

# **Some results in harmonic analysis related to singular integrals with mixed homogeneity**

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**§1.** Singular integrals of Calderón-Zygmund and R. Fefferman

**§2.** Singular integrals with generalized (mixed) homogeneity

**§3.** Singular integrals on homogeneous groups

**§4.** Singular integrals and maximal functions along curves and the method of rotations with weight

**§1.** Let  $\Omega \in L^1(S^{n-1})$  satisfy

$$\int_{S^{n-1}} \Omega(\theta) d\sigma(\theta) = 0$$

where  $S^{n-1} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |x| = 1\}$   
 $d\sigma$  : the Lebesgue measure on  $S^{n-1}$ ,  $n \geq 2$ .

We consider singular integrals of the form:

$$T(f)(x) = \text{p.v.} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(x-y) K(y) dy, \quad K(x) = h(|x|) \frac{\Omega(x')}{|x|^n}, \quad x' = \frac{x}{|x|}.$$

## Homogeneous kernels.

When  $Tf = \text{p.v. } f * K$ ,  $K(x) = \frac{\Omega(x')}{|x|^n}$ , write  $T = T_\Omega$ .

$K(tx) = t^{-n}K(x)$ ,  $tx = (tx_1, \dots, tx_n)$  isotropic dilation.

If  $\Omega$  is odd,

$$T_\Omega f(x) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{S^{n-1}} Hf(x, \theta) \Omega(\theta) d\sigma(\theta),$$

$$Hf(x, \theta) = \text{p.v.} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x - t\theta) \frac{dt}{t}.$$

The method of rotations of Calderón-Zygmund (1956) implies:

•  $\Omega$  is in  $L^1(S^{n-1})$  and odd  $\implies T_\Omega : L^p \rightarrow L^p$  for all  $1 < p < \infty$ ;

- $\Omega \in L \log L(S^{n-1}) \implies T_\Omega : L^p \rightarrow L^p$  for all  $1 < p < \infty$ .

**Definition.**

$$F \in L \log L(S^{n-1})$$

$$\iff$$

$$\int_{S^{n-1}} |F(\theta)| \log(2 + |F(\theta)|) d\sigma(\theta) < \infty.$$

**The case where  $h$  is not constant; inhomogeneous kernels.**

**Recall**

$$T(f)(x) = \text{p.v.} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(x - y) K(y) dy,$$
$$K(x) = h(|x|) \frac{\Omega(x')}{|x|^n}, \quad x' = \frac{x}{|x|}.$$

**If  $h$  is not constant, then the method of rotations of Calderón-Zygmund is not applicable in general.**

**A result of R. Fefferman, 1979.**

$$h \in L^\infty, \Omega \in Lip(S^{n-1}) \implies T : L^p \rightarrow L^p, 1 < p < \infty.$$

## §2. Singular integrals with generalized (mixed) homogeneity .

Let  $\{A_t\}_{t>0}$  be a (nonisotropic) dilation group on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  defined by

$$A_t = t^P = \exp((\log t)P),$$

where  $P$  is an  $n \times n$  real matrix whose eigenvalues have positive real parts. We assume  $n \geq 2$ .

**Example.**

If  $P = \text{diag}(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$ ,

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & 0 & & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha_2 & & 0 \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & 0 & & \alpha_n \end{pmatrix},$$

then

$$A_t = \begin{pmatrix} t^{\alpha_1} & 0 & & 0 \\ 0 & t^{\alpha_2} & & 0 \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & 0 & & t^{\alpha_n} \end{pmatrix}.$$

We can define **a norm function  $r$**  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  from  $\{A_t\}_{t>0}$ . We assume the following:

(1)  $r(A_t x) = tr(x)$  for all  $t > 0$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ;

(2)  $r(x) \geq 0, r(x) = r(-x)$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  
 $r(x) = 0 \iff x = 0$ ;

(3)  $r$  is continuous on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and infinitely differentiable in  $\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$ ;

(4)  $r(x + y) \leq C(r(x) + r(y))$ ;

(5)  
$$\Sigma = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : r(x) = 1\} = S^{n-1},$$
  
where  $S^{n-1} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |x| = 1\}$ .

