

Some Results on Generalized Functions

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1. Introduction

Applying non-standard analysis we introduced a concept of generalized functions in [5]. It is very useful to apply the ideas of the theory of hyperfunctions in the theory of generalized functions. In this paper we would like to show a few examples of the application. In particular, we would like to justify the equality

$$(1.1) \quad \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\delta'(x) = \delta(x) \text{ pf. } \frac{1}{x}$$

2. Definitions and several properties

The following definitions were given in [5].

DEFINITION 2.1. Let $R^+ = \{y \in R \mid y > 0\}$, and let $F = \{(0, y) \mid y \in R^+\}$. Then F has the finite intersection property. We denote by \mathcal{F} one of the ultrafilters on R^+ containing F .

Let K be the set R , or the set C , or the set $\text{Map}(R, C) = \{f \mid f: R \rightarrow C\}$, and let $a(y)$, $b(y) \in \prod_{y \in R^+} K$.

We define a relation \sim as follows:

$a(y) \sim b(y)$, if it satisfies the condition

$$\{y \in R^+ \mid a(y) = b(y)\} \in \mathcal{F}.$$

The relation \sim is an equivalence relation. We define $*K$ to be the quotient set $\prod_{y \in R^+} K / \sim$.

An element of the set $*R$ (resp. $*C$) is called a hyper real (resp. hyper complex) number, an element of the set $*\text{Map}(R, C)$ is called a generalized function of one variable. The equivalence class determined by a function $a(y) \in \prod_{y \in R^+} K$ will be denoted by $[a(y)]$.

We can consider the set $*R$ is a subset of the set $*C$. The set $*R$ and $*C$ are made into commutative fields by defining the addition, the subtraction, the product, and the quotient in the usual way.

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DEFINITION 2.2. (i) Let $[a(y)], [b(y)] \in {}^*R$. We define $[a(y)] \leq [b(y)]$, if it satisfies the condition

$$\{y \in R^+ \mid a(y) \leq b(y)\} \in \mathcal{F}.$$

(ii) Let $[a(y)], [b(y)] \in {}^*C$. We define $[a(y)] \doteq [b(y)]$, if it satisfies the condition

$$\{y \in R^+ \mid |a(y) - b(y)| < \varepsilon\} \in \mathcal{F} \text{ for every } \varepsilon \in R^+$$

^DDEFINITION 2.3 (Interval). Let $[a(y)], [b(y)] \in {}^*R$ and $[a(y)] \leq [b(y)]$. We define

$$[[a(y)], [b(y)]] = \{[c(y)] \in {}^*R \mid [a(y)] \leq [c(y)] \leq [b(y)]\}.$$

DEFINITION 2.4. We say a generalized function $[f(x, y)]$ has a property P , if it satisfies the condition

$$\{y \in R^+ \mid f(x, y) \text{ has a property } P \text{ as a function of } x\} \in \mathcal{F}.$$

DEFINITION 2.5. Let $[a(y)]$ be a hyper complex number and let $[f(x, y)]$ and $[g(x, y)]$ be generalized functions. Then the scalar product $[a(y)] [f(x, y)]$, the addition $[f(x, y)] + [g(x, y)]$, the subtraction $[f(x, y)] - [g(x, y)]$, the product $[f(x, y)] [g(x, y)]$, and the quotient $[f(x, y)]/[g(x, y)]$ are defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} [a(y)][f(x, y)] &= [a(y)f(x, y)], \\ [f(x, y)] + [g(x, y)] &= [f(x, y) + g(x, y)], \\ [f(x, y)] - [g(x, y)] &= [f(x, y) - g(x, y)], \\ [f(x, y)][g(x, y)] &= [f(x, y)g(x, y)], \\ [f(x, y)]/[g(x, y)] &= [(f(x, y)/g(x, y))^*], \end{aligned}$$

where $(f(x, y)/g(x, y))^*$ is defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} (f(x, y)/g(x, y))^* &= f(x, y)/g(x, y) \text{ for } g(x, y) \neq 0, \text{ and} \\ &= 0 \text{ elsewhere.} \end{aligned}$$

We have the following theorem immediately.

