# Tuning Co- and Contra-Variant Transforms: the Heisenberg Group Illustration

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Abstract. We discuss a fine tuning of the *co-* and contra-variant transforms through construction of specific fiducial and reconstructing vectors. The technique is illustrated on three different forms of induced representations of the Heisenberg group. The covariant transform provides intertwining operators between pairs of representations. In particular, we obtain the Zak transform as an induced covariant transform intertwining the Schrödinger representation on  $L_2(\mathbb{R})$  and the lattice (nilmanifold) representation on  $L_2(\mathbb{T}^2)$ . Induced covariant transforms in other pairs are Fock–Segal–Bargmann and theta transforms. Furthermore, we describe *peelings* which map the group-theoretical induced representations to convenient representation spaces of analytic functions. Finally, we provide a condition which can be imposed on the reconstructing vector in order to obtain an intertwining operator from the induced contravariant transform.

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## 1 Introduction

The purpose of this paper is to present an advanced use of the *induced co- and contra-variant* transform, which is created by the Gilmore–Perelomov coherent states (see [40] and [3, Section 7.1]). The transform is an intertwining operator to an induced representation, which explains our choice of the name for it. The approach is illustrated here by the crucial example of the Heisenberg group  $\mathbb{H}^1$ , however the technique is not limited to this case, cf. [5, 33, 36]. The topics of coherent states and covariant transform (also known under many other names) are extensively covered in the existing literature, e.g., [28, Section 13], [30, Appendix V.2], and [9, 18, 19, 22, 34, 37, 40], and we refer to authoritative surveys [3, 15, 20] for further references. Our purpose is to present some additional aspects which are commonly shadowed or missing in the existing sources. If these properties are explicitly stated then many known important results immediately follow as their direct corollaries.

For example, the standard induction (see [16, Chapter 6], [30, Appendix V.2] and [7, 20, 27]) from a character of the Heisenberg group centre gives the representation (2.5) below, which is different from the commonly used celebrated Fock–Segal–Bargmann (FSB) representation (4.4) in the space of analytic function [15, Section 1.6]. Those two representations are linked by the *peeling* map which transforms the annihilator of the representation space to the Cauchy–Riemann operator, see Section 4. The origin of the annihilator operator is revealed as the Lie

derivative with a special relation to the chosen fiducial vector, see Section 3. Section 5 provides the respective consideration of the reconstructing vector for the contravariant transform.

In this paper we present a machinery which allows to design fiducial and reconstructing vectors to ensure specific properties within the induced co- and contra-variant transforms. This technique does not rely on *ad hoc* knowledge and allows one to get new insights even within the much-studied framework of the Heisenberg group [7, 21]. As an basic illustration, we apply this technique to find contra- and co-variant transforms, which intertwine the coordinate and momentum representations of  $\mathbb{H}^1$ , and predictably obtain the Fourier transform and its inverse, see Example 3.2. Less elementary example is the interpretation of the Zak transform as an induced covariant transform in Theorem 3.6, which emerges as follows.

There are three forms of induction of representations of the Heisenberg group [30, Section 2.2]: the *left quasi-regular* representation, the *Schrödinger* representation and the *lattice* representation (see Section 2.2) for details. We systematically and uniformly use the covariant transform for them. In particular, the Zak transform and its inverse are expressed as the covariant transform between the Schrödinger and lattice representations, with the *Jacobi theta function* appearing as a vacuum state of the latter, see Theorem 3.6. Similarly, expressing the *pre-theta transform and its inverse* throughout the same technique is also new, see Theorems 3.10 and 5.6. The pre-theta transform and its inverse intertwine the (pre-)FSB and the lattice representations. The (*pre-*) *Fock–Segal–Bargamann* (*FSB*) transform and its inverse (see [39, Section 4.2] and [15]) intertwines the Schrödinger representation on  $L_2(\mathbb{R})$  and left quasi-regular representation on  $L_2(\mathbb{R}^2)$ . We name it as the FSB transform from quantum mechanics (see [39, Section 4.2] and [15]), it is also known as the Gabor or time-frequency transform or windowed Fourier transform of a signal [17, 38].

The classical Zak transform [44], also known as Weil–Brezin transform [15, Section 1.10], can be traced back to the works of Gelfand in 1950, see also [40, Section 1.5], [17, Chapter 8], [39, Section 8.1] and [20, 21, 22] for further applications and historical notes. This transform is an isometric isomorphism from  $L_2(\mathbb{R})$  onto  $L_2(\mathbb{T}^2)$  given, for  $f \in L_2(\mathbb{R})$ , by

$$\left[\tilde{\mathcal{Z}}f\right](u,v) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f(u+n) e^{2\pi i mnv}, \qquad (u,v) \in \mathbb{T}^2.$$

Weil [43] defined the abstract Zak transform on arbitrary locally compact abelian (LCA) groups with respect to arbitrary closed subgroups. Subsequently, the Zak transform was reviewed and generalised by many authors, see for example [6, 8, 20, 22, 26]. Various connections between the Zak transform and (left) shift-invariant spaces were studied by several authors, cf. [7, 21, 24, 25], further references may be found in the recent survey paper [20]. Yet, an explicit interpretation of the Zak transform and its inverse as a co- and contravariant transforms respectively, cf. Theorems 3.6 and 5.6, appears to be new in this paper.

# 2 Preliminaries on the Heisenberg group and its induced representations

### 2.1 The Heisenberg group and its Lie algebra

The polarised Heisenberg group  $\mathbb{H}_p^n$  is the set of triples (s, x, y), where  $s \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , with the group law given as follows [15, Section 1.2]

$$(s, x, y) \cdot (s', x', y') = (s + s' + xy', x + x', y + y').$$

For the sake of simplicity in this paper, we will work with the one-dimensional case of  $\mathbb{H}_p^1$  and call it the Heisenberg group. It is a non-commutative group and its centre is a one-dimensional

subgroup

$$Z = \left\{ (s, 0, 0) \in \mathbb{H}_p^1 \colon s \in \mathbb{R} \right\}.$$

$$(2.1)$$

The left action of  $\mathbb{H}^1_p$  on itself is given by

$$\tilde{\Lambda}(g): g' \mapsto g^{-1}g'.$$

We extend this action to a linear representation

$$\Lambda(g): F(g') \mapsto F(g^{-1}g'), \qquad g, g' \in \mathbb{H}_p^1$$

$$(2.2)$$

on a certain linear space of functions on  $\mathbb{H}_p^1$  [10, Section 1.1]. The Lebesgue measure dg = ds dx dy on  $\mathbb{H}_p^1 \sim \mathbb{R}^3$  is a *Haar measure* invariant under the left and right shifts. The action (2.2) on the Hilbert space  $L_2(\mathbb{H}_p^1, dg)$  of square-integrable functions on  $\mathbb{H}_p^1$  is unitary [30, Appendix V.2] and is called the *left regular* representation.

Here, we introduce

$$S = (1, 0, 0),$$
  $X = (0, 1, 0),$   $Y = (0, 0, 1),$ 

which forms the basis of the Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{h}_1$  of  $\mathbb{H}^1_p$ . The commutator of X and Y is given by the celebrated *Heisenberg commutation relation* 

$$[X,Y] = S. \tag{2.3}$$

It is common for a representation  $\rho$  of a Lie group to pass to the derived representations  $d\rho$  of the respective Lie algebra (cf. [30, Chapter 2]). Consider the derived representations of  $\mathfrak{h}_1$  spanned by

$$d\rho^{S} = \frac{d}{dt}\rho(e^{tS})\Big|_{t=0}, \qquad d\rho^{X} = \frac{d}{dt}\rho(e^{tX})\Big|_{t=0}, \qquad d\rho^{Y} = \frac{d}{dt}\rho(e^{tY})\Big|_{t=0}.$$

If  $\rho$  is irreducible,  $d\rho^S$  is a multiple of the identity operator *I*; that is,  $d\rho^S = -i\hbar I$  (cf. [30, Section 2.2], [11, Section II.3]).

The important operators produced by the derived representations of  $\mathfrak{h}_1$  are *ladder operators* (cf. [1, Section 5.3], [11, Section II.3], [30, Section 2.2.1]).

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $\kappa > 0$  be some fixed number and  $\rho$  be a representation of  $\mathbb{H}_p$  such that  $\rho(s, 0, 0) = e^{2\pi i \hbar s} I$ . The *ladder operators* are defined as follows

$$a^{-} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\hbar\kappa}} \left( \kappa \mathrm{i} \, \mathrm{d}\rho^{X} - \mathrm{d}\rho^{Y} \right), \qquad a^{+} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\hbar\kappa}} \left( \kappa \mathrm{i} \, \mathrm{d}\rho^{X} + \mathrm{d}\rho^{Y} \right), \qquad \hbar > 0.$$

The operators  $a^+$  and  $a^-$  are known as the *creation* and *annihilation* operators, respectively.

In this paper, we fix the parameter  $\kappa > 0$  of the ladder operators  $a^{\pm}$  [4] and indicate the dependence of ladder operators upon it. The Heisenberg commutator relation (2.3) implies

$$[a^{-}, a^{+}] = a^{-}a^{+} - a^{+}a^{-} = I.$$

Also, for a unitary representation  $\rho$ , we have  $(a^{-1})^* = a^+$ .

**Definition 2.2** ([1, Section 5.3] and [30, Section 2.6]). In the above notations, a vector  $\phi_0 \in \mathsf{H}$  is called a *vacuum vector* if it is a null solution of the annihilation operator:

$$a^{-}\phi_{0}=0.$$

We will need the following properties of the vacuum (see [30, Section 2.6]):

**Lemma 2.3.** If  $\phi_0$  is a vacuum of an irreducible representation  $\rho$ , then

- 1.  $\phi_0$  is unique up to a scalar multiple.
- 2. For an intertwining operator W between  $\rho$  and another representation  $\rho_1$ , the image  $W\phi_0$  is a vacuum for  $\rho_1$ .

