

On Lorentz Invariant Distributions

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Abstract. n -point Lorentz invariant tempered distributions with the supports for one-point only in \bar{V}_+^μ are described.

1. Introduction

Lorentz invariant one-point distributions were extensively investigated by P.-D. Methée [1–2]. n -point Lorentz invariant tempered distributions with supports for one-point only in \bar{V}_+^μ were studied by K. Hepp [3]. In this case the problem of the description of Lorentz invariant distributions is equivalent to the description of the rotation invariant tempered distributions of n three-vectors. For $n=1, 2$ this problem was solved [3]. Rotation invariant distributions and the Lorentz invariant distributions were represented as distributions on the space of the $SO(3)$ -invariants and conformably on the space of the L_\uparrow -invariants. In trying to generalize Hepp's results to $n>2$ one encounters the difficulty that the space of the L_\uparrow -invariants (and the $SO(3)$ -invariants) is an algebraic variety with singularities, on which no reasonable spaces of testing functions have yet been defined [3].

In present paper $SO(3)$ -harmonic analysis on the space $S'(R^3)$ is studied. Taking advantage of this analysis it is possible to describe the rotation invariant tempered distributions. As stated above the Lorentz invariant tempered distributions with supports in $\bar{V}_+^\mu \times R^{4n}$ were connected with the rotation invariant distributions. Hence we obtain the description of the Lorentz invariant distributions belonging to the space $S'(\bar{V}_+^\mu \times R^{4n})$.

The plan of this paper is as follows: Section 2 contains $SO(3)$ -harmonic analysis on $S'(R^3)$; in Section 3 rotation invariant tempered distributions were studied. The Lorentz invariant distributions belonging to $S'(\bar{V}_+^\mu \times R^{4n})$ are under consideration in Section 4.

2. Spherical Harmonics

We shall consider first the spherical harmonics $Y_{lm}(\Theta, \varphi)$, i.e. the eigenvectors of the spherical part of the three-dimensional Laplace operator. The spherical harmonics Y_{lm} and the associated Legendre functions P_l^m are related by ([4], p. 24).

$$Y_{lm}(\Theta, \varphi) = (-1)^m \left[\frac{(2l+1)(l-m)!}{4\pi(l+m)!} \right]^{1/2} P_l^m(\cos \theta) \exp im\varphi. \quad (2.1)$$

We define the harmonic polynomial $Y_{lm}(x)$, $x \in R^3$ as

$$Y_{lm}(x) = r^l Y_{lm}(\Theta, \varphi),$$

where r , Θ , φ are the spherical coordinates of x .

With the distribution $f(x) \in S'(R^3)$ and the harmonic polynomial $Y_{lm}(x)$ we relate the linear functional $f_{lm}(t)$ on the space $S(\bar{R}_+)$

$$(f_{lm}(t), \varphi(t)) = (f(x), Y_{lm}(x)\varphi(|x|^2)). \quad (2.2)$$

The function $Y_{lm}(x)\varphi(|x|^2) \in S(R^3)$, and the relation (2.2) is well defined. We call $f_{lm}(t)$ the spherical harmonic of the distribution $f(x)$. It is evident that $f_{lm}(t) \in S'(\bar{R}_+)$. For further purposes we need to know how the continuity of $f_{lm}(t)$ depends on l . Let us estimate the seminorm $\|Y_{lm}(x)\varphi(|x|^2)\|_{n,k}$. $\|\cdot\|_{n,k}$ is a usual seminorm on the space $S(R^3)$

$$\|\varphi(x)\|_{n,k} = \sup_{R^3} (1 + |x|^2)^n |\mathcal{D}^k \varphi(x)|,$$

where $\mathcal{D}^k = \partial^{k_1} / \partial x_1^{k_1} \partial x_2^{k_2} \partial x_3^{k_3}$.