Let  $K$  be a locally integrable function on  $\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$  such that

$$K(A_t x) = t^{-\gamma} K(x), \quad \gamma = \text{trace } P \text{ (homogeneous dimension)}.$$

We write

$$K(x) = \frac{\Omega(x')}{r(x)^\gamma}, \quad x' = A_{r(x)^{-1}} x \text{ for } x \neq 0,$$

where  $\Omega$  is homogeneous of degree 0 with respect to the dilation group  $\{A_t\}$ . We assume that

$$\int_{a < r(x) < b} K(x) dx = 0 \quad \text{for all } 0 < a < b.$$

**Definition** The space  $\Delta_s$ ,  $s \geq 1$ , is defined as

$$\Delta_s = \{h \text{ on } \mathbb{R}_+ : \|h\|_{\Delta_s} < \infty\},$$

$$\|h\|_{\Delta_s} = \sup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{2^j}^{2^{j+1}} |h(t)|^s \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/s},$$

where

$\mathbb{Z}$  : the set of integers,  $\mathbb{R}_+ = \{t \in \mathbb{R} : t > 0\}$ ;

•  $s > t \implies \Delta_s \subset \Delta_t$ .

## Definition

For  $h$  on  $\mathbb{R}_+$  and  $a > 0$ , let

$$L_a(h) = \sup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \int_{2^j}^{2^{j+1}} |h(r)| (\log(2 + |h(r)|))^a \frac{dr}{r}.$$

Define

$$\mathcal{L}_a = \{h : L_a(h) < \infty\}.$$

- $a < b \implies \mathcal{L}_b \subset \mathcal{L}_a$ .
- $\bigcup_{s>1} \Delta_s \subsetneq \bigcap_{a>0} \mathcal{L}_a$ .

**$L^p$  estimates.**

Let

$$L(x) = h(r(x))K(x),$$

$$Tf(x) = \text{p.v.} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(y)L(x-y) dy.$$

**Theorem 1.** (Sato, 2009.) Let  $\Omega \in L \log L(S^{n-1})$  and  $h \in \mathcal{L}_a$  for some  $a > 2$ . Then

$$\|T(f)\|_{L^p} \leq C_p \|f\|_{L^p}$$

for all  $p \in (1, \infty)$ .

**Proposition.** Suppose that  $\Omega \in L^q(S^{n-1})$ ,  $h \in \Delta_s$ ,  $q, s \in (1, 2]$ .  
Then

$$\|T(f)\|_{L^p} \leq C_p(q-1)^{-1}(s-1)^{-1}\|\Omega\|_{L^q(S^{n-1})}\|h\|_{\Delta_s}\|f\|_{L^p}$$

for all  $p \in (1, \infty)$ , where the constant  $C_p$  is independent of  $q, s, \Omega$  and  $h$ .

Theorem 1 follows from Proposition and the extrapolation of Yano by suitably decomposing

$$h = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k h_k, \quad \Omega = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} b_m \Omega_m,$$

where  $h_k \in \Delta_{1+\frac{1}{k}}$ ,  $\Omega_m \in L^{1+\frac{1}{m}}$ .

## Previous results.

**(1)** E. B. Fabes and N. Rivière (1966).

**(2)** J. Duoandikoetxea and J. L. Rubio de Francia (1986).

$T$  is bounded on  $L^p$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ , if  $\Omega \in L^q$  for some  $q > 1$  and  $h \in \Delta_2$ .

