

# The Plancherel Formula for the Universal Covering Group of $SL(2, \mathbf{R})$

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## Introduction

Pukanszky proved the Plancherel formula for the universal covering group  $G$  of  $SL(2, \mathbf{R})$  in [1]. Here we shall prove the formula by a different method.

Let us explain our method in more details. Let  $u_{\mu}(g, s)$  be the matrix coefficient of the principal series representations of  $G$  (cf. § 1), and  $f$  be a  $C^{\infty}$ -function on  $G$  with compact support which satisfies  $f(kgk^{-1})=f(g)$  for any  $k \in K$ , where  $K$  is a subgroup of  $G$  defined in § 1.

First we calculate the  $\mu$ -th Fourier transform

$$F(\mu, s) = \int_G f(g) u_{\mu}(g, s) dg$$

Since  $f$  can be regarded as a function of two variables  $(\theta, t)$ , the transform  $f \rightarrow F$  is composed of the following three transformations: the Fourier transform with respect to  $\theta$ , and the Abel transform and the Fourier transform with respect to  $t$ . The Abel transform of a function on  $G$  is defined as follows:

$$\Phi(t) = e^{t^2/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(a_t n_{\xi}) d\xi$$

where  $g = k_{\theta} a_t n_{\xi}$  is the Iwasawa decomposition of  $g$ .  $\Phi(t)$  can be expressed by the Tchebycheff function  $T_{2\mu}$ . The key point of our proof is the inverse transform formula (Theorem 2.3.1) of the Abel transform. From the theorem, we obtain the inverse transform  $F \rightarrow f$ .

In § 3 we shall give two proofs of the Plancherel formula. One is analogous to the proof of R. Takahashi for  $SL(2, \mathbf{R})$  in [2]. Another is more elementary and more direct (cf. Proposition 3.1.2).

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### §1. Preliminaries.

In this section we describe the universal covering group of  $SL(2, \mathbf{R})$  and its representations, and state their properties without proof. The proof can be found in the references [1], [3], [4].

#### 1.1 Description of the universal covering group of $SL(2, \mathbf{R})$ .

Let  $G_0$  be the group of  $SU(1, 1)$  consisting all  $2 \times 2$  matrices of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \bar{\beta} & \bar{\alpha} \end{pmatrix}, \text{ satisfying } |\alpha|^2 - |\beta|^2 = 1.$$

As is well known,  $G_0$  is conjugate to  $SL(2, \mathbf{R})$  in  $GL(2, \mathbf{C})$ . The group  $G_0$  may be parametrized as follows. As in Bargmann [3], put  $\beta/\alpha = \gamma$  and  $\arg \alpha = \omega \in \mathbf{R}/2\pi\mathbf{Z}$  then

$$G_0 = \{(\gamma, \omega) : |\gamma| < 1, \omega \in \mathbf{R}/2\pi\mathbf{Z}\}$$

and the map  $\begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \bar{\beta} & \bar{\alpha} \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow (\gamma, \omega)$  is a diffeomorphism. The group operation in  $G_0$  can be expressed in terms of  $\gamma$  and  $\omega$ . If  $a_0 = (\gamma, \omega)$  and  $a_0' = (\gamma', \omega')$  are in  $G_0$ , then for  $a_0 a_0' = a_0'' = (\gamma'', \omega'')$  we get

$$(1.1.1) \quad \gamma'' = (\gamma e^{-2i\omega'} + \gamma')(1 + \gamma \bar{\gamma}' e^{-2i\omega'})^{-1}$$

$$(1.1.2) \quad \omega'' = \omega + \omega' + \frac{1}{2i} \log(1 + \gamma \bar{\gamma}' e^{-2i\omega'}) (1 + \bar{\gamma} \gamma' e^{2i\omega})^{-1}$$

where  $\log z$  is defined by its principal value and  $\omega''$  is taken mod  $2\pi$ .

Let  $G$  be the universal covering group of  $G_0$ .  $G$  can be parametrized by  $\gamma$  and  $\omega$  as follows:

$$G = \{(\gamma, \omega) : |\gamma| < 1, -\infty < \omega < +\infty\}.$$

The multiplication on  $G$  is given by equation (1.1.1) and (1.1.2) except that  $\omega''$  is no longer defined mod  $2\pi$ . The canonical covering map is defined by

$$(1.1.3) \quad \phi(\gamma, \omega) = (\gamma, \omega \pmod{2\pi})$$

Put  $k_\theta = (0, \theta/2)$ ,  $a_t = (t/2, 0)$  and  $n_\xi = \left(-\frac{i(\xi/2)}{1+i\xi/2}, \arg\left(1 + \frac{i\xi}{2}\right)\right)$ . The elements  $k_\theta, a_t, n_\xi$  are in  $G$ .

We use the following subgroups:

$$K = \{k_\theta : \theta \in \mathbf{R}\}, \quad A = \{a_t : t \in \mathbf{R}\}, \quad \text{and} \quad N = \{n_\xi : \xi \in \mathbf{R}\}.$$

Each element  $g$  in  $G$  can be expressed uniquely by  $g = k_\theta a_t n_\xi$  (Iwasawa decomposition), where  $\theta, t$  and  $\xi$  are real numbers. And we have another expression  $g = k_\theta a_t k_\phi$  (Cartan decomposition) where  $\theta \in \mathbf{R}$ ,  $t \geq 0$ ,  $0 \leq \phi < 2\pi$ . For  $g \notin K$  this expression is unique.

**1.2** Principal continuous series of representations of  $G$

Let us define an action of  $G$  on the unit circle  $\mathbf{T}$ . For  $a=(\gamma, \omega)$  in  $G$ ,  $a \cdot e^{i\theta} = \phi(a) \cdot e^{i\theta} = \frac{\alpha e^{i\theta} + \beta}{\bar{\beta} e^{i\theta} + \bar{\alpha}}$ , where  $\phi(a) = (\gamma, \omega \pmod{2\pi}) = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \bar{\beta} & \bar{\alpha} \end{pmatrix}$ .

Put  $H_0 = L^2(\mathbf{T})$ , the Hilbert space of functions on the unit circle which are square integrable with respect to the normalized Haar measure of  $\mathbf{T}$ .

DEFINITION 1.2.1. For  $f \in H_0$ , and  $a^{-1} = (\gamma, \omega) \in G$ , a linear operator  $U_h(a, s)$  on  $H_0$  is defined by

$$[U_h(a, s)f](e^{i\theta}) = e^{-2i\omega h} \left( \frac{1 + e^{i\theta} \bar{\gamma}}{1 + e^{-i\theta} \gamma} \right) |e^{i\theta} \bar{\beta} + \bar{\alpha}|^{-2s} f(a^{-1} \cdot e^{i\theta}),$$

where  $h$  and  $s$  are complex numbers and  $\phi(a^{-1}) = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \bar{\beta} & \bar{\alpha} \end{pmatrix}$ .

The following is well known (cf. [4]).

