

**GENERALIZED FOURIER EXPANSIONS FOR ZERO-SOLUTIONS
OF SURJECTIVE CONVOLUTION OPERATORS ON $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R})$ AND $\mathcal{D}'_{\omega}(\mathbb{R})$**

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It is well-known that each distribution μ with compact support can be convolved with an arbitrary distribution and that this defines a convolution operator S_{μ} acting on $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R})$. The surjectivity of S_{μ} was characterized by Ehrenpreis [5]. Extending this result, we characterize in the present article the surjectivity of convolution operators on the space $\mathcal{D}'_{\omega}(\mathbb{R})$ of all ω -ultradistributions of Beurling type on \mathbb{R} . This is done in two steps. In the first one we show that $\ker S_{\mu}$ has an absolute basis whenever S_{μ} admits a fundamental solution $\nu \in \mathcal{D}'_{\omega}(\mathbb{R})$. The expansion of an element in $\ker S_{\mu}$ with respect to this basis can be regarded as a generalization of the Fourier expansion of periodic ultradistributions. In the second step we use this sequence space representation together with results of Palamodov [15] and Vogt [17], [18] on the projective limit functor to obtain the desired characterization. It turns out that S_{μ} is surjective if and only if S_{μ} admits a fundamental solution. Hence the elements of $\ker S_{\mu}$ admit a generalized Fourier expansion for each surjective convolution operator S_{μ} on $\mathcal{D}'_{\omega}(\mathbb{R})$. Note that this differs from the behavior of convolution operators on the space $\mathcal{E}_{\{\omega\}}(\mathbb{R})$ of ω -ultradifferentiable functions of Roumieu-type, as Braun, Meise and Vogt [4] have shown. Note also that the results of the present article apply to convolution operators on $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R})$, too.

1. PRELIMINARIES

In this preliminary section we introduce most of the notation which will be used in the sequel.

Definition 1.1. *A continuous increasing function $\omega : [0, \infty[\rightarrow [0, \infty[$ is called a weight function if it satisfies*

- (α) *there exists $K \in \mathbf{N}$ with $\omega(2t) \leq K(1 + \omega(t))$ for all $t \geq 0$*
- (β) $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\omega(t)}{1+t^2} dt < \infty$
- (γ) $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log t}{\omega(t)} = 0$
- (δ) $\varphi : t \mapsto \omega(e^t)$ *is convex.*

The Young conjugate $\varphi^ : [0, \infty[\rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ of φ is defined by*

$$\varphi^*(y) := \sup\{xy - \varphi(x) \mid x \geq 0\}.$$

By abuse of notation we shall write subsequently $\omega(z)$ instead of $\omega(|z|)$ for $z \in \mathbb{C}$.

Definition 1.2. Let ω be a weight function, and let Ω be an open subset of \mathbb{R} . Then we define

$$\mathcal{E}_\omega(\Omega) := \left\{ f \in C^\infty(\Omega) \mid \text{for each compact subset } K \text{ of } \Omega \text{ and each } m \in \mathbb{N} : \right.$$

$$\left. p_{K,m}(f) := \sup_{x \in K} \sup_{j \in \mathbb{N}_0} |f^{(j)}(x)| \exp\left(-m\varphi^*\left(\frac{j}{m}\right)\right) < \infty \right\}$$

and we endow $\mathcal{E}_\omega(\mathbb{R})$ with the Fréchet space topology which is induced by the semi-norms $p_{K,m}$, $K \subset\subset \Omega$, $m \in \mathbb{N}$. The elements of $\mathcal{E}_\omega(\mathbb{R})$ are called ω -ultradifferentiable functions of Beurling type.

For $k \in \mathbb{N}$ we set

$$\mathcal{D}_\omega[-k, k] := \{f \in \mathcal{E}_\omega(\mathbb{R}) \mid \text{Supp}(f) \subset [-k, k]\},$$

endowed with the induced topology. Finally, we define

$$\mathcal{D}_\omega(\mathbb{R}) := \text{ind}_{k \rightarrow} \mathcal{D}_\omega[-k, k].$$

The elements of $\mathcal{D}_\omega(\mathbb{R})'$ are called ω -ultradistribution of Beurling type. $\mathcal{D}_\omega(\mathbb{R})'$ will be endowed with the strong topology.

Remark 1.3. (a) For further details concerning the spaces $\mathcal{D}_\omega(\mathbb{R})$ and $\mathcal{E}_\omega(\mathbb{R})$ we refer to Braun, Meise and Taylor [3]. In particular it is shown there that $\mathcal{D}_\omega(\mathbb{R})$ is an infinite dimensional, complete, nuclear (LF) -space for each weight function ω .

(b) By [3], 3.4, the spaces $\mathcal{E}_\omega(\mathbb{R})$ and $\mathcal{D}_\omega(\mathbb{R})$ do not change if we replace ω by $\sigma : t \mapsto \max(\omega(t) - \omega(1), 0)$. Therefore we can and shall assume in the sequel that φ^* is non-negative.

(c) The function $\omega : t \mapsto \log(1 + t)$ is not a weight function since 1.1 (γ) is not satisfied. Nevertheless it can be subsumed under the present theory, provided that one uses the right interpretation.

Example 1.4. The following functions $\omega : [0, \infty[\rightarrow [0, \infty[$ are examples of weight functions

- (1) $\omega(t) := t^\alpha, 0 < \alpha < 1$
- (2) $\omega(t) := (\log(1 + t))^\beta, \beta > 1$
- (3) $\omega(t) := t(\log(e + t))^{-\beta}, \beta > 1$.

Note that for $\omega(t) = t^\alpha, 0 < \alpha < 1$, the space $\mathcal{E}_\omega(\mathbb{R})$ is the Gevrey class $\mathcal{E}^{(d)}(\mathbb{R})$ for $d := \frac{1}{\alpha}$.

The Fourier-Laplace transform on $\mathcal{D}_\omega(\mathbb{R})$ 1.5. Let $A(\mathbb{C})$ denote the algebra of all entire functions on \mathbb{C} . For a weight function ω and $k, m \in \mathbb{N}$ we define the Banach space

$$A(\omega, k, m) = \left\{ f \in A(\mathbb{C}) \mid \|f\|_{k,m} := \sup_{z \in \mathbb{C}} |f(z)| \exp(-k|\operatorname{Im} z| + m\omega(z)) < \infty \right\}$$

and the (LF) -space

$$\begin{aligned} A_\omega &:= \{f \in A(\mathbb{C}) \mid \text{there exists } k \in \mathbb{N} \text{ so that for all } m \in \mathbb{N} : \|f\|_{k,m} < \infty\} \\ &= \operatorname{ind}_{k \rightarrow \leftarrow m} \operatorname{proj} A(\omega, k, m). \end{aligned}$$

By [3], 3.5(1), the Fourier-Laplace transform

$$\mathcal{F} : \mathcal{D}_\omega(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow A_\omega,$$

$$\mathcal{F}(f)[z] := \widehat{f}(z) := \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(t) e^{-itz} dt$$

is a linear topological isomorphism.

Convolution operators on $\mathcal{D}_\omega(\mathbb{R})'$ 1.6. Let ω be a weight function. For $\mu \in \mathcal{E}_\omega(\mathbb{R})'$ and $f \in \mathcal{E}_\omega(\mathbb{R})$ we define the convolution $\mu * f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ by

$$\mu * f(x) := \langle \mu_y, f(x - y) \rangle.$$

By [3], 6.3, $\mu * f$ is in $\mathcal{E}_\omega(\mathbb{R})$. Moreover, by the same reference

$$S_\mu : \mathcal{D}_\omega(\mathbb{R})' \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_\omega(\mathbb{R})',$$

defined by

$$S_\mu(\nu) := \mu * \nu : \psi \mapsto \langle \nu, \check{\mu} * \psi \rangle, \quad \psi \in \mathcal{D}_\omega(\mathbb{R}),$$

where $\langle \check{\mu}, f \rangle = \langle \mu_x, f(-x) \rangle$, is a continuous linear map. S_μ is called the convolution operator on $\mathcal{D}_\omega(\mathbb{R})'$ which is induced by $\mu \in \mathcal{E}_\omega(\mathbb{R})'$. Note that by [3], 6.2, we have $S_\mu(f) = \mu * f$ for all $f \in \mathcal{E}_\omega(\mathbb{R})$.

