

# Division problems for Fourier ultra-hyperfunctions

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## Abstract

We characterize the surjective convolution operators  $T_\mu$  on the space  $(P_{**})'$  of Fourier ultra-hyperfunctions by means of a slowly decreasing condition for the Fourier transform  $\hat{\mu}$  and then study the existence of continuous linear right inverses for  $T_\mu$ .

## 1 Introduction

The subject of this paper are convolution operators on the space  $(P_{**})'$  of Fourier ultra-hyperfunctions defined as the dual space of the space

$$P_{**} := P_{**}(\mathbb{C}^d) := \{f \in \mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C}^d) \mid \forall k : \|f\|_k := \sup_{|\Im(z)| \leq k} |f(z)|e^{k|z|} < \infty\}$$

of entire test functions (see [12]). Notice the analogy to the definition of standard Fourier hyperfunctions (see [4, 5]) and of Schwartz' tempered distributions.  $(P_{**})'$  is a space of entire rather than of real analytic functionals which has some interesting features that suggest to study convolution operators in this space (e.g., the exponentials  $f_\lambda(z) := \exp(\sum \lambda_j z_j)$  are contained in  $(P_{**})'$  for any  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}^d$ , hence the kernels of an ordinary differential equation coincide in  $C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$  and in  $(P_{**})'$ , which is not true for the standard Fourier hyperfunctions, see [8]). Though some of the proofs in the present paper are based on similar ideas as in the case of Fourier hyperfunctions (see [7]), the results are rather different and sometimes more natural for Fourier ultra-hyperfunctions.

References to the huge literature on division problems in various spaces are given in more detail in [7].

The paper is organized as follows: In the next section we show that  $\mu \in (P_{**})'$  defines a convolution operator  $T_\mu$  on  $(P_{**})'$  iff the Fourier transform  $\widehat{\mu}$  is defined by an entire function  $F$  such that for any  $k$  there is  $K$  such that

$$|F(z)| \leq C_1 e^{K|z|} \text{ if } |\Im(z)| \leq k.$$

For these  $\mu$  we then show that  $T_\mu$  is surjective on  $(P_{**})'$  iff  $T_\mu$  admits an elementary solution  $\nu \in (P_{**})'$  iff there is  $C > 0$  such that for any  $t \in \mathbb{R}^d$  with  $|t| \geq C$  there is  $\zeta \in \mathbb{C}^d$  such that

$$|\zeta - t| \leq C \text{ and } |\widehat{\mu}(\zeta)| \geq e^{-C|\zeta|}.$$

We do not need here a specific condition on the connected components of  $\widehat{\mu}^{-1}(0)$  unlike to the case of standard Fourier hyperfunctions (see [7]).

In section 3 we show that a surjective convolution operator  $T_\mu$  on  $P_{**}(\mathbb{C})'$  admits a continuous linear right inverse in  $P_{**}(\mathbb{C})'_b$  iff there is  $k_0$  such that

$$\widehat{\mu}(z) \neq 0 \text{ if } |\Im(z)| > k_0.$$

We also show that  $T_\mu$  admits a continuous linear right inverse in  $P_{**}(\mathbb{C}^d)'_b$  if  $\widehat{\mu}$  satisfies a condition of hyperbolic type or of hypoelliptic type (see 3.1 and 3.3). Some examples are discussed at the end of sections 2 and 3.

## 2 Convolution operators

For  $f \in P_{**}$  and  $\mu \in (P_{**})'$  we define the Fourier transformation by

$$\widehat{f}(z) := \int f(x) e^{-i\langle x, z \rangle} dx \text{ and } \langle \widehat{\mu}, g \rangle := \langle \mu, \widehat{g} \rangle \text{ if } g \in P_{**},$$

where  $\langle w, z \rangle := \sum_{j=1}^d w_j z_j$  for  $z, w \in \mathbb{C}^d$ .

The Fourier transform is a topological isomorphism in  $P_{**}$  and in  $(P_{**})'_b$  (see [6, 3.6 and 5.5]).

