

## Two topics in the differential calculus on topological linear spaces

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The thesis is mainly concerned with an investigation of the smoothness properties of topological linear spaces. First we extend the requisite general theory of  $S$ -categories (as defined by Bonic and Frampton [3]) from Banach spaces to topological linear spaces. Then using the kernel theorem, which states roughly that smoothness properties are preserved under the operations of forming products and subspaces, we prove smoothness results for various important classes of locally convex spaces. For example, we show that every Schwartz space (in particular, every nuclear space) has a collection of  $C^\infty$ -seminorms, which generate its topology. We apply these results to proving the existence of smooth partitions of unity on manifolds modelled on topological linear spaces.

Of course, there are many definitions of the derivative in topological linear spaces. We adopt the definitions of the Fréchet, Hadamard and Gâteaux derivatives investigated in detail by Averbukh and Smolyanov [1], [2]. Each of these three derivatives is a special case of what Averbukh and Smolyanov call a  $\sigma$ -derivative, corresponding to different choices of the class  $\sigma$  of bounded sets.

The other topic referred to in the title is the connection between differentiability, strong continuity and precompactness for non-linear mappings. For example, we show that under certain conditions, if  $f$  is a Fréchet differentiable mapping, then  $f$  is strongly continuous if and only if  $f'$  is strongly continuous and  $f'(x)$  is strongly continuous for each  $x$ .

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