

THE HILBERT TRANSFORM ALONG CURVES THAT ARE ANALYTIC AT INFINITY

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1. Introduction

It is known that if B denotes the unit ball of \mathbf{R}^m , $\gamma: B \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$ is an analytic function, $\gamma(0) = 0$, and k is a $C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^m - \{0\})$ function, homogeneous of degree $-m$, then the operator given by $Tf(x) = p \cdot v \cdot \int_B f(x - \gamma(t))k(t) dt$ is bounded on $L^p(\mathbf{R}^n)$, $1 < p < \infty$. See for example [2], [9]. We observe that in this case γ is "approximately homogeneous" at the origin in the sense given in [10].

The purpose now is to consider the analogous problem at infinity, for the case $m = 1$. More precisely we prove the following:

THEOREM 1.1. *Let $B^C = \{t \in \mathbf{R} : |t| > 1\}$ and let $\gamma: B^C \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$ be defined by*

$$\gamma(t) = (t^{a_1} + \alpha_1(t), \dots, t^{a_n} + \alpha_n(t)), \quad a_i \in \mathbf{N}, \quad a_1 < \dots < a_n,$$

where α_i is a real analytic function on B^C , $\alpha_i(t) = h_i(t) + P_i(t)$ with h_i analytic at infinity, and P_i a polynomial of degree at most $a_i - 1$. Then the operator

$$\mathcal{H}_\gamma f(x) = p \cdot v \cdot \int_{B^C} f(x - \gamma(t)) \frac{dt}{t}$$

is bounded on $L^p(\mathbf{R}^n)$, $1 < p < \infty$.

This result still holds if $\gamma(t) = (\gamma_1(t) + \alpha_1(t), \dots, \gamma_n(t) + \alpha_n(t))$ where $\gamma_i(t)$ are homogeneous functions of degree a_i , $a_i \in \mathbf{R}$, $1 \leq a_1 < \dots < a_n$, and asking weaker conditions about the behavior at infinity of $\alpha_i(t)$.

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2. Proof of the theorem

Let us consider \mathbf{R}^n with the group of dilations given by $D_r(x) = (r^{a_1}x_1, \dots, r^{a_n}x_n)$ for all $r > 0$, where $a_1 < \dots < a_n$, $a_i \in \mathbf{N}$, $i = 1, \dots, n$. We set $D_r(x) = r \cdot x$.

Associated to $\{D_r\}_{r>0}$ we fix a homogeneous norm, i.e., a continuous function

$$|\cdot| : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow [0, \infty)$$

which is C^∞ on $\mathbf{R}^n - \{0\}$ and satisfies:

- (a) $|x| = 0$ if and only if $x = 0$;
- (b) $|-x| = |x|$;
- (c) $|r \cdot x| = r|x|$ for all $x \in \mathbf{R}^n$, $r > 0$.

It can be proved that homogeneous norms always exist. Also it is known that

$$(2.1) \quad |x + y| \leq c(|x| + |y|) \text{ for some constant } c > 0, \text{ for all } x, y \in \mathbf{R}^n.$$

For the proof of these facts see [4].

Let $a = a_1 + \dots + a_n$ be the homogeneous degree of \mathbf{R}^n .

LEMMA 2.2. *Let $\{\psi_j\}$, $j \in \mathbf{Z}$, be a family of functions in $L^1(\mathbf{R}^n)$ satisfying:*

$$(i) \quad \int \psi_j = 0$$

and for some $c > 0$ and $0 < \delta < 1$;

$$(ii) \quad \int |\psi_j(x + y) - \psi_j(x)| dx \leq c|y|^\delta \text{ (} L^1\text{-H\"older condition);}$$

$$(iii) \quad \int |x|^\delta |\psi_j(x)| dx \leq c.$$

Let T_j be the operator of convolution by $2^{ja}\psi_j(2^j \cdot x)$, then for $n, m \in \mathbf{Z}$, $n \leq m$,

$$\left\| \left(\sum_n^m T_j \right) (f) \right\|_p \leq c_p \|f\|_p, \quad 1 < p < \infty, \text{ with } c_p \text{ independent of } n \text{ and } m.$$

