

## AN ANALOGUE OF THE PALEY-WIENER THEOREM FOR CERTAIN FUNCTION SPACES ON $SL(2, C)$

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The classical theorem of Paley-Wiener is concerned with characterizing Fourier transforms of  $C^\infty$  functions of compact support on the real line. It states that an entire holomorphic function  $F$  is the Fourier-Laplace transform of a  $C^\infty$  function on the real line  $R$  with support in  $|x| \leq R$  if and only if for given integer  $m$ , there exists a constant  $C_m$  such that

$$(1) \quad |F(\xi + i\eta)| \leq C_m(1 + |\xi + i\eta|)^{-m} \exp R|\eta|, \quad \xi, \eta \in R.$$

The purpose of this paper is to prove an analogue of this theorem for certain convolution subalgebras of  $C^\infty$  functions with compact support on the group  $SL(2, C)$ , by using Fourier transform involving elementary spherical functions of general type  $\delta$ .

These subalgebras have been defined on locally compact group by R. Godement [4], in order to study the spherical trace function, cf. also G. Warner [8]. On this special group mentioned, by use the differential equations satisfied by the spherical functions, we derive a parametrization of such functions. These are in turn utilized to prove the Paley-Wiener theorem.

The analogous question on symmetric space of noncompact type was considered by S. Helgason [5] and R. Gangolli [3]. L. Ehrenpreis and F. I. Mautner [2] studied the Fourier transform on the group  $SL(2, R)$  in detail, and theorem of the same kind was proved there. Results of this sort involving spherical functions of general type  $\delta$  on some other groups have also been investigated, see e.g. Y. Shimizu [7].

2. Preliminaries. Throughout this paper, let  $G$  denote the complex semisimple Lie group  $SL(2, C)$  and let  $K$  denote the maximal compact subgroup consisting of all unitary matrices in  $G$ . A basis of the real Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}_0$  of  $G$  consists of

$$(2) \quad \begin{aligned} R_1 &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, & R_2 &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}, & R_3 &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} i & 0 \\ 0 & -i \end{pmatrix} \\ S_1 &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}, & S_2 &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, & S_3 &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

The set  $\{R_1, R_2, R_3\}$  also forms a basis of the Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{k}_0$  of  $K$ .

Elements of  $g_0$  are viewed as left invariant vector fields on  $G$ , which generates the algebra  $\mathfrak{G}$  of all left invariant differential operators on  $G$ . Let  $a_{p_0} = \{tS_3: t \in \mathbf{R}\}$ . The root system for  $(g_0, a_{p_0})$  consists of  $\{\rho, -\rho\}$ , where  $\rho(S_3) = 1$ , and each has multiplicity two. Let  $N_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $N_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & i \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and let  $\mathfrak{n}_0$  be the subspace of  $g_0$  spanned by  $\{N_1, N_2\}$ , then  $\mathfrak{n}_0$  is the root space for  $\rho$ . Let  $N = \exp \mathfrak{n}_0$  and  $A_p = \{a_t = \exp tS_3: t \in \mathbf{R}\}$ . Then  $g_0 = k_0 + a_{p_0} + \mathfrak{n}_0$  and  $G = KA_pN$  (Iwasawa decomposition). It is also known that  $G = KA_p^+K$ ,  $A_p^+ = \{a_t: t \geq 0\}$ . The Haar measure on  $G$  is normalized so that

$$(3) \quad \int_G f(x)dx = \int_K \int_{A_p} \int_N f(ka_in)e^{2t}dkdt dn, \quad f \in C_c(G),$$

where  $dk$  is the normalized Haar measure on  $K$ ,  $dt$  is the Lebesgue measure on  $\mathbf{R}$  and  $dn = d\xi_1 d\xi_2$  if  $n = \exp(\xi_1 N_1 + \xi_2 N_2)$ , is the Lebesgue measure on  $\mathbf{R}^2$ . Let  $k \in K$ , we can write  $k = u_{\varphi_1} v_{\theta} u_{\varphi_2}$  with  $u_{\varphi} = \exp \varphi R_3$ ,  $v_{\theta} = \exp \theta R$ , and  $0 \leq \varphi_1 \leq 2\pi$ ,  $0 \leq \varphi_2 \leq 4\pi$ . Then

$$(4) \quad \int_K f(k)dk = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \int_{\varphi_1=0}^{2\pi} \int_{\theta=0}^{\pi} \int_{\varphi_2=0}^{4\pi} f(u_{\varphi_1} v_{\theta} u_{\varphi_2}) \sin \theta d\varphi_1 d\theta d\varphi_2, \\ f \in C(K).$$

For each nonnegative integer or half integer  $s$ , let  $D^s$  be the unique (up to equivalence) irreducible unitary representation of  $K$  on a  $2s + 1$  dimensional Hilbert space  $E_s$ . We can choose a basis  $\{v_{-s}, v_{-s+1}, \dots, v_s\}$  of  $E_s$  so that the matrix  $(D_{j,q}^s(k))$ ,  $j, q = -s, -s + 1, \dots, s$  has the following expression [see e.g. 6, p. 129].

$$(5) \quad \begin{aligned} D_{j,q}^s(u_{\varphi}) &= \delta_{j,q} e^{-iq\varphi} \\ D_{j,q}^s(v_{\theta}) &= (-1)^{j-q} \left( \frac{(s+j)!(s-j)!}{(s+q)!(s-q)!} \right)^{1/2} \\ &\times \sum_{r=\max\{0, q-j\}}^{\min\{s-j, s+q\}} (-1)^r \binom{s+q}{r} \binom{s-j}{s-j-r} \\ &\cos^{2s-j+q-2s} \frac{\theta}{2} \sin^{j-q+2r} \frac{\theta}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

The infinitesimal form for  $D^s$  has

$$(6) \quad \begin{aligned} D^s(R_1)v_j &= \frac{1}{2}(s+j)v_{j-1} - \frac{1}{2}(s-j)v_{j+1} \\ D^s(R_2)v_j &= \frac{1}{2}(s+j)v_{j-1} + \frac{1}{2}(s-j)v_{j+1} \\ D^s(R_3)v_j &= -ijv_j. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $D^s(R_1^2 + R_2^2 + R_3^2) = -s(s+1)I$ .

