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(1) For  $\varphi \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$  and  $\mathbb{1}_{(-t,t)} \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$  the Product Rule gives  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} \widehat{\varphi} \mathbb{1}_{(-t,t)} dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \varphi \widehat{\mathbb{1}_{(-t,t)}} dx$ ,

and so

$$(*) \quad \int_{-t}^t \widehat{\varphi} dx = 2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi(x) \frac{\sin(tx)}{x} dx$$

holds for all  $t > 0$ ,  $\varphi \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$ .

Since  $\mathbb{1}_{(-t,t)} \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{1}_{\mathbb{R}}$  in  $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R})$  and

$\mathcal{F}$  is  $\mathcal{D}'$ -continuous,

$$\langle \widehat{\mathbb{1}_{\mathbb{R}}}, \varphi \rangle = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} 2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi(x) \frac{\sin(tx)}{x} dx$$

for each  $\varphi \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$ . From  $\widehat{\delta_0} = \mathbb{1}_{\mathbb{R}}$  and

the Fourier Inversion Formula in  $\mathcal{D}'$ ,

$$2\pi \widetilde{\delta_0} = \widehat{\widehat{\delta_0}} = \widehat{\mathbb{1}_{\mathbb{R}}}, \text{ hence, as } \widetilde{\delta_0} = \delta_0,$$

$$\langle 2\pi \delta_0, \varphi \rangle = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} 2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi(x) \frac{\sin(tx)}{x} dx$$

and the conclusion  $\frac{\sin(tx)}{x} \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow \infty} \pi \delta_0$  in

$\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R})$  follows.

② Clearly  $x^k f \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  so  $\hat{f} \in C^k(\mathbb{R})$  with  $\hat{f}^{(k)}(\xi) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) (-ix)^k e^{-ix\xi} dx$ , (2/15)

hence 
$$|\hat{f}^{(k)}(\xi)| \leq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x|^k |f(x)| dx \leq 2 \int_0^{\infty} x^k e^{-x} dx = 2 \cdot k!$$

If  $\text{spt}(\hat{f}) \neq \mathbb{R}$  then we may select  $\xi_0 \in \partial(\text{spt}(\hat{f}))$ . Clearly  $\hat{f}^{(k)}(\xi_0) = 0$  for all  $k$ , so by Taylor's formula

$$\hat{f}(\xi) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{\hat{f}^{(k)}(\xi_0)}{k!} (\xi - \xi_0)^k + R_n(\xi, \xi_0) = R_n(\xi, \xi_0)$$

where  $R_n(\xi, \xi_0) = \frac{\hat{f}^{(n+1)}(\xi_0 + \theta(\xi - \xi_0))}{(n+1)!} (\xi - \xi_0)^{n+1}$

for some  $\theta = \theta_n(\xi, \xi_0) \in (0, 1)$ . Now we may estimate

$$|R_n(\xi, \xi_0)| \leq \frac{2 \cdot (n+1)!}{(n+1)!} |\xi - \xi_0|^{n+1} = 2 |\xi - \xi_0|^{n+1}$$

and so if  $|\xi - \xi_0| < 1$ , then

$$R_n(\xi, \xi_0) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Consequently,  $\hat{f}(\xi) = 0$  for all  $\xi \in (\xi_0 - 1, \xi_0 + 1)$ .

But then  $\xi_0 \notin \partial(\text{spt}(\hat{f}))$  and we conclude that either  $\text{spt}(\hat{f}) = \emptyset$  or  $\text{spt}(\hat{f}) = \mathbb{R}$ .

# Distribution Theory and Fourier Analysis. Sheet 4

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(3) Clearly  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$  (any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ) so

$$\hat{f}(\xi) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(x) e^{-ix \cdot \xi} dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{-|x| - ix \cdot \xi} dx.$$

(a)  $n=1$ :  $\hat{f}(\xi) = \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{(1-i\xi)x} dx + \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(1+i\xi)x} dx \stackrel{FTC}{=} \frac{1}{1-i\xi} + \frac{1}{1+i\xi} = \frac{2}{1+|\xi|^2}$ , and so by Fourier

Inversion Formula in  $\mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R})$  (note  $f \notin \mathcal{S}$ )

$$e^{-|x|} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \tilde{\mathcal{F}}(\hat{f})(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+|\xi|^2} e^{ix\xi} d\xi.$$

Take  $\lambda = |x|$  yields required identity.

