

# PLANCHEREL FORMULA FOR $SL_2(\mathbb{R})$

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

This is a study note for Plancherel formula for  $SL_2(\mathbb{R})$  following Varadarajan's book.

## 2. PLANCHEREL FORMULA FOR $SL_2(\mathbb{C})$

For  $G = SL_2(\mathbb{C})$ , let's denote  $H$  the maximal diagonal torus, we have a map  $\hat{H} \rightarrow \text{Ch}(G)$  and the fibers are precisely the orbits for Weyl group, then the Plancherel formula becomes

$$f(1) = \int_{\hat{H}} \hat{f}(\chi) \mu(\chi) d\chi$$

where  $\mu$  is a Weyl group invariant nonnegative continuous function. An explicit formula for  $\mu$  together with the explicit formula for  $\Theta_\chi$  will be a complete and far-reaching generalization of the compact theory.

We will introduce the orbital integrals on  $G$  and its Lie algebra. Let  $H$  be the diagonal matrices and  $\mathfrak{h} \subset \mathfrak{g}$  its Lie algebra, let  $\mathfrak{h}' \subset \mathfrak{h}$  be the elements with distinct diagonal entries.

For  $V$  an Euclidean space, we will denote  $\mathcal{S}_0(V)$  the space of linear functions that

$$\sup_{v \in V} (1 + \|v\|^2)^q |f(v)| < \infty$$

$\mathcal{S}(V)$  the space of  $C^\infty$  functions such that all derivatives are in  $\mathcal{S}_0(V)$ .

**Definition 2.1.** For  $f \in \mathcal{S}_0(\mathfrak{g})$ , the orbital integral of  $f$  on  $\mathfrak{g}$  is defined as

$$\psi_f(X) = \pi(X) \int_{G/H} f(xXx^{-1}) d(G/H)$$

for  $X \in \mathfrak{h}'$ , here  $\pi(X) = x_1 - x_2$ .

We have the conjugacy map

$$\varphi : G/H \times \mathfrak{h}' \longrightarrow \mathfrak{g}', \quad xH, X \mapsto xXx^{-1}$$

$\varphi$  is proper and all its fibers have cardinality 2, we have the following formula

$$\varphi^* \omega_{\mathfrak{g}} = \pm |\pi(X)|^4 d(G/H) d\mathfrak{h}$$

We have the following Lie algebra version of the Weyl integration formula

**Lemma 2.2.** For all  $f \in \mathcal{S}_0(\mathfrak{g})$

$$\int_{\mathfrak{g}} f d\mathfrak{g} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathfrak{h}'} |\pi(X)|^2 \psi_f(X) d\mathfrak{h}$$

For any  $g \in \mathcal{S}(\mathfrak{g})$ , we can define the Fourier transform

$$\hat{\mathfrak{g}}(Y) = \int_{\mathfrak{g}} g(Z) e^{i\langle Y, Z \rangle} d\mathfrak{g}(Z)$$

we can also define Fourier transform on  $\mathfrak{h}$

$$\hat{h}(Y) = \int_{\mathfrak{h}} e^{i\langle Y, Z \rangle} h(Z) d\mathfrak{h}(Z)$$

**Proposition 2.3.** *We have the following*

$$\psi_{\hat{f}}(X) = (2\pi)\hat{\psi}_f(X)$$

We can introduce a differential operator  $\Delta$  on  $\mathcal{S}(\mathfrak{g})$  and it satisfies

$$(-1)(\Delta\bar{\Delta}\hat{u})(Y) = |\pi(Y)|^2 \hat{u}(Y)$$

**Theorem 2.4.** *(limit formula for  $\mathfrak{g}$ ) Let*

$$\psi_f(X) = |\pi(X)|^2 \int_{G/H} f(xXx^{-1}) d(G/H)$$

$X \in \mathfrak{h}'$ , then for all  $f \in \mathcal{S}(G)$

$$f(0) = \frac{(-1)^{2(2-1)/2}}{(2\pi)^{2(2-1)} \cdot 2!} (\Delta\bar{\Delta}\psi_f)(0)$$

for  $X \in \mathfrak{h}'$ .