Since $\mathcal{D}_\omega(\mathbb{R})$ is reflexive by [3], 5.6, the adjoint S_μ^t of S_μ can be regarded as a continuous linear operator on $\mathcal{D}_\omega(\mathbb{R})$. It is easy to check that on A_ω , defined in 1.5, we have

$$(1) \quad \mathcal{F} \circ S_\mu^t \circ \mathcal{F}^{-1} = M_{\check{\mu}},$$

where $M_{\tilde{\mu}} : A_{\omega} \rightarrow A_{\omega}$ denotes the operator of multiplication by the function $\tilde{\mu}$ which is defined by

$$\tilde{\mu}(z) := \langle \mu_x, e^{ixz} \rangle, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}.$$

By $\hat{\mu}$ we denote the function $\hat{\mu} : z \mapsto \tilde{\mu}(-z)$. Then $\tilde{\mu}$ and $\hat{\mu}$ are entire functions on \mathbb{C} and there exist $m \in \mathbb{N}$ and $C > 0$ so that

$$(2) \quad |\tilde{\mu}(z)| \leq C \exp(m|Im z| + m\omega(z)) \quad \text{for all } z \in \mathbb{C}.$$

Next note that by [3], 5.6, $\mathcal{D}_{\omega}(\mathbb{R})'$ is a complete nuclear space. Hence $ker S_{\mu}$ has these properties, too. By Schwartz [16], p. 43, this implies that $(ker S_{\mu})'$, the strong dual of $ker S_{\mu}$, is ultrabornological. By the reflexivity of $\mathcal{D}_{\omega}(\mathbb{R})$ we can identify $(\mathcal{D}_{\omega}(\mathbb{R})')'$ with $\mathcal{D}_{\omega}(\mathbb{R})$. Then the restriction map

$$\rho : \mathcal{D}_{\omega}(\mathbb{R}) = (\mathcal{D}_{\omega}(\mathbb{R})')' \rightarrow (ker S_{\mu})'$$

is continuous and surjective by the theorem of Hahn-Banach. Hence the open mapping theorem implies

$$(3) \quad (ker S_{\mu})' \cong \mathcal{D}_{\omega}(\mathbb{R}) / ker \rho \cong \mathcal{D}_{\omega}(\mathbb{R}) / (ker S_{\mu})^{\perp}.$$

Since $\mathcal{D}_{\omega}(\mathbb{R})$ is reflexive, $(ker S_{\mu})^{\perp}$ equals the closure $im S_{\mu}^t$. Hence (1) and (3) imply

$$(4) \quad (ker S_{\mu})' \cong A_{\omega} / \overline{\tilde{\mu}A_{\omega}},$$

where the isomorphism is induced by the map $\Phi := \rho \circ \mathcal{F}^{-1}$. Note that the theorem of Hahn-Banach implies

$$(5) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{A subset } G \text{ of } (ker S_{\mu})' \text{ is equicontinuous if and only if there exist } k \in \mathbb{N} \\ \text{and a bounded set } M \text{ in } \underset{\leftarrow m}{proj} A(\omega, k, m) \subset A_{\omega} \text{ so that } G = \Phi(M). \end{array} \right.$$

We want to characterize those $\mu \in \mathcal{E}_{\omega}(\mathbb{R})'$ for which the convolution operator S_{μ} is surjective on $\mathcal{D}_{\omega}(\mathbb{R})'$. A necessary condition for the surjectivity of S_{μ} is obviously that the equation

$$S_{\mu}(\nu) = \mu * \nu = \delta$$

has a solution $\nu \in \mathcal{D}_{\omega}(\mathbb{R})'$, i.e. that S_{μ} admits a fundamental solution ν . This property of S_{μ} was characterized already by Braun, Meise and Vogt [4], 2.7. From there and from the diameter estimates obtained in the proof of Meise, Taylor and Vogt [13], 2.3, we know:

Proposition 1.7. *Let ω be a weight function and let $\mu \in \mathcal{E}_\omega(\mathbb{R})'$ be given. Then S_μ admits a fundamental solution $\nu \in \mathcal{D}_\omega(\mathbb{R})'$ if and only if $\tilde{\mu}$ is slowly decreasing in the following sense: there exist positive numbers ε, C and D such that on each component S of the set*

$$S(\tilde{\mu}, \varepsilon, C) := \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |\tilde{\mu}(z)| < \varepsilon \exp(-C|\operatorname{Im} z| - C\omega(z))\}$$

we have

$$\sup_{z \in S} (|\operatorname{Im} z| + \omega(z)) \leq D \left(1 + \inf_{z \in S} (|\operatorname{Im} z| + \omega(z)) \right).$$

If $\tilde{\mu}$ is slowly decreasing then one can choose ε, C and D in such a way that

$$(*) \quad \sup_{z \in S} \omega(z) \leq D \left(1 + \inf_{z \in S} \omega(z) \right)$$

holds for each component S of the set $S(\tilde{\mu}, \varepsilon, C)$.

In the next section we will show that $\ker S_\mu$ has an absolute basis, whenever S_μ admits a fundamental solution. In doing this we shall use certain sequence spaces which we introduce now.

Definition 1.8. *Let α and β be sequences in $[0, \infty[$ with $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \beta_j = \infty$ and let $\mathbf{E} = (E_j, \|\cdot\|_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a sequence of finite dimensional normed spaces. For $k, m \in \mathbb{N}$ we introduce the Banach spaces*

$$\lambda(k, m, \mathbf{E}) := \left\{ x \in \prod_{j \in \mathbb{N}} E_j \mid \|x\|_{k,m} := \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \|x_j\|_j \exp(k\alpha_j - m\beta_j) < \infty \right\}$$

$$K(k, m, \mathbf{E}) := \left\{ x \in \prod_{j \in \mathbb{N}} E_j \mid \|x\|_{k,m} := \sup_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \|x_j\|_j \exp(-k\alpha_j + m\beta_j) < \infty \right\}$$

and we define

$$\lambda(\alpha, \beta, \mathbf{E}) := \operatorname{proj}_{\leftarrow k} \operatorname{ind}_{m \rightarrow} \lambda(k, m, \mathbf{E})$$

$$K(\alpha, \beta, \mathbf{E}) := \operatorname{ind}_{m \rightarrow} \operatorname{proj}_{\leftarrow k} K(k, m, \mathbf{E})$$

If $\mathbf{E} = (\mathbb{C}, |\cdot|)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ then we write $\lambda(\alpha, \beta), \lambda(k, m)$ etc. instead.

The proof of Meise [9], 1.6, also applies to the present sequence spaces and gives:

Proposition 1.9. For α, β and \mathbf{E} as in 1.8, the following holds:

- (1) $\lambda(\alpha, \beta, \mathbf{E})$ is a complete Schwartz space
- (2) $\lambda(\alpha, \beta, \mathbf{E})'$, the strong dual of $\lambda(\alpha, \beta, \mathbf{E})$, can be identified with $K(\alpha, \beta, \mathbf{E}')$, where $\mathbf{E}' = (E'_j, \|\cdot\|'_j)_{j \in \mathbf{N}}$.
- (3) With respect to the duality in (2), a set $M \subset K(\alpha, \beta, \mathbf{E}')$ is equicontinuous if and only if there exists $k \in \mathbf{N}$ so that

$$\sup_{y \in M} \sup_{j \in \mathbf{N}} \|y_j\|'_j \exp(-k\alpha_j + m\beta_j) < \infty \text{ for all } m \in \mathbf{N}.$$

Also, the proof of Lemma 1.7 in Meise [9] gives:

Lemma 1.10. For α, β and \mathbf{E} as in 1.8 assume $1 \leq n_j := \dim E_j$ for all $j \in \mathbf{N}$. Then the condition

(*) there exists $l \in \mathbf{N}$ such that $\sup_{j \in \mathbf{N}} n_j \exp(-l(\alpha_j + \beta_j)) < \infty$

implies

$$\lambda(\alpha, \beta, \mathbf{E}) \cong \lambda(\gamma, \delta) \text{ and } K(\alpha, \beta, \mathbf{E}) \cong K(\gamma, \delta),$$

where the sequence γ (resp. δ) is obtained from α (resp. β) by repeating α_j (resp. β_j) n_j times.

