

59. On Bochner Transforms

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1. If $\varphi(r)$ is a function of the distance r from the origin of h -dimensional Euclidean space, then the Fourier transform of $\varphi(r)$, that is the integral transform by the kernel function $\exp(2\pi i(x_1 y_1 + \cdots + x_h y_h))$, is also a function of r and is expressed as following:

$$T\varphi(r) = 2\pi r^{1-\frac{h}{2}} \int_0^\infty J_{\frac{h}{2}-1}(2\pi r \rho) \rho^{\frac{h}{2}} \varphi(\rho) d\rho,$$

where $J_\nu(x)$ is Bessel function ([1] p. 69, Theorem 40).

By the general theory of Fourier transform the linear operator T has the properties:

- (a) T transforms $\varphi(ur)$ to $|u|^{-h} T\varphi\left(\frac{r}{u}\right)$ if $u \neq 0$,
- (b) T transforms $e^{-\pi r^2}$ to $e^{-\pi r^2}$,
- (c) there exists a number series $\{a_0, a_1, \dots\}$ which satisfies

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \varphi(\sqrt{n}) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n T\varphi(\sqrt{n})$$
 (Poisson summation formula),
- (d) $T^2\varphi = \varphi$ (the inversion formula),

and

- (e) $\int_0^\infty |T\varphi(r)|^2 r^{k-1} dr = \int_0^\infty |\varphi(r)|^2 r^{k-1} dr$ (Parseval formula).

In his paper [2] Bochner proved that the properties (a), (b) and (c) characterize the operator T .

We shall describe here the theorem of Bochner in somewhat modified form:

Let us denote by \mathfrak{F}_0 the family of all functions $\varphi(x)$ on $[0, \infty)$ such that $\left(\frac{d}{xdx}\right)^r \varphi(x)$ exists at 0 for any r and every derivative of $\varphi(x)$ decreases rapidly as x tends to infinity.

Theorem of Bochner. Let T be a linear operator from \mathfrak{F}_0 to \mathfrak{F}_0 which satisfies the following conditions:

- (A) T transforms $\varphi(ux)$ to $|u|^{-h} T\varphi\left(\frac{x}{u}\right)$ for any $u \neq 0$, where h is a positive constant,
- (B) $e^{-\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} x^2}$ is an eigenfunction of T , where λ is a positive constant, and
- (C) there exists number series $\{a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots\}$ such that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{|a_n|}{n^{s_0}}$ converges for a positive number s_0 and

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \varphi(\sqrt{n}) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n T\varphi(\sqrt{n})$$

for any $\varphi(x)$ in \mathfrak{P}_0 , then $T\varphi(x)$ is equal to the Bochner transform

$$T_{\lambda,h}\varphi(x) = \frac{4\pi}{\lambda} x^{-\frac{h}{2}+1} \int_0^{\infty} J_{\frac{h}{2}-1}\left(\frac{4\pi}{\lambda}xt\right) t^{\frac{h}{2}}\varphi(t) dt$$

of $\varphi(x)$ or equal to $-T_{\lambda,h}\varphi(x)$, and the Mellin transform of $T_{\lambda,h}\varphi(x)$ is $\Phi(h-s)\left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}\right)^{-s+\frac{h}{2}}\Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right)/\Gamma\left(\frac{h-s}{2}\right)$ where $\Phi(s)$ is the Mellin transform of $\varphi(x)$.

At this opportunity it may be remarked that the result of our previous paper [3] is a direct consequence of Bochner's theory.

In the following we shall investigate the properties of $T_{\lambda,k}$ and give a generalization of the central limit theorem in the probability theory (Proposition 9).

2. Using Bochner's theorem it is easily proved that the Mellin transform of $T^2\varphi$ is equal to $\Phi(s)$. Therefore we get

Proposition 1. $T_{\lambda,k}(T_{\lambda,k}\varphi) = \varphi$.

Moreover an analogy of Parseval formula can be stated as follows:

Proposition 2. $\int_0^{\infty} x^{h-1} |T_{\lambda,h}\varphi(x)|^2 dx = \int_0^{\infty} x^{h-1} |\varphi(x)|^2 dx$.