Let  $M = \{u_\theta = \exp \theta S_3; \theta \in \mathbf{R}\}$ . Then  $M$  is the centralizer of  $A_p$  in  $K$ , also it is a maximal torus in  $K$ . The set  $\hat{M}$  of all characters of  $M$  is parametrized by half integers, i.e., for each  $p$  with  $2p$  an integer,  $u_\theta \rightarrow e^{-i p \theta}$  gives a character of  $M$ . Let  $p \in \hat{M}$ , and let  $E^p = \{f \in L^2(K): f(ku_\theta) = e^{i p \theta} f(k), k \in K \text{ and } u_\theta \in M\}$ , with  $\|f^2\| = \int_K |f(k)|^2 dk$ . Let  $\lambda$  be a complex number and given  $x \in G$ , define  $U^{p,\lambda}(x)$  by the prescription

$$(7) \quad (U^{p,\lambda}(x)f)(k) = \exp(-i\lambda + 1)\rho(H(x^{-1}k))f(k(x^{-1}k)), \quad f \in E^p$$

where  $x = \kappa(x) \cdot \exp H(x) \cdot n(x)$  is the Iwasawa decomposition for  $x$ . Then  $U^{p,\lambda}$  defines a continuous representation of  $G$  on the Banach space  $E^p$ , and every TCI Banach representation of  $G$  is equivalent to a subquotient of  $U^{p,\lambda}$  for some  $p, \lambda$ . The restriction of  $U^{p,\lambda}$  to  $K$  is just the unitary representation of  $K$  induced from the character  $u_\theta \rightarrow e^{i p \theta}$  of  $M$ , hence  $D^s$  occurs in  $U^{p,\lambda}$  exactly once if and only if  $s = |p| + q$  for some nonnegative integer  $q$ .

$U^{p,\lambda}$  is unitary if  $\lambda$  is real, which constitutes the principal series representation induced from the characters of the group  $MA_pN$ . Define

$$U^{p,\lambda}(f) = \int_G f(x)U^{p,\lambda}(x)dx, \quad f \in C_c^\infty(G).$$

Then  $U^{p,\lambda}(f)$  is of trace class and we have the inversion formula

$$(8) \quad f(x) = \frac{1}{4\pi^3} \sum_{\lambda \in Z} \int_{-\infty}^\infty (p^2 + \lambda^2) \text{Trace}(U^{p,\lambda}(x^{-1})U^{p,\lambda}(f))d\lambda$$

where  $Z$  is the set of all integers and  $d\lambda$  is the usual Euclidean measure.

3. The spherical functions. Let  $C_c^\infty(G)$  be the algebra of all  $C^\infty$  functions with compact support on  $G$ , with multiplication defined by convolution. The subalgebra  $I_c(G)$  is formed by those functions  $f$  in  $C_c^\infty(G)$  satisfying  $f(kxk^{-1}) = f(x)$  for  $x \in G, k \in K$ . Define  $\chi_s(k) = (2k+1) \text{Trace}(D^s(k)), k \in K$  and  $D^s \in \hat{K}$ . Let  $C_{c,s}(G) = \{f \in C_c^\infty(G): f * \chi_s = f = \chi_s^* f\}$  and  $I_{c,s}(G) = I_c(G) \cap C_{c,s}(G)$ .  $I_{c,s}(G)$  is a subalgebra of  $C_c^\infty(G)$  and the mapping  $f \rightarrow f^{0*} \chi_s, f^0(x) = \int_K f(kxk^{-1})dk$ , is the projection of  $C_c^\infty(G)$  onto  $I_{c,s}(G)$ .

DEFINITION. Let  $D^s \in \hat{K}$ . By a spherical function  $\Phi$  on  $G$  of type  $s$  we mean a quasi-bounded continuous function on  $G$  such that (i)  $\Phi(kxk^{-1}) = \Phi(x), x \in G$  and  $k \in K$ ; (ii)  $\Phi * \chi_s = \Phi$ ; (iii) the map  $f \rightarrow \int_G f(x)\Phi(x)dx$  is a nonzero homomorphism of the algebra  $I_{c,s}(G)$  onto

the complex numbers  $C$ .

Spherical functions of type  $s$  relates naturally to the *TCI* Banach representations of  $G$ . Suppose  $U$  is a *TCI* Banach representation of  $G$  on a space  $E$  such that  $D^s$  occurs in the restriction of  $U$  to  $K$ . Let  $U(\chi_s) = \int_K U(k)\chi_s(k)dk$  and  $E(s) = U(\chi_s)E$ . The  $s$ -spherical function  $\Psi_s^U$  of  $U$  on  $G$  is defined by  $\Psi_s^U(x) = U(\chi_s)U(x)U(\chi_s)$ . Since  $D^s$  occurs in  $U$  exactly once, choose a basis for  $E(s)$  so that  $U(k) = D^s(k)$  on  $E(s)$ . Then clearly  $\Psi_s^U(k_1 x k_2) = D^s(k_1)\Psi_s^U(x)D^s(k_2)$ . Let  $\Psi_{s,K}^U(x) = \int_K \Psi_s^U(kxk^{-1})dk$ . Then  $\Psi_{s,K}^U(x)D^s(k) = D^s(k)\Psi_s^U(x)$ ,  $x \in G, k \in K$ , and we have  $\Psi_{s,K}^U(x)$  is a scalar  $\Phi_s^U(x)$  times identity operator. We recall the following facts, [cf. 8, Ch. 6].

PROPOSITION 3.1. (i)  $\Phi_s^U$  is a spherical function of type  $s$  and every spherical function of type  $s$  is of this form.

