

# An introduction to hyperfunctions

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① Introduction: The goal of this talk is to give an elementary introduction to hyperfunction theory. Our material here is based on [3,4] (see also [1,2]).

Hyperfunction theory is an approach to the theory of generalized functions discovered by M. Sato.

In general, the goal of a generalized function theory is to construct a sheaf  $\mathcal{F}$  of vector spaces on, say,  $\mathbb{R}^n$  such that

①  $C \subseteq \mathcal{F}$  as a subsheaf (here  $C$  is the sheaf of continuous functions)

② There are sheaf operators  $\partial_1, \dots, \partial_n: \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  such that  $\partial_j: C^1 \rightarrow C$  are just the partial derivatives. ①

③ There is a (multiplication) subalgebra  $R \subseteq C^\infty$  (regular elements) such that  $\mathcal{F}$  is a "natural"  $R$ -module.

The theory of Schwartz distributions solves these problems with  $R = C^\infty$  and  $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{D}'$  the sheaf of distributions.

Sato obtained an extension of Schwartz's theory, the sheaf of hyperfunctions  $\mathcal{B}$  which solves the problem with  $R = \mathcal{A}$  the sheaf of real analytic functions. We consider here hyperfunctions of one-variable in some detail, and sketch an approach to the theory in several variables. In what follows, we denote by  $\mathcal{O}(W)$  the space of holomorphic functions on an open set  $W$ .

## ② Some tools from complex analysis in one variable

Our first result is the following Mittag-Leffler theorem.

Theorem 2.1 (Mittag-Leffler) Let  $W \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  be open and let  $\{W_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$  be a covering of  $W$ .

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Suppose  $\varphi_{\alpha, \beta} \in \mathcal{O}(W_\alpha \cap W_\beta)$  are given such that

$$\varphi_{\alpha, \beta} + \varphi_{\beta, \gamma} + \varphi_{\gamma, \alpha} = 0, \quad \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in I.$$

Then, there is  $\sum \varphi_\alpha$  with  $\varphi_\alpha \in \mathcal{O}(W_\alpha)$  such that

$$\varphi_{\alpha, \beta} = \varphi_\beta - \varphi_\alpha \text{ on } W_\alpha \cap W_\beta.$$

Remark 2.2 This theorem says that the 1st cohomology group on  $W$  with coefficients in  $\mathcal{O}$  vanishes; in symbols:  $H^1(W; \mathcal{O}) = 0$ .

The next tool is the representations of analytic functionals.

Definition 2.3. Let  $K \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  be compact and  $W$  be open

① The space of germs of holomorphic functions on  $K$  is

$$\mathcal{O}(K) = \varinjlim_{K \subseteq V} \mathcal{O}(V).$$

Its dual space  $\mathcal{O}'(K)$  is the space of analytic functionals on  $K$ . Note that  $\mathcal{O}(K)$  is a DFS-space (dual Fréchet-Schwartz space), while  $\mathcal{O}'(K)$  is a Fréchet space.

② We write  $H'_K(W; \mathcal{O}) = \mathcal{O}(W \setminus K) / \mathcal{O}(W)$ .

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Theorem 2.4 (Sebastianião e Silva-Köthe-Grothendieck). Let  $K \subseteq W \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  with  $K$  compact and  $W$  open. Then

$$(2.1) \quad \mathcal{O}'(K) \cong H_K^1(W; \mathcal{O})$$

The isomorphism  $H_K^1(W; \mathcal{O}) \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}'(K)$  is generated by the bilinear form  $\langle [F], f \rangle$  on

$$H_K^1(W; \mathcal{O}) \times \mathcal{O}(K):$$

$$(2.2) \quad \langle [F], f \rangle = - \int_{\gamma} F(z) f(z) dz,$$

where  $F \in \mathcal{O}(W \setminus K)$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{O}(U)$ ,  $K \subseteq U \subseteq W$ , and  $\gamma$  is a contour in  $U$  winding once around  $K$ .

Conversely, given  $\mu \in \mathcal{O}'(K)$ ,  $\mu$  can be represented as in (2.2) with  $F$  given by its Cauchy transform:

$$F(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \langle \mu(\xi), \frac{1}{\xi - z} \rangle, \quad z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus K.$$

Remark 2.5 The equality (2.1) shows that

$H_K^1(W; \mathcal{O})$  is independent of  $W$ .