Proof. We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^{\infty} x^{h-1} |T_{\lambda,h}\varphi(x)|^2 dx \\ &= \left(\frac{4\pi}{\lambda}\right)^2 \int_0^{\infty} x dx \int_0^{\infty} J_{\frac{h}{2}-1}\left(\frac{4\pi}{\lambda}xt\right) t^{\frac{h}{2}}\varphi(t) dt \cdot \int_0^{\infty} J_{\frac{h}{2}-1}\left(\frac{4\pi}{\lambda}xu\right) u^{\frac{h}{2}}\overline{\varphi(u)} du \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} u^{\frac{h}{2}}\overline{\varphi(u)} du \int_0^{\infty} J_{\frac{h}{2}-1}(xu) x dx \int_0^{\infty} J_{\frac{h}{2}-1}(xt) t^{\frac{h}{2}-1}\varphi(t) dt. \end{aligned}$$

By Hankel's inversion formula (Titchmarsh [4] p. 241, Watson [5], p. 456 (1)) this is equal to

$$\int_0^{\infty} u^{\frac{h}{2}}\overline{\varphi(u)} \cdot u^{\frac{h}{2}-1}\varphi(u) du.$$

Corollary. $\int_0^{\infty} x^{h-1} T_{\lambda,h}\varphi(x) T_{\lambda,h}\psi(x) dx = \int_0^{\infty} x^{h-1} \varphi(x) \psi(x) dx$.

Now we shall give a relation between $T_{\lambda,h}$ and $T_{\lambda,h+2}$. Because $\frac{d}{dx}(x^{\nu}J_{\nu}(x)) = x^{\nu}J_{\nu-1}(x)$ we have, integrating by parts,

$$T_{\lambda,h}\varphi(x) = -x^{-\frac{h}{2}} \int_0^{\infty} J_{\frac{h}{2}}\left(\frac{4\pi}{\lambda}xt\right) t^{\frac{h}{2}}\varphi'(t) dt.$$

Thus we have

Proposition 3. For $h > 0$, $T_{\lambda,h}f(x)$ is equal to $-\frac{\lambda}{4\pi} T_{\lambda,h+2}\left\{\frac{1}{x}f'(x)\right\}(x)$ if $\frac{1}{x}f'(x)$ is defined at $[0, \infty)$.

Then, we estimate the value of $T_{\lambda,h}f(x)$:

$$\begin{aligned} T_{\lambda,h}f(x) &= -\frac{\lambda}{4\pi} T_{\lambda,h+2} \left\{ \frac{d}{x dx} f(x) \right\} \quad (\text{Proposition 3}) \\ &= \left(-\frac{\lambda}{4\pi} \right)^r T_{\lambda,h+2r} \left\{ \left(\frac{d}{x dx} \right)^r f(x) \right\} \\ &= O \left(x^{-\left(\frac{h}{2}+r-1\right)-\frac{1}{2}} \int_0^\infty t^{\frac{h}{2}+r-\frac{1}{2}} \left| \left(\frac{d}{t dt} \right)^r f(t) \right| dt \right), \end{aligned}$$

because $J_p(x) = O(x^{-\frac{1}{2}})$.

Proposition 4. *Let h be a positive number, r be a non-negative integer and $f(x)$ be a function such that*

$$\int_0^\infty \left| \left(\frac{d}{t dt} \right)^r f(t) \right| t^{\frac{h}{2}+r-\frac{1}{2}} dt \text{ exists. Then}$$

$$T_{\lambda,h}f(x) = O \left(x^{-\frac{h}{2}-r+\frac{1}{2}} \int_0^\infty \left| \left(\frac{d}{t dt} \right)^r f(t) \right| t^{\frac{h}{2}+r-\frac{1}{2}} dt \right).$$

Using the identity

$$\frac{d}{dx} (x^{-\nu} J_\nu(x)) = -x^{-\nu} J_{\nu+1}(x)$$

we can calculate the derivative of $T_{\lambda,h}\varphi(x)$. Namely,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} (T_{\lambda,h}\varphi(x)) &= \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{4\pi}{\lambda} \int_0^\infty x^{-\frac{h}{2}+1} J_{\frac{h}{2}-1} \left(\frac{4\pi}{\lambda} xt \right) t^{\frac{h}{2}} \varphi(t) dt \right) \\ &= \frac{4\pi}{\lambda} \int_0^\infty \left(-\frac{4\pi}{\lambda} tx^{-\frac{h}{2}-1} J_{\frac{h}{2}} \left(\frac{4\pi}{\lambda} xt \right) \right) t^{\frac{h}{2}} \varphi(t) dt \\ &= -\frac{4\pi}{\lambda} x T_{\lambda,h+2}\varphi(x). \end{aligned}$$

Proposition 5. $\frac{d}{dx} (T_{\lambda,h}\varphi(x)) = -\frac{4\pi}{\lambda} x T_{\lambda,h+2}\varphi(x).$

The existence of the following proposition is the reason why we select in (B) the special eigenfunction $e^{-\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}x^2}$.