2. GENERALIZED FOURIER EXPANSION

In this section let ω always denote a fixed weight function. We will show that for each convolution operator S_μ on $\mathcal{D}_\omega(\mathbf{R})'$ which admits a fundamental solution, $\ker S_\mu$ admits an absolute basis of exponential solutions. With respect to this basis $\ker S_\mu$ is isomorphic to a suitable sequence space $\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$, whenever $\ker S_\mu$ is infinite dimensional. The idea of proof for this is the same as in Meise [10], however, some modifications are needed. In particular we use a result of Braun and Meise [2] to overcome the difficulty that the function $z \mapsto |\operatorname{Im} z| - m\omega(z)$ is not subharmonic in general. The proof of the main result is prepared by several lemmas.

Lemma 2.1. Assume that $f \in C(\mathbf{R})$ satisfies $\operatorname{Supp}(f) \subset [-A, A]$ for some $A > 0$ and

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}} |\widehat{f}(t)| \exp(K\omega(t)) dt < \infty,$$

where K is the constant appearing in 1.1 (α). Then for each $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists $g \in \mathcal{D}_\omega(\mathbf{R})$ with $\operatorname{Supp}(g) \subset [-A, A]$ such that

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}} |\widehat{f}(t) - \widehat{g}(t)| \exp(\omega(t)) dt \leq \varepsilon.$$

Proof. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given. By the hypothesis on f we can choose $C > 0$ so that

$$\int_{2|t| \geq C} |\widehat{f}(t)| \exp(K\omega(t)) dt \leq \frac{\varepsilon e^{-K}}{6}.$$

For $q > 1$, let f_q denote the function $x \mapsto f(qx)$. Since f_q converges to f uniformly on \mathbf{R} as q tends to 1, we can find $1 < p < 2$ so that

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}} |f(x) - f_p(x)| dx \leq \frac{\varepsilon e^{-\omega(C)}}{6C}.$$

Next note that by Braun, Meise and Taylor [3], 2.6, for each $0 < \delta < 1$ there exists $h_\delta \in \mathcal{D}_\omega(\mathbf{R})$ satisfying

$$h_\delta \geq 0, \text{ Supp}(h_\delta) \subset [-\delta, \delta] \text{ and } \int_{\mathbf{R}} h_\delta(x) dx = 1.$$

Since $\lim_{\delta \downarrow 0} \widehat{h}_\delta(x) = 1$ for all $x \in \mathbf{R}$, we can choose $0 < \eta < A(1 - p^{-1})$ so that

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}} |\widehat{f}(t) (1 - \widehat{h}_\eta(t))| \exp(\omega(t)) dt \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{3}.$$

Now define $g := f_p * h_\eta$ and note that g is in $\mathcal{D}_\omega[-A, A]$. Moreover, the following estimate holds:

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbf{R}} |\widehat{f}(t) - \widehat{g}(t)| \exp(\omega(t)) dt = \\ &= \int_{\mathbf{R}} |\widehat{f}(t) - \widehat{f}(t)\widehat{h}_\eta(t) + \widehat{f}(t)\widehat{h}_\eta(t) - \widehat{f}_p(t)\widehat{h}_\eta(t)| \exp(\omega(t)) dt \leq \\ &\leq \int_{\mathbf{R}} |\widehat{f}(t)(1 - \widehat{h}_\eta(t))| \exp(\omega(t)) dt + \int_{\mathbf{R}} |\widehat{f}(t) - \widehat{f}_p(t)| \exp(\omega(t)) dt \leq \\ &\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \int_{|t| \leq C} |\widehat{f}(t) - \widehat{f}_p(t)| \exp(\omega(t)) dt + \int_{|t| \geq C} |\widehat{f}(t)| \exp(\omega(t)) dt + \\ &+ \int_{|t| \geq C} |\widehat{f}_p(t)| \exp(\omega(t)) dt \leq \\ &\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + 2Ce^{\omega(C)} \sup_{t \in \mathbf{R}} |(\widehat{f} - \widehat{f}_p)(t)| + \int_{|t| \geq C} |\widehat{f}(t)| \exp(\omega(t)) dt + \\ &+ \int_{p|t| \geq C} |\widehat{f}(t)| \exp(\omega(pt)) dt \leq \\ &\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + 2Ce^{\omega(C)} \int_{\mathbf{R}} |f(x) - f_p(x)| dx + 2e^K \int_{2|t| \geq C} |\widehat{f}(t)| \exp(K\omega(t)) dt \leq \\ &\leq \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Definition 2.2. For $A, B > 0$ define the Hilbert space

$$L_{A,B} := \left\{ f \in L^2_{loc}(\mathbb{C}) \mid \|f\|_{A,B}^2 := \int_{\mathbb{C}} \{|f(z)| \exp(-A|\operatorname{Im} z| + B\omega(z))\}^2 d\lambda(z) < \infty \right\}$$

where λ denotes the Lebesgue measure on $\mathbb{C} = \mathbb{R}^2$.

Moreover, we define the Fréchet space

$$L_A := \underset{\leftarrow m}{\operatorname{proj}} L_{Am}.$$

Lemma 2.3. For each $A > 0$ and each bounded set M in L_A there exists a bounded set Q in L_{2A} such that for each $u \in M$ there exists $v \in Q$ with $\bar{\partial}v = u$ in the distributional sense.

Proof. For $A, B > 0$ and $K \geq 1$ as in 1.1(α) we let

$$Y_{2A,B} := \left\{ f \in L_{2A,B} / \bar{\partial}f \in L_{A,2KB} \right\}$$

and we endow $Y_{2A,B}$ with the graph norm

$$\|f\|_{2A,B} := \|f\|_{2A,B} + \|\bar{\partial}f\|_{A,2KB}, \quad f \in Y_{2A,B}.$$

Then $Y_{2A,B}$ is a Banach space and we claim that

$$(1) \quad \bar{\partial} : Y_{2A,B} \rightarrow L_{A,2KB} \text{ is surjective for all } A, B > 0.$$

To prove this, we recall from Braun and Meise [2], Prop. 5, that there exist a subharmonic function $u : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $C > 0$ so that for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$ we have

$$-C - K \frac{2B}{A} \omega(\operatorname{Re} z) \leq u(z) \leq |\operatorname{Im} z| - \frac{2B}{A} \omega(z).$$

Now define $v : z \mapsto Au(z) + A|\operatorname{Im} z|$, $z \in \mathbb{C}$, and note that

$$(2) \quad A|\operatorname{Im} z| - 2KB\omega(z) - AC \leq v(z) \leq 2A|\operatorname{Im} z| - 2B\omega(z)$$

holds for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$. Since ω satisfies 1.1(γ), we can choose $D > 0$ so that

$$(3) \quad \log(1 + |z|^2) \leq B\omega(z) + D \text{ for all } z \in \mathbb{C}.$$

Next let $f \in L_{A,2KB}$ be given. Then (2) implies

$$(4) \quad \int [|f(z)| \exp(-v(z))]^2 d\lambda(z) \leq \exp(2AC) \| f \|_{A,2KB}^2 .$$

Since v is subharmonic on \mathbb{C} , Hörmander [6], 4.4.2, implies the existence of $g \in L_{loc}^2(\mathbb{C})$ so that $\bar{\partial}g = f$ in the distributional sense and

$$\int_{\mathbb{C}} \left[|g(z)| \frac{\exp(-v(z))}{1 + |z|^2} \right]^2 d\lambda(z) \leq \int_{\mathbb{C}} [|f(z)| \exp(-v(z))]^2 d\lambda(z) .$$

Because of (2), (3) and (4), this implies

$$\| g \|_{2A,B}^2 \leq \exp(2D + 2AC) \| f \|_{A,2KB}^2 < \infty .$$

Consequently, g is in $L_{2A,B}$ and the proof of (1) is complete.

