

### 76. Note on the Modular Forms

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1. In his paper [2] Bochner treated the modular forms of level 1. We shall add a little to his result. In the following we shall use freely the notations and the results in the papers of Bochner and of ourselves [5].

2. By the theory of Bochner we have

**Theorem of Bochner.** *Let  $\lambda$  and  $k$  be positive numbers and  $f(z)$  be an analytic function defined on the upper half plane such that  $f(z+\lambda)=f(z)$  and  $f(z)=\pm\left(\frac{i}{z}\right)^k f\left(-\frac{1}{z}\right)$ . Let  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n e^{\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} n z i}$  be the Fourier series of  $f(z)$  and  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n n^{-s}$  be convergent for some  $s$ . Then*

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \varphi(\sqrt{n}) = \pm \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n T_{\lambda, 2k} \varphi(\sqrt{n})$$

for any  $\varphi$  in  $\mathfrak{F}_0$ , where  $T_{\lambda, 2k} \varphi$  is the Bochner transform of  $\varphi$ .

From now we shall consider the case where  $\lambda=1, k$  is an even number,  $a_0=0$  and  $f(z)=z^{-k} f\left(-\frac{1}{z}\right)$ . In this case  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n e^{2\pi n z i}$  is a cusp form of dimension  $-k$  and of level 1. By the general theory of cusp form (Hecke [4] p. 652) we know  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{n^s}$  converges absolutely for  $\text{Re } s > \frac{k+1}{2}$ . Using the above theorem of Bochner we can prove

**Proposition 1.** *Let  $k$  be an even natural number and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n e^{2\pi n x i}$  be a cusp form of dimension  $-k$  and of level 1. If  $f(x)$  is a function of class  $C^\infty$  such that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n f(\sqrt{n})$  is convergent and*

$$\int_0^\infty x^{k+\frac{3}{2}} \left| \left( \frac{d}{x dx} \right)^2 f(x) \right| dx \text{ exists, then}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n f(\sqrt{n}) = (-1)^{\frac{k}{2}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n T_{1, 2k} f(\sqrt{n}).$$

**Proof.** We have  $|T_{1, 2k} f(\sqrt{n})| = O(n^{-\frac{k}{2} - \frac{3}{4}})$  by Proposition 4 in [5]. Therefore  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n T f(\sqrt{n})$  is absolutely convergent by Hecke's theorem.

Now we take functions  $\varphi_1(x), \varphi_2(x), \dots$  in  $\mathfrak{F}_0$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_m(x) &= f(x) && \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq \sqrt{m}, \\ \varphi_m(x) &= 0 && \text{for } x \geq \sqrt{m+1} \text{ and} \\ |\varphi_m(x)| &\leq |f(\sqrt{m})| && \text{for } \sqrt{m} < x < \sqrt{m+1}. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \varphi_m(\sqrt{n}) = (-1)^{\frac{k}{2}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n T_{1,2k} \varphi_m(\sqrt{n}) \text{ and}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \varphi_m(\sqrt{n}) = \sum_{n=1}^m a_n f(\sqrt{n}) \text{ converges to } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n f(\sqrt{n}).$$

On the other hand we obtain by Proposition 4 in [5]

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n T_{1,2k} f(\sqrt{n}) - \sum_{n=1}^m a_n T_{1,2k} \varphi_m(\sqrt{n}) \\ &= O\left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n| n^{-\frac{k}{2}-\frac{3}{4}} \int_0^{\infty} x^{k+\frac{3}{2}} \left| \left(\frac{d}{xdx}\right)^2 (f(x) - \varphi_m(x)) \right| dx\right) \\ &= O\left(\int_{\sqrt{m}}^{\infty} x^{k+\frac{3}{2}} \left| \left(\frac{d}{xdx}\right)^2 f(x) \right| dx\right). \end{aligned}$$

And the last term converges to 0 if  $m$  tends to infinity. (Q.E.D.)

3. We shall apply Proposition 1 to the function  $f(x) = x^{-\nu} J_{\nu}(\alpha x)$  with suitable number  $\nu$ , where  $\alpha$  is a positive number. Because  $f(\sqrt{n}) = O(n^{-\frac{\nu}{2}} n^{-\frac{1}{4}})$  and  $\sum \frac{a_n}{n^s}$  is absolutely convergent for  $\text{Re } s > \frac{k+1}{2}$ ,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n f(\sqrt{n})$  converges absolutely if  $\nu > k + \frac{1}{2}$ . On the other hand, we have

$$\int_0^{\infty} x^{k+\frac{3}{2}} \left| \left(\frac{d}{xdx}\right)^2 f(x) \right| dx \leq c + c \int_1^{\infty} x^{k+\frac{3}{2}-(\nu+2)-\frac{1}{2}} dx,$$

since

$$\left(\frac{d}{xdx}\right)^2 f(x) = x^{-(\nu+2)} J_{\nu+2}(\alpha x).$$

Therefore the integral converges for  $\nu > k$ .