Proposition 6. *If $\varphi(x)$ is an eigenfunction with respect to $T_{\lambda,h}$ and $T_{\lambda,h+2}$ belonging to \mathfrak{F}_0 , then $\varphi(x)$ is of the form $ce^{-\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}x^2}$.*

Proof. Let

$$T_{\lambda,h}\varphi(x) = \alpha\varphi(x) \text{ and } T_{\lambda,h+2}\varphi(x) = \beta\varphi(x).$$

Then α and β are equal to 1 or -1 by Proposition 1, and $\alpha\varphi'(x) = -\frac{4\pi}{\lambda}x\beta\varphi(x)$ by Proposition 5. (Q.E.D.)

Now we have to introduce a topology on the linear space \mathfrak{F}_0 . We take as a basis of neighbourhoods of 0 the family of the sets of the following type:

$$\begin{aligned} V(n, m, \varepsilon) &= \left\{ \varphi \in \mathfrak{F}_0 : \left| (1+x)^m \left(\frac{d}{x dx} \right)^j \varphi(x) \right| < \varepsilon \right. \\ &\quad \left. \text{for any } x \geq 0 \text{ and for } j=0, 1, 2, \dots, n \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

where n, m are arbitrary non-negative integers and ε is an arbitrary positive number. Concerning the Theorem of Bochner, we shall add the following

Proposition 7. $(\varphi, \psi) \rightarrow \varphi\psi$ is a continuous linear mapping from $\mathfrak{F}_0 \times \mathfrak{F}_0$ to \mathfrak{F}_0 and $\varphi \rightarrow T_{\lambda, h}\varphi$ is a continuous linear mapping from \mathfrak{F}_0 onto itself.

Proof. The continuity of $(\varphi, \psi) \rightarrow \varphi\psi$ is a direct consequence of the definition of our topology. By Proposition 5 it is enough to prove the remainder of the proposition if we show for any given g, l and ε there exists a neighbourhood of 0 such that $|(1+x)^l T_{\lambda, g}\varphi(x)| < \varepsilon$ for all $x \geq 0$. In the case $x \geq 1$ this is proved by Proposition 4 and in the case $0 \leq x \leq 1$ by the continuity of $x^{-\nu} J_\nu(x)$.

4. For two functions $\varphi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ and $\psi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ in h -variables the convolution of φ and ψ is defined by the formula

$$\varphi * \psi(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \int \dots \int \varphi(x_1 - t_1, \dots, x_n - t_n) \psi(t_1, \dots, t_n) dt_1 \dots dt_n.$$

If φ and ψ depend only on $x = \sqrt{x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2}$, then $\varphi * \psi$ is also a function in x only. And it is well known, if we regard $\varphi(x)$ and $\psi(x)$ as functions in x ,

$$T_{2, h}(\varphi * \psi) = T_{2, h}\varphi \cdot T_{2, h}\psi.$$

Now we shall define the (λ, h) convolution $*_{\lambda, h}$ for any pair of positive numbers λ and h using the operator $T_{\lambda, h}$, that is,

$$\varphi *_{\lambda, h} \psi = T_{\lambda, h}(T_{\lambda, h}\varphi \cdot T_{\lambda, h}\psi).$$

Proposition 8. (λ, h) convolution has the properties:

(i) if $\lambda=2$ and h is a natural number then $*_{\lambda, h}$ is identical with ordinary h -dimensional convolution,

(ii) $T_{\lambda, h}(\varphi *_{\lambda, h} \psi) = T_{\lambda, h}\varphi \cdot T_{\lambda, h}\psi$,

(iii) it is associative and commutative,

(iv) $(\varphi, \psi) \rightarrow \varphi *_{\lambda, h} \psi$ is a continuous bilinear mapping $\mathfrak{F}_0 \times \mathfrak{F}_0$ to \mathfrak{F}_0 , and

(v)
$$\varphi *_{\lambda, h} \psi(0) = \frac{1}{\Gamma\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)} \left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}\right)^{\frac{h}{2}} \int_0^\infty t^{h-1} \varphi(t) \psi(t) dt.$$

Proof. We get (i), (iii) directly from the definition of $*_{\lambda, h}$, (ii) by Proposition 1 and (iv) is a consequence of Proposition 7.