*Proof.* We have for  $f \in \mathcal{S}(\mathfrak{g})$

$$\begin{aligned} f(0) &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{2(2^2-1)}} \int \hat{f} d\mathfrak{g} \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{2(2^2-1)} 2!} \int |\pi|^2 \psi_{\hat{f}} d\mathfrak{h} \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{2(2-1)+2^2-2} \cdot 2!} \int |\pi|^2 \hat{\psi}_f d\mathfrak{h} \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{2(2-1)+2^2-2} \cdot 2!} \int (\Delta\bar{\Delta}\psi_f) \hat{d}\mathfrak{h} \\ &= \frac{(-1)^{2(2-1)/2}}{(2\pi)^{2^2-2} \cdot 2!} (\Delta\bar{\Delta}\psi_f)(0) \end{aligned}$$

where we used the Weyl integration formula 2.2, the relation between the Fourier transform on  $\mathfrak{g}$  and  $\mathfrak{h}$  2.3.  $\square$

**Proposition 2.5.** *We define  $\mathfrak{g}(\epsilon) = \{u \in \mathfrak{g} \mid |\lambda| < \epsilon \text{ for all eigenvalues } \lambda \text{ of } u\}$ ,  $G(\epsilon) = \{z \in G \mid |\lambda| < \epsilon \text{ for all eigenvalues } \lambda \text{ of } z - 1\}$ , then  $\mathfrak{g}(\epsilon)$  (resp.  $G(\epsilon)$ ) form a basis for the family of invariant open neighborhoods of 0 in  $\mathfrak{g}$  ( resp. 1) in  $G$ , and if  $\epsilon > 0$  is sufficiently small,  $\exp$  is a diffeomorphism of  $\mathfrak{g}(\epsilon)$  onto an invariant open neighborhood of 1 in  $G$ .*

We can recover  $f(1)$  from  $F_f(1)$

**Theorem 2.6.** *Define  $F_f$  by*

$$F_f(h) = |\Delta(h)|^2 \int_{G/H} f(xhx^{-1}) d(G/H)$$

where  $dG = d\mathfrak{g}$ ,  $dH = d\mathfrak{h}$  then

$$f(1) = \frac{(-1)^{2(2-1)/2}}{(2\pi)^{2^2-2} \cdot 2!} (\Delta\bar{\Delta}F_f)(1)$$

*Proof.* We can find  $j \in C^\infty(G)$ , for sufficiently small  $\epsilon$ , we have  $jf \in C_c^\infty(G)$ ,  $\text{supp}jf \subset \exp(\mathfrak{g}(\epsilon))$ ,  $jf = f$  in an invariant neighborhood of 1. We set  $g(Z) = f(\exp Z)$ , then  $g \in C_c^\infty(\mathfrak{g})$ , for  $X \in \mathfrak{g}(\epsilon) \cap \mathfrak{h}'$ ,  $h = \exp X \in H' \cap \exp(\mathfrak{g}(\epsilon))$ , for such  $X$

$$F_f(\exp X) = |\Delta(\exp X)|^2 \int_{G/H} f(x \exp X x^{-1}) d(G/H) = |\omega(X)|^2 \psi_{\mathfrak{g}}(X)$$

for  $\omega(X) = \frac{\Delta(X)}{\pi(X)}$ ,  $X \in \mathfrak{h}'$ .

We can find an invariant entire function  $\omega_1$  on  $\mathfrak{g}$  which restricts to  $\omega(X)^2$ . For sufficiently small  $\epsilon$ ,  $|\omega_1|$  is a real-analytic function,  $|\omega_1|_{\mathfrak{g}} \in C_c^\infty(\mathfrak{g}(\epsilon))$  for all  $\mathfrak{g} \in C_c^\infty(\mathfrak{g}(\epsilon))$ , and we have

$$F_f(\exp X) = \psi_{|\omega_1|_{\mathfrak{g}}} X$$

for  $X \in \mathfrak{h}' \cap \mathfrak{g}(\epsilon)$ . Applying  $\Delta \bar{\Delta}$  to both sides and let  $X \rightarrow 0$ , we get 2.6 from 2.4 as  $|\omega_1|(0) = 1$  and

$$g(0) = \frac{(-1)^{2(2-1)/2}}{(2\pi)^{2(2-1)2!}} (\Delta \bar{\Delta} \psi_g)(0)$$