To define a convolution operator on  $(P_{**})'$  we start with the usual convolution of functions: since

$$\widehat{f * g} = \widehat{f} \widehat{g} \text{ and } \widehat{f \check{g}} = (2\pi)^{-d} \widehat{f} * \widehat{g} \text{ for } f, g \in P_{**} \subset \mathcal{S} \tag{2.1}$$

we see that  $f * g \in P_{**}$  if  $f, g \in P_{**}$  and that the mapping

$$f * : P_{**} \rightarrow P_{**}, g \rightarrow f * g, \text{ is continuous.}$$

Therefore, we can define the convolution  $S_\mu(f) \in (P_{**})'$  of a fixed  $\mu \in (P_{**})'$  and  $f \in P_{**}$  by the usual formula

$$\langle S_\mu(f), g \rangle := \langle \mu, \check{f} * g \rangle \text{ if } g \in P_{**}, \tag{2.2}$$

where  $\check{f} := f(-\cdot)$  for  $f \in P_{**}$ .

Let  $\nu \bullet f$  denote the product of  $\nu \in (P_{**})'$  and a testfunction  $f \in P_{**}$ . Via Fourier transformation,  $S_\mu(f)$  is the product of  $\widehat{\mu}$  and  $\widehat{\check{f}}$  since

$$\langle \widehat{\mu} \bullet \widehat{\check{f}}, g \rangle = \langle \mu, \widehat{\check{f}g} \rangle = \langle \mu, \check{f} * \widehat{g} \rangle = \langle (S_\mu(f))^\frown, g \rangle \text{ if } g \in P_{**} \tag{2.3}$$

by (2.1) and Fourier inversion formula. We say that  $\nu \in (P_{**})'$  is defined by an exponentially bounded measurable function  $F$  on  $\mathbb{R}^d$  iff

$$\langle \nu, g \rangle = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} F(x)g(x) dx \text{ if } g \in P_{**}.$$

If  $S_\mu(f)$  is defined by a function  $f_\mu \in P_{**}$  and if  $S_\mu$  defines a continuous linear operator in  $P_{**}$  in this way, the convolution operator  $T_\mu$  on  $(P_{**})'$  is defined by duality, i.e.

$$T_\mu := (S_\mu)^t : (P_{**})' \rightarrow (P_{**})'.$$

We now have the following characterization:

**Proposition 2.1.** *The following are equivalent for  $\mu \in (P_{**})'$ :*

- a) *For any  $f \in P_{**}$ ,  $S_\mu(f)$  is defined by some  $f_\mu \in P_{**}$ .*
- b)  *$S_\mu : P_{**} \rightarrow P_{**}$  is defined and continuous.*
- c)  *$\hat{\mu}$  is defined by  $F \in \mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C}^d)$  such that for any  $k$  there is  $K$  such that*

$$|F(z)| \leq C_1 e^{K|z|} \text{ on } W_k := \{z \in \mathbb{C}^d \mid |\Im(z)| < k\}. \tag{2.4}$$

We then have  $S_\mu(f)(z) = (2\pi)^{-d} \widehat{(F\hat{f})}(-z)$  for any  $f \in P_{**}$ .

*Proof.* "a)  $\Rightarrow$  c)" By (2.3), the Fourier inversion formula and a),  $S(f) := \hat{\mu} \bullet f = (2\pi)^{-d} \widehat{(S_\mu(\hat{f}))}$  is defined by some  $f_\mu \in P_{**}$  for any  $f \in P_{**}$ . Since  $P_{**}$  is continuously embedded in  $(P_{**})'$ ,  $S$  is a continuous operator in  $P_{**}$  by the closed graph theorem, that is, for any  $k$  there is  $K$  such that we have for the norms on  $P_{**}$

$$\|\hat{\mu} \bullet f\|_k \leq C_k \|f\|_K \text{ if } f \in P_{**}. \tag{2.5}$$

For  $t \geq 1$  let  $g_t := \hat{\mu} \bullet f_t$  for  $f_t(z) := e^{-\langle z, z \rangle / t}$ .  $g_t \in P_{**}$  by a) since  $f_t \in P_{**}$ . By the definition of  $\bullet$  we see that  $g_t = g_t f_t / f_t$  for any  $t \geq 1$ . For the entire function  $F := g_4 / f_4$  this implies by (2.5)

$$|F(z)| = |g_t(z) / f_t(z)| \leq C_k \|f_t\|_K / |f_t(z)| \leq C_k e^{2K^2} e^{tK^2/4 + |z|^2/t}$$

if  $t \geq 1$  and  $z \in W_k$ . Taking the infimum with respect to  $t \geq 1$  we get (2.4). Let  $h_j$  denote the Hermite polynomials. Then the Hermite functions are defined by  $H_j := c_j h_j f_2$  and we thus get by the definition of  $\bullet$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} F(x)H_j(x)dx &= c_j \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} (\hat{\mu} \bullet f_4)(x)(f_4 h_j)(x)dx = c_j \langle \hat{\mu} \bullet f_4, h_j f_4 \rangle \\ &= c_j \langle \hat{\mu}, h_j f_2 \rangle = \langle \hat{\mu}, H_j \rangle \text{ for any } j \in \mathbb{N}_0^d. \end{aligned}$$

Since the Hermite functions are a basis in  $P_{**}$  by [6, 5.5], c) is proved.