THEOREM 2.6. *The set ${}^*\text{Map}(R, C)$ is a vector space over *C .*

DEFINITION 2.7 (Derivative). Let $[f(x, y)]$ be a differentiable generalized function. We define

$$\frac{d}{dx} [f(x, y)] = \left[\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x, y) \right)^* \right],$$

where $\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x, y) \right)^*$ is defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x, y)\right)^* &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x, y) && \text{if } f(x, y) \text{ is differentiable as a function of } x, \text{ and} \\ &= 0 && \text{otherwise.} \end{aligned}$$

DEFINITION 2.8 (Integral). Let $[f(x, y)]$ be an integrable generalized function over an interval $[[a(y)], [b(y)]]$. We define

$$\int_{[a(y)]}^{[b(y)]} [f(x, y)] dx = \left[\left(\int_{a(y)}^{b(y)} f(x, y) dx \right)^* \right],$$

where $\left(\int_{a(y)}^{b(y)} f(x, y) dx \right)^*$ is defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\int_{a(y)}^{b(y)} f(x, y) dx \right)^* &= \int_{a(y)}^{b(y)} f(x, y) dx && \text{if } f(x, y) \text{ is integrable over } [[a(y)], [b(y)]], \text{ and} \\ &= 0 && \text{otherwise.} \end{aligned}$$

We define the integral $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [f(x, y)] dx$, similarly.

According to G. Takeuti [12], we would like to use a notation $\stackrel{w}{=}$ as follows:

DEFINITION 2.9. Let $[f(x, y)]$ and $[g(x, y)]$ be locally integrable generalized functions and let S be a distribution.

We define

$[f(x, y)] \stackrel{w}{=} [g(x, y)]$, if it satisfies the condition

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [f(x, y)][\varphi(x)] dx \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [g(x, y)][\varphi(x)] dx \text{ for every } \varphi \in (\mathcal{D}),$$

where (\mathcal{D}) is the set of all test functions, and

$[f(x, y)] \stackrel{w}{=} S$, if it satisfies the condition

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [f(x, y)][\varphi(x)] dx \equiv [S(\varphi)] \text{ for every } \varphi \in (\mathcal{D}).$$

We immediately have the following theorem.

THEOREM 2.10. (i) Let $[f(x, y)]$ and $[g(x, y)]$ be locally integrable generalized functions.

If $[f(x, y)] = [g(x, y)]$, then $[f(x, y)] \stackrel{w}{=} [g(x, y)]$.

(ii) Let $[f(x, y)]$ be a locally integrable generalized function, and let S be a distribution.

If $[f(x, y)] \stackrel{w}{=} S$, then $[f(x, y)y] \stackrel{w}{=} 0$.

(iii) Let $[f(x, y)]$ be a continuously differentiable generalized function, and let S be a distribution.

If $[f(x, y)] \stackrel{w}{=} S$, then $\frac{d}{dx}[f(x, y)] \stackrel{w}{=} S'$.

In the theory of hyper functions, the Heaviside function $Y(x)$, the Dirac delta function $\delta(x)$, and the finite part $\text{Pf. } \frac{1}{x}$ of the function $1/x$ are defined as in the following:

$$Y(x) = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \text{Arg}(-x - i0) + \frac{1}{2\pi} \text{Arg}(x + i0),$$

$$\delta(x) = -\frac{1}{2\pi i} \left(\frac{1}{x + i0} - \frac{1}{x - i0} \right),$$

$$\text{Pf. } \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{x + i0} - \frac{1}{x - i0} \right),$$

We would like to modify the above functions as follows:

$$[Y(x, y)] = \left[-\frac{1}{2\pi} \text{Arg}(-x - iy) + \frac{1}{2\pi} \text{Arg}(x + iy) \right],$$

$$[\delta(x, y)] = \left[-\frac{1}{2\pi i} \left(\frac{1}{x + iy} - \frac{1}{x - iy} \right) \right],$$

$$= \left[\frac{y}{\pi(x^2 + y^2)} \right],$$

$$[\text{Pf. } \frac{1}{x}] = \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{x + iy} + \frac{1}{x - iy} \right) \right]$$