(ii) Let  $\kappa_U$  be the infinitesimal character of  $U$  defined on the center  $\mathfrak{Z}$  of the algebra  $\mathfrak{G}$ , then  $D\Phi_s^U = \kappa_U(D)\Phi_s^U$  and  $D\Psi_s^U = \kappa_U(D)\Psi_s^U$ ,  $D \in \mathfrak{Z}$ .

Consider the Banach representation  $U^{p,\lambda}$  with  $s = |p| + q$  for some nonnegative integer  $q$ , let  $\Psi_s^{p,\lambda}$  and  $\Phi_s^{p,\lambda}$  be the  $s$ -spherical function and the spherical function of type  $s$  respectively of the *TCI* Banach representation of  $G$  which occurs in  $U^{p,\lambda}$  and has  $D^s$  occurs in it. Let  $E^p(s) = U^{p,\lambda}(\chi_s)E^p$ , then  $\{D_{j,-p}^s: j = -s, -s + 1, \dots, s\}$  forms a basis for  $E^p(s)$ . Now

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_s^{p,\lambda}(x) \cdot D_{j,-p}^s &= U^{p,\lambda}(\chi_s)U^{p,\lambda}(x)U^{p,\lambda}(\chi_s)D_{j,-p}^s \\ (9) \quad &= (2s + 1) \sum_{l=-s}^s \int_K \exp(-(i\lambda + 1)\rho(H(x^{-1}k))) \\ &\quad \times D_{j,-p}^s(\kappa(x^{-1}k))dk \cdot D_{l,-p}^s. \end{aligned}$$

But  $\Phi_s^{p,\lambda}(x) = 1/(2s + 1) \text{Trace}(\Psi_{s,K}^{p,\lambda}(x)) = 1/(2s + 1) \text{Trace}(\Psi_s^{p,\lambda}(x))$ , so

$$(10) \quad \Phi_s^{p,\lambda}(x) = \int_K \exp(-(i\lambda + 1)\rho(H(x^{-1}k)))D_{-p,-p}^s(k^{-1}\kappa(x^{-1}k))dk.$$

Using this formula and the above proposition, we will set up a differential equation which enables us to get a complete parametrization of the spherical functions of type  $s$ .

LEMMA 3.2.  $\Phi_s^{p,\lambda}(x) = \Phi_s^{-p,-\lambda}(x^{-1})$ .

*Proof.* It suffices to show that

$$\int_G f(x)\Phi_s^{p,-\lambda}(x)dx = \int_G f(x)\Phi_s^{-p,\lambda}(x^{-1})dx$$

for all  $f \in C_c^\infty(G)$ . Since  $\Phi_s^{p,\lambda}(k \times k^{-1}) = \Phi_s^{p,\lambda}(x)$ ,  $x \in G$ ,  $k \in K$  and  $\Phi_s^{p,\lambda} \chi_s = \Phi_s^{p,\lambda}$ , we only need to consider those  $f$  in  $I_{c,s}(G)$ . Thus let  $f \in I_{c,s}(G)$ , by (10)

$$\begin{aligned} \int_G f(x) \Phi_s^{p,\lambda}(x) dx &= \int_G f(x^{-1}) \Phi_s^{p,\lambda}(x^{-1}) dx \\ &= \int_G f(x^{-1}) \exp(- (i\lambda + 1)\rho(H(x))) D_{-p,-p}^s(\kappa(x)) dx \\ &= \int_K \int_{A_p} \int_N f(n^{-1} a_t^{-1} k^{-1}) e^{-(i\lambda+1)t} D_{-p,-p}^s(k) e^{2t} dk dt dn \\ &= \int_K \int_{A_p} \int_N f(k n a_t) e^{(i\lambda-1)t} D_{-p,-p}^s(k^{-1}) dk dt dn \\ &= \int_K \int_{A_p} \int_N f(k a_t n) e^{(i\lambda+1)t} D_{-p,-p}^s(k^{-1}) dk dt dn . \\ \int_G f(x) \Phi_s^{-p,-\lambda}(x^{-1}) dx &= \int_G f(x) \exp(- (-i\lambda + 1)\rho(H(x))) D_{pp}^s(k(x)) dx \\ &= \int_K \int_{A_p} \int_N f(k a_t n) e^{(i\lambda-1)t} D_{pp}^s(k) e^{2t} dk dt dn \\ &= \int_K \int_{A_p} \int_N f(k a_t n) e^{(i\lambda+1)t} D_{pp}^s(k) dk dt dn . \end{aligned}$$

But  $D_{-p,-p}^s(k^{-1}) = D_{pp}^s(k)$  by (6), hence the lemma.

Let  $w_1 = S_1^2 + S_2^2 + S_3^2 - R_1^2 - R_2^2 - R_3^2$  and  $w_2 = R_1 S_1 + R_2 S_2 + R_3 S_3$ . Then  $\{w_1, w_2\}$  generates the center  $\mathfrak{Z}$ . It is easy to see that  $S_1 = R_2 - N_2$ ,  $S_2 = N_1 - R_1$  and  $N_1 R_1 = R_1 N_1 - S_3$ ,  $N_2 R_2 = R_2 N_2 - S_3$ , substitute into  $w_1, w_2$  we get

$$(11) \quad w_1 = S_3^2 + 2S_3 - R_3^2 + N_1^2 + N_2^2 - 2(R_1 N_1 + R_2 N_2)$$

$$(12) \quad w_2 = R_3 S_3 + R_3 - R_1 N_2 + R_2 N_1 .$$

Use the formula for  $\Phi_s^{p,\lambda}(x)$  in the above lemma, a direct computation gives us

$$(13) \quad w_1 \Phi_s^{p,\lambda}(1) = p^2 - \lambda^2 - 1, \quad w_2 \Phi_s^{p,\lambda}(1) = p\lambda .$$