### 2.2 Induced representations of the Heisenberg group

We are interested in three representations of  $\mathbb{H}_p^1$ , which are *induced by characters* of certain subgroups of  $\mathbb{H}_p^1$ . Here, we briefly set the notations for this particular case of a general theory of representations induced in the sense of Mackey (the reader is referred to [16, 27, 28] for detailed presentations).

Let H be a subgroup of  $\mathbb{H}_p^1$  and  $\chi$  be a (complex unitary) character of H. Let  $X = \mathbb{H}_p^1/H$  be the corresponding left  $\mathbb{H}_p^1$ -homogeneous space with the measure dx, which factorises the Haar measure dg = dx dh for a Haar measure dh of H. We write  $\mathsf{L}_2^{\chi}(\mathbb{H}_p^1)$  for the space of functions F(g) on  $\mathbb{H}_p^1$  having these properties:

(C) *H*-covariance

$$F(gh) = \bar{\chi}_{\hbar}(h)F(g), \quad \text{for all} \quad g \in \mathbb{H}^1_p, \quad h \in H$$

(S)  $L_2$ -summability over X

$$\int_X |F(g)|^2 \, \mathrm{d}x < \infty$$

where the integral is meaningful since |F(g)| = |F(gh)| for all  $h \in H$  by *H*-covariance of *F*.

The space  $\mathsf{L}_2^{\chi}(\mathbb{H}_p^1)$  is invariant under the left  $\mathbb{H}_p^1$ -shifts (2.2) because the left and right shifts commute. An alternative realisation of the same representation is obtained from a given section  $\mathbf{s} \colon \mathbb{H}_p^1/H \to \mathbb{H}_p^1$  which is a right inverse for the quotient map  $\mathbf{p} \colon \mathbb{H}_p^1 \to \mathbb{H}_p^1/H$ ; that is,  $\mathsf{p}(\mathsf{s}(w)) = w$  for all  $w \in \mathbb{H}_p^1/H$ . For such a section  $\mathsf{s}$  and the character  $\chi$ , we can define the lifting  $\mathcal{L}_{\chi} \colon \mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{H}_p^1/H) \to \mathsf{L}_2^{\chi}(\mathbb{H}_p^1)$ :

$$[\mathcal{L}_{\chi}f](g) = \bar{\chi}(r)f(\mathsf{p}(g)), \quad \text{where} \quad r = (\mathsf{s}(\mathsf{p}(g)))^{-1}g.$$

Then, the lifting  $\mathcal{L}_{\chi}$  intertwines a representation  $\rho_{\chi}$  on  $L_2(\mathbb{H}_p^1/H)$  and the left regular representation  $\Lambda$  (2.2) restricted to  $L_2^{\chi}(\mathbb{H}_p^1)$ :

$$\mathcal{L}_{\chi} \circ \rho_{\chi}(g) = \Lambda(g)|_{\mathsf{L}_{2}^{\chi}(\mathbb{H}_{p}^{1})} \circ \mathcal{L}_{\chi}, \quad \text{for all} \quad g \in \mathbb{H}_{p}^{1}.$$

Combining the previous identities, we obtain an explicit expression for the induced representation

$$[\rho_{\chi}(g)f](x) = \bar{\chi}\big(\mathsf{r}\big(g^{-1} * \mathsf{s}(x)\big)\big)f\big(g^{-1} \cdot x\big), \quad \text{where} \quad f(x) \in \mathsf{L}_2\big(\mathbb{H}_p^1/H\big).$$
(2.4)

We now provide three forms of induced representations of  $\mathbb{H}_p^1$  acting on Hilbert spaces of square-integrable functions on homogeneous spaces, where the inductions are performed from characters of subgroups H of  $\mathbb{H}_p^1$  (cf. [1, Section 5.1]).

1. For the centre Z (2.1) of  $\mathbb{H}_p^1$ , the homogeneous space  $\mathbb{H}_p^1/Z$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Any real number  $\hbar \neq 0$  defines the non-trivial character  $\chi_{\hbar}(s,0,0) = e^{2\pi i \hbar s}$  of Z. The respective maps are

$$\mathsf{p}(s,x,y) = (x,y), \qquad \mathsf{s}(x,y) = (0,x,y), \qquad \mathsf{r}(s,x,y) = (s,0,0).$$

The representation  $\Lambda_{\hbar}$ , which is induced from  $\chi_{\hbar}$  on the space of square-integrable functions  $L_2(\mathbb{R}^2)$ , is given by

$$[\Lambda_{\hbar}(s,x,y)f](x',y') = e^{2\pi i\hbar(s+x(y'-y))}f(x'-x,y'-y).$$
(2.5)

This is called the *left quasi-regular* representation. It is unitary reducible, and it can be decomposed into unitary irreducible components in many different ways (see [1, Section 6.4]). For physical (aka mathematical) reasons, the most popular irreducible module is the *pre-Fock–Segal–Bargmann space* (*pre-FSB space*):

$$\mathsf{F}_{\phi_{\hbar\kappa}}(\mathbb{R}^2) = \big\{ f \colon \big(\kappa \mathrm{i}\mathfrak{L}^X + \mathfrak{L}^Y\big) f = 0 \text{ and } f \in \mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{R}) \big\},$$
(2.6)

where the Lie derivative  $\mathfrak{L}^{A} = \mathrm{d}R_{\hbar}^{A}$  is the derivation of the right quasi-regular representation [1, Section 5.4.2] on  $\mathsf{L}_{2}(\mathbb{R}^{2})$ :

$$[R_{\hbar}(g)f](x',y') = e^{-2\pi i\hbar(s+x'y)}f(x'+x,y'+y).$$
(2.7)

We will explain the origin of pre-FSB space in Section 3.2.

2. For a two-dimensional maximal Abelian continuous subgroup of  $\mathbb{H}_{p}^{1}$ :

$$H'_x = \left\{ (s, 0, y) \in \mathbb{H}^1_p \colon s, y \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

the homogeneous space  $\mathbb{H}_p^1/H'_x$  can be identified with  $\mathbb{R}$ . The respective maps are

$$p(s, x, y) = x,$$
  $s(t) = (0, t, 0),$   $r(s, x, y) = (s - xy, 0, y).$  (2.8)

The character  $\chi_{\hbar}(s, 0, y) = e^{2\pi i \hbar s}$  of  $H'_x$  induces the representation  $\rho_{\hbar}$  on a space of squareintegrable functions,  $L_2(\mathbb{R})$ , is given by

$$[\rho_{\hbar}(s,x,y)f](t) = e^{2\pi i\hbar(s-ty)}f(t-x).$$
(2.9)

This is the celebrated *Schrödinger* representation, which is a unitary irreducible representation on  $L_2(\mathbb{R})$  [15, Chapter 1].

There is another two-dimensional maximal Abelian continuous subgroup of  $\mathbb{H}_{n}^{1}$ :

$$H'_y = \left\{ (s, x, 0) \in \mathbb{H}_p^1 \colon s, x \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

Subgroups  $H'_x$  and  $H'_y$  are conjugated by the automorphism of  $i: \mathbb{H}^1_p \to \mathbb{H}^1_p$ :

$$i(s, x, y) = (s - xy, -y, x).$$

There exist small but important differences between the respective maps cf. (2.8):

$$p(s, x, y) = y,$$
  $s(\lambda) = (0, 0, \lambda),$   $r(s, x, y) = (s, x, 0).$  (2.10)

The character  $\chi_{\hbar}(s, x, 0) = e^{2\pi i \hbar s}$  of  $H'_y$  induced an alternative form of the Schrödinger representation

$$[\rho'_{\hbar}(s,x,y)f](\lambda) = e^{2\pi i\hbar(s+x(\lambda-y))} f(\lambda-y).$$
(2.11)

In quantum mechanics, (2.9) and (2.11) serve as *coordinate* and *momentum* representations of  $\mathbb{H}_p^1$ .

3. For a non-commutative discontinuous subgroup  $H_d$  of  $\mathbb{H}^1_p$ :

$$H_d = \{(s, n, k) := (s, n + ik) \colon (n, k) \in \mathbb{Z}^2, s \in \mathbb{R}\}$$
(2.12)

we consider a homogeneous space  $\mathbb{T}^2 = \mathbb{H}_p^1/H_d$ . Let  $\chi_m(s, 0, 0) = e^{2\pi i m s}$  be a character of  $H_d$ . Let f(u, v) be a function of  $\mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{T}^2)$ . We have two possibilities to treat f:

(a) f is a square-integrable and double quasi-periodic function on  $\mathbb{R}^2$  (periodic in u and quasi-periodic in v), that is, for all  $(n, k) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ , we have

$$f(u+n, v+k) = e^{2\pi m i u k} f(u, v);$$
(2.13)

(b) f is a square-integrable function on the torus  $\mathbb{T}^2 = \{(u, v) : u, v \in [0, 1)\}.$ 

If f is considered as a double quasi-periodic function on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , the representation  $\rho_m$  induced from the character  $\chi_m$  of  $H_d$  on  $L_2(\mathbb{T}^2)$  is given by

$$[\rho_m(s,x,y)f](u,v) = e^{2\pi m i (s+x(v-y))} f(u-x,v-y).$$
(2.14)

The representation  $\rho_m$  is unitary irreducible on  $L_2(\mathbb{T}^2)$  and is called the *lattice* representation [12]. The respective maps are

$$p(s, x, y) = (\{x\}, \{y\}), \qquad s(u, v) = (s, u, v),$$
  
$$r(s, x, y) = (s - \{x\}[y], [x], [y]), \qquad (2.15)$$

where [x] is the integer part of x and  $\{x\} = x - [x]$  is the fractional part. Using them we express on  $\mathbb{T}^2$  as follows

$$\begin{aligned} [\rho_d^m(s,x,y)f](u,v) &= e^{2\pi m i (s+x\{v-y\}+u[v-y])} f(\{u-x\},\{v-y\}) \\ &= e^{2\pi m i (s+x(v-y)+(u-x)[v-y])} f(\{u-x\},\{v-y\}). \end{aligned}$$

For a unitary irreducible representation  $\rho$  of  $\mathbb{H}_p^1$ , its restriction to the centre Z is a character  $\rho(s,0,0) = e^{2\pi i\hbar s}$ , where the real parameter  $\hbar$  is known as the Planck constant in quantum mechanical contexts (see [29, Section 2.2], [30, Section 2.4.1] and [15, Section 1.3]) and provides a mathematical tool to describe a semi-classical limit. See also a meaningful assigning of physical units (see [32, Convention 2.1] and [4, Remark 3.7]). The theorem of Stone–von Neumann [15, Section 1.5] states that any two infinite-dimensional irreducible strongly continuous unitary representations of  $\mathbb{H}_p^1$  with the same Planck constant are unitary equivalent. In this paper, motivated by the physical framework and for the sake of simplicity, we only consider the positive Planck constant  $\hbar > 0$ .