□

**Lemma 2.7.** *Let  $\mu$  be the function on  $\hat{H}$  given by*

$$\mu_{\chi_{m_1, m_2; i\rho_1, i\rho_2}} = [(m_1 - m_2)^2 + (\rho_1 - \rho_2)^2]$$

where  $\chi_{m_1, m_2; i\rho_1, i\rho_2}$  is the character

$$\text{diag}(z_1, z_2) \mapsto \prod_{j=1}^2 (z_j / |z_j|^{m_j}) |z_j|^{i\rho_j}$$

the  $m_i$  are integers and  $\rho_j$  are real numbers with  $\sum m_j = 0$  and  $\sum \rho_j = 0$ , then for any  $f \in C_c^\infty(H)$ , we have

$$(-1)^{2(2-1)/2} (\Delta \bar{\Delta} f \hat{f})(x) = \mu(\chi) \hat{f}(\chi)$$

**Theorem 2.8.** *(Plancherel formula for  $SL_2(\mathbb{C})$ ) For any character  $\chi$  of  $H$  and let  $T_\chi$  be the distribution character of the principal series  $L_\chi$ , computed with respect to the Haar measure  $dG = d\mathfrak{g}$ , let  $d\chi$  be the measure on  $\hat{H}$ , then for any  $f \in \hat{H}$ , we have*

$$f(1) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{2^2-2} \cdot 2!} \int_{\hat{H}} T_\chi(f) \mu(\chi) d\chi$$

where

$$\mu_{\chi_{m_1, m_2; i\rho_1, i\rho_2}} = [(m_1 - m_2)^2 + (\rho_1 - \rho_2)^2]$$

*Proof.* We have by theorem 2.6,

$$\begin{aligned} f(1) &= \frac{(-1)^{2(2-1)/2}}{(2\pi)^{2^2-2} \cdot 2!} (\Delta \bar{\Delta} F_f)(1) \\ &= \frac{(-1)^{2(2-1)/2}}{(2\pi)^{2^2-2} \cdot 2!} \int_{\hat{H}} (\Delta \bar{\Delta} F_f \hat{f})(\chi) d\chi \\ &= \frac{(-1)^{2(2-1)/2}}{(2\pi)^{2^2-2} \cdot 2!} \int_{\hat{H}} \hat{F}_f(\chi) \mu(\chi) d\chi \\ &= \frac{(-1)^{2(2-1)/2}}{(2\pi)^{2^2-2} \cdot 2!} \int_{\hat{H}} T_\chi(f) \mu(\chi) d\chi \end{aligned}$$

□

The key ingredient of this method is that *there is a single conjugacy class of Cartan subgroups*. In the general case, where there are several conjugacy classes of Cartan subgroups, the proof of the Plancherel formula becomes very difficult.

### 3. PLANCHEREL FORMULA FOR $SL_2(\mathbb{R})$

**3.1. Unitary representations of  $SL_2(\mathbb{R})$  and their characters.** Let  $G = SL_2$ ,  $K = SO_2 = \{u_\theta = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}\}$  the maximal compact,  $B = MAN$  the Levy-Langlands decomposition,  $M = \{1, \gamma\}$ ,  $\gamma = -\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $A = \{a_t = \begin{pmatrix} e^t & \\ & e^{-t} \end{pmatrix}\}$ ,  $H = MA$ .

**Definition 3.1.** A Cartan subgroup is the group of real points of a maximal torus of  $G_{\mathbb{C}}$  defined over  $\mathbb{R}$ . They are precisely the centralizers of the regular elements.

The principal series of  $G$  are  $\pi_{\epsilon, \lambda} = \text{Ind}_B^G \chi$  with  $\chi = (\epsilon, \lambda)$ ,  $\epsilon = 0, 1 \in \hat{M}$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C} = \hat{A}$

$$\chi_{\epsilon, \rho} : \text{diag}(a, a^{-1}) \mapsto \text{sign}(a)^\epsilon |a|^\rho$$

We denote  $\hat{\bullet}$  the abelian Fourier transform on  $H = MA$ , then

**Theorem 3.2.** Let  $\chi$  be any character of  $H$ ,  $\chi = (\epsilon, \eta)$ , for any  $f \in C_c^\infty(G)$ , we have

$$T_\chi(f) = \hat{F}_{f, H}(\chi)$$

here

$$F_{f, H}(h) := |\Delta(h)|_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{G/H} f(xhx^{-1}) dx$$

here  $\Delta(\text{diag}(a, a^{-1})) = |a - a^{-1}|$ .

