

# Generalized functions - HW 3

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## Question 1

a. Assume first that  $g(x) \equiv 1$ . We will prove the claim by induction on  $k$ . The case  $k = 0$  is immediate. Denote  $I = \{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$  and  $I' = I \setminus \{v_k\}$ . We note that by the chain rule

$$\left(\frac{\partial^k}{\partial v_I} \tilde{f}\right)(0) = \left(\frac{\partial^{k-1}}{\partial v_{I'}} \frac{\partial}{\partial v_k} f \circ \varphi\right)(0) = \left(\frac{\partial^{k-1}}{\partial v_{I'}} \frac{\partial}{\partial v_k} f \circ \varphi\right)(0) = \left(\frac{\partial^{k-1}}{\partial v_{I'}} \langle \nabla f, \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial v_k} \rangle\right)(0)$$

But now all first  $k - 1$  derivatives of  $\langle \nabla f, \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial v_k} \rangle$  must vanish at 0 thus by the induction hypothesis

$$\left(\frac{\partial^{k-1}}{\partial v_{I'}} \langle \nabla f, \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial v_k} \rangle\right)(0) = \left(\frac{\partial^{k-1}}{\partial D\varphi_{v_{I'}}} \langle \nabla f, \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial v_k} \rangle\right)(0) = \left(\frac{\partial^{k-1}}{\partial D\varphi_{v_{I'}}} \frac{\partial}{\partial D\varphi_{v_k}} f\right)(0)$$

As desired.

For general  $g$  we note that for every multi index  $J$ ,  $|J| \leq k$  we have that  $\frac{\partial^{|J|}}{\partial v_J} f \circ \varphi(0) = 0$ . We may now combine this fact with the generalized Leibniz law to obtain

$$\left(\frac{\partial^k}{\partial v_I} \tilde{f}\right)(0) = \sum_{J \subset I} \binom{k}{|J|} \frac{\partial^{|J|}}{\partial v_J} f \circ \varphi(0) \cdot \frac{\partial^{k-|J|}}{\partial v_{I \setminus J}} g(0) = \frac{\partial^k}{\partial v_I} f \circ \varphi(0) \cdot g(0)$$

Combining both parts concludes the proof.

b. Consider  $f(x) = e^x$  and  $\varphi(x) = x^3 + x$ . Clearly  $f'(0) \neq 0$  and we have that

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} f \circ \varphi\right)(0) = [e^{x^3+x}]''(0) = [e^{x^3+x}(9x^4 + 6x^2 + 6x + 1)](0) = 1$$

while

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial^2 D\varphi_x} f(0) = \frac{\partial}{\partial D\varphi_x} (f' \cdot \varphi')(0) = \frac{\partial}{\partial D\varphi_x} (e^x(3x^2 + 1))(0) = (e^x(3x^2 + 1))'(3x^2 + 1)(0) \neq 1$$

## Question 2

If  $\varphi^* : C^\infty(Y) \rightarrow C^\infty(X)$  is defined as  $\varphi^*(f) = f \circ \varphi$ , then for we will show that  $\text{supp}(\varphi^*f) \subset \varphi^{-1}\text{supp}(f)$ . Indeed let  $x \in \text{supp}(\varphi^*f)$ , then  $f(\varphi(x)) \neq 0$  which implies  $\varphi(x) \in \text{supp}(f)$  or  $x \in \varphi^{-1}\text{supp}(f)$ . It may be worthwhile to notice that this works only when  $x$  is in the interior of  $\text{supp}(\varphi^*f)$  but extending it to the boundary is immediate.

Now, let  $f \in C_c^\infty(Y)$  then  $\text{supp}(f)$  is compact and for proper  $\varphi$  so is  $\varphi^{-1}\text{supp}(f)$ . Thus,  $\text{supp}(\varphi^*f)$  is compact as well as a closed subset of  $\varphi^{-1}\text{supp}(f)$ . And  $\varphi^*(f) \in C_c^\infty(X)$ .

### Question 3

a. Let  $\bar{g} \in \mu_c^\infty(X)$  we will show that  $\varphi_*(\bar{g}) \in \mu_c^\infty(Y)$ . The fact that  $\varphi_*(\bar{g})$  is compactly supported is implied by the next item. Thus we will contend ourselves with showing that it is smooth. Smoothness is a local property, and for every  $y \in Y$  we can then find a neighborhood  $V$  such that  $\varphi|_{\varphi^{-1}(V)}$  is a projection from  $F^{n+k}$  to  $F^n$ . On this neighborhood we may write  $\bar{g}$  as  $g \cdot d\lambda$  where  $\lambda$  denotes the Haar measure. It is now the case that  $\varphi_*(\bar{g})$  is defined by integration along the fibers of  $\varphi$ , thus if  $dx, dy$  are the respective Haar measures on  $F^k$  and  $F^n$

$$\varphi_*(\bar{g}) = \left( \int_{F^k} g(x, y) dx \right) dy$$

By denoting  $h(y) := \int_{F^k} g(x, y) dx$  we may write  $\varphi_*(\bar{g}) = h \cdot dy \in \mu_c^\infty(F^n)$  as promised.