Now,  $\Phi_s^{p,\lambda} = 1/(2s + 1) \text{Trace}(\Psi_s^{p,\lambda})$ , and for  $x \in G$ , we can write  $x = k_1 a_t k_2$ ,  $k_1, k_2 \in K$ ,  $a_t \in A_p^+$ , so  $\Psi_s^{p,\lambda}(x) = \Psi_s^{p,\lambda}(k_1 a_t k_2) = D^s(k_1) \Psi_s^{p,\lambda}(a_t) D^s(k_2)$ . Then this function determined by the restriction of  $\Psi_s^{p,\lambda}$  to  $A_p^+$ . Let  $t \neq 0$ , define  $\text{Ad}(a_t^{-1})X = a_t^{-1} X a_t$ ,  $X \in \mathfrak{g}$ ; then we have

$$(14) \quad \begin{aligned} \text{Ad}(a_t^{-1})R_1 &= \cosh t \cdot R_1 - \sinh t \cdot S_2, \\ \text{Ad}(a_t^{-1})R_2 &= \cosh t \cdot R_2 + \sinh t \cdot S_1. \end{aligned}$$

By substitution, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_1 = & S_3^2 + 2 \coth t \cdot S_3 + \coth^2 t \cdot (R_1^2 + R_2^2) \\
 & + \operatorname{csch}^2 t \cdot \operatorname{Ad}(a_t^{-1})(R_1^2 + R_2^2) \\
 & - 2 \coth t \operatorname{csch} t \cdot ((\operatorname{Ad}(a_t^{-1})R_1)R_2 \\
 & + ((\operatorname{Ad}(a_t^{-1})R_2)R_1) - (R_1^2 + R_2^2 + R_3^2)
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{15}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_2 = & S_3 R_3 + \coth t \cdot R_3 - \operatorname{csch} t \cdot ((\operatorname{Ad}(a_t^{-1})R_1)R_2 \\
 & - (\operatorname{Ad}(a_t^{-1})R_2)R_1) .
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{16}$$

Hence for  $t > 0$ , apply  $w_1, w_2$  on  $\Psi_s^{p,\lambda}(a_t)$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \Psi_s^{p,\lambda}(a_t) + 2 \coth t \frac{d}{dt} \Psi_s^{p,\lambda}(a_t) \\
 + (\coth^2 t - \operatorname{csch}^2 t) D^s(R_1^2 + R_2^2) \Psi_s^{p,\lambda}(a_t) \\
 + \coth t \operatorname{csch} t (X \Psi_s^{p,\lambda}(a_t) Y + Y \Psi_s^{p,\lambda}(a_t) X) \\
 + s(s + 1) \Psi_s^{p,\lambda}(a_t) = (p^2 - \lambda^2 - 1) \Psi_s^{p,\lambda}(a_t) .
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{17}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 D^s(R_3) \frac{d}{dt} \Psi_s^{p,\lambda}(a_t) + \coth t D^s(R_3) \Psi_s^{p,\lambda}(a_t) \\
 - \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{csch} t (X \Psi_s^{p,\lambda}(a_t) Y - Y \Psi_s^{p,\lambda}(a_t) X) = p\lambda \Psi_s^{p,\lambda}(a_t)
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{18}$$

where  $X = D^s(R_1) - iD^s(R_2)$ ,  $Y = -D^s(R_1) - iD^s(R_2)$ . Since  $u_\theta a_t = a_t u_\theta$ ,  $u_\theta \in M$ ,  $a_t \in A_p$ , by (5) we see that  $\Psi_s^{p,\lambda}(a_t)$  is a diagonal matrix, so let  $\Psi_{s,j}^{p,\lambda}$  be the  $j$ th diagonal element,  $j = -s, -s + 1, \dots, s$ , we see from (18) and (6)

$$\begin{aligned}
 -ij \frac{d}{dt} \Psi_{s,j}^{p,\lambda}(a_t) - ij \coth t \Psi_{s,j}^{p,\lambda}(a_t) \\
 - \frac{i}{2} \operatorname{csch} t ((s - j)(s + j + 1) \Psi_{s,j+1}^{p,\lambda}(a_t) \\
 - (s - j)(s - j + 1) \Psi_{s,j-1}^{p,\lambda}(a_t)) = p\lambda \Psi_{s,j}^{p,\lambda}(a_t) .
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{19}$$

Hence for  $j = s, s - 1, s - 2, \dots, -s + 1$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 (s + j)(s - j + 1) \operatorname{csch} t \Psi_{s,j-1}^{p,\lambda}(a_t) \\
 = 2j \frac{d}{dt} \Psi_{s,j}^{p,\lambda}(a_t) + 2j \coth t \Psi_{s,j}^{p,\lambda}(a_t) \\
 - 2ip\lambda \Psi_{s,j}^{p,\lambda}(a_t) + (s - j)(s + j + 1) \operatorname{csch} t \Psi_{s,j+1}^{p,\lambda}(a_t) .
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{20}$$

Therefore,  $\Psi_s^{p,\lambda}(a_t)$  is determined by knowing  $\Psi_{s,s}^{p,\lambda}(a_t)$ ,  $t > 0$ . Consider the  $s$ th diagonal element of (17) +  $2i \coth t \cdot$  (18), we find that  $\Psi_{s,s}^{p,\lambda}(a_t)$  satisfies the following differential equation

$$\begin{aligned}
 \varphi''(t) + 2(1 + s) \coth t \varphi'(t) \\
 + ((s + 1)^2 - p^2 + \lambda^2 - 2ip\lambda \coth t) \varphi(t) = 0 .
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{21}$$

This is a differential equations with regular singular point at  $t = 0$ . The inditial equation  $f(z) = z(z + 1 + s)$ , so we have  $z_1 = 0$  and  $z_2 = -(1 + s)$  as roots for  $f(z) = 0$ . From the general theory of such differential equation [e.g. 1, Ch. 4] we have

PROPOSITION 3.3. *Two linearly independent solutions of (21) can be represented in the following form*

$$(22) \quad \varphi_1(t) = t^{z_1}U_1(t) = U_1(t)$$

$$(23) \quad \varphi_2(t) = t^{z_2}U_2(t) + \alpha\varphi_1(t) \ln t$$

here  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  are analytic on  $[0, \infty)$  with  $U_1(0) = U_2(0) = 1$  and  $\alpha$  is some constant.

