99. Fourier Transforms on the Cartan Motion Group

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The purpose of the present paper is to characterize the images of some function spaces on the Cartan motion group by the Fourier transform.

1. Preliminaries. Let G_0 be a connected non-compact semisimple Lie group with finite centre and g be its Lie algebra. We fix a maximal compact subgroup K of G_0 . Let $g=\sharp+\mathfrak{p}$ be the Cartan decomposition of g, where \sharp is the subalgebra corresponding to K. Then Koperates on \mathfrak{p} via the adjoint representation. Let G be the semidirect product of \mathfrak{p} and K. The group G is called the Cartan motion group.

Let $\hat{\mathfrak{p}}$ be the dual space of \mathfrak{p} . Then K operates also on $\hat{\mathfrak{p}}$ via the contragredient representation of Ad, $\langle k \cdot \xi, X \rangle = \langle \xi, Ad(k)^{-1}X \rangle$ $(k \in K, \xi \in \hat{\mathfrak{p}} \text{ and } X \in \mathfrak{p})$. For any $\xi \in \hat{\mathfrak{p}}$ we can associate an irreducible unitary representation of \mathfrak{p} by $X \rightarrow e^{i\langle \xi, X \rangle}$. We also denote it by ξ . We denote by $U^{\mathfrak{e}}$ the unitary representation of G induced by $\xi \in \hat{\mathfrak{p}}$. Since the Killing form B on g is positive definite on \mathfrak{p} , we can identify $\hat{\mathfrak{p}}$ with \mathfrak{p} . We denote by ξ_X the corresponding element in $\hat{\mathfrak{p}}$ to $X \in \mathfrak{p}$.

Let dk be the normalized Haar measure on K. Let $\mathfrak{H} = L^2(K)$. We denote by **B** (\mathfrak{H}) the Banach space of all bounded linear operators on \mathfrak{H} . In \mathfrak{P} and $\hat{\mathfrak{P}}$ we can define K-invariant measures which are induced by B. We normalize these measures by multiplying $(2\pi)^{-n/2}$ $(n=\dim \mathfrak{P})$ and denote them by dX and $d\xi$, respectively. We normalize the Haar measure dg on G such as dg = dXdk. For any $f \in L^1(G)$ we put

$$T_f(\xi) = \int_{\mathcal{G}} f(g) U_g^{\xi} dg.$$

Then T_f is a **B** (\mathfrak{G})-valued function on $\hat{\mathfrak{p}}$. It is called the Fourier transform of f.

2. Plancherel formula. Let α be a maximal abelian subalgebra of g contained in p. Fixing a lexicographic order in the dual space of α , we denote by P_+ the set of all positive restricted roots of the pair (g, α). Let α^+ be the positive Weyl chamber in α . Since the Killing form B is positive definite on α , B gives rise to an euclidean measure dH on α . Let M be the centralizer of α in K. We denote by dk_M the K-invariant measure on K/M induced by -B. We put $vol(K/M) = \int_{K/M} dk_M$. Let

 $C_{c}^{\infty}(G)$ be the space of all infinitely differentiable functions on G with compact support. Then we have the following Plancherel formula.

Theorem 1. For any $f \in C^{\infty}_{c}(G)$

$$\int_{a} |f(g)|^{2} dg = (2\pi)^{-n/2} vol(K/M) \int_{a^{+}} ||T_{f}(\xi_{H})||_{HS}^{2} \prod_{\alpha \in P_{+}} |\alpha(H)| dH,$$

where $\| \|_{Hs}$ denotes the Hilbert-Schmidt norm.

3. Paley-Wiener theorem. Let $U(\mathfrak{k}^c)$ be the universal enveloping algebra of the complexification \mathfrak{k}^c of \mathfrak{k} . We regard any element $y \in U(\mathfrak{k}^c)$ as the right invariant differential operator on K. Then yoperates on \mathfrak{H} in the sense of the distributions. Let Δ be the Casimir operator of \mathfrak{k} . We denote by R the right regular representation of K. Let us define a compact set $\Omega(a)$ of G for any positive number a by $\Omega(a) = \{(X, k) \in G; B(X, X)^{1/2} \leq a\}$. We denote by \mathbb{N} the set of all nonnegative integers. Then we have the following Paley-Wiener theorem.

Theorem 2. A **B** (§)-valued function T on $\hat{\mathfrak{p}}$ is the Fourier transform of $f \in C_c^{\infty}(G)$ such that supp $(f) \subset \Omega(a)$ (a > 0) if and only if it satisfies the following conditions:

(I) T can be extended to an entire analytic function on the complexification $\hat{\mathfrak{p}}^c$ of $\hat{\mathfrak{p}}.$

(II) For any K-invariant polynomial function p on $\hat{\mathfrak{p}}^{c}$ and for any $l, m \in \mathbb{N}$ there exists a constant $C_{p}^{l,m}$ such that

 $\|p(\zeta)\varDelta^{l}T(\zeta)\varDelta^{m}\|{\leq} C_{p}^{l,m}\exp{a\,|\,\mathrm{Im}\,\zeta|}\qquad (\zeta\in\hat{\mathfrak{p}}^{c}).$

