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# THE BESSEL-STRUVE INTERTWINING OPERATOR ON $\ensuremath{\mathbb{C}}$ AND MEAN-PERIODIC FUNCTIONS

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We give a description of all transmutation operators from the Bessel-Struve operator to the second-derivative operator. Next we define and characterize the mean-periodic functions on the space  $\mathcal{H}$  of entire functions and we characterize the continuous linear mappings from  $\mathcal{H}$  into itself which commute with Bessel-Struve operator.

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**1. Introduction.** Let *A* and *B* be two differential operators on a linear space *X*. We say that  $\chi$  is a transmutation operator of *A* into *B* if  $\chi$  is an isomorphism from *X* into itself such that  $A\chi = \chi B$ . This notion was introduced by Delsarte in [2] and some generalization and applications were given in [1, 3, 7, 10].

In the case where *A* and *B* are two differential operators having the same order and without any singularity on the complex plan, acting on the space of entire functions on  $\mathbb{C}$  denoted here by  $\mathcal{H}$ , Delsarte showed in [3] the existence of a transmutation operator between *A* and *B* and gave some applications on the theory of mean-periodic functions on  $\mathbb{C}$ .

In this paper, we consider the operator  $\ell_{\alpha}$ ,  $\alpha > -1/2$ , on  $\mathbb{C}$ , given by

$$\ell_{\alpha}f(z) = \frac{d^2f}{dz^2}(z) + \frac{2\alpha + 1}{z} \left[\frac{df}{dz}(z) - \frac{df}{dz}(0)\right],\tag{1.1}$$

where f is an entire function on  $\mathbb{C}.$  We call this operator Bessel-Struve operator on  $\mathbb{C}.$ 

The Bessel-Struve kernel  $S_{\alpha}(\lambda \cdot)$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ , which is the unique solution of the initial value problem  $\ell_{\alpha}u(z) = \lambda^2 u(z)$  with the initial conditions u(0) = 1 and  $u'(0) = \lambda\Gamma(\alpha + 1)/\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma(\alpha + 3/2)$ , is given by

$$S_{\alpha}(\lambda z) = j_{\alpha}(i\lambda z) - ih_{\alpha}(i\lambda z) \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{C},$$
(1.2)

where  $j_{\alpha}$  and  $h_{\alpha}$  are the normalized Bessel and Struve functions (see [4]).

Moreover, the Bessel-Struve kernel is a holomorphic function on  $\mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C}$  and it can be expanded in a power series in the form

$$S_{\alpha}(\lambda z) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \frac{(\lambda z)^n}{c_n(\alpha)}, \quad c_n(\alpha) = \frac{\sqrt{\pi} n! \Gamma(n/2 + \alpha + 1)}{\Gamma(\alpha + 1) \Gamma((n+1)/2)}.$$
(1.3)

The Bessel-Struve intertwining operator  $\chi_{\alpha}$  is defined from the space  $\mathcal{H}$  into itself by

$$\chi_{\alpha}f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \frac{d^n f}{dz^n}(0) \frac{z^n}{c_n(\alpha)} \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{H}, \ z \in \mathbb{C}.$$
 (1.4)

The dual intertwining operator  ${}^t\chi_{\alpha}$  of  $\chi_{\alpha}$  is defined on  $\mathcal{H}'$  (the dual space of  $\mathcal{H}$ ) by

$$\langle {}^{t}\chi_{\alpha}T,g\rangle = \langle T,\chi_{\alpha}g\rangle \quad \forall g \in \mathcal{H}, \ T \in \mathcal{H}'.$$
 (1.5)

The Bessel-Struve transform  $\mathcal{F}_{\alpha}$  is defined on  $\mathcal{H}'$  by

$$\mathscr{F}_{\alpha}(T)(\lambda) = \langle T, S_{\alpha}(-i\lambda \cdot) \rangle \quad \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{C}.$$
(1.6)

We use the transmutation operator  $\chi_{\alpha}$  to define the Bessel-Struve translation operators  $\tau_z, z \in \mathbb{C}$ , associated with  $\ell_{\alpha}$ , and the Bessel-Struve convolution on  $\mathcal{H}$  and  $\mathcal{H}'$ . A function f in  $\mathcal{H}$  is said to be mean periodic if the closed subspace  $\Omega(f)$  generated by  $\tau_z f, z \in \mathbb{C}$ , satisfies  $\Omega(f) \neq \mathcal{H}$ .

The objective of this paper is to characterize every transmutation operator of  $\ell_{\alpha}$  into the second derivative operator from  $\mathcal{H}$  into itself. Next, we study the mean-periodic functions associated with the Bessel-Struve operator and we characterize the continuous linear mappings from  $\mathcal{H}$  into itself which commute with  $\ell_{\alpha}$ .

We point out that the harmonic analysis associated with differential and differentialdifference operators allows many applications as the study of integral representations (see [9]), Plancherel, and reconstruction formulas and other applications as the use of wavelets packets in the inversion of transmutation operators for the J. L. Lions operator and the Dunkl operator (see [5, 6]).

The content of this paper is as follows.

In Section 2, we prove that the Bessel-Struve intertwining operator  $\chi_{\alpha}$  is a topological isomorphism from  $\mathcal{H}$  into itself satisfying

$$\forall f \in \mathcal{H}, \quad \ell_{\alpha} \chi_{\alpha} f = \chi_{\alpha} \frac{d^2}{dz^2} f,$$

$$\chi_{\alpha} f(0) = f(0), \qquad (\chi_{\alpha} f)'(0) = \frac{f'(0)}{c_1(\alpha)}.$$
(1.7)

Using this operator and its dual, we study the harmonic analysis associated with the operator  $\ell_{\alpha}$  (Bessel-Struve transform, Bessel-Struve translation operators, and Bessel-Struve convolution). Next, we determine all transmutation operators *W* from the Bessel-Struve operator  $\ell_{\alpha}$  to the second derivative operator  $d^2/dz^2$ .