(b) Now for  $\lambda \geq 0$ :

$$e^{-\lambda} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+|\xi|^2} e^{i\lambda\xi} d\xi = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(1+|\xi|^2)t} e^{i\lambda\xi} dt d\xi$$

Fubini

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-t(1+|\xi|^2)} e^{i\lambda\xi} d\xi e^{-t} dt$$

$G_t = e^{-t|x|^2}$   
see proof for Fourier inversion in  $\mathcal{S}$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \underbrace{\left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-t(1+|\xi|^2)} e^{i\lambda\xi} d\xi \right)}_{\mathcal{F}(e^{-t(1+|\xi|^2)})(-\lambda)} e^{-t} dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \left( \frac{\pi}{t} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{-\frac{\lambda^2}{4t}} e^{-t} dt$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi t}} e^{-t - \frac{\lambda^2}{4t}} dt, \text{ as required.}$$

(c)  $\hat{f}(\xi) \stackrel{(b)}{=} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi t}} e^{-t - \frac{|x|^2}{4t}} dt e^{-ix \cdot \xi} dx$

$$\stackrel{\text{Fubini}}{=} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi t}} e^{-t} \hat{G}_{\frac{1}{4t}}(\xi) dt =$$

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi t}} e^{-t} \left(\frac{\pi}{4t}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}} e^{-4t|\xi|^2} dt =$$

$$2^n \pi^{\frac{n-1}{2}} \int_0^\infty t^{\frac{n-1}{2}} e^{-4t|\xi|^2-t} dt \quad s = (1+|\xi|^2)t$$

$$2^n \pi^{\frac{n-1}{2}} \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{s}{1+|\xi|^2}\right)^{\frac{n-1}{2}} e^{-s} \frac{ds}{1+|\xi|^2} =$$

$$2^n \pi^{\frac{n-1}{2}} \frac{1}{(1+|\xi|^2)^{\frac{n+1}{2}}} \int_0^\infty s^{\frac{n-1}{2}} e^{-s} ds =$$

$$2^n \pi^{\frac{n-1}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right) \frac{1}{(1+|\xi|^2)^{\frac{n+1}{2}}}$$

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(a)  $g \in \mathcal{P}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$  by Lemma 12.2. Calculating in polar coordinates we see that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |g(x)| dx = \omega_{n-1} \int_0^\infty (1+r^2)^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}} r^{n-1} dr < \infty$$

iff  $-2\frac{\alpha}{2} + n - 1 < -1$ , so iff  $\alpha > \frac{n}{2}$ .

$$(b) \int_0^\infty t^{\frac{\alpha-1}{2}} e^{-(1+|x|^2)t} dt \quad s = (1+|x|^2)t$$

$$\int_0^\infty \left(\frac{s}{1+|x|^2}\right)^{\frac{\alpha-1}{2}} e^{-s} \frac{ds}{1+|x|^2} = (1+|x|^2)^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}} \int_0^\infty s^{\frac{\alpha-1}{2}} e^{-s} ds$$

$$= \Gamma\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right) g(x), \text{ so } c = \frac{1}{\Gamma\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right)} \in (0, \infty).$$

(c) Let  $\varphi \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Then using (b) and Fubini we calculate:

$$\langle \hat{g}, \varphi \rangle = \langle g, \hat{\varphi} \rangle = c \int_0^\infty t^{\frac{\alpha}{2}-1} e^{-t} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{-t|x|^2} \hat{\varphi}(x) dx dt \quad (5/15)$$

Recall  $G_t(x) = e^{-t|x|^2}$ ,  $\hat{G}_t(x) = \left(\frac{\pi}{t}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}} e^{-\frac{|x|^2}{4t}}$  (see Theorem 10.3) so by the Product Rule:

