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Abstract

We study continuity of the multiplier operator e^{iq} acting on Gelfand–Shilov spaces, where q is a polynomial on \mathbf{R}^d of degree at least two with real coefficients. In the parameter quadrant for the spaces, we identify a wedge that depends on the polynomial degree for which the operator is continuous. We also show that in a large part of the complement region the operator is not continuous in dimension one. The results give information on well-posedness for linear evolution equations that generalize the Schrödinger equation for the free particle.

KEYWORDS

Gelfand–Shilov spaces, linear evolution equations, oscillatory multiplier operators, well-posedness

1 | INTRODUCTION

Let q be a polynomial on \mathbf{R}^d with real coefficients. We consider in this paper the multiplication operator $T = T_g$ with $g(x) = e^{iq(x)}$ defined by

$$(Tf)(x) = e^{iq(x)}f(x), \quad x \in \mathbf{R}^d. \quad (1.1)$$

This operator is unitary on $L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$ and obviously acts continuously on the Schwartz space $\mathcal{S}(\mathbf{R}^d)$ of smooth functions whose derivatives decay rapidly. The Schwartz space can equivalently be defined as the space of functions f that decay superpolynomially at infinity, plus the same condition on the Fourier transform \hat{f} .

Our goal is to sort out for which parameters of Gelfand–Shilov spaces the operator T is continuous. The Gelfand–Shilov spaces are scales of spaces smaller than the Schwartz space. In fact a Gelfand–Shilov space has two parameters $\theta, s > 0$ and can be defined by the exponential decay conditions

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbf{R}^d} e^{a|x|^{\frac{1}{\theta}}} |f(x)| < \infty, \quad \sup_{\xi \in \mathbf{R}^d} e^{a|\xi|^{\frac{1}{s}}} |\hat{f}(\xi)| < \infty, \quad (1.2)$$

for some $a > 0$. The parameter θ thus controls the decay rate of f , and the parameter s controls the decay rate of \hat{f} , that is, the smoothness of f .

We use two types of Gelfand–Shilov spaces: the Roumieu spaces $S_{\theta}^s(\mathbf{R}^d)$ for which (1.2) holds for some $a > 0$, and the Beurling spaces $\Sigma_{\theta}^s(\mathbf{R}^d)$ for which (1.2) holds for all $a > 0$.

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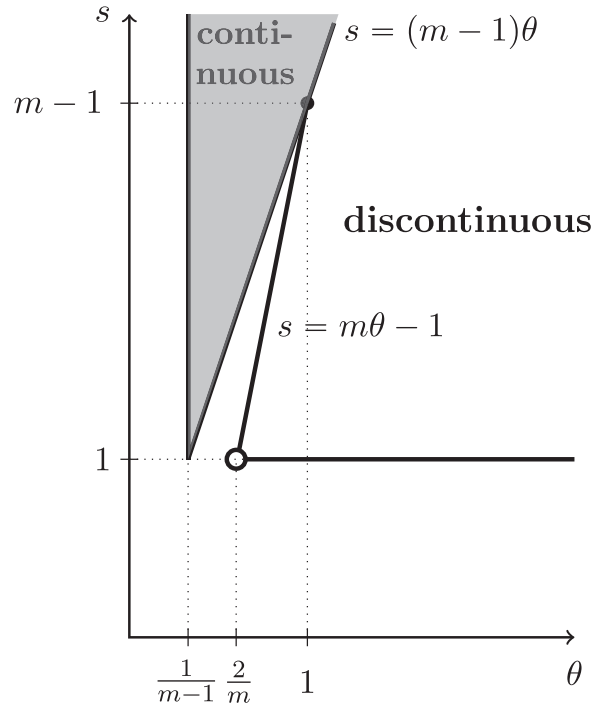


FIGURE 1 The (θ, s) -parameter quadrant with behavior of the operator T acting on Gelfand–Shilov spaces indicated when $m \geq 4$ and $d = 1$.

Our first result concerns sufficient conditions for continuity on Gelfand–Shilov spaces.

Theorem 1.1. Define T by (1.1) where q is a polynomial on \mathbf{R}^d with real coefficients and degree $m \geq 2$, and let $s, \theta > 0$.

- (i) If $s \geq (m-1)\theta \geq 1$ then T is continuous on $S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d)$.
- (ii) If $s \geq (m-1)\theta \geq 1$ and $(\theta, s) \neq \left(\frac{1}{m-1}, 1\right)$ then T is continuous on $\Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d)$.

An immediate consequence is the corresponding claim for ultradistributions $(S_\theta^s)'(\mathbf{R}^d)$ and $(\Sigma_\theta^s)'(\mathbf{R}^d)$, see Corollary 4.1.

Second, we prove negative results for $d = 1$ in a parameter region which is close to complementary to $s \geq (m-1)\theta$. The first result generalizes [1, Proposition 2].

Theorem 1.2. Define T by (1.1) where q is a polynomial on \mathbf{R} with real coefficients and degree $m \geq 2$, and let $s, \theta > 0$. If

$$1 \leq s < \theta m - \max(\theta, 1),$$

and $\theta \geq 1$ if $m = 3$, then $T S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}) \not\subseteq S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$.

Theorem 1.3. Define T by (1.1) where q is a polynomial on \mathbf{R} with real coefficients and degree $m \geq 2$, and let $s, \theta > 0$. If

$$1 < s < \theta m - \max(\theta, 1),$$

and $\theta > 1$ if $m = 3$, then $T \Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}) \not\subseteq \Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$.

Note that the statements in Theorems 1.2 and 1.3 are stronger than the lack of continuity on the spaces $S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$ and $\Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$, respectively. We illustrate Theorems 1.1, 1.2, and 1.3 in Figure 1.

Our results can be applied to well-posedness of the initial value Cauchy problem for linear evolution equations of the form

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u(t, x) + ip(D_x)u(t, x) = 0, & x \in \mathbf{R}^d, \quad t \in \mathbf{R}, \\ u(0, \cdot) = u_0 \end{cases} \tag{1.3}$$

where $p : \mathbf{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ is a polynomial with real coefficients of degree $m \geq 2$. This generalizes the Schrödinger equation for the free particle where $m = 2$ and $p(\xi) = |\xi|^2$. The solution operator (propagator) to (1.3) is

$$u(t, x) = e^{-itp(D_x)}u_0 = (2\pi)^{-\frac{d}{2}} \int_{\mathbf{R}^d} e^{i\langle x, \xi \rangle - itp(\xi)} \hat{u}_0(\xi) d\xi$$

for $u_0 \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbf{R}^d)$. This means that the propagator $e^{-itp(D_x)} = \mathcal{F}^{-1}T\mathcal{F}$ is the conjugation by the Fourier transform of the multiplier operator $(Tf)(x) = e^{-itp(x)}f(x)$ of the form (1.1). Since the Fourier transform maps the Gelfand–Shilov spaces into themselves with an interchange of indices as $\mathcal{F} : S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d) \rightarrow S_s^\theta(\mathbf{R}^d)$ and $\mathcal{F} : \Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d) \rightarrow \Sigma_s^\theta(\mathbf{R}^d)$ we obtain the following consequence of Theorems 1.1, 1.2, and 1.3.

Corollary 1.4. *Let $p : \mathbf{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a polynomial with real coefficients of degree $m \geq 2$, consider the solution operator $e^{-itp(D_x)}$ to the Cauchy problem (1.3), let $s, \theta > 0$ and let $t \in \mathbf{R}$.*

- (i) *If $\theta \geq (m - 1)s \geq 1$ then $e^{-itp(D_x)}$ is continuous on $S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d)$.*
- (ii) *If $\theta \geq (m - 1)s \geq 1$ and $(s, \theta) \neq \left(\frac{1}{m-1}, 1\right)$ then $e^{-itp(D_x)}$ is continuous on $\Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d)$.*
- (iii) *If $d = 1, 1 \leq \theta < sm - \max(s, 1), s \geq 1$ if $m = 3$, and $t \neq 0$ then $e^{-itp(D_x)} S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}) \not\subseteq S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$.*
- (iv) *If $d = 1, 1 < \theta < sm - \max(s, 1), s > 1$ if $m = 3$, and $t \neq 0$ then $e^{-itp(D_x)} \Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}) \not\subseteq \Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$.*

The proof of Theorem 1.1 uses Debrouwere and Neyt’s recent results [4] concerning characterization of smooth functions that acts continuously by multiplication on Gelfand–Shilov spaces, plus a result from [10]. The proofs of Theorems 1.2 and 1.3 are based on ideas from the proof of [1, Proposition 2] which concerns the multiplier function e^{-itx^2} , together with an investigation of the polynomials p_k that appear upon differentiation as $\partial^k e^{iq(x)} = p_k(x) e^{iq(x)}$ for $k \in \mathbf{N}$, where q is a monomial.

The paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we specify notation, conventions and background material. Then in Section 3 we work out the structure and estimates for the derivatives of exponential monomials in one variable of the form $e^{\lambda x^m/m}$ for $x \in \mathbf{R}, m \in \mathbf{N}, m \geq 2$ and $\lambda \in \mathbf{C} \setminus \{0\}$. The results are used as tools for the negative results Theorems 1.2 and 1.3. Finally, Section 4 is devoted to the proof of Theorem 1.1 and Section 5 to the proofs of Theorems 1.2 and 1.3.

2 | PRELIMINARIES

2.1 | Notation

The floor function is denoted as $\lfloor x \rfloor$ for $x \in \mathbf{R}$. Multiindices $\alpha \in \mathbf{N}^d$ are measured with the 1-norm $|\alpha| = \sum_{j=1}^d \alpha_j$, whereas vectors $x \in \mathbf{R}^d$ are measured with the 2-norm $|x| = \left(\sum_{j=1}^d x_j^2\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$. We use the bracket $\langle x \rangle = (1 + |x|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ for $x \in \mathbf{R}^d$. Partial differential operators on \mathbf{R}^d are denoted ∂^α for $\alpha \in \mathbf{N}^d$, and $D^\alpha = i^{-|\alpha|} \partial^\alpha$. The normalization of the Fourier transform is

$$\mathcal{F}f(\xi) = \hat{f}(\xi) = (2\pi)^{-\frac{d}{2}} \int_{\mathbf{R}^d} f(x) e^{-i\langle x, \xi \rangle} dx, \quad \xi \in \mathbf{R}^d,$$

for $f \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbf{R}^d)$ (the Schwartz space), where $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ denotes the scalar product on \mathbf{R}^d . The conjugate linear action of a (ultra-)distribution u on a test function ϕ is written as (u, ϕ) , consistent with the L^2 inner product $(\cdot, \cdot) = (\cdot, \cdot)_{L^2}$ which is conjugate linear in the second argument.

2.2 | Gelfand–Shilov spaces

The Schwartz space $\mathcal{S}(\mathbf{R}^d)$ is the subspace of the smooth functions for which the seminorms

$$f \mapsto \sup_{x \in \mathbf{R}^d} |x^\alpha D^\beta f(x)| := C_{\alpha\beta} \quad (2.1)$$

are finite for all $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbf{N}^d$.

In this paper, we work with Gelfand–Shilov spaces and their dual ultradistribution spaces [5]. For Gelfand–Shilov spaces you impose certain restrictions of the constants $C_{\alpha\beta}$ in (2.1) which leads to spaces that are smaller than $\mathcal{S}(\mathbf{R}^d)$.