Proof. By the Marcinkiewicz Interpolation Theorem and a usual duality argument, it is enough to check

$$(2.3) \quad \left\| \left(\sum_n^m T_j \right) f \right\|_2 \leq c_2 \|f\|_2, \quad c_2 \text{ independent of } n \text{ and } m,$$

and

$$(2.4) \quad \left| \left\{ x : \left| \left(\sum_n^m T_j \right) f(x) \right| > \lambda \right\} \right| \leq \frac{c_1}{\lambda} \|f\|_1 \quad (\text{weak type 1-1})$$

with c_1 independent of n and m .

To prove (2.3) we use Cotlar's Lemma, from [5]. Let $f_i(x) = 2^{ia}\psi_i(2^i \cdot x)$. The operator T_j^* is given by convolution with $g_j(y) = \overline{f_j(-y)}$. So, for $i < j$

$$\begin{aligned} \|T_i T_j^*\|_{2,2} &= \|f_i * g_j\|_1 = \int \left| \int f_i(x-y) g_j(y) dy \right| dx \\ &= \int \left| \int (f_i(x-y) - f_i(x)) \overline{f_j(-y)} dy \right| dx \\ &\leq \int 2^{ja} \int |\psi_i(x - 2^i \cdot y) - \psi_i(x)| dx |\psi_j(-2^j \cdot y)| dy \\ &\leq c \int 2^{ja} 2^{i\delta} |y|^\delta |\psi_j(-2^j \cdot y)| dy \\ &= 2^{(i-j)\delta} \int |y|^\delta |\psi_j(y)| dy \leq c 2^{(i-j)\delta} \end{aligned}$$

The estimations for $\|T_i^* T_j\|_{2,2}$ when $i < j$ and the case $j < i$ are similar. So

$$\left\| \sum_{j=n}^m T_j \right\|_{2,2} \leq c \sum_{i=-\infty}^{+\infty} 2^{-|i|\delta/2}$$

It is known that (2.4) follows if we check that there exists a constant A independent of n and m , such that, for $y \neq 0$,

$$\int_{|x| > 2c|y|} \left| \sum_{j=n}^m (f_j(x+y) - f_j(x)) \right| dx \leq A$$

× where c is the constant in (2.1) [3].

Now

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{|x|>2c|y|} \left| \sum_{j=n}^m (f_j(x+y) - f_j(x)) \right| dx \\ & \leq \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \int_{|x|>2^{j+1}c|y|} |\psi_j(x + 2^j \cdot y) - \psi_j(x)| dx \\ & = \sum_{2^{j+1}c|y|<1} + \sum_{2^{j+1}c|y|\geq 1} \end{aligned}$$

We use (ii) to get the first sum bounded by $\sum_{2^{j+1}c|y|<1} 2^{j\delta}|y|^\delta$ and this geometric sum is bounded independently of y . Now

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{2^{j+1}c|y|\geq 1} \int_{|x|>2^{j+1}c|y|} |\psi_j(x + 2^j \cdot y) - \psi_j(x)| dx \\ & \leq \sum_{2^{j+1}c|y|\geq 1} \left(\int_{|x|>2^j|y|} |\psi_j(x)| dx + \int_{|x|\geq 2^{j+1}c|y|} |\psi_j(x)| dx \right) \\ & \leq \sum_{2^{j+1}c|y|\geq 1} \left(\int_{|x|>2^j|y|} |\psi_j(x)||x|^\delta|x|^{-\delta} dx + \int_{|x|\geq 2^{j+1}c|y|} |\psi_j(x)||x|^\delta|x|^{-\delta} dx \right) \\ & \leq c \sum_{2^{j+1}c|y|\geq 1} (2^{-j\delta}|y|^{-\delta} + (2c)^{-\delta}2^{-j\delta}|y|^{-\delta}). \end{aligned}$$

In the last inequality we use (iii). So we obtain another geometric sum bounded independently of y . ■

Remark 2.5. It can be proved that if $\{\psi_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is a family of functions as in Lemma 2.2, then

$$\Psi(f) = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} 2^{ja} \int \psi_j(2^j \cdot x) f(x) dx$$

defines a tempered distribution and thus we have just proved that the operator of convolution by Ψ is bounded on $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $1 < p < \infty$.