## 3 The covariant transform on $\mathbb{H}_n^1$

### 3.1 An induced covariant transform

In this work we need an extended version of the covariant transform which covers the Banach space situation (see [31, Section 2] and [35]). All representations in this paper are assumed to be strongly continuous.

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $\rho$  be a representation of a group in a space V, and F be an operator from V to a space U. We define a *covariant transform*  $\mathcal{W}_F$  from V to the space L(G, U) of a U-valued function on G by the formula

$$\mathcal{W}_F: \ v \mapsto \tilde{v} = F(\rho(g^{-1})v), \qquad v \in V, \quad g \in G.$$

$$(3.1)$$

The fundamental property of the covariant transform  $\mathcal{W}_F$  (3.1) is that  $\mathcal{W}_F$  intertwines the representation  $\rho$  and the *left regular action*  $\Lambda$  of G:

$$\mathcal{W}_F \circ \rho(g) = \Lambda(g) \circ \mathcal{W}_F$$
 for all  $g \in G$ , (3.2)

where  $\Lambda(g): f(g') \mapsto f(g^{-1}g'), g, g' \in G.$ 

For the Gilmore–Perelomov coherent states (see [40] and [3, Section 7.1.2]), it is enough to have the covariant transform values on a homogeneous space rather than the entire group. We name it *the induced covariant transform* [35] due to its connections with induced representations (cf. (3.5)). More specifically, for the Heisenberg group it is defined as follows. Let  $\rho$  be an irreducible unitary representation of  $\mathbb{H}_p^1$  on a Hilbert space H, and H be a closed subgroup of  $\mathbb{H}_p^1$ . Let  $X = \mathbb{H}_p^1/H$  be a homogeneous space. Let  $\phi_0 \in \mathsf{H}$  be a *fiducial vector*, that is,

$$\rho(h)\phi_0 = \chi(h)\phi_0, \quad \text{for all} \quad h \in H, \tag{3.3}$$

for some character  $\chi$  of H. The induced covariant transform  $\mathcal{W}^{\rho}_{\phi_0}$  is a map from the Hilbert space H to a space W(X) of functions on  $X = \mathbb{H}^1_p/H$  given as follows

$$\mathcal{W}^{\rho}_{\phi_0}: \ f \mapsto \tilde{f}(\mathsf{s}(x)) = \langle f, \rho(\mathsf{s}(x))\phi_0 \rangle, \qquad x \in X, \tag{3.4}$$

where  $s: X \mapsto \mathbb{H}_p^1$  is a Borel section (the right inverse of the natural projection  $p: \mathbb{H}_p^1 \to \mathbb{H}_p^1/H$ ).

Note that, in the definition (3.4) we use a linear functional  $\phi_0 \in V'$  as a special case of the operator  $F: V \to \mathbb{C}$  in (3.1). Then, an adjusted notation of the covariant transform  $\mathcal{W}_F$  will be  $\mathcal{W}_{\phi_0}^{\rho}$ .

The main algebraic property of the induced covariant transform (3.4) is that it intertwines  $\rho$ on H with a representation  $\rho_{\chi}$  on W(X) induced by the character  $\chi$  of the subgroup H. That is,

$$\rho_{\chi} \circ \mathcal{W}^{\rho}_{\phi_0} = \mathcal{W}^{\rho}_{\phi_0} \circ \rho. \tag{3.5}$$

Alternatively, this can be observed by the fact that any function of the image of the induced covariant transform (3.4) has the *H*-covariance property

$$\tilde{f}(gh) = \bar{\chi}(h)\tilde{f}(g).$$
(3.6)

The main analytic property of the induced covariant transform is formulated in terms of *the matrix coefficient*:

$$\mathcal{W}(f,\phi)(x,y) = \langle f,\rho(0,x,y)\phi\rangle \qquad \text{for} \quad f,\phi \in \mathsf{H},$$
(3.7)

which is a continuous linear map  $\mathsf{H} \times \mathsf{H} \to \mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{R}^2)$ . Moreover, the map (3.7) is sesqui-unitary, that is for all  $f_1, \phi_1, f_2, \phi_2 \in \mathsf{H}$ ,

$$\langle \mathcal{W}(f_1,\phi_1), \mathcal{W}(f_2,\phi_2) \rangle_{\mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{R}^2)} = \langle f_1, f_2 \rangle_{\mathsf{H}} \overline{\langle \phi_1, \phi_2 \rangle}_{\mathsf{H}}.$$
(3.8)

**Example 3.2** (the inverse Fourier transform). To find the covariant transform which intertwines two forms of the Schrödinger representations (2.9) and (2.11), we shall take the fiducial vector which would be the eigenfunction for all representations  $\rho_{\hbar}(s, x, 0)$  (2.9). That is,

$$[\rho_{\hbar}(s,x,0)f](t) = e^{2\pi i\hbar s} f(t-x) = e^{2\pi i\hbar(s)}f(t)$$

Of course the only solution is the constant function  $f(t) \equiv c$ . Then the corresponding induced covariant transform based on the maps (2.10) is

$$[\mathcal{W}f](y) = c \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(t) e^{2\pi i\hbar yt} dt.$$

Of course, this transformation is the (inverse) Fourier transform which intertwines the representations (2.9) and (2.11). The significance of this intertwining property for the harmonic analysis is revealed in the work of Howe [23].

Although many functions can be taken as fiducial vectors, some of them turn out to be much more preferable. The origin of their advantages is revealed by the following observation [33, Section 5]. Let G be a Lie group and  $\rho$  be its representation in a Hilbert space H. Let  $[\mathcal{W}_{\phi}f](g) = \langle f, \rho(g)\phi \rangle$  be the covariant transform defined by a fiducial vector  $\phi \in H$ . Then, the covariant transform intertwines *right shifts*  $R(g): f(g') \mapsto f(g'g)$  on the group G with the associated action  $\rho$  on fiducial vectors

$$R(g) \circ \mathcal{W}_{\phi} = \mathcal{W}_{\rho(g)\phi}.$$

There are many interesting applications of this simple observation [4, 5, 33, 36, 37], in particular,

**Proposition 3.3** ([33, 36]). Let G be a Lie group with a Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$  and  $\rho$  be a representation of G on a Hilbert space  $L_2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . We denote the derived representation of  $\rho$  by  $d\rho^X$ . Let  $\phi$  be a fiducial vector in the Schwartz space  $S(\mathbb{R}^n)$  such that  $\left(\sum_{j=1}^n a_j d\rho^{X_j}\right)\phi = 0$ , for some  $a_j \in \mathbb{C}$ . Then, the image of the covariant transform consists of functions f such that:

$$\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \bar{a}_j \mathfrak{L}^{X_j}\right) \tilde{f} = 0,$$

where  $\mathfrak{L}^X$  denotes the Lie derivative – the derivation of the right regular representation R of G:

$$\mathfrak{L}^{X} = \left. \frac{\mathrm{d}R(\mathrm{e}^{tX})}{\mathrm{d}t} \right|_{t=0}, \quad for \quad X \in \mathfrak{g}.$$

An induced covariant transform from a representation  $\rho$  on a Banach space B can be defined in a similar fashion. Let H be a closed subgroup of  $\mathbb{H}_p^1$  and  $X = \mathbb{H}_p^1/H$  be a homogeneous space. Consider a continuous section  $\mathbf{s} \colon \mathbb{H}_p^1/H \to \mathbb{H}_p^1$ , which is the right inverse of the natural projection  $\mathbf{p} \colon \mathbb{H}_p^1 \to \mathbb{H}_p^1/H$ . Denote by  $B^*$  the dual space of the Banach space B and  $\rho^*$  the adjoint operator to  $\rho$ . Let  $l_0 \in B^*$  be a non-zero test function such that

$$\rho^*(h)l_0 = \bar{\chi}(h)l_0, \quad \text{for all} \quad h \in H,$$

for some character  $\chi$  of H. The induced covariant transform  $\mathcal{W}_{l_0}$  is defined as (see [31, Section 2] and [35])

$$\tilde{v}(x) = [\mathcal{W}_{l_0}v](x) = \left\langle \rho\left(\mathsf{s}(x)^{-1}\right)v, l_0 \right\rangle = \left\langle v, \rho^*(\mathsf{s}(x))l_0 \right\rangle.$$
(3.9)

Similarly to the Hilbert space case (3.5), the induced covariant transform (3.9) intertwines  $\rho$  on B with a representation  $\rho_{\chi}$  on W(X) induced by the character  $\chi$  of the subgroup H [31, Section 2, Proposition 2.6].

Thus the induced covariant transform can be used as

- reproducing formulae on representation spaces, and
- intertwining operators between different realisations of equivalent representations.

Both applications will be illustrated below.