Let $\theta, s, h > 0$. The space denoted as $\mathcal{S}_{\theta,h}^s(\mathbf{R}^d)$ is the set of all $f \in C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^d)$ such that

$$\|f\|_{\mathcal{S}_{\theta,h}^s} \equiv \sup \frac{|x^\alpha D^\beta f(x)|}{h^{|\alpha+\beta|} \alpha!^\theta \beta!^s} \quad (2.2)$$

is finite, where the supremum is taken over all $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbf{N}^d$ and $x \in \mathbf{R}^d$. The function space $\mathcal{S}_{\theta,h}^s$ is a Banach space which increases with h, s and θ , and $\mathcal{S}_{\theta,h}^s \subseteq \mathcal{S}$. The topological dual $(\mathcal{S}_{\theta,h}^s)'(\mathbf{R}^d)$ is a Banach space which contains the tempered distributions: $\mathcal{S}'(\mathbf{R}^d) \subseteq (\mathcal{S}_{\theta,h}^s)'(\mathbf{R}^d)$.

The Beurling-type *Gelfand–Shilov space* $\Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d)$ is the projective limit of $\mathcal{S}_{\theta,h}^s(\mathbf{R}^d)$ with respect to h [5]. This means

$$\Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d) = \bigcap_{h>0} \mathcal{S}_{\theta,h}^s(\mathbf{R}^d) \quad (2.3)$$

and the Fréchet space topology of $\Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d)$ is defined by the seminorms $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{S}_{\theta,h}^s}$ for $h > 0$.

We have $\Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d) \neq \{0\}$ if and only if $s + \theta > 1$ [8]. The topological dual of $\Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d)$ is the space of (Beurling type) *Gelfand–Shilov ultradistributions* [5, Section I.4.3]

$$(\Sigma_\theta^s)'(\mathbf{R}^d) = \bigcup_{h>0} (\mathcal{S}_{\theta,h}^s)'(\mathbf{R}^d). \quad (2.3')$$

The Roumieu-type Gelfand–Shilov space is the union

$$\mathcal{S}_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d) = \bigcup_{h>0} \mathcal{S}_{\theta,h}^s(\mathbf{R}^d)$$

equipped with the inductive limit topology [9], that is the strongest topology such that each inclusion $\mathcal{S}_{\theta,h}^s(\mathbf{R}^d) \subseteq \mathcal{S}_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d)$ is continuous. We have $\mathcal{S}_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d) \neq \{0\}$ if and only if $s + \theta \geq 1$ [5]. The corresponding (Roumieu type) Gelfand–Shilov ultradistribution space is

$$(\mathcal{S}_\theta^s)'(\mathbf{R}^d) = \bigcap_{h>0} (\mathcal{S}_{\theta,h}^s)'(\mathbf{R}^d).$$

For every $s, \theta > 0$ such that $s + \theta > 1$, and for any $\varepsilon > 0$ we have

$$\Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d) \subseteq \mathcal{S}_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d) \subseteq \Sigma_{\theta+\varepsilon}^{s+\varepsilon}(\mathbf{R}^d). \quad (2.4)$$

The dual spaces $(\Sigma_\theta^s)'(\mathbf{R}^d)$ and $(\mathcal{S}_\theta^s)'(\mathbf{R}^d)$ may be equipped with several topologies. In this paper, we use the weak* topologies on $(\Sigma_\theta^s)'(\mathbf{R}^d)$ and $(\mathcal{S}_\theta^s)'(\mathbf{R}^d)$, respectively.

The Gelfand–Shilov (ultradistribution) spaces enjoy invariance properties, with respect to translation, dilation, tensorization, coordinate transformation, and (partial) Fourier transformation. The Fourier transform extends uniquely to homeomorphisms on $\mathcal{S}'(\mathbf{R}^d)$, from $(\mathcal{S}_\theta^s)'(\mathbf{R}^d)$ to $(\mathcal{S}_s^\theta)'(\mathbf{R}^d)$, and from $(\Sigma_\theta^s)'(\mathbf{R}^d)$ to $(\Sigma_s^\theta)'(\mathbf{R}^d)$, and restricts to homeomorphisms on $\mathcal{S}(\mathbf{R}^d)$, from $\mathcal{S}_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d)$ to $\mathcal{S}_s^\theta(\mathbf{R}^d)$, and from $\Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d)$ to $\Sigma_s^\theta(\mathbf{R}^d)$, and to a unitary operator on $L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$.

Chung, Chung, and Kim characterized in [3] the Roumieu space $S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d)$ as the space of functions $f \in C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^d)$ that satisfy (1.2) for some $a > 0$. It also follows that the Beurling space $\Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d)$ can be characterized as the space of functions $f \in C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^d)$ that satisfy (1.2) for all $a > 0$.

We need the following result which says that we may use an alternative family of seminorms instead of the seminorms (2.2) indexed by $h > 0$ for the spaces $\Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d)$ and $S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d)$. This is the family of seminorms

$$\|f\|_a \equiv \sup_{\beta \in \mathbf{N}^d, x \in \mathbf{R}^d} e^{a|x|^{1/\theta}} \beta!^{-s} a^{|\beta|} |D^\beta f(x)| \tag{2.5}$$

indexed by $a > 0$. The result may be considered quite well known but we write down a proof for the benefit of the reader.

Lemma 2.1. *Suppose $\theta, s > 0$ and $\theta + s > 1$. For any $a > 0$ there exists $C, h > 0$ such that*

$$\|f\|_a \leq C \|f\|_{S_{\theta,h}^s}, \quad f \in \Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d). \tag{2.6}$$

For any $h > 0$ there exists $C, a > 0$ such that

$$\|f\|_{S_{\theta,h}^s} \leq C \|f\|_a, \quad f \in \Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d). \tag{2.7}$$

Proof. Let $f \in \Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d)$. From (2.2) we have for any $h > 0$

$$|x^\alpha D^\beta f(x)| \leq \|f\|_{S_{\theta,h}^s} \alpha!^\theta \beta!^s h^{|\alpha+\beta|}, \quad \alpha, \beta \in \mathbf{N}^d, \quad x \in \mathbf{R}^d.$$

This gives for any $n \in \mathbf{N}$ and any $\beta \in \mathbf{N}^d$

$$|x|^n |D^\beta f(x)| \leq d^{\frac{n}{2}} \max_{|\alpha|=n} |x^\alpha D^\beta f(x)| \leq d^{\frac{n}{2}} \|f\|_{S_{\theta,h}^s} n!^\theta \beta!^s h^{n+|\beta|}, \quad x \in \mathbf{R}^d.$$

Thus for $a > 0$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \exp\left(\frac{a}{\theta}|x|^{1/\theta}\right) |D^\beta f(x)|^{1/\theta} &= \sum_{n=0}^\infty \frac{|x|^{n/\theta} |D^\beta f(x)|^{1/\theta} \left(d^{\frac{1}{2}}h\right)^{-n/\theta} \left(a\left(d^{\frac{1}{2}}h\right)^{1/\theta}\right)^n}{n!} \\ &\leq \|f\|_{S_{\theta,h}^s}^{1/\theta} \beta!^{s/\theta} h^{|\beta|/\theta} \sum_{n=0}^\infty 2^{-n}, \quad x \in \mathbf{R}^d, \quad \beta \in \mathbf{N}^d, \end{aligned}$$

provided $2a \left(d^{\frac{1}{2}}h\right)^{1/\theta} \leq \theta$. Hence

$$e^{a|x|^{1/\theta}} |D^\beta f(x)| \leq 2^\theta \|f\|_{S_{\theta,h}^s} \beta!^s h^{|\beta|}$$

which gives

$$\|f\|_a \leq 2^\theta \|f\|_{S_{\theta,h}^s}$$

provided $h \leq \min\left(a^{-1}, d^{-\frac{1}{2}}(\theta 2^{-1} a^{-1})^\theta\right)$. We have shown (2.6).

In order to show (2.7) we let $f \in \Sigma_{\theta}^s(\mathbf{R}^d)$. From (2.6) we know that $\|f\|_a < \infty$ for any $a > 0$. Hence, we have for any $a > 0, \beta \in \mathbf{N}^d$ and $x \in \mathbf{R}^d$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{|x|^{\frac{n}{\theta}} |D^{\beta} f(x)|^{\frac{1}{\theta}}}{n!} \left(\frac{a}{\theta}\right)^n = e^{\frac{a}{\theta}|x|^{\frac{1}{\theta}}} |D^{\beta} f(x)|^{\frac{1}{\theta}} \leq \|f\|_a^{\frac{1}{\theta}} \beta!^{\frac{s}{\theta}} a^{-\frac{|\beta|}{\theta}},$$

which gives

$$|x|^n |D^{\beta} f(x)| \leq \|f\|_a n!^{\theta} \beta!^s a^{-|\beta|} \left(\frac{\theta}{a}\right)^{\theta n}, \quad n \in \mathbf{N}, \quad \beta \in \mathbf{N}^d, \quad x \in \mathbf{R}^d,$$

and thus, using [7, Eq. (0.3.3)],

$$|x^{\alpha} D^{\beta} f(x)| \leq \|f\|_a \alpha!^{\theta} \beta!^s a^{-|\beta|} \left(\frac{d\theta}{a}\right)^{\theta|\alpha|}, \quad \alpha, \beta \in \mathbf{N}^d, \quad x \in \mathbf{R}^d.$$

From this it follows that

$$\|f\|_{S_{\theta,h}^s} \leq \|f\|_a, \quad f \in \Sigma_{\theta}^s(\mathbf{R}^d),$$

for any $h > 0$ provided $a \geq \max(h^{-1}, d\theta h^{-\frac{1}{\theta}})$. This proves (2.7). \square

2.3 | Faà di Bruno's formula

Of the several available versions of Faà di Bruno's formula, we will use the following two. If $f, g \in C^{\infty}(\mathbf{R})$ then we have for any $k \in \mathbf{N}$

$$\frac{d^k}{dx^k}(f(g(x))) = \sum_{m_1+2m_2+\dots+km_k=k} \frac{k!}{m_1!m_2!\dots m_k!} f^{(m_1+\dots+m_k)}(g(x)) \prod_{j=1}^k \left(\frac{g^{(j)}(x)}{j!}\right)^{m_j}. \quad (2.8)$$

The second version of Faà di Bruno's formula concerns $f : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ and $g : \mathbf{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ with $f \in C^{\infty}(\mathbf{R})$ and $g \in C^{\infty}(\mathbf{R}^d)$, and reads

$$\partial^{\alpha}(f(g(x))) = \sum_{j=1}^{|\alpha|} \frac{f^{(j)}(g(x))}{j!} \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1+\dots+\alpha_j=\alpha \\ |\alpha_{\ell}|\geq 1, 1\leq\ell\leq j}} \frac{\alpha!}{\alpha_1!\dots\alpha_j!} \prod_{\ell=1}^j \partial^{\alpha_{\ell}} g(x) \quad (2.9)$$

for any $\alpha \in \mathbf{N}^d \setminus \{0\}$ [6, Eq. (2.3)]. For an even more general version of Faà di Bruno's formula, we refer the reader to [2, Proposition 4.3].