According to Bateman [1] p. 48 (7) we have

$$T_{1,2k} \{x^{-\nu} J_{\nu}(4\pi\sqrt{\xi} x)\} = \begin{cases} \xi^{-\frac{\nu}{2}} \pi^{\nu-k} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\nu-k+1)} (\xi-x^2)^{\nu-k} & \text{for } 0 < x < \sqrt{\xi}, \\ 0 & \text{for } x \geq \sqrt{\xi}, \end{cases}$$

if  $\nu+1 > k > 0$  and  $\xi > 0$ .

Thus we can apply Proposition 1 to  $x^{-(k+r)} J_{k+r}(4\pi\sqrt{\xi} x)$ , where  $r > \frac{1}{2}$ , and we get

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n n^{-\frac{k+r}{2}} J_{k+r}(4\pi\sqrt{\xi} n) = (-1)^{\frac{k}{2}} \frac{(2\pi)^r \xi^{-\frac{k+r}{2}}}{\Gamma(r+1)} \sum_{0 < n < \xi} a_n (\xi-n)^r.$$

Therefore

$$\sum_{0 < n < \xi} a_n (\xi-n)^r = O\left(\xi^{\frac{k+r}{2}-\frac{1}{4}}\right).$$

**Proposition 2.** *If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n e^{2\pi n z i}$  is a cusp form of even dimension  $-k$  and of level 1 and  $r > \frac{1}{2}$ , then*

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \left(\frac{\xi}{n}\right)^{\frac{k+r}{2}} J_{k+r}(4\pi\sqrt{\xi} n)$$

is locally uniformly convergent and its value is equal to

$$(-1)^{\frac{k}{2}} \frac{(2\pi)^r}{\Gamma(r+1)} \sum_{0 < n < \xi} a_n (\xi - n)^r.$$

(This equality is proved by Bochner in more generalized form. See [2], p. 355, Theorem 11. But only the Abel summability of the infinite series is shown there.)

**Corollary.** *With the same notation as in Proposition 2*

$$\sum_{0 < n < \xi} a_n (\xi - n)^r = O(\xi^{\frac{k}{2} + \frac{r}{2} - \frac{1}{4}})$$

for any real number  $r$  greater than  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

4. We shall now deal with the case  $r=0$ .

**Proposition 3.** *The series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\xi}{n}\right)^{\frac{k}{2}} a_n J_k(4\pi\sqrt{n\xi})$  is uniformly convergent to  $(-1)^{\frac{k}{2}} \sum_{n \leq \xi} a_n$  in any interval  $[\xi_1, \xi_2]$  which contains no integer.*

**Proof.** The method of the proof of this proposition is quite similar to Hardy's in [3]. We begin with stating the results on cusp forms proved by Hecke in [4] (p. 651):

$\alpha)$   $a_n = O(n^{\frac{k}{2}}),$

$\beta)$   $|a_1| + \dots + |a_n| = O(n^{\frac{k+1}{2}}).$

and

$\gamma)$   $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n n^{-s}$  is absolutely convergent for  $s > \frac{k+1}{2}$ .

Let us denote

$$A_r(x) = \frac{(-1)^{\frac{k}{2}}}{\Gamma(r+1)} \sum_{n \leq x} a_n (x-n)^r$$

for any non-negative number  $r$  and

$$A(x) = A_0(x) - (-1)^{\frac{k}{2}} \frac{1}{2} a(x),$$

where  $a(x)$  equals to  $a_x$  if  $x$  is a natural integer and equals to 0 otherwise. Clearly

$$\frac{dA_{r+1}(x)}{dx} = A_r(x) \quad \text{and} \quad \int_0^x A(x) dx = A_1(x).$$

Put

$$S(x, N) = \sum_{n=1}^N a_n \left(\frac{x}{n}\right)^{\frac{k}{2}} J_k(4\pi\sqrt{nx}).$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} S(x, N) - \left(\frac{x}{N}\right)^{\frac{k}{2}} A_0(N) J_k(4\pi\sqrt{Nx}) \\ = -x^{\frac{k}{2}} \sum_{n=1}^N a_n \int_n^N d\left(t^{-\frac{k}{2}} J_k(4\pi\sqrt{xt})\right) dt \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 2\pi x^{\frac{k+1}{2}} \sum_{n=1}^N a_n \int_n^N t^{-\frac{k+1}{2}} J_{k+1}(4\pi\sqrt{xt}) dt \\ &= 2\pi x^{\frac{k+1}{2}} \int_0^N A_0(t) t^{-\frac{k+1}{2}} J_{k+1}(4\pi\sqrt{xt}) dt. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_0^N A_1(t) t^{-\frac{k+2}{2}} J_{k+2}(4\pi\sqrt{xt}) dt \\ &= -\frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{x}} A_1(N) N^{-\frac{k+1}{2}} J_{k+1}(4\pi\sqrt{Nx}) + \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{x}} \int_0^N A_0(t) t^{-\frac{k+1}{2}} J_{k+1}(4\pi\sqrt{xt}) dt. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we get

$$\begin{aligned} S(x, N) &= \left(\frac{x}{N}\right)^{\frac{k}{2}} A_0(N) J_k(4\pi\sqrt{Nx}) + 2\pi \left(\frac{x}{N}\right)^{\frac{k+1}{2}} A_1(N) J_{k+1}(4\pi\sqrt{Nx}) \\ &\quad + 4\pi^2 x^{\frac{k+2}{2}} \int_0^N A_1(t) t^{-\frac{k+2}{2}} J_{k+2}(4\pi\sqrt{xt}) dt. \end{aligned}$$

