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# THE CYLINDRICAL TRANSFORM $D_C(R, Z)$ OF THE FUNCTIONS SPACE $D(R^3)$

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Abstract. We define the space of test function  $D_c(r, z)$  and we give some of its properties. The cylindrical transformation is  $T_c: D(R^3) \longrightarrow D_c(r, z) \subset$  $D(R^2)$  defined and it is shown that  $T_c$  is a linear and continuous operator from  $D(R^3)$  in  $D_c(r, z)$ .

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

To solve certain problems from the physical-mathematics, sometimes it is useful to change the Cartesian coordinates  $(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3$  into the cylindrical coordinates  $(r, \theta, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ . This necessity leads to the writing of the distributions in the cylindrical coordinates, for which we shall define the function test space  $D_c(r, z)$  as well as the cylindrical transform  $T_c$ . Both for the test space  $D_c(r, z)$  in the cylindrical coordinates (r, z) and for the cylindrical transform  $T_c$  associated, certain properties are established. These allow the study of some distributions representable only with respect to the cylindrical coordinates  $(r, z) \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ .

#### 2. General results

Let be the application  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  defined by the relations:

$$x = r\cos\theta, \ y = r\sin\theta, \ z = z \tag{1}$$

these relations define the univocal transformation from the cylindrical coordinates  $(r, \theta, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3$  to the Cartesian coordinates  $(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ , having the Jacobian of the transform

$$J(r,\theta,z) = \frac{\partial(x,y,z)}{\partial(r,\theta,z)} = r$$

If to the punctual transformation (1) we impose the restrictions  $r \ge 0, \theta \in [0, 2\pi), z \in R$ , then the transformation (1) becomes locally bijective everywhere with the exception of the points  $(0, 0, z_0) \in R^3$ . Thus, the origin O of the Cartesian system of coordinates represents a singular point, because  $J(r, \theta, z) = r = 0$ , which in the cylindrical coordinates is defined by r = 0, z = 0, and  $\theta \in R$  arbitrary.

To the punctual transformation T defined by (1) we associate the functions space  $D_c(r, z)$ .

DEFINITION 2.1. We call space of the test functions  $D_c(r, z)$ , the set of the functions

$$D_c(r,z) = \left\{ \psi \mid \psi : R^2 \longrightarrow R, \psi(r,z) = \int_0^{2\pi} \varphi(r\cos\theta, r\sin\theta, z) d\theta, \varphi \in D(R^3) \right\}$$
(2)

**PROPOSITION 2.1.** The space  $D_c(r, z)$  has the properties  $1 D_c(r, z) \subset D(P^2)$ .

1.  $D_c(r,z) \subset D(R^2);$ 

2. The function  $\psi(r, z)$  is an even function with respect to  $r \in R$  and

$$\frac{\partial^k \psi(0,0)}{\partial r^k} = \begin{cases} 0 , & \text{for } k \text{ odd} \\ \sum_{n+m=k} \frac{k!}{n!m!} a_{nm} \frac{\partial^{n+m} \varphi(0,0,0)}{\partial x^n \varphi y^m} , & \text{for } k \text{ even} \end{cases}$$
(3)

where  $a_{nm}$  has the expression  $a_{nm} = \int_0^{2\pi} \cos^n \theta \sin^m \theta d\theta =$ 

$$= \begin{cases} 0, & \text{for } m \text{ and } n \text{ odds } or \ m+n \text{ odd} \\ \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot \dots \cdot (n-1)}{(m+1)(m+3)\dots(m+n-1)} \cdot \frac{\pi}{2^{m+n-1}} \cdot \frac{(m+n)!}{\left[\left(\frac{m+n}{2}\right)!\right]^2}, \text{ for } m \text{ and } n \text{ evens} \end{cases}$$
(4)

Proof. The function  $\varphi^*(r, \theta, z) = \varphi(r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta, z)$  is obviously indefinite derivable, resulting from the composition of functions of the same class. Because the function  $\varphi \in D(R^3)$  is with compact support, results that for |r| or |z| big enough, tends to 0 and thus we deduce that  $\psi$  is with compact support, then  $\psi(r, z) \in D(R^2)$ , i.e.  $D_c(r, z) \subset D(R^2)$ .

