

Topological properties of convolutor spaces

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- Unified approach for \mathcal{D}'_{L^1} and \mathcal{O}'_C , or more generally, convolutor spaces for Gelfand-Shilov spaces \mathcal{K}_W .
- Analyze completeness of weighted inductive limits of spaces of smooth functions (**In particular first direct proof** of completeness of \mathcal{O}_C).
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Theorem (Debrouwere and V., 2018)

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