"c)  $\Rightarrow$  b)" By (2.3) and c) we know that  $S_\mu(f) = (2\pi)^{-d} \widehat{(F\hat{f})}$  for any  $f \in P_{**}$ . This shows b) since the Fourier transformation and the multiplication with  $F$  are continuous operators in  $P_{**}$  by (2.4). ■

Notice that (2.4) is not always satisfied: Easy counterexamples are provided by  $\mu \in (P_{**})'$  such that  $\widehat{\mu}$  is a hyperfunction with compact support. In the simplest case we can take  $\mu \equiv 1$ , i.e.  $\widehat{\mu} = 2\pi\delta$ . Also, elementary solutions  $\nu \in (P_{**})'$  of surjective convolution operators  $T_\mu$  on  $(P_{**})'$  do not satisfy (2.4) if there is  $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}^d$  such  $\widehat{\mu}(z_0) = 0$  since the first assumption would imply that the kernel of  $T_\mu$  is trivial contradicting the second assumption.

From now on we will always assume that  $\mu$  satisfies (2.4). Therefore,

$$S_\mu : P_{**} \rightarrow P_{**} \text{ and } T_\mu := (S_\mu)^t : (P_{**})'_b \rightarrow (P_{**})'_b$$

are defined, linear and continuous, and  $\widehat{\mu}$  is an entire function.

Recall that  $\nu \in (P_{**})'$  is an elementary solution for  $T_\mu$  if  $T_\mu(\nu) = \delta$ . Surjective convolution operators on  $(P_{**})'$  can now be characterized as follows:

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $\mu \in (P_{**})'$  satisfy (2.4). The following are equivalent:*

- a) *The convolution operator  $T_\mu : (P_{**})' \rightarrow (P_{**})'$  is surjective.*
- b)  *$T_\mu$  admits an elementary solution  $\nu \in (P_{**})'$ .*
- c) *There is  $C > 0$  such that for any  $t \in \mathbb{R}^d$  with  $|t| \geq C$  there is  $\zeta \in \mathbb{C}^d$  such that*

$$|\zeta - t| \leq C \text{ and } |\widehat{\mu}(\zeta)| \geq e^{-C|\zeta|}. \tag{2.6}$$

*Proof.* "b)  $\Rightarrow$  c)" Let  $\nu \in (P_{**})'$  be an elementary solution for  $T_\mu$ . Then  $\widehat{\nu} \in (P_{**})'$  and thus there are  $j$  and  $C_1$  such that

$$|\langle \widehat{\nu}, h \rangle| \leq C_1 \|h\|_j \text{ if } h \in (P_{**})'. \tag{2.7}$$

If (2.6) does not hold, for any  $l \in \mathbb{N}$  there is  $t_l \in \mathbb{R}^d$  with  $|t_l| \geq 4l$  such that

$$|\widehat{\mu}(\zeta)| \leq e^{-l|\zeta|} \text{ if } |\zeta - t_l| \leq l. \tag{2.8}$$

Let  $f_l(z) := \exp(i\langle z, t_l \rangle - \langle z, z \rangle / (2c_l))$  for  $c_l := |t_l|/l$ . Then  $f_l \in P_{**}$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{f}_l(z) &:= (2\pi c_l)^{d/2} \exp(-\langle z - t_l, z - t_l \rangle c_l / 2) =: g_l(z) \\ 1 &= f_l(0) = |\langle T_\mu(\nu), f_l \rangle| = (2\pi)^{-d} |\langle \widehat{\nu}, \widehat{\mu} \widehat{f}_l \rangle| \leq C_1 \|\widehat{\mu} g_l\|_j \end{aligned} \tag{2.9}$$

by 2.1 and (2.7). We will show that the right hand side of (2.9) tends to 0, a contradiction: let  $|z - t_l| \leq l$ . Since  $|t_l| \geq 4l$ , we get by (2.8)

$$\begin{aligned} |\widehat{\mu}(z) g_l(z)| &\leq C_2 c_l^{d/2} \exp(-l|z| - |\Re(z - t_l)|^2 c_l / 2 + |\Im(z)|^2 c_l / 2) \\ &\leq C_2 c_l^{d/2} e^{-l(|z| - |t_l|/2)} \leq C_3 e^{-l(|z| + |t_l|)/8}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.10}$$