(III) For any $k \in K$

$$T(k \cdot \zeta) = R_k T(\zeta) R_k^{-1} \qquad (\zeta \in \hat{\mathfrak{p}}^c).$$

4. Fourier transforms of rapidly decreasing functions. Let Y_1, \dots, Y_{δ} ($\delta = \dim K$) be a fixed basis of \mathfrak{k} . Then the set $\{y(m) = Y_1^{m_1} \dots Y_{\delta}^{m_{\delta}}; m = (m_1, \dots, m_{\delta}) \in \mathbb{N}^{\delta}\}$ forms a basis of $U(\mathfrak{k}^c)$ by the Birkhoff-Witt theorem. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be an orthonormal basis of \mathfrak{p} with respect to B. And let Ξ_1, \dots, Ξ_n be its dual basis of \mathfrak{p} . Making use of the coordinate systems with respect to these bases, we define differential operators D_X^{α} on \mathfrak{p} and $D_{\mathfrak{k}}^{\alpha}$ on \mathfrak{p} for any $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in \mathbb{N}^n$ by $D_X^{\alpha} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}\right)^{\alpha_1} \cdots \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_n}\right)^{\alpha_n}$ and $D_{\mathfrak{k}}^{\alpha} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \xi_1}\right)^{\alpha_1} \cdots \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \xi_n}\right)^{\alpha_n}$, respectively. We put $|X|^2 = B(X, X)^{1/2}$ for $X \in \mathfrak{p}$ and put $|\mathfrak{k}|^2 = B(X, X)^{1/2}$ for $\mathfrak{k} = \mathfrak{k}_X \in \mathfrak{p}$. Let λ and μ be the left and right regular representations of G, respectively, and also we denote by the same notations the corresponding representations of the universal enveloping algebra on the space of C^{∞} -vectors.

Let S = S(G) be the set of all those functions f on G satisfying the following conditions:

(i) f is of class C^{∞} ,

(ii) for any $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^n$, $\beta \in \mathbb{N}$ and $m, m' \in \mathbb{N}^s$ there exists a constant $C^{m,m'}_{\alpha,\beta}$ such that

 $|(1+|X|^2)^{\beta}(D_X^{\alpha}\lambda(y(m))\mu(y(m'))f)(X,k)| \leq C_{\alpha,\beta}^{m,m'}$

for all $(X, k) \in G$.

Such functions are called rapidly decreasing. We topologize ${\cal S}$ by the system of semi-norms of the form

 $\gamma_{\boldsymbol{\alpha},\boldsymbol{\beta}}^{\boldsymbol{m},\boldsymbol{m}'}(f) = \sup_{(\boldsymbol{X},k) \in \mathcal{G}} |(1+|\boldsymbol{X}|^2)^{\boldsymbol{\beta}} (D_{\boldsymbol{X}}^{\boldsymbol{\alpha}} \lambda(\boldsymbol{y}(\boldsymbol{m})) \mu(\boldsymbol{y}(\boldsymbol{m}')) f)(\boldsymbol{X},k)|,$

where $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^n$, $\beta \in \mathbb{N}$ and $m, m' \in \mathbb{N}^s$. Let \hat{S} be the set of all $\mathbf{B}(\mathfrak{H})$ -valued function T on $\hat{\mathfrak{P}}$ satisfying the following conditions:

(i)[^] T is a **B**(\mathfrak{H})-valued C^{∞} function on $\hat{\mathfrak{p}}$,

(ii)[^] for any $\alpha \in \mathbf{N}^n$, $\beta \in \mathbf{N}$ and $m, m' \in \mathbf{N}^{\delta}$ there exists a constant $\hat{C}_{\alpha,\beta}^{m,m'}$ such that

$$\|(1+|\xi|^2)^{\beta}y(m)D_{\xi}^{\alpha}T(\xi)y(m')\|\leq \hat{C}_{\alpha,\beta}^{m,m}$$

for all $\xi \in \hat{\mathfrak{p}}$,

(iii) for any $k \in K$

 $T(k \cdot \xi) = R_k T(\xi) R_k^{-1} \qquad (\xi \in \hat{\mathfrak{p}}).$

We topologize \hat{S} by the system of semi-norms of the form

 $\hat{\gamma}^{m,m'}_{\alpha,\beta}(T) = \sup_{\varepsilon \in \hat{\mathfrak{s}}} \|(1+|\xi|^2)^{\beta} y(m) D^{\alpha}_{\xi} T(\xi) y(m')\|,$

where $\alpha \in \mathbf{N}^n$, $\beta \in \mathbf{N}$ and $m, m' \in \mathbf{N}^{\delta}$. Then we can prove that S and \hat{S} are Fréchet spaces.

Theorem 3. The Fourier transform $f \rightarrow T_f$ is a topological isomorphism from S onto \hat{S} .

5. Appendix. If the group G_0 in §1 is $SO_0(n, 1)$, the Cartan motion group G is the euclidean motion group. K. Okamoto and the author proved Theorem 2 for the euclidean motion group in [1]. M. Sugiura proved Theorem 3 without topology for the euclidean motion group. The detailed proofs of the present paper will appear elsewhere.

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