Recursion relations for the associated Legendre functions $P_l^m(x)$ ([4], pp. 23–24) are combined for finding the relations for derivatives of $Y_{lm}(x)\varphi(|x|^2)$

$$\begin{aligned} & (\partial/\partial x_1 + i\partial/\partial x_2) Y_{lm}(x)\varphi(|x|^2) \\ &= -2\alpha_{lm} Y_{l+1, m+1}(x)\varphi'(|x|^2) + \alpha_{l-1, -m-1} Y_{l-1, m+1}(x)\Phi_l(x) \\ & \partial/\partial x_3 (Y_{lm}(x)\varphi(|x|^2)) \\ &= 2\beta_{l+1, m} Y_{l+1, m}(x)\varphi'(|x|^2) + \beta_{lm} Y_{l-1, m}(x)\Phi_l(x) \\ & (\partial/\partial x_1 - i\partial/\partial x_2) Y_{lm}(x)\varphi(|x|^2) \\ &= 2\alpha_{l, -m} Y_{l+1, m-1}(x)\varphi'(|x|^2) - \alpha_{l-1, m-1} Y_{l-1, m-1}(x)\Phi_l(x) \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

where the coefficients

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{lm} &= [(l+m+1)(l+m+2)/(2l+1)(2l+3)]^{1/2} \\ \beta_{lm} &= [(l-m)(l+m)/(2l-1)(2l+1)]^{1/2} \\ \Phi_l(x) &= (2l+1)\varphi(|x|^2) + 2|x|^2\varphi'(|x|^2). \end{aligned}$$

Combining the equations (2.3) and the inequality

$$|Y_{lm}(x)| < (2l+1)^{1/2} |x|^l$$

we obtain the estimate

$$\begin{aligned} & \| Y_{lm}(x)\varphi(|x|^2) \|_{n,k} \\ & \leq C(2l+1)^{|k|+1} \max_{q \leq |k|} \| \varphi \|_{n+|k|,q,|k|}^{(l)} \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

where constant C depends on n and k , and the seminorm

$$\| \varphi(t) \|_{n,q,k}^{(l)} = \sup_{\bar{R}_+} t^{\frac{1}{2}(l-k)_+} (1+t)^n | \varphi^{(q)}(t) |$$

(here $(l-k)_+ = \max(l-k, 0)$) is a usual seminorm on the space $S(\bar{R}_+)$.

The application of the inequality (2.4) to the distribution $f(x)$ gives the continuity of the spherical harmonics $f_{lm}(t)$.

Let $S(\bar{R}_+ \times S\hat{O}(3))$ be the space of the sequences $\{ \varphi_{lm}(t) \}$ ($l=0, 1, \dots; m=-l, \dots, l$) of the infinitely differentiable functions $\varphi_{lm}(t)$ in \bar{R}_+ such that

$$\max_{l,m} (2l+1)^p \| \varphi_{lm}(t) \|_{n,q,k}^{(l)} < \infty \quad (2.5)$$

for any p, n, q, k . $S(\bar{R}_+ \times S\hat{O}(3))$ is locally convex topological vector space with the topology defined by the seminorms that are finite according to (2.5). The inequality (2.4) gives us $\{ f_{lm}(t) \} \in S'(\bar{R}_+ \times S\hat{O}(3))$.

Let the spherical harmonics f_{lm} be given. We shall consider the problem of the distribution $f(x)$ reconstruction.

Let the function $g(x) \in S(R^3)$. We rewrite it in spherical coordinates: $g(r, \theta, \varphi) = g(r \sin \theta \cos \varphi, r \sin \theta \sin \varphi, r \cos \theta)$. We define the function $\tilde{g}_{lm}(r)$ as follows:

$$\tilde{g}_{lm}(r) = \int_{S^2} d\Omega \bar{Y}_{lm}(\Omega) g(r, \Omega). \quad (2.6)$$

It is easy to see that $\tilde{g}_{lm}(r) \in S(R^1)$ for any l, m . (We allow a negative r .) We shall study the properties of $\tilde{g}_{lm}(r)$.

