

Evolution PDEs on Nilpotent Lie Groups and Functional Calculus for Sub-Laplacians  
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LECTURE 3

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$\mathcal{L}$  sub-Laplacian on stratified group  $G$

Finite prop. specal:  $\text{supp } k_{\bar{F}(r\zeta)} \subseteq \bar{B}(0, r)$  if  $\bar{F}$  even,  $\text{supp } \hat{\bar{F}} \subseteq [-r, r]$

Plancherel formula:  $\|k_{\bar{F}(\zeta)}\|_2^2 = c \int_0^\infty |\bar{F}(\lambda)|^2 \lambda^{Q/2} \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda}$

Hulanicki's Theorem: If  $\bar{F} \in S(\mathbb{R})$  then  $k_{\bar{F}(\zeta)} \in S(G)$ .

Christ / Mauceri & Meda: 1) If  $\bar{F} \in L_s^2(\mathbb{R})$  (Sobolev space),  $s > \frac{Q}{2}$ , and  $\text{supp } \bar{F} \subseteq [\frac{1}{2}, 2]$   
then  $k_{\bar{F}(\zeta)} \in L^1(G)$ ,  $\|k_{\bar{F}(\zeta)}\|_1 \lesssim_k \|\bar{F}\|_{L_s^2}$ .

(by homogeneity:  $\sup_{t>0} \|k_{\bar{F}(t\zeta)}\|_1 \lesssim \|\bar{F}\|_{L_s^2}$ )

2) if  $\sup_{t>0} \|\bar{F}(t \cdot) \chi\|_{L_s^2} < \infty$  for some  $s > Q/2$  and  $0 \neq \chi \in C_c^\infty((0, \infty))$ , then  
 $\bar{F}(\zeta)$  is w.t. (1) and  $L^p$ -bdl for  $1 < p < \infty$ . (Mihlin-Hörmander-type theorem).

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Proof sketch of Christ / Mauceri-Meda thus:

- 2) Follows from 1) via "standard" Calderón-Zygmund theory [cf. Duong & McIntosh '99]
- 1) Follows by C-S from Weighted  $L^2$ -estimate:  $\|(1+|\cdot|)^\alpha k_{\bar{F}(\zeta)}\|_2 \lesssim_{\alpha, \beta} \|\bar{F}\|_{L_\beta^2}$ ,  $\beta > \alpha$  (\*)  
(cf. case of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ :  $k_{\bar{F}(\zeta)} = \mathcal{F}^{-1} \bar{F}(1 \cdot | \cdot |^\alpha)$  and (\*) is trivial (w/  $\beta = \alpha$ ) by def. of  $L_\beta^2$ -norm via F.T.)

Proof of the weighted  $L^2$ -estimate:

1. Reduction to functional calculus of  $M = e^{-tL}$ :

$$F(L) = G(M) \quad \text{where} \quad G(\lambda) = F(-\log \lambda); \quad \text{if } \operatorname{supp} F \subseteq [\frac{1}{2}, 2], \quad \text{then } \operatorname{supp} G \subseteq [e^{-2}, e^{1/2}] \subseteq (-\pi, \pi)$$

2. Fourier series decomposition:

$$G(\lambda) = \sum_{\substack{n \in \mathbb{Z} \\ \lambda \in (-\pi, \pi)}} \hat{G}(k) e^{ik\lambda} = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}} \hat{G}(k) (e^{ik\lambda} - 1) \Rightarrow F(\lambda) = G(M) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}} \hat{G}(k) (e^{ikM} - 1)$$

Idea: if  $\|e^{ikM} - 1\| \lesssim |k|^\alpha$  then  $\|G(M)\| \lesssim \sum_k |\hat{G}(k)| |k|^\alpha \rightarrow \text{smoothness condition on } G$

Fundamental tool: Weighted Young's inequality:

Let  $\|f\|_{p,\alpha} = \|(1+|\cdot|)^{\alpha} f\|_p$ ,  $\|f\|_{p,\exp} = \|\exp(|\cdot|) f\|_p$ . Then:  
 $(\alpha \geq 0, p \in [1, \infty])$

$$\|f * g\|_{p,\alpha} \leq \|f\|_{p,\alpha} \|g\|_{1,\infty}, \quad \|f * g\|_{p,\exp} \leq \|f\|_{p,\exp} \|g\|_{1,\exp}$$

[due to subadditivity (tr. ineq.) + invariance]  $|xy|_z \leq |x|_z |y|_z$ , which implies submultiplicativity of the weights  $(1+|\cdot|)^{\alpha}$ ,  $\exp(|\cdot|)$ ]

Step 1 : From Gaussian-type heat kernel bounds it follows:  $\|k_M\|_{p,\exp} < \infty \quad \forall p \in [1, \infty]$

Step 2 :  $e^{ik\lambda} - 1 = \sum_{n>0} \frac{(ik\lambda)^n}{n!} \Rightarrow \|k_{e^{ikM}-1}\|_{2,\exp} \leq \sum_{n>0} \frac{|k|^n \|k_M\|_2^n}{n!} \|k_M\|_{1,\exp} \quad (\text{by ineq.})$

$$(\text{w. Young}) \quad \sum_{n>0} \frac{|k|^n \|k_M\|_{2,\exp} \|k_M\|_{1,\exp}^{n-1}}{n!} \lesssim e^{|k|} \|k_M\|_{1,\exp}$$