PROPOSITION 1.2.1. Suppose  $h \in \mathbf{C}$  and  $s \in \mathbf{C}$ .

- (1) The map  $a \mapsto U_h(a, s)$  is a continuous representation of  $G$  on  $H_0$ .
- (2) This representation is unitary if and only if  $\text{Re } s = 1/2$  and  $h \in \mathbf{R}$ .
- (3) When  $\text{Re } s = 1/2$  and  $h \in \mathbf{R}$ , the representations  $a \mapsto U_h(a, s)$  and  $a \mapsto U_{h+1}(a, s)$  are unitarily equivalent so that each unitary representation is equivalent to one in the range  $-1/2 < h \leq 1/2$ .
- (4) The representation  $a \mapsto U_h(a, s)$  of  $G$  on  $H_0$  are irreducible for  $s$  satisfying  $\text{Re } s = 1/2$ , and  $-1/2 < h \leq 1/2$  excluding the case  $s = 1/2$  and  $h = 1/2$ .

**1.3** Discrete series of representations of  $G$ .

Let  $D$  be the unit disk in the complex plane ;  $D = \{z \in \mathbf{C} : |z| < 1\}$ . For  $h > 1/2$ , we define a Hilbert space  $H_h(D)$  of holomorphic functions on  $D$  with the inner product

$$(1.3.1) \quad (f, g)_h = \frac{2h-1}{\pi} \int_D f(z) \overline{g(z)} (1 - |z|^2)^{2h-2} dx dy.$$

The functions

$$(1.3.2) \quad \phi_{n,h}(z) = \left[ \frac{\Gamma(2h+n)}{\Gamma(2h)\Gamma(n+1)} \right]^{1/2} z^n, \quad (n \in \mathbf{Z} \quad n \geq 0)$$

form an orthonormal basis in  $H_h(D)$ . When  $h = 1/2$ , the space  $H_h(D)$  can be defined by the inner product

$$(1.3.3) \quad (f, g)_{1,2} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 1/2+0} \left( \frac{2h-1}{\pi} \int_D f(z) \overline{g(z)} (1 - |z|^2)^{2h-2} dx dy \right)$$

The functions

$$(1.3.4) \quad \phi_{n,1,2}(z) = z^n \quad (n \in \mathbf{Z}, n \geq 0)$$

form an orthonormal basis in  $H_{1,2}(D)$ . Now take  $h \leq -1/2$ . The Hilbert space  $H_h(D)$  is made up of the complex conjugates of the functions in  $H_{-h}(D)$  and the inner products are defined as in (1.3.1) and (1.3.3) with  $|h|$  in place of  $h$ . The orthonormal basis in this case is given by

$$(1.3.5) \quad \phi_{n,h}(z) = \left[ \frac{\Gamma(2|h|+n)}{\Gamma(2|h|)\Gamma(1+n)} \right]^{1/2} (\bar{z}), \quad n \in \mathbf{Z}, n \geq 0.$$

We now define a representation  $a \rightarrow U^+(a, h)$  of  $G$  on  $H_h(D)$ ,  $h \geq 1/2$  by

$$(1.3.6) \quad [U^+(a, h)f](z) = e^{2i\omega h}(1 - |\gamma|^2)^h(1 + \bar{\gamma}z)^{-2h} f\left(\frac{\alpha z + \beta}{\bar{\beta}z + \bar{\alpha}}\right),$$

where  $a^{-1} = (\gamma, \omega)$  and  $\phi(a^{-1}) = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \bar{\beta} & \bar{\alpha} \end{pmatrix}$ .

PROPOSITION 1.3.1. *For  $h \geq 1/2$ , the representations  $a \rightarrow U^+(a, h)$  of  $G$  on  $H_h(D)$  are unitary and irreducible.*

We shall call the representations  $a \rightarrow U^+(a, h)$ , ( $h \in \mathbf{R}$ ,  $h \geq 1/2$ ) the positive discrete series of representations of  $G$ .

The discrete series  $a \rightarrow U^-(a, h)$ ,  $h \leq -1/2$  are defined similarly. The representation spaces are the spaces  $H_h(D)$ ,  $h \leq -1/2$ . For  $h \leq -1/2$ , we define

$$(1.3.7) \quad [U^-(a, h)f](z) = e^{2i\omega h}(1 - |\gamma|^2)^{-h}(1 + \bar{\gamma}z)^{2h} f\left(\frac{\alpha z + \beta}{\bar{\beta}z + \bar{\alpha}}\right),$$

where  $a^{-1} = (\gamma, \omega)$ .

The following proposition is known also (cf. [4]).

PROPOSITION 1.3.2. *For  $h \leq -1/2$ , the representations  $a \rightarrow U^-(a, h)$  of  $G$  on  $H_h(D)$  are irreducible and unitary.*

We shall call the representations  $a \rightarrow U^-(a, h)$ , ( $h \in \mathbf{R}$ ,  $h \leq -1/2$ ) the negative discrete series of representations of  $G$ .

*Remark.* For  $-1/2 < h < 1/2$ , the representation  $U^\pm(a, h)$  can be defined. However we shall not use these representations. So we omit the description of them which can be found in Sally [4].

#### 1.4. Matrix coefficients of the irreducible representations of $G$ .

For  $f, g \in L^2(\mathbf{T})$ , put  $(f, g) = \int_{\mathbf{T}} f(z)\overline{g(z)}dz$ . The functions  $\phi_n(z) = z^n$  ( $|z|=1$ ,  $n \in \mathbf{Z}$ ) form an orthonormal basis in  $L^2(\mathbf{T})$ .

We now define the matrix coefficients  $u_{m-h, n-h}(g, s)$  of the operator  $U_h(g, s)$

by the following equality.

$$(1.4.1) \quad u_{m-h, n-h}(g, s) = (U_h(g, s)\phi_n, \phi_m),$$

where  $-1/2 < h \leq 1/2$  and  $s \in \mathbf{C}$ . We get the following lemma from the equations;

$$[U_h(k_\theta, s)\phi_n](z) = e^{-i(n-h)\theta} \phi_n(z).$$

LEMMA 1.4.1. *We have  $u_{\mu\nu}(k_\theta g k_\theta) = \overline{\chi_\mu(k_\theta)} u_{\mu\nu}(g, s) \overline{\chi_\nu(k_\theta)}$ , where  $\chi_\mu (\mu \in \mathbf{R})$  are the characters of  $K$  defined by  $\chi_\mu(k_\theta) = e^{i\mu\theta}$ .*

The properties of  $u_{\mu\nu}$  will be summarized in the following lemma.

LEMMA 1.4.2. *We have the following equalities.*

$$(1) \quad u_{\mu\mu}(a_t, s) = (1 - \lambda^2)^s F(s + \mu, s - \mu; 1; \lambda^2),$$

where  $F$  is the hypergeometric function and  $\lambda = \text{th } t/2$ .

$$(2) \quad u_{\mu\mu}(g, s) = u_{\mu\mu}(g, 1 - s).$$

*Proof.* The proof of (1) can be found in Sally [4]. So we give the proof of (2).

