

Conversely, suppose that condition (α) is not satisfied. Then there exist numbers $\varepsilon_0 > 0$ and $\lambda_0 > 0$, a sequence $n_i \rightarrow \infty$ and two sequences m_{n_i} and l_{n_i} such that $l_{n_i}/k_{n_i} \rightarrow 0$ for $i \rightarrow \infty$ and l_{n_i}

$$P \left\{ \left| \sum_{j=0}^{l_{n_i}} \xi_{k_i, m_{n_i} + j} \right| > \lambda_0 \right\} > \varepsilon_0.$$

Denote by Δ_i the least interval containing the points $t_{n_i, m_{n_i}}, t_{n_i, m_{n_i} + 1}, \dots, t_{n_i, m_{n_i} + l_{n_i}}$. If limit (17) exists and is a continuous function of t , then $|\Delta_i| \rightarrow 0$, and condition (a) of the theorem of Prokhorov is not satisfied. This proves theorem 3.

3. Suppose now that the sequence Ξ^* of random variables

$$(18) \quad \xi_{n_1}, \xi_{n_2}, \dots, \xi_{n_{k_n}}$$

has for each n a common distribution $F_n(x) = P\{\xi_{nk} < x\}$, $k = 1, 2, \dots, k_n$. From the theorem of Skorohod (see for example [4], § 3.2) and from theorems 2 and 3 we immediately obtain:

THEOREM 4. *The convergence of the sequence of distribution functions*

$$F_{n, k_n}(x) = P \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^{k_n} \xi_{n_j} < x \right\}$$

for $n \rightarrow \infty$ to a (infinitely divisible) limiting distribution $G(x)$ is necessary and sufficient for:

(I) the compactness of the set of measures $\{P_n(\Xi^*, T)\}$ in the case when the sequence of partitions $T = \{t_{nk}\}$, $k = 0, 1, \dots, k_n$, belongs to the class K defined by formula (14);

(II) the convergence $P_n(\Xi^*, T) \Rightarrow P$ in the case when for the sequence of partitions $T = \{t_{nk}\}$, $k = 0, 1, \dots, k_n$, limit (17) exists.

In cases (I) and (II) the limiting measures are generated by continuous stochastic processes with independent increments.

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A theorem on distributions integrable with even power

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I. In this paper we shall consider some spaces of distributions introduced by Schwartz [2]. By \mathcal{D}_N we shall denote the space of all infinitely differentiable complex-valued functions $\varphi = \varphi(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N)$ ($-\infty < x_j < \infty$, $j = 1, 2, \dots, N$) with compact supports. Put

$$\|\varphi\| = \max_{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N} |\varphi(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N)| \quad (\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_N).$$

The convergence in \mathcal{D}_N is defined as follows: $\varphi_j \rightarrow 0$ ($\varphi_j \in \mathcal{D}_N$, $j = 1, 2, \dots$) if for every system of integers $\langle k_1, k_2, \dots, k_N \rangle$

$$\left\| \frac{\partial^{k_1+k_2+\dots+k_N}}{\partial x_1^{k_1} \partial x_2^{k_2} \dots \partial x_N^{k_N}} \varphi_j \right\| \rightarrow 0$$

and the supports of φ_j are contained in a fixed compact.

Let A be an arbitrary subset of the N -dimensional Euclidean space. By $\mathcal{D}_N(A)$ we shall denote the subspace of \mathcal{D}_N consisting of all functions whose supports are contained in A .

The space \mathcal{D}'_N of distributions is the conjugate space of \mathcal{D}_N . By (T, φ) we shall denote the value of T at φ ($T \in \mathcal{D}'_N$, $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_N$). The conjugate of T is defined by the formula $(\overline{T}, \varphi) = (T, \overline{\varphi})$ ($\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_N$).

We say that a distribution $T \in \mathcal{D}'_N$ is of order $\leq k_1 + \dots + k_N$ on A if there is a continuous function f such that

$$(T, \varphi) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x_1, \dots, x_N) \frac{\partial^{k_1+\dots+k_N}}{\partial x_1^{k_1} \dots \partial x_N^{k_N}} \varphi(x_1, \dots, x_N) dx_1 \dots dx_N$$

for each $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_N(A)$. All the distributions belonging to \mathcal{D}'_N are of finite order on every compact (cf. [2], tome I, chapt. III, § 6).