To justify the property 2 we shall show that the function  $\psi(r, z)$  is an even function with respect to  $r \in R$ . With that end in view we observe that the function

$$\varphi^*(r,\theta,z) = \varphi(r\cos\theta, r\sin\theta, z) ; (r,\theta,z) \in \mathbb{R}^3$$

is a periodic function with the period  $2\pi$  with respect to the variable  $\theta \in R$ . Then, we can write

 $\psi(r,z) = \int_{0}^{2\pi} \varphi^*(r,\theta,z) d\theta = \int_{0}^{a+2\pi} \varphi^*(r,\theta,z) d\theta, a \in R.$ 

(5)

Making the change of variable  $u = \theta - \pi$  we obtain

 $\psi(r,z) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \varphi^*(r,u+\pi,z) d\theta = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \varphi(r\cos(u+\pi),r\sin(u+\pi),z) du = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \varphi(-r\cos u, -r\sin u,z) du = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \varphi^*(-r,\theta,z) d\theta = \int_{0}^{2\pi} \varphi^*(-r,\theta,z) d\theta = \psi(-r,z),$ wherefrom results that  $\psi(r,z)$  is an even function with respect to the variable  $r \in R$ .

Because  $\psi(r, z)$  is an even function with respect to the variable  $a \in R$ , we obtain

 $\frac{\partial^k \psi(0,0)}{\partial r^k} = 0 \text{ for } k \text{ an odd number.}$ 

Differentiating (5) we obtain

$$\frac{\partial^k \psi(r,z)}{\partial r^k} = \int_0^{2\pi} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \cos \theta + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \sin \theta \right)^{(k)} \varphi(r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta, z) d\theta, \qquad (6)$$

wherefrom for  $r \longrightarrow 0$  and  $z \longrightarrow 0$  we have

$$\frac{\partial^k \psi(0,0)}{\partial r^k} = \int_0^{2\pi} \sum_{\alpha=0}^k C_k^{\alpha} \frac{\partial^k \varphi(0,0,0)}{\partial x^{k-\alpha} \partial y^{\alpha}} \cos^{k-\alpha} \theta \sin^{\alpha} \theta d\theta = \sum_{n+m=k} \frac{k!}{n!m!} a_{nm} \frac{\partial^{n+m} \varphi(0,0,0)}{\partial x^n \varphi y^m}$$

where  $a_{nm}$  has the expression (4).

The expression of the coefficients  $a_{nm}$ , it results using the recurrence relation

$$a_{nm} = \frac{n-1}{m+1} a_{n-2\ m+2}\ n, m \in N_0;$$

as well as the formula

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \cos^m \theta d\theta = \int_0^{2\pi} \sin^m \theta d\theta = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{for } m \text{ odd} \\ \frac{\pi}{2^{m-1}} \cdot \frac{m!}{\left[\left(\frac{m}{2}\right)!\right]^2} & \text{, for } m \text{ even} \end{cases}$$

With this the proposition is proved.

Obviously, these result shows that the space  $D_c(r, z)$  is a subspace of  $D(R^2)$ .

DEFINITION 2.2. We call the cylindrical transformation the application

$$D_c: D(R^3) \longrightarrow D_c(r, z) \subset D(R^2)$$

defined by the relation

$$D_c(\varphi)(r,z) = \psi(r,z) , \ \psi(r,z) = \int_0^{2\pi} \varphi(r\cos\theta, r\sin\theta, z) d\theta, (r,z) \in \mathbb{R}^2, \quad (7)$$

where  $\varphi \in D(R^3)$ . The function

$$\psi(r,z) = D_c(\varphi)(r,z) ,$$

represents the cylindrical transformation of the function  $\varphi \in D(\mathbb{R}^3)$ , and  $D_c(r, z)$  the cylindrical transform of the space  $D(\mathbb{R}^3)$ .

Obviously, the cylindrical transform  $T_c$  is a linear operator.

PROPOSITION 2.2. Let be  $\varphi \in D(\mathbb{R}^3)$  and  $\psi = T_c(\varphi)$ . Then it holds the relation

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi(0,0)}{\partial r^2} = \pi \Delta \varphi(0,0,0) \tag{8}$$

where  $\Delta$  is the Laplace operator in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , namely:

$$\Delta = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2}.$$

*Proof.* Considering k = 2 that in the formula (3) we obtain

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi(0,0)}{\partial r^2} = \sum_{n+m=2} \frac{2!}{n!m!} a_{nm} \frac{\partial^2 \varphi(0,0,0)}{\partial x^n \varphi y^m} =$$
$$= a_{02} \frac{\partial^2 \varphi(0,0,0)}{\varphi y^2} + a_{20} \frac{\partial^2 \varphi(0,0,0)}{\partial x^2} + a_{11} \frac{\partial^2 \varphi(0,0,0)}{\partial x \varphi y}. \tag{9}$$

Using the formula (4) we shall obtain for the coefficients  $a_{02}, a_{20}, a_{11}$  the values

$$a_{02} = \int_0^{2\pi} \sin^2 \theta d\theta = \pi, \ a_{20} = \int_0^{2\pi} \cos^2 \theta d\theta = \pi, \ a_{11} = \int_0^{2\pi} \cos \theta \sin \theta d\theta = 0.$$

Substituting these values in (9) we obtain (8).