If  $W$  and  $W'$  are neighborhoods of  $K$  s.t.

$W' \subseteq W$ , we have (they are exact if every component of  $W$  intersects  $W \setminus K$  (resp.  $W'$ ))

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}(W) \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}(W \setminus K) \longrightarrow H'_K(W; \mathcal{O}) \longrightarrow 0$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & (\downarrow) \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{O}(W') & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{O}(W' \setminus K) & \longrightarrow & H'_K(W'; \mathcal{O}) \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

so that  $H'_K(W; \mathcal{O}) \longrightarrow H'_K(W'; \mathcal{O})$  can be defined to make the diagram commutative. (call restriction map).

Corollary 2.6  $H'_K(W; \mathcal{O}) \longrightarrow H'_K(W'; \mathcal{O})$

is a linear topological isomorphism.

Definition 2.7  $H'[K; \mathcal{O}] = \varinjlim_{K \subseteq W} H'_K(W; \mathcal{O})$

$$= \varinjlim_{K \subseteq W} \mathcal{O}(W \setminus K) / \mathcal{O}(W)$$

[3] Sato's hyperfunctions in one-variable.

Sato's idea was to consider boundary values of analytic functions on  $\mathbb{R}$  to construct the space of hyperfunctions. The precise definition

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of Sato's sheaf of hyperfunctions is as follows.

Let  $A$  be s.t.  $A \subseteq W$  and  $A \subseteq W'$  are closed in both open sets  $W$  and  $W'$  of  $\mathbb{C}$ .

We write  $H'_A(W; \mathcal{G}) = \mathcal{O}(W \setminus A) / \mathcal{O}(W)$

if every connected component of  $W$  meets  $W \setminus A$  then

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}(W) \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}(W \setminus A) \longrightarrow H'_A(W; \mathcal{G}) \longrightarrow 0$$

is a short exact sequence. As before

$$\mathcal{O}(W) \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}(W \setminus A)$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow$$

$$\mathcal{O}(W') \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}(W' \setminus A)$$

induces a canonical homomorphism

$$(3.1) \quad H'_A(W; \mathcal{G}) \longrightarrow H'_A(W'; \mathcal{G})$$

which one checks easily to be injective.

Theorem 3.1 Let  $A \subseteq W' \subseteq W$  be as above. Then

(3.1) is an isomorphism.

Proof. We will check the surjectivity. Let  $\varphi \in \mathcal{O}(W' \setminus A)$

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We find  $\psi \in \mathcal{O}(W \setminus A)$  s.t.  $[\psi] = [\varphi]$  in  $\mathcal{O}(W' \setminus A) / \mathcal{O}'(W')$ . For it, we apply the Mittag-Leffler theorem to  $\varphi \in \mathcal{O}(W' \setminus A)$  with  $(W \setminus A) \cup W'$  so that  $(W \setminus A) \cap W' = W' \setminus A$ , so that  $\exists \psi \in \mathcal{O}(W \setminus A)$  and  $\chi \in \mathcal{O}(W')$  s.t.  $\varphi = \psi - \chi$  on  $W' \setminus A$ . //

Def 3.2 Let  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be locally closed. We write

$$\mathcal{B}[S] = H'[S; \mathcal{O}] = \varinjlim_{W \in \mathcal{N}(S)} H'_S[W, \mathcal{O}],$$

where  $\mathcal{N}(S)$  is the collection of complex neighborhoods of  $S$  for which  $S$  is open in them.

If  $S = I$  is open, we write  $\mathcal{B}(I) = \mathcal{B}[I]$  and call  $\mathcal{B}(I)$  the space of hyperfunctions on  $I$ .

Exemples 3.3. (i)  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}) = \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}) / \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C})$

(ii)  $\mathcal{B}[K] = \mathcal{O}'(K)$ , the space of analytic functionals on a compact  $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . //

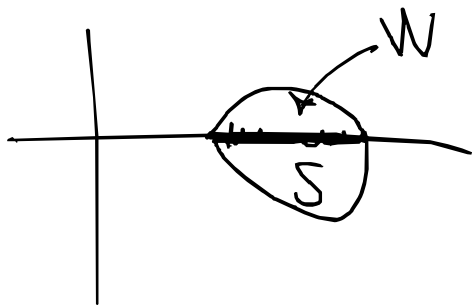
We note that  $f \in \mathcal{B}[S]$  is the equivalence class of  $\varphi \in \mathcal{O}(W \setminus S)$ , where  $W \in \mathcal{N}(S)$ .