It follows from (2.6) that $\tilde{g}_{lm}(0) = 0$ for $l > 0$. Let us introduce the differential operators

$$\begin{aligned} d_1 &= (8\pi/3)^{1/2} (\partial/\partial x_1 - i\partial/\partial x_2) \\ d_0 &= (4\pi/3)^{1/2} \partial/\partial x_3 \\ d_{-1} &= -(8\pi/3)^{1/2} (\partial/\partial x_1 + i\partial/\partial x_2). \end{aligned}$$

We may use the spherical harmonics Y_{1m} for computing the derivative of $g(r, \Omega)$

$$(\partial g/\partial r)(r, \Omega) = \sum_{m=-1}^1 Y_{1m}(\Omega) d_m g(r, \Omega).$$

In virtue of (2.6) this implies

$$(d^k \tilde{g}_{lm}/dr^k)(0) = \int_{S^2} d\Omega \bar{Y}_{lm}(\Omega) \left(\sum_{n=-1}^1 Y_{1n}(\Omega) d_n \right)^k g(0).$$

Thus the problem of computing $\tilde{g}_{lm}^{(k)}(0)$ is reduced to that of computing the integrals over the product of the spherical harmonics $Y_{lm}(\Omega)$. These integrals equal zero, if the resultant angular momentum of the addition of the angular momentum l and k angular momenta isn't zero [4].

Hence

$$(d^k \tilde{g}_{lm}/dr^k)(0) = 0 \quad k=0, \dots, l-1. \quad (2.7)$$

Now we show that function $\tilde{g}_{lm}(r)$ has the definite parity. On taking into account the relation (2.6) and

$$g(-r, \Theta, \varphi) = g(r, \pi - \Theta, \varphi + \pi)$$

$$Y_{lm}(\pi - \Theta, \varphi - \pi) = (-1)^l Y_{lm}(\Theta, \varphi)$$

we find

$$\tilde{g}_{lm}(-r) = (-1)^l \tilde{g}_{lm}(r). \quad (2.8)$$

In view of (2.7) and (2.8) the even function $r^{-l} \tilde{g}_{lm}(r) \in S(R^1)$. Thus there exists the function $g_{lm}(t) \in S(\bar{R}_+)$ such that

$$g_{lm}(r^2) = r^{-l} \tilde{g}_{lm}(r)$$

(see, for example, [5]). We call $g_{lm}(t)$ the spherical harmonic of the function $g(x)$. We shall prove that for $g(x) \in S(R^3)$ the sequence $\{g_{lm}(t)\} \in S(\bar{R}_+ \times \hat{SO}(3))$. We must show that any seminorm (2.5) is finite on $\{g_{lm}(t)\}$. First we consider the factor $(2l+1)^p$ in (2.5). The spherical harmonic Y_{lm} is the eigen function of the spherical part Δ_Ω of the Laplace operator Δ with the eigenvalue $-l(l+1)$ ([4], p. 21). Hence

$$(2l+1)^{2p} g_{lm}(t) = t^{-l/2} \int_{S^2} d\Omega \bar{Y}_{lm}(\Omega) (1 - 4\Delta_\Omega)^p g(t^{1/2}, \Omega). \quad (2.9)$$

