

# Homogeneous Operators and Homogeneous Integral Operators

Zhirayr Avetisyan

*Analysis, Logic and Discrete Mathematics*, University of Ghent, Belgium

*Regional Mathematical Center of SFedU*, Rostov-on-Don

Joint work with A. Karapetyants (Rostov-on-Don)

Tsaghkadzor, 20 Sep 2021

# Contents

- 1. Motivation
- 2. The general theory
- 3. Examples

# Motivation

# Motivation

## Classical integral operators with homogeneous kernels on $\mathbb{R}_+$

$$K f(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}_+} k(x, y) f(y) dy$$

$$\left( \forall (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}_+^2 \right) (\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+) \quad k(\lambda x, \lambda y) = \frac{1}{\lambda} k(x, y).$$

More precisely,

$$\left( \text{a.e. } (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}_+^2 \right) (\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+) \quad k(\lambda x, \lambda y) = \frac{1}{\lambda} k(x, y).$$

## Motivation

### Classical integral operators with homogeneous kernels on $\mathbb{R}^n$

$$K f(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} k(x, y) f(y) dy$$

$$\left( \forall (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^{2n} \right) (\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+) \quad k(\lambda x, \lambda y) = \frac{1}{\lambda^n} k(x, y),$$

$$\left( \forall (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^{2n} \right) (\forall \omega \in \mathrm{SO}(n)) \quad k(\omega x, \omega y) = k(x, y).$$

Or rather

$$\left( \text{a.e. } (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^{2n} \right) (\forall (\lambda, \omega) \in \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathrm{SO}(n)) \quad k(\lambda \omega x, \lambda \omega y) = \frac{1}{\lambda^n} k(x, y).$$

# Motivation

## What good is the homogeneity of the kernel for?

- Dilations: constant Jacobian,

$$d(\lambda x) = \lambda dx.$$

- Homogeneous kernel: cancels the Jacobian,

$$k(\lambda x, \lambda y) d(\lambda y) = k(x, y) dy.$$

- **Strong** homogeneity of the kernel:

$$\left( \text{a.e. } (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}_+^2 \right) (\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+) \quad k(\lambda x, \lambda y) = \frac{1}{\lambda} k(x, y).$$

# Motivation

## What good is the homogeneity of the kernel for?

- Ultimate purpose (on the level of the operator  $K$ ):

$$(\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+) \quad \int_{\mathbb{R}_+} k(\lambda x, \lambda y) f(y) d(\lambda y) = \int_{\mathbb{R}_+} k(x, y) f(y) dy.$$

- **Weak** homogeneity of the kernel:

$$(\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+) \left( \text{a.e. } (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}_+^2 \right) \quad k(\lambda x, \lambda y) = \frac{1}{\lambda} k(x, y).$$

## The general theory

# The general theory

## Measure dilations

- $M$  - measurable space (abstract, topological, manifold etc.)
- $\text{Aut}(M)$  - automorphisms (measurable, homeomorphism, diffeomorphism etc.)

### Definition

Let  $(M, \mu)$  be a measure space. A transformation  $\varphi \in \text{Aut}(M)$  is a dilation if

$$(\exists \lambda_\varphi > 0) \quad \mu \circ \varphi = \lambda_\varphi \cdot \mu,$$

or

$$(\exists \lambda_\varphi > 0) (\forall A \in \Sigma_M) \quad \mu(\varphi(A)) = \lambda_\varphi \cdot \mu(A).$$

# The general theory

## The setting

- $(M, \mu)$  measure space
- $G$  - group of dilations of  $(M, \mu)$
- $\varphi \mapsto g, \quad \varphi(x) \mapsto gx$  for  $x \in M$
- $G$  acts transitively on  $M$
- $\lambda : G \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  character,  $\mu(gA) = \lambda_g \mu(A)$  for  $A \in \Sigma_M$
- $g \in \ker \lambda \subset G$  are measure-preserving,  $\mu(gA) = \mu(A)$

# The general theory

## Weak and strong homogeneity

### Definition

A measurable kernel function  $k \in L(M^2, \mu^{\otimes 2})$  is called:

- **Weakly** homogeneous if

$$(\forall g \in G) \left( \mu^{\otimes 2}\text{-a.e. } (x, y) \in M^2 \right) \quad k(gx, gy) = \frac{1}{\lambda_g} k(x, y)$$

