

On the composition and neutrix composition of the delta function with the hyperbolic tangent and its inverse functions.

ABSTRACT

Let F be a distribution in D' and let f be a locally summable function. The composition $F(f(x))$ of F and f is said to exist and be equal to the distribution $h(x)$ if the limit of the sequence $\{F_n(f(x))\}$ is equal to $h(x)$, where $F_n(x) = F(x) * \delta_n(x)$ for $n = 1, 2, \dots$ and $\{\delta_n(x)\}$ is a certain regular sequence converging to the Dirac delta function. It is proved that the neutrix composition $\delta^{(r,s-1)}((\tanh x)^{1/r})$ exists and $\delta^{(r,s-1)}((\tanh x)^{1/r}) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} c_{j,k} \delta^{(k)}(x)$ for $r, s = 1, 2, \dots$, where K_k is the integer part of $(s - k - 1) / 2$ and the constants $c_{j,k}$ are defined by the expansion $(\tanh^{-1} x)^k = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} c_{j,k} (x^{2i+1} / (2i+1))$ for $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$. Further results are also proved.

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