From the formula  $F(a, b; c; x) = (1-x)^{c-a-b} F(c-a, c-b; c; x)$  (cf. [6]) and (1), we get  $u_{\mu\mu}(a_t, s) = u_{\mu\mu}(a_t, 1-s)$ . Since  $G = KAK$ , Lemma 1.4.1 asserts that for any  $g$  of  $G$  we obtain  $u_{\mu\mu}(g, s) = u_{\mu\mu}(g, 1-s)$ . Q. E. D.

Put  $v_{mm}^\pm(g, l) = (U^\pm(g, l)\phi_{m,l}^\pm(z), \phi_{m,l}^\pm(z))_l$ . Namely  $v_{mm}^\pm(g, l)$  are the matrix coefficients of the discrete series representations of  $G$ .

The proof of the following lemma can be found in Sally [4].

LEMMA 1.4.3. *We have  $v_{mm}^\pm(a_t, l) = (l - \lambda^2)^{|l|} F(m + 2|l|, -m; 1; \lambda^2)$  where  $\lambda = \text{th } t/2$ .*

From Lemma 1.4.2 and Lemma 1.4.3, we have

$$u_{m+l, m+l}(a_t, l) = v_{mm}^+(g, l).$$

Since  $v_{mm}^+(k_\theta g k_\theta, l) = e^{-i(m+l)\theta} v_{mm}^+(g, l) e^{-i(m+l)\theta}$ , we get (1) in the following lemma.

LEMMA 1.4.3. *Let  $m$  be a positive integer, then we have*

$$(1) \quad \text{for } l \geq 1/2, u_{m+l, m+l}(g, l) = v_{mm}^+(g, l)$$

$$(2) \quad \text{for } l \leq -1/2, u_{-m+l, -m+l}(g, -l) = v_{mm}^-(g, l).$$

The proof of (2) is similar to the proof of (1).

## § 2. The Fourier transform on $G$ .

### 2.1 The family of functions $D_0(G)$ .

We denote by  $D(G)$  the set of all  $\mathbf{C}$ -valued indefinitely differentiable functions on  $G$  with compact support.

LEMMA 2.1.1. For any  $f$  in  $D(G)$ ,

$$f(g) = \sum_{n \in \mathbf{Z}} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(k_\theta g k_\theta^{-1}) \overline{\chi_n(k_\theta)} d\theta$$

*Proof.* Put  $F(\phi) = f(k_\phi g k_\phi^{-1})$ , then  $F$  is a periodic function of period  $2\pi$ . In fact since  $k_{2\pi}$  is an element of the center of  $G$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} F(\phi + 2\pi) &= f(k_{\phi+2\pi} g k_{\phi+2\pi}^{-1}) \\ &= f(k_\phi g k_\phi^{-1}) \\ &= F(\phi). \end{aligned}$$

So by the Fourier expansion,

$$F(\phi) = \sum_{n \in \mathbf{Z}} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} F(\theta) e^{-in\theta} d\theta e^{in\phi}.$$

Put  $\phi=0$ , then we get

$$f(g) = \sum_{n \in \mathbf{Z}} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(k_\theta g k_\theta^{-1}) \overline{\chi_n(k_\theta)} d\theta. \quad \text{Q. E. D.}$$

LEMMA 2.1.2 Put

$$f_n(g) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(k_\theta g k_\theta^{-1}) \overline{\chi_n(k_\theta)} d\theta.$$

Then  $f_n(gk) = \overline{\chi_n(k)} f_n(kg)$  for any  $k \in K$ . The proof is easy.

DEFINITION 2.1.1 Put  $D_n(G) = \{f \in D(G) : f(gk) = \overline{\chi_n(k)} f(kg)\}$

LEMMA 2.1.3. If  $f$  belongs to  $D_n(G)$  and  $n \neq \mu - \nu$ , then  $\int_G f(g) u_{\mu\nu}(g, s) dg = 0$  where  $dg$  is the Haar measure of  $G$ .

*Proof.* Put  $I = \int_G f(g) u_{\mu\nu}(g, s) dg$ . Since  $G$  is unimodular,

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_G f(k_\theta g k_\theta^{-1}) u_{\mu\nu}(k_\theta g k_\theta^{-1}, s) dg \\ &= e^{i((\mu-\nu)-n)\theta} \int_G f(g) u_{\mu\nu}(g, s) dg \\ &= e^{i((\mu-\nu)-n)\theta} I. \end{aligned}$$

By the assumption  $e^{i(\mu-\nu)-n} - 1$  is not identically zero, so we have  $I=0$ . Q.E.D.

REMARK 1. If  $n$  is not equal to zero, then  $f_n(e)=0$  where  $e$  is the identity element. Hence for any  $f$  in  $D(G)$ , we have

$$f(e)=f_0(e).$$

REMARK 2. It is easy to verify that  $D_0(G)$  is a commutative algebra with respect to the convolution product.

**2.2. Spherical functions on  $G$**

Let us start with the following definition.

DEFINITION 2.2.1. For  $\nu \in \mathbf{R}, s \in \mathbf{C}$  we set

$$(2.2.1) \quad \alpha_{\nu,s}(g) = \overline{\chi_\nu(k_\theta)} e^{-st} \text{ where } g = k_\theta a_t n_\xi$$

$$(2.2.2) \quad \zeta_{\nu,s}(g) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \alpha_{\nu,s}(k_\theta^{-1} g k_\theta) d\theta$$

LEMMA 2.2.1 *The following equality holds :*

$$(1) \quad \zeta_{\nu,s}(k_\theta g k_\phi) = \overline{\chi_\nu(k_{\theta+\phi})} \zeta_{\nu,s}(g)$$

(2) *If  $\Omega$  is the Casimir operator of  $G$ , then*

$$\Omega \zeta_{\nu,s} = s(1-s) \zeta_{\nu,s}$$

*Proof.* From the definition,  $\alpha_{\nu,s}(k_\theta g) = \overline{\chi_\nu(k_\theta)} \alpha_{\nu,s}(g)$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta_{\nu,s}(k_\theta g k_\phi) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \alpha_{\nu,s}(k_\theta^{-1} k_\theta g k_\phi k_\theta) d\phi \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \alpha_{\nu,s}(k_{\theta+\phi} k_\theta^{-1} g k_{\theta+\phi}) d\phi \\ &= \overline{\chi_\nu(k_{\theta+\phi})} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \alpha_{\nu,s}(k_\theta^{-1} g k_\theta) d\phi \\ &= \overline{\chi_\nu(k_{\theta+\phi})} \zeta_{\nu,s}(g). \end{aligned}$$

We used the fact  $k_{2\pi}$  is in the center of  $G$ . This shows (1).