However the function $(1 - 4\Delta_\Omega)^p g(r, \Omega)$ is the function

$$g_{(p)}(x) = 2^{2p} \left[\left(\frac{1}{2} + \sum_{i=1}^3 x_i \partial / \partial x_i \right)^2 - |x|^2 \Delta \right]^p g(x)$$

in spherical coordinates. It is clear that $g_{(p)}(x) \in S(R^3)$. Thus we have

$$(2l+1)^{2p} g_{lm}(t) = g_{(p)lm}(t). \quad (2.10)$$

Let us estimate now the seminorm $\|g_{lm}\|_{n,q,k}^{(l)}$. First note that

$$t^n (d^k f / dt^k)(t) = (td/dt - (n-1)) t^{n-1} (d^{k-1} f / dt^{k-1})(t).$$

This implies for $l \geq 2q + k$

$$\begin{aligned} & \|g_{lm}(t)\|_{n,q,k}^{(l)} \\ & \leq C(2l+1)^q \max_{s \leq q} \|r^{l-k-2q} g_{lm}(r^2)\|_{n+q,s}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.11)$$

We wrote the result in terms of the coordinate r , $r^2 = t$. The seminorm $\|\cdot\|_{n,q}$ is usual seminorm on the space $S(R^1)$

$$\|\varphi(r)\|_{n,q} = \sup_{R^1} (1+r^2)^n |\varphi^{(q)}(r)|.$$

Similarly for $l < 2q + k$

$$\begin{aligned} & \|g_{lm}(t)\|_{n,q,k}^{(l)} \\ & \leq C(2l+1)^q \max_{s \leq \frac{1}{2}(l-k)_+} \|(r^{-1} d/dr)^{q-(l-k)_+/2} g_{lm}(r^2)\|_{n+q,s}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.12)$$

Using (2.7), (2.11) and the formula for the Taylor remainder terms we have for $l \geq 2q + k$

$$\|g_{lm}(t)\|_{n,q,k}^{(l)} \leq C(2l + 1)^q \max_{|s| \leq 3q+k} \|g(x)\|_{n+q,s} \tag{2.13}$$

where constant C depends on q and k only. It is a simple matter to extend this estimate to $l < 2q + k$ by using (2.8) and (2.12). In order to prove $\{g_{lm}(t)\} \in S(\bar{R}_+ \times \hat{S}\hat{O}(3))$ it is sufficient now to use (2.10) and the estimate (2.13) for the function $g_{(p+q)}(x)$. Whence

$$\begin{aligned} & \max_{l,m} (2l + 1)^p \|g_{lm}(t)\|_{n,q,k}^{(l)} \\ & \leq C \max_{|s| \leq 3q+k} \|g_{(p+q)}(x)\|_{n+q,s} \end{aligned} \tag{2.14}$$

and consequently $\{g_{lm}(t)\} \in S(\bar{R}_+ \times \hat{S}\hat{O}(3))$. In particular this implies that for the sequence $\{f_{lm}(t)\}$ of the spherical harmonics of the distribution $f(x) \in S'(R^3)$ the expansion

$$\sum_{l,m} (f_{lm}, g_{lm})$$

is convergent. We prove it converge to $(f(x), g(x))$. Note that the series

$$\sum_{l,m} Y_{lm}(x) g_{lm}(|x|^2) \tag{2.15}$$

absolutely converge to $g(x)$ at every point [6]. In view of (2.4) and (2.14) it converges to $g(x)$ in the topology of $S(R^3)$. By definition (2.2) of the spherical harmonic $f_{lm}(t)$ of the distribution $f(x)$ we have

$$(f(x), g(x)) = \sum_{l,m} (f_{lm}(t), g_{lm}(t)) . \tag{2.16}$$

Summing up:

Theorem 1. *The relation*

$$(f(x), g(x)) = \sum_{l,m} (f_{lm}(t), t^{-l/2} \int_{S^2} d\Omega \bar{Y}_{lm}(\Omega) g(t^{1/2}, \Omega)) \tag{2.17}$$

implies the isomorphism between two topological spaces: $S'(R^3)$ and $S'(\bar{R}_+ \times \hat{S}\hat{O}(3))$.

In Section 3 we consider the rotation invariant distributions from the space $S'(R^{3n})$.