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which we write

$$f = [\varphi] \text{ or } f(x) = [\varphi(z)]_{z=x}$$

and called  $\varphi$  a defining function of  $f$ . Note  $f = [\varphi]$  is a zero hyperfunction if  $\varphi \in \mathcal{O}(W)$ .



Proposition 3.4 Let  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be locally closed and  $I$  be a real neighborhood of  $S$ . The natural mapping

$$\iota: \mathcal{B}[S] \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(I)$$

is injective.

Proof.  $W \in \mathcal{N}(S)$  s.t.  $W \cap \mathbb{R} = I$ .

Take  $\varphi \in \mathcal{O}(W \setminus S)$  s.t.  $f = [\varphi]$  on  $\mathcal{B}[S]$ .

$$(\iota f) = [\varphi|_{W \setminus I}]$$

is clearly injective. //

We set  $\mathbb{C}_{\pm} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \pm \operatorname{Im} z > 0\}$



iff  $W$  is open in  $\mathbb{C}$ ,  $W^\pm = W \cap \mathbb{C}^\pm$ .

iff  $W \in \mathcal{N}(I)$ ,  $I$  open in  $\mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $W \cap \mathbb{R} = I$

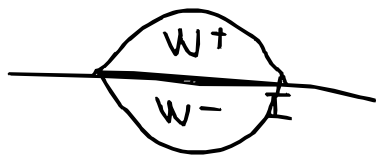
Then

$$\mathcal{O}(W \setminus I) = \mathcal{O}(W^+) \oplus \mathcal{O}(W^-)$$

so that each  $\varphi = \varphi_+ + \varphi_-$  with.

$$\varphi_+(z) = \begin{cases} \varphi(z), & z \in W^+ \\ 0, & z \in W^- \end{cases}, \quad \varphi_-(z) = \begin{cases} 0, & z \in W^+ \\ \varphi(z), & z \in W^- \end{cases}$$

We have  $[\varphi] = 0$  iff  $\varphi_+$  and  $\varphi_-$  are analytic continuations of each other across  $I$ .



We define its boundary values  $\varphi(x \pm i0) \in \mathcal{B}(I)$

by  $\varphi(x+i0) = [\varphi_+(z)]_{z=x},$

$$\varphi(x-i0) = -[\varphi_-(z)]_{z=x}.$$

so that,

$$f(x) = [\varphi(x)]_{z=x} = \varphi(x+i0) - \varphi(x-i0).$$

Recall  $f \in \mathcal{A}(I)$  ( $f$  is real analytic on  $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ )

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If there is  $W \in \mathcal{N}(I)$  such that  $f$  extends holomorphically to  $W$ .

Proposition 3.5 The association of  $f \in \mathcal{A}(I)$  with the hyperfunction

$$f(x) := f(x+i0) - f(x-i0) \in \mathcal{B}(I),$$

defines an injection  $\mathcal{A}(I) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(I)$ , so that we regard  $\mathcal{A}(I) \subseteq \mathcal{B}(I)$ . We have  $\mathcal{B}(I)$  is an  $\mathcal{A}(I)$ -module. //

Proof If  $f(x+i0) = 0$  it means  $\begin{cases} f(z), & z \in W^+ \\ 0, & z \in W^- \end{cases}$  has analytic continuation across  $I$ , so that  $f = 0$ .

Note that  $f(x+i0) = f(x-i0) \iff f(x+i0) - f(x-i0) = 0$  as the latter trivially holds. //

If  $S' \subset S$  is open in a locally closed set  $S$  given  $W \in \mathcal{N}(S) \exists W' \in \mathcal{N}(S')$  s.t.

$$W' \cap S' \subseteq W \cap S \quad (\text{E.g. } W' = (W \cap S) \cup S')$$

Then.

we obtain a canonical homomorphism

$$H_S^1(W; \mathcal{O}) \longrightarrow H_{S'}^1(W'; \mathcal{O})$$

which induces (by definition) the restriction mapping for hyperfunctions

$$\mathcal{B}[S] \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}[S'].$$

Theorem 3.6 Let  $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be open.  $\mathcal{B}$  is a sheaf on  $I$ . Concretely, if  $\{I_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in J}$  is an open covering of  $I$ , we have:

① If  $f \in \mathcal{B}(I)$  satisfies  $f|_{I_\alpha} = 0, \forall \alpha \in J$ , then  $f = 0$ .