### 3.2 The (pre-)Fock–Segal–Bargmann transform

We look for an induced covariant transform  $\mathcal{W}_{\phi}^{\rho_{\hbar}} \colon \mathsf{L}_{2}(\mathbb{R}) \to \mathsf{L}_{2}(\mathbb{R}^{2})$ , which intertwines the Schrödinger representation (2.9) and the left quasi-regular representation restricted to an irreducible component of  $\mathsf{L}_{2}(\mathbb{R}^{2})$ . In fact, for the character  $\chi_{\hbar}(s,0,0) = \mathrm{e}^{2\pi\mathrm{i}\hbar s}$  of the centre  $Z = \{(s,0,0) \in \mathbb{H}_{p}^{1} \colon s \in \mathbb{R}\}$ , any vector  $\phi \in \mathsf{L}_{2}(\mathbb{R})$  satisfies the following specialisation of (3.3)

$$\rho_{\hbar}(s,0,0)\phi = \chi_{\hbar}(s,0,0)\phi, \quad \text{for all} \quad (s,0,0) \in Z.$$

Let  $s: \mathbb{H}_p^1/Z \to \mathbb{H}_p^1: (x, y) \mapsto (0, x, y)$  be a continuous section [1, Section 5.1.2]. Thus, for all  $f \in \mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{R})$ , the induced covariant transform  $\mathcal{W}_{\phi}^{\rho_h}$  for any fiducial vector  $\phi \in \mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{R})$  is

$$\left[\mathcal{W}_{\phi}^{\rho_{\hbar}}(f)\right](x,y) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(t) \mathrm{e}^{2\pi \mathrm{i}\hbar t y} \phi(t-x) \,\mathrm{d}t.$$

The main properties of  $\mathcal{W}^{\rho_h}_{\phi}$  follow from the general properties of the covariant transform.

**Remark 3.4.** Let  $\phi \in \mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{R})$  be a fiducial vector such that  $\|\phi\| = 1$ . The covariant transform  $\mathcal{W}_{\phi}^{\rho_{\hbar}} \colon \mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{R}) \to \mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{R}^2)$  is a unitary intertwining operator between the Schrödinger representation  $\rho_{\hbar}$  on  $\mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{R})$  and the left quasi-regular representation  $\Lambda_{\hbar}$  restricted on the image space

$$F_{\phi}(\mathbb{R}^2) := \left\{ \mathcal{W}_{\phi}^{\rho_{\hbar}}(f) \colon f \in \mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{R}) 
ight\}$$

In particular,  $\Lambda_{\hbar}$  is an irreducible representation on  $F_{\phi}(\mathbb{R}^2)$ .

So far all fiducial vectors seem to be equally suitable, yet its is common to give the strong preference to a vacuum vector of the Schrödinger representation – the Gaussian

$$\phi_{\hbar\kappa}(t) = 2^{1/4} \mathrm{e}^{-\frac{\pi\hbar}{\kappa}t^2}.$$
(3.10)

This preference is explained by Proposition 3.3: since the Gaussian is a null-solution to the annihilation operator

$$a_{\rho_{\hbar}}^{-} = \mathrm{d}\rho_{\hbar}^{\kappa X - \mathrm{i}Y} = -2\pi\hbar t - \kappa\partial_{t}, \qquad (3.11)$$

the image space of the induced covariant transform  $\mathcal{W}_{\phi_{\hbar\kappa}}^{\rho_{\hbar}}$  (3.4) is annihilated by the Lie derivative  $\mathfrak{L}^{\kappa X+iY}$  (the derived representation from the right regular action  $R_{\hbar}$ ). This allows to give an intrinsic characterisation of the image space.

Explicitly,  $\mathcal{W}_{\phi_{\hbar\kappa}}^{\rho_{\hbar}}$  is given by

$$\tilde{f}(x,y) := \left[ \mathcal{W}_{\phi_{\hbar\kappa}}^{\rho_{\hbar}} f \right](x,y) = \langle f, \rho_{\hbar}(0,x,y)\phi_{\hbar\kappa} \rangle = \left(\frac{\hbar}{\kappa}\right)^{1/2} 2^{1/4} \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(t) e^{2\pi i \hbar t y} e^{-\frac{\pi \hbar}{\kappa} (t-x)^2} dt,$$
(3.12)

where the measure is renormalised by the factor  $(\frac{\hbar}{\kappa})^{1/2}$ . For reasons explained here, we call it the pre-FSB transform (see [39, Section 4.2] and [15, Section 1.6]) from  $L_2(\mathbb{R})$  into the *pre-FSB* space  $\mathsf{F}_{\phi_{\hbar\kappa}}(\mathbb{R}^2)$  (2.6). The image space  $\mathsf{F}_{\phi_{\hbar\kappa}}(\mathbb{R}^2)$  is a subspace of square-integrable functions on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . The left quasi-regular representation  $\Lambda_{\hbar}$  restricted on the pre-FSB space  $\mathsf{F}_{\phi_{\hbar\kappa}}(\mathbb{R}^2)$  is called the *pre-FSB representation*. The prefix "pre-" is removed by a unitary operator – the *peeling*, which will produce the *FSB space* of analytic functions on  $\mathbb{C}$  in Section 4.1.

### 3.3 The Zak transform

In this subsection, we derive the Zak transform (see [10, Chapter 9], [12] and [15, Chapter 4]) as a particular case of the covariant transform. More specifically, we look for the induced covariant transform

$$\mathcal{W}_{l_0}^{\rho_{\hbar}} \colon \mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{R}) \to \mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{T}^2),$$

which intertwines the Schrödinger representation (2.9) and the lattice representation (2.14). For an integer m, let  $\chi_m(s, n, k) = e^{2\pi i m s}$  be the character of the subgroup  $H_d = \{(s, n, k) : s \in \mathbb{R}, k\}$ 

 $n, k \in \mathbb{Z}$  (2.12) of  $\mathbb{H}_p^1$ . A required fiducial vector  $l_0$  shall satisfy (3.3), which in this setup becomes

$$e^{2\pi i\hbar s}e^{-2\pi i\hbar tk}l_0(t-n) = e^{2\pi ims}l_0(t), \quad \text{for all} \quad (s,n,k) \in H_d.$$
 (3.13)

The left- and the right-hand sides of (3.13) are equal if and only if

- 1)  $\hbar = m$  (from considering  $(1, 0, 0) \in H_d$ ),
- 2) the function  $l_0$  is a periodic function (with the period 1) (from considering  $(0, 1, 0) \in H_d$ ), and
- 3) supp $(l_0) \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$  (from considering all  $(0, 0, k) \in H_d$ ).

Of course, the last two conditions imply that  $\operatorname{supp}(l_0) = \mathbb{Z}$ . The simplest non-zero vector  $l_0$  satisfying (3.13) would be the *Dirac comb* distribution, that is,

$$l_0(t) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \delta(t-n), \qquad (3.14)$$

which is a periodic distribution constructed from the *Dirac delta*  $\delta(t)$ .

**Remark 3.5.** Let K be a compact subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ , and C(K) be the space of continuous functions on  $\mathbb{R}$  supported in K, which is a Banach space equipped with the uniform norm. Let  $C_c(\mathbb{R})$  be the union of these Banach spaces, where  $C_c(\mathbb{R})$  inherits a natural inductive limit topology [16, 41]. We denote by  $C_c^*(\mathbb{R})$  the space of all continuous functionals (*pseudomeasures*) on  $C_c(\mathbb{R})$ , which is the intersection of all duals of C(K). As the Dirac comb  $l_0(t)$  (3.14) is a finite measure in any compact set K, thus  $l_0 \in C_c^*(\mathbb{R})$  is a pseudomeasure. Therefore, we consider the Schrödinger representation  $\rho_{\hbar}$  of  $\mathbb{H}_p^1$  on  $C_c(\mathbb{R}) \subset L_2(\mathbb{R})$  to be restricted to the Banach space C(K), for any compact subset K of  $\mathbb{R}$ .

**Theorem 3.6.** Let  $l_0$  be the fiducial vector defined by (3.14). For  $f \in L_2(\mathbb{R})$ , let

$$[\mathcal{Z}f](u,v) = e^{2\pi i m u v} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f(u+n) e^{2\pi i m n v}$$

be the so-called [1] co-Zak transform. Then, we have

$$\mathcal{Z}f = \mathcal{W}_{l_0}^{\rho_\hbar}(f)$$

**Proof.** Let  $s: \mathbb{T}^2 \to \mathbb{H}_p^1: (u, v) \mapsto (0, u, v)$  be a continuous section (cf. [1, Section 5.1.3]). Let  $\mathsf{C}_c(K)$  be the space of smooth functions that are compact support in K. For  $f \in \mathsf{C}_c(K) \subset \mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{R})$ , we calculate the induced covariant transform as follows:

$$\begin{split} \left[ \mathcal{W}_{l_{0}}^{\rho_{\hbar}}(f) \right] (u,v) &= \langle f, \rho_{\hbar}(0,u,v) l_{0} \rangle \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(t) \mathrm{e}^{2\pi \mathrm{i}\hbar t v} \overline{l_{0}}(t-u) \, \mathrm{d}t \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(t) \, \mathrm{e}^{2\pi \mathrm{i}m t v} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \delta(t-(u+n)) \mathrm{d}t, \qquad \hbar = m \\ &= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(t) \mathrm{e}^{2\pi \mathrm{i}m t v} \delta(t-(u+n)) \, \mathrm{d}t \\ &= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f(u+n) \mathrm{e}^{2\pi \mathrm{i}m v(u+n)} \\ &= \mathrm{e}^{2\pi \mathrm{i}m u v} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f(u+n) \mathrm{e}^{2\pi \mathrm{i}m v n}. \end{split}$$
(3.15)

This is the Zak transform (see [10, Chapter 9], [12], [15, Chapter 4]) up to the factor  $e^{2\pi i m u v}$ .

**Remark 3.7.** Since the co-Zak transform is defined on  $C_c(\mathbb{R})$ , which is dense on  $L_2(\mathbb{R})$ , the co-Zak transform can be extended to be defined on the entire  $L_2(\mathbb{R})$ .

The general properties of the covariant transform  $\mathcal{W}_{l_0}^{\rho_{\hbar}}$  yield corresponding properties of the Zak transform.