In Section 3, we study the mean-periodic functions associated with  $\ell_{\alpha}$ . Next, we give the central result of the paper, which characterizes the continuous linear mappings from  $\mathcal{H}$  into itself which commute with  $\ell_{\alpha}$ .

**2. Bessel-Struve transmutation operators.** In this section, we consider the normalized Bessel and Struve functions which allow to define the Bessel-Struve kernel. Next, we define the Bessel-Struve intertwining operator  $\chi_{\alpha}$  and its dual  ${}^{t}\chi_{\alpha}$ ; after that, we study the harmonic analysis associated with the operator  $\ell_{\alpha}$ . The aim of this section is to characterize every transmutation operator of  $\ell_{\alpha}$  into  $d^{2}/dz^{2}$  from  $\mathcal{H}$  into itself.

Let  $\alpha > -1/2$ . The normalized Bessel function  $j_{\alpha}$  is the kernel defined on  $\mathbb{C}$  by

$$j_{\alpha}(z) = 2^{\alpha} \Gamma(\alpha+1) \frac{J_{\alpha}(z)}{z^{\alpha}} = \Gamma(\alpha+1) \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (z/2)^{2n}}{n! \Gamma(n+\alpha+1)},$$
(2.1)

where  $J_{\alpha}$  is the Bessel function of order  $\alpha$  (see [4, 12]).

The normalized Struve function  $h_{\alpha}$  is the kernel defined on  $\mathbb{C}$  by

$$h_{\alpha}(z) = 2^{\alpha} \Gamma(\alpha+1) \frac{\mathbf{H}_{\alpha}(z)}{z^{\alpha}} = \Gamma(\alpha+1) \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (z/2)^{2n+1}}{\Gamma(n+3/2)\Gamma(n+\alpha+3/2)},$$
(2.2)

where  $\mathbf{H}_{\alpha}$  is the Struve function of order  $\alpha$  (see [4, 12]).

This function has the following Poisson integral representation:

$$h_{\alpha}(z) = \frac{2\Gamma(\alpha+1)}{\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma(\alpha+1/2)} \int_{0}^{1} (1-t^{2})^{\alpha-1/2} \sin(zt) dt.$$
(2.3)

The function  $z \to h_{\alpha}(i\lambda z)$ ,  $\lambda, z \in \mathbb{C}$ , is the unique solution of the differential equation

$$\ell_{\alpha}u(z) = \lambda^{2}u(z),$$

$$u(0) = 0, \qquad u'(0) = \frac{\lambda\Gamma(\alpha+1)}{\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma(\alpha+3/2)}.$$
(2.4)

The functions  $h_{\alpha}$  and  $j_{\alpha}$  are related by the formula

$$h_{\alpha}(z) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+1)z}{\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma(\alpha+3/2)} \int_0^{\pi/2} j_{\alpha+1/2}(z\sin\varphi)\sin\varphi d\varphi.$$
(2.5)

The Bessel-Struve kernel is the function  $S_{\alpha}$  defined on  $\mathbb{C}$  by

$$S_{\alpha}(z) = j_{\alpha}(iz) - ih_{\alpha}(iz).$$
(2.6)

This kernel can be expanded in a power series in the form

$$S_{\alpha}(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \frac{z^n}{c_n(\alpha)}, \quad c_n(\alpha) = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}n!\Gamma(n/2 + \alpha + 1)}{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)\Gamma((n+1)/2)},$$
(2.7)

and has the following integral representation:

$$S_{\alpha}(z) = \frac{2\Gamma(\alpha+1)}{\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma(\alpha+1/2)} \int_{0}^{1} (1-t^{2})^{\alpha-1/2} \exp(zt) dt.$$
(2.8)

The function  $z \to S_{\alpha}(\lambda z)$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ , is the unique solution of the differential equation

$$\ell_{\alpha}u(z) = \lambda^{2}u(z),$$

$$u(0) = 1, \qquad u'(0) = \frac{\lambda\Gamma(\alpha+1)}{\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma(\alpha+3/2)}.$$
(2.9)

#### NOTATIONS.

- (i) We denote by ℋ, the space of entire functions on ℂ, with the topology of the uniform convergence on compact subsets of ℂ. Thus ℋ is a Fréchet space.
- (ii) We denote by  $\mathcal{H}'$ , the dual space of  $\mathcal{H}$ .

**PROPOSITION 2.1.** The operator  $\chi_{\alpha}$  defined by

$$\chi_{\alpha}f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \frac{d^n f}{dz^n}(0) \frac{z^n}{c_n(\alpha)}, \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{H}, \ z \in \mathbb{C},$$
(2.10)

is an isomorphism from  $\mathcal H$  into itself satisfying the transmutation relation

$$\forall f \in \mathcal{H}, \quad \ell_{\alpha} \chi_{\alpha} f = \chi_{\alpha} \frac{d^2}{dz^2} f,$$
  
$$\chi_{\alpha} f(0) = f(0), \qquad (\chi_{\alpha} f)'(0) = \frac{f'(0)}{c_1(\alpha)}.$$
(2.11)

The inverse of  $\chi_{\alpha}$  is given by

$$\chi_{\alpha}^{-1}(f)(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \ell_{\alpha}^{n}(f)(0) \frac{z^{2n}}{(2n)!} + c_{1}(\alpha) \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \frac{d(\ell_{\alpha}^{n}f)}{dz}(0) \frac{z^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{H}, \ z \in \mathbb{C}.$$
(2.12)

**PROOF.** First we prove that the image of the function f in  $\mathcal{H}$  by  $\chi_{\alpha}$  is an entire function, and that  $\chi_{\alpha}$  is a continuous linear operator.