For any  $g$  in  $G$ ,  $g = k_\theta a_t n_\xi$ . In terms of this coordinate system  $(\theta, t, \xi)$

$$\Omega = -\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + 2e^{-t} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \xi \partial \theta} - e^{-2t} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi^2}, \quad (\text{cf. [2]})$$

So we get

$$\Omega \alpha_{\nu,s} = s(1-s) \alpha_{\nu,s}.$$

Hence

$$\Omega \zeta_{\nu,s} = s(1-s) \zeta_{\nu,s}. \quad \text{Q.E.D.}$$

LEMMA 2.2.2 *The following equality holds:*

$$\zeta_{\nu, s}(a_t) = \text{ch}^{-2s} \frac{t}{2} F\left(s + \nu, s - \nu; 1; \text{th}^2 \frac{t}{2}\right)$$

*Proof.* For any  $g \in G$ ,  $g = k_\theta a_t k_\psi$ ,  $\theta \in \mathbf{R}$ ,  $t > 0$ ,  $0 \leq \psi \leq 2\pi$ . In terms of this coordinate system (cf. [2]),

$$\Omega = -\frac{1}{\text{sh}^2 t} \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \psi^2} \right) + 2 \frac{\text{ch } t}{\text{sh}^2 t} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta \partial \psi} - \frac{\text{ch } t}{\text{ch } t} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2}.$$

From the equality and Lemma 2.2.1, easy computation shows

$$\left[ \frac{d^2}{dt^2} + \frac{\text{ch } t}{\text{ch } t} \frac{d}{dt} + \left( s(1-s) + \frac{2\nu^2}{\text{sh}^2 t} (\text{ch } t - 1) \right) \right] \zeta_{\nu, s}(a_t) = 0$$

We put  $X = \text{th}^2 \frac{t}{2}$  and define  $Z(X)$  by the equation:

$$(1-X)^s Z(X) = \zeta_{\nu, s}(a_t).$$

Then  $Z(X)$  satisfies

$$X(1-X)Z''(X) + (1-(2s+1)X)Z'(X) + (\nu^2 - s^2)Z(X) = 0.$$

Since  $Z(X)$  is analytic around  $X=0$  and  $Z(0) = \zeta_{\nu, s}(e) = 1$ , we get

$$Z(X) = F(s + \nu, s - \nu; 1; X)$$

Hence we obtain the lemma. Q. E. D.

LEMMA 2.2.3. *The following relations hold:*

$$(1) \quad \zeta_{\mu, s}(g) = u_{\mu, s}(g, s) \quad (2) \quad \zeta_{m+l, l}(g) = v_{mm}^+(g, l) \quad (3) \quad \zeta_{-m+l, -l}(g, l) = v_{mm}^-(g, l)$$

*Proof.* Lemma 1.4.1, Lemma 1.4.2, Lemma 1.4.3, Lemma 2.2.1 and Lemma 2.2.2 show (1), (2) and (3) immediately.

### 2.3. The Fourier transform on $G$ and its inverse transform.

The purpose of this section is to find an explicit formula of the integral transform of the functions  $f \in D_0(G)$ .

The transform  $\zeta_{\nu, s}(f)$  is expressed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta_{\nu, s}(f) &= \int_G f(g) \zeta_{\nu, s}(g) dg \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_G f(g) \int_0^{2\pi} \alpha_{\nu, s}(k_\theta g k_\theta^{-1}) dg d\theta \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_G \int_0^{2\pi} f(k_\theta^{-1} g k_\theta) \alpha_{\nu, s}(g) d\theta dg \\ &= \int_G f(g) \alpha_{\nu, s}(g) dg \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(k_\theta a_t n_\xi) \overline{\chi_\nu(k_\theta)} e^{-st} e^t d\theta dt d\xi \end{aligned}$$

because  $dg = e^t d\theta dt d\xi$  for  $g = k_\theta a_t n_\xi$ . Here, we put

$$F_f(\nu, t) = e^{t/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(k_\theta a_t n_\xi) \overline{\chi_\nu(k_\theta)} d\theta d\xi$$

Then

$$(2.3.1) \quad \zeta_{\nu, s}(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F_f(\nu, t) e^{(1/2-s)t} dt$$

If  $a_t n_\xi = k_{\phi'} a_t k_{\phi'}$ , then

$$(2.3.2) \quad \operatorname{ch} t' = \operatorname{ch} t + e^t \frac{\xi^2}{2}, \quad (2.3.3) \quad e^{i \frac{\psi' + \phi'}{2}} = \frac{\operatorname{ch}^2 \frac{t}{2} + i \frac{\xi}{2} e^{t/2}}{\sqrt{\operatorname{ch}^2 \frac{t}{2} + e^t \frac{\xi^2}{4}}} \quad (\text{cf. [2]})$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_f(\nu, t) &= e^{t/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(k_\theta k_{\phi'} a_t k_{\phi'}) \overline{\chi_\nu(k_\theta)} d\theta d\xi \\ &= e^{t/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(k_\theta a_t) e^{-i\nu(\theta - \phi' - \psi')} d\theta d\xi \end{aligned}$$

Put  $f(k_\theta a_t) = f(\theta, t)$ , then  $f(\theta, t) = f(\theta, -t)$ . In fact since  $f$  belongs to  $D_0(G)$ ,

$$f(k_\theta a_t) = f(k_\theta k_\pi a_t k_{-\pi}) = f(k_\theta a_{-t})$$

Therefore as in R. Takahashi [2], we can write

$$f(\theta, t) = f[\theta, \operatorname{ch} t],$$

where  $f[\theta, x]$  is an indefinitely differentiable function on  $\mathbf{R} \times [1, \infty)$  (cf. [8] pp. 350). So by (2.3.2) and (2.3.3),

$$F_f(\nu, t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f\left[\theta, \operatorname{ch} t + \frac{\xi^2}{2}\right] T_{2\nu} \left( \frac{\operatorname{ch}^2 \frac{t}{2}}{\sqrt{\operatorname{ch}^2 \frac{t}{2} + \frac{\xi^2}{4}}} \right) e^{-i\nu\theta} d\theta d\xi$$

where  $T_\alpha$  is the Tchebycheff function of the first kind defined by  $T_\alpha(z) =$

$F\left(\alpha, -\alpha; \frac{1}{2}; \frac{1-z}{2}\right)$ . In case of  $\alpha \in \mathbf{Z}$ ,  $\alpha \geq 0$ ,  $T_\alpha$  is a Tchebycheff polynomial.

In the same way as Tchebycheff polynomial,  $T_\alpha$  satisfies

$$T_\alpha(\cos \theta) = \cos \alpha \theta \text{ and } T_\alpha(\operatorname{ch} t) = \operatorname{ch} \alpha t. \quad (\text{cf. [7]}).$$

Now from the explicit formula (2.3.4),  $F_f(\nu, t) = F_f(\nu, -t)$ . So we can put

$$F_f(\nu, t) = F_f[\nu, \operatorname{ch} t] = F_f[\nu, x].$$

Summing up these calculations, we get the following proposition.