**Corollary 3.8.** For  $f \in L_2(\mathbb{R})$ , let

$$[\mathcal{Z}f](u,v) = e^{2\pi i m u v} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f(u+n) e^{2\pi i m n v}$$

be the co-Zak transform (3.15). Then, we have the following properties:

- 1. The operator  $\mathcal{Z}: \mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{R}) \to \mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{T}^2)$  intertwines the Schrödinger representation  $\rho_{\hbar}$  and the lattice representation  $\rho_m$ . That is,  $\rho_m \circ \mathcal{Z} = \mathcal{Z} \circ \rho_{\hbar}$ , for  $\hbar = m$ .
- 2. The operator  $\mathcal{Z} \colon \mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{R}) \to \mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{T}^2)$  is unitary.
- 3. The image space of  $[\mathcal{Z}f](u,v)$  consists of functions  $\tilde{f}(u,v)$  that have the double-quasiperiodic property on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

**Proof.** 1. Since  $\mathcal{W}_{l_0}^{\rho_{\hbar}} = \mathcal{Z}$ , the intertwining property in (3.2), for  $\hbar = m$ , implies

$$\rho_m \circ \mathcal{W}_{l_0}^{\rho_\hbar} = \mathcal{W}_{l_0}^{\rho_\hbar} \circ \rho_\hbar$$

2. Since  $\mathcal{W}_{l_0}^{\rho_{\hbar}}$  is an intertwining operator between two irreducible representations of  $\mathbb{H}_p^1$ , by Schur's lemma [28, Theorem 8.2.1], the covariant transform  $\mathcal{W}_{l_0}^{\rho_{\hbar}}$  is a bijection  $\mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{R}) \to \mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{T}^2)$ . "When you have an intertwining operator between irreducible representations, it has to be terrible not to be unitary" [23], if a right factor is used. The scaling can be checked from the identity

$$\|\chi_{[0,1]}\|_{\mathsf{L}_{2}(\mathbb{R})} = \|\mathcal{W}_{l_{0}}^{\rho_{\hbar}}\chi_{[0,1]}\|_{\mathsf{L}_{2}(\mathbb{T}^{2})}$$

for the indicator function  $\chi_{[0,1]}$  of the interval [0,1] with  $\mathcal{W}_{l_0}^{\rho_{\hbar}}\chi_{[0,1]}(u,v) = e^{2\pi i m(u+1)v}$ .

3. The image space of the induced covariant transform  $\tilde{f} = W_{l_0}^{\rho_{\tilde{h}}}(f)$  has the *H*-covariance property (3.6)  $\tilde{f}(gh) = \bar{\chi}(h)\tilde{f}(g)$ , for all  $g \in G$  and  $h \in H$ . For the subgroup  $H_d = \{(s, n, k) = (s, n + ik) : s \in \mathbb{R}, n, k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ , it has exactly the double-quasi-periodic property (2.13):

$$\tilde{f}(u+n,v+k) = e^{2\pi m i u k} \tilde{f}(u,v).$$

**Example 3.9** (the pre-theta function). It is natural to evaluate the covariant transform of the vacuum vector – Gaussian  $\phi_{\hbar\kappa}$  (3.10) with  $\hbar = m$ :

$$\Phi_{m\kappa}(u,v) := [\mathcal{Z}\phi_{m\kappa}](u,v) = e^{\pi\kappa(3\omega^2 - \bar{\omega}^2 - 2\omega\bar{\omega})/(4m)} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{-\frac{\pi m}{\kappa}n^2} e^{2\pi i n\omega}$$
$$= e^{\pi\kappa(3\omega^2 - \bar{\omega}^2 - 2\omega\bar{\omega})/(4m)} \Theta_{m\kappa}\left(\omega, \frac{\mathrm{i}m}{\kappa}\right), \qquad (3.16)$$

where  $\omega = m(v + iu/\kappa) \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $\Theta_{m\kappa}$  is the Jacobi theta function. We will use the notation  $\Phi_{m\kappa}(\omega, \bar{\omega}) = \Phi_{m\kappa}(u, v)$  as well. By Lemma 2.3(2)  $\Phi_{m\kappa}$ , is a vacuum of the lattice representation.

### 3.4 The (pre-)theta transform

In the present subsection, we look for an intertwining operator

$$\mathcal{W}^{\rho_m}_{\Phi} \colon \mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{T}^2) \to \mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{R}^2)$$

between the lattice representation and the left quasi-regular representation restricted to an irreducible component of  $L_2(\mathbb{R}^2)$ . Although the formula of the left quasi-regular representation (2.5) looks very similar to the lattice representation's formula (2.14): they act on different spaces  $L_2(\mathbb{R}^2)$  and  $L_2(\mathbb{T}^2)$ , respectively.

Let  $\chi_{\hbar}(s, 0, 0) = e^{2\pi i \hbar s}$  be the character of the centre  $Z \subset \mathbb{H}_p^1$ . As was already mentioned (Section 3.2), any vector  $\Phi \in L_2(\mathbb{T}^2)$  satisfies version  $\rho_m(s, 0, 0)\Phi = \chi_{\hbar}(s, 0, 0)\Phi$  of (3.3), for all  $(s, 0, 0) \in Z$  and  $\hbar = m$ . Thus, the respective covariant transform  $\mathcal{W}_{\Phi}$  intertwines the lattice and quasi-regular representations.

We may be more specific and request that  $\mathcal{W}_{\Phi}$  map:  $\mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{T}^2)$  to the pre-FSB space  $\mathsf{F}_2(\mathbb{R}^2)$ . As in the case of the pre-FSB transform, the vacuum  $\Phi_{m\kappa}$  (3.16) shall be taken as the fiducial vector. Indeed, by Proposition 3.3, the image space of  $\mathcal{W}_{\Phi_{m\kappa}}^{\rho_m}$  is annihilated by the right ladder  $i\kappa \mathfrak{L}^X + \mathfrak{L}^Y$  (2.7).

**Theorem 3.10.** Let  $\Phi_{m\kappa}(u, v) = e^{\pi\kappa(3\omega^2 - \bar{\omega}^2 - 2\omega\bar{\omega})/(4m)}\Theta_{m\kappa}(\omega, \frac{im}{\kappa})$  be a fiducial vector defined in (3.16). Then, the induced covariant transform  $\mathcal{W}_{\Phi_{m\kappa}}^{\rho_m} \colon \mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{T}^2) \to \mathsf{F}_2(\mathbb{R}^2)$  is as follows

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{W}_{\Phi_{m\kappa}}^{\rho_m}(f) \end{bmatrix} (x,y) = \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} f(\omega) e^{\pi\kappa [2(\zeta - \bar{\zeta})[(\bar{\omega} - \bar{\zeta}) + (\omega - \zeta)] + 3(\bar{\omega} - \bar{\zeta})^2 - (\omega - \zeta)^2 - 2(\omega - \zeta)(\bar{\omega} - \bar{\zeta})]/(4m)} \times \overline{\Theta_{m\kappa} \left(\omega - \zeta, \frac{\mathrm{i}m}{\kappa}\right)} \frac{\kappa \,\mathrm{d}\omega \wedge \mathrm{d}\bar{\omega}}{\mathrm{i}m}.$$

**Proof.** The induced covariant transform  $\mathcal{W}_{\Phi_{m\kappa}}^{\rho_m} \colon L_2(\mathbb{T}^2) \to F_2(\mathbb{R}^2)$  is calculated (up to normalisation) as follows

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{W}_{\Phi_{m\kappa}}^{\rho_m}(f) \end{bmatrix} (x, y) = \langle f, \rho_m(\mathbf{s}(x, y)) \Phi_{m\kappa} \rangle$$
  

$$= \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} f(u, v) e^{-2\pi i m x (v-y)} \bar{\Phi}_{m\kappa} (u - x, v - y) \, \mathrm{d} u \, \mathrm{d} v$$
  

$$= f(\omega) e^{\pi \kappa [2(\zeta - \bar{\zeta})](\bar{\omega} - \bar{\zeta}) + (\omega - \zeta)] + 3(\bar{\omega} - \bar{\zeta})^2 - (\omega - \zeta)^2 - 2(\omega - \zeta)(\bar{\omega} - \bar{\zeta})]/(4m)}$$
  

$$\times \overline{\Theta_{m\kappa}} \left( \omega - \zeta, \frac{\mathrm{i}m}{\kappa} \right) \frac{\kappa \, \mathrm{d} \omega \wedge \mathrm{d} \bar{\omega}}{\mathrm{i}m}, \qquad (3.17)$$

where  $\omega = m(v + iu/\kappa)$  and  $\zeta = m(y + ix/\kappa)$ .

We call  $\mathcal{W}_{\Phi_{m\kappa}}^{\rho_m}$  the *pre-theta transform*.

The general properties of the covariant transform  $\mathcal{W}_{\Phi_{m\kappa}}^{\rho_m}$  yield corresponding properties of the pre-theta transform.

**Corollary 3.11.** The pre-theta transform  $\mathcal{W}_{\Phi_{m\kappa}}^{\rho_m} \colon \mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{T}^2) \to \mathsf{F}_2(\mathbb{R}^2)$  (3.17) is a unitary intertwining operator between the lattice representation  $\rho_m$  on  $\mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{T}^2)$  and the left quasi-regular representation  $\Lambda_{\hbar}$  restricted to  $F_{\Phi}(\mathbb{R}^2)$ .

# 4 Peeling representations of $\mathbb{H}_{p}^{1}$ and analyticity

Induced representations are a common tool to construct representations of groups. However, a representation prepared using a generic methodology may not be particularly suited for a special situation. It often needs to be tuned to be enriched with useful features. In this section, we demonstrate such a simple tool which produces the required enhancements needed for various situations.

For example: since the annihilation operator  $a^-$  provides a useful characterisation of an irreducible component of a representation, we are interested in expressing  $a^-$  in the most transparent form. A map, called here *peeling*, then simplifies the corresponding annihilation operator into a linear combination of first-order derivatives only. Therefore, the structure of the eigenvectors  $\phi_n$  (cf. [1, Section 5.4] and [30, Section 2.6]) forms an orthonormal basis of the initial irreducible space H becomes more transparent.

On the other hand, if a representation is reducible, its irreducible component can be characterised as the space of null-solutions for the Lie derivative (cf. (2.6)). In such cases, we seek to peel the irreducible component to a space of analytic functions. This allows one to use the power of complex variable theory to study the induced representations of  $\mathbb{H}_p^1$ .