Choose  $J \geq j^2$  for  $j$  by (2.4). If  $|z - t_l| \geq l$  and  $z \in W_j$  we then get

$$|\widehat{\mu}(z) g_l(z)| \leq C_4 c_l^{d/2} e^{J|z| + (2|\Im(z)|^2 - |z - t_l|^2) c_l / 2} \leq e^{-j|z| - |t_l|} \tag{2.11}$$

if  $l$  is large, since

$$|t_l| + (j + J)|z| + (2j^2 - |z - t_l|^2) c_l / 2 \leq 2J|z - t_l| - |z - t_l|^2 c_l / 2 + 3J|t_l|$$

$$\leq 2Jl - l|t_l|/2 + 3J|t_l| \leq -|t_l| \text{ for large } l.$$

The above claim follows from (2.10) and (2.11).

"c)  $\Rightarrow$  a)"  $P_{**}$  is a  $(FS)$ -space, hence reflexive. By Fourier transformation, Proposition 2.1 and the closed range theorem [11, 26.3] we thus get:  $T_\mu$  is surjective in  $(P_{**})'$  iff  $S_\mu$  is injective with closed range in  $P_{**}$  iff  $\hat{\mu}P_{**}$  is closed in  $P_{**}$  iff for any  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  there are  $j \geq k$  and  $C_1 \geq 1$  such that

$$\|f\|_k \leq C_1 \|\hat{\mu}f\|_j \text{ if } f \in P_{**}. \tag{2.12}$$

We now recall the following fact (see [1, 3.1]): Let  $F, G$  and  $F/G$  be holomorphic on  $\{z \in \mathbb{C}^d \mid |z| < R\}$ .

$$|(F/G)(z)| \leq \sup_{|\eta| < R} |F(\eta)| \left( \sup_{|\eta| < R} |G(\eta)| \right)^{\frac{2|z|}{R-|z|}} |G(0)|^{\frac{-R-|z|}{R-|z|}} \text{ if } |z| < R. \tag{2.13}$$

Fix  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and let  $w := t + iy \in W_k$ . Choose  $\zeta \in \mathbb{C}^d$  for  $t$  by (2.6) and apply (2.13) to  $F(z) := \hat{\mu}(\zeta + z)f(\zeta + z), f \in P_{**}, G(z) := \hat{\mu}(\zeta + z), R := 2(C + k)$  and  $|z| \leq R/2$ . Since  $|w - \zeta| \leq R/2$  we get

$$|f(w)|e^{k|w|} \leq C_1 \sup_{|\eta| < R} |\hat{\mu}(\zeta + \eta)f(\zeta + \eta)| \sup_{|\eta| < R} e^{2J|\zeta + \eta|} e^{3C|\zeta + k|w|} \leq C_2 \|\hat{\mu}f\|_j$$

for  $j := 2J + k + 3C$ , if  $J$  is chosen for  $W_{C+R}$  by (2.4). This proves (2.12). ■

$T_\mu$  is obviously defined for any  $\mu \in \mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C}^d)'_b$ , however  $T_\mu$  need not be surjective (see [7, 3.2]). A simple example of a non surjective operator  $T_\mu$  is provided by  $\mu(x) := e^{-x^2/2}, x \in \mathbb{R}$ , since  $\hat{\mu}(z) = (2\pi)^{1/2}e^{-x^2/2}$  does not satisfy (2.6). On the other hand, if  $\mu(x) := e^{ix^2/2}, x \in \mathbb{R}$ , then  $\hat{\mu}(z) = \pi^{1/2}(1 + i)e^{-iz^2/2}$  (see [3, 7.6.1]) and  $T_\mu$  is defined and surjective (and in fact bijective) since  $|\hat{\mu}(z)| = (2\pi)^{1/2}e^{\Re(z)\Im(z)}$  satisfies (2.4) and (2.6).