PROPOSITION 2.3.1. *If  $f$  belongs to  $D_0(G)$ , then*

$$\zeta_{\nu, s}(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F_f[\nu, \operatorname{ch} t] e^{(1/2-s)t} dt$$

where

$$F_f[\nu, \operatorname{ch} t] = 2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} f \left[ \theta, \operatorname{ch} t + \frac{\xi^2}{2} \right] T_{2\nu} \left( \sqrt{\frac{\operatorname{ch} t + 1}{\operatorname{ch} t + \xi^2/2 + 1}} \right) e^{-i\nu \theta} d\theta d\xi.$$

THEOREM 2.3.1. *Let  $f$  and  $g$  be  $C^\infty$ -functions on  $[1, \infty)$  with compact supports. Put*

$$(2.3.5) \quad {}^*f[x] = 2 \int_0^{\infty} f \left[ x + \frac{\xi^2}{2} \right] T_{2\nu} \left( \sqrt{\frac{x+1}{x+1+\xi^2/2}} \right) d\xi$$

$$(2.3.6) \quad {}^h g[x] = -\frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} g' \left[ x + \frac{\eta^2}{2} \right] T_{2\nu} \left( \sqrt{\frac{x+1+\eta^2/2}{x+1}} \right) d\eta$$

Then  ${}^h({}^*f) = f$  and  ${}^*({}^h g) = g$ .

*Proof.* It is easy to verify that  ${}^*f$  and  ${}^h g$  are  $C^\infty$ -functions with compact supports because  $T_\alpha$  is a real analytic function on  $(-1, \infty)$ . We prove that  ${}^*({}^h g) = g$ . The equality  ${}^h({}^*f) = f$  can be proved in a similar way. In (2.3.5) put  $x + \xi^2/2 = y$ , then

$$f[x] = \sqrt{2} \int_x^{\infty} f[y] T_{2\nu} \left( \sqrt{\frac{y+1}{x+1}} \right) \frac{dy}{\sqrt{y-x}}$$

In (2.3.6) put  $x + \eta^2/2 = y$ , then

$$g[x] = -\frac{1}{\pi} \int_x^{\infty} g'[y] T_{2\nu} \left( \sqrt{\frac{y+1}{x+1}} \right) \frac{dy}{\sqrt{2(y-x)}}$$

Put  $\tilde{g} = {}^*({}^h g)$ ,  $G[x] = g[x-1]$ ,  ${}^h G[X] = {}^h g[x-1]$  and  $\tilde{G}[x] = \tilde{g}[x-1]$ . Then

$$(2.3.7) \quad {}^h G[x] = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}\pi} \int_x^{\infty} G'[y] T_{2\nu} \left( \sqrt{\frac{y}{x}} \right) \frac{dy}{\sqrt{y-x}}$$

$$(2.3.8) \quad \tilde{G}[x] = \sqrt{2} \int_x^\infty {}^uG[y] T_{2\nu} \left( \sqrt{\frac{x}{y}} \right) \frac{dy}{\sqrt{y-x}}$$

Now we extend the derivative  $G'[x]$  to a continuous and bounded function on  $[1, \infty)$ , and we extend  ${}^uG[x]$  to a continuous function on  $(0, \infty)$  defined by (2.3.7) and also extend  $\tilde{G}[x]$  to a continuous function on  $(0, \infty)$  defined by (2.3.8).

Let us consider the Mellin transform of  $\tilde{G}[x]$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(s) &= \int_0^\infty \tilde{G}[x] x^{s-1} dx \\ &= \int_0^\infty \sqrt{2} \int_x^\infty {}^uG[y] T_{2\nu} \left( \sqrt{\frac{x}{y}} \right) \frac{dy}{\sqrt{y-x}} x^{s-1} dx \\ &= \sqrt{2} \int_0^\infty {}^uG[y] dy \int_0^y T_{2\nu} \left( \sqrt{\frac{x}{y}} \right) \frac{x^{s-1}}{\sqrt{y-x}} dx \\ &= \sqrt{2} \int_0^\infty {}^uG[y] dy \int_0^1 T_{2\nu}(\sqrt{t}) \frac{y^{s-1} t^{s-1} y}{\sqrt{y(1-t)}} dt \\ &= \sqrt{2} \int_0^\infty {}^uG[y] y^{s-1/2} dy \int_0^1 T_{2\nu}(\sqrt{t}) \frac{t^{s-1}}{\sqrt{1-t}} dt \\ &= 2C_1 {}^u\mathcal{G} \left( s + \frac{1}{2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$C_1 = \int_0^1 T_{2\nu}(\sqrt{t}) \frac{t^{s-1}}{\sqrt{1-t}} dt \text{ and } {}^u\mathcal{G} \text{ is the Mellin transform of } {}^uG.$$

$$\begin{aligned} {}^u\mathcal{G} \left( s + \frac{1}{2} \right) &= \int_0^\infty {}^uG[y] y^{(s+1/2)-1} dy \\ &= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}\pi} \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty G'[z] T_{2\nu} \left( \sqrt{\frac{z}{y}} \right) \frac{dz}{\sqrt{z-y}} y^{s-1/2} dy \\ &= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}\pi} \int_0^\infty G'[z] dz \int_0^z T_{2\nu} \left( \sqrt{\frac{z}{y}} \right) \frac{y^{s-1/2}}{\sqrt{z-y}} dy \\ &= \frac{s}{\sqrt{2}\pi} \int_0^\infty G[z] z^{s-1} dz \int_0^1 T_{2\nu} \left( \sqrt{\frac{1}{t}} \right) \frac{t^{s-1/2}}{\sqrt{1-t}} dt \\ &= \frac{s}{\sqrt{2}\pi} \mathcal{G}(s) C_2 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$C_2 = \int_0^1 T_{2\nu} \left( \sqrt{\frac{1}{t}} \right) \frac{t^{s-1/2}}{\sqrt{1-t}} dt \text{ and } \mathcal{G} \text{ is the Mellin transform of } G[x].$$

So we get

$$\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(s) = \frac{s}{\pi} \mathcal{Q}(s) C_1 C_2.$$

Putting  $\sqrt{t} = \cos \theta$  (cf. [6] pp. 9),

$$C_1 = 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} \cos 2\nu\theta \cos^{2s-1}\theta d\theta = 2^{1-2s} \frac{\pi \Gamma(s)}{\Gamma\left(s + \frac{1+2\nu}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(s + \frac{1-2\nu}{2}\right)}$$

Putting  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} = \operatorname{ch} x$  (cf. [6] pp. 10)

$$C_2 = 2 \int_0^\infty \operatorname{ch} 2\nu x \operatorname{ch}^{-1-2s} x dx = 2^{2s-1} \frac{\Gamma\left(s + \frac{2\nu+1}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(s + \frac{1-2\nu}{2}\right)}{s \Gamma(2s)}$$

Therefore  $C_1 C_2 = \pi/s$ . It follows  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(s) = \mathcal{Q}(s)$ . So by the inverse Mellin transform, we get

$$\tilde{G}[x] = G[x]. \quad \text{Q. E. D.}$$

*Remark.* In case of  $\nu=0$ , the theorem is well known (cf. [9]). In case of  $\nu=n \in \mathbf{Z}$ , the theorem is proved by T. Shintani (unpublished).