**Definition 4.1.** A peeling  $\varepsilon_d$  is an invertible operator of multiplication defined by a function d(x) on X:

$$\varepsilon_d \colon f(x) \mapsto \mathrm{e}^{d(x)} f(x),$$

The operator  $\varepsilon_d$  is unitary for suitably related measures

$$\varepsilon_d \colon \mathsf{L}_2(X, \mathrm{d}\mu(x)) \to \mathsf{L}_2(X, \mathrm{d}\nu(x))$$

such that  $d\nu(x) = e^{-2 \operatorname{Re} d(x)} d\mu(x)$ .

We use such peeling operators to improve some properties of covariant transform related to specific representations. In this paper, all considered peelings use smooth d(x) on a domain X in a Euclidean space. We will discuss the choice of d(x) for the pre-FSB, Schrödinger and lattice representations in Sections 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3, respectively.

### 4.1 Peeling the (pre-)FSB representation

Let  $\Lambda_{\hbar}$  be the pre-FSB representation (2.5), which acts irreducibly on the pre-FSB space  $\mathsf{F}_{\phi_{\hbar\kappa}}(2.6)$ . Consider the variables  $z, \bar{z} \in \mathbb{C}$ , where  $z = \sqrt{\frac{h}{2\kappa}}(x + i\kappa y)$  and  $h = 2\pi\hbar > 0$ . In this subsection, we peel the representation  $\Lambda_{\hbar}$  into the corresponding one  $\tilde{\Lambda}_{\hbar}$  that acts on the FSB space of analytic functions. To perform this, we look for a peeling operator satisfying the following conditions:

1. The peeling defined by  $e^{d(z,\bar{z})}$  shall intertwine the right annihilation operator  $\mathfrak{L}^{\kappa X+iY} = 2\pi\hbar x + (\kappa\partial_x + i\partial_y)$  and the Cauchy–Riemann operators  $\partial_{\bar{z}} = \kappa\partial_x + i\partial_y$ :

$$\partial_{\bar{z}} \mathrm{e}^{d(z,\bar{z})} f(z,\bar{z}) = \mathrm{e}^{d(z,\bar{z})} \mathfrak{L}^{\kappa X + \mathrm{i}Y} f(z,\bar{z}).$$

$$\tag{4.1}$$

A simple differential equation for (4.1) implies that

$$d(z,\bar{z}) = \tilde{\psi}(z) + \frac{1}{4}(z+\bar{z})^2, \tag{4.2}$$

where  $\tilde{\psi}$  is an arbitrary smooth function of z alone.

2. Let  $a_{\Lambda_{\hbar}}^{-} = d\Lambda_{\hbar}^{\kappa X - iY} = 2\pi i\hbar\kappa y - (\kappa\partial_{x} - i\partial_{y})$  be the left annihilation operator of  $\Lambda_{\hbar}$  (2.5). The same peeling shall intertwine  $a_{\Lambda_{\hbar}}^{-}$  with (a multiple of) the complex derivative  $\partial_{z} = (\kappa\partial_{x} - i\partial_{y})$ . This fixes  $\tilde{\psi}(z) = -\frac{1}{2}z^{2} - c$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{C}$  in (4.2). Thus, the peeling operator becomes

$$\varepsilon_d \cdot I = e^{d(z,\bar{z})} \cdot I = e^{\frac{h}{4\kappa}(x^2 + \kappa^2 y^2 - 2i\kappa xy) - c} \cdot I = e^{\frac{1}{4}(\bar{z}^2 - z^2 + 2z\bar{z}) - c} \cdot I.$$
(4.3)

Let  $c_0 \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $c_0 \neq 0$ . There is a special vacuum of the representation  $\Lambda_{\hbar}$  annihilated by both  $a_{\Lambda_{\hbar}}^-$  and  $\mathfrak{L}^{\kappa X+\mathrm{i}Y}$ , given as follows

$$\phi_0(z,\bar{z}) = c_0 \mathrm{e}^{-\frac{1}{2}\bar{z}^2 + \frac{1}{4}(z-\bar{z})^2 + c} = c_0 \mathrm{e}^{\frac{1}{4}(z^2 - \bar{z}^2 - 2z\bar{z}) + c}.$$

The consequence of the conditions (1) and (2) is that the peeling maps the vacuum  $\phi_0$ , which is killed by both the left and right annihilation operators to the function identically equal to  $c_0$ , which is killed by both  $\partial_z$  and  $\partial_{\bar{z}}$ . The peeled representation  $\tilde{\Lambda}_{\hbar}$  is

$$\begin{split} [\tilde{\Lambda}_{\hbar}(s,z)F](z') &:= e^{\frac{1}{4}(\bar{z'}^2 - z'^2 + 2z'\bar{z'})} \Lambda_{\hbar}(s,z) e^{-\frac{1}{4}(\bar{z'}^2 - z'^2 + 2z'\bar{z'})} F(z') \\ &= e^{\operatorname{his} + \frac{1}{4}(\bar{z}^2 - z^2 - 2z\bar{z}) + \bar{z}z'} F(z'-z), \end{split}$$
(4.4)

which is called the *FSB representation*. The composition of the peeling (4.3) with the covariant transform (3.12) is

$$F(z) = \left(\frac{\hbar}{\kappa}\right)^{1/2} e^{\frac{\hbar}{4\kappa}(x^2 + \kappa^2 y^2 - 2i\kappa xy) - c} \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(t) e^{2\pi i\hbar t y} e^{-\frac{\pi\hbar}{\kappa}(t-x)^2} dt$$
$$= \left(\frac{\hbar}{\kappa}\right)^{1/2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(t) e^{-\frac{\hbar}{2\kappa}t^2 + \sqrt{\frac{2\hbar}{\kappa}tz - \frac{1}{2}z^2}} dt,$$
(4.5)

where F(z) is an analytic function of  $z = \sqrt{\frac{h}{2\kappa}}(x + i\kappa y)$ . Indeed, by Proposition 3.3 and the intertwining property (4.1), the function F(z) (4.5) satisfies

$$\partial_{\bar{z}}F(z) = (\kappa\partial_x + \mathrm{i}\partial_y)F(x,y) = 0,$$

which is essentially the Cauchy–Riemann equation. The integral (4.5) is known as the *FSB* transform. The image  $F_2^{\hbar}$  of the FSB transforms is called the FSB space. It is a closed subspace of

$$\mathsf{L}_2\big(\mathbb{R}^2,\mathrm{e}^{-\frac{h}{2\kappa}(x^2+\kappa^2y^2)+2c}\mathrm{d} x\,\mathrm{d} y\big)=\mathsf{L}_2\big(\mathbb{C},\mathrm{e}^{-|z|^2+2c}\mathrm{d} z\,\mathrm{d} \bar{z}\big)$$

consisting of the analytic functions. Note that often, only the values  $\hbar = 1$ ,  $\kappa = 1$  and c = 0 are used [42].

Similar to the pre-FSB transform, we calculate the composition of the pre-theta transform f (3.17) and the peeling (4.3),  $h = 2\pi m$ , as follows

$$\tilde{F}(z) = e^{\frac{h}{4\kappa}(x^2 + \kappa^2 y^2 - 2i\kappa xy) - c} \tilde{f}(x, y)$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} f(u, v) e^{-\frac{\pi m}{\kappa}(u^2 + 2i\kappa uv) - \frac{1}{2}z^2 + 2\sqrt{\frac{\pi m}{\kappa}}uz - c} \bar{\Theta}_{m\kappa}(-i(\bar{z'} - \bar{z}), i) du dv,$$

where  $z = \sqrt{\frac{h}{2\kappa}}(x + i\kappa y) \in \mathbb{C}$  as before.

We call F(z) the *theta transform* of f(u, v). As with the FSB transform, the intertwining property (4.1) implies that the image of the theta transform consists of analytic functions, which can be found in many references [10, 15, 39].

### 4.2 Peeling the Schrödinger representation

In this subsection, we are performing less common peeling the Schrödinger representation  $\rho_{\hbar}$  (2.9), so that the corresponding annihilation operator will only be the derivative  $\partial_t$ . For a representation space realised as a function on a set, we have the following simple result.

**Lemma 4.2.** Let the annihilation operator have the form  $a^- = M + D$  on  $L_2(X)$ , where M is a multiplication operator and D is a derivative satisfying the Leibniz rule. For the vacuum vector  $\phi(x)$ , such that  $a^-\phi(x) = 0$ , the peeling  $f(x) \mapsto \phi(x)f(x)$  intertwines the annihilation operator  $a^-$  with the derivative D.

Recall the annihilation operator  $a_{\rho_{\hbar}}^{-} = d\rho_{\hbar}^{\kappa X - iY} = -2\pi\hbar t - \kappa\partial_t$  (3.11) for the Schrödinger representation. By Lemma 4.2, a function  $\varepsilon_d$  which intertwines  $a_{\rho_{\hbar}}^{-}$  with the plain derivative  $\kappa\partial_t$  shall satisfy the vacuum condition:  $a_{\rho_{\hbar}}^{-}\varepsilon_d^{-1} = 0$ . Thus, the peeling defined by  $\varepsilon_d(t) = c e^{\frac{\pi\hbar t^2}{\kappa}}$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{C}$  is unitary:

$$\varepsilon_d \colon \mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{R}, \mathrm{d}t) \longrightarrow \mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{R}, \mathrm{e}^{-2\frac{\pi\hbar}{\kappa}t^2} \mathrm{d}t).$$

The composition of the Schrödinger representation with the peeling acting on  $L_2(\mathbb{R}, e^{-2\frac{\pi\hbar}{\kappa}t^2}dt)$  is

$$[\tilde{\rho}_{\hbar}(s,x,y)F](t) := \mathrm{e}^{\frac{\pi\hbar}{\kappa}t^2} \mathrm{e}^{2\pi\mathrm{i}\hbar(s-ty)} \mathrm{e}^{-\frac{\pi\hbar}{\kappa}(t-x)^2} F(t-x) = \mathrm{e}^{2\pi\mathrm{i}\hbar s} \mathrm{e}^{-\frac{\pi\hbar}{\kappa}(x^2-2t(x-\mathrm{i}\kappa y))} F(t-x).$$

Consequently, the corresponding derived representations of the Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{h}_1$  are

 $\mathrm{d}\tilde{\rho}_{\hbar}^{X} = 2\pi\hbar t - \partial_{t}$  and  $\mathrm{d}\tilde{\rho}_{\hbar}^{Y} = -2\pi\mathrm{i}\hbar t$ ,

and the annihilation operator  $a_{\tilde{\rho}_{\hbar}}^{-}$  is

$$a_{\tilde{\rho}\hbar}^{-} = \mathrm{d}\tilde{\rho}_{\hbar}^{\kappa X - \mathrm{i}Y} = -\partial_t,$$

which annihilates the vacuum  $\tilde{\phi}(t) = c$ . A notable consequence is that  $\varepsilon_d$  transforms the Hermite functions  $H_n(t)e^{-\frac{\pi\hbar}{\kappa}t^2} \in \mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{R})$  to the corresponding Hermite polynomials  $H_n(t) \in \mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{R}, e^{-2\frac{\pi\hbar}{\kappa}t^2}\mathrm{d}t)$ .

