

Note that $\widehat{\Phi}(\xi)$ is equal to 1 for $|\xi| \leq 2 - \frac{2}{7}$, vanishes when $|\xi| \geq 2$, and satisfies

$$\widehat{\Phi}(\xi) + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \widehat{\Psi}(2^{-j}\xi) = 1 \quad (1.3.9)$$

for all ξ in \mathbf{R}^n . We now introduce an operator S_0^Φ by setting

$$S_0^\Phi(f) = \Phi * f, \quad (1.3.10)$$

for $f \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbf{R}^n)$. Identity (1.3.9) yields the operator identity

$$S_0^\Phi + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \Delta_j^\Psi = I,$$

in which the series converges in $\mathcal{S}'(\mathbf{R}^n)$, in view of Proposition 1.1.6(b).

Having introduced the relevant background, we are now ready to state and prove the following result.

Theorem 1.3.6. *Let Ψ satisfy (1.3.6), Φ be as in (1.3.8), and let Δ_j^Ψ , S_0^Φ be as in (1.3.7) and (1.3.10), respectively. Fix $s \in \mathbf{R}$ and $1 < p < \infty$. Then there exists a constant C_1 that depends only on n, s, p, Φ , and Ψ such that for all $f \in L_s^p$ we have*

$$\|S_0^\Phi(f)\|_{L^p} + \left\| \left(\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (2^{js} |\Delta_j^\Psi(f)|)^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right\|_{L^p} \leq C_1 \|f\|_{L_s^p}. \quad (1.3.11)$$

Conversely, there exists a constant C_2 that depends on the parameters n, s, p, Φ , and Ψ such that every tempered distribution f that satisfies

$$\|S_0^\Phi(f)\|_{L^p} + \left\| \left(\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (2^{js} |\Delta_j^\Psi(f)|)^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right\|_{L^p} < \infty$$

is an element of the Sobolev space L_s^p with norm

$$\|f\|_{L_s^p} \leq C_2 \left(\|S_0^\Phi(f)\|_{L^p} + \left\| \left(\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (2^{js} |\Delta_j^\Psi(f)|)^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right\|_{L^p} \right). \quad (1.3.12)$$

Proof. We denote by C a generic constant that depends on the parameters n, s, p, Φ , and Ψ and that may vary in different occurrences. For a given tempered distribution f we define another tempered distribution f_s by setting

$$f_s = \left((1 + |\cdot|^2)^{\frac{s}{2}} \widehat{f} \right)^\vee,$$

so that we have $\|f\|_{L_s^p} = \|f_s\|_{L^p}$ if $f \in L_s^p$.