3 | DERIVATIVES OF EXPONENTIAL MONOMIALS

Let $m \in \mathbf{N}, m \geq 2, \lambda \in \mathbf{C} \setminus \{0\}$, and consider the function

$$g_{\lambda}(x) = e^{\lambda x^m/m}, \quad x \in \mathbf{R}. \quad (3.1)$$

This function can be considered a generalized Gaussian. Clearly we have for $k \in \mathbf{N}$

$$\partial^k g_\lambda(x) = p_{\lambda,k}(x) g_\lambda(x) \tag{3.2}$$

where $p_{\lambda,k}$ is a polynomial of degree $\deg p_{\lambda,k} = k(m - 1)$. In fact we have $p_{\lambda,0}(x) = 1$, $p_{\lambda,1}(x) = \lambda x^{m-1}$, and the recursive relation

$$p_{\lambda,k+1}(x) = \lambda x^{m-1} p_{\lambda,k}(x) + p'_{\lambda,k}(x) \tag{3.3}$$

for $k \in \mathbf{N}$. When $m = 2 = -\lambda$ then $(-1)^k p_{\lambda,k}$ are the Hermite polynomials.

Lemma 3.1. *Let $m \in \mathbf{N}$, $m \geq 2$, $\lambda \in \mathbf{C} \setminus \{0\}$, and let g_λ be defined by (3.1) and $p_{\lambda,k}$ by (3.2) for $k \in \mathbf{N}$. Then, the polynomials $p_{\lambda,k}$ have the form*

$$p_{\lambda,k}(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\lfloor k \frac{m-1}{m} \rfloor} \lambda^{k-n} x^{(m-1)k-nm} C_{k,n} \tag{3.4}$$

for $k \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}$, where $C_{k,n} \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}$ for $0 \leq n \leq \lfloor k \frac{m-1}{m} \rfloor$, and $C_{k,0} = 1$ for all $k \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}$.

Proof. First, we note that for $k \geq 1$ we have

$$\frac{k-1}{2} \leq \left\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \right\rfloor \leq \left\lfloor k \frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor \leq k-1. \tag{3.5}$$

If $k = 1$, then the sum (3.4) contains only one term of the stated form as confirmed above, with $C_{1,0} = 1$. In an induction argument, we suppose that (3.4) holds true for a fixed $k \geq 1$. By (3.5) we have

$$\left\lfloor (k+1) \frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor \geq \left\lfloor \frac{k+1}{2} \right\rfloor \geq 1$$

so the sum (3.4) with k replaced by $k + 1$ does contain the term with index $n = 1$. We obtain from (3.3) and the induction hypothesis (3.4) with $C_{k,0} = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} p_{\lambda,k+1}(x) &= \lambda x^{m-1} p_{\lambda,k}(x) + p'_{\lambda,k}(x) \\ &= \lambda^{k+1} x^{(m-1)(k+1)} + \sum_{1 \leq n \leq \lfloor k \frac{m-1}{m} \rfloor} \lambda^{k+1-n} x^{(m-1)(k+1)-nm} C_{k,n} \\ &\quad + \lambda^k x^{(m-1)k-1} (m-1)k \\ &\quad + \sum_{1 \leq n < k \frac{m-1}{m}} \lambda^{k-n} x^{(m-1)k-nm-1} C_{k,n} ((m-1)k - nm) \\ &= \lambda^{k+1} x^{(m-1)(k+1)} + \sum_{1 \leq n \leq \lfloor k \frac{m-1}{m} \rfloor} \lambda^{k+1-n} x^{(m-1)(k+1)-nm} C_{k,n} \\ &\quad + \lambda^k x^{(m-1)(k+1)-m} (m-1)k \\ &\quad + \sum_{2 \leq n < k \frac{m-1}{m} + 1} \lambda^{k+1-n} x^{(m-1)(k+1)-nm} C_{k,n-1} ((m-1)k - (n-1)m). \end{aligned} \tag{3.6}$$

Note that the term $\lambda^k x^{(m-1)(k+1)-m}(m-1)k$ fits into (3.4) with k replaced by $k+1$ and index $n=1$. In the last sum, the indices n satisfy $2m \leq mn \leq (m-1)k + m - 1$ which gives $2 \leq n \leq (k+1)\frac{m-1}{m}$. Hence,

$$2 \leq n \leq \left\lfloor (k+1)\frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor.$$

We may conclude that all terms in (3.6) can be absorbed into formula (3.4) with k replaced by $k+1$ for certain coefficients $C_{k+1,n} \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}$ for $0 \leq n \leq \lfloor (k+1)\frac{m-1}{m} \rfloor$. In fact the coefficients $C_{k+1,n}$ are linear combinations of $\{C_{k,n}\}_{0 \leq n \leq \lfloor k\frac{m-1}{m} \rfloor}$ with positive integer coefficients. It also follows that $C_{k+1,0} = 1$. This proves the induction step which guarantees that (3.4) holds for any $k \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}$, and $C_{k,0} = 1$ for all $k \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}$. \square

In order to understand more about the polynomials $p_{\lambda,k}$, we would like to gain knowledge about the coefficients $C_{k,n}$. We know from Lemma 3.1 that $C_{k,0} = 1$ for all $k \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}$.

We need a simple lemma.

Lemma 3.2. *Suppose $m \in \mathbf{N}$, $m \geq 2$ and $k \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}$. Then*

$$k \in m\mathbf{N} \quad \implies \quad \left\lfloor (k+1)\frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor = \left\lfloor k\frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor \quad (3.7)$$

and

$$k \notin m\mathbf{N} \quad \implies \quad \left\lfloor (k+1)\frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor = \left\lfloor k\frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor + 1. \quad (3.8)$$

Proof. If $k \in m\mathbf{N}$ then there exists $p \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}$ such that $k = mp$ which gives

$$k\frac{m-1}{m} = p(m-1) = \left\lfloor k\frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor$$

and $(k+1)\frac{m-1}{m} = p(m-1) + 1 - \frac{1}{m}$. Since $\frac{1}{2} \leq 1 - \frac{1}{m} < 1$ we get

$$\left\lfloor (k+1)\frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor = p(m-1) = \left\lfloor k\frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor$$

which proves (3.7).

If instead $k \notin m\mathbf{N}$ then there exist $p, q \in \mathbf{N}$ with $1 \leq q \leq m-1$ such that $k = mp + q$. Then, $(q+1)(m-1) \geq qm$ which yields

$$\begin{aligned} (k+1)\frac{m-1}{m} &= p(m-1) + (q+1)\frac{m-1}{m} \geq p(m-1) + q \\ &> p(m-1) + q\left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right) = k\frac{m-1}{m}. \end{aligned}$$

The implication (3.8) follows. \square

The following result gives a recursion formula for the coefficients $C_{k,n}$. First, note that

$$C_{2,1} = m - 1. \quad (3.9)$$

Lemma 3.3. *If $m \geq 2$ and $k \geq 2$ then*

$$C_{k+1,n} = C_{k,n} + C_{k,n-1}((m-1)k - m(n-1)), \quad 1 \leq n \leq \left\lfloor k\frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor. \quad (3.10)$$

If $k \geq 2$ and $k \notin m\mathbf{N}$, then we have also

$$C_{k+1,n} = C_{k,n-1}((m-1)k - m(n-1)), \quad n = \left\lfloor (k+1)\frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor. \tag{3.11}$$

Proof. We use (3.3) and (3.4). If $k \in m\mathbf{N}$, then the last term in (3.4) is constant. Thus, (3.3) gives

$$\begin{aligned} p_{\lambda,k+1}(x) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\lfloor k\frac{m-1}{m} \rfloor} \lambda^{k+1-n} x^{(m-1)(k+1)-nm} C_{k,n} \\ &\quad + \sum_{n=0}^{\lfloor k\frac{m-1}{m} \rfloor - 1} \lambda^{k-n} x^{(m-1)k-nm-1} C_{k,n}((m-1)k - nm) \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\lfloor k\frac{m-1}{m} \rfloor} \lambda^{k+1-n} x^{(m-1)(k+1)-nm} C_{k,n} \\ &\quad + \sum_{n=1}^{\lfloor k\frac{m-1}{m} \rfloor} \lambda^{k+1-n} x^{(m-1)(k+1)-nm} C_{k,n-1}((m-1)k - m(n-1)). \end{aligned}$$

In view of Lemma 3.2 and (3.7), this proves (3.10) when $k \in m\mathbf{N}$.

If $k \notin m\mathbf{N}$ then $\lfloor k\frac{m-1}{m} \rfloor < k\frac{m-1}{m}$. In fact if we assume $k\frac{m-1}{m} = p \in \mathbf{N}$ then we get the contradiction $k = m(k-p) \in m\mathbf{N}$. Thus, the last term in (3.4) contains a positive power of x . Thus again using (3.3) we get

$$\begin{aligned} p_{\lambda,k+1}(x) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\lfloor k\frac{m-1}{m} \rfloor} \lambda^{k+1-n} x^{(m-1)(k+1)-nm} C_{k,n} \\ &\quad + \sum_{n=0}^{\lfloor k\frac{m-1}{m} \rfloor} \lambda^{k-n} x^{(m-1)k-nm-1} C_{k,n}((m-1)k - nm) \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\lfloor k\frac{m-1}{m} \rfloor} \lambda^{k+1-n} x^{(m-1)(k+1)-nm} C_{k,n} \\ &\quad + \sum_{n=1}^{\lfloor k\frac{m-1}{m} \rfloor + 1} \lambda^{k+1-n} x^{(m-1)(k+1)-nm} C_{k,n-1}((m-1)k - m(n-1)). \end{aligned}$$

Again, Lemma 3.2 and (3.8) prove (3.10) when $k \notin m\mathbf{N}$, and it also shows (3.11) when $k \notin m\mathbf{N}$. □

Remark 3.4. Note that (3.9), written as $C_{2,1} = m-1 = C_{1,1} + C_{1,0}(m-1)$ using $C_{1,0} = 1$ and forcing $C_{1,1} = 0$, fits into formula (3.10) for $k = n = 1$ (without the upper bound for n). Indeed $C_{1,1}$ is not well defined due to $\lfloor \frac{m-1}{m} \rfloor = 0$.

In general, it is challenging to find explicit expressions for the coefficients $C_{k,n}$ when $n \neq 0$, but $n = 1$ is an exception.

Lemma 3.5. *If $k \geq 2$, then*

$$C_{k,1} = \frac{1}{2}(m-1)k(k-1). \tag{3.12}$$

Proof. We observe that $C_{2,1} = m - 1$ may be written as (3.12) for $k = 2$. If $k \geq 3$ then (3.5) implies $\lfloor (k-1)\frac{m-1}{m} \rfloor \geq 1$. From $C_{k-1,0} = 1$, Lemma 3.3 and (3.10) we get for $k \geq 3$ and $n = 1$

$$C_{k,1} = C_{k-1,1} + (m-1)(k-1).$$

If we assume that (3.12) holds with k replaced by $k-1$, then we get

$$\begin{aligned} C_{k,1} &= C_{k-1,1} + (m-1)(k-1) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(m-1)(k-1)(k-2) + (m-1)(k-1) \\ &= (m-1)(k-1) \left(\frac{1}{2}(k-2) + 1 \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(m-1)k(k-1). \end{aligned}$$

By induction this proves (3.12) for all $k \geq 2$. □

In the next proposition, we need the following lemma.

Lemma 3.6. *If $m \geq 2$ and $\theta \geq \frac{2}{m}$ then*

$$f(x) = (1+x)^{m\theta} - \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)x^{m\theta-1} - 1 \geq 0 \quad (3.13)$$

for all $0 \leq x \leq 1$.