Differential-delay equations are always surjective in  $(P_{**})'$ . In fact, we then have  $\mu \in \text{span}\{\partial^\alpha \delta_w \mid \alpha \in \mathbb{N}_0^d, w \in \mathbb{C}^d\}$  and  $\hat{\mu} \in \text{span}\{z^\alpha \exp(\langle z, w \rangle) \mid \alpha \in \mathbb{N}_0^d, w \in \mathbb{C}^d\}$ . Thus, let  $\hat{\mu} := \sum_{j=1}^k p_j e^{\langle \cdot, w_j \rangle}$  with distinct  $w_j \in \mathbb{C}^d$  and polynomials  $p_j$ . Let  $\text{deg } p_j := m_j \leq m$  and  $\max_{j \leq k} |\Re(w_j)| := r$ . Then

$$g_t(z) := \hat{\mu}(t + z) = \sum_{j=1}^k \sum_{l=0}^{m_j} \frac{p_j^{(l)}(t) e^{\langle t, w_j \rangle}}{l!} z^l e^{\langle z, w_j \rangle} \in \text{span}_{j \leq k, |l| \leq m} \{z^l e^{\langle z, w_j \rangle}\}.$$

Since all norms on this space are equivalent, (2.6) follows:

$$\sup_{|z| \leq 1} |\hat{\mu}(t + z)| \geq C_1 \sup_{j \leq k, |l| \leq m} |p_j^{(l)}(t) e^{\langle t, w_j \rangle}| / l! \geq C_2 e^{-r|t|}.$$

### 3 Right inverses

As a first class of convolution operators admitting a continuous linear right inverse we consider a condition of hyperbolic type:

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $\mu \in (P_{**})'$  satisfy (2.4) and (2.6).  $T_\mu$  admits a continuous linear right inverse in  $(P_{**})'$  if there is  $N \in \mathbb{R}^d$  such that for any  $k$  there is  $k_0$  such that*

$$\widehat{\mu}(z + i\tau N) \neq 0 \text{ if } z \in W_k \text{ and } |\tau| \geq k_0. \tag{3.1}$$

*Proof.* Let  $|N| = 1$  (w.l.o.g.) and  $M_{\widehat{\mu}}(f) := \widehat{\mu}f$  for  $f \in P_{**}$ . By Fourier transformation, it is sufficient to show that  $M_{\widehat{\mu}}$  has a continuous linear left inverse in  $P_{**}$ .

a) For any  $k$  there is  $k_1$  such that any  $j \geq k_1$  there are  $A, C_0 > 0$  such that

$$|\widehat{\mu}(w + i\tau N)| \geq C_0 e^{-A|w|} \text{ if } w \in W_k \text{ and } j \geq |\tau| \geq k_1. \tag{3.2}$$

When proving (3.2) we need the following minimum modulus theorem (see e.g. [9, 1.11]): Let  $0 \neq g$  be holomorphic near  $|z| \leq \varrho, z \in \mathbb{C}$ . For any  $0 < r < \varrho/4$  there are  $H = H(r/\varrho) > 0$  and  $r < \delta < \varrho/4$  such that

$$|g(\xi)| \geq |g(0)|^{1+H} / \sup_{|\eta|=\rho} |g(\eta)|^H \text{ if } |\xi| = \delta. \tag{3.3}$$

Fix  $k$  and choose  $k_1$  for  $2C + 3k$  by (3.1) with  $C$  from (2.6). Let  $k_1 \leq \tau \leq j$  (w.l.o.g.) and let  $w \in W_k$ . We first choose  $\zeta \in \mathbb{C}^d$  for  $t := \Re(w)$  by (2.6) and then apply (3.3) to  $g(z) := \widehat{\mu}(\zeta + zN), r := \tau$  and  $\rho := 4(1 + k/j)\tau$ . Using also (2.4) we thus obtain  $C_1, A_1 > 0$  (independent of  $w$  and  $\tau$ ) and  $\tau < \delta < (1 + k/j)\tau \leq \tau + k$  such that

$$|\widehat{\mu}(\zeta + i\delta N)| \geq C_1 e^{-A_1|w|}.$$

(2.13) is now applied to  $F \equiv 1, G(z) := \widehat{\mu}(\zeta + i\delta N + z), R := C + 3k$  and  $|z| \leq C + 2k$  (notice, that  $G(z) \neq 0$  for  $|z| \leq R$  by (3.1) and the choice of  $k_1$  since  $\zeta + z \in W_{2C+3k}$ ). Since  $|w + i\tau N - \zeta - i\delta N| \leq C + 2k$  we get by (2.4)

$$|\widehat{\mu}(w + i\tau N)| \geq C_2 e^{-A_2|w|}$$

for some constants  $A_2, C_2 > 0$ .

b) We may assume that  $N = e_d := (0, \dots, 1)$  and write  $z = (z', z_d) \in \mathbb{C}^{d-1} \times \mathbb{C}$ . The left inverse for  $M_{\widehat{\mu}}$  can now be given by means of an explicit formula which is a  $\mathbb{C}^d$ -variant of [7, (4.5)]: For  $f \in P_{**}$  let

$$L(f)(z) := \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|\Im(\tau)|=k_1} \frac{f(z', \tau) e^{-(\tau-z_d)^2}}{\widehat{\mu}(-z', -\tau)(\tau - z_d)} d\tau \text{ if } z \in W_k \tag{3.4}$$

where  $k_1 > k$  is the constant from (3.2).