3. Rotation Invariant Distributions

Let the distribution $f(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in S'(R^{3n})$. Its spherical harmonics $f_{l_1 m_1 \dots l_n m_n}(t_1, \dots, t_n)$ are defined in the similar way to the spherical harmonics of the distribution $f(x) \in S'(R^3)$. The sequence $\{f_{l_1 m_1 \dots l_n m_n}\}$ belongs to the space $S'((\bar{R}_+ \times \hat{S}\hat{O}(3))^n)$. The proof of this is exactly analogous and can be omitted. The distribution f and its spherical harmonics are related by

$$(f, \varphi) = \sum_{l,m} (f_{lm}, \varphi_{lm}) \tag{3.1}$$

where $\varphi_{l_1 m_1 \dots l_n m_n}(t_1, \dots, t_n)$ is n -dimensional spherical harmonics of the function $\varphi(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in S(\mathbb{R}^{3n})$

$$\varphi_{lm} = t_1^{-l_1/2} \dots t_n^{-l_n/2} \int_{S^{2 \times n}} d^n \Omega \bar{Y}_{l_1 m_1}(\Omega_1) \dots \bar{Y}_{l_n m_n}(\Omega_n) \varphi. \quad (3.2)$$

Let us study how the spherical harmonics of the distribution f vary under the rotation $u \in \text{SO}(3)$. Applying (3.1) for the function $\varphi_u = \varphi(ux_1, \dots, ux_n)$ we get

$$(f, \varphi_u) = \sum_{l, m, k} D_{k_1 m_1}^{(l_1)}(u) \dots D_{k_n m_n}^{(l_n)}(u) (f_{lm}, \varphi_{lk}) \quad (3.3)$$

where the matrix $D_{km}^{(l)}(u)$ represents the rotation u in the $(2l+1)$ -dimensional irreducible representation of the group $\text{SO}(3)$. Unitary matrix $D_{km}^{(l)}(u)$ continuously depends on u . This implies that the series (3.3) is integrable with respect to du , where du is the invariant normalized Haar measure of $\text{SO}(3)$. In virtue of (3.3) we get for the rotation invariant distribution $f(x_1, \dots, x_n)$

$$(f, \varphi) = \sum_{l, m, k} (f_{lm}, \varphi_{lk}) \int_{\text{SO}(3)} du D_{k_1 m_1}^{(l_1)}(u) \dots D_{k_n m_n}^{(l_n)}(u). \quad (3.4)$$

Thus the problem of the description any rotation invariant tempered distribution is reduced to that of computing the integral over the product of n D 's. In order to compute this integral we note that the product of two D 's may be expressed in terms of one D function by using the Clebsh-Gordan coefficients $(l_1 m_1 l_2 m_2 | l_1 l_2 j m)$ ([4], (4.3.1)) and the integral over the product of three D 's equals the product of two $3-j$ symbols of Wigner ([4], (4.6.2))

$$\begin{pmatrix} l_1 & l_2 & l_3 \\ m_1 & m_2 & m_3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\text{SO}(3)} du D_{k_1 m_1}^{(l_1)}(u) \dots D_{k_n m_n}^{(l_n)}(u) \\ &= \sum_j \begin{pmatrix} l_1 & \dots & l_n \\ m_1 & \dots & m_n \end{pmatrix}_{j_1 \dots j_{n-3}} \begin{pmatrix} l_1 & \dots & l_n \\ k_1 & \dots & k_n \end{pmatrix}_{j_1 \dots j_{n-3}} \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

where the generalized Wigner's symbol¹

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{pmatrix} l_1 & \dots & l_n \\ m_1 & \dots & m_n \end{pmatrix}_{j_1 \dots j_{n-3}} \\ &= \sum_p (l_1 m_1 l_2 m_2 | l_1 l_2 j_1 p_1) \dots \begin{pmatrix} j_{n-3} & l_{n-1} & l_n \\ p_{n-3} & m_{n-1} & m_n \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

Let us consider the properties of the generalized Wigner's symbols. The properties of the Clebsh-Gordan coefficients may be used to obtain the invariance property and the ortogonal property of the generalized Wigner's symbols stating from the definition (3.6).