Proof. We have $f(0) = 0$ and $f(1) = 2^{m\theta} - 2 + \frac{1}{m} > 0$. If $0 < x < 1$ then

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= m\theta(1+x)^{m\theta-1} - (m\theta-1) \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)x^{m\theta-2} \\ &= m\theta(1+x)^{m\theta-2} \left(1+x - \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{m\theta}\right) \left(\frac{x}{1+x}\right)^{m\theta-2}\right). \end{aligned}$$

It follows that $f'(x) > 0$ for all $0 < x < 1$. The function f is thus strictly increasing in $[0,1]$ which proves the claim (3.13) for $0 \leq x \leq 1$. □

We may now state and prove our main result on the coefficients $C_{k,n}$, which concerns a recursive bound.

Proposition 3.7. *Suppose $\lambda \in \mathbf{C} \setminus \{0\}$, $m \in \mathbf{N}$, $m \geq 2$, $\theta \geq \frac{2}{m}$, and consider the polynomials $p_{\lambda,k}$ defined by (3.2) having the form (3.4) involving the coefficients $\{C_{k,n}\} \subseteq \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}$. Then, we have the bound*

$$C_{k,n+1} \leq C_{k,n} m k^{m\theta}, \quad k \geq 2, \quad 0 \leq n \leq \left\lfloor k \frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor - 1. \quad (3.14)$$

Proof. If $k = 2$, then by (3.5) we have $\left\lfloor k \frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor = 1$. We have $C_{2,1} = m - 1 \leq C_{2,0} m 2^{m\theta} = m 2^{m\theta}$ so (3.14) is true for $k = 2$. In an induction argument, we suppose that (3.14) holds for a fixed $k \geq 2$.

First, Lemma 3.5 yields

$$\frac{C_{k+1,1}}{m(k+1)^{m\theta}} = \frac{(m-1)k(k+1)}{2m(k+1)^{m\theta}} = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right) \frac{k}{(k+1)^{m\theta-1}} \leq 1$$

due to the assumption $m\theta \geq 2$. Thus, (3.14) holds when k is replaced by $k+1$ and $n = 0$.

Next, let $1 \leq n \leq \left\lfloor (k+1)\frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor - 1$. If $k \in m\mathbf{N}$ then by Lemma 3.2 and (3.7) we have $\left\lfloor (k+1)\frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor = \left\lfloor k\frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor$. Lemma 3.3 and (3.10) give $C_{k+1,n} \geq C_{k,n}$ and therefore by the induction hypothesis

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{C_{k+1,n+1}}{C_{k+1,n}} &= \frac{C_{k,n+1} + C_{k,n}((m-1)k - mn)}{C_{k+1,n}} \\ &\leq \frac{C_{k,n+1}}{C_{k,n}} + (m-1)k \\ &\leq mk^{m\theta} + (m-1)k \\ &= m(k+1)^{m\theta} \left(\frac{k}{k+1}\right)^{m\theta} \left(1 + \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)k^{1-m\theta}\right) \\ &\leq m(k+1)^{m\theta} \end{aligned}$$

in the final inequality using Lemma 3.6, in the form

$$1 + \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)k^{1-m\theta} \leq \left(\frac{k+1}{k}\right)^{m\theta}$$

for all $k \geq 1$. We have now shown the induction step which shows that (3.14) holds when k is replaced by $k+1$ and $0 \leq n \leq \left\lfloor (k+1)\frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor - 1$, provided $k \in m\mathbf{N}$.

We also need to consider $k \notin m\mathbf{N}$ for which Lemma 3.2 and (3.8) yield $\left\lfloor (k+1)\frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor = \left\lfloor k\frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor + 1$. Thus, we assume $1 \leq n \leq \left\lfloor k\frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor$.

If $1 \leq n \leq \left\lfloor k\frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor - 1$, then Lemma 3.3 and (3.10) give $C_{k+1,n} \geq C_{k,n}$ and thus by the induction hypothesis

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{C_{k+1,n+1}}{C_{k+1,n}} &= \frac{C_{k,n+1} + C_{k,n}((m-1)k - mn)}{C_{k+1,n}} \\ &\leq \frac{C_{k,n+1}}{C_{k,n}} + (m-1)k \\ &\leq mk^{m\theta} + (m-1)k \\ &= m(k+1)^{m\theta} \left(\frac{k}{k+1}\right)^{m\theta} \left(1 + \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)k^{1-m\theta}\right) \\ &\leq m(k+1)^{m\theta} \end{aligned}$$

as before.

Finally, if $n = \left\lfloor k\frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor$ then again by Lemma 3.3 and (3.10) we have $C_{k+1,n} \geq C_{k,n}$. From (3.11), we obtain

$$\frac{C_{k+1,n+1}}{C_{k+1,n}} \leq \frac{C_{k+1,n+1}}{C_{k,n}} = (m-1)k - mn \leq m(k+1)^{m\theta}$$

again due to the assumption $m\theta \geq 2$. We have shown the induction step in all cases. □

As a consequence of Proposition 3.7, we have

$$C_{k,2} \leq m^2 k^{2m\theta} \tag{3.15}$$

for $k \geq 4$ and $\theta \geq \frac{2}{m}$. In fact (3.5) implies $\left\lfloor k \frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor - 1 \geq 1$ if $k \geq 4$ so Proposition 3.7 applies to $n = 0$ and $n = 1$.

In the next result, we improve the estimate (3.15).

Proposition 3.8. *Let $m \in \mathbf{N}$, $m \geq 2$, $\lambda \in \mathbf{C} \setminus \{0\}$ and consider the polynomials $p_{\lambda,k}$ defined by (3.1) and (3.2) having the form (3.4) involving the coefficients $\{C_{k,n}\} \subseteq \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}$. If $k \geq 4$, then*

$$C_{k,2} \leq \frac{1}{2} m^2 k^4. \quad (3.16)$$

Proof. From Faà di Bruno's formula (2.9), we obtain if $k \geq 1$

$$\begin{aligned} p_{\lambda,k}(x) &= \frac{\partial^k g_{\lambda}(x)}{g_{\lambda}(x)} = \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{\lambda^j}{m^j j!} \sum_{\substack{k_1+\dots+k_j=k \\ 1 \leq k_{\ell} \leq m}} \frac{k!}{k_1! \dots k_j!} \prod_{\ell=1}^j \partial_x^{k_{\ell}} x^m \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^k \lambda^j x^{m^j-k} \frac{k!}{m^j j!} \sum_{\substack{k_1+\dots+k_j=k \\ 1 \leq k_{\ell} \leq m}} \prod_{\ell=1}^j \frac{m!}{(m-k_{\ell})! k_{\ell}!} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{k-1} \lambda^{k-n} x^{(m-1)k-nm} \frac{k!}{m^{k-n}(k-n)!} \sum_{\substack{k_1+\dots+k_{k-n}=k \\ 1 \leq k_{\ell} \leq m}} \prod_{\ell=1}^{k-n} \frac{m!}{(m-k_{\ell})! k_{\ell}!}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.17)$$

The smallest power of x is $(m-1)k - (k-1)m = m - k$ when $n = k-1$. This power seems to be negative if $k > m$ which would be absurd. But negative powers are in fact excluded by (3.17): if $k-n = 1$ then the sum over $k_1 + \dots + k_{k-n} = k$ reduces to $k_1 = k$ and $1 \leq k \leq m$ is postulated. Thus, the smallest power of x is non-negative in (3.17).

Comparing (3.17) with (3.4) we observe that the upper limits for the summation index n seem to be possibly different. In fact by (3.5) we know that $\left\lfloor k \frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor \leq k-1$. Suppose $n = k-1 > \left\lfloor k \frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor$. Then

$$k-2 \geq \left\lfloor k \frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor > k \frac{m-1}{m} - 1 = k-1 - \frac{k}{m}$$

which implies $k > m$. This contradicts the conditions in the sum over $1 \leq k_1 = k \leq m$ above, which is interpreted as zero then. So, in fact (3.4) and (3.17) are identical.

The assumption $k \geq 4$ and (3.5) implies that $n = 2$ has a nonzero coefficient in (3.4). From the identity of (3.4) and (3.17), it follows in particular that

$$C_{k,2} = \frac{k!}{m^{k-2}(k-2)!} \sum_{\substack{k_1+\dots+k_{k-2}=k \\ 1 \leq k_{\ell} \leq m}} \prod_{\ell=1}^{k-2} \frac{m!}{(m-k_{\ell})! k_{\ell}!}.$$

Since $k_{\ell} \geq 1$ for all $1 \leq \ell \leq k-2$ and $k_1 + \dots + k_{k-2} = k$, we have

$$k_{\ell} \leq 3, \quad \ell = 1, 2, \dots, k-2.$$

Hence,

$$C_{k,2} = \frac{k!}{m^{k-2}(k-2)!} \sum_{\substack{k_1+\dots+k_{k-2}=k \\ 1 \leq k_{\ell} \leq 3}} \prod_{\ell=1}^{k-2} \frac{m!}{(m-k_{\ell})! k_{\ell}!}. \quad (3.18)$$

For k_1, \dots, k_{k-2} satisfying

$$k_1 + \dots + k_{k-2} = k \quad \text{and} \quad k_\ell \geq 1,$$

we must have $k_{\ell_1} = 3$ for some $1 \leq \ell_1 \leq k - 2$, and $k_\ell = 1$ for $\ell \neq \ell_1$, or $k_{\ell_1} = k_{\ell_2} = 2$ for some $1 \leq \ell_1 \neq \ell_2 \leq k - 2$, and $k_\ell = 1$ for $\ell \notin \{\ell_1, \ell_2\}$.

In the first case, we have

$$\prod_{\ell=1}^{k-2} \frac{m!}{(m - k_\ell)!k_\ell!} = \frac{m(m-1)(m-2)}{6} m^{k-3} \leq m^k \tag{3.19}$$

and in the second case we have

$$\prod_{\ell=1}^{k-2} \frac{m!}{(m - k_\ell)!k_\ell!} = \frac{m^2(m-1)^2}{4} m^{k-4} \leq m^k. \tag{3.20}$$

Combinatorics give

$$\sum_{\substack{k_1 + \dots + k_{k-2} = k \\ 1 \leq k_\ell \leq 3}} \leq k - 2 + \binom{k-2}{2} = \frac{1}{2}(k-1)(k-2). \tag{3.21}$$

Finally, we insert (3.19), (3.20), and (3.21) into (3.18) which gives

$$C_{k,2} \leq \frac{k!}{m^{k-2}(k-2)!} m^k \frac{1}{2}(k-1)(k-2) = \frac{1}{2} m^2 k(k-1)^2(k-2) \leq \frac{1}{2} m^2 k^4. \quad \square$$

In the next result, we look at the particular case of (3.1) where $\lambda = \pm im$, that is, $g_\lambda(x) = e^{\pm ix^m}$, and the corresponding polynomials $p_{\lambda,k}$ defined by (3.2).