**(3)** Al-Salman-Pan (2002).

## Weak type $(1, 1)$ estimates.

Let

$$Tf(x) = \text{p.v.} \int f(y)K(x-y)dy, \quad K(x) = \frac{\Omega(x')}{r(x)^\gamma}.$$

**Theorem 2.** (Sato, 2011.) Suppose that  $n = 2$  and  $\Omega \in L \log L(\Sigma)$ . Then, the operator  $T$  is of weak type  $(1, 1)$ , i.e.,

$$|\{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 : |Tf(x)| > \lambda\}| \leq \frac{C}{\lambda} \|f\|_1, \quad \lambda > 0.$$

Previous results.

**Theorem A (A. Seeger 1996).** Suppose that  $A_t x = tx$  and  $r(x) = |x|$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $n \geq 2$ ,  $\Omega \in L \log L(\Sigma)$ . Then, the operator  $T$  is of weak type  $(1, 1)$ .

**IDEA:** Fourier transform estimates + microlocal analysis;  
Calderón-Zygmund decomposition.

**Theorem B (T. Tao 1999).** Let  $A_t x = (t^{a_1} x_1, t^{a_2} x_2, \dots, t^{a_n} x_n)$ ,  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ ,  $0 < a_1 \leq a_2 \leq \dots \leq a_n$ . Suppose that  $\Omega \in L \log L(\Sigma)$ . Then  $T$  is of weak type  $(1, 1)$ .

In fact, T. Tao proved the weak type  $(1, 1)$  boundedness of singular integrals on general homogeneous groups.

**IDEA:**  $(TT^*)^M$  estimates via convolution;  
Calderón-Zygmund decomposition;  
Covering lemma of Vitali type,  
John-Nirenberg inequality for BMO.

**About the proof of Theorem 2.** There exists a non-singular real matrix  $Q$  such that  $Q^{-1}PQ$  is one of the following Jordan canonical forms:

$$P_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \beta \end{pmatrix}, \quad P_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 1 & \alpha \end{pmatrix}, \quad P_3 = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ -\beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $\alpha, \beta > 0$ . Accordingly, we have three kinds of dilations

$$\begin{pmatrix} t^\alpha & 0 \\ 0 & t^\beta \end{pmatrix}, \quad t^\alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \log t & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad t^\alpha \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\beta \log t) & \sin(\beta \log t) \\ -\sin(\beta \log t) & \cos(\beta \log t) \end{pmatrix}.$$

### §3. Singular integrals on homogeneous groups.

We regard  $\mathbb{R}^n$  as a homogeneous group. We also write  $\mathbb{R}^n = \mathbb{H}$ .

- $\mathbb{H}$  a homogeneous nilpotent Lie group;
- multiplication is given by a polynomial mapping;
- the identity is the origin 0,  $x^{-1} = -x$ ;
- $\exists \{A_t\}_{t>0}$ : a dilation family on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  such that

$$A_t x = (t^{a_1} x_1, t^{a_2} x_2, \dots, t^{a_n} x_n),$$

$$x = (x_1, \dots, x_n), \quad 0 < a_1 \leq a_2 \leq \dots \leq a_n,$$

$A_t$  is an automorphism of the group structure

$$A_t(xy) = (A_t x)(A_t y), \quad x, y \in \mathbb{H}, \quad t > 0;$$

- Lebesgue measure is bi-invariant Haar measure.

**Convolution is defined as**

$$f * g(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(y)g(y^{-1}x) dy.$$

**An example.**

**Heisenberg group  $\mathbb{H}_1$ .**

$$(x, y, u)(x', y', u') = (x + x', y + y', u + u' + (xy' - yx')/2),$$

$$(x, y, u), (x', y', u') \in \mathbb{R}^3,$$

**then  $\mathbb{R}^3$  with this group law is the Heisenberg group  $\mathbb{H}_1$ ; a dilation is defined by**

$$A_t(x, y, u) = (tx, ty, t^2u) \quad \text{2 steps,}$$

**and a norm function is**

$$r(x, y, u) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\sqrt{(x^2 + y^2)^2 + 4u^2} + x^2 + y^2}.$$