The proof of the Plancherel formula is based on the following proposition.

PROPOSITION 2.3.2. *If  $f \in D_0(G)$ , then*

$$f(\varrho) = -\frac{1}{2\pi^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} F_f \left[ \nu, x + \frac{\eta^2}{2} \right]_{x=1} T_{2\nu} \left( \sqrt{1 + \frac{\eta^2}{4}} \right) d\eta d\nu$$

*Proof.* By Proposition 2.3.1

$$F_f[\nu, x] = 2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} f \left[ \theta, x + \frac{\xi^2}{2} \right] T_{2\nu} \left( \sqrt{\frac{x+1}{x+1+\xi^2/2}} \right) d\xi e^{-i\nu\theta} d\theta$$

So by Theorem 2.3.1 and the Fourier inverse transform,

$$f[\theta, x] = -\frac{1}{2\pi^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} F_f \left[ \nu, x + \frac{\eta^2}{2} \right] T_{2\nu} \left( \sqrt{\frac{x+\eta^2/2+1}{x+1}} \right) d\eta e^{i\nu\theta} d\nu$$

Putting  $\theta=0$  and  $x=1$ , we get the above proposition.

### § 3. The Plancherel formula for $G$ .

#### 3.1. The Plancherel formula in $D_0(G)$ .

We start with the following lemma.

LEMMA 3.1.1

$$\text{Put } Z(s; \nu, f) = \left(s - \frac{1}{2}\right) \frac{\sin \pi(s - \nu - 1/2)}{\cos \pi(s - \nu - 1/2)} \zeta_{\nu, s}(f),$$

where  $f \in D_0(G)$  and  $\nu \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then  $Z(s; \nu, f)$  is a meromorphic function on the complex  $s$ -plane and if  $a < b$ ,

$$\lim_{|\text{Im } s| \rightarrow \infty} Z(s; \nu, f) = 0$$

The convergence is uniform on the strip  $a \leq \text{Re } s \leq b$

The proof of this lemma can be given by the similar method as in Lemma 7 of [2]. So we omit the proof.

LEMMA 3.1.2 We have the following relation :

$$\begin{aligned} & -i \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\nu + i\mu) \zeta_{\nu, \nu + 1/2 + i\mu}(f) \text{th } \pi \mu d\mu \\ & = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \zeta_{\nu, 1/2 + i\mu}(f) \nu \text{Re th } \pi(\nu + i\mu) d\mu + 2 \sum_{\substack{1/2 \leq p \leq \nu \\ \nu - p \in \mathbb{Z}}} \left(p - \frac{1}{2}\right) \zeta_{\nu, p}(f). \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* We may assume  $\nu > 0$  since  $\zeta_{\nu, s}(g) = \zeta_{-\nu, s}(g)$ . In case of  $\nu - [\nu] = 1/2$ , where  $[\ ]$  is the Gauss symbol, we integrate  $Z(s; \nu, f)$  along the rectangle  $\Gamma_T$  having vertices  $\pm iT, \nu + 1/2 \pm iT$  counterclockwise. We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_T^{-T} Z\left(\frac{1}{2} + i\mu; \nu, f\right) id\mu + \int_{1/2}^{1/2 + \nu} Z(\sigma - iT; \nu, f) d\sigma + \int_{-T}^T Z\left(\nu + \frac{1}{2} + i\mu; \nu, f\right) id\mu \\ & + \int_{\nu + 1/2}^{1/2} Z(\sigma + iT; \nu, f) d\sigma = 2\pi i \sum_{\substack{1/2 \leq p \leq \nu \\ \nu - p \in \mathbb{Z}}} \left(-\frac{1}{\pi} \left(p - \frac{1}{2}\right)\right) \zeta_{\nu, p}(f). \end{aligned}$$

Letting  $T \rightarrow \infty$ , by Lemma 3.1.1, we get

$$-\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} Z\left(\frac{1}{2} + i\mu; \nu, f\right) id\mu + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} Z\left(\nu + \frac{1}{2} + i\mu; \nu, f\right) id\mu = -2i \sum_{\substack{1/2 \leq p \leq \nu \\ \nu - p \in \mathbb{Z}}} \left(p - \frac{1}{2}\right) \zeta_{\nu, p}(f).$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mu \zeta_{\nu, 1/2 + i\mu}(f) \frac{\sin \pi(-\nu + i\mu)}{\cos \pi(-\nu + i\mu)} d\mu - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\nu + i\mu) \zeta_{\nu, \nu + 1/2 + i\mu}(f) \text{th } \pi \mu d\mu \\ & = -2i \sum_{\substack{1/2 \leq p \leq \nu \\ \nu - p \in \mathbb{Z}}} \left(p - \frac{1}{2}\right) \zeta_{\nu, p}(f). \end{aligned}$$

Put

$$I = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \zeta_{\nu, 1/2 + i\mu}(f) \mu \frac{\sin \pi(-\nu + i\mu)}{\cos \pi(-\nu + i\mu)} d\mu.$$

Then

$$I = i \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \zeta_{\nu, 1/2+i\mu}(f) \operatorname{th} \pi(\mu+i\nu)\mu d\mu.$$

Since  $\zeta_{\nu, 1-s}(f) = \zeta_{\nu, s}(f)$ , we have also

$$I = i \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \zeta_{\nu, 1/2+i\mu}(f) \operatorname{th} \pi(\mu-i\nu)\mu d\mu.$$

Hence

$$I = i \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \zeta_{\nu, 1/2+i\mu}(f) \operatorname{Re} \operatorname{th} \pi(\mu+i\nu)\mu d\mu.$$

Consequently we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (3.1.1) \quad & -i \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\nu+i\mu)\zeta_{\nu, 1/2+\nu+i\mu}(f) \operatorname{th} \pi\mu d\mu \\ & = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \zeta_{\nu, 1/2+i\mu}(f)\mu \operatorname{Re} \operatorname{th} \pi(\mu+i\nu)d\mu + 2 \sum_{\substack{1/2 \leq p \leq \nu \\ \nu-p \in \mathbb{Z}}} \left(p - \frac{1}{2}\right) \zeta_{\nu, p}(f). \end{aligned}$$

In case of  $\nu - [\nu] = 1/2$ , by slight modification of the path of integral as in [2], we get

$$\begin{aligned} & -i \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\nu+i\mu)\zeta_{\nu, 1/2+\nu+i\mu}(f) \operatorname{th} \pi\mu d\mu \\ & = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \zeta_{\nu, 1/2+i\mu}(f)\mu \operatorname{coth} \pi\mu d\mu + 2 \sum_{\substack{1/2 \leq p \leq \nu \\ \nu-p \in \mathbb{Z}}} \left(p - \frac{1}{2}\right) \zeta_{\nu, p}(f). \end{aligned}$$

But this equality is no other than the equality which is obtained by putting  $\nu = 1/2 + n$  ( $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ) in (3.1.1). So we complete the proof.