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} G_t \hat{\varphi} dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \hat{G}_t \varphi dx,$$

hence

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \hat{g}, \varphi \rangle &= c \int_0^\infty t^{\frac{\alpha}{2}-1} e^{-t} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \hat{G}_t(x) \varphi(x) dx dt \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left( c \int_0^\infty t^{\frac{\alpha}{2}-1} e^{-t} \hat{G}_t(x) dt \right) \varphi(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

by Fubini, since

$$c \int_0^\infty t^{\frac{\alpha}{2}-1} e^{-t} \hat{G}_t(x) dt > 0 \quad \forall x$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} c \int_0^\infty t^{\frac{\alpha}{2}-1} e^{-t} \hat{G}_t(x) dt dx & \stackrel{\text{Tonelli}}{=} \\ c \int_0^\infty t^{\frac{\alpha}{2}-1} e^{-t} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \hat{G}_t(x) dx dt & \stackrel{\text{See pt for Th. 10.3}}{=} c \int_0^\infty t^{\frac{\alpha}{2}-1} e^{-t} (2\pi)^n dt \\ & = c \Gamma\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right) (2\pi)^n = (2\pi)^n < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Thus } \hat{g}(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right)} \int_0^\infty t^{\frac{\alpha}{2}-1} e^{-t} \hat{G}_t(x) dt,$$

a positive integrable function, as required.

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(a) For  $\varphi \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$  we have

$$(1+x^2)|\varphi(x)| \leq 2\bar{S}_{2,0}(\varphi) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R},$$

and so for  $\varepsilon \geq 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |\operatorname{Log}(x \pm i\varepsilon)\varphi(x)| &\leq 2\bar{S}_{2,0}(\varphi) \frac{|\log(x^2 + \varepsilon^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}| + \pi}{1+x^2} \\ &\leq 2\bar{S}_{2,0}(\varphi) \frac{|\log|x|| + \log(|x|+1) + \pi}{1+x^2} \end{aligned}$$

for  $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $\varepsilon \geq 0$ . Note that

$$2\bar{S}_{2,0}(\varphi) \frac{|\log|x|| + \log(|x|+1) + \pi}{1+x^2} \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$$

and

$$\operatorname{Log}(x \pm i\varepsilon)\varphi(x) \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \operatorname{Log}(x \pm i0)\varphi(x)$$

pointwise in  $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ , where

$$\operatorname{Log}(x \pm i0) := \log|x| + i \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x > 0 \\ \pm\pi & \text{if } x < 0. \end{cases}$$

Thus  $\operatorname{Log}(x \pm i0) \in \mathcal{P}'(\mathbb{R})$  and the  $\varepsilon$ -uniform bound yields for  $\varphi \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$ :

$$|\langle \operatorname{Log}(x \pm i0), \varphi \rangle| \leq c \bar{S}_{2,0}(\varphi),$$

where  $c = 2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{|\log|x|| + \log(|x|+1) + \pi}{1+x^2} dx$ .

(b) For  $\varphi \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$  the definition gives 7/15

$$\langle (x \pm i0)^{-k}, \varphi \rangle = -\frac{1}{(k-1)!} \langle \text{Log}(x \pm i0), \varphi^{(k)} \rangle$$

and so

$$|\langle (x \pm i0)^{-k}, \varphi \rangle| \leq \frac{c}{(k-1)!} \bar{S}_{2,0}(\varphi^{(k)})$$

$$\leq \frac{c}{(k-1)!} \bar{S}_{2,k}(\varphi).$$

If also  $\varphi^{(j)}(0) = 0$  for  $j = 0, 1, \dots, k$  we find by partial integration:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle (x \pm i0)^{-k}, \varphi \rangle &= -\frac{1}{(k-1)!} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \text{Log}(x \pm i0) \varphi^{(k)}(x) dx \\ &= -\frac{1}{(k-1)!} \left\{ \left( \int_{-\infty}^0 + \int_0^{\infty} \right) \log|x| \varphi^{(k)}(x) \pm i\pi \int_{-\infty}^0 \varphi^{(k)}(x) dx \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$= +\frac{1}{(k-1)!} \left( \int_{-\infty}^0 + \int_0^{\infty} \right) \frac{1}{x} \varphi^{(k-1)}(x) dx + 0$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^k} \varphi(x) dx, \quad \text{as required.}$$