Let $\gamma(t)$ be as in Theorem 1.1.

LEMMA 2.6. *Let*

$$\Gamma(t_1, \dots, t_n) = \gamma(t_1) + \dots + \gamma(t_n)$$

and

$$\mathcal{J}(t_1, \dots, t_n) = \det(D\Gamma)|_{(t_1, \dots, t_n)},$$

the determinant of the jacobian matrix of Γ at (t_1, \dots, t_n) .

(1) $\mathcal{J}(t_1, \dots, t_n) = P(t_1, \dots, t_n) + R(t_1, \dots, t_n)$, where P is a homogeneous polynomial of degree $a - n$ and for some positive constant A , R is an analytic function in

$$\{(z_1, \dots, z_n) \in C^n : |z_i| > A > 0, i = 1, \dots, n\}.$$

(2) If K is a compact set in C^n contained in $C - \{0\} \times \dots \times C - \{0\}$ then

$$r^{(a-n)}R(r^{-1}z_1, \dots, r^{-1}z_n) \xrightarrow{r \rightarrow 0} 0 \text{ uniformly on } K.$$

Proof. We do the proof by induction on n .

• $n = 1$ We have to check that $r^{a_1-1}\alpha'_1(r^{-1}z) \rightarrow 0$ uniformly on K as $r \rightarrow 0$. Since $\alpha_1(t) = h_1(t) + P_1(t)$, h_1 analytic at infinity, there exists $A > 0$ such that $\alpha_1(z) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{a_1-1} b_k z^k$ in $|z| > A$.

So there exists $r_0 > 0$ such that $r_0^{-1}K \subset \{z : |z| > A\}$ and this implies that

$$r^{a_1}\alpha_1(r^{-1}z) \xrightarrow{r \rightarrow 0} 0 \text{ uniformly on } K.$$

By Cauchy's formula we have that if r is small enough and for $z \in K$,

$$\alpha'_1(r^{-1}z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|\zeta - r^{-1}z| = (r^{-1}|z|)/2} \frac{\alpha_1(\zeta)}{(\zeta - r^{-1}z)^2} d\zeta$$

and so

$$|\alpha'_1(r^{-1}z)| \leq \frac{2r}{|z|} \sup_{|\zeta - r^{-1}z| = (r^{-1}|z|)/2} |\alpha_1(\zeta)|.$$

Then

$$r^{a_1-1}|\alpha'_1(r^{-1}z)| \leq \frac{2r^{a_1}}{|z|} \sup_{|\zeta - r^{-1}z| = (r^{-1}|z|)/2} |\alpha_1(\zeta)|.$$

But $\alpha_1(\zeta) = \alpha_1(r^{-1}r\zeta)$ and $\frac{1}{2}|z| \leq |r\zeta| \leq \frac{3}{2}|z|$.

So $r\zeta$ belongs to a compact \tilde{K} such that $0 \notin \tilde{K}$. Since

$$r^{a_1}|\alpha_1(r^{-1}w)| \xrightarrow{r \rightarrow 0} 0 \text{ uniformly on } \tilde{K},$$

we have

$$r^{a_1-1}|\alpha'_1(r^{-1}z)| \xrightarrow{r \rightarrow 0} 0 \quad \text{uniformly on } K.$$

- We now assume that the statement of the lemma holds for $n - 1$:

$$D\Gamma(t_1, \dots, t_n) = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 t_1^{a_1-1} + \alpha'_1(t_1) & \cdots & a_1 t_n^{a_1-1} + \alpha'_1(t_n) \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_n t_1^{a_n-1} + \alpha'_n(t_1) & \cdots & a_n t_n^{a_n-1} + \alpha'_n(t_n) \end{bmatrix}$$