② Given  $f_\alpha \in \mathcal{B}(I_\alpha)$  for each  $\alpha \in J$  s.t.

$f_\alpha|_{I_\alpha \cap I_\beta} = f_\beta|_{I_\alpha \cap I_\beta}, \forall \alpha, \beta \in J$ ,  
there is  $f \in \mathcal{B}(I)$  s.t.  $f|_{I_\alpha} = f_\alpha$ .

Proof. ① Clear. ② Take  $W_\alpha \in \mathcal{N}(I_\alpha)$  s.t.  $W_\alpha \cap \mathbb{R} = I_\alpha$   
and  $\varphi_\alpha \in \mathcal{O}(W_\alpha \setminus I_\alpha)$  s.t.  $f_\alpha = [\varphi_\alpha]$ . Then

$$W = \cup W_\alpha \in \mathcal{N}(I) \text{ and } W \cap \mathbb{R} = I.$$

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Our assumption is that  $\varphi_{\alpha, \beta} = \varphi_{\beta} - \varphi_{\alpha} \in \mathcal{O}(W_{\alpha} \cap W_{\beta})$ .  
 We can therefore, use the Mittag-Leffler theorem,  
 find  $\psi_{\alpha} \in \mathcal{O}(W_{\alpha})$  s.t.  $\varphi_{\alpha, \beta} = \psi_{\alpha} - \psi_{\beta}$  on

$W_{\alpha} \cap W_{\beta}$ . This says  $\varphi_{\alpha} - \psi_{\alpha} = \varphi_{\beta} - \psi_{\beta}$

on  $(W_{\alpha} \setminus I_{\alpha}) \cap (W_{\beta} \setminus I_{\beta})$ . We can

define  $\varphi \in \mathcal{O}(W \setminus I) = \mathcal{O}(\cup W_{\alpha} \setminus I_{\alpha})$

by defining  $\varphi = \varphi_{\alpha} - \psi_{\alpha}$  on  $W_{\alpha} \setminus I_{\alpha}$

Then  $f = [\varphi] \in \mathcal{B}(I)$  satisfies

$$f|_{I_{\alpha}} = [\varphi_{\alpha}] - [\psi_{\alpha}] = f_{\alpha} - 0 = f_{\alpha} \quad \parallel$$

The following property of the sheaf of hyperfunctions  
 is very important.

Def 3.7. A sheaf  $\mathcal{H}$  over a topological space  $X$  is called  
 flabby if for each open  $U \subseteq X$  and each  $s \in \mathcal{H}(U)$   
 $\exists g \in \mathcal{H}(X)$  s.t.  $g|_U = s \quad \parallel$

Theorem 3.8 The sheaf of hyperfunctions  $\mathcal{B}$  is  
 flabby.

Proof. Let  $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  open. We consider  $\partial I = \bar{I} \setminus I$

Then  $W = \mathbb{R} \setminus \partial I \in \mathcal{N}(I)$  and  $W \supseteq \mathbb{R}$ .

We take a defining function  $\varphi \in \mathcal{O}((\mathbb{R} \setminus \partial I) \setminus I)$   
 $= \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{R} \setminus \bar{I})$ .

of  $f \in \mathcal{B}(I)$ . Now  $g = [\varphi|_{\mathbb{R} \setminus \partial I}] \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$   
satisfies  $g|_I = f$ .

As for any sheaf we can define  $\text{supp } f$  as the complement of the largest open set  $I$  where  $f|_I = 0$ .