Let $T \in \mathcal{D}'_1$. By $|T|^{2p}$ ($p = 1, 2, \dots$) we shall denote the direct product $\underbrace{T \times T \times \dots \times T}_p \text{ times} \times \underbrace{\overline{T} \times \overline{T} \times \dots \times \overline{T}}_p \text{ times}$, i. e. the distribution belonging to \mathcal{D}'_2^p

defined by the condition

$$(|T|^{2p}, \varphi) = \prod_{j=1}^p (T, \psi_j) \prod_{s=p+1}^{2p} (\bar{T}, \psi_s)$$

for every $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_{2p}$ of the form $\varphi(x_1, \dots, x_{2p}) = \prod_{j=1}^{2p} \psi_j(x_j)$. In other words, if

$$(T, \varphi) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \frac{d^k}{dx^k} \varphi(x) dx \quad \text{for } \varphi \in \mathcal{D}_1(A),$$

then

$$(1) \quad (|T|^{2p}, \varphi) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \prod_{j=1}^p f(x_j) \prod_{s=p+1}^{2p} \bar{f}(x_s) \frac{\partial^{2pk}}{\partial x_1^k \dots \partial x_{2p}^k} \varphi(x_1, \dots, x_{2p}) dx_1 \dots dx_{2p}$$

for $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_{2p}(A \times A \times \dots \times A)$.

For every pair of real numbers ω_1, ω_2 and for $T \in \mathcal{D}'_1$ we define the integral $\int_{\omega_1}^{\omega_2} |T|^{2p} \in \mathcal{D}'_{2p}$ ($p = 1, 2, \dots$) by the formula

$$(2) \quad \left(\int_{\omega_1}^{\omega_2} |T|^{2p}, \varphi \right) = (|T|^{2p}, \varphi_{\omega_1, \omega_2}) \quad (\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_{2p}),$$

where $\varphi_{\omega_1, \omega_2}(x_2, \dots, x_{2p}) = \int_{\omega_1}^{\omega_2} \varphi(x_1 - x, \dots, x_{2p} - x) dx$.

For every number h the transformations $\tau_h^{(j)}$ ($j = 1, 2, \dots, N$) of \mathcal{D}_N on \mathcal{D}_N are defined by the formula $\tau_h^{(j)} \varphi(x_1, \dots, x_N) = \varphi(x_1, \dots, x_{j-1}, x_j - h, x_{j+1}, \dots, x_N)$. Further, for every interval I we set $\tau_h I = \{x + h : x \in I\}$.

Let $T \in \mathcal{D}'_1$. If the family $\int_{\omega_1}^{\omega_2} |T|^{2p}$ converges when $\omega_1 \rightarrow -\infty, \omega_2 \rightarrow \infty$, we shall write

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |T|^{2p} = \lim_{\substack{\omega_1 \rightarrow -\infty \\ \omega_2 \rightarrow \infty}} \int_{\omega_1}^{\omega_2} |T|^{2p} \quad (p = 1, 2, \dots).$$

The notion of integral $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |T|^2$ was introduced in connection with the study of the filtering of generalized stochastic processes [3]. The distributions $T \in \mathcal{D}'_1$ for which $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |T|^2$ exists are weighing distributions in the optimal least-squares prediction of stationary generalized processes.

By L^q ($q > 1$) we shall denote the space of all measurable complex-valued functions f for which $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(x)|^q dx$ exists. We set

$$\|f\|_{L^q} = \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(x)|^q dx \right)^{1/q}.$$

By \mathcal{D}_{L^q} we shall denote the space of all infinitely differentiable complex-valued functions $\varphi = \varphi(x)$ ($-\infty < x < \infty$) for which $d^k \varphi / dx^k \in L^q$ ($k = 0, 1, \dots$). The convergence in \mathcal{D}_{L^q} is defined as follows: $\varphi_j \rightarrow 0$ ($\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_{L^q}, j = 1, 2, \dots$) if, for every non-negative integer $k, \|d^k \varphi_j / dx^k\|_{L^q} \rightarrow 0$.

The space \mathcal{D}'_{L^r} ($r > 1$) of distributions is the conjugate space of \mathcal{D}_{L^q} , where $q = r/(r-1)$. Obviously, for every $r > 1$ the inclusion $\mathcal{D}'_{L^r} \subset \mathcal{D}'_1$ is true.