By the estimation  $(\beta)$  and  $J_\nu(z) = O(z^{-\frac{1}{2}})$  the first term on the right hand side is equal to  $O(N^{\frac{1}{4}} \log N)$  locally uniformly for  $x$ . And by Corollary of Proposition 2 the second term is equal to  $O(N^{-\frac{1}{2}})$  locally uniformly for  $x$ .

Let us denote the last term with  $K(x, N)$ . Then we have

$$S(x, N) = K(x, N) + o(1)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} K(x, N) &= (-1)^{\frac{k}{2}} 2\pi x^{\frac{k+2}{2}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n n^{-\frac{k+1}{2}} \int_0^N t^{-\frac{1}{2}} J_{k+2}(4\pi\sqrt{xt}) J_{k+1}(4\pi\sqrt{nt}) dt \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{k}{2}} x^{\frac{k+1}{2}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n n^{-\frac{k+1}{2}} \int_0^{4\pi\sqrt{xN}} J_{k+2}(u) J_{k+1}\left(\sqrt{\frac{n}{x}} u\right) du. \end{aligned}$$

Because 
$$\int_0^{\infty} J_{\nu+1}(x) J_{\nu}(ax) = \begin{cases} a^{\nu} & (0 < a < 1) \\ \frac{1}{2} & (a = 1) \\ 0 & (a > 1), \end{cases}$$

we have

$$K(x, N) = A(x) - (-1)^{\frac{k}{2}} x^{\frac{k+1}{2}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n n^{-\frac{k+1}{2}} \int_{4\pi\sqrt{xN}}^{\infty} J_{k+2}(u) J_{k+1}\left(\sqrt{\frac{n}{x}} u\right) du.$$

Now we shall show that if  $N$  tends to the infinity  $K(x, N) = A(x) + o(1)$  uniformly in any interval  $[x_1, x_2]$  which contains no integer. Since

$$J_{\nu}(z) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi z}} \cos\left(z - \frac{\nu\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) + O(z^{-\frac{3}{2}}),$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} J_{k+2}(u) J_{k+1}\left(\sqrt{\frac{n}{x}} u\right) &= \frac{2}{\pi} x^{\frac{1}{4}} n^{-\frac{1}{4}} u^{-1} \cos\left(u - \frac{k}{2}\pi - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \\ &\quad \times \cos\left(\sqrt{\frac{n}{x}} u - \frac{k}{2}\pi - \frac{3}{4}\pi\right) + O(n^{-\frac{1}{4}} u^{-2}) \end{aligned}$$

uniformly for  $x$  in  $[x_1, x_2]$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
 &K(x, N) - A(x) \\
 &= (-1)^{\frac{k}{2}} \frac{1}{\pi} x^{\frac{k}{2} + \frac{3}{4}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n n^{-\frac{k}{2} - \frac{3}{4}} \int_{4\pi\sqrt{Nx}}^{\infty} u^{-1} \left( (-1)^{k+1} \cos \left( \left( \sqrt{\frac{n}{x}} + 1 \right) u \right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \sin \left( \left( \sqrt{\frac{n}{x}} - 1 \right) u \right) \right) du + O \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n| n^{-\frac{k+1}{2} - \frac{1}{4}} \cdot \frac{1}{4\pi\sqrt{Nx}} \right) \\
 &= (-1)^{\frac{k}{2}} \frac{1}{\pi} x^{\frac{k}{2} + \frac{3}{4}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n n^{-\frac{k}{2} - \frac{3}{4}} \left( (-1)^{k-1} \int_{4\pi\sqrt{N}(\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{n})}^{\infty} \frac{\cos u}{u} du \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \operatorname{sgn}(\sqrt{n} - \sqrt{x}) \int_{4\pi\sqrt{N}|\sqrt{n} - \sqrt{x}|}^{\infty} \frac{\sin u}{u} du \right) + O(N^{-\frac{1}{2}}),
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\operatorname{sgn}(0)$  means 0, and we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 K(x, N) - A(x) &= O \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n| n^{-\frac{k}{2} - \frac{3}{4}} (N^{-\frac{1}{2}} (\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{n})^{-1} + N^{-\frac{1}{2}} |\sqrt{n} - \sqrt{x}|^{\frac{1}{2}}) \right) \\
 &\quad + O(N^{-\frac{1}{2}}) = O(N^{-\frac{1}{2}})
 \end{aligned}$$

uniformly for  $x$  in  $[x_1, x_2]$  if this interval contains no integer. Thus we have proved Proposition 3.

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