For $A > 0$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$ we now define

$$W_{2A,n} := \left\{ f \in A(\mathbb{C}) \mid \| f \|_{2A,n} < \infty \right\} = \left\{ f \in L_{2A,n} \mid \bar{\partial}f = 0 \right\} .$$

Then $W_{2A,n+1} \subset W_{2A,n}$, so that we can consider the projective spectrum $(W_{2A,n}, \iota_{n+1}^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ with inclusion maps (see 3.1 for the notation). It is easy to see that this spectrum is equivalent to the spectrum $(A(\omega, 2A, n), j_{n+1}^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, again with inclusion maps. From Braun, Meise and Taylor [3], 3.3, it follows that this projective spectrum is equivalent to the spectrum $(\mathcal{D}_{2A,n}, \kappa_{n+1}^n)$, where

$$\mathcal{D}_{2A,n} := \{ f \in C(\mathbb{R}) \mid \text{Supp}(f) \subset [-2A, 2A] \text{ and}$$

$$\| f \|_n := \int_{\mathbb{R}} | \hat{f}(t) | \exp(n\omega(t)) dt < \infty \} .$$

and where κ_{n+1}^n denotes the corresponding inclusion map. From these equivalences and Lemma 2.1 we get:

$$(5) \quad \text{For each } j \in \mathbb{N} \text{ there exists } k \in \mathbb{N}, k > j, \text{ so that } \underset{\leftarrow n}{\text{proj}} W_{2A,n} \text{ is dense in } W_{2A,k} \text{ with respect to the topology induced by } W_{2A,j} .$$

Moreover, $\text{proj}_{\leftarrow n} W_{2A,n}$ is isomorphic to $\text{proj}_{\leftarrow n} \mathcal{D}_{2A,n} = \mathcal{D}_\omega[-2A, 2A]$ and hence a nuclear Fréchet space by [3], 3.6. In particular, we have

$$(6) \quad \text{proj}_{\leftarrow n} W_{2A,n} \text{ is quasinormable.}$$

Now note that by (1) we have for each $n \in \mathbf{N}$ the exact sequence of Banach spaces

$$(7) \quad 0 \rightarrow W_{2A,n} \hookrightarrow Y_{2A,n} \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}} L_{A,2Kn} \rightarrow 0.$$

From this and (5) it follows by Komatsu [7], 1.3, that

$$0 \rightarrow \text{proj}_{\leftarrow n} W_{2A,n} \hookrightarrow \text{proj}_{\leftarrow n} Y_{2A,n} \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}} L_A \rightarrow 0$$

is an exact sequence of Fréchet spaces. Therefore, (6) and Merzon [14], Thm. 2, implies that for each bounded set M in L_A there exists a bounded set Q in $\text{proj}_{\leftarrow n} Y_{2A,n}$ with $\bar{\partial}(Q) = M$.

Since $\text{proj}_{\leftarrow n} Y_{2A,n}$ is continuously embedded in L_{2A} , the proof is complete.

Remark. Lemma 2.3 remains true for $\omega : t \mapsto \log(1 + t)$. The only change in the proof is that 2.3(1) holds for all B which are sufficiently large.

Lemma 2.4. (Semi-local to global interpolation). Let $F = (F_1, \dots, F_N)$ be an N -tuple of entire functions which satisfy

(i) there exist $A_0, B_0 > 0$ with $\sup_{1 \leq j \leq N} \sup_{z \in \mathbb{C}} |F_j(z)| \exp(-A_0(|\text{Im } z| + \omega(z))) \leq B_0$.

(ii) there exist positive numbers ε, C, D such that for each component S of the set

$$S(F, \varepsilon, C) := \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C} \mid \left(\sum_{j=1}^N |F_j(z)|^2 \right)^{1/2} < \varepsilon \exp(-C(|\text{Im } z| + \omega(z))) \right\}$$

we have

$$\sup_{z \in S} (|\text{Im } z| + \omega(z)) \leq D \left(1 + \inf_{z \in S} (|\text{Im } z| + \omega(z)) \right).$$

Furthermore, let Q be a set of holomorphic functions defined on $S(F, \varepsilon, C)$ which satisfies

(iii) there exist $A_1 > 0$ such that for each $m \in \mathbf{N}$ there exists $B_m > 0$:

$$\sup_{f \in Q} \sup_{z \in S(F, \varepsilon, C)} |f(z)| \exp(-A_1 |Im z| + m\omega(z)) \leq B_m.$$

Then there exist $0 < \varepsilon_1 < \varepsilon$, $C_1 > C$, $M > 0$ and a sequence $(E_m)_{m \in \mathbf{N}}$ of positive numbers, such that the following holds:

For each $f \in Q$ there exists $g \in A(\mathbb{C})$ and $\alpha_j \in A(S(F, \varepsilon_1, C_1))$ for $1 \leq j \leq N$, such that

$$g(z) = f(z) + \sum_{j=1}^N \alpha_j(z) F_j(z) \text{ for all } z \in S(F, \varepsilon_1, C_1)$$

and

$$\sup_{z \in \mathbb{C}} |g(z)| \exp(-M |Im z| + m\omega(z)) \leq E_m \text{ for each } m \in \mathbf{N}.$$

Proof. From (ii) it follows (see Berenstein and Taylor [1], p. 120) that we can find $0 < \varepsilon_1 < \varepsilon$, $C_1 > C$, $A, B > 0$ and $\chi \in C^\infty(\mathbb{C})$ with $Supp(\chi) \subset S(F, \varepsilon, C)$ and $0 \leq \chi \leq 1$ so that

$$(1) \quad \chi|_{S(F, \varepsilon_1, C_1)} \equiv 1, \quad |\bar{\partial}\chi(z)| \leq B \exp(A(|Im z| + \omega(z))) \text{ for all } z \in \mathbb{C}.$$

Next fix $f \in Q$. Then χf is in $C^\infty(\mathbb{C})$ and $\bar{\partial}(\chi f) = (\bar{\partial}\chi) f$.

Moreover, (1) implies that for $1 \leq j \leq N$

$$v_j^f := -\bar{F}_j \left(\sum_{k=1}^N |F_k|^2 \right)^{-1} \bar{\partial}(\chi f)$$

is in $C^\infty(\mathbb{C})$ and that

$$Supp(v_j^f) \subset S(F, \varepsilon, C) \setminus S(F, \varepsilon_1, C_1).$$

From the hypothesis and (1) we get:

$$|v_j^f| \leq B_m B_0 B \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} \exp((A + A_0 + A_1 + 2C)|Im z| + (A + A_0 + 2C - m)\omega(z))$$

for all $m \in \mathbf{N}$, $z \in \mathbb{C}$, $1 \leq j \leq N$ and all $f \in Q$. This shows that

$$P := \{v_j^f | f \in Q, \quad 1 \leq j \leq N\}$$

is a bounded set in L_S , $S := A + A_0 + A_1 + 2C$. By Lemma 2.3 we can choose a bounded set R in L_{2S} so that for each $f \in Q$ and $1 \leq j \leq N$ there exists $v_j^f \in R$ satisfying $\bar{\partial}u_j^f = v_j^f$. Since P is contained in $C^\infty(\mathbb{C})$, u_j^f is in $C^\infty(\mathbb{C})$ for all $f \in Q$, $1 \leq j \leq N$. For $f \in Q$ we now define

$$(2) \quad g^f := \chi f + \sum_{j=1}^N u_j^f F_j \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha_j^f := u_j^f|_{S(F, \varepsilon_1, C_1)}, \quad 1 \leq j \leq N.$$

Then $g^f \in A(\mathbb{C})$ and $\alpha_j^f \in A(S(F, \varepsilon_1, C_1))$ for $1 \leq j \leq N$, since

$$\bar{\partial}g^f = \bar{\partial}(\chi f) + \sum_{j=1}^N (\bar{\partial}u_j^f) F_j = \bar{\partial}(\chi f) - \left(\sum_{j=1}^N \bar{F}_j F_j \bar{\partial}(\chi f) \right) \left(\sum_{j=1}^N |F_j|^2 \right)^{-1} = 0$$

and

$$\bar{\partial}\alpha_j^f = \bar{\partial}u_j^f|_{S(F, \varepsilon_1, C_1)} = v_j^f|_{S(F, \varepsilon_1, C_1)} = 0.$$

This proves the first assertion. The second one follows by standard arguments from (2), (i), (ii) and the fact that P is bounded in L_{2S} .