II. The aim of this paper is to give the following characterization of the space $\mathcal{D}'_{L^{2p}}$ ($p = 1, 2, \dots$):

THEOREM. Let $T \in \mathcal{D}'_1$. Then $T \in \mathcal{D}'_{L^{2p}}$ ($p = 1, 2, \dots$) if and only if the integral $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |T|^{2p}$ exists.

Before proving the Theorem we shall prove three Lemmas. In the sequel we shall denote the real line by R .

LEMMA 1. Let $T \in \mathcal{D}'_1$. If there is a non-empty interval I such that $|T|^{2p}$ ($p = 1, 2, \dots$) is of finite order on $\bigcup_{-\infty < h < \infty} \tau_h I \times \tau_h I \times \dots \times \tau_h I$, then T is of finite order on R .

Proof. Since $|T|^{2p}$ is of finite order on $\bigcup_{-\infty < h < \infty} \tau_h I \times \tau_h I \times \dots \times \tau_h I$ there are a continuous function f and an integer r such that the equality

$$(3) \quad (|T|^{2p}, \varphi) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x_1, \dots, x_{2p}) \frac{\partial^{2pr}}{\partial x_1^r \dots \partial x_{2p}^r} \varphi(x_1, \dots, x_{2p}) dx_1 \dots dx_{2p}$$

is true for $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_{2p}(\bigcup_{-\infty < h < \infty} \tau_h I \times \tau_h I \times \dots \times \tau_h I)$.

To prove the Lemma it is sufficient to show that for every h the distribution T is of order $\leq r$ on $\tau_h I$ (cf. [2], tome I, p. 27). Obviously, if $T = 0$ on $\tau_h I$ (for definition see [2], tome I, p. 25, 26), then T is of order $\leq r$ on $\tau_h I$. Therefore we may suppose that $T \neq 0$ on $\tau_h I$. Since T is of finite order on $\tau_h I$, there are a continuous function g_0 and an integer k such that the equality

$$(4) \quad (T, \varphi) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g_0(x) \frac{d^k}{dx^k} \varphi(x) dx$$

holds for $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_1(\tau_h I)$. Without loss of generality we may assume that $k > r$. Let a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k ($a_i \neq a_j$ for $i \neq j$) be a system of real numbers belonging to $\tau_h I$ and set

$$g(x) = g_0(x) - \sum_{j=1}^k g_0(a_j) \frac{(x-a_1)\dots(x-a_{j-1})(x-a_{j+1})\dots(x-a_k)}{(a_j-a_1)\dots(a_j-a_{j-1})(a_j-a_{j+1})\dots(a_j-a_k)}.$$

Then

$$(5) \quad g(a_n) = 0 \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots, k)$$

and, in view of (4),

$$(6) \quad (T, \varphi) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) \frac{d^k}{dx^k} \varphi(x) dx \quad \text{for } \varphi \in \mathcal{D}_1(\tau_h I).$$

Hence, taking into account definition (1), we obtain the equality

$$(7) \quad (|T|^{2p}, \varphi) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \prod_{j=1}^p g(x_j) \prod_{s=p+1}^{2p} \overline{g(x_s)} \frac{\partial^{2pk}}{\partial x_1^k \dots \partial x_{2p}^k} \varphi(x_1, \dots, x_{2p}) dx_1 \dots dx_{2p}$$

for $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_{2p}(\tau_h I \times \tau_h I \times \dots \times \tau_h I)$. From equalities (3) and (7) it follows that there are then functions of $2p-1$ variables $b_{j,s}$ ($j = 1, 2, \dots, 2p$; $s = 0, 1, \dots, k-1$) such that

$$(8) \quad [(k-r-1)!]^{-2p} \int_0^{x_1} \int_0^{x_2} \dots \int_0^{x_{2p}} \prod_{j=1}^{2p} (x_j - u_j)^{k-r-1} f(u_1, \dots, u_{2p}) du_1 \dots du_{2p} \\ = \prod_{j=1}^p g(x_j) \prod_{s=p+1}^{2p} \overline{g(x_s)} - \sum_{j=1}^{2p} \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} b_{j,s}(x_1, \dots, x_{j-1}, x_{j+1}, \dots, x_{2p}) x_j^s,$$