We develop the determinant by the first column and we obtain summands of the form

$$\begin{aligned} & (a_j t_1^{a_j-1} + \alpha'_j(t_1))(P_{n-1}(t_2, \dots, t_n) + R_{n-1}(t_2, \dots, t_n)) \\ &= a_j t_1^{a_j-1} P_{n-1}(t_2, \dots, t_n) + a_j t_1^{a_j-1} R_{n-1}(t_2, \dots, t_n) \\ & \quad + \alpha'_j(t_1) P_{n-1}(t_2, \dots, t_n) + \alpha'_j(t_1) R_{n-1}(t_2, \dots, t_n) \end{aligned}$$

where P_{n-1} is a homogeneous polynomial of degree

$$a_1 + \cdots + \check{a}_j + \cdots + a_n - (n - 1),$$

and R_{n-1} satisfies

$$r^{a_1 + \cdots + \check{a}_j + \cdots + a_n - (n-1)} R_{n-1}(r^{-1}z_2, \dots, r^{-1}z_n) \xrightarrow{r \rightarrow 0} 0$$

on compact sets as those described in (2).

By inductive hypothesis and the estimate about α'_j , the lemma follows. ■

Proof of the Theorem 1.1. Following [7], for $f \in S$, we decompose

$$\mathcal{H}_\gamma f(x) = \left(\sum_{j=-\infty}^0 \mu_j * f \right)(x)$$

where

$$\mu_j(f) = \int_{|t|>1} f(\gamma(t)) \varphi_0(2^j|t|) \frac{dt}{t}$$

with $\varphi_0 \in C_0^\infty(\frac{1}{2}, 2)$ satisfying $\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \varphi_0(2^j|t|) = 1$.

The theorem follows if we prove that

$$(2.7) \quad \mathcal{H}_\gamma^m f = \sum_{j=-m}^0 \mu_j * f \text{ is bounded on } L^p(\mathbf{R}^n) \text{ independently of } m.$$

For $x \in \mathbf{R}^n$, we define $\phi_0(x) = \varphi_0(|x|)$ and for $k \in \mathbf{Z}$, let $\phi_k(x) = 2^{ka} \phi_0(2^k \cdot x)$. So, for each fixed j_0 ,

$$\delta_0 = \phi_{j_0} + \sum_{k=j_0}^\infty \phi_{k+1} - \phi_k.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}_\gamma^m f &= \sum_{j=-m}^0 \delta_0 * \mu_j * f = \sum_{j=-m}^0 \left(\phi_j + \sum_{k=j}^\infty \phi_{k+1} - \phi_k \right) * \mu_j * f \\ &= \sum_{j=-m}^0 \phi_j * \mu_j * f + \sum_{k=0}^\infty \sum_{j=-m}^0 \eta_{k+j} * \mu_j * f \end{aligned}$$

where $\eta_k = \phi_{k+1} - \phi_k$. Thus

$$\mathcal{H}_\gamma^m f = \left(L_m + \sum_{k=0}^\infty M_k^m \right) * f$$

with

$$L_m = \sum_{j=-m}^0 \phi_j * \mu_j \quad \text{and} \quad M_k^m = \sum_{j=-m}^0 \eta_{k+j} * \mu_j$$

To prove (2.7) we first show that if $1 < p < \infty$,

$$(2.8) \quad \|L_m\|_{p,p} \leq c_p, \quad \|M_k^m\|_{p,p} \leq c_p 2^{k\varepsilon}, \quad \varepsilon > 0,$$

c_p independent of m .

and

$$(2.9) \quad \|M_k^m\|_{2,2} \leq c 2^{-\sigma k} \text{ for some } \sigma > 0, c \text{ independent of } m.$$

($\|L_m\|_{p,p}$ denotes the convolution operator norm of L_m on $L^p(\mathbf{R}^n)$, and similarly for $\|M_k^m\|_{p,p}$.)