LEMMA 3.1.3. *If  $f$  is a  $C^\infty$ -function with compact support such that  $f(0) = 0$ , then*

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) \frac{dt}{\operatorname{sh} \frac{t}{2}} = i \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(\tau) \operatorname{th} \pi\tau d\tau$$

$$\text{where } \hat{f}(\tau) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{-t\tau} dt$$

The proof can be found in [8] (pp. 341).

LEMMA 3.1.4. *If  $f \in D_0(G)$ , then*

$$f(e) = \frac{-i}{8\pi^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\nu + i\mu) \zeta_{\nu, \nu+1/2+i\mu}(f) \operatorname{th} \pi \mu d\mu d\nu.$$

*Proof.* Put

$$I = -\frac{i}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\nu + i\mu) \xi_{\nu, \nu+1/2+i\mu}(f) \operatorname{th} \pi \mu d\mu.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} I &= -\frac{i}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \operatorname{th} \pi \mu d\mu \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F_f(\nu, t) (\nu + i\mu) e^{-(\nu+i\mu)t} dt \\ &= -\frac{i}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \operatorname{th} \pi \mu d\mu \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} F_f(\nu, t) \right) \operatorname{ch} \nu t e^{-i\mu t} dt \\ &= -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} F_f(\nu, t) \right) \frac{\operatorname{ch} \nu t}{\operatorname{sh} \frac{t}{2}} dt \quad (\text{Lemma 3.1.3}) \\ &= -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} F_f[\nu, \operatorname{ch} t] 2 \operatorname{ch} \frac{t}{2} \operatorname{ch} \nu t dt, \quad (x = \operatorname{ch} t). \end{aligned}$$

Put  $\xi = 2 \operatorname{sh} \frac{t}{2}$ . Then we have  $1 + (\xi^2/2) = \operatorname{ch} t = x$  and

$$I = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} F_f \left[ \nu, 1 + \frac{\xi^2}{2} \right] T_{2\nu} \left( \sqrt{1 + \frac{\xi^2}{2}} \right) d\xi.$$

By Proposition 2.3.2, we get

$$f(e) = \frac{-i}{8\pi^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\nu + i\mu) \zeta_{\nu, \nu+1/2+i\mu}(f) \operatorname{th} \pi \mu d\mu d\nu. \quad \text{Q. E. D.}$$

Lemma 3.1.2 and Lemma 3.1.4 prove the following proposition.

PROPOSITION 3.1.1. *For any function  $f$  in  $D_0(G)$ , we have*

$$\begin{aligned} f(e) &= \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \zeta_{\nu, 1/2+i\mu}(f) \mu \operatorname{Re} \operatorname{th} \pi(\mu + i\nu) d\mu d\nu \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{\substack{p \leq |\nu| \\ \nu - p \in \mathbb{Z}}} \left( p - \frac{1}{2} \right) \zeta_{\nu, p}(f) d\nu. \end{aligned}$$

We shall give a more direct proof of Proposition 3.1.1. First let us prove the following proposition.

PROPOSITION 3.1.2. *If  $g$  is a  $C^\infty$ -function on  $[1, \infty)$  with compact support, then*

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.1.2) \quad & -\frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty g' \left[ x + \frac{\eta^2}{2} \right] T_{2\nu} \left( \sqrt{\frac{x+1+\eta^2/2}{x+1}} \right) d\eta \\
& = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{2(x+1)}} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \int_{-\infty}^\infty g \left[ (x+1) \operatorname{ch}^2 \frac{t}{2} - 1 \right] e^{-i\mu t} \mu \operatorname{Re th} \pi(\mu + i\nu) d\mu dt \\
& \quad + \frac{1}{\pi\sqrt{2(x+1)}} \sum_{\substack{1/2 \leq p \leq 1 \\ \nu - p \in \mathbf{Z}}} \left( p - \frac{1}{2} \right) \int_{-\infty}^\infty g \left[ (x+1) \operatorname{ch}^2 \frac{t}{2} - 1 \right] e^{(1/2-p)t} dt.
\end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* We may assume  $\nu > 0$ , since  $T_a(z) = T_{-a}(z)$  and  $\operatorname{Re th} \pi(\mu + i\nu) = \operatorname{Re th} \pi(\mu - i\nu)$ . Put  $\sqrt{\frac{x+1+\eta^2/2}{x+1}} = \operatorname{ch} \frac{t}{2}$  and let  $p_0$  be the real number satisfying  $-\frac{1}{2} \leq p_0 < \frac{1}{2}$  and  $\nu - p_0 \in \mathbf{Z}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
& -\frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty g' \left[ x + \frac{\eta^2}{2} \right] T_{2\nu} \left( \sqrt{\frac{x+1+\eta^2/2}{x+1}} \right) d\eta \\
& = -\sqrt{\frac{x+1}{2}} \int_0^\infty g' \left[ (x+1) \operatorname{ch}^2 \frac{t}{2} - 1 \right] \operatorname{ch} \nu t \operatorname{ch} \frac{t}{2} dt \\
& = -\frac{1}{\pi} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2(x+1)}} \int_0^\infty \frac{\partial}{\partial t} g \left[ (x+1) \operatorname{ch}^2 \frac{t}{2} - 1 \right] \frac{\operatorname{ch} \nu t}{\operatorname{sh} \frac{t}{2}} dt \\
& = -\frac{1}{\pi} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2(x+1)}} \int_0^\infty \frac{\partial}{\partial t} g \left[ (x+1) \operatorname{ch}^2 \frac{t}{2} - 1 \right] \frac{e^{\nu t}}{\operatorname{sh} \frac{t}{2}} dt \\
(3.1.3) \quad & = -\frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{2(x+1)}} \int_0^\infty \frac{\partial}{\partial t} g \left[ (x+1) \operatorname{ch}^2 \frac{t}{2} - 1 \right] \frac{e^{2\nu t}}{\operatorname{sh} \frac{t}{2}} dt \\
& \quad - \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{2(x+1)}} \int_0^\infty \frac{\partial}{\partial t} g \left[ (x+1) \operatorname{ch}^2 \frac{t}{2} - 1 \right] \frac{e^{\nu t} - e^{2\nu t}}{\operatorname{sh} \frac{t}{2}} dt.
\end{aligned}$$

Let us denote the first term by  $I_1$  and the second term by  $I_2$ . Then by Lemma 3.1.3,

$$I_1 = -\frac{i}{2\pi\sqrt{2(x+1)}} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{\partial}{\partial t} g \left[ (x+1) \operatorname{ch}^2 \frac{t}{2} - 1 \right] e^{2\nu t} e^{-i\mu t} \operatorname{th} \pi \mu dt d\mu$$

Since  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} g \left[ (x+1) \operatorname{ch}^2 \frac{t}{2} - 1 \right]$  is a  $C^\infty$ -function with compact support, its Fourier transform is a rapidly decreasing entire function. We denote it by  $F(z)$ . Then

$$I_1 = -\frac{i}{2\pi\sqrt{2(x+1)}} \int_{-\infty}^\infty F(\mu - ip_0) \operatorname{th} \pi \mu d\mu$$