for $\langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{2p} \rangle \in \tau_h I \times \tau_h I \times \dots \times \tau_h I$ (cf. [1], § 10). Substituting in the last formula $x_{j_0} = a_n$ ($n = 1, 2, \dots, k$; $j_0 = 1, 2, \dots, 2p$) and taking into account equality (5), we obtain the linear equations for the functions $b_{j_0,s}$ ($s = 0, 1, \dots, k-1$):

$$(9) \quad \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} b_{j_0,s}(x_1, \dots, x_{j_0-1}, x_{j_0+1}, \dots, x_{2p}) a_n^s \\ = B_{j_0,n}(x_1, \dots, x_{2p}) - \sum_{j \neq j_0} \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} b_{j,s}(x_1, \dots, x_{j-1}, x_{j+1}, \dots, x_{j_0-1}, a_n, x_{j_0+1}, \dots, x_{2p}) x_j^s \\ (n = 1, 2, \dots, k),$$

where the $k-r$ -th derivatives of $B_{j_0,n}$ ($n = 1, 2, \dots, k$) are continuous. Hence it follows that $b_{j_0,s}$ ($s = 0, 1, \dots, k-1$) are linear combinations

of the right-hand side of equations (9). Consequently, taking into account formula (8), we have the equality

$$\prod_{j=1}^p g(x_j) \prod_{s=p+1}^{2p} \overline{g(x_s)} = C(x_1, \dots, x_{2p}) + \\ + \sum_{1 \leq j_1 < j_2 \leq 2p} \sum_{s_1, s_2=0}^{k-1} c_{j_1, j_2, s_1, s_2}(x_1, \dots, x_{j_1-1}, x_{j_1+1}, \dots, x_{j_2-1}, x_{j_2+1}, \dots, x_{2p}) x_{j_1}^{s_1} x_{j_2}^{s_2}$$

for $\langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{2p} \rangle \in \tau_h I \times \tau_h I \times \dots \times \tau_h I$, where all the $k-r$ -th derivatives of $C(x_1, \dots, x_{2p})$ are continuous. By iteration of this procedure we finally reach the equality

$$(10) \quad \prod_{j=1}^p g(x_j) \prod_{s=p+1}^{2p} \overline{g(x_s)} = D(x_1, \dots, x_{2p}) + \sum_{0 \leq s_1, s_2, \dots, s_{2p} \leq k-1} d_{s_1, \dots, s_{2p}} x_1^{s_1} \dots x_{2p}^{s_{2p}}$$

for $\langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{2p} \rangle \in \tau_h I \times \tau_h I \times \dots \times \tau_h I$, where all the $k-r$ -th derivatives of $D(x_1, \dots, x_{2p})$ are continuous and $d_{s_1, \dots, s_{2p}}$ ($0 \leq s_1, \dots, s_{2p} \leq k-1$) are constants.

Since $T \neq 0$ on $\tau_h I$, there is, according to (6), a number $a \in \tau_h I$ such that $g(a) \neq 0$. Formula (10) implies the equality

$$g(x) = [\overline{g(a)}]^{-2p} [g(a)]^{-2p+1} \left\{ D(x, a, \dots, a) + \sum_{0 \leq s_1, s_2, \dots, s_{2p} \leq k-1} d_{s_1, \dots, s_{2p}} a^{s_1} a^{s_2} \dots a^{s_{2p}} \right\} \quad \text{for } x \in \tau_h I.$$

Thus the $k-r$ -th derivative of $g(x)$ is continuous in $\tau_h I$. Setting

$$h(x) = (-1)^{k-r} \frac{d^{k-r}}{dx^{k-r}} g(x),$$

we have, according to (6),

$$(T, \varphi) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(x) \frac{d^r}{dx^r} \varphi(x) dx \quad \text{for } \varphi \in \mathcal{D}_1(\tau_h I).$$

Consequently, T is of order $\leq r$ on $\tau_h I$. The lemma is thus proved.

LEMMA 2. Let $T \in \mathcal{D}'_1$. If the integral $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |T|^{2p}$ ($p = 1, 2, \dots$) exists, then T is of finite order on \mathbb{R} .