(c) Inspection gives that

$$\text{Log}(x+i0) - \text{Log}(x-i0) = 2\pi i H(-x)$$

for all  $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ , and thus

$$\text{Log}(x+i0) - \text{Log}(x-i0) = 2\pi i \tilde{H} \quad \text{in } \mathcal{P}'(\mathbb{R}).$$

Differentiating with respect to  $x$   $k$  times and multiplying by  $\frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{(k-1)!}$  we find

$$\frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{(k-1)!} \frac{d^k}{dx^k} \left\{ \text{Log}(x+io) - \text{Log}(x-io) \right\} =$$

$$2\pi i \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{(k-1)!} \frac{d^k}{dx^k} \tilde{H} = 2\pi i \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{(k-1)!} \frac{d^{k-1}}{dx^{k-1}} (-\delta_0) =$$

$$2\pi i \frac{(-1)^k}{(k-1)!} \delta_0^{(k-1)}, \quad \text{as required.}$$

(d) For  $\varphi \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$  we have

$$\langle x(x \pm io)^{-1}, \varphi \rangle = \left\langle \frac{d}{dx} \text{Log}(x \pm io), x\varphi \right\rangle$$

$$= - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \text{Log}(x \pm io) (x\varphi)' dx =$$

$$- \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \log|x| (x\varphi)' dx - i \int_{-\infty}^0 (\pm \pi) (x\varphi)' dx$$

parts on  $(-\infty, 0)$  and  $(0, \infty)$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x} x\varphi dx - 0 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi dx,$$

so  $x(x \pm io)^{-1} = 1$  in  $\mathcal{P}'(\mathbb{R})$ .

Deduction is clear (and so one must be careful with the associative rule).



From  $x(x \pm io)^{-1} = 1$  in  $\mathcal{F}'(\mathbb{R})$  we get by applying  $x \frac{d}{dx}$  that

$$0 = x \frac{d}{dx} \left( x(x \pm io)^{-1} \right) \stackrel{\text{Leibniz}}{=} x \left( (x \pm io)^{-1} + x(- (x \pm io)^{-2}) \right) = x(x \pm io)^{-1} - x^2(x \pm io)^{-2}$$

so  $x^2(x \pm io)^{-2} = 1$  in  $\mathcal{F}'(\mathbb{R})$ .

Now suppose that  $x^k(x \pm io)^{-k} = 1$  in  $\mathcal{F}'(\mathbb{R})$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then we find

$$0 = x \frac{d}{dx} \left( x^k(x \pm io)^{-k} \right) \stackrel{\text{Leibniz}}{=} x \left( kx^{k-1}(x \pm io)^{-k} + x^k(-k(x \pm io)^{-k-1}) \right) = kx^k(x \pm io)^{-k} - kx^{k+1}(x \pm io)^{-k-1}$$

and induction concludes the proof.

$$(e) \mathcal{F}_{x \rightarrow \xi} (H_\varepsilon(x)) = \int_0^\infty e^{-\varepsilon x - i x \xi} dx = \frac{1}{\varepsilon + i \xi} =$$

$$-i(\xi - i\varepsilon)^{-1} = -i \frac{d}{d\xi} \text{Log}(\xi - i\varepsilon), \quad \varepsilon > 0.$$

Since  $H_\varepsilon \rightarrow H$  and  $\text{Log}(\xi - i\varepsilon) \rightarrow \text{Log}(\xi - io)$  as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+$  in  $\mathcal{F}'(\mathbb{R})$  and  $\mathcal{F}, \frac{d}{d\xi}$  are  $\mathcal{F}'$ -continuous,  $\mathcal{F}_{x \rightarrow \xi} (H(x)) = -i(\xi - io)^{-1}$ .

We also have

$\mathcal{F}_{x \rightarrow \xi}(\tilde{H}) = \mathcal{F}_{x \rightarrow -\xi}(H) = -i(-\xi - i0)^{-1} =$   
 $i(\xi + i0)^{-1}$ , so by Fourier Inversion Formula  
in  $\mathcal{D}'$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{F}_{x \rightarrow \xi}((x + i0)^{-1}) &= \mathcal{F}(-i \mathcal{F}(\tilde{H})) \\ &= -2\pi i H(\xi).\end{aligned}$$

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$$\leq \frac{1}{2} (2(R+\delta))^n \frac{\varepsilon}{(2(R+\delta))^n} = \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

Consequently we get for all  $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^n$  with  $\|\xi\|_\infty > \frac{\pi}{\delta}$  that  $|\hat{f}(\xi)| < \varepsilon$ .