Since f is an entire function, from the Cauchy integral formula, we have

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \quad \frac{d^n f}{dz^n}(0) = \frac{n!}{2i\pi} \int_{C_R} \frac{f(w)}{w^{n+1}} dw, \qquad (2.13)$$

where  $C_R$  is a circle with center 0 and radius R > 0. Hence there exists a positive constant M such that

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \quad \left| \frac{d^n f}{dz^n}(0) \frac{1}{c_n(\alpha)} \right| \le M R^{-n} \| f \|_R, \tag{2.14}$$

where

$$\|f\|_{R} = \max_{|z| \le R} |f(z)|.$$
(2.15)

As *R* is arbitrary, the radius of convergence of the power series in (2.10) is infinite. Thus  $\chi_{\alpha}(f)$  is an entire function.

Using (2.14), we obtain

$$\forall f \in \mathcal{H}, \quad \left\| \chi_{\alpha}(f) \right\|_{R} \le 2M \|f\|_{2R}. \tag{2.16}$$

Thus  $\chi_{\alpha}$  defines a continuous linear mapping from  $\mathcal H$  into itself. Furthermore, using the fact that

$$\forall n \ge 2, \quad \ell_{\alpha}(z^n) = \frac{c_n(\alpha)}{c_{n-2}(\alpha)} z^{n-2}, \tag{2.17}$$

we get

$$\forall z \in \mathbb{C}, \quad \ell_{\alpha} \chi_{\alpha} f(z) = \sum_{n=2}^{+\infty} \frac{d^{n} f}{dz^{n}}(0) \frac{z^{n-2}}{c_{n-2}(\alpha)} = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \frac{d^{n+2} f}{dz^{n+2}}(0) \frac{z^{n}}{c_{n}(\alpha)} = \chi_{\alpha} \frac{d^{2}}{dz^{2}} f(z).$$
(2.18)

It is clear that

$$\chi_{\alpha}f(0) = f(0), \qquad (\chi_{\alpha}f)'(0) = \frac{f'(0)}{c_1(\alpha)}.$$
 (2.19)

Suppose now that  $\chi_{\alpha} f = 0$  for a certain  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ . Then, according to (2.10),  $(d^n f / dz^n)(0) = 0$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Hence f = 0, thus we prove that  $\chi_{\alpha}$  is a one-to-one mapping from  $\mathcal{H}$  into itself.

Now we consider the operator  $\psi$  on  $\mathcal{H}$  defined by

$$\psi f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \ell_{\alpha}^{n} f(0) \frac{z^{2n}}{(2n)!} + c_{1}(\alpha) \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \frac{d(\ell_{\alpha}^{n} f)}{dz} (0) \frac{z^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{C}.$$
 (2.20)

In the same way as for  $\chi_{\alpha}$  and by a simple calculation, we prove that  $\psi$  is a continuous linear mapping from  $\mathcal{H}$  into itself and

$$\forall f \in \mathcal{H}, \quad \chi_{\alpha} \psi f = \psi \chi_{\alpha} f = f. \tag{2.21}$$

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Then  $\chi_{\alpha}$  is a topological isomorphism from  $\mathcal{H}$  into itself.

**REMARKS 2.2.** (i) The operator  $\chi_{\alpha}$  which is a transmutation operator from  $\ell_{\alpha}$  into  $d^2/dz^2$  on  $\mathcal{H}$  will be called the Bessel-Struve intertwining operator on  $\mathbb{C}$ .

(ii) Formula (2.10) means that the Taylor coefficients of the image of an entire function by  $\chi_{\alpha}$  are multiplied by the Taylor coefficients of the Bessel-Struve kernel.

**COROLLARY 2.3.** (i) For  $\lambda, z \in \mathbb{C}$ ,

$$S_{\alpha}(\lambda z) = \chi_{\alpha}(e^{\lambda \cdot})(z).$$
(2.22)

(ii) Every function f in  $\mathcal{H}$  can be expanded in a power series:

$$\forall z \in \mathbb{C}, \quad f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \ell_{\alpha}^{n} f(0) \frac{z^{2n}}{c_{2n}(\alpha)} + c_{1}(\alpha) \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \frac{d(\ell_{\alpha}^{n} f)}{dz}(0) \frac{z^{2n+1}}{c_{2n+1}(\alpha)}.$$
 (2.23)

**DEFINITION 2.4.** The dual intertwining operator  ${}^t\chi_{\alpha}$  of  $\chi_{\alpha}$  is defined on  $\mathcal{H}'$  by

$$\langle {}^{t}\chi_{\alpha}(T),g\rangle = \langle T,\chi_{\alpha}(g)\rangle \quad \forall g \in \mathcal{H}.$$
 (2.24)

**REMARK 2.5.** From the properties of the operator  $\chi_{\alpha}$ , we deduce that the operator  ${}^{t}\chi_{\alpha}$  is an isomorphism from  $\mathscr{H}'$  into itself; the inverse operator  $({}^{t}\chi_{\alpha})^{-1}$  is given by

$$\langle ({}^{t}\chi_{\alpha})^{-1}(T),g \rangle = \langle T,\chi_{\alpha}^{-1}(g) \rangle \quad \forall g \in \mathcal{H}.$$
 (2.25)

#### NOTATIONS.

(i) We denote by Exp<sub>a</sub>(ℂ), a > 0, the space of functions of exponential type a. It is the space of functions f ∈ ℋ such that

$$N_a(f) = \sup_{z \in \mathbb{C}} |f(z)| e^{-a|z|} < +\infty.$$
(2.26)

(ii) We denote by  $Exp(\mathbb{C})$ , the space of functions with exponential type. It is given by

$$\operatorname{Exp}(\mathbb{C}) = \bigcup_{a>0} \operatorname{Exp}(\mathbb{C}).$$
(2.27)

The space  $\text{Exp}(\mathbb{C})$  is endowed with the inductive limit topology.