Proof. Since the integral $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |T|^{2p}$ exists, the inequality

$$\sup_{-\infty < \omega_1, \omega_2 < \infty} \left| \left(\int_{\omega_1}^{\omega_2} |T|^{2p}, \varphi \right) \right| < \infty$$

holds for each $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_{2p}$. Consequently, for every non-empty interval I there are a constant M and a system of integers $\langle k_1, k_2, \dots, k_{2p} \rangle$ such that the inequality

$$(11) \quad \sup_{-\infty < \omega_1, \omega_2 < \infty} \left| \left(\int_{\omega_1}^{\omega_2} |T|^{2p}, \varphi \right) \right| \leq M \left\| \frac{\partial^{k_1 + \dots + k_{2p}}}{\partial x_1^{k_1} \dots \partial x_{2p}^{k_{2p}}} \varphi \right\|$$

holds for $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_{2p}(I \times I \times \dots \times I)$ (cf. [1], § 6).

Let h be an arbitrary real number and $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_{2p}(\tau_h I \times \tau_h I \times \dots \times \tau_h I)$. Then $\tau_h^{(1)} \dots \tau_h^{(2p)} \varphi \in \mathcal{D}_{2p}(I \times I \times \dots \times I)$,

$$\left\| \frac{\partial^{k_1 + \dots + k_{2p}}}{\partial x_1^{k_1} \dots \partial x_{2p}^{k_{2p}}} \varphi \right\| = \left\| \frac{\partial^{k_1 + \dots + k_{2p}}}{\partial x_1^{k_1} \dots \partial x_{2p}^{k_{2p}}} \tau_h^{(1)} \dots \tau_h^{(2p)} \varphi \right\|$$

and, according to (2),

$$\left(\int_{\omega_1}^{\omega_2} |T|^{2p}, \varphi \right) = \left(\int_{\omega_1+h}^{\omega_2+h} |T|^{2p}, \tau_h^{(1)} \dots \tau_h^{(2p)} \varphi \right).$$

Hence, in virtue of (11), for every h we have the inequality

$$(12) \quad \sup_{-\infty < \omega_1, \omega_2 < \infty} \left| \left(\int_{\omega_1}^{\omega_2} |T|^{2p}, \varphi \right) \right| \leq M \left\| \frac{\partial^{k_1 + \dots + k_{2p}}}{\partial x_1^{k_1} \dots \partial x_{2p}^{k_{2p}}} \varphi \right\|$$

if $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_{2p}(\tau_h I \times \tau_h I \times \dots \times \tau_h I)$. Put

$$\varphi_j(x_1, \dots, x_{2p}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \varphi(x_1, \dots, x_{2p}) \quad (j = 1, 2, \dots, 2p).$$

Then the well-known equality

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\omega_1}^{\omega_2} \sum_{j=1}^{2p} \varphi_j(x_1 - x, \dots, x_{2p} - x) dx \\ = \varphi(x_1 - \omega_1, \dots, x_{2p} - \omega_1) - \varphi(x_1 - \omega_2, \dots, x_{2p} - \omega_2) \end{aligned}$$

is true. Consequently, according to (2),

$$\lim_{\omega_2 \rightarrow \infty} \left(\int_0^{\omega_2} |T|^{2p}, \sum_{j=1}^{2p} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \varphi \right) = (|T|^{2p}, \varphi)$$

for $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_{2p}$. Hence, in view of (12), the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} |(|T|^{2p}, \varphi)| &\leq \sup_{-\infty < \omega_1, \omega_2 < \infty} \left(\int_{\omega_1}^{\omega_2} |T|^{2p}, \sum_{j=1}^{2p} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \varphi \right) \\ &\leq M \left\| \sum_{j=1}^{2p} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial^{k_1 + \dots + k_{2p}}}{\partial x_1^{k_1} \dots \partial x_{2p}^{k_{2p}}} \varphi \right\| \leq C \left\| \frac{\partial^{k_1 + \dots + k_{2p} + 2p}}{\partial x_1^{k_1 + 1} \dots \partial x_{2p}^{k_{2p} + 1}} \varphi \right\| \end{aligned}$$

holds for $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_{2p}(\tau_{h_1} I \times \tau_{h_2} I \times \dots \times \tau_{h_n} I)$, where C is a constant. Consequently, $|T|^{2p}$ is of order $\leq k_1 + \dots + k_{2p} + 4p$ on $\tau_{h_1} I \times \tau_{h_2} I \times \dots \times \tau_{h_n} I$ for every h (cf. [1], § 5). This implies that $|T|^{2p}$ is of finite order on $\bigcup_{-\infty < h < \infty} \tau_h I \times \tau_h I \times \dots \times \tau_h I$. Hence, in virtue of Lemma 1, T is of finite order on R . The lemma is thus proved.