### 4.3 Peeling the lattice representation

The purpose of peeling the lattice representation  $\rho_m$  (2.14) seems to be difficult to formulate while staying within the framework of the Heisenberg group itself. However, the lattice representation is better understood if it is extended to the Schrödinger group (aka the Jacobi group [10, Chapter 9]) – the semi-direct product of  $\mathbb{H}_p^1$  with the group  $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})$  acting on  $\mathbb{H}_p^1$  through symplectic automorphism [15, Section 1.2]. The representation of the Schrödinger group can then be peeled in a way that its vacuum will be a null-solution of the heat equation.

Since an accurate treatment of the Schrödinger group is beyond the scoop of the present paper, we simply provide the form of the required peeling, cf. (3.16):

$$\varepsilon_d \cdot I = e^{-\pi\kappa(3\omega^2 - \bar{\omega}^2 - 2\omega\bar{\omega})/4m} \cdot I, \quad \text{where} \quad \omega = \frac{m}{\kappa}(\kappa v + iu).$$

Then,  $\varepsilon_d$  is a unitary operator:

$$\varepsilon_d: \ \mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{T}^2, \mathrm{d}\omega \mathrm{d}\bar{\omega}) \longrightarrow \hat{\mathsf{L}}_2(\mathbb{T}^2, \mathrm{e}^{\pi\kappa(\omega-\bar{\omega})^2/2m} \mathrm{d}\omega \mathrm{d}\bar{\omega}).$$

Note that  $\pi\kappa(\omega-\bar{\omega})^2/2m = -2 \operatorname{Re}\left[-\pi\kappa\left(3\omega^2-\bar{\omega}^2-2\omega\bar{\omega}\right)/4m\right] = -2\pi m u^2/\kappa$ . The corresponding irreducible lattice representation  $\tilde{\rho}_m$  is

$$[\tilde{\rho}_m(s,\omega)F](\omega',\bar{\omega'}) = e^{2\pi m i s} e^{\pi \kappa (\frac{1}{4}(\omega-\bar{\omega})^2 + \omega(\bar{\omega'}-\omega'))/m} F(\omega'-\omega,\bar{\omega'}-\bar{\omega}).$$

Therefore, the corresponding annihilation operator is simply

$$a_{\tilde{\rho}_m}^- = \mathrm{d}\tilde{\rho}_m^{\kappa X - \mathrm{i}Y} = 2\mathrm{i}m\partial_{\bar{\omega}},$$

which annihilates the theta function  $\tilde{\Phi} =: c\Theta_{m\kappa} \left( \omega, \frac{im}{\kappa} \right)$ . Therefore, the peeling maps the vacuum vector  $\Phi_{m\kappa}$  from Section 3.4 to the theta function:

$$\varepsilon_d: \Phi(\omega, \bar{\omega}) \mapsto c\Theta_{m\kappa}\left(\omega, \frac{\mathrm{i}m}{\kappa}\right).$$

## 5 A contravariant transform on $\mathbb{H}^1_n$

The goal of this section is to introduce the *contravariant transform*  $\mathcal{M}_{\psi}$ , which is the *adjoint* of the covariant transform  $\mathcal{W}_{\phi}$  (see [3, Section 8.1] and [31, Section 2]).

### 5.1 A Contravariant transform for induced representations

Let H be a closed subgroup of  $\mathbb{H}_p^1$  and  $X = \mathbb{H}_p^1/H$  be the respective homogeneous space, which is a subset of Euclidean space with the respective Lebesgue measure. Let  $\rho$  be a representation of the Heisenberg group  $\mathbb{H}_p^1$  on the vector space  $\mathsf{V}$ .

**Definition 5.1.** For a reconstruction vector  $\psi \in V$ , the contravariant transform  $\mathcal{M}_{\psi}$  is a map  $\mathcal{M}_{\psi}^{\rho} \colon \mathsf{L}_{1}(X) \to \mathsf{V}$  given by

$$\mathcal{M}^{\rho}_{\psi} \colon \ \tilde{\nu} \mapsto \mathcal{M}_{\psi}(\tilde{\nu}) = \int_{X} \tilde{\nu}(x) \rho(\mathbf{s}(x)) \psi \, \mathrm{d}\mu(x),$$

where **s** is a Borel section from  $X = \mathbb{H}_p^1/H$  to  $\mathbb{H}_p^1$ .

It is naturally to request that the contravariant transform  $\mathcal{M}^{\rho}_{\psi}$  shall intertwine the induced representation  $\rho_{\chi}$  (2.4) and the representation  $\rho$ :

$$\mathcal{M}^{\rho}_{\psi} \circ \rho_{\chi}(g) = \rho(g) \circ \mathcal{M}^{\rho}_{\psi}, \quad \text{for all} \quad g \in \mathbb{H}^{1}_{p}.$$

$$(5.1)$$

The left-hand side explicitly is

$$\begin{split} [\mathcal{M}^{\rho}_{\psi} \circ \rho_{\chi}(g)\tilde{\nu}] &= \int_{X} \bar{\chi} \big( \mathsf{r} \big( g^{-1} \ast \mathsf{s}(x) \big) \big) \tilde{\nu} \big( g^{-1} \cdot x \big) \rho(\mathsf{s}(x)) \psi \, \mathrm{d} \mu(x) \\ &= \int_{X} \tilde{\nu}(y) \bar{\chi} (\mathsf{r}(g \ast \mathsf{s}(y))) \rho \big( g \ast \mathsf{s}(y) \ast (\mathsf{r}(g \ast \mathsf{s}(y)))^{-1} \big) \psi \, \mathrm{d} \mu(x) \\ &= \int_{X} \tilde{\nu}(y) \bar{\chi} (\mathsf{r}(g \ast \mathsf{s}(y))) \rho \left( \mathsf{s}(\mathsf{p}(g \ast \mathsf{s}(y))) \right) \psi \, \mathrm{d} \mu(x) \,, \end{split}$$

where  $y = g^{-1} \cdot x$  for  $x, y \in X$  and  $g \in G$ . We used the following identities:

$$s(x) = g * s(y) * (r(g * s(y)))^{-1}, r(g^{-1} * s(x)) = r(g * s(y))$$

The right-hand side of (5.1) is

$$\left[\rho(g) \circ \mathcal{M}^{\rho}_{\psi} \tilde{\nu}\right] = \int_{X} \tilde{\nu}(y) \rho(g * \mathsf{s}(y)) \psi \,\mathrm{d}\mu(y)$$

If the intertwining property holds for every function  $\tilde{\nu}$ , then the following condition for the reconstructing vector  $\psi$  is required:

$$\bar{\chi}(\mathsf{r}(g))\rho(\mathsf{s}(\mathsf{p}(g)))\psi = \rho(g)\psi, \quad \text{for all} \quad g \in G.$$
(5.2)

The abstract framework of the contravariant transform is well known for a unitary irreducible representation  $\rho$  in a Hilbert space V (see for example [3, Section 8.1]).

For suitable fiducial  $\phi$  and reconstruction  $\psi \in \mathsf{V}$  vectors, the contravariant transform  $\mathcal{M}_{\psi}$ and the covariant transform  $\mathcal{W}_{\phi}$  (3.4) are adjoints.

There are several extensions of the constructions for a strongly continuous representation  $\rho$  in a Banach space V [2, 13, 14, 31, 35]. In this paper we omit generalities and use specialised

techniques for  $\mathbb{H}^1_p$  [2, 31, 35]. We use  $\mathcal{W}^* \colon B^* \to W^*(X)$  and  $\mathcal{M}^* \colon W^*(X) \to B^*$  to denote the adjoint operators to  $\mathcal{W}$  and  $\mathcal{M}$ , respectively. This results in the following identity:

$$\langle \mathcal{M}v, \mathcal{M}^*l \rangle_{W(X)} = \langle v, l \rangle_B, \quad v \in B, \quad l \in B^*.$$

The contravariant transform construction is particularly simple for maps acting from the pre-FSB space as the next two examples show.

**Example 5.2** (the inverse of the (pre-)FSB transform). For the Schrödinger representation  $\rho_{\hbar}$  (2.9), the intertwining condition (5.2) is trivially satisfied by an arbitrary reconstructing vector  $\psi$ . From the sesqui-unitary property (3.8), it follows that  $\mathcal{M}_{\psi} \circ \mathcal{W}_{\phi} = I$  for vectors  $\psi$  and  $\phi$  such that  $\langle \phi, \psi \rangle = 1$ . In particular, for the Gaussian  $\psi_{\hbar\kappa}(t) = 2^{1/4} e^{-\frac{\pi\hbar}{\kappa}t^2}$  as a reconstruction vector, the contravariant transform is

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{M}_{\psi}^{\rho_{\hbar}} f \end{bmatrix}(t) = 2^{1/4} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} f(x, y) \mathrm{e}^{-2\pi \mathrm{i}\hbar t y} \mathrm{e}^{-\frac{\pi\hbar}{\kappa}(t-x)^2} \,\mathrm{d}x \,\mathrm{d}y$$
$$= 2^{1/4} \mathrm{e}^{-\frac{\pi\hbar}{\kappa}t^2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} f(x, y) \mathrm{e}^{-\frac{\pi\hbar}{\kappa}(x^2 - 2t(x - \mathrm{i}\kappa y))} \,\mathrm{d}x \,\mathrm{d}y$$

This is known as the *inverse of the pre-FSB transform* [39, Section 4.2].