- **Strongly** homogeneous if

$$\left( \mu^{\otimes 2}\text{-a.e. } (x, y) \in M^2 \right) (\forall g \in G) \quad k(gx, gy) = \frac{1}{\lambda_g} k(x, y)$$

# The general theory

## Homogeneous space

Transitivity  $\Rightarrow M \simeq G/H, H \subset G.$

- **Case A:**  $H \subset \ker \lambda$  or  $\lambda|_H = 1.$
- **Case B:**  $H \not\subset \ker \lambda$  or  $\lambda|_H \neq 1.$

Case A allows a reduction to the case  $\lambda = 1$ , i.e.,  $G$ -invariant measure on  $G/H$  and convolutions.

# The general theory

## Case A

- $G \ni g \rightarrow gH = x \in G/H$  canonical quotient map

- $\lambda|_H = 1$  implies

$$\left( \exists \tilde{\lambda} : G/H \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+ \right) (\forall g \in G) \quad \lambda_g = \tilde{\lambda}(gH)$$

- Consider  $(G/H, \tilde{\mu})$ , where

$$d\tilde{\mu}(x) = \frac{1}{\tilde{\lambda}(x)} d\mu(x), \quad x \in G/H$$

- Then  $\tilde{\mu}$  is  $G$ -invariant,

$$d\tilde{\mu}(gx) = d\tilde{\mu}(x)$$

# The general theory

## Case A (cont.)

For  $p > 0$ ,  $U_p : L^p(G/H, \mu) \rightarrow L^p(G/H, \tilde{\mu})$  unitary,

$$U_p f(x) = \tilde{\lambda}(x)^{\frac{1}{p}} f(x), \quad \forall x \in G/H, \quad \forall f \in L^p(G/H, \mu).$$

Quasiregular representation  $L_g : L(G/H, \mu) \rightarrow L(G/H, \mu)$ ,

$$L_g f(x) = f(g^{-1}x), \quad \forall x \in G/H, \quad \forall g \in G, \quad \forall f \in L(G/H, \mu).$$

- $L_g : L^p(G/H, \tilde{\mu}) \rightarrow L^p(G/H, \tilde{\mu})$  unitary

- $U_p L_g = \lambda_g^{\frac{1}{p}} L_g U_p, g \in G$

# The general theory

## The geometry of dilations

Define the measurable set  $\mathcal{X}_H^\lambda \subset G/H$  as

$$\mathcal{X}_H^\lambda \doteq \{x \in G/H \mid (\exists h \in H) hx = x \wedge \lambda_h \neq 1\}.$$

- Case A:  $\mathcal{X}_H^\lambda = \emptyset$ , regular kernels
- Case B:  $\mathcal{X}_H^\lambda \neq \emptyset$ , singular kernels

Further,

- $M_* \doteq G/H \setminus \mathcal{X}_H^\lambda$  - regular part of  $G/H = M$
- $p_H : G/H \rightarrow H \backslash G/H$  canonical quotient,  $H \backslash M_* \doteq p_H(M_*)$

# The general theory

## The geometry of dilations (cont.)

- $\mathcal{T} \rightarrow H \backslash M_*$  line bundle,  $\wp : L(\mathcal{T}) \hookrightarrow L(M_*, \mu)$  embedding
- representative functions

$$\mathcal{F}_H^\lambda \doteq \left\{ F \in L(G/H, \mu) \mid (\forall x \in G/H) (\forall h \in H) F(hx) = \frac{1}{\lambda_h} F(x) \right\}.$$

### Proposition

$$\mathcal{F}_H^\lambda = \left\{ F \in L(G/H, \mu) \mid F|_{\mathcal{X}_H^\lambda} = 0, \quad F|_{M_*} \in \wp(L(\mathcal{T})) \right\}.$$

# The general theory

## Homogeneous operators

### Definition

Let  $\mathcal{D} \subset L(G/H, \mu)$  be a vector subspace,  $K : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow L(G/H)$  a linear operator. We will call  $K$  homogeneous if

$$L_g(\mathcal{D}) \subset \mathcal{D},$$

$$K L_g f = L_g K f, \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{D}, \quad \forall g \in G.$$

