta - \xi_j}{\alpha_j} \right) \right]^{k_j}$$

and, by (9),

$$(10) \quad |\hat{\phi}_j^1(\zeta)| \leq \left[C_1 \left(1 + \left| \frac{\zeta - \xi_j}{\alpha_j} \right| \right)^{-1} e^{|\eta|/\alpha_j} \right]^{k_j}.$$

Also we observe that Ω grows faster than any linear function of $|\eta|$ as $|\eta|$ goes large and $\hat{\phi}_j(\zeta) = \hat{\phi}(\zeta) \cdot \hat{\phi}_j^1(\zeta)$.

From these observations, the first term of the last estimate in (8) is bounded by

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{|\zeta - \xi_j| \leq j\alpha_j} (1 + |\zeta|)^\nu e^{\Omega(\eta/\nu)} |\hat{S}(\zeta)| (C_1(1 + |\zeta|)^{-1} e^{|\eta|}) \\ & \quad \times \left(C_1 \left(1 + \left| \frac{\zeta - \xi_j}{\alpha_j} \right| \right)^{-1} e^{|\eta|/\alpha_j} \right)^{k_j} \\ & \leq C_2 \sup_{|\zeta - \xi_j| \leq j\alpha_j} (1 + |\zeta - \xi_j|)^{\nu-1} (1 + |\xi_j|)^{\nu-1} C_1^{k_j} \\ & \quad \times \left(1 + \left| \frac{\zeta - \xi_j}{\alpha_j} \right| \right)^{-k_j} |\hat{S}(\zeta)| \\ & \leq C'_2 \sup_{|\zeta - \xi_j| \leq j\alpha_j} (1 + |\xi_j|)^{2\nu-2+d} \left(1 + \left| \frac{\zeta - \xi_j}{\alpha_j} \right| \right)^{\nu-1-k_j} |\hat{S}(\zeta)| \\ & \leq C'_2 (1 + |\xi_j|)^{2\nu-2+d-j}, \end{aligned}$$

where we used that $e^{-\Omega(\eta/\nu) + |\eta| + (k_j/\alpha_j)|\eta|}$ is bounded in R^n and $d = \log C_1$.

Therefore the first term of the last part in (8) approaches to 0 as $j \rightarrow \infty$.

From the lemma for S as element of $\mathcal{O}'_b(\mathcal{K}'_M; \mathcal{K}'_M)$ and (9), (10), the second term of the last estimate in (8) is bounded by

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{|\zeta - \xi_j| > j\alpha_j} C_{S, 2\nu+N} (1 + |\zeta|)^\nu e^{-\Omega(\eta/\nu)} (1 + |\zeta|)^N e^{\Omega(\eta/2\nu)} \\ & \quad \times (1 + |\zeta|)^{-(2\nu+N)} e^{|\eta|} \left(C_1 \left(1 + \frac{|\zeta - \xi_j|}{\alpha_j} \right)^{-1} e^{|\eta|/\alpha_j} \right)^{k_j} \\ & \leq \sup_{|\zeta - \xi_j| > j\alpha_j} C'_{S, 2\nu+N} (1 + |\zeta|)^{\nu+N-(2\nu+N)} C_1^{k_j} \left(1 + \frac{|\zeta - \xi_j|}{\alpha_j} \right)^{-k_j} \\ & \leq \sup_{|\zeta - \xi_j| > j\alpha_j} C'_{S, 2\nu+N} C_1^{k_j} \left(1 + \frac{|\zeta - \xi_j|}{\alpha_j} \right)^{-k_j} \\ & \leq C'_{S, 2\nu+N} \left(\frac{1+j}{C_1} \right)^{-k_j}, \end{aligned}$$

where we used that $e^{-\Omega(\eta/\nu) + \Omega(\eta/2\nu) + |\eta| + (k_j/\alpha_j)|\eta|}$ is bounded in R^n . Here $C_{S, 2\nu+N}$ and $C'_{S, 2\nu+N}$ are constants which depend on S , ϕ , ν and N only.

Hence the second term of the last part in (8) approaches to 0 as $j \rightarrow \infty$.

Combining both estimates we have

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \omega_\nu(\hat{S} \cdot \phi_j) = 0,$$

which gives the desired contradiction.

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