Corollary 3.9 Let  $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  open and  $S$  be closed in  $I$ .  
Then,

$$\mathcal{B}[S] \cong \{f \in \mathcal{B}(I) : \text{supp } f \subseteq S\}$$

Proof. Let  $J = I \setminus S$  an open subset. By Theorem 3.8 the restriction mapping is

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{B}[I \setminus J] \xrightarrow{\text{canonical inclusion}} \mathcal{B}(I) \xrightarrow{\text{restriction}} \mathcal{B}(J) \rightarrow 0$$

is surjective. Thus this short sequence is exact,

implying  $\mathcal{B}[S] = \mathcal{B}[I \setminus J] \cong \{f \in \mathcal{B}(I) : f|_J = 0\}$

We can define differentiation in an easy way.

$$\frac{df}{dx} = [\varphi'(z)]_{z=x}, \text{ where } f = [\varphi].$$

To embed continuous functions (or even distributions) when they are compactly supported, we can employ the Cauchy transform. In fact, notice first that if  $f \in C(\mathbb{R})$  and  $\text{supp } f \subseteq [a, b]$ , then

$$F(z) = -\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_a^b \frac{f(u)}{u-z} du, \quad z \notin [a, b]$$

belongs to  $\mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C} \setminus [a, b])$ . The assignment  $f \mapsto [F]$  is injective because  $(y > 0) \Rightarrow$

$$\begin{aligned} F(x+iy) - F(x-iy) &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_a^b f(u) \left[ \frac{1}{u-x-iy} - \frac{1}{u-x+iy} \right] du \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi y} \int_a^b f(u) \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{u-x}{y}\right)^2} du \xrightarrow{y \rightarrow 0^+} f(x). \end{aligned}$$

The embedding of  $C(I)$  or more generally the space of distributions  $\mathcal{D}'(I)$

can then be achieved via the following general result. A sheaf on a topological space  $X$  is called soft if every section on a closed set can be extended to a global section on  $X$ . Any flabby sheaf is soft, so  $\mathcal{B}$  is soft. Sheaves admitting partitions of unity (the so-called fine sheaves) are also soft. The sheaf of continuous functions  $\mathcal{C}$  and of distributions  $\mathcal{D}'$  are soft.

Lemma 3.10 Let  $X$  be a second countable topological space and  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{G}$  be soft sheaves on  $X$ .

Suppose there is a linear mapping

$$\iota_c: \mathcal{F}_c(X) = \{s \in \mathcal{F}(X) : \text{supp } s \text{ is compact}\}$$

$$\longrightarrow \mathcal{G}_c(X)$$

such that  $\text{supp}(\iota_c(s)) = \text{supp } s$ ,  $\forall s \in \mathcal{F}_c(X)$ .

Then there is a unique sheaf monomorphism  $\rho: \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  such that

For every open  $U \subseteq X$ , one has  $\iota_U(S) = \iota_c(S)$   
 $\forall S \in \mathcal{H}_c(U)$ . //

Corollary We have sheaf embeddings

$$C \longrightarrow D' \longrightarrow B.$$

In compactly supported distributions the embedding is induced by the Cauchy transform.

#### 4 Hyperfunctions in several variables.

We have seen that hyperfunctions in one variable satisfy:

①  $I \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}(I)$  is a sheaf over  $\mathbb{R}$ .

②  $\mathcal{B}$  is a flabby sheaf.

③ Its compact sections are the spaces of analytic functions:  $\mathcal{B}[K] = \mathcal{O}'(K) = \mathcal{H}'(K)$ ,  $K \subseteq \text{compact } \mathbb{R}$ .

These three properties essentially characterize  $\mathcal{B}$  in view of Lemma 3.10.

Hyperfunctions in several variables satisfy these same properties. However, the original construction by Sato was not easy to achieve.

Is  $\Omega \subseteq \text{open } \mathbb{R}^n$ , Sata defined

$$B(\Omega) = H^n(V, V \setminus \Omega; \mathbb{C}),$$

where  $V \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$  is an open set such that  $V \cap \mathbb{R}^n = \Omega$  and the right hand side is the  $n$ th relative cohomology group of the open pair  $(V, V \setminus \Omega)$  with coefficients in the sheaf  $\mathbb{C}$  of holomorphic functions, a concept he invented<sup>①</sup> to be able to construct the theory of hyperfunctions of several variables.

In [2], L. Hörmander gave a presentation of the sheaf of hyperfunctions using harmonic functions. This approach has the advantage of being similar to the one-dimensional theory. A clear exposition in this respect can be found in H. Komatsu's paper [3]. Here we sketch the presentation from [3].