Step 3 : (exploiting cancellation on  $L^2$ ) :  $\|k_{e^{ikM}-1}\|_2 = \left\| \frac{e^{ikM}-1}{M} k_M \right\|_2 \leq \|k_M\|_2 \sup_{\lambda>0} \left| \frac{e^{ik\lambda}-1}{\lambda} \right| \approx |k| \quad (?)$

Step 4 ("interpolation") :  $\|k_{e^{ikM}-1}\|_{2,\alpha}^2 = \int_G |k_{e^{ikM}-1}(z)|^2 (1+|z|)_z^{2\alpha} dz = \int_{|z|_z \leq R} + \int_{|z|_z > R} \quad (\text{any } R > 0)$

$$\lesssim_\alpha (1+R)^{2\alpha} |k|^2 + \left[ \sup_{\lambda>R} (1+\lambda)^{2\alpha} e^{-2\lambda} \right] \lesssim |k|$$

$\Rightarrow \|k_{e^{ikM}-1}\|_{2,\alpha} \lesssim (1+R)^\alpha |k| + (1+R)^\alpha e^{-R} e^{-c|k|} \lesssim_\alpha |k|^{\alpha+1} \quad (\text{by taking } R = c|k|)$

Step 5 : using F.Sier dec:  $\|k_{F(x)}\|_{2,\alpha} \leq \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}} |\hat{G}(k)| \|k_{e^{ikM}-1}\|_{2,\alpha} \lesssim \sum_{k \neq 0} |\hat{G}(k)| |k|^{\alpha+1}$

$$\lesssim \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}} |\hat{G}(k)|^2 |k|^{2\beta} \right)^{1/2} \left( \sum_k |k|^{2(\alpha+1-\beta)} \right)^{1/2} \lesssim_{\alpha, \beta} \|G\|_{L_\beta^2} \simeq \|F\|_{L_\beta^2}$$

$\boxed{\beta > \alpha + 1/2}$

$$\text{So } (\star) \| k_{F(z)} (1+|z|^2)^{\alpha} \|_2 \lesssim_{\alpha, \beta} \| F \|_{L^2_\beta}, \quad \beta > \alpha + \frac{3}{2} \quad (\text{supp } F \subseteq [\frac{1}{2}, 2])$$

how to get rid of this?

Step 6 : Menzbi-Meda's interpolation trick :

$$\text{For } \alpha = 0, \quad \| k_{F(z)} \|_2^2 = \int_0^\infty |F(\lambda)|^2 \lambda^0 \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda} \simeq \| F \|_{L^2(R)}^2 \quad (+)$$

↑  
Plancherel

the estimate  $(\star)$  is valid for  $(\alpha, \beta)$  in

By interpolation,  $(\star)$  is also valid  
for any  $\boxed{\beta > \alpha}$ .



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So we know:  $\|k_{F(\mathcal{L})}\|_1 \lesssim_s \|F\|_{L^2_s}, \quad s > \frac{Q}{2}, \quad (\text{supp } F \subseteq [-1/2, 1/2])$

Question: is  $\frac{Q}{2}$  the optimal threshold?

- In step 1 ( $s=1$ ,  $G \cong \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\mathcal{L} = -\Delta$ ): Yes.
- In higher step?
  - in general it is still an open question
  - optimal threshold  $s_0 = s_0(\mathcal{L})$  known only in a few cases

Problem of optimal threshold related to — BOCHNER-RIESZ summability  
(multipliers  $(1-t\mathcal{L})_+^\alpha$ ,  $t > 0$ :  $L^1$ -bdy for  $\alpha > s_0$ )

Miyachi-Peral est's for wave eq.:

$$\|(1+\mathcal{L})^{-\alpha/2} \cos(t\sqrt{\mathcal{L}})\|_{L^1} \lesssim (1+|t|)^\alpha : \text{in } \mathbb{R}^n \text{ this is true for } \boxed{\alpha > \frac{n-1}{2}}$$

By substitution: if  $F: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  even,  $F(\sqrt{\lambda}) = G(\sqrt{\lambda}) (1+\lambda)^{-\alpha/2}$ , then  
( $\text{supp } F \subseteq [-1, 1] \setminus (-1/2, 1/2)$ )  $(G(\lambda) = F(\lambda) (1+\lambda^2)^{\alpha/2})$

$$F(\mathcal{L}) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \widehat{G}(z) (1+z)^{-\alpha/2} \cos(z\sqrt{\mathcal{L}}) dz \Rightarrow \|F(\mathcal{L})\|_{L^1} \lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}} |\widehat{G}(z)| (1+|z|)^\alpha dz \lesssim \|G\|_{L^2_\beta}, \quad \boxed{\beta > \alpha + 1/2}$$

So in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  the Miyachi-Peral est w/  $\frac{n-1}{2}$  is sharp as it implies the sharp  $L^1$  est for multipliers.  
 $\leq$   $(w/ s > \frac{n}{2})$

Known "trivial" bds:  $\frac{r}{2} \leq s_0(\mathcal{L}) \leq \frac{Q}{2}$   $\xleftarrow{\text{const/}H-M.}$   $r = \dim \bigoplus_{i=1}^m \text{horizontal rank}$   
comparison w/  $\mathbb{R}^n$  via transplantation [Kemppainen-Steinbauer-Tommasi]