Proposition 3.9. *Let $m \in \mathbf{N}$, $m \geq 2$, $\lambda = \pm im$ and consider the polynomials $p_{\lambda,k}$ defined by (3.1) and (3.2) having the form (3.4) involving the coefficients $\{C_{k,n}\} \subseteq \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}$. If $\theta \geq \frac{2}{m}$, then there exists a sequence $\{k_j\}_{j=1}^{+\infty} \subseteq \mathbf{N}$ such that $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} k_j = \infty$ and*

$$\left| p_{\lambda,k_j}(k_j^\theta) \right| \geq \frac{1}{2} m^{k_j} k_j^{\theta k_j(m-1)}, \quad j \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}. \tag{3.22}$$

Proof. Let $j \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}$. Due to $1 < \frac{m}{m-1} \leq 2$, the interval $[4j \frac{m}{m-1}, (4j+1) \frac{m}{m-1}]$ must contain positive integers. Denote by $k_j \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}$ the smallest of them. Hence, we have $4j \leq k_j \frac{m-1}{m} \leq 4j+1$, and therefore

$$4j \leq \left\lfloor k_j \frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor \leq 4j+1 \tag{3.23}$$

as well as

$$\left\lfloor \frac{1}{2} \left\lfloor k_j \frac{m-1}{m} \right\rfloor \right\rfloor = 2j. \tag{3.24}$$

The bound $k_j \geq 4j \frac{m}{m-1} > 4j$ implies that $k_j \geq 4$ for all $j \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}$.

For notational simplicity, we write $k = k_j$. Lemma 3.1 and (3.4) gives

$$p_{\lambda,k}(x) = (\pm 1)^k i^k m^k x^{(m-1)k} \sum_{n=0}^{\lfloor k \frac{m-1}{m} \rfloor} (\pm 1)^n i^{-n} m^{-n} x^{-nm} C_{k,n}$$

which in turn gives

$$\begin{aligned}
 |p_{\lambda,k}(k^\theta)| &= m^k k^{\theta(m-1)k} \left| \sum_{n=0}^{\lfloor k \frac{m-1}{m} \rfloor} (\pm 1)^n i^{-n} m^{-n} k^{-\theta n m} C_{k,n} \right| \\
 &\geq m^k k^{\theta(m-1)k} \left| \sum_{\substack{n=0 \\ n \text{ even}}}^{\lfloor k \frac{m-1}{m} \rfloor} i^{-n} m^{-n} k^{-\theta n m} C_{k,n} \right| \\
 &= m^k k^{\theta(m-1)k} \left| \sum_{n=0}^{\lfloor \frac{1}{2} \lfloor k \frac{m-1}{m} \rfloor \rfloor} (-1)^n m^{-2n} k^{-2\theta n m} C_{k,2n} \right|.
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.25}$$

Using (3.24), and noting that $m^{-4j} k^{-4\theta j m} C_{k,4j} \geq 0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{n=0}^{\lfloor \frac{1}{2} \lfloor k \frac{m-1}{m} \rfloor \rfloor} (-1)^n m^{-2n} k^{-2\theta n m} C_{k,2n} &\geq \sum_{n=0}^{2j-1} (-1)^n m^{-2n} k^{-2\theta n m} C_{k,2n} \\
 = 1 - \frac{C_{k,2}}{m^2 k^{2\theta m}} \\
 &+ \frac{C_{k,4}}{m^4 k^{4\theta m}} - \frac{C_{k,6}}{m^6 k^{6\theta m}} + \cdots + \frac{C_{k,2(2j-2)}}{m^{2(2j-2)} k^{2(2j-2)\theta m}} - \frac{C_{k,2(2j-1)}}{m^{2(2j-1)} k^{2(2j-1)\theta m}}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.26}$$

By Proposition 3.7, we have if $0 \leq 2n \leq \lfloor k \frac{m-1}{m} \rfloor - 2$,

$$C_{k,2(n+1)} \leq C_{k,2n} m^2 k^{2\theta m}$$

which gives

$$\frac{C_{k,2n}}{m^{2n} k^{2n\theta m}} - \frac{C_{k,2(n+1)}}{m^{2(n+1)} k^{2(n+1)\theta m}} \geq 0$$

for all $n \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}$ such that $0 \leq 2n \leq \lfloor k \frac{m-1}{m} \rfloor - 2$. By (3.23) this includes all $n \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}$ such that $2 \leq n \leq 2j - 2$. We may conclude that

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\lfloor \frac{1}{2} \lfloor k \frac{m-1}{m} \rfloor \rfloor} (-1)^n m^{-2n} k^{-2\theta n m} C_{k,2n} \geq 1 - \frac{C_{k,2}}{m^2 k^{2\theta m}}. \tag{3.27}$$

Finally, the assumption $\theta \geq \frac{2}{m}$ and Proposition 3.8 yield

$$\frac{C_{k,2}}{m^2 k^{2\theta m}} \leq \frac{m^2 k^4}{2m^2 k^{2\theta m}} = \frac{1}{2} k^{2(2-\theta m)} \leq \frac{1}{2}$$

for all k . Combining this with (3.25) and (3.27), we obtain (3.22). \square

4 | PROOF THEOREM 1.1

In [4, Theorem 5.7], the authors identify the subspace of $g \in C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^d)$ such that the multiplier operator $T_g f = fg$ is continuous on $\Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d)$ and on $S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d)$, respectively. They prove a characterization of the multiplier space formulated in terms of estimates of the form

$$|\partial^\alpha g(x)| \leq Ch^{|\alpha|} |\alpha|!^s e^{\lambda^{-\frac{1}{\theta}} |x|^{\frac{1}{\theta}}}, \quad \alpha \in \mathbf{N}^d, \quad x \in \mathbf{R}^d. \tag{4.1}$$

In fact $T_g : S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d) \rightarrow S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d)$ is continuous if and only if (4.1) holds for all $\lambda > 0$, some $C = C(\lambda) > 0$, and some $h = h(\lambda) > 0$. Moreover, $T_g : \Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d) \rightarrow \Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d)$ is continuous if and only if (4.1) holds for all $h > 0$, some $C = C(h) > 0$, and some $\lambda = \lambda(h) > 0$.

Proof of Theorem 1.1. Theorem 1.1 concerns multiplier functions $g(x) = e^{iq(x)}$ where q is a polynomial of degree $m \geq 2$, that is

$$q(x) = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq m} c_\alpha x^\alpha, \quad c_\alpha \in \mathbf{R}, \quad x \in \mathbf{R}^d, \tag{4.2}$$

and $c_\alpha \neq 0$ for some $\alpha \in \mathbf{N}^d$ with $|\alpha| = m$.

If $\gamma \in \mathbf{N}^d$ and $|\gamma| \leq m$ then

$$\partial^\gamma q(x) = \sum_{\substack{|\alpha|=m \\ \alpha \geq \gamma}} c_\alpha \frac{\alpha!}{(\alpha - \gamma)!} x^{\alpha - \gamma} + \text{L.O.T.} \tag{4.3}$$

Hence,

$$|\partial^\gamma q(x)| \leq C_{q,m} \max(1, |x|^{m-|\gamma|}), \tag{4.4}$$

where $C_{q,m} > 0$ is a constant depending only on m and on the coefficients of q .

From Faà di Bruno’s formula (2.9), one gets for $\alpha \in \mathbf{N}^d \setminus \{0\}$

$$\partial^\alpha g(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{|\alpha|} i^j \frac{g(x)}{j!} \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_j = \alpha \\ 1 \leq |\alpha_\ell| \leq m, \quad 1 \leq \ell \leq j}} \frac{\alpha!}{\alpha_1! \dots \alpha_j!} \prod_{\ell=1}^j \partial^{\alpha_\ell} q(x). \tag{4.5}$$

Now, (4.4) entails if $|x| \geq 1$

$$\begin{aligned} |\partial^\alpha g(x)| &\leq \sum_{j=1}^{|\alpha|} \frac{1}{j!} \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_j = \alpha \\ 1 \leq |\alpha_\ell| \leq m, \quad 1 \leq \ell \leq j}} \frac{\alpha!}{\alpha_1! \dots \alpha_j!} \prod_{\ell=1}^j C_{q,m} |x|^{m-|\alpha_\ell|} \\ &\leq \alpha! \sum_{j=1}^{|\alpha|} \frac{C_{q,m}^j}{j!} |x|^{jm-|\alpha|} \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_j = \alpha \\ 1 \leq |\alpha_\ell| \leq m, \quad 1 \leq \ell \leq j}} \frac{1}{\alpha_1! \dots \alpha_j!}. \end{aligned} \tag{4.6}$$

On one hand, we get from [7, Eq. (0.3.15)]

$$\sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_j = \alpha \\ 1 \leq |\alpha_\ell| \leq m, \quad 1 \leq \ell \leq j}} \frac{1}{\alpha_1! \dots \alpha_j!} \leq \binom{m+d}{m}^j \leq 2^{(m+d)j}. \tag{4.7}$$

On the other hand if $|x| \geq 1$ we have for any $\lambda > 0$, using $j \leq |\alpha| \leq jm$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 |x|^{jm-|\alpha|} &= \left(\frac{\left(\theta^{-1} (\lambda^{-1} |x|)^{\frac{1}{\theta}} \right)^{jm-|\alpha|}}{(jm-|\alpha|)!} \right)^{\theta} (jm-|\alpha|)! (\theta^{\theta} \lambda)^{jm-|\alpha|} \\
 &\leq e^{(\lambda^{-1}|x|)^{\frac{1}{\theta}}} (j(m-1))!^{\theta} (\theta^{\theta} \lambda)^{jm-|\alpha|}
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.8}$$

and, using [7, Eq. (0.3.12)],

$$\begin{aligned}
 (j(m-1))!^{\theta} &\leq (j(m-1))^{j(m-1)\theta} = (m-1)^{(m-1)\theta j} j^{j(m-1)\theta} \\
 &\leq (e(m-1))^{(m-1)\theta j} j^{j(m-1)\theta}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.9}$$

If $|x| \geq 1$, then insertion of (4.7), (4.8), and (4.9) into (4.6) gives, using the assumption $(m-1)\theta \geq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\partial^{\alpha} g(x)| &\leq \alpha! e^{(\lambda^{-1}|x|)^{\frac{1}{\theta}}} \sum_{j=1}^{|\alpha|} \left(C_{q,m} (e(m-1))^{(m-1)\theta} 2^{m+d} \right)^j (\theta^{\theta} \lambda)^{jm-|\alpha|} j^{j(m-1)\theta-1} \\
 &\leq C^{|\alpha|} |\alpha|!^{(m-1)\theta} e^{(\lambda^{-1}|x|)^{\frac{1}{\theta}}} \sum_{j=1}^{|\alpha|} \lambda^{jm-|\alpha|}
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.10}$$

for some $C > 0$.

If $|x| \leq 1$ then (4.4), (4.5), (4.7), and (4.8) with $|x| = 1$, and (4.9) give for any $\lambda > 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\partial^{\alpha} g(x)| &\leq \alpha! \sum_{j=1}^{|\alpha|} (C_{q,m} 2^{m+d})^j j!^{-1} \\
 &\leq \alpha! \sum_{j=1}^{|\alpha|} (C_{q,m} 2^{m+d})^j j!^{-1} e^{\lambda^{-\frac{1}{\theta}}} (j(m-1))!^{\theta} (\theta^{\theta} \lambda)^{jm-|\alpha|} \\
 &\leq \alpha! e^{\lambda^{-\frac{1}{\theta}}} \sum_{j=1}^{|\alpha|} \left(C_{q,m} (e(m-1))^{(m-1)\theta} 2^{m+d} \right)^j (\theta^{\theta} \lambda)^{jm-|\alpha|} j^{j(m-1)\theta-1} \\
 &\leq C^{|\alpha|} |\alpha|!^{(m-1)\theta} e^{\lambda^{-\frac{1}{\theta}}} \sum_{j=1}^{|\alpha|} \lambda^{jm-|\alpha|}
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.11}$$

for some $C > 0$.