We denote  $G'_H$  as all  $x \in G$  with distinct eigenvalues in  $\mathbb{R}$ . We have the following explicit formula for  $T_\chi$

**Theorem 3.3.** Let  $\chi$  be a quasicharacter of  $H$ , then there is a unique invariant function  $\theta_\chi$  on  $G$  which is zero outside  $G'_H$  and coincides with

$$\left( \sum_{\omega \in W} \chi^\omega \right) / |\Delta|_{\mathbb{R}}$$

on  $H'$ , locally integrable on  $G$  and is the character of the principal series  $\pi_\chi$

$$T_\chi(f) = \int_G \theta_\chi f dx$$

*Proof.* We omit the proof for the existence of  $\theta_\chi$  with desired property, we show that  $\theta_\chi$  is the character of  $\pi_\chi = \text{ind}_B^G \chi$ .

Since  $\theta_\chi$  is outside  $G'_H$ , from Weyl integration formula

$$\int_{G'_H} \theta_\chi f dx = \frac{1}{2} \int \int_{G/H \times H'} \theta_\chi(xhx^{-1}) f(xhx^{-1}) |\Delta(h)|_{\mathbb{R}}^2 dx dh$$

use  $F_{\theta_\chi f, H} = |\Delta(h)|_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{G/H} \theta_\chi f(xhx^{-1}) dx$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_G \theta_\chi f dx &= \frac{1}{2} \int_H |\Delta|_{\mathbb{R}} F_{\theta_\chi f, H} dh \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_H \left( \sum_{\omega} \chi^\omega \right) F_{f, H} dh \\ &= \int F_{\chi, H} \chi dh \\ &= \hat{F}_{f, H}(\chi) \\ &= T_\chi(f) \end{aligned}$$

here we used that  $\theta_\chi = \frac{\sum_{\omega} \chi^\omega}{|\Delta|_{\mathbb{R}}}$  on  $G'_H$  and  $F_{\theta_\chi f, H}(h) = \theta_\chi(h) F_{f, H}(h)$ . □

More explicitly, we have

$$\theta_\chi(\text{diag}(a, a^{-1})) = \frac{\chi(a) + \chi(a^{-1})}{|a - a^{-1}|}$$

We also have the character formula for discrete series-the unitary representations with matrix coefficients square-integrable on  $G$

**Theorem 3.4.** *Let's denote  $\chi_n : u_\theta \mapsto e^{in\theta}$  the characters of  $K$ , there is a discrete series representation associated with  $\chi_n$  for  $n \neq 0$  and its character  $\Theta_\chi$  is a locally integrable function with the following formula*

$$\Theta_n(u_\theta) = -\text{sgn}(n) \frac{e^{in\theta}}{e^{i\theta} - e^{-i\theta}}, \quad (\theta \neq 0, \pi)$$

$$\Theta_n(\text{diag}(a, a^{-1})) = \text{sgn}(a) \frac{a^{-|n|}}{|a - a^{-1}|} \quad (|a| > 1)$$

These formula obtained by Harish-Chandra, strongly suggested that the discrete series representations associated with the compact torus  $K$  in the same way as the principal series associated with  $H$  the split torus.

### 3.2. Orbital integrals.

#### 3.2.1. Orbital integrals for hyperbolic elements.

**Definition 3.5.** For  $L$  the Cartan subgroup, we define the orbital integral

$$F_{f,L}(ma_t) := \frac{1}{2} |e^t - e^{-t}| \int_{G/A} f(xma_t x^{-1}) d(G/A)$$

then use  $dG = \frac{1}{2} e^{2t} d\theta ds dt$ , we can show

$$F_{f,L}(a_t) = \frac{1}{4} e^t \int \bar{f}(a_t n_s) ds$$

for  $\bar{f}(x) = \int f(u_\theta x u_{-\theta}) d\theta$ , hence  $f \mapsto F_{f,L}$  extends to a continuous map of  $C_c^\infty(G) \rightarrow C_c^\infty(L)$ .

Letting  $t \rightarrow 0\pm$ , and note  $F_{f,L}$  is an even function, we obtain

**Theorem 3.6.** *We have*

- $F_{f,L}(1) = \frac{1}{4} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \bar{f}(n_s) ds$
- $F'_{f,L}(1) = 0$ .