In order to apply Lemma 2.4, we introduce the following notation.

Notation 2.5. For an N -tuple $F = (F_1, \dots, F_N)$ of entire functions let

$$V(F) := \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C} \mid F_j(z) = 0 \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq N \right\}.$$

For $a \in V(F)$ we define $m_a := \min_{1 \leq j \leq N} \text{ord}F_j(a)$, where $\text{ord}f(a)$ denotes the zero-order of f at a . Then we let

$$I_{loc}(F) := \{ f \in A_\omega \mid \text{ord} f(a) \geq m_a \text{ for all } a \in V(F) \},$$

$$I(F) := \left\{ f \in A_\omega \mid f = \sum_{j=1}^N g_j F_j, g_j \in A_\omega \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq N \right\}.$$

It is easy to see that $I(F)$ and $I_{loc}(F)$ are ideals in A_ω satisfying $I(F) \subset I_{loc}(F)$ and that $I_{loc}(F)$ is closed.

Proposition 2.6. Assume that $F = (F_1, \dots, F_N) \in A(\mathbb{C})^N$ satisfies the conditions (i) and (ii) in 2.4. Then we have:

- (a) $\overline{I(F)} = I_{loc}(F)$
- (b) If $N = 1$ then $I(F)$ is closed.

Proof. (a) Because of the remark at the end of 2.5 it suffices to show that $I_{loc}(F) \subset \overline{I(F)}$. To prove this, define $p : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow [0, \infty[$ by $p(z) := |Im z| + \omega(z)$ and let

$$A_p := \left\{ f \in A(\mathbb{C}) \mid \text{there is } k \in \mathbb{N} : \|f\|_k := \sup_{z \in \mathbb{C}} |f(z)| \exp(-kp(z)) < \infty \right\}.$$

Endowed with its natural inductive limit topology, A_p is a (DFN)-algebra which contains A_ω as a subalgebra. From 2.4(i) it follows that $F \in (A_p)^N$. Now define $I^p(F)$ and $I_{loc}^p(F)$ as in 2.5, however with A_p instead of A_ω . Then 2.4(ii) together with Kelleher and Taylor [8], Thm. 4.6, implies that $I_{loc}^p(F) = \overline{I^p(F)}$. Now fix $f \in I_{loc}(F) \subset I_{loc}^p(F)$ and note that for each $g \in A_\omega$ the multiplication map $M_g : A_p \rightarrow A_\omega$, $M_g(h) := gh$, is continuous and satisfies $M_g(I^p(F)) \subset I(F)$. Hence we get

$$fg = M_g(f) \in M_g(I_{loc}^p(F)) = M_g(\overline{I^p(F)}) \subset \overline{M_g(I^p(F))} \subset \overline{I(F)}.$$

Now we apply this to $g = \widehat{\varphi}_\varepsilon$, where $\varphi_\varepsilon : x \mapsto \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \varphi(\frac{x}{\varepsilon})$, $\varepsilon > 0$, for some function $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_\omega(\mathbb{R})$ satisfying $\varphi \geq 0$ and $\int_{\mathbb{R}} \varphi d\lambda = 1$. Since it is easy to check that $f = A_\omega - \lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} f \widehat{\varphi}_\varepsilon$, we get $f \in \overline{I(F)}$, which proves (a).

(b) It suffices to show $I_{loc}(F) \subset I(F)$. To prove this, fix $g \in I_{loc}(F)$. Then $\frac{f}{g}$ is in $A(\mathbb{C})$ and it is easy to check that 2.4(ii) and 1.7 together with the maximum principle implies $\frac{f}{g} \in A_\omega$.

Proposition 2.7. *Let $F = (F_1, \dots, F_N)$ be an N -tuple of entire functions which satisfies the conditions 2.4(i) and (ii). If $V(F)$ is an infinite set then $A_\omega / I_{loc}(F)$ is linearly isomorphic to $\lambda(\alpha, \beta)'$, where $\alpha = (|Im a_j|)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ and $\beta = (\omega(a_j))_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ and where the sequence $(a_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ counts the elements of $V(F)$ according to their multiplicities (m_a at $a \in V(F)$).*

Proof. Fix $\varepsilon, C, D > 0$ as in 2.4(ii) and choose an enumeration $(S_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ of those components S of $S(F, \varepsilon, C)$ which satisfy $S \cap V(F) \neq \emptyset$. Then define the sequence $\gamma = (\gamma_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ and $\delta = (\delta_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ by

$$\gamma_j := \sup_{z \in S_j} |Im z|, \quad \delta_j := \sup_{z \in S_j} \omega(z).$$

Next define for $j \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$A^\infty(S_j) := \left\{ f \in A(S_j) \mid \|f\|_j := \sup_{z \in S_j} |f(z)| < \infty \right\}$$

$$E_j := \prod_{a \in V(F) \cap S_j} \mathbb{C}^{m_a}$$

$$\rho_j : A^\infty(S_j) \rightarrow E_j, \quad \rho_j(f) := (f^{(k)}(a))_{a \in V(F) \cap S_j, 0 \leq k < m_a}.$$

It is easy to see that ρ_j is surjective. Hence we can endow E_j with the corresponding quotient norm, i.e.

$$\|\mu\|_j := \inf\{\|f\|_j \mid f \in A^\infty(S_j), \rho_j(f) = \mu\}, \quad \text{for } \mu \in E_j.$$

By \mathbf{E} we denote the sequence $\mathbf{E} = (E_j, \|\cdot\|_j)_{j \in \mathbf{N}}$. Then we remark that by the proof of Meise, Momm and Taylor [11], 3.5 (which is almost the same as of Meise, Taylor and Vogt [13], 2.3) property 1.7(*) also holds for the components S of $S(F, \varepsilon, C)$ provided that ε and C are chosen appropriately. From this and 2.4(i) it follows easily that the map

$$\rho : A_\omega \rightarrow K(\gamma, \delta, \mathbf{E}), \quad \rho(f) := \left(\rho_j(f|_{S_j}) \right)_{j \in \mathbf{N}}$$

is defined linear and continuous and that $\ker \rho = I_{\text{loc}}(F)$. To prove the surjectivity of ρ , fix $\mu \in K(\gamma, \delta, \mathbf{E})$. Then there exists $k \in \mathbf{N}$ so that for each $l \in \mathbf{N}$ there exists $C_l > 0$ so that

$$\|\mu_j\|_j \leq C_l \exp(k\gamma_j - l\delta_j) \quad \text{for all } j \in \mathbf{N}.$$

By the definition of $\|\cdot\|_j$ we can choose $f_j \in A^\infty(S_j)$ with $\rho_j(f_j) = \mu_j$ and $\|f_j\|_j \leq 2\|\mu_j\|_j$. Now define $f : S(F, \varepsilon, C) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ by

$$f(z) := \begin{cases} f_j(z) & \text{if } z \in S_j \\ 0 & \text{if } z \in S(F, \varepsilon, C) \setminus \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} S_k. \end{cases}$$

From 2.4(ii) we get for each $l \in \mathbf{N}$:

$$|f(z)| \leq 2C_l e^{Dk} \exp(Dk|\operatorname{Im} z| - (l - Dk)\omega(z)) \quad \text{for all } z \in S(F, \varepsilon, C).$$