b. Let  $\xi \in \text{Dist}_c(X)$  such that  $\text{supp}(\xi) = K$ . For  $f \in C_c^\infty(Y)$  by writing

$$\langle \varphi_*(\xi), f \rangle = \langle \xi, f \circ \phi \rangle$$

We may see that  $\varphi_*(\xi)$  must be supported on  $\varphi(K)$ . Since the continuous image of a compact set must be compact the claim follows. (Hope this is not utter nonsense)

### Question 4

We will show that for every  $\bar{g} \in \mu_c^\infty(X)$ ,  $\langle \varphi^*(f), \bar{g} \rangle = \langle f \circ \varphi, \bar{g} \rangle$ . To be more specific, for every  $x \in X$  we will show that there exists a neighborhood in which the above equality holds, since the measures form a sheaf, the claim will follow.

Let  $x \in X$ , and let  $V$  be a neighborhood of  $y$  such that  $V \simeq F^{n+k}$  and  $\varphi$  acts as a projection from  $V$  (this is possible by  $\varphi$  being a submersion). Thus, we may assume WLOG that  $\varphi(x_1, \dots, x_n, \dots, x_{n+k}) = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ . But now, by definition,  $\langle \varphi^*(f), \bar{g} \rangle = \langle f, \varphi_*(\bar{g}) \rangle$  where  $\varphi_*(\bar{g})$  is given by integration along the fibers of  $\varphi$  and  $\bar{g}$  can be written as  $g \cdot d\lambda$ , where  $\lambda$  is the Haar measure on  $F$ . This amounts to

$$\varphi_*(\bar{g})(y) = \int_{F^k} g(y, x) dx, \quad x \in F^k, y \in F^n$$

and, finally, by using Fubini's theorem

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \varphi^*(f), \bar{g} \rangle &= \int_{F^n} f(y) \left( \int_{F^k} g(x, y) dx \right) dy \\ &= \int_{F^k} \int_{F^n} g(y, x) f(y) dy dx = \int_{F^k} \int_{F^n} g(y, x) f \circ \varphi(y, x) dy dx \\ &= \langle f \circ \varphi, \bar{g} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Which concludes the proof.

## Question 5

We will first show that every  $\chi \in \mathbb{R}^\vee$  is of the form  $\chi(x) = e^{isx}$  for some  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ . Indeed, let  $\chi$  be a non-trivial character. Since  $\chi$  is a continuous homomorphism its forms a subgroup of the circle which contains an entire interval. In which case it is easy to verify that  $\chi$  is onto. The isomorphism theorem then shows that  $\chi$  must have a non-trivial kernel. Let  $0 \neq T \in \ker(\chi)$ , so for every  $x$ ,  $\chi(x + T) = \chi(x)\chi(T) = \chi(x)$ , and  $\chi$  is periodic.

As a non constant function  $\chi$  has a smallest period, denoted as  $T'$ . The considerations given above display that for every  $x \in (0, T')$ ,  $\chi(x) \neq 0$ . In particular, there exists  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for  $x \in (0, \frac{1}{2^n})$ , the imaginary part of  $\chi(x)$  has constant sign. WLOG the sign is positive (otherwise, we transfer to  $\chi^{-1}$ ).

Let  $s$  be minimal such that  $\chi(\frac{1}{2^n}) = e^{is}$ . Now, for every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\chi(\frac{1}{2^n 2^k})$  must equal  $e^{i\frac{s}{2^k}}$ . And for every  $j \leq 2^k$ ,  $\chi(\frac{j}{2^n 2^k}) = e^{i\frac{sj}{2^k}}$ . Since  $\{\frac{j}{2^n 2^k}\}$  is dense in  $[0, \frac{1}{2^n}]$ ,  $\chi$  must equal  $e^{is2^n x}$  there. By rotational invariance,  $\chi(x) = e^{is2^n x}$  everywhere.

But now, in the compact open topology a sequence  $f_n$  converges to a function  $f$  if and only if  $f_n$  converges uniformly on every compact subset. It is routine to check that a sequence  $e^{it_n x}$  will converge to a function  $e^{itx}$  uniformly on every compact subset if and only if  $t_n \rightarrow t$ . Thus the topology on  $\mathbb{R}^\vee$  is equivalent to the topology on  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $\mathbb{R} \simeq \mathbb{R}^\vee$