The estimate (4.10) for $|x| \geq 1$ and the estimate (4.11) for $|x| \leq 1$ can be combined into the estimate for $x \in \mathbf{R}^d$

$$|\partial^{\alpha} g(x)| \leq e^{\lambda^{-\frac{1}{\theta}}} C^{|\alpha|} |\alpha|!^{(m-1)\theta} e^{(\lambda^{-1}|x|)^{\frac{1}{\theta}}} \sum_{j=1}^{|\alpha|} \lambda^{jm-|\alpha|} \tag{4.12}$$

for some $C > 0$.

Proof of Claim (i). The assumption $s \geq (m - 1)\theta$ and (4.12) imply if $\lambda \geq 1$

$$\begin{aligned} |\partial^\alpha g(x)| &\leq e^{\lambda^{-\frac{1}{\theta}}} C^{|\alpha|} |\alpha|!^s e^{(\lambda^{-1}|x|)^{\frac{1}{\theta}}} \sum_{j=1}^{|\alpha|} \lambda^{|\alpha|(m-1)} \\ &\leq e^{\lambda^{-\frac{1}{\theta}}} (2C\lambda^{m-1})^{|\alpha|} |\alpha|!^s e^{(\lambda^{-1}|x|)^{\frac{1}{\theta}}} \end{aligned} \tag{4.13}$$

and if $0 < \lambda < 1$

$$\begin{aligned} |\partial^\alpha g(x)| &\leq e^{\lambda^{-\frac{1}{\theta}}} C^{|\alpha|} |\alpha|!^s e^{(\lambda^{-1}|x|)^{\frac{1}{\theta}}} \sum_{j=1}^{|\alpha|} \lambda^{-|\alpha|} \\ &\leq e^{\lambda^{-\frac{1}{\theta}}} (2C\lambda^{-1})^{|\alpha|} |\alpha|!^s e^{(\lambda^{-1}|x|)^{\frac{1}{\theta}}}. \end{aligned} \tag{4.14}$$

Combining (4.13) and (4.14) we may by the criterion in [4, Theorem 5.7] conclude that T is continuous on $S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d)$. Claim (i) has been proved.

Proof of Claim (ii). The assumptions imply that either $s \geq \theta(m - 1) > 1$ or $s > \theta(m - 1) \geq 1$. First, we suppose that $s \geq \theta(m - 1) > 1$. Then, [10, Theorem 7.1] shows that T is continuous on $\Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d)$.

It remains to consider $s > \theta(m - 1) \geq 1$. Then, $\varepsilon := s - \theta(m - 1) > 0$. From (4.12) with $\lambda = 1$ we obtain for any $h > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} |\partial^\alpha g(x)| &\leq e C^{|\alpha|} |\alpha|!^{s-\varepsilon} e^{|x|^{\frac{1}{\theta}}} |\alpha| \\ &\leq e(2Ch)^{|\alpha|} |\alpha|!^s e^{|x|^{\frac{1}{\theta}}} \left(\frac{h^{-\frac{|\alpha|}{\varepsilon}}}{|\alpha|!} \right)^\varepsilon \\ &\leq e^{1+\varepsilon h^{-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}}} (2Ch)^{|\alpha|} |\alpha|!^s e^{|x|^{\frac{1}{\theta}}}. \end{aligned}$$

Again by the criterion in [4, Theorem 5.7] we may conclude that T is continuous on $\Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}^d)$. Claim (ii) has been proved. \square

Corollary 4.1. Define T by (1.1) where q is a polynomial on \mathbf{R}^d with real coefficients and degree $m \geq 2$, and let $s, \theta > 0$.

- (i) If $s \geq (m - 1)\theta \geq 1$, then T is continuous on $(S_\theta^s)'(\mathbf{R}^d)$.
- (ii) If $s \geq (m - 1)\theta \geq 1$ and $(\theta, s) \neq (\frac{1}{m-1}, 1)$, then T is continuous on $(\Sigma_\theta^s)'(\mathbf{R}^d)$.

5 | PROOFS OF THEOREMS 1.2 AND 1.3

Lemma 5.1. Let $f, g \in C^\infty(\mathbf{R})$. If there exists $A, B, a, \theta, \nu > 0$, and $s \geq 1$ such that

$$|D^k f(x)| \leq B^k k! |f(x)| \langle x \rangle^{k \max(\frac{1}{\nu}-1, 0)}, \quad k \in \mathbf{N}, \tag{5.1}$$

and

$$|D^k (g(x)f(x))| \leq AB^k k!^s e^{-a|x|^{\frac{1}{\theta}}}, \quad k \in \mathbf{N}, \tag{5.2}$$

then

$$|(D^k g)(x)f(x)| \leq A(2B)^k k!^s e^{-a|x|^{\frac{1}{\theta}}} \langle x \rangle^{k \max(\frac{1}{\nu}-1, 0)}, \quad k \in \mathbf{N}. \tag{5.3}$$

Proof. Assumption (5.2) for $k = 0$ implies (5.3) for $k = 0$. In an induction proof, we let $k \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}$ and assume that (5.3) holds for orders smaller than k . We use

$$(D^k g)(x)f(x) = D^k(g(x)f(x)) - \sum_{n=0}^{k-1} \binom{k}{n} D^n g(x) D^{k-n} f(x)$$

(5.1), (5.2), the induction hypothesis, and $s \geq 1$. If $\nu \geq 1$, then $\max\left(\frac{1}{\nu} - 1, 0\right) = 0$ which gives

$$\begin{aligned} |(D^k g)(x)f(x)| &\leq |D^k(g(x)f(x))| + \sum_{n=0}^{k-1} \binom{k}{n} |D^n g(x)| |D^{k-n} f(x)| \\ &\leq AB^k k!^s e^{-a|x|^{\frac{1}{\theta}}} + \sum_{n=0}^{k-1} \binom{k}{n} |D^n g(x)| |f(x)| B^{k-n} (k-n)! \\ &\leq AB^k k!^s e^{-a|x|^{\frac{1}{\theta}}} + \sum_{n=0}^{k-1} \binom{k}{n} A(2B)^n n!^s e^{-a|x|^{\frac{1}{\theta}}} B^{k-n} (k-n)! \\ &= AB^k k!^s e^{-a|x|^{\frac{1}{\theta}}} \left(1 + \sum_{n=0}^{k-1} \left(\frac{n!}{k!}\right)^{s-1} 2^n\right) \\ &\leq AB^k k!^s e^{-a|x|^{\frac{1}{\theta}}} \left(1 + \sum_{n=0}^{k-1} 2^n\right) \\ &= A(2B)^k k!^s e^{-a|x|^{\frac{1}{\theta}}}. \end{aligned}$$

This proves the induction step, and hence (5.3), provided $\nu \geq 1$.

It remains to consider $0 < \nu < 1$. Then, $\max\left(\frac{1}{\nu} - 1, 0\right) = \frac{1}{\nu} - 1$ and we have

$$\begin{aligned} |(D^k g)(x)f(x)| &\leq |D^k(g(x)f(x))| + \sum_{n=0}^{k-1} \binom{k}{n} |D^n g(x)| |D^{k-n} f(x)| \\ &\leq AB^k k!^s e^{-a|x|^{\frac{1}{\theta}}} + \sum_{n=0}^{k-1} \binom{k}{n} |D^n g(x)| |f(x)| \langle x \rangle^{(k-n)\left(\frac{1}{\nu}-1\right)} B^{k-n} (k-n)! \\ &\leq AB^k k!^s e^{-a|x|^{\frac{1}{\theta}}} + \sum_{n=0}^{k-1} \binom{k}{n} A(2B)^n n!^s e^{-a|x|^{\frac{1}{\theta}}} \langle x \rangle^{k\left(\frac{1}{\nu}-1\right)} B^{k-n} (k-n)! \\ &= AB^k k!^s e^{-a|x|^{\frac{1}{\theta}}} \left(1 + \langle x \rangle^{k\left(\frac{1}{\nu}-1\right)} \sum_{n=0}^{k-1} \left(\frac{n!}{k!}\right)^{s-1} 2^n\right) \\ &\leq AB^k k!^s e^{-a|x|^{\frac{1}{\theta}}} \left(1 + \langle x \rangle^{k\left(\frac{1}{\nu}-1\right)} \sum_{n=0}^{k-1} 2^n\right) \\ &= AB^k k!^s e^{-a|x|^{\frac{1}{\theta}}} \left(1 + \langle x \rangle^{k\left(\frac{1}{\nu}-1\right)} (2^k - 1)\right) \\ &\leq A(2B)^k k!^s e^{-a|x|^{\frac{1}{\theta}}} \langle x \rangle^{k\left(\frac{1}{\nu}-1\right)} \end{aligned}$$

which proves the induction step, and hence (5.3), when $0 < \nu < 1$. □

Consider the function $\langle x \rangle^t = (1 + x^2)^{\frac{t}{2}}$ for $x \in \mathbf{R}$ with $t \in \mathbf{R}$. We have the following estimate for its derivatives.

Lemma 5.2. *If $t \in \mathbf{R}$, then there exists $C_t \geq 1$ such that for all $k \in \mathbf{N}$*

$$|D^k \langle x \rangle^t| \leq C_t 2^{3k} k! \langle x \rangle^{t-k}, \quad x \in \mathbf{R}. \tag{5.4}$$

Proof. First, we assume $|t| \leq 1$ and show

$$|D^k \langle x \rangle^t| \leq 2^{2k+5} k! \langle x \rangle^{t-k}, \quad x \in \mathbf{R}, \tag{5.5}$$

for all $k \in \mathbf{N}$.

The function $\langle x \rangle^t = (1 + x^2)^{\frac{t}{2}}$ is a composition of $f(x) = x^{\frac{t}{2}}$ with $g(x) = 1 + x^2$. The estimate (5.5) is trivial when $k = 0$, and can be verified for $k = 1$ and $k = 2$ so we may assume that $k \geq 3$.

For $n \in \mathbf{N}$, we have

$$f^{(n)}(x) = \frac{t}{2} \left(\frac{t}{2} - 1 \right) \cdots \left(\frac{t}{2} - (n-1) \right) x^{\frac{t}{2}-n} \tag{5.6}$$

and if $m_j = 0$ for $3 \leq j \leq k$ then

$$\prod_{j=1}^k \left(\frac{g^{(j)}(x)}{j!} \right)^{m_j} = (g'(x))^{m_1} \left(\frac{g''(x)}{2} \right)^{m_2} = 2^{m_1} x^{m_1}. \tag{5.7}$$

If instead $m_j > 0$ for some $3 \leq j \leq k$ then the product is zero.