¹ These generalized Wigner's symbols differ in factors only from those introduced in [7].

We have

$$\sum_k D_{m_1 k_1}^{(l_1)}(u) \dots D_{m_n k_n}^{(l_n)}(u) \binom{l_1 \dots l_n}{k_1 \dots k_n}_j = \binom{l_1 \dots l_n}{m_1 \dots m_n}_j \quad (3.7)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_m \binom{l_1 \dots l_n}{m_1 \dots m_n}_j \binom{l_1 \dots l_n}{m_1 \dots m_n}_{j'} \\ & = \delta_{j_1 j'_1} \dots \delta_{j_{n-3} j'_{n-3}} \delta(l_1 \dots l_n, j_1 \dots j_{n-3}) \end{aligned} \quad (3.8)$$

where $\delta(l_1 \dots l_n, j_1 \dots j_{n-3}) = 1$ if the natural numbers $l_1, \dots, l_n; j_1, \dots, j_{n-3}$ satisfy the polygonal condition, and is zero otherwise. The polygonal condition for $l_1, \dots, l_n; j_1, \dots, j_{n-3}$ is as follows: one can construct the polygon such that l_1, \dots, l_n correspond to the lengths of sides and j_1, \dots, j_{n-3} correspond to the lengths of the diagonals which get going at the vertex where sides l_1 and l_n intersect. By P_n we denote the set of $l_1, \dots, l_n; j_1, \dots, j_{n-3}$ satisfying the polygonal condition.

The invariance property (3.7) and the orthogonal property (3.8) of the generalized Wigner's symbols are analogous to those of the $3-j$ symbols of Wigner ([4], (4.3.3), (3.7.8)). In view of (3.8) the generalized Wigner's symbol

$$\binom{l_1 \dots l_n}{m_1 \dots m_n}_{j_1 \dots j_{n-3}}$$

equals zero if $(l_1, \dots, l_n; j_1, \dots, j_{n-3}) \notin P_n$.

Let us return now to the rotation invariant distributions. Let $p = (l_1, \dots, l_n; j_1, \dots, j_{n-3}) \in P_n$. We define the invariant harmonic of the distribution $f(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in S'(R^{3n})$ by

$$f_p = \sum_m \binom{l_1 \dots l_n}{m_1 \dots m_n}_{j_1 \dots j_{n-3}} f_{lm}(t_1, \dots, t_n) \quad (3.9)$$

where $f_{l_1 m_1 \dots l_n m_n}$ are the spherical harmonics of f .

Similarly for $\varphi \in S(R^{3n})$

$$\varphi_p = \sum_m \binom{l_1 \dots l_n}{m_1 \dots m_n}_{j_1 \dots j_{n-3}} \varphi_{lm}(t_1, \dots, t_n). \quad (3.10)$$

In virtue of (3.5) the relation (3.4) implies

$$(f(x), \varphi(x)) = \sum_{p \in P_n} (f_p, \varphi_p). \quad (3.11)$$

It follows from the invariance property (3.7) that any term in the sum (3.11) is a rotation invariant distribution from $S'(R^{3n})$.

Let us express the invariant harmonics f_p and φ_p in terms of f and φ . We relate $p = (l_1, \dots, l_n; j_1, \dots, j_{n-3}) \in P_n$ to the invariant spherical harmonic

$$Y_p = \sum_m \binom{l_1 \dots l_n}{m_1 \dots m_n}_j Y_{l_1 m_1}(\Omega_1) \dots Y_{l_n m_n}(\Omega_n).$$

It corresponds to the invariant polynomial

$$Y_p(x_1, \dots, x_n) = r_1^{l_1} \dots r_n^{l_n} Y_p(\Omega_1, \dots, \Omega_n).$$

By definition of the spherical harmonics of f we get

$$(f_p(t), \Psi(t)) = (f(x_1, \dots, x_n), Y_p(x_1, \dots, x_n) \Psi(|x_1|^2, \dots, |x_n|^2)) \quad (3.12)$$

for every $\Psi \in S(\bar{R}_+^n)$.