From (2.8) and (2.9) we obtain (2.7). Indeed, let p be a fixed exponent, $1 < p < 2$, and take p_0 such that $1 < p_0 < p < 2$. We use the Riesz convexity Theorem and so we interpolate between (2.9) and the estimate (2.8) for $\|M_k^m\|_{p_0, p_0}$. If we choose the exponent ε in (2.8) small enough, we obtain

$$\|M_k^m\|_{p, p} \leq c 2^{-\sigma k s} 2^{\varepsilon k(1-s)} \quad \text{where } \frac{1}{p} = \frac{s}{2} + \frac{1-s}{p_0}$$

and thus $\sum_{k=1}^\infty \|M_k^m\|_{p, p}$ is bounded independently of m .

For $2 < p < \infty$, (2.7) can be proved by duality.

To check (2.8) we observe that

$$L_m(x) = \sum_{j=-m}^0 (\phi_j * \mu_j)(x) = \sum_{j=-m}^0 2^{ja} (\phi_0 * \nu_j)(2^j \cdot x)$$

and

$$M_k^m(x) = \sum_{j=-m}^0 (\eta_{k+j} * \mu_j)(x) = \sum_{j=-m}^0 2^{ja} (\eta_k * \nu_j)(2^j \cdot x)$$

where $\nu_j(f) = \mu_j(f \circ D_{2^j})$.

It is easy to check that $\eta_k * \nu_j$ and $\phi_0 * \nu_j$ satisfy (i), (ii) and (iii) of Lemma 2.2. Moreover the constant $2^{k\varepsilon}$ in (2.8) comes from the L^1 -Hölder condition of $\eta_k * \nu_j$.

To prove (2.9) we use Cotlar's Lemma and the iterative method in [1].

It is enough to check that if $j, l \in \mathbb{Z}$,

$$(2.10) \quad \|\eta_{k+j} * \mu_j * (\eta_{k+l} * \mu_l)^*\|_{2,2} \leq c 2^{-\sigma k} 2^{-|j-l|\sigma} \quad \text{for some } \sigma > 0.$$

We verify this for $0 > j < l$.

To this end we recall that, if A and B are bounded linear operators on a Hilbert space, then

$$\|AB\| \leq \|A\|^{1/2} \|ABB^*\|^{1/2}$$

Iterating N times, we have

$$\|AB\| \leq \|A\|^{1-2^{-N}} \|A(BB^*)^{2^{N-1}}\|^{2^{-N}}.$$

Now

$$\|\eta_{k+j} * \mu_j * (\eta_{k+l} * \mu_l)^*\|_{2,2} \leq c \|\eta_{k+j} * \mu_j * \mu_l^*\|_{2,2}$$

and taking A and B as the operators of convolution by $\eta_{k+j} * \mu_j$ and μ_l^*

respectively, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|\eta_{k+j} * \mu_j * \mu_l^*\|_{2,2} &\leq \|\eta_{k+j} * \mu_j\|_{2,2}^{1-2^{-N}} \|\eta_{k+j} * \mu_j * (\mu_l^* * \mu_l)\|_{2,2}^{2^{N-1}} \\ &\leq c \|\eta_{k+j} * \mu_j * (\mu_l^* * \mu_l)\|_1^{2^{-N}} \end{aligned}$$

since $\|\eta_{k+j} * \mu_j\|_1 \leq c$ independently of k and j . So (2.10) follows if we check that for $0 > j > l$,

$$(2.11) \quad \|\eta_{k+j} * \mu_j * (\mu_l^* * \mu_l)\|_1^{2^{N-1}} \leq c 2^{-\sigma k} 2^{(l-j)\sigma} \quad \text{for some } \sigma > 0.$$