Inserting (5.6) and (5.7) into Faà di Bruno's formula (2.8) yields by means of [7, Eq. (0.3.5)]

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{|D^k \langle x \rangle^t|}{k! \langle x \rangle^{t-k}} &\leq \sum_{m_1+2m_2=k} \frac{1}{m_1! m_2!} \left| \frac{t}{2} \left(\frac{t}{2} - 1 \right) \cdots \left(\frac{t}{2} - (m_1 + m_2 - 1) \right) \right| \langle x \rangle^{t-2(m_1+m_2)+k-t} 2^{m_1} x^{m_1} \\ &\leq \frac{|t|}{2} \sum_{m_1+2m_2=k} \frac{1}{m_1! m_2!} \left(\frac{|t|}{2} + 1 \right) \cdots \left(\frac{|t|}{2} + m_1 + m_2 + 1 \right) \langle x \rangle^{-(m_1+2m_2)+k} 2^{m_1} \\ &\leq \sum_{m_1+2m_2=k} \frac{2^{m_1-1} (m_1 + m_2 + 2)!}{m_1! m_2!} \leq \sum_{m_1+2m_2=k} 2^{2m_1+m_2+1} (m_2 + 2)(m_2 + 1) \\ &\leq \sum_{m_1+2m_2=k} 2^{2m_1+3m_2+4} = \sum_{m_2=0}^{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor} 2^{2(k-2m_2)+3m_2+4} = 2^{2k+4} \sum_{m_2=0}^{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor} 2^{-m_2} \leq 2^{2k+5} \end{aligned}$$

which proves (5.5) provided $|t| \leq 1$.

Next, we consider $|t| > 1$ and put $m = \lfloor |t| \rfloor$. Writing

$$\langle x \rangle^t = \langle x \rangle^{\pm |t|} = \langle x \rangle^{\pm(|t|-m)} \prod_{j=1}^m \langle x \rangle^{\pm 1}$$

we use Leibniz' rule

$$D^k \langle x \rangle^t = \sum_{k_0+k_1+\dots+k_m=k} \frac{k!}{k_0! k_1! \cdots k_m!} D^{k_0} \langle x \rangle^{\pm(|t|-m)} \prod_{j=1}^m D^{k_j} \langle x \rangle^{\pm 1}.$$

Since $0 \leq |t| - m < 1$ we may use (5.5) which yields, using [7, Eq. (0.3.16)],

$$\begin{aligned}
 |D^k \langle x \rangle^t| &\leq \sum_{k_0+k_1+\dots+k_m=k} \frac{k!}{k_0!k_1!\dots k_m!} |D^{k_0} \langle x \rangle^{\pm(|t|-m)}| \prod_{j=1}^m |D^{k_j} \langle x \rangle^{\pm 1}| \\
 &\leq \sum_{k_0+k_1+\dots+k_m=k} \frac{k!}{k_0!k_1!\dots k_m!} 2^{2k_0+5} k_0! \langle x \rangle^{\pm(|t|-m)-k_0} \prod_{j=1}^m 2^{2k_j+5} k_j! \langle x \rangle^{\pm 1-k_j} \\
 &\leq 2^{2k+5(m+1)} k! \langle x \rangle^{t-k} \sum_{k_0+k_1+\dots+k_m=k} \\
 &= 2^{2k+5(m+1)} k! \langle x \rangle^{t-k} \binom{k+m}{m} \\
 &\leq 2^{3k+6m+5} k! \langle x \rangle^{t-k} \leq 2^{3k+6|t|+5} k! \langle x \rangle^{t-k}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Combined with (5.5) for $|t| \leq 1$ we have now shown (5.4) for all $t \in \mathbf{R}$. □

Let $\theta > 0$ and consider the function

$$f(x) = e^{-\langle x \rangle^{\frac{1}{\theta}}}, \quad x \in \mathbf{R}. \quad (5.8)$$

Lemma 5.3. *If f is defined by (5.8) with $\theta > 0$ then there exists $C_\theta \geq 1$ such that for all $k \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}$*

$$|f^{(k)}(x)| \leq C_\theta^k k! f(x) \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{j!} \langle x \rangle^{j(\frac{1}{\theta}-1)}.$$

Proof. Faà di Bruno's formula (2.9), Lemma 5.2 and [7, Eq. (0.3.16)] give for some $C_\theta \geq 1$ if $k \geq 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{|f^{(k)}(x)|}{k! f(x)} &= \left| \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{(-1)^j}{j!} \sum_{\substack{k_1+\dots+k_j=k \\ k_\ell \geq 1, 1 \leq \ell \leq j}} \frac{1}{k_1! \dots k_j!} \prod_{\ell=1}^j D^{k_\ell} \langle x \rangle^{\frac{1}{\theta}} \right| \\
 &\leq \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{j!} \sum_{\substack{k_1+\dots+k_j=k \\ k_\ell \geq 1, 1 \leq \ell \leq j}} \prod_{\ell=1}^j C_\theta 2^{3k_\ell} \langle x \rangle^{\frac{1}{\theta}-k_\ell} \\
 &\leq C_\theta^k 2^{3k} \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{j!} \langle x \rangle^{\frac{j}{\theta}-k} \sum_{\substack{k_1+\dots+k_j=k \\ k_\ell \geq 1, 1 \leq \ell \leq j}} \\
 &\leq C_\theta^k 2^{3k} \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{j!} \langle x \rangle^{\frac{j}{\theta}-k} \binom{k+j-1}{j-1} \\
 &\leq C_\theta^k 2^{3k} \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{j!} \langle x \rangle^{\frac{j}{\theta}-k} 2^{k+j-1} \\
 &\leq C_\theta^k 2^{5k} \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{j!} \langle x \rangle^{j(\frac{1}{\theta}-1)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

□

Corollary 5.4. *If f is defined by (5.8) with $\theta > 0$ then there exists $C_\theta \geq 1$ such that for all $k \in \mathbf{N}$*

$$|f^{(k)}(x)| \leq C_\theta^k k! f(x) \langle x \rangle^{k \max\left(\frac{1}{\theta}-1, 0\right)}.$$

Proof. The estimate is trivial, when $k = 0$. Lemma 5.3 gives for some $C_\theta \geq 1$ and $k \geq 1$ with $\tau = \max\left(\frac{1}{\theta} - 1, 0\right)$

$$\begin{aligned} |f^{(k)}(x)| &\leq C_\theta^k k! f(x) \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{j!} \langle x \rangle^{j\tau} \\ &\leq (2C_\theta)^k k! f(x) \langle x \rangle^{k\tau}. \end{aligned}$$

□

Proposition 5.5. *If $\theta > 0$ and the function f is defined by (5.8) then $f \in S_\theta^1(\mathbf{R})$.*

Proof. If $\theta \geq 1$, then Corollary 5.4 gives

$$|f^{(k)}(x)| \leq C_\theta^k k! e^{-\langle x \rangle^{\frac{1}{\theta}}}$$

for some $C_\theta \geq 1$, and thus it follows from Lemma 2.1 that $f \in S_\theta^1(\mathbf{R})$.

Let $0 < \theta < 1$. We have for $x \in \mathbf{R}$ and $j \in \mathbf{N}$

$$\langle x \rangle^j = \left(\frac{\langle x \rangle^{\frac{j}{\theta}}}{j!} \right)^\theta j!^\theta \leq e^{\theta \langle x \rangle^{\frac{1}{\theta}}} j!^\theta$$

which combined with Lemma 5.3 gives for some $C_\theta \geq 1$ and all $k \geq 1$

$$\begin{aligned} |f^{(k)}(x)| &\leq C_\theta^k k! f(x) \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{j!} \langle x \rangle^{j \frac{1-\theta}{\theta}} \\ &\leq C_\theta^k k! f(x) e^{(1-\theta)\langle x \rangle^{\frac{1}{\theta}}} \sum_{j=1}^k j!^{-1+1-\theta} \\ &\leq (2C_\theta)^k k! e^{-\theta \langle x \rangle^{\frac{1}{\theta}}}. \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 2.1 again shows that $f \in S_\theta^1(\mathbf{R})$.

□

We assume that q is a polynomial on \mathbf{R} with real coefficients of degree $m \geq 2$, that is,

$$q(x) = \sum_{k=0}^m c_k x^k, \quad c_k \in \mathbf{R}, \quad c_m \neq 0, \quad x \in \mathbf{R}.$$

In order to show Theorems 1.2 and 1.3, we may be a rescaling argument assume that $c_m = \pm 1$, that is,

$$q(x) = \pm x^m + q_{m-1}(x), \tag{5.9}$$

where q_{m-1} is a polynomial with real coefficients of degree $\deg q_{m-1} \leq m - 1$.

Lemma 5.6. *Let $m \in \mathbf{N}$, $m \geq 2$, and let $\theta > \frac{2}{m}$. Let the polynomial q be defined by (5.9) and let $f \in C^\infty(\mathbf{R})$.*

(i) Suppose $\theta \geq 1$ if $m = 3$. If

$$e^{\pm ix^m} f \notin \bigcup_{1 \leq s < \theta m - \max(\theta, 1)} S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}) \quad (5.10)$$

then

$$e^{iq(x)} f \notin \bigcup_{1 \leq s < \theta m - \max(\theta, 1)} S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}). \quad (5.11)$$

(ii) Suppose $\theta > 1$ if $m = 3$. If $\frac{2}{m} < \nu < \theta$ and

$$e^{\pm ix^m} f \notin \bigcup_{1 < s < \nu m - \max(\nu, 1)} \Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}) \quad (5.12)$$

then

$$e^{iq(x)} f \notin \bigcup_{1 < s < \nu m - \max(\nu, 1)} \Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}). \quad (5.13)$$

Proof. We start by proving statement (i). First, we discuss the case $m = 2$ in which $q_{m-1} = q_1$ is a polynomial of degree one. By assumption $\theta > 1$. Suppose $e^{\pm ix^2} f \notin S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$ for some $1 \leq s < \theta$. Then, $e^{iq(x)} f = e^{iq_1(x)} e^{\pm ix^2} f \notin S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$ follows from the invariance of $S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$ with respect to modulation. This shows a strengthened form of statement (i).

It remains to consider the case $m \geq 3$, in which the assumptions imply that $(m-2)\theta \geq 1$. Assumption (5.10) means that $e^{\pm ix^m} f \notin S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$ for all

$$1 \leq s < \theta m - \max(\theta, 1).$$

In a contradictory argument, we suppose that (5.11) is not true, that is, $e^{iq} f \in S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$ for some $1 \leq s < \theta m - \max(\theta, 1)$.

If $(m-2)\theta \leq s < \theta m - \max(\theta, 1)$ then Theorem 1.1 (i) implies that $e^{-iq_{m-1}}$ is continuous on $S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$, which gives $e^{\pm ix^m} f = e^{-iq_{m-1}} e^{iq} f \in S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$. This contradicts the assumption (5.10).

If instead $1 \leq s < (m-2)\theta$ then $e^{iq} f \in S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}) \subseteq S_\theta^{(m-2)\theta}(\mathbf{R})$. Theorem 1.1 (i) again implies that $e^{-iq_{m-1}}$ is continuous on $S_\theta^{(m-2)\theta}(\mathbf{R})$, which gives $e^{\pm ix^m} f = e^{-iq_{m-1}} e^{iq} f \in S_\theta^{(m-2)\theta}(\mathbf{R})$. This again contradicts the assumption (5.10). We have shown statement (i) for all $m \geq 2$.

It remains to prove statement (ii). If $m = 2$ then $q_{m-1} = q_1$ is a polynomial of degree one and $\theta > 1$. Suppose $e^{\pm ix^2} f \notin \Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$ for some $1 < s < \nu$. Then, $e^{iq(x)} f = e^{iq_1(x)} e^{\pm ix^2} f \notin \Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$ follows from the invariance of $\Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$ with respect to modulation. This shows a strengthened form of statement (ii).