Hence f satisfies 2.4(iii). Therefore, Lemma 2.4 implies the existence of $g \in A_\omega$ with $\rho(g) = \mu$. Thus ρ is surjective. Now the open mapping theorem for (LF) -spaces together with $\ker \rho = I_{\text{loc}}(F)$ implies

$$A_\omega / I_{\text{loc}}(F) \cong K(\gamma, \delta, \mathbf{E}).$$

Next let $n_j := \dim E_j$ for $j \in \mathbf{N}$ and note that by Remark b) to Cor. 3.8 in Meise [9], there exists $l \in \mathbf{N}$ so that

$$\sup_{j \in \mathbf{N}} n_j \exp \left(-l \left(\gamma_j + \delta_j \right) \right) < \infty.$$

Hence Lemma 1.10 and Lemma 1.9 imply

$$A_\omega / I_{loc}(F) \cong K(\gamma, \delta, \mathbf{E}) = \lambda(\gamma, \delta, \mathbf{E}')' = \lambda(\bar{\gamma}, \bar{\delta})',$$

where $\bar{\gamma}$ (resp. $\bar{\delta}$) is obtained by repeating γ_j (resp. δ_j) n_j -times. Now the conclusion follows easily from this and 2.4(ii) together with the definition of γ and δ .

Remark 2.8. If we identify in Proposition 2.7 the quotient $A_\omega / I_{loc}(F)$ with $\lambda(\alpha, \beta)'$ then a set G in $\lambda(\alpha, \beta)'$ is equicontinuous if and only if there exist $k \in \mathbf{N}$ and a bounded set M in $\text{proj}_{\leftarrow m} A(\omega, k, m)$ so that $G = \rho(M)$. This follows from the characterization in 1.9(3) and the proof of Proposition 2.7 together with Lemma 2.4.

Exponential solutions 2.9. For $a \in \mathbf{C}$ and $k \in \mathbf{N}_0$ we define

$$e_{a,k} : x \mapsto (ix)^k e^{ixa}, \quad x \in \mathbf{R}.$$

It is easy to check that $e_{a,k}$ is in $\mathcal{E}_\omega(\mathbf{R})$ for each weight function ω . Now fix ω and $\mu \in \mathcal{E}_\omega(\mathbf{R})'$. Then the elements of

$$\text{span} \left\{ e_{a,k} \mid a \in V(\hat{\mu}), \quad 0 \leq k < m_a \right\}$$

are called exponential solutions of the convolution operator S_μ . This notation is justified by the following identity which is a consequence of the definitions and remarks in 1.6:

$$\begin{aligned} S_\mu(e_{a,k})[x] &= \langle \mu_y, e_{a,k}(x-y) \rangle = \langle \mu_y, (i(x-y))^k e^{i(x-y)a} \rangle \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^k \binom{k}{j} (ix)^{k-j} e^{ixa} \langle \mu_y, (-iy)^j e^{-iy a} \rangle \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^k \binom{k}{j} (ix)^{k-j} e^{ixa} \hat{\mu}^{(j)}(a) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 2.10. *Let S_μ be a convolution operator on $\mathcal{D}_\omega(\mathbb{R})'$ which admits a fundamental solution and assume that $\ker S_\mu$ is infinite dimensional. Then $\ker S_\mu$ admits an absolute basis of exponential solutions, with respect to which $\ker S_\mu$ is isomorphic to $\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$, where $\alpha = (|\operatorname{Im} a_j|)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ and $\beta = (\omega(a_j))_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ and where the sequence $(a_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ counts the zeros of $\tilde{\mu}$ with multiplicities.*

Proof. By 1.6(2) we know that $F := \tilde{\mu}$ satisfies condition 2.4(i). Since S_μ admits a fundamental solution, Proposition 1.7 shows that F also satisfies condition 2.4(ii). Therefore Proposition 2.7 together with 1.6(4) and Proposition 2.6 implies that for $F = \tilde{\mu}$ we have the following isomorphisms

$$(\ker S_\mu)' \cong A_\omega / \overline{\tilde{\mu} A_\mu} = A_\omega / I_{\text{loc}}(\tilde{\mu}) \cong \lambda(\alpha, \beta)'.$$

Moreover, 1.7(5) and Remark 2.8 imply that the resulting isomorphism induces a bijection between the equicontinuous sets in $(\ker S_\mu)'$ and the equicontinuous sets in $\lambda(\alpha, \beta)'$. Hence it is the adjoint of an isomorphism Φ between $\ker S_\mu$ and $\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$. If one computes $\Phi : \lambda(\alpha, \beta) \rightarrow \ker S_\mu$ explicitly (see the proof of Meise, Schwerdtfeger and Taylor [12], 2.6), then it follows that Φ maps the canonical basis vectors of $\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$ into exponential solutions.

More generally one can prove (using [12], 2.4):

Theorem 2.11. *Let $S_{\mu_1}, \dots, S_{\mu_N}$ be convolution operators on $\mathcal{D}'_\omega(\mathbb{R})$ and assume that $F = (\tilde{\mu}_1, \dots, \tilde{\mu}_N)$ satisfies the conditions 2.4(i) and 2.4(ii). If $\bigcap_{j=1}^N \ker S_{\mu_j}$ is infinite dimensional then $\bigcap_{j=1}^N \ker S_{\mu_j} = \ker(S_{\mu_1}, \dots, S_{\mu_N})$ admits an absolute basis of exponential solutions with respect to which $\ker(S_{\mu_1}, \dots, S_{\mu_N})$ is isomorphic to $\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$, where $\alpha = (|\operatorname{Im} a_j|)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ and $\beta = (\omega(a_j))_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ and where the sequence $(a_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ counts $V(\tilde{\mu}_1, \dots, \tilde{\mu}_N)$ with multiplicities.*

Remark 2.12. Theorem 2.10 and Theorem 2.11 also hold for $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R})$ instead of $\mathcal{D}'_\omega(\mathbb{R})$ as their proofs show.

3. SURJECTIVITY OF CONVOLUTION OPERATORS ON $\mathcal{D}_\omega(\mathbb{R})'$

Following the arguments in section 3 of Braun, Meise and Vogt [4] we use results of Palamodov [15] and Vogt [17], [18] together with Theorem 2.10 to show that a convolution operator S_μ acts surjectively on $\mathcal{D}_\omega(\mathbb{R})'$ if and only if S_μ admits a fundamental solution. To do this, we recall the following notions concerning projective spectra from Vogt [17], [18].

Projective Spectra 3.1. (1) A sequence $\mathcal{X} = (X_n, \iota_{n+1}^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of linear spaces X_n and linear maps $\iota_{n+1}^n : X_{n+1} \rightarrow X_n$ is called a projective spectrum. We define ι_m^n for $n \leq m$ by $\iota_n^n := \operatorname{id}_{X_n}$ and $\iota_m^n := \iota_{n+1}^n \circ \dots \circ \iota_m^{m-1}$ for $m > n$.

(2) For a projective spectrum $\mathcal{X} = (X_n, \iota_{n+1}^n)_{n \in \mathbf{N}}$ we define the linear spaces $Proj^0 \mathcal{X}$ and $Proj^1 \mathcal{X}$ by

$$Proj^0 \mathcal{X} := \left\{ (x_n)_{n \in \mathbf{N}} \in \prod_{n \in \mathbf{N}} X_n \mid \iota_{n+1}^n(x_{n+1}) = x_n \text{ for all } n \in \mathbf{N} \right\}$$

$$Proj^1 \mathcal{X} := \left(\prod_{n \in \mathbf{N}} X_n \right) / B(\mathcal{X}),$$

where

$$B(\mathcal{X}) := \left\{ (a_n)_{n \in \mathbf{N}} \in \prod_{n \in \mathbf{N}} X_n \mid \text{there is } (b_n)_{n \in \mathbf{N}} \in \prod_{n \in \mathbf{N}} X_n \text{ with} \right.$$

$$\left. a_n = \iota_{n+1}^n(b_{n+1}) - b_n \text{ for all } n \in \mathbf{N} \right\}.$$

(3) For projective spectra $\mathcal{X} = (X_n, \iota_{n+1}^n)$ and $\mathcal{Y} = (Y_n, \iota_{n+1}^n)$ a map $\Phi : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$ is a sequence $\varphi_{k(n)}^n : X_{k(n)} \rightarrow Y_n$ of linear maps which satisfies for all $n \in \mathbf{N}$:

$$k(n) \leq k(n+1) \text{ and } \varphi_{k(n)}^n \circ \iota_{k(n+1)}^{k(n)} = j_{n+1}^n \circ \varphi_{k(n+1)}^{n+1}.$$

For $m \geq k(n)$ we put $\varphi_m^n := \varphi_{k(n)}^n \circ \iota_m^{k(n)}$.