We can also define the orbital integral for Lie algebra.

**Definition 3.7.** We define

$$\psi_{f,\mathfrak{a}}(tH) = 2|t| \int_{G/L} f(x(tH)x^{-1}) d(G/L)$$

for  $t \neq 0$ .

We have the Fourier transform on  $\mathfrak{g}$  and  $\mathfrak{h}$

**Definition 3.8.** For  $g \in \mathcal{S}(\mathfrak{g})$  and  $h \in \mathcal{S}(\mathfrak{a})$ , we define

$$\hat{g}(u) = \int_{\mathfrak{g}} g(v) e^{i\langle u, v \rangle} d\mathfrak{g}$$

$$\hat{h}(u) = \int_{\mathfrak{a}} h(v) e^{i\langle u, v \rangle} d\mathfrak{a}$$

where  $\langle u, v \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(uv)$ .

**Theorem 3.9.** *The map  $f \rightarrow \psi_{f,\mathfrak{a}}$  from  $\mathcal{S}(\mathfrak{g})$  to  $\mathcal{S}(\mathfrak{a})$  is continuous and*

- $\psi_{f,\mathfrak{a}}(0) = \frac{1}{4} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \bar{f}(sX) ds$  and  $\psi'_{f,\mathfrak{a}}(0) = 0$ .
- $\psi_{\hat{f},\mathfrak{a}}(tH) = 2\pi \hat{\psi}_{f,\mathfrak{a}}(tH)$ .

Finally, similar to the complex group case,  $F_{f,L}$  and  $f_{f,a}$  are connected by exponential map, and for sufficiently small  $t$ , we have

$$F_{f,L}(a_t) = \left| \frac{e^t - e^{-t}}{2t} \right| \psi_{g,a}(tH)$$

for  $g = f \circ \exp$ .

3.2.2. *Orbital integrals for elliptic elements.* We introduce  $\Delta(u_\theta) = e^{i\theta} - e^{-i\theta}$ .

**Definition 3.10.** We define the orbital integral for elliptic elements to be

$$F_{f,K}(u_\theta) = \Delta(u_\theta) \int_{G/K} f(xu_\theta x^{-1}) d(G/K)$$

we note that  $F_{f,K}$  is not continuous at 1.

**Definition 3.11.** We define the orbital integral for Lie algebra as

$$\psi_{g,\mathfrak{k}}(\theta(X - Y)) = 2i\theta \int_{G/K} g(\theta x(X - Y)x^{-1}) d(G/K)$$

we have the following formula for  $\psi_{g,\mathfrak{k}}$

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_{g,\mathfrak{k}}(\theta(X - Y)) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} i\theta \int \int \int_{0 \leq \theta < 2\pi, t > 0} g(\theta(X - Y)^{u_{\theta_1} a_t}) \sinh 2t \, d\theta_1 \, d\theta_2 \, dt \\ &= \frac{i\theta}{2} \int_0^\infty \bar{g}(\theta(e^{2t}X - e^{-2t}Y))(e^{2t} - e^{-2t}) \, dt \end{aligned}$$

**Proposition 3.12.** *If  $E \subset K'$  is a compact set, then the map*

$$f \mapsto F_{f,K}|_E$$

*is a continuous map from  $C_c^\infty(G)$  to  $C_c^\infty(E)$ .*

For all small  $\theta \neq 0$ , we have

$$F_{f,K}(u_\theta) = \frac{(e^{i\theta} - e^{-i\theta})}{2i\theta} \psi_{g,\mathfrak{k}}(\theta(X - Y))$$

where  $g = f \circ \exp$ .

The problem now is to investigate the behaviour of  $F_{f,K}$  and its derivatives near 1 and relate this to  $F_{f,L}$ , this comes down to the relation at the Lie algebra level.