6 (a) Let  $\varphi \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$ . Then for all  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  we have that

$$c_{m,n} := \sup_x (1+|x|)^n |\varphi^{(m)}(x)| < \infty,$$

and so  $|\varphi^{(m)}(x)| \leq \frac{c_{m,n}}{(1+|x|)^n}, \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

For each  $k \in \mathbb{Z}, x \in \mathbb{R}$ :

$$|\varphi^{(m)}(x - 2\pi k)| \leq \frac{c_{m,n}}{(1+|2\pi k - x|)^n}$$

Take  $n=2$  and fix  $r > 0$ . Then for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}, |x| \leq r$  we have

$$|\varphi^{(m)}(x - 2\pi k)| \leq \frac{c_{m,2}}{(1+|2\pi k - r|)^2}$$

provided  $|k| \geq \frac{r}{2\pi}$ . Since clearly  $\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{c_{m,2}}{(1+|2\pi k - r|)^2}$

$< \infty$  we deduce from the Weierstraß M-test that  $\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \varphi^{(m)}(x - 2\pi k)$  is uniformly convergent in  $x \in [-r, r]$ . Therefore  $P_\varphi$  is well-defined and  $C^\infty$ . It is clear

that  $P\varphi$  is  $2\pi$ -periodic.

From Prelims we know that a smooth  $2\pi$ -periodic function is equal to its Fourier series:

$$P\varphi(x) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} c_k e^{ikx}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R},$$

where

$$c_k = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} P\varphi(x) e^{-ikx} dx \quad \text{uniform convergence}$$

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \varphi(x - 2\pi n) e^{-ikx} dx =$$

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \int_{-(2n-1)\pi}^{-(2n+1)\pi} \varphi(y) e^{-iky - ik \cdot 2\pi n} dy = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi(y) e^{-iky} dy$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \hat{\varphi}(k).$$

(b) From (a) we get for  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ :

$$\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{1}{2\pi} \hat{\varphi}(k) e^{ikx} = P\varphi(x) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \varphi(x - 2\pi k)$$

and so in particular for  $x = 0$ , that

$$\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{1}{2\pi} \hat{\varphi}(k) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \varphi(2\pi k).$$

(c) Take  $\varphi = G_t = e^{-t| \cdot |^2}$  and recall that

$$\hat{G}_t(\xi) = \left(\frac{\pi}{t}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{-\frac{|\xi|^2}{4t}}, \quad \text{so that (a) yields}$$

the required identity.

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By the Identity theorem for holomorphic functions we deduce that since  $F \neq 0$

$Z_F = \{z_j : j \in J\}$  has no cluster points in  $\mathbb{C}$ , and the corresponding multiplicities  $\{m_j : j \in \mathbb{N}\} \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ . Consequently the set

$\{j \in J : |z_j| < k\}$  must be finite for each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  by Bolzano-Weierstrass. We can therefore take  $r_j > 0$  for each  $j \in J$  so

$\{B_{r_j}(z_j) : j \in J\}$  are mutually disjoint.

In  $B_{r_j}(z_j)$  we can by virtue of Taylor's theorem write  $F(z) = (z - z_j)^{m_j} F_j(z)$ , where  $F_j : B_{r_j}(z_j) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is holomorphic and non-zero.

Now  $\log |F_j| = \frac{1}{2} \log (F_j \bar{F}_j)$  and  $\Delta = 4 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}}$  so as  $\log |F_j| \in C^\infty(B_{r_j}(z_j))$  we calculate

$$\Delta \log |F_j| = 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}} \left( \frac{1}{F_j \bar{F}_j} \left( F_j \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}} \bar{F}_j + \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}} F_j \right) \bar{F}_j \right) \right) = 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}} \left( \frac{1}{F_j} \overline{F_j'} \right) = 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}} \left\{ \overline{\left( \frac{F_j'}{F_j} \right)} \right\} = 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}} \left( \frac{F_j'}{F_j} \right) = 0$$

Thus  $\log |F_j|$  is harmonic on  $B_{r_j}(z_j)$ .