(4) Let the maps $\Phi : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$ and $\Psi : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}$ be defined by $(\varphi_{k(n)}^n)_{n \in \mathbf{N}}$ and $(\psi_{l(n)}^n)_{n \in \mathbf{N}}$. Then their composition $\Psi \circ \Phi : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}$ is defined by $\chi_{k(l(n))}^n := \psi_{l(n)}^n \circ \varphi_{k(l(n))}^{l(n)}$.

(5) Two maps $\Phi, \Psi : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$ defined by $(\varphi_{k(n)}^n)_{n \in \mathbf{N}}$ and $(\psi_{l(n)}^n)_{n \in \mathbf{N}}$ respectively, are called equivalent, if for each $n \in \mathbf{N}$ there exists $m(n) \geq \max(k(n), l(n))$ with

$$\varphi_{m(n)}^n = \psi_{m(n)}^n.$$

(6) Two projective spectra \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{Y} are called equivalent, if there exist maps $\Phi : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$ and $\Psi : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ such that $\Phi \circ \Psi$ is equivalent to $\text{id}_{\mathcal{Y}} := (j_{n+1}^n)_{n \in \mathbf{N}}$ and $\Psi \circ \Phi$ is equivalent to $\text{id}_{\mathcal{X}} := (\iota_{n+1}^n)_{n \in \mathbf{N}}$.

Example 3.2. Let ω be a fixed weight function.

(1) For $n \in \mathbf{N}$ we let

$$\mathcal{D}'_{\omega}(\mathbf{R},] - n, n[) := \{ \nu \in \mathcal{D}'_{\omega}(\mathbf{R}) \mid \text{Supp } \nu \subset \mathbf{R} \setminus] - n, n[\}.$$

Then $\mathcal{D}'_\omega(\mathbb{R},] - n, n[)$ is a closed linear subspace of $\mathcal{D}'_\omega(\mathbb{R})$. Hence, we can define

$$\mathcal{D}'_n := \mathcal{D}'_\omega(\mathbb{R}) / \mathcal{D}'_\omega(\mathbb{R},] - n, n[).$$

By $q_n : \mathcal{D}'_\omega(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}'_n$ we denote the corresponding quotient map. Note that \mathcal{D}'_n is a (DFN) -space, since \mathcal{D}'_n can also be described as

$$\mathcal{D}'_n = \mathcal{D}'_\omega[-m, m] / (\mathcal{D}'_\omega(\mathbb{R},] - n, n[) \cap \mathcal{D}'_\omega[-m, m]),$$

for each $m > n$. This follows from the fact that $\mathcal{D}'_\omega(\mathbb{R})$ and hence \mathcal{D}'_n is ultrabornologic by [3], 5.6, while the second quotient is a (DFN) -space. It is easy to check that for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ the map

$$\iota_{n+1}^n : \mathcal{D}'_{n+1} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}'_n, \quad \iota_{n+1}^n(q_{n+1}(\nu)) := q_n(\nu)$$

is well-defined, continuous and linear.

Let \mathcal{D}'_ω denote the projective spectrum $(\mathcal{D}'_n, \iota_{n+1}^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of (DFN) -spaces.

(2) From the definition in (1) it follows easily that the map $Q : \mathcal{D}'_\omega(\mathbb{R})' \rightarrow \prod_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{D}'_n$, $Q(\nu) := (q_n(\nu))_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ induces a linear bijection between $\mathcal{D}'_\omega(\mathbb{R})'$ and $Proj^0 \mathcal{D}'_\omega$.

(3) $Proj^1 \mathcal{D}'_\omega = 0$.

To see this, let $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \in \prod_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{D}'_n$ be given. By the definition of \mathcal{D}'_n we can choose $\nu_n \in \mathcal{D}'_\omega(\mathbb{R})'$ with $a_n = q_n(\nu_n)$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$. If we let $b_n := q_n(\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \nu_j)$ then the definitions in (1) imply

$$\iota_{n+1}^n(b_{n+1}) - b_n = q_n \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \nu_j - \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \nu_j \right) = q_n(\nu_n) = a_n$$

for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Hence $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is in $B(\mathcal{D}'_\omega)$, which implies $B(\mathcal{D}'_\omega) = \prod_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{D}'_n$.

(4) For $\mu \in \mathcal{E}'_\omega(\mathbb{R})$ with $Supp(\mu) \subset] - k, k[$ for some $k \in \mathbb{N}$ we define the map $S_\mu : \mathcal{D}'_\omega \rightarrow \mathcal{D}'_\omega$ by $S_\mu = (\sigma_{n+k}^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, where $\sigma_{n+k}^n : \mathcal{D}'_{n+k} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}'_n$ is defined by

$$\sigma_{n+k}^n(q_{n+k}(\nu)) = q_n(\mu * \nu), \quad \nu \in \mathcal{D}'_\omega(\mathbb{R}).$$

Because of $Supp(\mu * \nu) \subset Supp(\mu) + Supp(\nu)$, this is a reasonable definition. Obviously, σ_{n+k}^n is a continuous linear map.

(5) For μ and k as in (4), define the projective spectrum $\mathcal{K}(\omega, \mu) := (K_n, i_{n+1}^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ by $K_n = 0$ and $i_{n+1}^n = 0$ for $1 \leq n \leq k$ and for $n > k$ by

$$K_n := \{ \nu \in \mathcal{D}'_n \mid \sigma_n^{n-k}(\nu) = 0 \}, \quad i_{n+1}^n = \iota_{n+1}^n | K_{n+1}.$$

Furthermore, we define $J : \mathcal{K}(\omega, \mu) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}'_\omega$ by $J = (j_n^n)_{n \in \mathbf{N}}$, where $j_n^n : K_n \rightarrow \mathcal{D}'_n$ denotes the inclusion map.

(6) For $\mu \in \mathcal{E}_\omega(\mathbf{R})'$ assume that S_μ admits a fundamental solution and that $\ker S_\mu$ is infinite dimensional. Let the sequences α and β be defined as in Theorem 2.10. Using the notation from 1.8 we then let

$$\lambda_k(\alpha, \beta) := \underset{m \rightarrow}{\text{ind}} \lambda(k, m), \quad k \in \mathbf{N}$$

and we denote by $\iota_{k+1}^k : \lambda_{k+1}(\alpha, \beta) \rightarrow \lambda_k(\alpha, \beta)$ the obvious inclusion map. Moreover, we denote the projective spectrum $(\lambda_k(\alpha, \beta), \iota_{k+1}^k)_{k \in \mathbf{N}}$ of (DFS) -sequence spaces by $\Lambda(\alpha, \beta)$.

If $\mu \in \mathcal{E}_\omega(\mathbf{R})'$ satisfies the hypothesis of 3.2(6) then Theorem 2.10 shows that $\ker S_\mu$ is linearly isomorphic to $\text{Proj}^0 \Lambda(\alpha, \beta)$. On the other hand it is easy to check that $\ker S_\mu$ is linearly isomorphic to $\text{Proj}^0 \mathcal{K}(\omega, \mu)$. It is not quite evident that the projective spectra $\mathcal{K}(\omega, \mu)$ and $\Lambda(\alpha, \beta)$ are equivalent. However, this is the case by the following lemma, the proof of which is an adaptation of the one of Braun, Meise and Vogt [4], 3.6.