Let $m \geq 3$. The assumptions imply $(m-2)\theta > 1$. Assumption (5.12) means that $e^{\pm ix^m} f \notin \Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$ for all

$$1 < s < \nu m - \max(\nu, 1).$$

Suppose that (5.13) is not true, that is, $e^{iq} f \in \Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$ for some $1 < s < \nu m - \max(\nu, 1)$.

If $(m-2)\theta \leq s < \nu m - \max(\nu, 1)$, then Theorem 1.1 (ii) implies that $e^{-iq_{m-1}}$ is continuous on $\Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$, which gives $e^{\pm ix^m} f = e^{-iq_{m-1}} e^{iq} f \in \Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$. This contradicts the assumption (5.12).

If instead $1 < s < (m-2)\theta$ then $e^{iq} f \in \Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}) \subseteq \Sigma_\theta^{(m-2)\theta}(\mathbf{R})$. Theorem 1.1 (ii) again implies that $e^{-iq_{m-1}}$ is continuous on $\Sigma_\theta^{(m-2)\theta}(\mathbf{R})$, which gives $e^{\pm ix^m} f = e^{-iq_{m-1}} e^{iq} f \in \Sigma_\theta^{(m-2)\theta}(\mathbf{R})$. This again contradicts the assumption (5.12). We have shown statement (ii) for all $m \geq 2$. \square

Proof of Theorem 1.2. The assumptions for Lemma 5.6 (i) are satisfied. If $m = 2$, then the assumptions for Theorem 1.2 are $1 \leq s < \theta$. The proof of [1, Proposition 2] shows that there exists $f \in S_\theta^1(\mathbf{R})$ such that $e^{\pm ix^2} f \notin S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$ for all $1 \leq s < \theta$. Lemma 5.6 (i) then implies that $e^{iq(x)} f \notin S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$ for all $1 \leq s < \theta$ which proves Theorem 1.2 when $m = 2$.

Suppose next that $m \geq 3$. The assumptions imply $(m - 2)\theta \geq 1$. First, we show that there exists $f \in S_\theta^1(\mathbf{R})$ such that $e^{\pm ix^m} f \notin S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$ for all $s > 0$ such that $1 \leq s < \theta m - \max(\theta, 1)$.

In fact for the function (5.8) we have $f \in S_\theta^1(\mathbf{R})$ by Proposition 5.5. In order to show $e^{\pm ix^m} f \notin S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$ for all $s > 0$ such that $1 \leq s < \theta m - \max(\theta, 1)$ we argue by contradiction. Let $1 \leq s < \theta m - \max(\theta, 1)$ and suppose that $e^{\pm ix^m} f \in S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$. By Lemma 2.1, the estimate (5.2) with $g(x) = e^{\pm ix^m}$ holds for some $A, B, a > 0$. By Corollary 5.4 and Lemma 5.1 with $\nu = \theta$ we may conclude that (5.3) holds. Thus, (5.3) for $x = k^\theta$ gives with $\tau = \max\left(\frac{1}{\theta} - 1, 0\right)$

$$\begin{aligned} |(D^k g)(k^\theta) f(k^\theta)| &\leq A(2B)^k k!^s e^{-ak} \langle k^\theta \rangle^{k\tau} \\ &\leq A(2B)^k k!^s e^{-ak} 2^{\frac{1}{2}k\tau} k^{k(1-\min(\theta,1))} \\ &\leq A(2^{1+\tau} B)^k k^{k(s+1-\min(\theta,1))} e^{-ak}, \quad k \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}. \end{aligned} \tag{5.14}$$

On the other hand, we may apply Proposition 3.9 since the assumptions imply $\theta > \frac{2}{m}$. Hence

$$|(D^k g)(k_j^\theta) f(k_j^\theta)| = |p_{\pm im, k_j}(k_j^\theta)| e^{-\langle k_j^\theta \rangle^{\frac{1}{\theta}}} \geq \frac{1}{2} m^{k_j} k_j^{\theta k_j(m-1)} e^{-2^{\frac{1}{2\theta}} k_j}, \quad j \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}, \tag{5.15}$$

for some sequence $\{k_j\}_{j=1}^{+\infty} \subseteq \mathbf{N}$ such that $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} k_j = \infty$, using $k_j^\theta \geq 1$.

Combining (5.15) and (5.14) yields

$$\frac{1}{2} m^{k_j} k_j^{k_j \theta(m-1)} e^{-2^{\frac{1}{2\theta}} k_j} \leq A(2^{1+\tau} B)^{k_j} k_j^{k_j(s+1-\min(\theta,1))} e^{-ak_j}$$

for $j \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}$ which contradicts the assumption $s < \theta m - \max(\theta, 1)$. The assumption that $e^{\pm ix^m} f \in S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$ hence must be wrong. Thus

$$e^{\pm ix^m} f \notin \bigcup_{1 \leq s < \theta m - \max(\theta, 1)} S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}),$$

and Lemma 5.6 (i) yields

$$Tf \notin \bigcup_{1 \leq s < \theta m - \max(\theta, 1)} S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}).$$

Since $f \in S_\theta^1(\mathbf{R}) \subseteq S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$ when $s \geq 1$ we have in particular $T S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}) \not\subseteq S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$ for any $s > 0$ such that $1 \leq s < \theta m - \max(\theta, 1)$. □

Proof of Theorem 1.3. Pick $\nu < \theta$ such that $\nu > \frac{2}{m}$, $1 < \nu < \theta$ if $\theta > 1$, and $1 < s < \nu m - \max(\nu, 1)$. Set

$$f(x) = e^{-\langle x \rangle^{\frac{1}{\nu}}}, \quad x \in \mathbf{R}.$$

By Proposition 5.5, we have $f \in S_\nu^1(\mathbf{R})$.

Let $g(x) = g_{\pm im}(x) = e^{\pm ix^m}$ and suppose that $T_g f \in \Sigma_\theta^\sigma(\mathbf{R})$ for some $\sigma > 0$ such that $1 < \sigma < \nu m - \max(\nu, 1)$. Then by Lemma 2.1 the estimate

$$|D^k(g(x)f(x))| \leq AB^k k!^\sigma e^{-a|x|^{\frac{1}{\theta}}}, \quad k \in \mathbf{N},$$

holds for all $B, a > 0$, and some $A > 0$ depending on B and a . By Corollary 5.4 and Lemma 5.1, we may conclude that

$$|(D^k g)(x)f(x)| \leq A(2B)^k k!^\sigma e^{-a|x|^{1/\theta}} \langle x \rangle^{k \max\left(\frac{1}{\nu}-1, 0\right)}, \quad k \in \mathbf{N},$$

holds for some $A, B, a > 0$. This gives for $x = k^\nu$ with $\tau = \max\left(\frac{1}{\nu} - 1, 0\right)$

$$\begin{aligned} |(D^k g)(k^\nu)f(k^\nu)| &\leq A(2B)^k k!^\sigma e^{-ak^{1/\theta}} \langle k^\nu \rangle^{k\tau} \\ &\leq A(2^{1+\tau} B)^k k^{k(\sigma+1-\min(\nu, 1))} e^{-ak^{1/\theta}}, \quad k \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}. \end{aligned} \quad (5.16)$$

Due to $\nu > \frac{2}{m}$ the assumptions for Proposition 3.9 with θ replaced by ν are satisfied. We obtain from Proposition 3.9

$$|(D^k g)(k_j^\nu)f(k_j^\nu)| = |p_{\pm im, k_j}(k_j^\nu)| e^{-(k_j^\nu)^{1/\nu}} \geq \frac{1}{2} m^{k_j} k_j^{\nu k_j(m-1)} e^{-2^{1/\nu} k_j}, \quad j \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}, \quad (5.17)$$

for some sequence $\{k_j\}_{j=1}^{+\infty} \subseteq \mathbf{N}$ such that $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} k_j = \infty$, using $k_j^\nu \geq 1$.

Combining (5.17) and (5.16) yields finally

$$\frac{1}{2} m^{k_j} k_j^{\nu k_j(m-1)} e^{-2^{1/\nu} k_j} \leq A(2^{1+\tau} B)^{k_j} k_j^{k_j(\sigma+1-\min(\nu, 1))} e^{-ak_j^{1/\theta}}$$

for $j \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}$ which contradicts the assumption $\sigma < \nu m - \max(\nu, 1)$. The assumption that $T_g f \in \Sigma_\theta^\sigma(\mathbf{R})$ hence must be wrong. Thus

$$T_g f \notin \bigcup_{1 < \sigma < \nu m - \max(\nu, 1)} \Sigma_\theta^\sigma(\mathbf{R}).$$

The assumptions for Lemma 5.6 (ii) are satisfied, so we obtain

$$Tf \notin \bigcup_{1 < \sigma < \nu m - \max(\nu, 1)} \Sigma_\theta^\sigma(\mathbf{R}).$$

Since $f \in S_\nu^1(\mathbf{R}) \subseteq \Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$ and $1 < s < \nu m - \max(\nu, 1)$, we get $T\Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R}) \not\subseteq \Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$. □

Remark 5.7. When $g(x) = g_{\pm im}(x) = e^{\pm ix^m}$ it is possible to prove the lack of continuity of the operator $T = T_g$ in Theorems 1.2 and 1.3 on $S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$ and $\Sigma_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$ respectively, by other means. Here, we may weaken the assumptions into $0 < s < (m-1)\theta$ and $\theta \geq \frac{2}{m}$. In fact we may use the criterion (4.1) and [4, Theorem 5.7].

Consider the assumptions of Theorem 1.2 relaxed into $0 < s < (m-1)\theta$ and $\theta \geq \frac{2}{m}$. By Proposition 3.9, we have

$$|(D^k g)(k_j^\theta)| = |p_{\pm im, k_j}(k_j^\theta)| \geq \frac{1}{2} m^{k_j} k_j^{\theta k_j(m-1)} \quad j \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}, \quad (5.18)$$

for some sequence $\{k_j\}_{j=1}^{+\infty} \subseteq \mathbf{N}$ such that $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} k_j = \infty$.

Suppose that (4.1) holds for all $\lambda > 0$, some $C = C(\lambda) > 0$, and some $h = h(\lambda) > 0$. Then, we obtain from (5.18)

$$\frac{1}{2} m^{k_j} k_j^{\theta k_j(m-1)} \leq Ch^{k_j} k_j!^s e^{\lambda^{-1/\theta} k_j} \leq Ch^{k_j} k_j^{sk_j} e^{\lambda^{-1/\theta} k_j}, \quad j \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}. \quad (5.19)$$

If $s < (m-1)\theta$ this is a contradiction. By [4, Theorem 5.7] it follows that T_g is not continuous on $S_\theta^s(\mathbf{R})$.

Consider finally the assumptions of Theorem 1.3 relaxed into $0 < s < (m - 1)\theta$ and $\theta \geq \frac{2}{m}$. Suppose that (4.1) holds for all $h > 0$, some $C = C(h) > 0$, and some $\lambda = \lambda(h) > 0$. Again the estimate (5.19) gives a contradiction if $s < (m - 1)\theta$. It follows by [4, Theorem 5.7] that T_g is not continuous on $\Sigma_{\theta}^s(\mathbf{R})$.

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