Indeed, for  $f \in P_{**}$ ,  $L(f)(z)$  is defined for any  $z$  by (3.2).  $L(f)$  is welldefined by Cauchy's theorem and (3.2) again. It is also clear that  $L(f)$  is an entire function and that  $L(M_{\widehat{\mu}}f) = f$  by Cauchy's integral formula. Finally,  $L(f) \in P_{**}$  by an easy estimate and  $L : P_{**} \rightarrow P_{**}$  is continuous. ■

Hyperbolic polynomials  $P$  satisfy (3.1). To see this, let  $P_m$  denote the principal part of  $P$  and let  $\tilde{Q}(x, t) := (\sum_{\alpha} |Q^{(\alpha)}(x, t)|^2 t^{2|\alpha|})^{1/2}$  for a polynomial  $Q$ . By [3, 12.4.6(iii)] we know that

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d} \frac{(P_m^{(\alpha)})^\sim(x, t)}{\tilde{P}_m(x, t)} = 0 \text{ if } \alpha \neq 0 \text{ and } \limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d} \frac{(P - P_m)^\sim(x, t)}{\tilde{P}_m(x, t)} = 0 \tag{3.5}$$

if  $P$  is hyperbolic w.r.t.  $N$ . For  $z = x + iy \in W_k$  and  $t \geq k$  we thus get by Taylor expansion, [10, 3.3] and (3.5)

$$\begin{aligned} & |P(z + itN)| \\ & \geq |P_m(x + itN)| - \sum_{\alpha \neq 0} |P_m^{(\alpha)}(x + itN)| |y^\alpha| - \sum_{\alpha} |(P - P_m)^{(\alpha)}(x)| |(y + itN)^\alpha| \\ & \geq C_1 \tilde{P}_m(x, t) - C_2 \left( \sum_{\alpha \neq 0} |P_m^{(\alpha)}(x + itN)| + (P - P_m)^\sim(x, k + t) \right) \\ & \geq C_1 \tilde{P}_m(x, t) - C_3 \left( \sum_{\alpha \neq 0} (P_m^{(\alpha)})^\sim(x, t) + (P - P_m)^\sim(x, t) \right) \geq C_1 \tilde{P}_m(x, t) / 2 \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

if  $t$  is large.

The condition  $(DN)$  of Vogt is fundamental for the existence of continuous linear right inverses. It is defined as follows (see e.g. [11, p. 359]): Let  $E$  be a Frechet space with fundamental system  $(\| \cdot \|_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  of seminorms.  $E$  has  $(DN)$  iff there is  $p$  such that for each  $k$  there are  $n$  and  $C$  such that

$$\|x\|_k^2 \leq C \|x\|_p \|x\|_n \text{ for all } x \in E.$$

If  $T_\mu$  is surjective on  $(P_{**})'$ , the sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \ker(T_\mu) \rightarrow (P_{**})' \xrightarrow{T_\mu} (P_{**})' \rightarrow 0$$

is exact. By Fourier transformation it is split iff the dual sequence

$$0 \rightarrow P_{**} \xrightarrow{M_{\hat{\mu}}} P_{**} \rightarrow P_{**}/(\hat{\mu}P_{**}) \rightarrow 0$$

splits (again,  $M_{\hat{\mu}}(f) := \hat{\mu}f$  for  $f \in P_{**}$ ). Since  $P_{**}$  is isomorphic to a power series space of infinite type by [6], the splitting theorem of Vogt (see [11, 30.1 and 29.2]) implies that

$$T_\mu \text{ has a right inverse in } (P_{**})'_b \text{ iff } (\ker(T_\mu))'_b \simeq P_{**}/(\hat{\mu}P_{**}) \in (DN). \tag{3.6}$$