COROLLARY 1. *The function  $\Psi_{s,s}^{p_1}(a_t) = \varphi_1(t)$ .*

*Proof.* The only solutions of (21) which are bounded at  $t = 0$  are constant multiples of  $\varphi_1(t)$  and we know that  $\Psi_{s,s}^{p_1}(1) = 1$ .

Let  $\varphi_1(t) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} c_j t^j$ . We will compute the coefficients  $c_j$  more explicitly. Since  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} t \coth t = 1$ , we get

$$(24) \quad \coth t = \frac{1}{t} + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j t^j$$

with  $g(t) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j t^j$  analytic at  $t = 0$ . Substitute  $\varphi_1(t)$  into (21), we get

$$(25) \quad 2(1 + s)c_1 - 2ip\lambda c_0 = 0$$

and the recursion formula,  $j = 2, 3, \dots$

$$(26) \quad \begin{aligned} j(j + 1 + 2s)c_j &= [p^2 - \lambda^2 - (s + 1)^2]c_{j-2} - 2(1 + s) \sum_{r=1}^{j-1} r c_r a_{j-1-r} \\ &+ 2ip\lambda \sum_{r=0}^{j-1} c_r a_{j-2-r} . \end{aligned}$$

COROLLARY 2. *Two spherical functions  $\Phi_s^{p_1, \lambda_1}$  and  $\Phi_s^{p_2, \lambda_2}$  of type  $s$  are equal if and only if  $(p_2, \lambda_2) = \pm (p_1, \lambda_1)$  or  $(p_2, \lambda_2) = \pm i(\lambda_1, -p_1)$ .*

*Proof.* From earlier discussion, it suffices to consider the functions  $\Psi_{s,s}^{p_1, \lambda_1}(a_t)$  and  $\Psi_{s,s}^{p_2, \lambda_2}(a_t)$ , hence their corresponding coefficients derived from (25) and (26). Clearly then it is equivalent to have  $p_1\lambda_1 = p_2\lambda_2$  and  $p_1^2 - \lambda_1^2 = p_2^2 - \lambda_2^2$  and the corollary follows.

PROPOSITION 3.4.  *$\Phi_s^{p, \lambda}$  is bounded if  $\lambda = \sigma + ib$  with  $\sigma, b \in \mathbf{R}$  and  $|b| \leq 1$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $x \in G$  and write  $x = k_1 a_t k_2$  with  $t \geq 0$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_s^{p,\lambda}(x^{-1}) &= \Phi_s^{p,\lambda}((k_1 a_t k_2)^{-1}) = \Phi_s^{p,\lambda}((k_2 k_1 a_t)^{-1}) \\ (27) \quad &= \int_K \exp(-(i\lambda + 1)\rho(H(a_t k))) D_{-p,-p}^s(k^{-1} k_2 k_1 k(a_t k)) dk . \end{aligned}$$

Now, write  $k = u_{\varphi_1} v_\theta u_{\varphi_2}$ , then  $a_t k = (u_{\varphi_1} v_\theta, u_{\varphi_2}) a_t n, n \in N$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} e^{t'} &= e^t \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} + e^{-t} \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \\ (28) \quad \cos \frac{\theta'}{2} &= e^{(t-t')/2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2}, \quad \sin \frac{\theta'}{2} = e^{-(t+t')/2} \sin \frac{\theta}{2}, \quad 0 \leq \theta' \leq \pi . \end{aligned}$$

Thus by (4) and (5) we get

$$(29) \quad \Phi_s^{p,\lambda}(x^{-1}) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\pi \exp(-(i\lambda + 1)t') D_{-p,-p}^s(v_\theta^{-1} k_2 k_1 v_\theta) \sin \theta d\theta .$$

If  $t = 0$ , then  $t' = 0$  and the integral (29) bounds by 1. If  $t > 0$ , by (28) with change of variable gives

$$\Phi_s^{p,\lambda}(x^{-1}) = \frac{1}{2 \sinh t} \sum_{j=s}^s \int_{-t}^t e^{-\lambda t'} D_{-p,j}^s(v_\theta^{-1}) D_{j,j}^s(k_2 k_1) D_{j,-p}^s(v_\theta) dt'$$

and

$$|\Phi_s^{p,\lambda}(x^{-1})| \leq \frac{1}{2 \sinh t} \int_{-t}^t e^{bt'} dt = \frac{\sinh t}{b \sinh t} \leq 1 .$$

4. The analogue of Paley-Wiener theorem. Let

$$B_s = \{(p, \lambda): p = -s, -s + 1, \dots, s; \lambda \in C\} .$$

For each pair  $(p, \lambda) \in B_s$ , there corresponds a spherical functions  $\Phi_s^{p,\lambda}$  of type  $s$ . Let  $f \in I_{c,s}(G)$ , the Fourier-Laplace transform  $\hat{f}$  of  $f$  is a function defined on  $B_s$  by

$$(30) \quad \hat{f}(p, \lambda) = \int_G f(x) \Phi_s^{p,\lambda}(x) dx .$$

Given  $f \in I_c(G)$ . Let  $B_f = \{a_t \in A_p: f(ka_t) \neq 0 \text{ for some } k \in K\}$ . We say that  $f$  has support in the ball of radius  $R$  if  $\sup\{|t|: a_t \in B_f\} \leq R$ . Clearly  $f$  has compact support if and only if there exists an  $R$  which is finite. For each  $D^s \in \hat{K}$ , define

$$(31) \quad F_f^s(a_t) = e^t \int_K \int_N f(ka_t n) D^s(k^{-1}) dk dn .$$

This gives a map of  $A_p$  to the space of linear operators  $L(E_s)$  on  $E_s$ . It is easy to see that  $F_f^s = F_{f_s}^s, f \in I_c(G)$  and  $f_s = f * \chi_s$ .