# The general theory

## Homogeneous operators: Case A

In Case A: for  $p > 0$ ,

$$\tilde{\mathcal{D}}_p \doteq U_p(\mathcal{D}), \quad L_g(\tilde{\mathcal{D}}_p) \subset \tilde{\mathcal{D}}_p, \quad \forall g \in G,$$

$$\tilde{K}_p \doteq U_p K U_p^{-1} : \tilde{\mathcal{D}}_p \rightarrow L(G/H, \tilde{\mu}),$$

$$L_g \tilde{K}_p f = \tilde{K}_p L_g f, \quad \forall f \in \tilde{\mathcal{D}}_p, \quad \forall g \in G.$$

Thus,  $\tilde{K}_p$  is a  $G$ -invariant operator on  $G/H$ .

# The general theory

## Homogeneous integral operators: weak homogeneity

- Integral kernel  $k \in L([G/H]^2, \mu^{\otimes 2})$
- Integral operator  $K : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow L(G/H, \mu)$ ,  $\mathcal{D} \subset L(G/H, \mu)$ ,

$$Kf(x) = \int_{G/H} k(x, y)f(y)d\mu(y), \quad \mu\text{-a.e. } x \in G/H, \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{D}.$$

- Homogeneous integral operator = integral operator that is homogeneous.

# The general theory

## Homogeneous integral operators: week homogeneity (cont.)

A vector subspace  $\mathcal{D} \subset L(G/H, \mu)$  will be said to separate points if  $\exists \{f_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty} \subset \mathcal{D}$  such that

$$(\forall F \in L(G/H, \mu)) \left[ (\forall k \in \mathbb{N}) \int_{G/H} F(x) f_k(x) d\mu(x) = 0 \right] \Rightarrow F = 0.$$

### Theorem

Assume that  $\mathcal{D} \subset L(G/H, \mu)$  separates points and  $L_g(\mathcal{D}) \subset \mathcal{D}$ ,  $g \in G$ . An integral operator  $K : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow L(G/H, \mu)$  is homogeneous if and only if its integral kernel  $k$  is **weakly** homogeneous.

# The general theory

## Homogeneous integral kernels: strong homogeneity

### Theorem

A measurable kernel function  $k \in L([G/H]^2, \mu^{\otimes 2})$  is **strongly homogeneous** if and only if

$$\left( \exists F \in \mathcal{F}_H^\lambda \right) \left( \forall (aH, bH) \in [G/H]^2 \right) \quad k(aH, bH) = \frac{1}{\lambda_a} F(a^{-1}bH).$$

Thus, in Case B, every homogeneous kernel is expected to demonstrate exceptional behaviour around the singular set  $\mathcal{X}_H^\lambda$ .

## Examples

# Examples

## 1. Cylinder $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{T}$

- $M = G = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{T}, \quad g = (a, \varphi), \quad x = (z_x, \theta_x)$
- $gx = (a, \varphi)(z_x, \theta_x) = (z_x + a, \theta_x + \varphi \bmod 2\pi)$
- $d\mu(z_x, \theta_x) = e^{2z_x} dz_x d\theta_x, \quad \lambda_{(a,\theta)} = e^{2a}$
- Strong homogeneity condition:

$$k(z_x + a, \theta_x + \varphi \bmod 2\pi; z_y + a, \theta_y + \varphi \bmod 2\pi) = e^{-2a} k(z_x, \theta_x; z_y, \theta_y)$$

- General form:

$$k(z_x, \theta_x; z_y, \theta_y) = e^{-z_x - z_y} F(z_x - z_y, \theta_x - \theta_y + 2\pi \bmod 2\pi)$$

# Examples

## 2. Plane $\mathbb{R}^2$

- $M = \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $G = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{T}$ ,  $g = (a, \varphi)$ ,  $x = (r_x, \theta_x)$
- $gx = (a, \varphi)(r_x, \theta_x) = (e^a r_x, \theta_x + \varphi \bmod 2\pi)$
- $d\mu(r_x, \theta_x) = r_x dr_x d\theta_x$ ,  $\lambda_{(a,\varphi)} = e^{2a}$
- Strong homogeneity condition:  
 $k(e^a r_x, \theta_x + \varphi \bmod 2\pi; e^a r_y, \theta_y + \varphi \bmod 2\pi) = e^{-2a} k(r_x, \theta_x; r_y, \theta_y)$
- General form:

$$k(r_x, \theta_x; r_y, \theta_y) = \frac{1}{r_x r_y} F \left( \frac{r_x}{r_y}, \theta_x - \theta_y + 2\pi \bmod 2\pi \right)$$