For operators  $T_\mu$  in one variable we thus get

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $d = 1$  and let  $\mu \in (P_{**})'$  satisfy (2.4) and (2.6). Then  $T_\mu$  admits a continuous linear right inverse in  $P_{**}(\mathbb{C})'_b$  iff there is  $k_1$  such that*

$$\hat{\mu}(z) \neq 0 \text{ if } |\Im(z)| \geq k_1. \tag{3.7}$$

*Proof.* (3.7) is sufficient by 3.1. If  $T_\mu$  admits a continuous linear right inverse in  $P_{**}(\mathbb{C})'_b$ ,  $P_{**}/(\widehat{\mu}P_{**})$  has (DN) by (3.6), hence  $P_{**}/(\widehat{\mu}P_{**})$  has a continuous norm, that is, a quotient seminorm  $\|\cdot\|_k$  is a norm. Let  $\widehat{\mu}(-w) = 0$ . Then  $g(z) := \widehat{\mu}(-z) \exp(-\langle z-w, z-w \rangle)/(z-w) \in P_{**}$  and  $[g] \neq 0$  in  $P_{**}/(\widehat{\mu}P_{**})$ .

We now notice that for any  $k$  there is  $k_2$  such that

$$P_{**} \text{ is dense in } \mathcal{H}_{k_2} := \{f \in \mathcal{H}(W_{k_2}) \mid \|f\|_{k_2} < \infty\} \text{ w.r.t. } \|\cdot\|_{k+K} \tag{3.8}$$

where  $K$  is chosen for  $k$  by (2.4). Indeed, the proof of [6, 3.4] shows that there is  $k_2$  such that the Hermite expansion of  $f \in \mathcal{H}_{k_2}$  converges to  $f$  with respect to  $\|\cdot\|_{k+K}$ .

If  $|\Im(w)| > k_2$  then  $h(z) := \exp(-\langle z-w, z-w \rangle)/(z-w) \in \mathcal{H}_{k_2}$  and we may choose  $h_n \in P_{**}$  by (3.8) such that  $\|h - h_n\|_{k+K} \rightarrow 0$ , and therefore

$$0 \neq \|[g]\|_k \widetilde{\phantom{g}} = \|\widehat{\mu}(h - h_n)\|_k \widetilde{\phantom{h-h_n}} \leq \|\widehat{\mu}(h - h_n)\|_k \leq C_1 \|h - h_n\|_{k+K} \rightarrow 0,$$

a contradiction. ■

A right inverse also exists for operators of hypoelliptic type (see 3.3 below). This is based on the following observation: Let  $F$  be an entire function such that there is  $N \in \mathbb{C}^d$  such that for any  $k$  there is  $K$  such that

$$|\langle z, \overline{N} \rangle| \leq K \text{ if } F(z) = 0 \text{ and } |\Pi(z)| \leq k, \tag{3.9}$$

where  $\Pi$  is the orthogonal projection onto  $N^\perp$ . Then

$$\mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C}^d)/(F\mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C}^d)) \text{ has (DN)}. \tag{3.10}$$

Indeed, we may assume that  $N = e_d := (0, \dots, 1)$ . A left inverse for the multiplication operator  $M_F$  on  $\mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C}^d)$  is then provided by

$$L(f)(z) := \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|\tau|=K+1} \frac{f(z', \tau)}{F(z', \tau)(\tau - z_d)} d\tau \text{ if } |z| \leq k$$

for  $K \geq k$  from (3.9). Hence,  $F\mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C}^d)$  is a complemented (closed) subspace of  $\mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C}^d)$  and the sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C}^d) \xrightarrow{M_F} \mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C}^d) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C}^d)/(F\mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C}^d)) \rightarrow 0$$

is split. Hence,  $\mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C}^d)/(F\mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C}^d))$  is isomorphic to a subspace of  $\mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C}^d)$ , and (3.10) follows from [11, 29.2] since  $\mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C}^d)$  has (DN).

(3.9) is satisfied for  $N = e_d$  if  $F(z) := \sum_{j=0}^k F_j(z') z_d^j$  and  $F_j \in \mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C}^{d-1})$ .