**Also, we can adopt**

$$A'_t(x, y, u) = (tx, t^2y, t^3u) \quad \mathbf{3 \text{ steps.}}$$

**Let**

$$K(x) = \frac{\Omega(x')}{r(x)^\gamma}, \quad x' = A_{r(x)^{-1}}x \text{ for } x \neq 0,$$

**where  $\gamma = a_1 + \cdots + a_n$  (homogeneous dimension),**

$$\Omega(A_t x) = \Omega(x) \quad \text{for } x \neq 0, t > 0;$$

**we assume**

$$\int_{a < r(x) < b} K(x) dx = 0 \quad \text{for all } 0 < a < b.$$

**Let**

$$\begin{aligned} T(f)(x) &= \text{p.v.} \int f(y) K(y^{-1}x) dy \\ &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{r(y^{-1}x) > \epsilon} f(y) K(y^{-1}x) dy. \end{aligned}$$

**Also, we consider the maximal singular integral**

$$T_*(f)(x) = \sup_{N, \epsilon > 0} \left| \int_{\epsilon < r(y^{-1}x) < N} f(y) K(y^{-1}x) dy \right|.$$

**Theorem C.** (T. Tao 1999.) Suppose that  $\Omega \in L \log L(\Sigma)$ . Then,  $T$  is bounded on  $L^p(\mathbb{H})$  for all  $p \in (1, \infty)$ .

T. Tao proved this by interpolation between  $L^2$  estimates and weak  $(1, 1)$  estimates.

**IDEA:**  $(TT^*)^M$  estimates via convolution

**Theorem 3.** (Sato, 2013.) Suppose that  $\Omega \in L \log L(\Sigma)$ . Then,

$$T_* : L^p(\mathbb{H}) \rightarrow L^p(\mathbb{H}), \quad \forall p \in (1, \infty).$$

**IDEA:** Extrapolation

$$\|T_* f\|_p \leq C_p (s - 1)^{-1} \|\Omega\|_s \|f\|_p, \quad s > 1.$$

## Idea of proof.

Theory of Duoandikoetxea and Rubio de Francia (1986):

- Orthogonality arguments for  $L^2$  estimates via Fourier transform estimates and Plancherel's theorem
- Littlewood-Paley theory
- Interpolation arguments

Our strategy is:

to employ a version of theory of Duoandikoetxea and Rubio de Francia adapted for analysis on homogeneous groups;

replace the use of Fourier transform estimates with  $(TT^*)^M$  estimates via convolution (basic  $L^2$  estimates) and apply Cotlar's lemma.

**$(TT^*)^M$  method.**

**Decompose**

$$\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} D_j K = K, \quad Tf = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} f * D_j K,$$

$$\text{supp}(D_j K) \subset \{x : \rho^j \leq r(x) \leq 2\rho^{j+2}\}.$$

**We choose  $\rho = 2^{s'}$** ,  $s' = s/(s-1)$ , if  $\Omega \in L^s(\Sigma)$ .

**Let  $\phi$  be a  $C^\infty$  function such that**  $\text{supp}(\phi) \subset \{1/2 < r(x) < 1\}$ ,  
 $\int \phi = 1$ ,  $\phi(x) = \phi(x^{-1})$ ,  $\phi(x) \geq 0$ .

**Define**

$$\Delta_k = \delta_{\rho^{k-1}} \phi - \delta_{\rho^k} \phi, \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad \delta_t \phi(x) = t^{-\gamma} \phi(A_t^{-1} x).$$

Then

$$\sum_k \Delta_k = \delta,$$

where  $\delta$  is the delta function.