$$= \left[\frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} \right].$$

THEOREM 2.11. *We have the follows.*

$$(2.1) \quad \frac{d}{dx} [Y(x, y)] = [\delta(x, y)],$$

$$(2.2) \quad \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) \frac{d}{dx} [\delta(x, y)] = [\delta(x, y)] \left[\text{Pf. } \frac{1}{x} \right],$$

$$(2.3) \quad [x] \left[\text{Pf. } \frac{1}{x} \right] = 1 - \pi [\delta(x, y)y]$$

$$\stackrel{w}{=} 1,$$

$$(2.4) \quad (-1)[x][\delta'(x, y)] = 2[\delta(x, y)] - 2\pi[\delta^2(x, y)].$$

PROOF. We shall only prove (2.2).

Since

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{y}{\pi(x^2 + y^2)} = \frac{-2yx}{\pi(x^2 + y^2)^2},$$

we have

$$\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{y}{\pi(x^2 + y^2)} = \frac{y}{\pi(x^2 + y^2)} \cdot \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2}.$$

Therefore we have

$$(-1/2) \frac{d}{dx} [\delta(x, y)] = [\delta(x, y)] \left[\text{Pf.} \frac{1}{x} \right]. \quad \text{Q.E.D.}$$

We can consider that the equality (2.2) justifies the equality (1.1).

We would like to comment that we can transform the equality (2.2) into the following:

$$\begin{aligned} (-1/2) \frac{d}{dx} [\delta(x, y)] / \left[\text{Pf.} \frac{1}{x} \right] &= [\delta(x, y)], \\ (-1/2) \frac{d}{dx} [\delta(x, y)] / [\delta(x, y)] &= \left[\text{Pf.} \frac{1}{x} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

It is well known, in the theory of hyperfunctions, that the equation $x\delta(x) = 0$ holds. We can express the equation in the form

$$[x][\delta(x, y)] \stackrel{w}{=} 0.$$

By Theorem 2.10 we have

$$(2.5) \quad (-1)[x][\delta'(x, y)] \stackrel{w}{=} [\delta(x, y)].$$

On the other hand, we have $[x][\delta(x, y)] \neq 0$. And further, we can calculate as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} ([x][\delta(x, y)])(\text{Pf.} \frac{1}{x}) &= [x] \left([\delta(x, y)] \left[\text{Pf.} \frac{1}{x} \right] \right) \\ &= [x] \left[\frac{xy}{\pi(x^2 + y^2)^2} \right] \\ &= [x][(-1/2)\delta'(x, y)] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (1/2)[-x][\delta'(x, y)] \\
&\stackrel{w}{=} (1/2)[\delta(x, y)].
\end{aligned}$$

Using (2.4) and (2.5) we have

$$[\delta(x, y)] \stackrel{w}{=} 2\pi[\delta^2(x, y)y].$$

REMARK. We can get the follows directly.

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} 2\pi y \frac{y^2}{\pi^2(x^2 + y^2)^2} dx = 1.$$

EXAMPLE 2.12. Let $\delta_1(x, y) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi y}} \exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{4y}\right)$ and let $\delta_2(x, y) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\sin \frac{x}{y}}{x}$. Then we have

$$(-1)[x][\delta'_1(x, y)] = [x^2] \left[\frac{1}{2y} \delta_1(x, y) \right] \stackrel{w}{=} [\delta_1(x, y)],$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
(-1)[x][\delta'_2(x, y)] &= \left[-\frac{1}{\pi y} \cos \frac{x}{y} \right] + [\delta_2(x, y)] \\
&\stackrel{w}{=} [\delta_2(x, y)].
\end{aligned}$$

Hence we have

$$\left[-\frac{1}{\pi y} \cos \frac{x}{y} \right] \stackrel{w}{=} 0.$$

Using Theorem 2.10 we have

$$\left[\sin \frac{x}{y} \right] \stackrel{w}{=} 0.$$

The last equality implies that

$$(2.6) \quad \left[\int_a^b \varphi(x) \sin \frac{x}{y} dx \right] \stackrel{w}{=} 0$$

for all test functions φ with compact support contained in the interval (a, b) .

The equation (2.6) is a restricted case of Riemann-Lebesgue theorem.

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