Since on  $B_{r_j}(z_j)$ ,  $F(z) = (z-z_j)^m F_j(z)$ , we have clearly  $\log|F| \in L^1(B_{r_j}(z_j)) \subset \mathcal{D}'(B_{r_j}(z_j))$

hence

$$\Delta \log|F| = \Delta \left( m_j \log|z-z_j| + \log|F_j(z)| \right) =$$

$2\pi m_j \delta_{z_j}$ , since  $\frac{1}{2\pi} \log|z|$  is fundamental solution for  $\Delta$  on  $\mathbb{C}$ .

Now  $\log|F| \in L^1_{loc}(\mathbb{C}) \subset \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{C})$  and if  $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{C})$  and  $K = \{j \in J : \text{spt}(\varphi) \cap B_{r_j}(z_j) \neq \emptyset\}$  (so  $K$  is finite) we put for  $z \in \text{spt}(\varphi) \setminus \bigcup_{j \in K} B_{r_j}(z_j)$ ,

$$r(z) = \frac{1}{2} \min_{j \in J} |z-z_j|$$

Then  $\{B_{r(z)}(z) : z \in \text{spt}(\varphi) \setminus \bigcup_{j \in K} B_{r_j}(z_j)\} \cup \{B_{r_j}(z_j)\}_{j \in K}$

is an open cover of the set  $\text{spt}(\varphi)$ . By compactness it admits a finite subcover,

say  $B_{r(z_s)}(z_s)$ ,  $1 \leq s \leq m$ ,  $B_{r_j}(z_j)$ ,  $j \in K$ .

Put  $B_s^* = B_{r(z_s)}(z_s)$ ,  $B_j = B_{r_j}(z_j)$ , and use

Theorem 2.5 to find  $\phi_s^*, \phi_j \in \mathcal{D}(\bigcup_{s=1}^m B_s^* \cup \bigcup_{j \in K} B_j)$  with  $\text{spt}(\phi_s^*) \subset B_s^*$ ,  $0 \leq \phi_s^* \leq 1$ ,  $\text{spt}(\phi_j) \subset B_j$ ,  $0 \leq \phi_j \leq 1$

and so  $\sum_{s=1}^m \phi_s^* + \sum_{j \in K} \phi_j = 1$  on  $\text{spt}(\varphi)$ . (15/15)

Now  $\varphi = \sum_{s=1}^m \phi_s^* \varphi + \sum_{j \in K} \phi_j \varphi$  and  $\langle \Delta \log |F|, \varphi \rangle =$   
 $\sum_{s=1}^m \langle \Delta \log |F|, \phi_s^* \varphi \rangle + \sum_{j \in K} \langle \Delta \log |F|, \phi_j \varphi \rangle$ .

Since  $F$  is holomorphic and nonzero on  $B_s^*$  we have  $\langle \Delta \log |F|, \phi_s^* \varphi \rangle = 0$ .

On  $B_j(z_j)$  we have  $\Delta \log |F| = 2\pi m_j \delta_{z_j}$ ,

hence

$$\langle \Delta \log |F|, \varphi \rangle = \sum_{j \in K} \langle 2\pi m_j \delta_{z_j}, \phi_j \varphi \rangle.$$

Because  $\text{spt}(\phi_j) \subset B_j$  and the  $\{B_j\}_{j \in J}$  are mutually disjoint we get

$$\sum_{j \in K} \langle 2\pi m_j \delta_{z_j}, \phi_j \varphi \rangle = \sum_{k \in K} \langle \sum_{j \in J} 2\pi m_j \delta_{z_j}, \phi_k \varphi \rangle$$

$$= \langle \sum_{j \in J} 2\pi m_j \delta_{z_j}, (\sum_{k \in K} \phi_k) \varphi \rangle.$$

Since  $(\sum_{s=1}^m \phi_s^* \varphi)(z_j) = 0$  for all  $j \in J$  we have shown that  $\Delta \log |F| = \sum_{j \in J} 2\pi m_j \delta_{z_j}$ .  $\square$