(iii) We denote by  $\mathcal{F}$ , the classical Fourier transform defined on  $\mathcal{H}'$  by

$$\mathscr{F}(T)(\lambda) = \langle T, e^{-i\lambda} \rangle \quad \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{C}.$$
(2.28)

(iv) We denote by  $*_o$ , the classical convolution product given by

$$T *_{o} f(z) = \langle T_{w}, f(w+z) \rangle \quad \forall T \in \mathcal{H}', \ f \in \mathcal{H}, \ z \in \mathbb{C}.$$

$$(2.29)$$

**DEFINITION 2.6.** The Bessel-Struve transform  $\mathcal{F}_{\alpha}$  of  $T \in \mathcal{H}'$  is given by

$$\mathscr{F}_{\alpha}(T)(\lambda) = \langle T, S_{\alpha}(-i\lambda \cdot) \rangle \quad \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{C}.$$
(2.30)

**REMARK 2.7.** From Corollary 2.3(i) and Definition 2.4, we obtain

$$\forall T \in \mathscr{H}', \quad \mathscr{F}_{\alpha}(T)(\lambda) = \mathscr{F}_{\alpha}({}^{t}\chi_{\alpha}(T))(\lambda). \tag{2.31}$$

**PROPOSITION 2.8.** The Bessel-Struve transform  $\mathcal{F}_{\alpha}$  is a topological isomorphism from  $\mathcal{H}'$  into  $\text{Exp}(\mathbb{C})$ .

**PROOF.** According to [8], the classical Fourier transform  $\mathcal{F}$  is a topological isomorphism from  $\mathcal{H}'$  into  $\text{Exp}(\mathbb{C})$ . Then the result follows from (2.25) and (2.31).

**LEMMA 2.9.** Let  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ . The Cauchy problem

$$\ell_{\alpha,z}u(z,w) = \ell_{\alpha,w}u(z,w),$$

$$u(0,w) = f(w), \qquad \frac{\partial}{\partial z}u(0,w) = f'(w)$$
(2.32)

has a unique solution that is an entire function on  $\mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C}$  given by

$$u(z,w) = \chi_{\alpha,z}\chi_{\alpha,w} [\chi_{\alpha}^{-1}(f)(z+w)] \quad \forall z,w \in \mathbb{C}.$$
(2.33)

**PROOF.** From Proposition 2.1, (2.32) is equivalent to the Cauchy problem

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} v(z,w) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial w^2} v(z,w),$$

$$v(0,w) = \chi_{\alpha}^{-1}(f)(w), \qquad \frac{\partial}{\partial z} v(0,w) = \frac{d(\chi_{\alpha}^{-1}f)}{dz}(w),$$
(2.34)

where

$$v(z,w) = \chi_{\alpha,z}^{-1} \chi_{\alpha,w}^{-1} u(z,w).$$
(2.35)

But the solution of (2.34) is given by

$$v(z,w) = \chi_{\alpha}^{-1}(f)(z+w) \quad \forall z, w \in \mathbb{C}.$$
(2.36)

**DEFINITION 2.10.** The Bessel-Struve translation operators  $\tau_z, z \in \mathbb{C}$ , associated with the operator  $\ell_{\alpha}$ , is defined on  $\mathcal{H}$  by

$$\tau_z f(w) = \chi_{\alpha, z} \chi_{\alpha, w} \left[ \chi_{\alpha}^{-1}(f)(z+w) \right] \quad \forall w \in \mathbb{C}.$$
(2.37)

The operator  $\tau_z$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ , satisfies the following properties.

(i) For all  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ , the operator  $\tau_z$  is linear continuous from  $\mathcal{H}$  into itself.

(ii) For all  $f \in \mathcal{H}$  and  $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$ ,

$$\tau_z f(w) = \tau_w f(z), \qquad \tau_0 f(w) = f(w),$$
  

$$\tau_z (\tau_w f) = \tau_w (\tau_z f), \qquad \ell_\alpha \tau_z f = \tau_z \ell_\alpha f.$$
(2.38)

(iii) The following product formula holds:

$$\forall z, w \in \mathbb{C}, \quad \tau_z \big( S_\alpha(\lambda \cdot) \big)(w) = S_\alpha(\lambda w) S_\alpha(\lambda z). \tag{2.39}$$

**COROLLARY 2.11.** Let  $f \in \mathcal{H}$  and  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ . Then the function  $w \to \tau_z f(w)$  can be expanded in the Taylor series:

$$\forall w \in \mathbb{C}, \quad \tau_z f(w) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \ell_{\alpha}^n f(z) \frac{w^{2n}}{c_{2n}(\alpha)} + c_1(\alpha) \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \frac{d(\ell_{\alpha}^n f)}{dz}(z) \frac{w^{2n+1}}{c_{2n+1}(\alpha)}.$$
 (2.40)

**PROOF.** For  $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$ , we have

$$\tau_z f(w) = \chi_{\alpha, z} \chi_{\alpha, w} [\chi_\alpha^{-1}(f)(z+w)].$$
(2.41)

Applying Corollary 2.3(ii) to the function  $w \rightarrow \tau_z f(w)$ , we obtain

$$\tau_{z}f(w) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \ell_{\alpha}^{n}[\tau_{z}f](0)\frac{w^{2n}}{c_{2n}(\alpha)} + c_{1}(\alpha)\sum_{n=0}^{+\infty}\frac{d(\ell_{\alpha}^{n}[\tau_{z}f])}{dz}(0)\frac{w^{2n+1}}{c_{2n+1}(\alpha)}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \tau_{z}[\ell_{\alpha}^{n}f](0)\frac{w^{2n}}{c_{2n}(\alpha)} + c_{1}(\alpha)\sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \tau_{z}\Big[\frac{d(\ell_{\alpha}^{n}f)}{dz}\Big](0)\frac{w^{2n+1}}{c_{2n+1}(\alpha)},$$
(2.42)

which proves the result.