3.2.3. *Some integration formulas.*

**Proposition 3.13.** *If we denote  $\hat{\bullet}$  the Fourier transform on  $L$  with respect to  $dL = dMdt$ , for  $T_{\epsilon,\lambda}$  the characters of  $\pi_{\epsilon,\lambda}$ , we have*

$$T_{\epsilon,\lambda}(f) = \hat{F}_{f,L}(\epsilon, \lambda)$$

for  $f \in C_c^\infty(G)$

We denote  $G_{\text{ell}}$ ,  $G_{\text{hyp}}$  the open invariant set  $z$  of  $G$  such that  $|\text{tr}(z)| < 2$  (resp.  $|\text{tr}(z)| > 2$ ). Then

$$G' = G_{\text{ell}} \sqcup G_{\text{hyp}}$$

we have maps

$$\varphi_{\text{ell}} : G/K \times K' \rightarrow G_{\text{ell}}, \quad \varphi_{\text{hyp}} : G/L \times L' \rightarrow G_{\text{hyp}}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_{\text{ell}}^* dG &= |e^{i\theta} - e^{-i\theta}|^2 dG/K \, d\theta \\ \varphi_{\text{hyp}}^* dG &= |e^t - e^{-t}|^2 G/L \, dL \end{aligned}$$

**Proposition 3.14.** (*Harish-Chandra integration formula*) If  $f$  is a Borel function on  $G$ , then  $f \in L^1(G)$  if and only if  $F_{|f|,K}$  and  $F_{|f|,L}$  exist almost everywhere on  $B$  and  $L$  respectively and

$$\int_K |\Delta(u_\theta)| F_{|f|,K}(u_\theta) d\theta < \infty, \quad \int_L |e^t - e^{-t}| F_{|f|,L} dL < \infty$$

Then we have

$$\int_G f dG = - \int_K \Delta(u_\theta) F_{f,K}(u_\theta) d\theta + \int_{\mathbb{R}} |e^t - e^{-t}| F_{h,L}(a_t) dt$$

where  $h = (f + f_\gamma)/2$ .

We have the following lemma

**Lemma 3.15.** Fix  $u \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^2)$  and

$$U(\theta) = \theta \int_0^\infty u(\theta e^{2t}, \theta e^{-2t})(e^{2t} - e^{-2t}) dt, \quad \theta \neq 0$$

then

- $U(0\pm)$  and  $\frac{d}{d\theta}U(0\pm)$  exists.
- $\frac{d}{d\theta}U$  is continuous at  $\theta = 0$  and  $\frac{d}{d\theta}U(0) = -u(0,0)$ .
- $U(0\pm) = \pm \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty u(\pm s, 0) ds$ .

we can apply this lemma to

$$\psi_{g,\mathfrak{k}}(\theta(X - Y)) = \frac{i\theta}{2} \int_0^\infty \bar{g}(\theta(e^{2t}X - e^{-2t}Y))(e^{2t} - e^{-2t}) dt$$

for  $\bar{g} = \int g^{u_\theta} d\theta$ .

**Theorem 3.16.** (*limit formula*) We have

- For all  $f \in C_c^\infty(G)$ ,  $F'_{f,K}(u_\theta) = \frac{d}{d\theta}F_{f,K}(u_\theta)$  is continuous at  $\theta = 0$  and

$$\frac{1}{i}F'_{f,K}(1) = -\pi f(1)$$

- For all  $g \in \mathcal{S}(\mathfrak{g})$ ,  $\frac{d}{d\theta}\psi_{g,\mathfrak{k}}(\theta(X - Y))$  is continuous at  $\theta = 0$  and

$$\frac{1}{i}\left(\frac{d}{d\theta}\psi_{g,\mathfrak{k}}\right)(0) = -\pi g(0)$$

The orbital integral  $F_{f,K}(u_\theta)$  is not continuous at  $\theta = 0$  and the jump at  $\theta = 0$  is related to the hyperbolic orbital integral  $F_{f,L}(1)$ .

**Theorem 3.17.** (*Harish-Chandra jump relation*) For all  $f \in C_c^\infty(G)$

$$\left[\frac{1}{i}F_{f,K}(u_\theta)\right]_{\theta=0^-}^{\theta=0^+} = F_{f,L}(1)$$

For all  $g \in \mathcal{S}(\mathfrak{g})$

$$\left[\frac{1}{i}\psi_{g,\mathfrak{k}}(\theta(X - Y))\right]_{\theta=0^-}^{\theta=0^+} = \psi_{g,\mathfrak{a}}(0)$$