Let

$$\Gamma(t_1, \dots, t_n) = -\gamma(t_1) + \gamma(t_2) + \dots + (-1)^n \gamma(t_n)$$

and let

$$\mathcal{J}(t_1, \dots, t_n) = \det(D\Gamma)|_{(t_1, \dots, t_n)}.$$

It is clear that we can apply Lemma 2.6 to Γ . Thus if

$$\Gamma_l(t_1, \dots, t_n) = D_{2^l} \Gamma(2^{-l}t_1, \dots, 2^{-l}t_n)$$

and

$$\mathcal{J}_l(t_1, \dots, t_n) = \det(D\Gamma_l)|_{(t_1, \dots, t_n)}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{J}_l(t_1, \dots, t_n) &= 2^{l(a-n)} \mathcal{J}(2^{-l}t_1, \dots, 2^{-l}t_n) = P(t_1, \dots, t_n) \\ &\quad + 2^{l(a-n)} R(2^{-l}t_1, \dots, 2^{-l}t_n) \end{aligned}$$

which converges to $P(t_1, \dots, t_n)$ when $l \rightarrow -\infty$ if $t_i \neq 0$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$.

Since $a_1 < \dots < a_n$, $P \neq 0$ and so \mathcal{J} is not identically null. Furthermore

$$\mathcal{J}(t_1, \dots, t_n) \neq 0 \quad \text{a.e. } (t_1, \dots, t_n)$$

such that $|t_i| > 1$, since it is a real analytic function there.

Now we apply Proposition (2.1) in [7] to obtain

$$\mu_l^* * \mu_l * \dots * \frac{\mu_l + \mu_l^*}{2} + (-1)^n \left(\frac{\mu_l - \mu_l^*}{2} \right)$$

is absolutely continuous since it is the transported measure of

$$w_l(t_1, \dots, t_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n \varphi_0(2^l t_i) 1/t_i$$

by $\Gamma(t_1, \dots, t_n)$. Moreover its density ρ_l satisfies an L^1 -Hölder condition.

From now on we fix N such that $2^{N-1} \geq n$. Then it is enough to prove

$$(2.12) \quad \|\rho_l * \mu_j * \eta_{k+j}\|_1 \leq c 2^{-\sigma k} 2^{(l-j)\sigma} \quad \text{for some } \sigma > 0.$$

Let

$$\tilde{w}(t_1, \dots, t_n) = 2^{-ln} w_l(2^{-l} t_1, \dots, 2^{-l} t_n)$$

which doesn't depend on l . So if $\tilde{\rho}_l(y) = 2^{-la} \rho_l(2^{-l} \cdot y)$ we have that $\tilde{\rho}_l$ is the density of the transported measure by Γ_l of \tilde{w} .

If we prove that

$$(2.13) \quad \int |\tilde{\rho}_l(x+y) - \tilde{\rho}_l(x)| dx \leq c|y|^\sigma$$

for some $\sigma > 0$, c independent of l ,

then

$$\int |\rho_l(x+y) - \rho_l(x)| \leq c 2^{l\sigma} |y|^\sigma.$$

The same holds for $\rho_l * \mu_j$ since the total variation of μ_j is bounded independent of j . Also η_{k+j} has mean value zero and $\text{supp } \eta_{k+j} \subset \{x: |x| \leq c 2^{-(k+j)}\}$.

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \|\rho_l * \mu_j * \eta_{k+j}\|_1 &= \int |\rho_l * \mu_j * \eta_{k+j}(x)| dx \\ &= \int \left| \int (\rho_l * \mu_j)(x-y) \eta_{k+j}(y) dy \right| dx \\ &\leq \int \int |\rho_l * \mu_j(x-y) - (\rho_l * \mu_j)(x)| dx |\eta_{k+j}(y)| dy \\ &\leq c \int_{\text{supp } \eta_{k+j}} 2^{l\sigma} |y|^\sigma dy \leq c 2^{l\sigma} 2^{-(k+j)\sigma} \end{aligned}$$

which proves (2.12).

To prove (2.13) we first observe that

$$\int |\tilde{\rho}_l(x + y) - \tilde{\rho}_l(x)| dx \leq c|y|^\sigma \left(\int_{\text{supp } \tilde{w}} |\tilde{w}| + |\nabla \tilde{w}| \right)^\sigma \left(\int_{\text{supp } \tilde{w}} \frac{|\tilde{w}|}{|\mathcal{S}_l|^{2\sigma/1-\sigma}} \right)^{1-\sigma}$$

for all $0 < \sigma < 1$ such that $\int_{\text{supp } \tilde{w}} 1/|\mathcal{S}_l|^{2\sigma/1-\sigma} < \infty$ ([8]).