**DEFINITION 2.12.** (i) The convolution product of two elements *T* and *K* in  $\mathcal{H}'$  is defined by

$$\langle T * K, f \rangle = \langle T_z, \langle K_w, \tau_z f(w) \rangle \rangle \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{H}.$$
 (2.43)

(ii) Let  $T \in \mathcal{H}'$  and  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ . The convolution product of T and f is the function in  $\mathcal{H}$  defined by

$$T * f(z) = \langle T_w, \tau_z f(w) \rangle \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{C}.$$
(2.44)

The convolution \* satisfies the following properties.

(i) Let *T*,  $K \in \mathcal{H}'$  and let  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ . Then

$$T * (K * f) = (T * K) * f.$$
(2.45)

(ii) Let *T*,  $K \in \mathcal{H}'$ . Then

$$\mathscr{F}_{\alpha}(T * K) = \mathscr{F}_{\alpha}(T)\mathscr{F}_{\alpha}(K). \tag{2.46}$$

**PROPOSITION 2.13.** Let  $T \in \mathcal{H}'$  and let  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ . Then

$${}^{(t}\chi_{\alpha})^{-1}(T) * \chi_{\alpha}(f) = \chi_{\alpha}(T *_{o} f),$$
  
$${}^{t}\chi_{\alpha}(T) *_{o}\chi_{\alpha}^{-1}(f) = \chi_{\alpha}^{-1}(T * f),$$
  
(2.47)

where  $*_o$  is the classical convolution product given by (2.29).

**PROOF.** From Definition 2.12, we have

$$\forall z \in \mathbb{C}, \quad {\binom{t}{\chi_{\alpha}}}^{-1}(T) * \chi_{\alpha}(f)(z) = \left\langle {\binom{t}{\chi_{\alpha}}}^{-1}(T)_{\xi}, \tau_{z}(\chi_{\alpha}(f))(\xi) \right\rangle = \left\langle T_{\xi}, \chi_{\alpha,\xi}^{-1}\tau_{z}(\chi_{\alpha}(f))(\xi) \right\rangle.$$
(2.48)

But from Definition 2.10, we obtain

$$\forall \xi \in \mathbb{C}, \quad \chi_{\alpha,\xi}^{-1} \tau_z \big( \chi_\alpha(f) \big)(\xi) = \chi_{\alpha,z}(f)(\xi - z).$$
(2.49)

Thus

$$\binom{{}^{t}\chi_{\alpha}}{}^{-1}(T) * \chi_{\alpha}(f)(z) = \langle T_{\xi}, \chi_{\alpha,z}(f)(\xi-z) \rangle = \chi_{\alpha,z}(\langle T_{\xi}, f(\xi-z) \rangle) = \chi_{\alpha}(T*_{o}f)(z),$$
(2.50)

which proves the first relation.

For the second relation, we have

$$\forall z \in \mathbb{C}, \quad {}^{t}\chi_{\alpha}(T) *_{o} \left({}^{t}\chi_{\alpha}\right)^{-1}(f)(z)$$

$$= \left\langle{}^{t}\chi_{\alpha}(T)_{\xi}, \chi_{\alpha}^{-1}(f)(\xi - z)\right\rangle = \left\langle T_{\xi}, \chi_{\alpha,\xi}\chi_{\alpha}^{-1}(f)(\xi - z)\right\rangle.$$

$$(2.51)$$

But

$$\forall z, \xi \in \mathbb{C}, \quad \chi_{\alpha,\xi} \chi_{\alpha}^{-1}(f)(\xi - z) = \chi_{\alpha,z}^{-1}(\tau_z f)(\xi).$$
(2.52)

So

$$\forall z \in \mathbb{C}, \quad {}^{t}\chi_{\alpha}(T) * (\chi_{\alpha})^{-1}(f)(z) = \chi_{\alpha,z}^{-1} \langle T_{\xi}, \tau_{z}f(\xi) \rangle = \chi_{\alpha}^{-1}(T * f)(z), \tag{2.53}$$

which finishes the proof.

Now we are in position to derive the main result of this section.

#### NOTATIONS.

- (i) We denote D = d/dz.
- (ii) We denote by  $\mathcal{G}_{D^2}$ , the group of isomorphisms *Y* from  $\mathcal{H}$  into itself such that

$$YD^2 = D^2 Y.$$
 (2.54)

**THEOREM 2.14.** Every transmutation operator W of  $\ell_{\alpha}$  into  $D^2$  from  $\mathcal{H}$  into itself is of the form

$$Wf(z) = {}^{t}\chi_{\alpha}{}^{-1}T_{0} * \chi_{\alpha}(f)(z) + {}^{t}\chi_{\alpha}{}^{-1}T_{1} * \chi_{\alpha}(f)(-z) \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{C},$$
(2.55)

where  $T_0, T_1 \in \mathcal{H}'$ .