*Proof.* We only need to prove this at the Lie algebra level, this follows from

$$\psi_{g,\mathfrak{k}}(0\pm) = \pm \frac{i}{4} \int_0^\infty \bar{g}(\pm sX) ds$$

and

$$\psi_{g,\mathfrak{a}}(0) = \frac{1}{4} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \bar{g}(sX) ds$$

hence

$$\frac{1}{i}\psi_{g,\mathfrak{k}}(0+) - \frac{1}{i}\psi_{g,\mathfrak{k}}(0-) = \frac{1}{4} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \bar{g}(sX) ds = \psi_{g,\mathfrak{a}}(0)$$

□

**Proposition 3.18.** For all  $f \in C_c^\infty(G)$ , we have

$$\int \Theta_m f dG = \operatorname{sgn}(m) \int e^{im\theta} F_{f,K}(u_\theta) d\theta + \int_0^\infty e^{-|m|t} F_{h,L}(a_t) dt$$

*Proof.* By the Harish-Chandra integral formula 3.14 and the character formula for discrete series 3.4, we obtain

$$\int_G \Theta_m f dG = \operatorname{sgn}(m) \int e^{im\theta} F_{f,K}(u_\theta) d\theta + \int_0^\infty e^{-|m|t} F_{h,L}(a_t) dt$$

□

**Corollary 3.19.** For  $\Theta_m$  characters of  $\pi_m$ , we have

$$\int_G \Theta_m \Omega f dG = m^2 \int_G \Theta_m f dG$$

The boundary terms at  $\theta = 0, \pi, t = 0$  gets cancelled because of the limit formula and jump relations.

**3.3. Proof of Plancherel formula.** Recall that we have characters  $\Theta_m, T_{\epsilon,\lambda}, \epsilon = 0, 1$  and  $\lambda \in i\mathbb{R}$ .

**Lemma 3.20.** For any integer  $r \geq 1$  there is a continuous seminorm  $\mu$  on  $C_c^\infty(G)$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} |\Theta_m(f)| &\leq m^{-2} \mu(f) \\ |T_{\epsilon,\lambda}(f)| &\leq (1 + |\lambda|^2)^{-r} \mu(f) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $f \in C_c^\infty(G)$  and  $m \neq 0$ , all  $\lambda \in i\mathbb{R}$ .

This lemma assures the convergence of the series and integrals that we shall encounter. Put

$$\hat{F}_{f,K}(m) = \int F_{f,K}(u_\theta) e^{im\theta} d\theta$$

**Proposition 3.21.** For all  $f \in C_c^\infty(G)$ , we have

$$\int_G \Theta_m f dG = \operatorname{sgn}(m) \int e^{im\theta} F_{f,K}(u_\theta) d\theta + \int_0^\infty e^{-|m|t} F_{h,L}(a_t) dt$$

here  $h = f + (-1)^{m-1} f_\gamma$ .

*Proof.* From proposition 3.18, we have

$$\hat{F}_{f,K}(m) = \operatorname{sgn}(m) \Theta_m(f) - \operatorname{sgn}(m) \int_0^\infty e^{-|m|t} F_{h,L}(a_t) dt$$

use integration by part to  $e^{-|m|t} F_{h,L}$ , we get the result.

□

We can now calculate the Fourier transform of  $F'_{f,K}$

**Proposition 3.22.** For all  $f \in C_c^\infty(G)$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$  writing  $'$  for  $d/d\theta$  and  $d/dt$ , then we have

$$(-iF'_{f,K}(m))^\wedge = -|m| \Theta_m(f) + \int_0^\infty e^{-|m|t} F'_{h,L}(a_t) dt$$

*Proof.* We have

$$\begin{aligned} (-iF'_{f,K}(m))^\wedge &= -i \int F'_{f,K}(u_\theta) e^{im\theta} d\theta \\ &= -\frac{1}{i} [F_{f,K}(u_\theta)]_{0^-}^{0^+} - \frac{1}{i} [F_{f,K}(u_\theta) e^{im\theta}]_{\pi^-}^{\pi^+} - m \hat{F}_{f,K}(m) \end{aligned}$$

apply the result from previous proposition 3.21, and note

$$F_{f,K}(u_{\theta+\pi}) = -F_{f_\gamma,K}(u_\theta)$$



we get

$$\begin{aligned} (-iF'_{f,K}(m))\widehat{=} &= -|m|\Theta_m(f) + \int_0^\infty e^{-|m|t} F'_{h,L}(a_t) dt \\ &+ \{F_{f,L}(1) - \frac{1}{i}[F_{f,K}(u_\theta)]_{0-}^{0+}\} \\ &+ (-1)^{m-1} \{F_{f_\gamma,L}(1) - \frac{1}{i}[F_{f_\gamma,K}(u_\theta)]_{0-}^{0+}\} \end{aligned}$$

the expressions within  $\{\}$  are zero by Harish-Chandra jump relation, hence the result.  $\square$