Similarly

$$\varphi_p = t_1^{-l_1/2} \dots t_n^{-l_n/2} \int_{S^{2 \times n}} d^n \Omega \bar{Y}_p(\Omega) \varphi(t_1^{1/2}, \Omega_1, \dots, t_n^{1/2}, \Omega_n). \quad (3.13)$$

Let $S(\bar{R}_+^n P_n)$ be the space of the sequences $\{\Psi_p\}$ ($p = (l_1, \dots, l_n; j_1, \dots, j_{n-3}) \in P_n$) of the infinitely differentiable functions $\Psi_p(t_1, \dots, t_n)$ in \bar{R}_+^n such that for any k, m, q, s ,

$$\max_{p \in P_n} \left(2 \sum_{i=1}^n l_i + 1 \right)^k \|\Psi_p(t)\|_{m, q, s}^{(p)} < \infty \quad (3.14)$$

where the seminorm $\|\Psi(t)\|_{m, q, s}^{(p)}$ equals

$$\sup_{\bar{R}_+^n} t_1^{(l_1-s)/2} \dots t_n^{(l_n-s)/2} \left(1 + \sum_{i=1}^n t_i \right)^m |\mathcal{D}^q \Psi(t)|.$$

$S(\bar{R}_+^n P_n)$ is locally convex topological vector space with the topology defined by the seminorms that are finite according to (3.14).

It is easy to see from the ortogonal property (3.8) that a modulus of any generalized Wigner's symbol is less than one. This implies $\{\varphi_p\} \in S(\bar{R}_+^n P_n)$ and $\{f_p\} \in S'(\bar{R}_+^n P_n)$ in virtue of (3.10) and (3.9). Inversely any sequence $\{f_p\} \in S'(\bar{R}_+^n P_n)$ defines a rotation invariant distribution from $S'(R^{3n})$ by (3.11). More precisely we have

Theorem 2. *The relation*

$$(f, \varphi) = \sum_{p \in P_n} (f_p, t_1^{-l_1/2} \dots t_n^{-l_n/2} \int_{S^{2 \times n}} d^n \Omega \bar{Y}_p(\Omega) \varphi) \quad (3.11)$$

implies the topological isomorphism between the space of SO(3)-invariant tempered distributions from $S'(R^{3n})$ and the space $S'(\bar{R}_+^n P_n)$.

For $n=1$ the set P_n is one point $l=0$ (the only connected polygon). Thus the Theorem 2 coincides in this case with the well-known theorem on rotation invariant distributions from $S'(R^3)$ [5].

Note that a rotation invariant polynomial $Y_p(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ may be represented as a polynomial of the scalar products (x_i, x_j) [8]. Thus the sequence of the invariant harmonics $\{f_p\}$ defined by (3.12) is probably a way to define a distribution on the variety of the SO(3)-invariants.

4. Lorentz Invariant Distributions

In this section we shall consider the Lorentz invariant tempered distributions with the supports in $\bar{V}_+^n \times R^{4n}$, where $\bar{V}_+^n = \{p | p_0 \geq |p|^2 + \mu^2\}$.

Let $\bar{R}_+^{(\mu^2)}$ be the interval $\mu^2 \leqq t < \infty$. K. Hepp proved that the subspace of L_+^\uparrow -invariant distributions from $S'(\bar{V}_+^\mu \times R^{4n})$ is topologically isomorphic to the subspace of the distributions from $S'(\bar{R}_+^{(\mu^2)} \times R^n \times R^{3n})$ which are SO(3)-invariant in the last variables [3]. We shall describe this isomorphism.