**Example 5.3** (the inverse of the (pre-)theta transform). A contravariant transform  $\mathcal{M}_{\psi_{h\kappa}}^{\rho_m}$ :  $L_2(\mathbb{R}^2) \to L_2(\mathbb{T}^2)$  is similar to the previous case: there are no restrictions from the intertwining condition (5.2), and the only requirement for a reconstruction vector  $\psi$  is  $\langle \phi, \psi \rangle = 1$ . In particular, if we set the reconstruction vector  $\psi$  by the lattice representation's vacuum (3.16) the integral transformation  $\mathcal{M}_{\psi}^{\rho_m}$  becomes:

$$\mathcal{M}_{\psi_{h\kappa}}^{\rho_m}(f) = e^{-\frac{\pi m}{\kappa}u^2 - 2i\kappa uv} \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} f(x, y) e^{-\frac{\pi m}{\kappa}(x^2 - 2u(x - i\kappa y))} \\ \times \Theta_{m\kappa}\left(\sqrt{\frac{h}{2\kappa}}(\kappa(v - y) + i(u - x), i\right) dx dy.$$
(5.3)

Thus, we obtain the inverse operator of  $\mathcal{W}_{\Phi_{h\kappa}}^{\rho_m}$  (3.17). We call the transformation  $\mathcal{M}_{\psi_{h\kappa}}^{\rho_m}$  (5.3) the inverse of the pre-theta transform.

**Example 5.4** (the Fourier transform). We can look for a contravariant transform which intertwines the two forms (2.9) and (2.11) and will be an inverse of the covariant transform (the Fourier transform) from Example 3.2. Using maps (2.10) and representation (2.9), we obtain the form of the compatibility condition (5.2):

$$e^{2\pi i\hbar s}e^{-2\pi i\hbar ty}\psi(t) = e^{2\pi i\hbar(s-ty)}\psi(t-x),$$

which again delivers the solution  $\psi(\lambda) \equiv 1$ . The respective contravariant transform is, as expected, the Fourier transform:

$$\left[\mathcal{M}_{1}^{\rho_{\hbar}}f\right](t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(\lambda) \mathrm{e}^{-2\pi \mathrm{i}\hbar t\lambda} \,\mathrm{d}\lambda.$$

A bit more care is required in the next case.

### 5.2 The inverse of the Zak transform

In Section 3.3, we derived the co-Zak transform  $\mathcal{Z}: L_2(\mathbb{R}) \to L_2(\mathbb{T}^2)$  (3.15) through the induced covariant transform  $\mathcal{W}_{\phi_0}^{\rho_{\hbar}}$ . Now, we calculate its inverse using the contravariant transform. The intertwining property (5.2) for the map  $r(s, x, y) = (s - \{x\}[y], [x], [y])$  from (2.15) requires:

$$\begin{split} \bar{\chi}(s - \{x\}[y], [x], [y])\rho((s, x, y) * (s - \{x\}[y], [x], [y])^{-1})\psi &= \rho(s, x, y)\psi, \\ \bar{\chi}(s - \{x\}[y], [x], [y])\rho((s, x, y) * (-s + x[y], -[x], -[y]))\psi &= \rho(s, x, y)\psi, \\ \bar{\chi}(s - \{x\}[y], [x], [y])\rho(0, \{x\}, \{y\})\psi &= \rho(s, x, y)\psi, \\ e^{2\pi i m(s - \{x\}[y])}e^{2\pi i m(-t\{y\})}\psi(t - \{x\}) &= e^{2\pi i m(s - ty)}\psi(t - x), \\ e^{2\pi i m((t - \{x\})[y])}\psi(t - \{x\}) &= \psi(t - x). \end{split}$$
(5.4)

Choosing y = 1 and any 0 < x < 1, we conclude that  $\psi_0$  is supported at  $\{0\}$ . Further analysis shows that the reconstruction vector  $\psi_0$  satisfying the condition (5.4) is the Dirac delta distribution  $\delta(t)$  (up to a multiple).

Let  $\tilde{x} = (u, v) \in X = \mathbb{T}^2 = \mathbb{H}_p^1/H_d$ , where  $H_d$  is the non-commutative subgroup (2.12). For the section map s(u, v) = (0, u, v) (2.15) and  $g \in L_2(\mathbb{T}^2)$ , the contravariant transform becomes:

$$\mathcal{M}_{\psi_0}^{\rho_{\tilde{h}}} \colon g \mapsto \int_{\mathbb{T}} \int_{\mathbb{T}} g(u, v) \rho_{\tilde{h}}(\mathbf{s}(\tilde{x})) \psi_0(t) \, \mathrm{d}u \, \mathrm{d}v$$

$$= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 g(u, v) \rho_{\tilde{h}}(0, u, v) \psi_0(t) \, \mathrm{d}u \, \mathrm{d}v$$

$$= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 g(u, v) \mathrm{e}^{-2\pi \mathrm{i}mtv} \delta(t - u) \, \mathrm{d}u \, \mathrm{d}v$$

$$= \int_0^1 g(t, v) \mathrm{e}^{-2\pi \mathrm{i}mtv} \, \mathrm{d}v$$

$$= \int_0^1 \tilde{g}(t, v) \, \mathrm{d}v. \tag{5.5}$$

Since g(t, v) is contained in the space  $\mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{T}^2)$  of square-integrable functions that are periodic in t and quasi-periodic in v, multiplying g(t, v) by  $e^{-2\pi i m t v}$  produces a function that has the same double quasi-periodicity property of g(t, v) but in the opposite way. In other words,  $\tilde{g}(t, v) = g(t, v) \cdot e^{-2\pi i m t v} \in \tilde{\mathsf{L}}_2(\mathbb{T}^2)$  is quasi-periodic in t and periodic in v and square-integrable. Moreover, since  $t \in \mathbb{R} \approx [0, 1] \times \mathbb{Z}$ , then t = x + n, for some  $x \in [0, 1]$  and  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Therefore, for t = x + n, (5.5) becomes

$$\int_{0}^{1} \tilde{g}(x+n,v) \,\mathrm{d}v = \int_{0}^{1} \tilde{g}(x,v) \mathrm{e}^{-2\pi \mathrm{i}mnv} \,\mathrm{d}v = \left[\mathcal{M}_{\psi_{0}}^{\rho_{\hbar}}g\right](x) = \left[\mathcal{M}_{\psi_{0}}^{\rho_{\hbar}}\left(\mathrm{e}^{2\pi \mathrm{i}mxv}\tilde{g}\right)\right](x).$$
(5.6)

Thus,  $\mathcal{M}_{\psi_0}^{\rho_{\hbar}}$  is the inverse of the induced covariant transform  $\mathcal{W}_{\phi_0}^{\rho_{\hbar}}$  (3.15) from  $\mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{T}^2)$  into  $\mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{R})$ .

We now provide the standard definition of the inverse of the Zak transform. Let  $\tilde{\mathsf{L}}_2(\mathbb{T}^2)$  be a space of square-integrable functions  $\tilde{g}(x,v)$  that are quasi-periodic in x and periodic in v. Let  $\tilde{g} = \tilde{\mathcal{Z}}f$  be the Zak transform of  $f \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}) \subset \mathsf{L}_2(\mathbb{R})$ . The function f can be reconstructed using the following formula:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{Z}}^{-1}: \quad \tilde{\mathsf{L}}_{2}(\mathbb{T}^{2}) \to \mathsf{L}_{2}(\mathbb{R}), \\ \left[\tilde{\mathcal{Z}}^{-1}\tilde{g}\right](x) = \int_{\mathbb{T}} \tilde{g}(x, v) \mathrm{e}^{-2\pi \mathrm{i}mnv} \,\mathrm{d}v, \qquad n \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad m \in \mathbb{N}.$$
(5.7)

**Definition 5.5** ([39, Section 8.1]). The operator  $\tilde{Z}^{-1}$  (5.7) is called the inverse of the Zak transform.

The computations of this subsection allows us to present  $\tilde{Z}^{-1}$  as a contravariant transform.

**Theorem 5.6.** Let  $\tilde{g}(x,v) = g(x,v) \cdot e^{-2\pi i mxv}$  such that  $g \in L_2(\mathbb{T}^2)$ . The contravariant transform (5.6),

$$\left[\mathcal{M}_{\psi_0}^{\rho_{\hbar}}\left(\mathrm{e}^{2\pi\mathrm{i}mxv}\tilde{g}\right)\right](x) = \int_0^1 \tilde{g}(x,v)\mathrm{e}^{-2\pi\mathrm{i}mnv}\,\mathrm{d}v = \left[\tilde{\mathcal{Z}}^{-1}\tilde{g}\right](x),$$

is the inverse of the Zak transform. For  $g \in L_2(\mathbb{T}^2)$ , one can write the inverse of the co-Zak transform as  $\mathcal{Z}^{-1}g = \tilde{\mathcal{Z}}^{-1}e^{-2\pi i m u v}g$ .

### 6 Conclusion

Our work in this paper illustrates the technique which allows to obtain co- and contra-variant transforms with desired properties. For the covariant transform, the fiducial vector needs to agree with Proposition 3.3. An induced contravariant transform will be an intertwining operator with an induced representation if the reconstructing vector satisfies (5.2). This approach is illustrated on various representations of the Heisenberg group, and produces an interpretation of the Zak transform and its inverse as induced co- and contra-variant transforms. Furthermore, we used peeling operators to obtain the familiar representation spaces of analytic function space of analytic functions.

Of course, this approach is not limited to the illustrative example of the Heisenberg group and can be fruitfully applied in many other situations.

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