**Lemma (basic  $L^2$  estimates).** Let  $s > 1$ ,  $\Omega \in L^s(\Sigma)$ ,  $\rho = 2^{s'}$ .

Then,

$$\|f * D_j K * \Delta_{k+j}\|_2 \leq C \frac{s}{s-1} 2^{-\epsilon|k|} \|\Omega\|_s \|f\|_2.$$

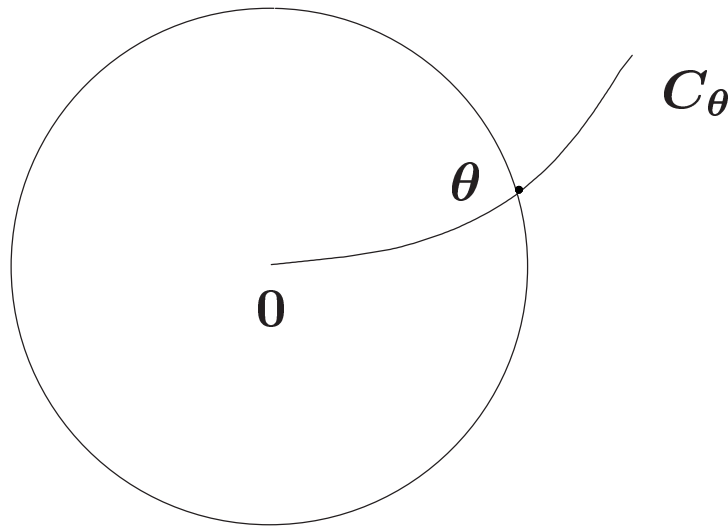
When  $s = \infty$ , this was proved by T. Tao 1999 with  $(TT^*)^n$  method.

- $\|TT^*\| = \|T\|^2.$

Let  $\Omega$  be homogeneous of degree 0 on  $\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$ . Define

$$C_\theta = \{A_t\theta : t > 0\}, \quad \theta \in \Sigma.$$

Then,  $\Omega$  is smooth on  $C_\theta$  for every  $\theta \in \Sigma$ , since  $\Omega(A_t\theta) = \Omega(\theta).$



- Convolution of smooth singular measures supported on  $C_\theta, C_{\theta'} \dots$

**By the lemma we have**

$$\|S(f)\|_{L^p} \leq C_p(s-1)^{-1} \|\Omega\|_{L^s} \|f\|_{L^p}$$

**for all  $p \in (1, \infty)$ , where the constant  $C_p$  is independent of  $s \in (1, 2]$  and  $\Omega \in L^s$ , and  $S = T$  or  $T_*$ . This estimate can be available in the extrapolation arguments.**

**The idea of considering convolution of singular measures was also used by**

**C. Fefferman, 1970;**

**M. Christ, 1985, 1988;**

**M. Christ and J.L. Rubio de Francia, 1988.**

**§4. Singular integrals and maximal functions along curves and the method of rotations with weight.**

$$Mf(x, \theta) = \sup_{h>0} h^{-1} \left| \int_0^h f(x - A_t \theta) dt \right|, \quad (x, \theta) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times S^{n-1},$$

$$Hf(x, \theta) = \text{p.v.} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x - A_t \theta) \frac{dt}{t}, \quad A_t = (\text{sgn } t) A_{|t|} = -A_{|t|},$$

$$H_* f(x, \theta) = \sup_{0 < \epsilon < R} \left| \int_{\epsilon < |t| < R} f(x - A_t \theta) \frac{dt}{t} \right|.$$

**Let  $w$  be a weight function. We recall that**

$$\|F\|_{L_w^p(L^q)} = \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left( \int_{S^{n-1}} |F(x, \theta)|^q d\sigma(\theta) \right)^{p/q} w(x) dx \right)^{1/p}$$