**PROOF.** It is clear that every transmutation operator W of  $\ell_{\alpha}$  into  $D^2$  from  $\mathcal{H}$  into itself is of the form  $W = \chi_{\alpha} Y$ , where  $Y \in \mathcal{G}_{D^2}$ . Then according to [3], every element Y of  $\mathcal{G}_{D^2}$  has the form

$$Yf(z) = T_0 *_o f(z) + T_1 *_o f(-z),$$
(2.56)

where  $T_0, T_1 \in \mathcal{H}'$ . Thus, we can write

$$\forall z \in \mathbb{C}, \quad Wf(z) = \chi_{\alpha}(T_0 *_o f)(z) + \chi_{\alpha}(T_1 *_o f)(-z). \tag{2.57}$$

Hence the result follows from Proposition 2.13.

### 3. Mean-periodic functions and commutators of $\ell_{\alpha}$

#### 3.1. Mean-periodic functions

**DEFINITION 3.1.** A function f in  $\mathcal{H}$  is said to be mean periodic if the closed subspace  $\Omega(f)$  generated by  $\tau_z f$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ , satisfies

$$\Omega(f) \neq \mathcal{H}.\tag{3.1}$$

From Hahn-Banach theorem, this definition is equivalent to the following.

**DEFINITION 3.2.** A function f in  $\mathcal{H}$  is said to be mean periodic if there exists  $T \in \mathcal{H}' \setminus \{0\}$  such that

$$\forall z \in \mathbb{C}, \quad T * f(z) = 0. \tag{3.2}$$

**DEFINITION 3.3.** Let  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $\ell \in \mathbb{N}$ . The function  $S_{\alpha,\ell}(\lambda, \cdot)$  is defined by

$$S_{\alpha,\ell}(\lambda,z) = \frac{d^{\ell}}{d\mu^{\ell}} S_{\alpha}(\mu z) \Big|_{\mu = -i\lambda} \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{C}.$$
(3.3)

**LEMMA 3.4.** Let  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $\ell \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then the function  $S_{\alpha,\ell}(\lambda, \cdot)$  is mean periodic and

$$\forall z \in \mathbb{C}, \quad S_{\alpha,\ell}(\lambda, z) = \chi_{\alpha} \big( \xi^{\ell} \exp(-i\lambda\xi) \big)(z). \tag{3.4}$$

**PROOF.** Let  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $\ell \in \mathbb{N}$ . According to Proposition 2.8, there exists  $T \in \mathcal{H}' \setminus \{0\}$  such that

$$\forall j = 0, \dots, \ell, \quad \frac{d^j}{d\mu^j} \left( \mathcal{F}_{\alpha}(T) \right)(\mu) \Big|_{\mu = \lambda} = 0.$$
(3.5)

Then from the properties of the Bessel-Struve translation for every  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ , we can write

$$(T * S_{\alpha,\ell}(\lambda \cdot))(z) = \left\langle T(w), \frac{d^{\ell}}{d\mu^{\ell}} (\tau_w(S_{\alpha}(\mu \cdot))(z)) \Big|_{\mu = -i\lambda} \right\rangle$$
  
$$= \left\langle T(w), \frac{d^{\ell}}{d\mu^{\ell}} (S_{\alpha}(\mu z)S_{\alpha}(\mu w)) \Big|_{\mu = -i\lambda} \right\rangle$$
  
$$= \sum_{j=0}^{\ell} {\ell \choose j} \frac{d^{\ell-j}}{d\mu^{\ell-j}} (S_{\alpha}(\mu z)) \Big|_{\mu = -i\lambda} \frac{d^j}{d\mu^j} \mathcal{F}_{\alpha}(T)(\mu) \Big|_{\mu = \lambda}$$
  
$$= 0.$$
  
(3.6)

Thus we prove that  $S_{\alpha,\ell}(\lambda,\cdot)$  is a mean-periodic function. The result follows from (1.3) and (2.10).

Let  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ . The following proposition characterizes the functions which belong to  $\Omega(f)$ .

**PROPOSITION 3.5.** Let  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ ,  $\ell \in \mathbb{N}$ , and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ . The function  $S_{\alpha,j}(\lambda, \cdot)$ ,  $0 \le j \le \ell$ , belongs to  $\Omega(f)$  if and only if for all T in  $\mathcal{H}'$  satisfying

$$\forall z \in \mathbb{C}, \quad T * f(z) = 0, \tag{3.7}$$

then

$$\frac{d^{j}}{d\mu^{j}} \left( \mathscr{F}_{\alpha}(T) \right)(\mu) \Big|_{\mu=\lambda} = 0, \quad 0 \le j \le \ell.$$
(3.8)

**PROOF.** If  $S_{\alpha,j}(\lambda, \cdot)$ ,  $0 \le j \le \ell$ , belongs to  $\Omega(f)$ , then for all  $T \in \mathcal{H}'$  satisfying (3.7) we have

$$\langle T, S_{\alpha,j}(\lambda, \cdot) \rangle = 0.$$
 (3.9)

Then

$$\langle T, S_{\alpha,j}(\lambda, \cdot) \rangle = \frac{d^j}{d\mu^j} \left\langle T, S_\alpha(\mu \cdot) \Big|_{\mu = -i\lambda} \right\rangle$$

$$= \frac{d^j}{d\mu^j} \mathcal{F}_\alpha(T)(\mu) \Big|_{\mu = \lambda} = 0.$$
(3.10)

The converse follows from the Hahn-Banach theorem.