Since  $F'_{f,K}$  is continuous at  $\theta = 0$ , we have

$$2\pi(\frac{1}{i}F'_{f,K}(u_\theta))_{\theta=0} = \sum_m (\frac{1}{i}F'_{f,K}(m))\widehat{=}$$

by the limit formula 3.16

$$\frac{1}{i}F'_{f,K}(1) = -\pi f(1)$$

hence by proposition 3.22, we get

$$\begin{aligned} -2\pi^2 f(1) &= \sum_m (\frac{1}{i}F'_{f,K}(m))\widehat{=} \\ &= -|m|\Theta_m(f) + \int_0^\infty e^{-|m|t} F'_{h,L}(a_t) dt \end{aligned}$$

We can separate the cases  $f = \pm f_\gamma$

**Proposition 3.23.** *For  $f = f_\gamma$ , we have*

$$(3.1) \quad 2\pi^2 f(1) = \sum_{m \text{ odd}} |m|\Theta_m(f) + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty \mu \tanh(\pi\mu/2) \cdot T_{0,i\mu}(f) d\mu$$

*Proof.* For  $f = f_\gamma$ ,  $f + (-1)^{m-1}f_\gamma = 0$  for  $m$  even and  $2f$  for  $m$  odd. we have

$$\begin{aligned} 2\pi^2 f(1) &= \sum_{m \text{ odd}} |m|\Theta_m(f) - 2 \sum_{m \text{ odd}} \int_0^\infty e^{-|m|t} F'_{f,L}(a_t) dt \\ &= \sum_{m \text{ odd}} |m|\Theta_m(f) - 2 \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{t}{e^t - e^{-t}} F'_{f,L}(a_t) / t dt \end{aligned}$$

For  $f = f_\gamma$ , we have

$$\int_{-\infty}^\infty F_{f,L}(a_t) e^{i\mu t} dt = \frac{1}{2} \widehat{F}_{f,L}(0, i\mu)$$

We now apply the Plancherel formula over  $\mathbb{R}$  to the last term,

$$\left(\frac{t}{e^t - e^{-t}}\right)\tilde{=}(\mu) = \frac{d}{d\mu} \tanh \frac{\pi\mu}{2}$$

for  $\tilde{u}(\mu) = \int_{-\infty}^\infty u(t) e^{i\mu t} dt$ . We get

$$\int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{t}{e^t - e^{-t}} F'_{f,L}(a_t) / t dt = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{\pi}{2} \tanh\left(\frac{\pi\mu}{2}\right) \frac{\mu}{2} T_{0,i\mu}(f) d\mu$$

remember that  $T_{0,i\mu} = T_{0,-i\mu}$ , put all things together, we get

$$2\pi^2 f(1) = \sum_{m \text{ odd}} |m|\Theta_m(f) + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty \mu \tanh\left(\frac{\pi\mu}{2}\right) \cdot T_{0,i\mu}(f) d\mu$$

$\square$

For  $f = -f_\gamma$ , we have

$$(3.2) \quad 2\pi^2 f(1) = \sum_{m \text{ even}} |m| \Theta_m(f) + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty \mu \coth\left(\frac{\pi\mu}{2}\right) T_{1,i\mu}(f) d\mu$$

Combining equations (3.1) and (3.2) together, we get

**Theorem 3.24.** (*Plancherel formula*) *Let the distribution characters be computed with respect to the Riemannian Haar measure  $dG$ , then for all  $f \in C_c^\infty(G)$*

$$2\pi^2 f(1) = \sum_{m \neq 0} \Theta_m(f) + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty \mu \tanh(\pi\mu/2) \cdot T_{0,i\mu}(f) d\mu + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty \mu \coth(\pi\mu/2) \cdot T_{1,i\mu}(f) d\mu$$