# Examples

## 2.1 Hadamard-Bergman convolution operators

- $\mathbb{D} \subset \mathbb{C} = \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $d\mu(z) = \pi^{-1} dz_1 dz_2$ ,

$$K f(z) = \int_{\mathbb{C}} g(w) f(z\bar{w}) d\mu(w)$$

- Substitution  $\xi = z\bar{w}$  yields

$$K f(z) = \frac{1}{|z|^2} \int_{|z|\cdot\mathbb{D}} g\left(\frac{\bar{\xi}}{\bar{z}}\right) f(\xi) d\mu(\xi)$$

- This corresponds to

$$K f(z) = \int_{\mathbb{C}} k(z, w) f(w) d\mu(w), \quad z \in \mathbb{D},$$

# Examples

## 2.1 Hadamard-Bergman convolution operators (cont)

- where  $z = |z|e^{i\theta_z} = (|z|, \theta_z)$ ,  $w = |w|e^{i\theta_w} = (|w|, \theta_w)$ ,

$$k(z, w) = k(|z|, \theta_z; |w|, \theta_w) = \frac{1}{|z|^2} \begin{cases} g\left(\frac{|w|}{|z|} e^{i(\theta_z - \theta_w)}\right) & \text{if } |w| < |z|, \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

- or

$$F(r, \theta) = \frac{1}{r} \begin{cases} g\left(\frac{1}{r} e^{i(\theta_z - \theta_w)}\right) & \text{if } r > 1, \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}.$$

## Examples

### 3. Disk in $\mathbb{R}^2$ with radial measure

- $M = (0, R) \times \mathbb{T}$ ,  $G = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{T}$ ,  $g = (a, \varphi)$ ,  $x = (r_x, \theta_x)$
- $d\mu(r_x, \theta_x) = \pi^{-1} \gamma(r_x^2) r_x dr_x d\theta_x$ ,  $\lambda_{(a, \varphi)} = e^{2a}$
- $gx = (a, \varphi)(r_x, \theta_x) = (r_*(r_x; a), \theta_x + \varphi \bmod 2\pi)$
- For all  $C \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\Gamma_C : (0, R^2) \rightarrow (0, +\infty)$ ,

$$\Gamma_C(t) = \int^t \gamma(s) ds + C$$

- General form:

$$k(r_x, \theta_x; r_y, \theta_y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\Gamma_C(r_x^2)\Gamma_C(r_y^2)}} F \left( \sqrt{\frac{\Gamma_C(r_x^2)}{\Gamma_C(r_y^2)}}, \theta_x - \theta_y + 2\pi \bmod 2\pi \right)$$

# Examples

## 3.1 Poincaré disk $\mathbb{D} \subset \mathbb{C}$

- $M = (0, 1) \times \mathbb{T} = \mathbb{D} \setminus \{0\}$ ,

$$d\mu(r_x, \theta_x) = \frac{r_x dr_x d\theta_x}{\pi(1 - r_x^2)^2}.$$

- Here

$$\gamma(t) = \frac{1}{(1-t)^2}, \quad \Gamma_C(t) = \frac{1}{1-t} + C, \quad t \in (0, 1), \quad C \geq -1.$$

- Setting  $z = r_x e^{i\theta_x}$ ,  $w = r_y e^{i\theta_y}$  and  $C = -1$ ,

$$k(z, w) = \frac{\sqrt{(1 - |z|^2)(1 - |w|^2)}}{|zw|} G \left( \frac{|z|\sqrt{1 - |w|^2}}{|w|\sqrt{1 - |z|^2}}, \frac{z\bar{w}}{|zw|} \right).$$

# Examples

## 3.2 $\mathbb{D} \subset \mathbb{C}$ with weighted Bergman measure

- $M = (0, 1) \times \mathbb{T} = \mathbb{D} \setminus \{0\}, \quad \alpha \in (-1, +\infty),$

$$d\mu(r_x, \theta_x) = \frac{(\alpha + 1)(1 - r_x^2)^\alpha r_x dr_x d\theta_x}{\pi}.$$