Thus we have to check

(2.14) There exists $\alpha > 0$ such that for $|l|$ large enough, $\int_{\text{supp } \tilde{w}} |\mathcal{S}_l|^{-\alpha} \leq c$ independent of l .

Since $\mathcal{S}_l(t_1, \dots, t_n) = P(t_1, \dots, t_n) + 2^{l(a-n)}R(2^{-l}t_1, \dots, 2^{-l}t_n)$, we will check that there exists $\alpha > 0$ such that

$$\int_{\text{supp } \tilde{w}} |P(t) + r^{(a-n)}R(r^{-1}t)|^{-\alpha} dt \leq c \text{ for } r \text{ small enough.}$$

To see this we make use of Lemma (2.1) in [6].

Let

$$t_0 \in \text{supp } \tilde{w} \subseteq [1/2, 2] \times \dots \times [1/2, 2] \text{ and } G_r(t) = r^{(a-n)}R(r^{-1}t).$$

For r small enough G_r is analytic in the neighborhood

$$t_0 + [-M, M]^n \text{ of } t_0 = (t_0^1, \dots, t_0^n)$$

where $M = \min_i |t_0^i|/4$.

We will check that if $G_r(t) = \sum_I a_I^r(t - t_0)^I$ then

$$\sum_I |a_I^r| M^{|I|} \xrightarrow{r \rightarrow 0} 0$$

where

$$a_I^r = \frac{1}{i_1! \dots i_n!} r^{(a-n)-|I|} \frac{\partial^{|I|} R}{\partial t_1^{i_1} \dots \partial t_n^{i_n}}(r^{-1}t_0).$$

Now by Cauchy’s formula

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial^{|I|} R}{\partial t_1^{i_1} \cdots \partial t_n^{i_n}}(r^{-1}t_0) \\ &= \frac{i_1! \cdots i_n!}{(2\pi i)^n} \int_{\{\zeta/|\zeta_i - r^{-1}t_0^i| = (r^{-1}|t_0^i|)/2\}} \frac{R(\zeta) d\zeta_1 \cdots d\zeta_n}{(\zeta_1 - r^{-1}t_0^1)^{i_1+1} \cdots (\zeta_n - r^{-1}t_0^n)^{i_n+1}} \end{aligned}$$

then

$$a_I^r \leq 2^{|I|} |t_0^I|^{-1} r^{a-n} \sup_{\{\zeta/|\zeta_i - r^{-1}t_0^i| = (r^{-1}|t_0^i|)/2\}} |R(\zeta)|.$$

We write $R(\zeta) = R(r^{-1}r\zeta)$. Since $r\zeta$ belongs to a compact set \mathcal{K} , satisfying (2) of Lemma 2.6, we have $a_I^r < \varepsilon 2^{|I|} |t_0^I|^{-1}$ for r small enough. So

$$\sum_I |a_I^r| M^{|I|} \leq \varepsilon \sum_I 2^{-|I|}.$$

Now, Lemma, (2.1) in [6] states that for $\alpha < 1/(a - n)$ there exist $c(t_0), r(t_0)$ and a neighborhood $U(t_0)$ of t_0 such that

$$\int_{U(t_0)} |P(t) + G_r(t)|^{-\alpha} \leq c(t_0) \text{ for } r \leq r(t_0).$$

Since $\text{supp } \tilde{w}$ is compact, (2.14) follows.

3. Remarks

Remark 3.1. The theorem still holds if $\alpha_i(t)$ is a real analytic function for $|t| > 1$, satisfying:

(i) For each $t_0, |t| > 1$, the Taylor expansion of α_i converges in

$$\left\{ \zeta \in C / |\zeta - t_0| \leq \frac{|t_0|}{2} \right\}$$

(ii) For each $t_0, |t_0| > 1, \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} r^{a_i} \alpha_i(r^{-1}\zeta) = 0$ uniformly on

$$\left\{ \zeta \in C / |\zeta - t_0| \leq \frac{|t_0|}{2} \right\}$$

This result includes more curves than the Theorem; for example let $\alpha_i(t) = e^{-|t|}$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$. We extend $\alpha_i(t)$ as e^{-z} for $\text{Re } z > 0$ and e^z for $\text{Re } z < 0$. So (i) and (ii) hold.