LEMMA 4.1. *Let  $n \in N, a_t \in A_p$  and write  $a_t n = k_1 a_{t_1} k_2$  for some  $k_1, k_2 \in K$ . Then  $|t_1| \geq |t|$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & z \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $z \in C$  and  $k_j = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_j & \beta_j \\ \bar{\beta}_j & \bar{\alpha}_j \end{pmatrix}$  with  $|\alpha_j|^2 + |\beta_j|^2 = 1, j = 1, 2$ . Equating the corresponding matrix coefficients from  $a_t n k_2^{-1}$  yields  $e^t + (1 + |z|^2)e^{-t} = e^{t_1} + e^{-t_1}$ , i.e.,  $2 \cosh t_1 + e^t |z|^2$ . Thus  $|t_1| \geq |t|$ .

PROPOSITION 4.2. *Let  $f \in I_{c,s}(G)$  have support in the ball of radius  $R$ , then  $F_f^s$  is  $C^\infty$  with support in  $\{a_t: |t| \leq R\}$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose  $F_f^s(a_t) \neq 0$ , then  $f(ka_t n) \neq 0$  for some  $k \in K, n \in N$ . Now  $ka_t n = k_1 a_{t_1} k_2$  for some  $k_1, k_2 \in K$  and  $a_{t_1} \in A_p$ . Thus  $a_t n = k^{-1} k_1 a_{t_1} k_2$  and  $f(k_2 k_1 a_{t_1}) = f(k_1 a_{t_1} k_2) = f(ka_t n) \neq 0$ . By the above lemma and the assumption we get  $|t| \leq |t_1| \leq R$ . Differentiability is clear.

PROPOSITION 4.3. *The map  $f \rightarrow F_f^s$  is a one-to-one algebra homomorphism of  $I_{c,s}(G)$  into  $C_c^\infty(A_p, L(E_s))$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $f, g \in I_{c,s}(t)$ , use Fubini's theorem repeatedly

$$\begin{aligned} F_{f * g}^s(a_t) &= e^t \int_K \int_N (f * g)(ka_t n) D^s(k^{-1}) dk dn \\ &= e^t \int_K \int_N \int_G f(ka_t n x^{-1}) g(x) D^s(k^{-1}) dx dk dn \\ &= e^t \int_K \int_N \int_K \int_{A_p} \int_N f(ka_t n n^{-1} a_{t_1}^{-1} k_1^{-1}) g(k_1 a_{t_1} n_1) \\ &\quad \times e^{2t_1} D^s(k^{-1}) dk_1 dt_1 dn_1 dk dn \\ &= \int_{A_p} \int_K \int_N \int_K \int_N f(ka_t a_{t_1}^{-1} n) g(k_1 a_{t_1} n_1) e^{t_1} \cdot e^{-t_1} D^s(k^{-1}) \\ &\quad \times D^s(k_1^{-1}) dk_1 dn_1 dk dr dt_1 \\ &= \int_{A_p} F_f^s(a_t a_{t_1}^{-1}) F_g^s(a_{t_1}) dt_1 = F_f^s * F_g^s(a_t). \end{aligned}$$

The linearity is trivial, hence it is algebra homomorphism. As for one-to-one, given  $f \in I_{c,s}(G)$  and  $F_f^s \equiv 0$ , to show  $f \equiv 0$ . Note first that  $F_f^s(a_t) D^s(u_\theta) = D^s(u_\theta) F_f^s(a_t)$ , hence  $F_f^s(a_t)$  is a diagonal matrix. From (10) and Lemma 3.2, we see that if  $F_{f,p}^s(a_t)$  is the  $p$ th diagonal element of  $F_f^s(a_t)$ ,

$$(32) \quad \int_{A_p} F_{f,p}^s(a_t) e^{-i\lambda t} dt = \int_G f(x) \Phi_s^{p,\lambda}(x) dx.$$

If  $F_f^s \equiv 0$ , then  $F_{f,p}^s \equiv 0$  for all  $p$ , hence  $\hat{f}(p, \lambda) = 0$  for all  $p, \lambda$ . Thus  $U^{p,\lambda}(f) = 0$  for all  $p, \lambda$ . But the set  $\{U^{p,\lambda}\}$  forms a complete set of representations on  $G$ , thus we get  $f = 0$ .

COROLLARY.  $I_{c,s}(G)$  is commutative.

For each nonnegative real number  $R$ , let  $H_s(R)$  be the set of functions  $g$  defined on  $B_s$  satisfying (i)  $g$  is entire holomorphic in  $\lambda$ ; (ii)  $g(p, \lambda) = g(-p, -\lambda)$ ,  $(p, \lambda) \in B_s$ ; (iii)  $g(p, \lambda) = g(i\lambda, -ip)$  if both  $(p, \lambda)$  and  $(i\lambda, -ip)$  are in  $B_s$ ; (iv) given a positive integer  $m$ , there exists a constant  $C_m$  such that  $|g(p, \lambda)| \leq C_m(1 + |\lambda|)^{-m} \exp R|\eta|$ ,  $\lambda = \xi + i\eta \in \mathbf{R} + i\mathbf{R}$ . Let  $H_s$  be the union of all the  $H_s(R)$ .

Given  $f$  in  $I_{c,s}(G)$ , by Corollary 2 of Proposition 3.3 we see the function  $\hat{f}$  defined in (30) satisfies conditions (i), (ii), (iii) of the definition of  $H_s$ . By (32),  $\hat{f}(p, \lambda)$  is just the usual Fourier transform of the function  $F_{f,p}^s$  on the real line, which is  $C^\infty$  with compact support, hence  $\hat{f}$  is holomorphic in  $\lambda$ . If  $f$  has support in the ball of radius  $R$ , so is  $F_f^s$ , hence the classical Paley-Wiener theorem asserts that  $\hat{f} \in H_s(R)$ . Thus we have a linear map  $f \rightarrow \hat{f}$  of  $I_{c,s}(G)$  into  $H_s$  such that if  $f$  has support in the ball of radius  $R$ , we get  $\hat{f} \in H_s(R)$ . We want to show that this map is also onto now.