- Here

$$\gamma(t) = (\alpha + 1)(1 - t)^\alpha, \quad \Gamma_C(t) = -(1 - t)^{\alpha+1} + C, \quad t \in (0, 1), \quad C \geq 1.$$

- Setting  $z = r_x e^{i\theta_x}, w = r_y e^{i\theta_y},$

$$k(z, w) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(C - (1 - |z|^2)^{\alpha+1})(C - (1 - |w|^2)^{\alpha+1})}} \times \\ G\left(\sqrt{\frac{C - (1 - |z|^2)^{\alpha+1}}{C - (1 - |w|^2)^{\alpha+1}}}, \frac{z\bar{w}}{|zw|}\right).$$

## Examples

### 4 GL( $n$ )-homogeneous integral kernels on $\mathbb{R}^n$ , $n > 1$

- $M = G/H = \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $G = \text{GL}(n)$

- $H = \text{Aff}(n-1) \simeq \text{GL}(n-1) \rtimes \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$

$$d\mu(x) = dx, \quad \lambda_g = |\det g|, \quad \forall g \in G.$$

- $\lambda|_H \neq 1$ , Case B.

- $n > 2$ ,  $\mathcal{X}_H^\lambda = G/H$ ,  $M_* = \emptyset$ ,  $k = 0$

- $n = 2$ ,  $\mathcal{X}_H^\lambda = \{(x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x_1 \neq 0, x_2 = 0\}$ ,  $H \setminus M_* = \{e\}$

## Examples

### 4 $GL(n)$ -homogeneous integral kernels on $\mathbb{R}^n$ , $n > 1$ (cont.)

Unique (up to a factor) homogeneous kernel:

$$k(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{|[x, y]|} & \text{for } [x, y] \neq 0, \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}, \quad [x, y] = x_1 y_2 - x_2 y_1.$$

$$K f(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{f(y)}{|[x, y]|} dy$$

Integral converges conditionally only for a very narrow class of  $f$ .

## Examples

### 4 $\mathrm{GL}^+(n)$ -homogeneous integral kernels on $\mathbb{R}^n$ , $n > 1$

- $G = \mathrm{GL}^+(n)$ ,  $H = \mathrm{Aff}^+(n - 1) \simeq \mathrm{GL}^+(n - 1) \rtimes \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$
- $n > 2$ ,  $\mathcal{X}_H^\lambda = G/H$ ,  $M_* = \emptyset$ ,  $k = 0$
- $n = 2$ ,  $H \backslash M_* = \{a, b\}$

$$k(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{C_+}{[x, y]} & \text{for } [x, y] > 0, \\ \frac{C_-}{[x, y]} & \text{for } [x, y] < 0, \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

## Examples

### 4\* $\mathrm{GL}^+(n)$ -homogeneous integral kernels on $\mathbb{R}^n$ , $n > 1$ (cont.)

Unique (up to a factor) antisymmetric homogeneous kernel:

$$k(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{[x, y]} & \text{for } [x, y] \neq 0, \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}, \quad [x, y] = x_1 y_2 - x_2 y_1.$$

$$K f(x_1, x_2) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{f(y_1, y_2)}{x_1 y_2 - x_2 y_1} dy_1 dy_2$$

Formally, setting  $x_2 = y_2 = 1$  (no integration in  $y_2$ ),

$$K f(x_1, 1) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{f(y_1, 1)}{x_1 - y_1} dy_1$$

# Conclusion

## Main results

- Dilations in measure space, the geometry of dilations
- Case A: reduction to  $G$ -invariance and convolution theory
- Case B: no recourse to invariance, only singular kernels
- Homogeneous integral operator  $\Leftrightarrow$  weakly homogeneous kernel
- Strongly homogeneous kernel  $\Leftrightarrow$  general formula
- Examples: cylinder, plane, Hadamard-Bergman, radial - Case A
- Example:  $GL(2)$ , unique singular operator - Case B

# Conclusion

## Open questions

- Structure and regularization in Case B, general theory
- Properties of the unique operator in  $GL(2)$  case
- Appropriate choices  $G \subsetneq GL(n)$ ,  $n > 2$
- Operator theory, function spaces and properties of general homogeneous integral operators

Thank you.

Z. A., A. Karapetyants "Homogeneous Operators and Homogeneous Integral Operators", Math. Meth. Appl. Sci., 2022.