By $\Delta_h f$ we shall denote the difference $f(t+h) - f(t)$. We shall use the notation $f * g(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x-u)g(u)du$, provided that this convolution exists.

LEMMA 3. Let $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_1$ and let f be a continuous function such that for $|h| \leq c$ ($c > 0$) $\Delta_h f \in L^r$ ($r > 1$) and the functions $\|\Delta_h f * \frac{d^s \varphi}{dx^s}\|_{L^r}$ ($s = 0, 1, 2$) are integrable (with respect to h , $|h| \leq c$). Then for every pair $h_1 < h_2$ ($|h_1| < c$, $|h_2| < c$) of Lebesgue points of $\|\Delta_h f * \varphi\|_{L^r}$ the inequality

$$\left\| f * \frac{d}{dx} \varphi \right\|_{L^r} \leq (h_2 - h_1)^{-1} \left\{ \|\Delta_{h_1} f * \varphi\|_{L^r} + \|\Delta_{h_2} f * \varphi\|_{L^r} + \int_{h_1}^{h_2} \left\| \Delta_h f * \frac{d}{dx} \varphi \right\|_{L^r} dh \right\}$$

is true. Consequently, $f * d\varphi/dx \in L^r$.

Proof. It is easy to verify the following equality:

$$(13) \quad \Delta_{h_2 + v} f * \varphi = \Delta_{h_2} f * \Delta_v \varphi + f * \Delta_v \varphi + \Delta_{h_1} f * \varphi.$$

Let $h_1 < h_2$ ($|h_1| < c$, $|h_2| < c$) be a pair of Lebesgue points of $\|\Delta_h f * \varphi\|_{L^r}$. Then the equality

$$(14) \quad \lim_{v \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{v} \int_{h_1}^{h_2 + v} \|\Delta_h f * \varphi\|_{L^r} dh = \|\Delta_{h_2} f * \varphi\|_{L^r} \quad (j = 1, 2)$$

is true. By integration of (13) with respect to h we obtain the equality

$$(h_2 - h_1) f * \Delta_v \varphi = \int_{h_2}^{h_2 + v} \Delta_h f * \varphi dh - \int_{h_1}^{h_1 + v} \Delta_h f * \varphi dh - \int_{h_1}^{h_2} \Delta_h f * \Delta_v \varphi dh.$$

Consequently, for a sufficiently small positive number v the inequality

$$(15) \quad (h_2 - h_1) \left\| f * \frac{1}{v} \Delta_v \varphi \right\|_{L^r} \leq \frac{1}{v} \int_{h_1}^{h_1+v} \|\Delta_h f * \varphi\|_{L^r} dh + \\ + \frac{1}{v} \int_{h_2}^{h_2+v} \|\Delta_h f * \varphi\|_{L^r} dh + \int_{h_1}^{h_2} \left\| \Delta_h f * \frac{1}{v} \Delta_v \varphi \right\|_{L^r} dh$$

holds. Since

$$\frac{1}{v} \Delta_h \varphi(x) - \frac{d}{dx} \varphi(x) = \frac{1}{v} \int_0^v \frac{d^2}{du^2} \varphi(u+x)(v-u) du,$$

we have

$$\int_{h_1}^{h_2} \left\| \Delta_h f * \left(\frac{1}{v} \Delta_v \varphi - \frac{d}{dx} \varphi \right) \right\|_{L^r} dh \leq \frac{1}{2} v \int_{h_1}^{h_2} \left\| \Delta_h f * \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \varphi \right\|_{L^r} dh.$$

Hence follows the convergence

$$(16) \quad \lim_{v \rightarrow 0} \int_{h_1}^{h_2} \left\| \Delta_h f * \frac{1}{v} \Delta_v \varphi \right\|_{L^r} dh = \int_{h_1}^{h_2} \left\| \Delta_h f * \frac{d}{dx} \varphi \right\|_{L^r} dh.$$

Further, according to Fatou's Lemma,

$$\liminf_{v \rightarrow 0} \left\| f * \frac{1}{v} \Delta_v \varphi \right\|_{L^r} \geq \left\| f * \frac{d}{dx} \varphi \right\|_{L^r}.$$

Hence, in view of (14), (15) and (16), we obtain the inequality

$$(h_2 - h_1) \left\| f * \frac{d}{dx} \varphi \right\|_{L^r} \leq \|\Delta_{h_1} f * \varphi\|_{L^r} + \|\Delta_{h_2} f * \varphi\|_{L^r} + \int_{h_1}^{h_2} \left\| \Delta_h f * \frac{d}{dx} \varphi \right\|_{L^r} dh,$$

q. e. d.