In the inversion formula (8), when  $f \in I_{c,s}(G)$ , it is easy to see that  $\text{Trace}(U^{p,\lambda}(x^{-1})U^{p,\lambda}(f)) = (2s + 1)\hat{f}(p, \lambda)\Phi_s^{p,\lambda}(x^{-1})$  for  $p = -s, -s + 1, \dots, s$ ; and  $U^{p,\lambda}(f) = 0$  otherwise. Thus we have

$$(33) \quad f(x) = \frac{2s + 1}{4\pi^2} \sum_{p=-s}^s (p^2 + \lambda^2)\hat{f}(p, \lambda)\Phi_s^{p,\lambda}(x^{-1})d\lambda.$$

LEMMA 4.4. Let  $g \in H_s(\mathbf{R})$  and define

$$(34) \quad f_1(x) = \sum_{p=-s}^s \int_{\lambda=-\infty}^{\infty} (p^2 + \lambda^2)g(p, \lambda)\Phi_s^{p,\lambda}(x^{-1})d\lambda.$$

Then  $f_1 \in I_{c,s}(G)$  and  $f_1$  has support in the ball of radius  $R$ .

*Proof.* Since  $g(p, \lambda)$  decreases rapidly at infinity on  $\lambda$  and  $\Phi_s^{p,\lambda}$  is  $C^\infty$  and bounded when  $\lambda$  is real, the integral converges absolutely and defines a  $C^\infty$  function on  $G$ . By the property of  $\Phi_s^{p,\lambda}$ , it is clear that  $f_1(k \times k^{-1}) = f_1(x)$ ,  $k \in K$ ,  $x \in G$  and  $f_1 * \chi_s = f_1$ . It remains to show that  $f_1$  has support in the ball of radius  $R$ . Thus let  $x = k_t a_t$  with  $k_t \in K$  and  $t \neq 0$ . Since  $a_t \in B_{f_1}$  if and only if  $a_{-t} \in B_{f_1}$ , may assume that  $t > 0$ . Using the expression and notation in Proposition 3.4, we get

$$(35) \quad f_1(k_t a_t) = \frac{1}{2 \sinh t} \sum_{p,j=-s}^s D_{j,j}^s(k_t) \int_{\lambda=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{t'=-t}^t (p^2 + \lambda^2)g(p, \lambda)e^{-i\lambda t'} \\ \times D_{-p,j}^s(v_\theta^{-1})D_{j,-p}^s(v_\theta)dt'd\lambda.$$

For each  $p, j = -s, -s + 1, \dots, s$ , define

$$(36) \quad f_{p,j}(t) = \int_{\lambda=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{t'=t}^t (p^2 + \lambda^2)g(p, \lambda)e^{-i\lambda t'} D_{-p,j}^s(v_{\theta}^{-1})D_{j,-p}^s(v_{\theta})dt'd\lambda .$$

Let  $t > R$ , to show  $f_i(k_i a_i) = 0$ , it suffices to show that  $\sum_{p=-s}^s f_{p,j}(t) = 0$  for all  $j$ . Let

$$(37) \quad h_p(t') = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (p^2 + \lambda^2)g(p, \lambda)e^{-i\lambda t'} d\lambda .$$

By the classical Paley-Wiener theorem,  $h_p(t') = 0$  if  $t' > R$ . Thus

$$(38) \quad f_{p,j}(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h_p(t')D_{-p,j}^s(v_{\theta}^{-1})D_{j,-p}^s(v_{\theta})dt' .$$

Put  $x_1 = e^{t'}$ ,  $x_2 = e^{-t'}$ , then by (5), (28) we get

$$(39) \quad \begin{aligned} D_{-p,j}^s(v_{\theta}^{-1})D_{j,-p}^s(v_{\theta}) &= \frac{(-1)^{s+j}e^{-jt}}{(s+j)!(s-j)!(2\sin ht)^{2s}}e^{-pt'}\frac{\partial^{2s}}{\partial x_1^{s-p}\partial x_2^{s+p}} \\ &\times [(x_1x_2 - e^{-t}(x_1 + x_2) + e^{-2t})^{s-j} \\ &\times (x_1x_2 - e^t(x_1 + x_2) + e^{2t})^{s+j}] . \end{aligned}$$

The above expression is just the linear combination of terms

$$e^{-pt'}\frac{\partial^{2s}}{\partial x_1^{s-p}\partial x_2^{s+p}} [(x_1x_2)^{r_1}(x_1^{r_2} + x_2^{r_2})]$$

with coefficients as functions of  $t$ , and  $r_1, r_2 \geq 0, r_1 + r_2 \leq 2s$ . Pick one of these terms and consider the two integrals

$$(40) \quad \begin{aligned} &\sum_{p=-s}^s \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h_p(t')e^{-pt'}\frac{\partial^{2s}}{\partial x_1^{s-p}\partial x_2^{s+p}} [x_1^{r_1+r_2}x_2^{r_1}]dt' \\ &= \sum_{p=\max\{-s, s-r_1-r_2\}}^{\min\{s, r_1-s\}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h_p(t')\frac{(r_1+r_2)!r_1!}{(r_1+r_2-s+p)!(r_1-s-p)!}e^{(r_2+p)t'}dt' \\ &= 2\pi \sum_{p=s-r_1-r_2}^{r_1-s} \frac{(r_1+r_2)!r_1!}{(r_1+r_2-s+p)!(r_1-s-p)!} \\ &\quad \times [p^2 + (-i(r_2+p))]g(p, -i(r_2+p)) \\ &= -2\pi \sum_{p=s-r_1-r_2}^{r_1-s} \frac{(r_1+r_2)!r_1!}{(r_1+r_2-s+p)!(r_1-s-p)!} \\ &\quad \times r_2(r_2+2p)g(p, -i(r_2+p)) \end{aligned}$$