Let  $V \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  be open. We denote the space of

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① The same concept was independently defined by Grothendieck, called by him the  $n$ th local cohomology group with support in  $\Omega$  and denoted  $H^n_{\Omega}(V, \mathbb{C})$  (17)

holomorphic functions on  $V$  as

$$\mathcal{H}(V) = \{ \varphi \in C^\infty(V) : \Delta \varphi = 0 \}.$$

We write variables in  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  as  $(x, t) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}$ .

If  $V$  is symmetric with respect to  $\mathbb{R}^n$  that is

$$(x, t) \in V \Leftrightarrow (x, -t) \in V,$$

we write  $\mathcal{H}_-(V)$  for the space of holomorphic functions that are odd with respect to the variable  $t$ , that is,

$$\mathcal{H}_-(V) = \{ \varphi \in \mathcal{H}(V) : \varphi(x, -t) = -\varphi(x, t) \}.$$

Given  $\Omega \subseteq \text{open } \mathbb{R}^n$ , let  $V \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  be a symmetric open set such that  $V \cap \mathbb{R}^n = \Omega$ . We define the space of hyperfunctions on  $\Omega$  as

$$\mathcal{B}(\Omega) = \mathcal{H}_-(V \setminus \Omega) / \mathcal{H}_-(V)$$

If  $\Omega_1 \subseteq \Omega$ , one has natural restriction maps

$$\mathcal{B}(\Omega) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(\Omega_1), \text{ making } \mathcal{B} \text{ a presheaf. One}$$

can show:

①  $\mathcal{B}$  is a sheaf. ②  $\mathcal{B}$  is flabby

③ If  $\mathcal{B}[K] = \{ f \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n) : \text{supp } f \subseteq K \}$ , then

$$(4.1) \quad \mathcal{B}[K] \cong \mathcal{L}'(K),$$

the Fréchet space of analytic functionals with support on  $K$ .

In addition, the definition of  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{R})$  does not depend on the choice of  $V$ . The latter and property ① follow from the following Mittag-Leffler theorem for harmonic functions shown by Malgrange. The flabbiness can be shown as in Section 3.

Theorem 4.1 Let  $\{V_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in J}$  be open subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ . If a family  $\varphi_{\alpha, \beta} \in \mathcal{H}(V_\alpha \cap V_\beta)$  satisfies

$$\varphi_{\alpha, \beta} + \varphi_{\beta, \gamma} + \varphi_{\gamma, \alpha} = 0,$$

there are  $\varphi_\alpha \in \mathcal{H}(V_\alpha)$  s.t.  $\varphi_{\alpha, \beta} = \varphi_\beta - \varphi_\alpha$  on  $V_\alpha \cap V_\beta$ . ///

In other words,  $H^1(V, \mathcal{H}) = 0$ .

Given  $f = [F] \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{R})$ , we simply write

$$f(x) = F(x, +0) - F(x, -0) = 2F(x, +0).$$

Suppose that  $g$  is real analytic in a neighborhood of a compact  $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $f(x) = 2F(x, +0) \in \mathcal{B}[K]$ .

We define the pairing  $\langle f, g \rangle$

defining the isomorphism (4.1) as follows.

Let  $V$  be a symmetric neighborhood of  $K$  in  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  and  $G \in \mathcal{H}(V)$  s.t. it solves the Cauchy problem

$$\begin{cases} \Delta G = 0 \\ G(x, 0) = 0 \\ \partial_t G(x, 0) = g(x) \end{cases}$$

We may assume  $F \in A_-(V \setminus K)$ . We define

$$\langle f, g \rangle = - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+1}} F(x, t) \Delta(\rho G)(x, t) dx dt,$$

where  $\rho$  is a smooth function with compact support in  $V$  that is equal to 1 in a neighborhood of  $K$ .

Conversely, given an analytic function

$f \in \mathcal{A}'(K)$ , one defines the harmonic function given by the Poisson transform

$$\Psi(x, t) = \langle f(y), P(x-y, t) \rangle, \quad (x, t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \setminus K,$$

where  $P(x, t) = \frac{1}{\omega_{n+1}} \frac{t}{(x^2 + t^2)^{\frac{n+1}{2}}}$ . Then  $f = [\Psi]$  gives the

inverse correspondence of the isomorphism (4.1)

See [2, 3] for details.

We refer to [1] for an extension of these ideas to quasianalytic functionals. (20)

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