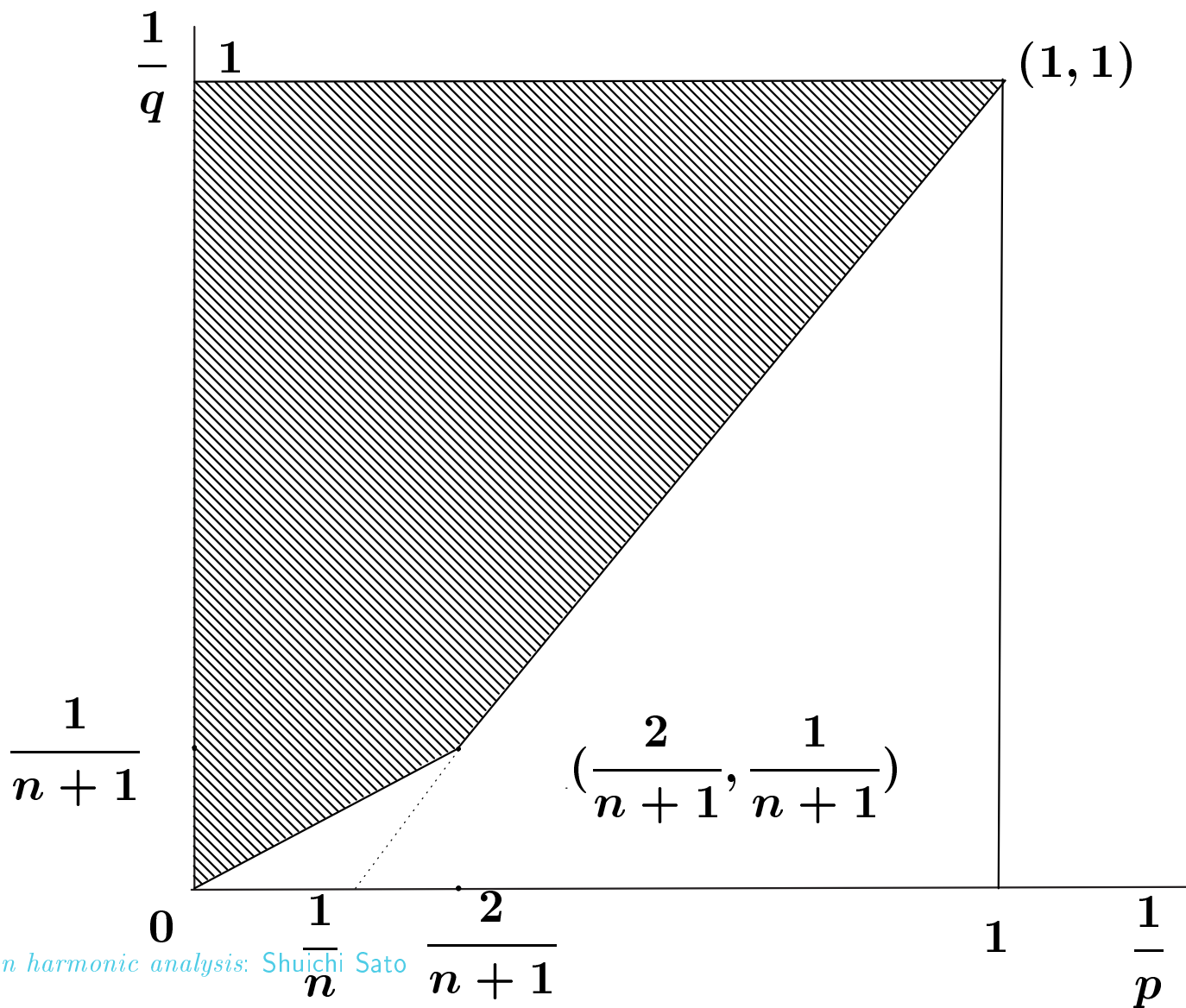
**for functions  $F \in L_w^p(L^q(S^{n-1}))$ , where  $d\sigma$  denotes the Lebesgue surface measure on  $S^{n-1}$ .**