$$(41) \quad \begin{aligned} &\sum_{p=-s}^s \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h_p(t')e^{-pt'}\frac{\partial^{2s}}{\partial x_1^{s-p}\partial x_2^{s+p}} [x_1^{r_1}x_2^{r_1+r_2}]dt' \\ &= 2\pi \sum_{p=\max\{-s, s-r_1\}}^{\min\{s, r_1+r_2-s\}} \frac{(r_1+r_2)!r_1!}{(r_1-s+p)!(r_1+r_2-s-p)!} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h_p(t')e^{(p-r_2)t}dt' \\ &= 2\pi \sum_{p=s-r_1}^{r_1+r_2-s} \frac{r_1!(r_1+r_2)!}{(r_1-s+p)!(r_1+r_2-s-p)!}r_2(2p-r_2)g(p, i(r_2-p)) . \end{aligned}$$

By changing the index and the fact that

$$g(p, i(r_2 - p)) = g(p - r_2, -ip),$$

we get the sum of (40) and (41) is zero. Now the lemma is clear.

Combine the above discussion, we get the following analogue of Paley-Wiener theorem.

**PROPOSITION 4.5.** *The Fourier transform  $f$  to  $\hat{f}$  defined in (30) is a one-to-one algebra homomorphism of  $I_{c,s}(G)$  onto  $H_s$ . A function  $f$  in  $I_{c,s}(G)$  has support in the ball of radius  $R$  if and only if  $\hat{f}$  is in  $H_s(R)$ .*

Let  $L'_s(G)$  be the closure of  $I_{c,s}(G)$  in  $L'(G)$ . Given  $f \in L'_s(G)$ , by Proposition 3.4, the integral

$$(42) \quad \hat{f}(p, \lambda) = \int_G f(x) \Phi_s^{p,\lambda}(x) dx$$

is defined for  $(p, \lambda) \in B_s$  with  $\lambda = \xi + i\eta$ ,  $|\eta| \leq 1$ . Then we have the following analogue of Riemann Lebesgue lemma.

**PROPOSITION 4.6.** *Let  $f \in L'_s(G)$  and define  $\hat{f}$  as in (42), then  $\lim_{\xi \rightarrow \pm\infty} \hat{f}(p, \xi + i\eta) = 0$  uniformly for  $|\eta| \leq 1$ .*

*Proof.* Given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , choose  $g$  in  $I_{c,s}(G)$  such that  $\|f - g\|_1 < \varepsilon/2$ . But then we have

$$(43) \quad |\hat{f}(p, \lambda) - \hat{g}(p, \lambda)| \leq \int_G |f(x) - g(x)| dx < \varepsilon/2.$$

Choose  $R, C$  such that

$$(44) \quad |\hat{g}(p, \lambda)| \leq C(1 + |\lambda|)^{-1} \exp R |\eta| \leq C(1 + |\lambda|)^{-1} \exp R$$

since  $|\eta| \leq 1$ . Combine (43), (44) we get  $|\hat{f}(p, \lambda)| < \varepsilon$  when  $|\xi|$  is large enough.

Let  $B = \{(s, p, \lambda) : s \text{ is a nonnegative integer or half integer, } (p, \lambda) \in B_s\}$ . Given  $f \in I_c(G)$  and  $(s, p, \lambda) \in B$ , define

$$(45) \quad \hat{f}(s, p, \lambda) = \int_G f(x) \Phi_s^{p,\lambda}(x) dx.$$

It is clear that  $\hat{f}(s, p, \lambda) = \hat{f}_s(p, \lambda)$ .

**LEMMA 4.7.** *Let  $f \in I_c(G)$ . Then  $f$  has support in the ball of radius  $R$  if and only if  $f_s$  has support in the ball of radius  $R$  for all  $s$ .*

*Proof.* By definition,  $f_s(x) = \int_K f(k^{-1}x)\chi_s(k)dk$ . Thus if  $f$  has support in the ball of radius  $R$  and  $f_s(k_1a_t) \neq 0$  with  $k_1 \in K$ ,  $a_t \in A_p$ , we have  $f(k^{-1}k_1a_t) \neq 0$  for some  $k \in K$  and therefore  $|t| \leq R$ . The converse follows from the fact that  $\sum_s f_s$  converges to  $f$  absolutely, [8, vol. I, p. 264].

**PROPOSITION 4.8.** *The map  $f \rightarrow \hat{f}$  defined in (45) is a one-to-one algebra homomorphism of  $I_c(G)$  into the algebra of all functions  $g$  on  $B$  satisfying (i)  $g(s, p, \lambda)$  is entire holomorphic in  $\lambda$ , (ii)  $g(s, p, \lambda) = g(s, -p, -\lambda)$ ,  $(s, p, \lambda) \in B$ , (iii)  $g(s, p, \lambda) = g(s, i\lambda, -ip)$  if both  $(s, p, \lambda)$  and  $(s, i\lambda, -ip)$  are in  $B$ , (iv) there exists  $R > 0$ , for each given positive integer  $m$ , there exists  $C_{m,s}$  such that*

$$|g(s, p, \lambda)| \leq C_{m,s}(1 + |\lambda|)^{-m} \exp R|\eta|, \xi + i\eta \in \mathbf{R} + i\mathbf{R}.$$

*Proof.* This is clear by Proposition 4.6 and Lemma 4.7.

**COROLLARY.** *Let  $f \in L^1(G)$ . Then  $\hat{f}(s, p, \lambda)$  is defined for  $\lambda = \xi + i\eta$ ,  $|\eta| \leq 1$  and  $\lim_{\xi \rightarrow \pm\infty} \hat{f}(s, p, \xi + i\eta) = 0$  for  $|\eta| \leq 1$ .*

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