For any $y \in V_+$ let $L(y)$ be the Lorentz transformation corresponding to the $A(y) \in \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{C})$ (σ_i : Pauli matrices)

$$A(y) = [2(y, y)^{1/2}((y, y)^{1/2} + y_0)]^{-1/2} \{((y, y)^{1/2} + y_0)\sigma_0 + \mathbf{y}\boldsymbol{\sigma}\}. \tag{4.1}$$

It is convenient to define $S(\bar{V}_+^\mu \times R^{4n})$ as the quotient space of $S(V_+^\nu \times R^{4n})$ ($0 < \nu < \mu$) by the subspace of those functions which are zero on $\bar{V}_+^\mu \times R^{4n}$. Any function $\varphi \in S(V_+^\nu \times R^{4n})$ are related to the function $M\varphi(t_0, \dots, t_n, x_1, \dots, x_n) \in S(R_+^{(\nu^2)} \times R^n \times R^{3n})$ by

$$M\varphi = \int dy \delta((y, y) - t_0) \varphi(y, L(y)(t_1, x_1), \dots, L(y)(t_n, x_n)). \tag{4.2}$$

The mapping M implies the above mentioned isomorphism. More precisely for any Lorentz invariant $F \in S'(\bar{V}_+^\mu \times R^{4n})$ there exists a rotation invariant $f(t, x) \in S'(\bar{R}_+^{(\mu^2)} \times R^n \times R^{3n})$ such that

$$(F, \varphi) = (f(t, x), M\varphi(t, x)). \tag{4.3}$$

Let us use the SO(3)-Fourier transform of $f(t, x)$ in the variables x_1, \dots, x_n .

The invariant harmonics $f_p(t_0, \dots, t_n, t_{n+1}, \dots, t_{2n}) \in S'(\bar{R}_+^{(\mu^2)} \times R^n \times \bar{R}_+^n)$ are defined in exactly the same way as for the distributions from $S'(R^{3n})$. Let the function $\Psi \in S(\bar{R}_+^{(\mu^2)} \times R^n \times \bar{R}_+^n)$. We have

$$(f_p, \Psi) = (f(t, x), Y_p(x) \Psi(t_0, \dots, t_n, |x_1|^2, \dots, |x_n|^2)). \tag{4.4}$$

The space $S(\bar{R}_+^{(\mu^2)} \times R^n \times \bar{R}_+^n P_n)$ may be defined in the similar way to the space $S(\bar{R}_+^n P_n)$; for a sequence $\{\varphi_p(t_0, \dots, t_n, t_{n+1}, \dots, t_{2n})\}$ an index $p \in P_n$ is related to the variables t_{n+1}, \dots, t_{2n} only.

It is clear that the sequence $\{f_p\} \in S'(\bar{R}_+^{(\mu^2)} \times R^n \times \bar{R}_+^n P_n)$. The distribution $f(t, x)$ and the sequence $\{f_p\}$ of its invariant harmonics are connected by the relation which is analogous to (3.11). Substituting in this relation the invariant harmonics

$$M_p \varphi = t_{n+1}^{-l_1/2} \dots t_{2n}^{-l_n/2} \int_{S^{2 \times n}} d^n \Omega \bar{Y}_p(\Omega) M \varphi \tag{4.5}$$

of the function $M\varphi$ we obtain (F, φ) in virtue of (4.3).

In summary:

Proposition 1. *The rotation*

$$(F, \varphi) = \sum_{p \in P_n} (f_p, M_p \varphi) \tag{4.6}$$

implies the topological isomorphism between the space of L_+^\uparrow -invariant tempered distributions from $S'(\bar{V}_+^\mu \times R^{4n})$ and the space $S'(\bar{R}_+^{(\mu^2)} \times R^n \times \bar{R}_+^n P_n)$.

It is anticipated that our isomorphism (4.6) can be extended to more general case.

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