Concerning the convergence in the spaces  $D(\mathbb{R}^3)$  and  $D_c(r, z) \subset D(\mathbb{R}^2)$ , we have

PROPOSITION 2.3. The cylindrical transformation  $T_c$  is a continuous linear operator from  $D(R^3)$  in  $D_c(r,z) = T_c(D(R^3)) \subset D(R^2)$ , hence  $\varphi_k \xrightarrow{D(R^3)} \varphi$  implies  $\psi_k = T_c(\varphi_k) \xrightarrow{D_c(r,z)} \psi = T_c(\varphi)$ .

*Proof.* Let be  $\varphi \in D(R^3)$  and  $\psi = T_c(\varphi)$ . Denoting with  $p_m$  and  $p_m^*$  semi-norms on  $D(R^3)$  and on  $D_c(r, z)$ , respectively, we can write

$$p_m(\varphi) = \sup_{|\alpha| \le m, (x,y,z) \in \omega} |D^{\alpha}\varphi|, \alpha \in N_0^3, m \in N_0, \sup \varphi \subset \omega, D^{\alpha} = \frac{\partial^{|\alpha|}}{\partial x^{\alpha_1} \partial y^{\alpha_2} \partial z^{\alpha_3}}$$
(10)

where  $\omega \in \mathbb{R}^3$  is a compact set, and

$$p_m^*(\psi) = \sup_{|\beta| \le m, (r,z) \in \omega_1} |D^{*\beta}\psi|, \beta \in N_0^2, m \in N_0, \sup \psi \subset \omega_1, \ D^{*\beta} = \frac{\partial^{|\beta|}}{\partial r^{\beta_1} \partial z^{\beta_2}},$$

where  $\omega_1 \in \mathbb{R}^2$  is a compact set.

Because

$$\psi(r,z) = \int_0^{2\pi} \varphi(r\cos\theta, r\sin\theta, z) d\theta$$
,

we have

$$D^{*h}\psi = \int_0^{2\pi} \sum_{m=0}^{h_1} \frac{h_1!}{m!(h_1 - m)!} \cdot \frac{\partial^{|h|}\varphi(r\cos\theta, r\sin\theta, z)}{\partial x^{h_1 - m}\partial y^m \partial z^{h_2}} \cos^{h_1 - m}\theta \sin^m\theta d\theta,$$
(11)

where  $h = (h_1, h_2) \in N_0^2$ .

From the above mentioned the relation results

$$\sup_{(r,z)\in\omega_1} |D^{*h}\psi| \le c_h, \sup_{|\alpha|\le|h|, (x,y,z)\in\omega} |D^{\alpha}\varphi|, \alpha \in N_0^3, \ h \in N_0^2, D^{\alpha} = \frac{\partial^{|\alpha|}}{\partial x^{\alpha_1} \partial y^{\alpha_2} \partial z^{\alpha_3}}$$
(12)

 $c_h > 0$  being a constant depending on  $h \in N_0^2$ . Taking into account (10), (12) we obtain

$$p_m^*(\psi) = \sup_{|\beta| \le m, (r,z) \in \omega_1} |D^{*\beta}\psi| \le c(m) \sup_{|\alpha| \le m, (x,y,z) \in \omega} |D^{\alpha}\varphi|,$$
(13)

hence

$$p_m^*(\psi) \le c(m)p_m(\varphi),\tag{14}$$

where c(m) > 0 is a constant dependent upon  $m \in N_0$ .

The relation (14) emphasize the dependence between the semi-norms  $p_m^*$ and  $p_m$  corresponding to the spaces  $D_c(r, z) \subset D(R^2)$  and  $D(R^3)$ , respectively.

From the inequality (14) we obtain

$$p_m^*(\psi_k - \psi) \le c(m)p_m(\varphi_k - \varphi), \tag{15}$$

since  $\psi_k - \psi = T_c(\varphi_k - \varphi)$ .

Because, according to the hypothesis  $\varphi_k \xrightarrow{D(R^3)} \varphi$ , then  $\lim_k p_m(\varphi_k - \varphi) = 0$ , from (15) results  $\lim_k p_m^*(\psi_k - \psi) = 0$ , namely  $\psi_k \xrightarrow{D_c(r,z)} \psi$ , which prove the proposition.

These results will be used to the study of a class of distributions from  $D'(R^3)$  representable only with respect to the cylindrical coordinates  $(r, z) \in R^2$ .

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