**Theorem 3.3.** *Let  $\widehat{\mu}$  satisfy (2.4), (2.6) and (3.9).  $T_\mu$  admits a continuous linear right inverse in  $(P_{**})'_b$  if*

$$|\Im(z)| \rightarrow \infty \text{ if } \widehat{\mu}(z) = 0 \text{ and } |\Re(z)| \rightarrow \infty. \tag{3.11}$$

*Proof.* By (3.6) and (3.10), it is sufficient to show that the canonical mapping

$$S : P_{**}/(\widehat{\mu}P_{**}) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C}^d)/(\widehat{\mu}\mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C}^d))$$

is a topological isomorphism. To prove this we first notice that  $S$  is clearly well-defined.  $S$  is injective by the proof of "c)  $\Rightarrow$  a)" in 2.2 (use (2.6) and (2.13)). Let

$$V_{\hat{\mu}} := \{z \in \mathbb{C}^d \mid \hat{\mu}(-z) = 0\}.$$

The surjectivity of  $S$  is seen as follows: choose  $\varphi \in C^\infty(\mathbb{C}^d)$  such that  $\varphi(z) = 1$  if  $\text{dist}(z, V_{\hat{\mu}}) \leq 1$  and  $\varphi(z) = 0$  if  $\text{dist}(z, V_{\hat{\mu}}) \geq 2$  and such that  $|\varphi|$  and  $\|\text{grad}\varphi\|$  are bounded on  $\mathbb{C}^d$ . We must show that for any  $f \in \mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C}^d)$  there are  $f_1 \in P_{**}$  and  $f_2 \in \mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C}^d)$  such that  $f = f_1 + \hat{\mu}f_2$ . For this, we will find

$$g \in \mathcal{L} := \{g \in L^2_{loc}(\mathbb{C}^d) \mid \forall k : |f|_k^2 := \int_{W_k} |f(z)|^2 e^{2k|z|} dz < \infty\}$$

solving

$$\bar{\partial}g = \bar{\partial}(\varphi f / \hat{\mu}). \tag{3.12}$$

Then  $f_1 := \varphi f - \hat{\mu}g$  and  $f_2 := (1 - \varphi)f / \hat{\mu} + g$  will prove the claim (use the arguments from below). To solve (3.12) we notice that

$$F_k(z) := \bar{\partial}\left(f(z)\varphi(z)e^{\langle z, z \rangle} / \mu(-z)\right), z \in W_k$$

is bounded and has bounded support by (3.11). Hence  $F_k \in L^2(W_k)$  and by [2, 4.4.2] there is  $G_k$  such that  $\bar{\partial}G_k = F_k$  on  $W_k$  and  $G_k / (1 + |\cdot|^2) \in L^2(W_k)$ . Therefore,  $g_k := G_k \exp(-\langle z, z \rangle)$  satisfies (3.12) on  $W_k$  and  $|g_k|_k$  is finite. For  $j \geq k$ ,  $g_{jk} := (g_j - g_k)|_{W_k}$  is holomorphic on  $W_k$  and  $g_{jk} \in \mathcal{L}_k$ . We therefore can switch from  $L^2$ -norms to sup-norms for  $g_{jk}$ , that is,  $g_{jk}|_{W_{k-1}} \in \mathcal{H}_{k-1}$ . By (3.8), for any  $k$  there is  $k_2$  such that  $\mathcal{L} \cap \ker(\bar{\partial}) = P_{**}$  is dense in  $\mathcal{H}_{k_2}$  w.r.t.  $\|\cdot\|_k$ . The classical Mittag-Leffler argument therefore shows that (3.12) can be solved with  $g \in \mathcal{L}$ . ■

Any hypoelliptic partial differential operator with constant coefficients admits a continuous linear right inverse on  $(P_{**})'$  by 3.3.

An interesting example for 3.2 is given by  $\mu := (\delta_i - \delta_{-i})/2 \in P_{**}(\mathbb{C})'$ . Then  $T_\mu = (\tau_i - \tau_{-i})/2$ , where  $\tau_{\pm i}$  is the shift by  $\pm i$ .  $\hat{\mu}(z) = \sinh(z)$  satisfies (2.6), but not (3.7).  $T_\mu$  is surjective but does not admit a right inverse in  $P_{**}(\mathbb{C})'_b$ . The kernel of  $T_\mu$  (i.e. the  $2i$ -periodic elements in  $P_{**}(\mathbb{C})'$ ) is  $\text{span}\{e^{j\pi z} \mid j \in \mathbb{Z}\} \simeq \varphi$ , where  $\varphi$  is the space of all finite sequences (see [8]).

On the other hand, if  $\mu := (\delta_{-1} - \delta_1)/(2i)$ , then  $T_\mu = (\tau_{-1} - \tau_1)/(2i)$  and  $\hat{\mu}(z) = \sin(z)$  satisfies (2.6) and (3.7).  $T_\mu$  admits a right inverse, that is, the space of  $2$ -periodic elements is complemented in  $P_{**}(\mathbb{C})'_b$  (see [8] for more details).

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