By iteration of the last lemma we obtain the following

COROLLARY. Let $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_1$ and let f be a continuous function such that, for h_1, h_2, \dots, h_k ($|h_j| \leq c$; $c > 0$; $j = 1, 2, \dots, k$), $\Delta_{h_1} \Delta_{h_2} \dots \Delta_{h_k} f \in L^r$ ($r > 1$) and the functions

$$\left\| \Delta_{h_1} \Delta_{h_2} \dots \Delta_{h_k} f * \frac{d^s}{dx^s} \varphi \right\|_{L^r} \quad (s = 0, 1, \dots, k+1)$$

are integrable (with respect to h_1, h_2, \dots, h_k ; $|h_j| \leq c$, $j = 1, 2, \dots, k$). Then $f * d^k \varphi / dx^k \in L^r$.

Proof of the theorem. Sufficiency. Let us suppose that $T \in \mathcal{D}'_1$ and that the integral $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |T|^{2p}$ exists. Then, in virtue of Lemma 2, T is of finite order on R . There are then a continuous function f and an integer k such that

$$(17) \quad T = \frac{d^k}{dx^k} f.$$

Let I be a non-empty interval containing the point 0. There are then a family of continuous functions $g_{\langle \omega_1, \omega_2 \rangle} = g_{\langle \omega_1, \omega_2 \rangle}(x_1, \dots, x_{2p})$ and a system of integers $\langle k_1, \dots, k_{2p} \rangle$ such that

$$(18) \quad \left(\int_{\omega_1}^{\omega_2} |T|^{2p}, \varphi \right) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g_{\langle \omega_1, \omega_2 \rangle}(x_1, \dots, x_{2p}) \frac{\partial^{k_1 + \dots + k_{2p}}}{\partial x_1^{k_1} \dots \partial x_{2p}^{k_{2p}}} \times \\ \times \varphi(x_1, \dots, x_{2p}) dx_1 \dots dx_{2p}$$

for $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_{2p}(I \times I \times \dots \times I)$ and the family $g_{\langle \omega_1, \omega_2 \rangle}$ converges uniformly on $I \times I \times \dots \times I$ when $\omega_1 \rightarrow -\infty$, $\omega_2 \rightarrow \infty$ (see [1], § 10). Without loss of generality we may suppose that

$$(19) \quad k_1 = k_2 = \dots = k_{2p} = k.$$

Further, according to (1), (2) and (17), we obtain the equality

$$\left(\int_{\omega_1}^{\omega_2} |T|^{2p}, \varphi \right) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{\omega_1}^{\omega_2} \prod_{j=1}^p f(x_j + x) \prod_{s=p+1}^{2p} \overline{f(x_s + x)} dx \times \\ \times \frac{\partial^{2pk}}{\partial x_1^k \dots \partial x_{2p}^k} \varphi(x_1, \dots, x_{2p}) dx_1 \dots dx_{2p}$$

for $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_{2p}$. Hence, taking into account (18) and (19), for sufficiently small $h_j^{(p)}, \dots, h_k^{(p)}, x_j$ ($j = 1, 2, \dots, 2p$) we have the equality

$$\int_{\omega_1}^{\omega_2} \prod_{j=1}^p \Delta_{h_j^{(p)}} \dots \Delta_{h_k^{(p)}} f(x_j + x) \prod_{s=p+1}^{2p} \overline{\Delta_{h_s^{(p)}} \dots \Delta_{h_k^{(p)}} f(x_s + x)} dx \\ = \Delta_{h_1^{(0)}} \dots \Delta_{h_k^{(2)}} \dots \Delta_{h_1^{(2p)}} \dots \Delta_{h_k^{(2p)}} g_{\langle \omega_1, \omega_2 \rangle}(x_1, \dots, x_{2p}).$$

Hence, taking into account the convergence of the family $g_{\langle \omega_1, \omega_2 \rangle}$ we infer that the family $\int_{\omega_1}^{\omega_2} \Delta_{h_1} \dots \Delta_{h_k} f(x)^{2p} dx$ converges when $\omega_1 \rightarrow -\infty$, $\omega_2 \rightarrow \infty$ uniformly for $|h_j| \leq c$ ($j = 1, 2, \dots, k$), where c is a positive constant. Consequently, for every h_1, \dots, h_k ($|h_j| \leq c$, $j = 1, 2, \dots, k$),