**DEFINITION 3.6.** Let  $f \in \mathcal{H}$  be a mean-periodic function. The spectrum Sp(f) of f is the set

$$\operatorname{Sp}(f) = \{(\lambda, \ell), \lambda \in \mathbb{C}, \ \ell \in \mathbb{N}, \ S_{\alpha, j}(\lambda \cdot) \in \Omega(f), \ 0 \le j \le \ell\}.$$
(3.11)

**REMARKS 3.7.** (i) From Proposition 3.5, we have

$$\operatorname{Sp}(f) = \left\{ (\lambda, \ell), \ \lambda \in \mathbb{C}, \ \ell \in \mathbb{N}, \ \frac{d^{j}}{d\mu^{j}} \mathcal{F}_{\alpha}(T)(\mu) \Big|_{\mu=\lambda} = 0, \ j = 0, 1, \dots, \ell, \ T \in (\Omega(f))^{\perp} \right\}.$$
(3.12)

(ii) If  $\text{Sp}(f) \neq \emptyset$ , we say that  $\Omega(f)$  admits a spectral analysis associated with  $\ell_{\alpha}$ .

**PROPOSITION 3.8.** Let  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ . Denote by \$(f) the closed subspace of  $\mathcal{H}$  generated by  $\{D^k \ell^n_{\alpha} f\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}; k=0,1}$ . Then  $\Omega(f) = \$(f)$ .

**PROOF.** According to Corollary 2.11, we have, for every  $g \in \mathcal{H}$ ,

$$Dg = \lim_{w \to 0} \frac{1}{w} [\tau_w g - g], \qquad (3.13)$$

$$\ell_{\alpha}g = \lim_{w \to 0} \frac{c_2(\alpha)}{w^2} [\tau_w g - g - wDg], \qquad (3.14)$$

$$D\ell_{\alpha}g = \lim_{w \to 0} \frac{c_3(\alpha)}{c_1(\alpha)w^2} \left[ \tau_w g - g - wg - \frac{w^2}{c_2(\alpha)}\ell_{\alpha}g \right]$$
(3.15)

in the sense of the convergence in  $\mathcal{H}$ .

Suppose that  $g \in \Omega(f)$ . Then, for every  $w \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\tau_w g \in \Omega(f)$ . Hence we conclude that for  $k = 0, 1, D^k \ell_{\alpha} g \in \Omega(f)$ . By induction, we can prove that, for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $k = 0, 1, D^k \ell_{\alpha}^n g \in \Omega(f)$ . In particular, for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $k = 0, 1, D^k \ell_{\alpha}^n f \in \Omega(f)$ . Thus we conclude that  $\$(f) \subset \Omega(f)$ .

Let now  $g \in \$(f)$ . Using once more Corollary 2.11, we prove that, for every  $w \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\tau_w g \in \$(f)$ . In particular, for every  $w \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\tau_w f \in \$(f)$ . Hence,  $\Omega(f) = \$(f)$ .

**COROLLARY 3.9.** Let  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ . Then f is a mean periodic if and only if  $\mathfrak{f}(f) \neq \mathcal{H}$ .

**COROLLARY 3.10.** Let  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ . Then f is a mean-periodic function if and only if  $\chi_{\alpha}^{-1}(f)$  is a classical mean-periodic function.

**THEOREM 3.11.** Let  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ . Then f is a mean-periodic function if and only if f is a limit of finite linear combination of the functions  $S_{\alpha,j}(\lambda, \cdot), 0 \le j \le \ell$ , such that  $(\lambda, \ell) \in \text{Sp}(f)$ .

**PROOF.** To see this property, we can use Lemma 3.4 and a celebrated result about classical mean-periodic functions established in [11, page 926].

**COROLLARY 3.12.** *Every mean-periodic function such that*  $Sp(f) = \emptyset$  *is zero.* 

3.2. The commutator of  $\ell_{\alpha}$ 

NOTATIONS.

(i) We denote by  $\mathcal{G}_{\alpha}$ , the group of isomorphisms *Y* of  $\mathcal{H}$  into itself such that

$$Y\ell_{\alpha} = \ell_{\alpha}Y; \tag{3.16}$$

(ii) We denote by  $\vartheta_{\alpha}(f)$  (resp.,  $\vartheta_{D^2}(f)$ ), the closed subspaces of  $\mathscr{H}$  generated by Yf,  $Y \in \mathscr{G}_{\alpha}$ , (resp.,  $\mathscr{G}_{D^2}$ ).

**PROPOSITION 3.13.** (i) The group  $\mathscr{G}_{\alpha}$  is isomorphic to  $\mathscr{G}_{D^2}$ . (ii)

$$\forall f \in \mathcal{H}, \quad \vartheta_{\alpha}(f) = \chi_{\alpha} \vartheta_{D^2} (\chi_{\alpha}^{-1}(f)). \tag{3.17}$$

**PROPOSITION 3.14.** The set of functions f in  $\mathcal{H}$  satisfying

$$\Theta_{\alpha}(f) \neq \mathcal{H} \tag{3.18}$$

with the set of mean-periodic functions is identified.

**PROOF.** From Proposition 3.13,  $f \in \mathcal{H}$  satisfies (3.18) if and only if  $\chi_{\alpha}^{-1}(f)$  satisfies

$$\vartheta_{D^2} \chi_{\alpha}^{-1}(f) \neq \mathcal{H}. \tag{3.19}$$

But these functions are classical mean-periodic functions. The result follows from Proposition 3.13.

Now we are able to state the main result of this paper.

**THEOREM 3.15.** Let *L* be a continuous linear mapping from  $\mathcal{H}$  into itself. The following statements are equivalent.

(i) *L* commutes with Bessel-Struve translation operators  $\tau_z$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ , on  $\mathcal{H}$ , that is,  $\tau_z L = L\tau_z$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ , on  $\mathcal{H}$ .

(ii) *L* commutes with the Bessel-Struve operator  $\ell_{\alpha}$  on  $\mathcal{H}$ , that is,  $\ell_{\alpha}L = L\ell_{\alpha}$  on  $\mathcal{H}$ .

(iii) There exists a unique element T in  $\mathcal{H}'$  such that Lf = T \* f,  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ .

(iv) There exists a complex Borel regular measure  $\gamma$  having compact support on  $\mathbb{C}$ , for which for all  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ ,

$$L(f)(z) = \int_{\mathbb{C}} (\tau_z f)(w) d\gamma(w) \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{C}.$$
(3.20)

(v) There exists  $\Psi, \Phi \in \text{Exp}(\mathbb{C})$  such that for all  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ ,  $Lf = \Psi(\ell_{\alpha})f + D\Phi(\ell_{\alpha})f$ , where  $\Psi(\ell_{\alpha})f$  and  $D\Phi(\ell_{\alpha})f$  are given by

$$[\Psi(\ell_{\alpha})f](z) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} a_{2n}\ell_{\alpha}^{n}f(z), \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{C},$$

$$[D\Phi(\ell_{\alpha})f](z) = c_{1}(\alpha)\sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} a_{2n+1}\frac{d(\ell_{\alpha}^{n}f)}{dz}(z), \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{C},$$
(3.21)

where  $\Psi(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} a_{2n} z^n$  and  $\Phi(z) = c_1(\alpha) \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} a_{2n+1} z^n$ .

**PROOF.** (i) $\Rightarrow$ (ii). From (3.13) and (3.14), we have

$$D(Lg) = \lim_{w \to 0} \frac{1}{w} [\tau_w Lg - Lg - wDLg] = L \left( \lim_{w \to 0} \frac{1}{w} [\tau_w g - g] \right) = L(Dg),$$
  
$$\ell_{\alpha}(Lg) = \lim_{w \to 0} \frac{c_2(\alpha)}{w^2} [\tau_w Lg - g - wDLg] = L \left( \lim_{w \to 0} \frac{c_2(\alpha)}{w^2} [\tau_w g - g - wDg] \right) = L(\ell_{\alpha}g).$$
(3.22)

Hence (i) implies (ii).

(ii)⇒(i). We decide the results from Corollary 2.11. (i)⇒(iii). Assume that (i) holds. We define the functional *T* on  $\mathcal{H}$  as follows:

$$\langle T, f \rangle = L(f)(0), \quad f \in \mathcal{H}.$$
 (3.23)

It is clear that *T* is in  $\mathcal{H}'$  and Lf = T \* f,  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ .

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iv). It follows immediately from Hahn-Banach and Riesz representation theorems. (iv) $\Rightarrow$ (v). Suppose that for all  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ , we have

$$\forall z \in \mathbb{C}, \quad L(f)(z) = \int_{\mathbb{C}} (\tau_z f)(w) d\gamma(w), \tag{3.24}$$

where  $\gamma$  is a complex Borel regular measure with compact support.

According to Corollary 2.11, we obtain for all  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ ,

$$L(f)(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \ell_{\alpha}^{n} f(z) \int_{\mathbb{C}} \frac{w^{2n}}{c_{2n}(\alpha)} d\gamma(w) + c_{1}(\alpha) \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \frac{d(\ell_{\alpha}^{n} f)}{dz}(z) \int_{\mathbb{C}} \frac{w^{2n+1}}{c_{2n+1}(\alpha)} d\gamma(w).$$
(3.25)

Hence

$$Lf = \Psi(\ell_{\alpha})f + D\Phi(\ell_{\alpha})f, \qquad (3.26)$$

where

$$\Psi(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} a_{2n} z^n, \qquad \Phi(z) = c_1(\alpha) \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} a_{2n+1} z^n, \qquad (3.27)$$

with, for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$a_n = \int_{\mathbb{C}} \frac{w^n}{c_n(\alpha)} d\gamma(w).$$
(3.28)

Since *y* has compact support on  $\mathbb{C}$ , for certain *a* and *C*, we have

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \quad \left| a_n \right| \le C \frac{a^n}{c_n(\alpha)}. \tag{3.29}$$

Then we have

$$\forall z \in \mathbb{C}, \quad \left| \Psi(z) \right| \le C \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \frac{\left( |z|a \right)^n}{c_n(\alpha)} = CS_\alpha(|z|a) \le Ce^{|z|a}. \tag{3.30}$$

Similarly we have

$$\forall z \in \mathbb{C}, \quad \left| \Phi(z) \right| \le c_1(\alpha) C e^{|z|a}. \tag{3.31}$$

Thus we have proved that (v) is true.

(v) $\Rightarrow$ (i). Suppose now that, for every  $f \in \mathcal{H}$  and  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ ,

$$(Lf)(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} a_{2n}(\ell_{\alpha}^{n}f)(z) + c_{1}(\alpha) \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} a_{2n+1} \frac{d(\ell_{\alpha}^{n}f)}{dz}(z), \qquad (3.32)$$

for a certain  $a_k \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , where the series converges in  $\mathcal{H}$ .

Hence, if  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ , since  $\tau_z \ell_{\alpha} f = \ell_{\alpha} \tau_z f$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ , using (2.38) and the fact that  $\tau_z$  is a continuous linear mapping from  $\mathcal{H}$  into itself, we obtain for every  $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$ ,

$$\tau_{w}(Lf)(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} a_{2n} \tau_{w}(\ell_{\alpha}^{n} f)(z) + c_{1}(\alpha) \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} a_{2n+1} \tau_{w}\left(\frac{d(\ell_{\alpha}^{n} f)}{dz}\right)(z)$$
  
$$= \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} a_{2n} \ell_{\alpha}^{n}(\tau_{w} f)(z) + c_{1}(\alpha) \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} a_{2n+1} \frac{d(\ell_{\alpha}^{n}(\tau_{w} f))}{dz}(z)$$
  
$$= L(\tau_{w} f)(z).$$
  
(3.33)

Hence (v) implies (i).

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