Proof of 3.1. As in the proof of the theorem, we must estimate

$$a_I^r = r^{(a-n)-|I|} \frac{1}{i_1! \cdots i_n!} \frac{\partial^{|I|} R}{\partial t_1^{i_1} \cdots \partial t_n^{i_n}} (r^{-1}t_0)$$

Reviewing Lemma 2.6 it is easy to see that the summands of $\mathcal{S}(t_1, \dots, t_n)$ are either

$$P(t_{i_{k+1}}, \dots, t_{i_n}) \alpha'_{j_1}(t_{i_1}) \cdots \alpha'_{j_k}(t_{i_k}),$$

where P is homogeneous of degree

$$a - (a_{j_1} + \cdots + a_{j_k}) - (n - k),$$

or

$$\alpha'_{j_1}(t_1) \cdots \alpha'_{j_n}(t_n).$$

Without lost of generality we assume

$$R(t_1, \dots, t_n) = \alpha'_{j_1}(t_1) \cdots \alpha'_{j_k}(t_k) P(t_{k+1}, \dots, t_n).$$

We must estimate $\sum_I |a_I^r| M^{|I|}$ with M as in the theorem.

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_I |a_I^r| M^{|I|} \\ &= \sum_{i_1} \frac{r^{a_{j_1}-1-i_1}}{i_1!} |\alpha_{j_1}^{(i_1+1)}(r^{-1}t_0^1)| M^{i_1} \cdots \sum_{i_k} \frac{r^{a_{j_k}-1-i_k}}{i_k!} |\alpha_{j_k}^{(i_k+1)}(r^{-1}t_0^k)| M^{i_k} \\ & \cdot \sum_{I_2=(i_{k+1} \cdots i_n)} \left| \frac{D^{I_2} P(t_0^{k+1}, \dots, t_0^n)}{i_{k+1}! \cdots i_n!} \right| M^{|I_2|}. \end{aligned}$$

By Cauchy's formula

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{r^{a_{j_1}-1-i_1}}{i_1!} \alpha_{j_1}^{(i_1+1)}(r^{-1}t_0^1) \\ &= r^{a_{j_1}-1-i_1} \frac{i_1+1}{2\pi i} \int_{|\zeta-r^{-1}t_0^1|=(r^{-1}|t_0^1|)/2} \frac{\alpha_{j_1}(\zeta)}{(\zeta-r^{-1}t_0^1)^{i_1+2}} d\zeta \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\left| \frac{r^{a_{j_1}-1-i_1}}{i_1!} \alpha_{j_1}^{(i_1+1)}(r^{-1}t_0^1) \right| \leq r^{a_{j_1}(i_1+1)} |t_0^1|^{-i_1-1} 2^{i_1+1} \sup_{|\zeta-r^{-1}t_0^1|=(r^{-1}|t_0^1|)/2} |\alpha_{j_1}(\zeta)|$$

Since $|r\zeta - t_0^1| = |t_0^1|/2$ and $\alpha_j(\zeta) = \alpha_j(r^{-1}r\zeta)$, $r^{a_{j_1}} \sup |\alpha_{j_1}(\zeta)| \rightarrow 0$ as $r \rightarrow 0$ by (ii).

So by the choice of M , \sum_{i_1} converges and tends to zero with r . The same hold for the other sums. ■

Remark 3.2. The theorem still holds if $\gamma(t) = (\gamma_1(t) + \alpha_1(t), \dots, \gamma_n(t) + \alpha_n(t))$ where γ_i is a homogeneous function of degree a_i , $a_i \in \mathbf{R}$, $1 \leq a_1 < \dots < a_n$, and α_i satisfying the conditions of Remark 3.1.

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