Finally we shall prove (v). By the Theorem of Bochner we have

$$T_{\lambda, h}\varphi(0) = \left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}\right)^{\frac{h}{2}} \frac{1}{\Gamma\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)} \int_0^\infty t^{h-1} \varphi(t) dt \text{ for any } \varphi \text{ in } \mathfrak{F}_0.$$

Therefore

$$\varphi *_{\lambda, h} \psi(0) = \left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}\right)^{\frac{h}{2}} \frac{1}{\Gamma\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)} \int_0^\infty t^{h-1} T_{\lambda, h}\varphi(t) T_{\lambda, h}\psi(t) dt$$

$$= \left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}\right)^{\frac{h}{2}} \frac{1}{\Gamma\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)} \int_0^\infty t^{h-1} \varphi(t) \psi(t) dt$$

by Corollary of Proposition 2. (Q.E.D.)

Now we shall give an analogy of the central limit theorem in the probability theory.

Proposition 9. Put $\alpha = \frac{1}{\Gamma\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)} \left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}\right)^{\frac{h}{2}} \int_0^\infty x^{h-1} \varphi(x) dx$ and

$$\beta = \frac{1}{\Gamma\left(\frac{h}{2} + 1\right)} \left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}\right)^{\frac{h}{2} + 1} \int_0^\infty x^{h+1} \varphi(x) dx. \text{ Let } \alpha \text{ be different from 0 and}$$

$\alpha\beta$ be greater than 0. Put

$$\psi_n = \left(\frac{n\beta}{\alpha}\right)^{\frac{h}{2}} \alpha^{-n} \underbrace{\varphi^{*}_{\lambda,h} \varphi^{*}_{\lambda,h} \cdots \varphi^{*}_{\lambda,h}}_n \left(\sqrt{\frac{n\beta}{\alpha}} x\right).$$

Then ψ_n converges to $e^{-\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}x^2}$ as n tends to infinity.

Proof. First we shall calculate the McLaurin expansion of $T_{\lambda,h}\varphi(x)$. By Proposition 5 we have

$$\frac{d}{dx} T_{\lambda,h}\varphi(0) = 0, \quad \frac{d^2}{dx^2} T_{\lambda,h}\varphi(0) = -\frac{4\pi}{\lambda} T_{\lambda,h+2}\varphi(0), \quad \frac{d^3}{dx^3} T_{\lambda,h}\varphi(0) = 0$$

and

$$\frac{d^4}{dx^4} T_{\lambda,h}\varphi(x) = 3\left(\frac{4\pi}{\lambda}\right)^2 T_{\lambda,h+4}\varphi(x) - 6\left(\frac{4\pi}{\lambda}\right)^3 x^2 T_{\lambda,h+6}\varphi(x) + \left(\frac{4\pi}{\lambda}\right)^4 x^4 T_{\lambda,h+8}\varphi(x).$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} T_{\lambda,h}\varphi(x) &= T_{\lambda,h}\varphi(0) - \frac{1}{2!} \frac{4\pi}{\lambda} T_{\lambda,h+2}\varphi(0)x^2 + R(\theta x)x^4 \\ &= \alpha - \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \beta x^2 + R(\theta x)x^4, \end{aligned}$$

where $R(x)$ is a locally uniformly bounded function. Then we get

$$\begin{aligned} T_{\lambda,h}\psi_n(x) &= \alpha^{-n} T_{\lambda,h}(\varphi^{*}_{\lambda,h} \cdots \varphi^{*}_{\lambda,h}) \left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{\frac{n\beta}{\alpha}}}\right) \\ &= \left(\alpha^{-1} T_{\lambda,h}\varphi\left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{\frac{n\beta}{\alpha}}}\right)\right)^n \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \cdot \frac{x^2}{n} + O\left(\frac{x^4}{n^2}\right)\right)^n \end{aligned}$$

and the last term tends to $e^{-\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}x^2}$. Because $T_{\lambda,h}$ is continuous on \mathfrak{F}_0 , $\psi_n = T_{\lambda,h}(T_{\lambda,h}\psi_n)$ converges to $T_{\lambda,h} e^{-\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}x^2} = e^{-\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}x^2}$.

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