Lemma 3.3. *Assume that the convolution operator S_μ on $\mathcal{D}_\omega(\mathbf{R})'$ admits a fundamental solution and that $\ker S_\mu$ is infinite dimensional. Then the projective spectra $\mathcal{K}(\omega, \mu)$ and $\Lambda(\alpha, \beta)$ are equivalent.*

Proof. Assume that $\text{Supp}(\mu) \subset]-k, k[$ for some $k \in \mathbf{N}$ and let the projective spectrum $\mathcal{X} = (X_n, \xi_{n+1}^n)_{n \in \mathbf{N}}$ be defined in the following way: $X_0 = 0$ and $\xi_{n+1}^n = 0$ for $1 \leq n \leq k$ and

$$X_n := \overline{q_n(\ker S_\mu)^{\mathcal{D}'_n}} \subset K_n \quad \text{and} \quad \xi_{n+1}^n := i_{n+1}^n | X_{n+1} \quad \text{for } n > k.$$

We claim that \mathcal{X} and $\mathcal{K}(\omega, \mu)$ are equivalent. By the definition of \mathcal{X} this follows from

(*) For each $l \in \mathbf{N}$ with $l > k$ there exists $m \in \mathbf{N}, m > l$ so that $i_m^l(K_m) \subset X_l$.

To prove this, note that by [3], 6.2, and by Braun, Meise and Vogt [4], 2.7, the hypothesis implies that S_μ maps $\mathcal{E}_\omega(\mathbf{R})$ onto $\mathcal{E}_\omega(\mathbf{R})$. Therefore, Meise, Taylor and Vogt [13], 3.8, shows that for each $\rho > 0$ there exists $r = r(\rho) > \rho$ such that for each $R \geq r + k$ and each $g \in \mathcal{E}_\omega(\mathbf{R})$ satisfying $S_\mu(g)|[-R, R] \equiv 0$ we have

$$g(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \lambda_j e_j(x) \quad \text{for all } x \in [-\rho, \rho],$$

where the series converges in $\mathcal{E}_\omega(\cdot) - \rho, \rho(\cdot)$ and where $e_j \in \ker S_\mu$ for all $j \in \mathbf{N}$.

Now fix $l \in \mathbf{N}$, put $\rho := l + 2$, choose $r = r(\rho)$ according to the above and choose $m \in \mathbf{N}$, $m \geq r + 2k + 1$. Next choose $\chi \in \mathcal{D}_\omega[-1, 1]$ with $\chi \geq 0$ and $\int_{\mathbf{R}} \chi d\lambda = 1$ and define $\chi_\varepsilon \in \mathcal{D}_\omega(\mathbf{R})$ by $\chi_\varepsilon(x) := \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \chi(\frac{x}{\varepsilon})$ for $0 < \varepsilon < 1$. Then fix $\nu \in K_m$, choose $\tau \in \mathcal{D}'_\omega(\mathbf{R})$ with $q_m(\tau) = \nu$ and choose a zero-neighbourhood U in \mathcal{D}'_l arbitrarily. Since $\tau * \chi_\varepsilon$ tends to τ in $\mathcal{D}'_\omega(\mathbf{R})$ as ε tends to zero, we can choose $0 < \varepsilon < 1$ so that $q_l(\tau * \chi_\varepsilon) - i_m^l(\nu) \in \frac{1}{2}U$. Next note that $S_\mu(\tau)|_{[-m+k, m-k]} \equiv 0$ since ν is in K_m . Hence we have $S_\mu(\tau * \chi_\varepsilon)|_{[-R, R]} \equiv 0$ for $R := m - k - 1 \geq r + k$. Therefore, we get from the above

$$\tau * \chi_\varepsilon(x) = \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j e_j(x) \text{ for all } x \in [-l - 1, l + 1],$$

where the series converges in $\mathcal{E}_\omega(\cdot) - l - 1, l + 1(\cdot)$. Consequently, we can choose $n \in \mathbf{N}$ so large that

$$q_l \left(\tau * \chi_\varepsilon - \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j e_j \right) \in \frac{1}{2}U.$$

Since $\sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j e_j$ is in $\ker S_\mu$, we have shown that (*) holds. Knowing that \mathcal{X} and $\mathcal{K}(\omega, \mu)$ are equivalent, the proof can now be completed as the one of Braun, Meise and Vogt [4], 3.6.

Theorem 3.4. *Let ω be a weight function and let $\mu \in \mathcal{E}_\omega(\mathbf{R})'$, $\mu \neq 0$, be given. Then the following assertions are equivalent:*

- (1) $S_\mu : \mathcal{D}_\omega(\mathbf{R})' \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_\omega(\mathbf{R})'$ is surjective
- (2) S_μ admits a fundamental solution.

Proof. It is obvious that (1) implies (2). To show the converse implication, assume that S_μ admits a fundamental solution. Then we choose $k \in \mathbf{N}$ with $Supp(\mu) \subset] - k, k[$ and note that

$$0 \rightarrow K_{n+k} \xrightarrow{j_{n+k}^{n+k}} \mathcal{D}'_{n+k} \xrightarrow{\sigma_{n+k}^n} \mathcal{D}'_n \rightarrow 0$$

is an exact sequence for each $n \in \mathbf{N}$. Hence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{K}(\omega, \mu) \xrightarrow{J} \mathcal{D}'_\omega \xrightarrow{S_\mu} \mathcal{D}'_\omega \rightarrow 0$$

is an exact sequence of projective spectra. Consequently, we get from Palamodov [15], p. 542, (see also Vogt [17], 1.5) the exactness of the following sequence:

$$(*) \quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \rightarrow & Proj^0 \mathcal{K}(\omega, \mu) & \xrightarrow{J^0} & Proj^0 \mathcal{D}'_\omega & \xrightarrow{S_\mu^0} & Proj^0 \mathcal{D}'_\omega & \xrightarrow{\delta^*} \\ & & \rightarrow & Proj^1 \mathcal{K}(\omega, \mu) & \xrightarrow{J^1} & Proj^1 \mathcal{D}'_\omega & \xrightarrow{S_\mu^1} & Proj^1 \mathcal{D}'_\omega & \rightarrow 0. \end{array}$$

By 3.2(2) we can identify $Proj^0 \mathcal{D}'_n$ with $\mathcal{D}'_\omega(\mathbb{R})$. If we do this then S_μ^0 coincides with S_μ . By 3.2(3) we have $Proj^1 \mathcal{D}'_\omega = 0$. Hence (*) gives the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \ker S_\mu \rightarrow \mathcal{D}'_\omega \xrightarrow{S_\mu} \mathcal{D}'_\omega \rightarrow Proj^1 \mathcal{K}(\omega, \mu) \rightarrow 0.$$

If $\ker S_\mu$ is infinite dimensional then we get from Lemma 3.3 and Vogt [18], 1.4, that $Proj^1 \mathcal{K}(\omega, \mu) = Proj^1 \Lambda(\alpha, \beta)$. By Vogt [17], 4.3(i) and 4.2 we have $Proj^1 \Lambda(\alpha, \beta) = 0$. Hence S_μ is surjective. If $\ker S_\mu$ is finite dimensional then it is easily seen that $Proj^1 \mathcal{K}(\omega, \mu) = 0$.

Remark 3.5. In Theorem 2.10 the hypothesis « S_μ admits a fundamental solution» can be replaced by « S_μ is surjective».

Added in proof. Note that Thm. 2.7 above extends Prop. 2.4 and Thm. 2.6 of I. Cioranescu: *Convolution equations in ω -ultradistribution spaces*, Rev. Roum. Math. Pures et Appl. **25** (1980), 719-737. Note also that S. Abdullah: *Convolution equations in Beurling's distributions*, Acta Math. Hung **52** (1988), 7-20, has characterized by different methods the surjective convolution operators on $\mathcal{D}'_\omega(\mathbb{R}^n)$, where $\mathcal{D}'_\omega(\mathbb{R}^n)$ is defined in the sense of Beurling-Björck (see [4], 8.4 (2)).

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