Since  $-\frac{1}{2} \leq p < \frac{1}{2} < \frac{\pi}{2}$  and  $F$  is rapidly decreasing,

$$I_1 = -\frac{i}{2\pi\sqrt{2(x+1)}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(\mu) \operatorname{th} \pi(\mu + ip_0) d\mu.$$

Hence

$$I_1 = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{2(x+1)}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g \left[ (x+1) \operatorname{ch}^2 \frac{t}{2} - 1 \right] e^{-i\mu t} \mu \operatorname{th} \pi(\mu + ip_0) dt d\mu$$

By (3.1.3),  $p_0$  can be replaced by  $-p_0$ , hence we have

$$I_1 = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{2(x+1)}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g \left[ (x+1) \operatorname{ch}^2 \frac{t}{2} - 1 \right] e^{-i\mu t} \mu \operatorname{Re} \operatorname{th} \pi(\mu + ip_0) dt d\mu$$

We have  $\operatorname{Re} \operatorname{th} \pi(\mu + i\nu) = \operatorname{Re} \operatorname{th} \pi(\mu + ip_0)$ , because there exists an integer  $n$  such that  $p_0 + n = \nu$ . So  $I_1$  is equal to the first term in the right side of (3.1.2).

$$\begin{aligned} I_2 &= -\frac{1}{\pi\sqrt{2(x+1)}} \int \frac{\partial}{\partial t} g \left[ (x+1) \operatorname{ch}^2 \frac{t}{2} - 1 \right] \frac{e^{\nu t} - e^{p_0 t}}{e^{t/2} - e^{-t/2}} dt \\ &= -\frac{1}{\pi\sqrt{2(x+1)}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} g \left[ (x+1) \operatorname{ch}^2 \frac{t}{2} - 1 \right] \sum_{\substack{1/2 \leq p \leq \nu \\ \nu - p \in \mathbb{Z}}} e^{(p-1/2)t} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi\sqrt{2(x+1)}} \sum_{\substack{1/2 \leq p \leq \nu \\ \nu - p \in \mathbb{Z}}} \left( p - \frac{1}{2} \right) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g \left[ (x+1) \operatorname{ch}^2 \frac{t}{2} - 1 \right] e^{(1/2-p)t} dt. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof.

Now we give another proof of Proposition 3.1.1. Substituting  $F_f[\nu, x]$  for  $g[x]$  in (3.1.2) and putting  $x=1$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} & -\frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} F_f \left[ \nu, x + \frac{\eta^2}{2} \right]_{x=1} T_{2\nu} \left( \sqrt{1 + \frac{\eta^2}{4}} \right) d\eta \\ &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F_f[\nu, \operatorname{ch} t] e^{-i\mu t} \mu \operatorname{Re} \operatorname{th} \pi(\mu + i\nu) dt d\mu \\ & \quad + \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{\substack{1/2 \leq p \leq \nu \\ \nu - p \in \mathbb{Z}}} \left( p - \frac{1}{2} \right) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F_f[\nu, \operatorname{ch} t] e^{(1/2-p)t} dt \end{aligned}$$

Note that  $\zeta_{\nu, s}(a_t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F_f[\nu, \operatorname{ch} t] e^{(1/2-s)t} dt$ . By Proposition 2.3.2, we get

$$f(e) = \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \zeta_{\nu, 1/2+i\mu}(f) \mu \operatorname{Re} \operatorname{th} \pi(\mu + i\nu) dt d\mu$$

$$+ \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{\substack{1/2 \leq p \leq \nu \\ \nu - p \in \mathbb{Z}}} \left( p - \frac{1}{2} \right) \zeta_{\nu, p}(f) d\nu$$

This shows Proposition 3.1.1.

### 3.2. The Plancherel formula for $G$ .

We first note that  $\zeta_{\nu, s}(f) = \zeta_{\nu, s}(f_0)$  and  $f(e) = f_0(e)$  for  $f \in D(G)$ . So Proposition 3.1.1 holds for any function in  $D(G)$ .

We put

$$U_h(f, s) = \int_G U_h(g, s) f(g) dg \quad \text{and} \quad U^\pm(f, l) = \int_G U^\pm(g, l) f(g) dg$$

where  $f$  is a  $C^\infty$ -function on  $G$  with compact support. Then  $U_h(f, s)$  and  $U^\pm(f, l)$  are, as is well known, of trace class. We have

$$\text{Tr}(U_h(f, s)) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \zeta_{n-h, s}(f), \quad \text{Tr}(U^+(f, l)) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \zeta_{m+l, l}(f) \quad \text{and}$$

$$\text{Tr}(U^-(f, l)) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \zeta_{-m+l, -l}(f).$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \zeta_{\nu, 1/2+i\mu}(f) \mu \text{Re th } \pi(\mu+i\nu) d\mu d\nu \\ &= \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \zeta_{n-h, 1/2+i\mu}(f) \text{Re th } \pi(\mu+ih) dh d\mu \\ &= \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{\substack{1/2 \leq p \leq |\nu| \\ |\nu| - p \in \mathbb{Z}}} \text{Tr} \left( U_h \left( f, \frac{1}{2} + i\mu \right) \right) \text{Re th } \pi(\mu+ih) dh d\mu \end{aligned}$$

And

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{\substack{1/2 \leq p \leq |\nu| \\ |\nu| - p \in \mathbb{Z}}} \left( p - \frac{1}{2} \right) \zeta_{\nu, p}(f) d\nu \\ &= \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \left[ \int_0^{\infty} \sum_{\substack{1/2 \leq p \leq \nu \\ \nu - p \in \mathbb{Z}}} \left( p - \frac{1}{2} \right) \zeta_{\nu, p}(f) d\nu + \int_{-\infty}^0 \sum_{\substack{1/2 \leq p \leq -\nu \\ \nu + p \in \mathbb{Z}}} \left( p - \frac{1}{2} \right) \zeta_{\nu, p}(f) d\nu \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \left[ \int_{1/2}^{\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( p - \frac{1}{2} \right) \zeta_{n+p, p}(f) dp + \int_{1/2}^{\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( p - \frac{1}{2} \right) \zeta_{-n-p, p}(f) dp \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \int_{1/2}^{\infty} \left( p - \frac{1}{2} \right) \text{Tr}(U^+(f, p) - U^-(f, -p)) dp. \end{aligned}$$

Hence we get the following theorem (the Plancherel formula for  $G$ ).

THEOREM 3.2.1. *If  $f \in D(G)$ , then*

$$f(e) = \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} \text{Tr} \left( U_h \left( f, \frac{1}{2} + i\mu \right) \right) \text{Re th } \pi(\mu + ih) dh d\mu \\ + \frac{1}{4\pi^3} \int_{1/2}^{\infty} \left( p - \frac{1}{2} \right) \text{Tr} (U^+(f, p) + U^-(f, -p)) dp.$$

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