$A_{h_1} \dots A_{h_k} f \in L^{2p}$ and the norm $\|A_{h_1} \dots A_{h_k} f\|_{L^{2p}}$ is continuous with respect to h_1, \dots, h_k . Moreover, for every $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_1$ the norms $\|A_{h_1} \dots A_{h_k} f^* \frac{d^s \varphi}{dx^s}\|_{L^{2p}}$ ($s = 0, 1, \dots, k+1$) are integrable with respect to h_1, \dots, h_k ($|h_j| \leq c$, $j = 1, 2, \dots, k$). Hence, in virtue of the Corollary to Lemma 3,

$$(20) \quad f^* \frac{d^k}{dx^k} \varphi \in L^{2p} \quad \text{if} \quad \varphi \in \mathcal{D}_1.$$

Since the support of $\varphi (\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_1)$ is compact, $T^* \varphi$ exists. (The convolution of distributions is defined in [2], tome II, chapter VI). Moreover, from equality (17) it follows that $T^* \varphi = f^* \frac{d^k \varphi}{dx^k}$. Hence, in view of (20), $T^* \varphi \in L^{2p}$ for each $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_1$. Thus, according to a theorem of Schwartz ([2], tome II, p. 57) $T \in \mathcal{D}'_{L^{2p}}$. The sufficiency of the condition of the theorem is thus proved.

Necessity. Let $T \in \mathcal{D}'_{L^{2p}}$. There is then, according to a theorem of Schwartz ([2], tome II, p. 57), a system of functions f_0, f_1, \dots, f_n belonging to L^{2p} such that

$$T = \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{d^r}{dx^r} f_r.$$

Let g, g_0, g_1, \dots, g_n be a system of continuous functions such that

$$(21) \quad g = \sum_{r=0}^n g_r,$$

$$(22) \quad \frac{d^{k-r}}{dx^{k-r}} g_r = f_r \quad (r = 0, 1, \dots, n)$$

and, consequently, $T = d^k g / dx^k$. Hence, in virtue of (1) and (2),

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\int_{\omega_1}^{\omega_2} |T|^{2p}, \varphi \right) \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{\omega_1}^{\omega_2} \prod_{j=1}^p g(x_j + \omega) \prod_{s=p+1}^{2p} \overline{g(x_s + \omega)} dx \frac{\partial^{2pk}}{\partial x_1^k \dots \partial x_{2p}^k} \times \\ & \quad \times \varphi(x_1, \dots, x_{2p}) dx_1 \dots dx_{2p} \quad (\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_{2p}). \end{aligned}$$

This implies, according to (21) and (22), the following equality:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\int_{\omega_1}^{\omega_2} |T|^p, \varphi \right) \\ &= \sum_{0 \leq s_1, \dots, s_{2p} \leq n} \pm \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{\omega_1}^{\omega_2} \prod_{j=1}^p f_{s_j}(x_j + \omega) \prod_{r=p+1}^{2p} \overline{f_{s_r}(x_r + \omega)} dx \frac{\partial^{s_1 + \dots + s_{2p}}}{\partial x_1^{s_1} \dots \partial x_{2p}^{s_{2p}}} \times \\ & \quad \times \varphi(x_1, \dots, x_{2p}) dx_1 \dots dx_{2p} \quad (\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_{2p}) \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, to prove that $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |T|^{2p}$ exists it is sufficient to show that for every system $0 \leq s_1, \dots, s_{2p} \leq n$

$$(23) \quad \sup_{x_1, \dots, x_{2p}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \prod_{j=1}^{2p} |f_{s_j}(x_j + \omega)| d\omega < \infty.$$

From the inequality

$$\prod_{j=1}^{2p} |f_{s_j}(x_j + \omega)| \leq \sum_{j=1}^{2p} |f_{s_j}(x_j + \omega)|^{2p}$$

it follows that

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \prod_{j=1}^{2p} |f_{s_j}(x_j + \omega)| d\omega \leq \sum_{j=1}^{2p} \|f_{s_j}\|_{L^{2p}}^{2p},$$

which implies formula (23). Thus $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |T|^{2p}$ exists, which was to be proved.

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