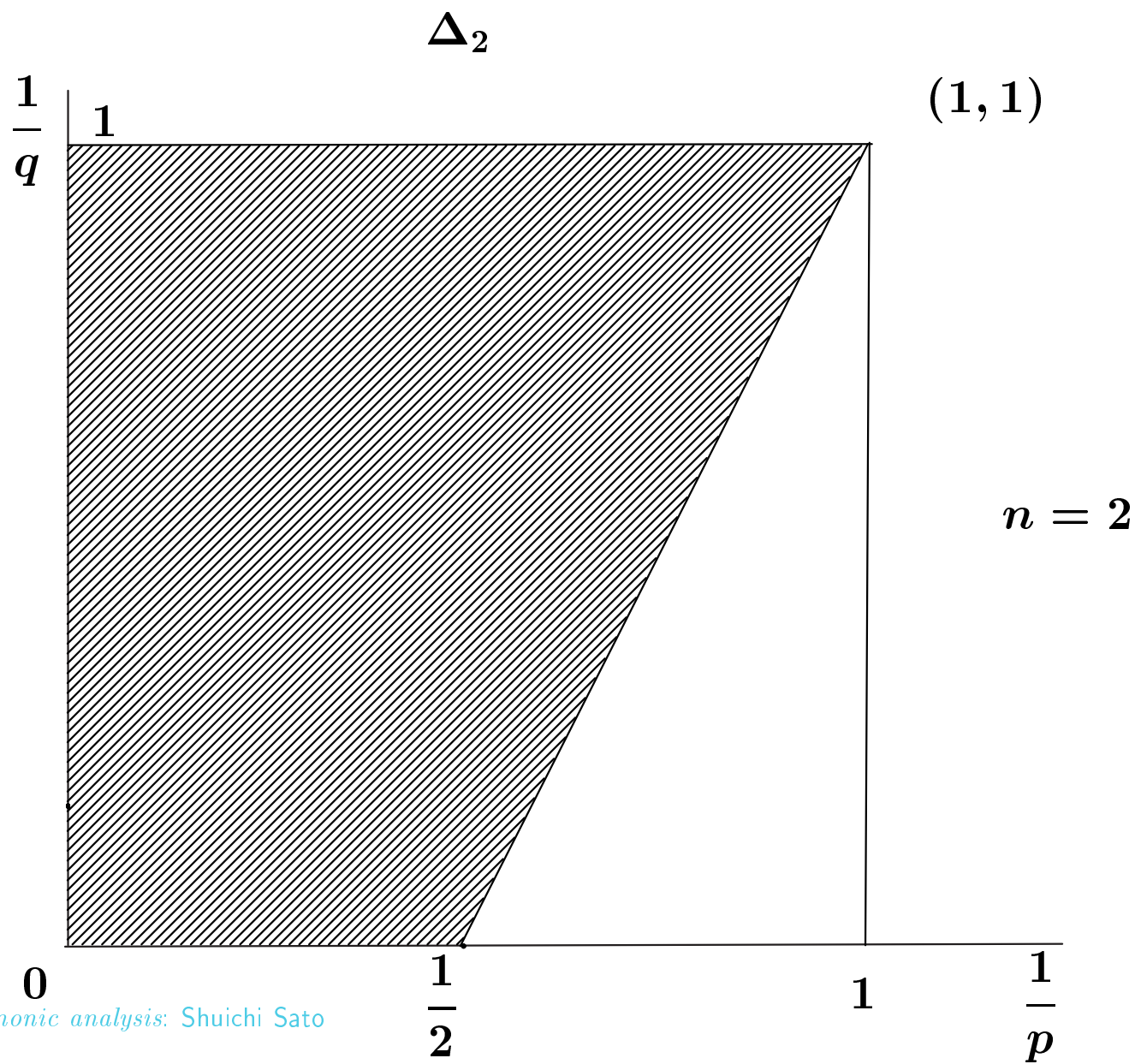
**Also, we write**

$$\|f\|_{L_w^p} = \|fw^{1/p}\|_{L^p} = \|fw^{1/p}\|_p$$

**for  $f \in L_w^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .**

$$\Delta_n, \quad n \geq 3$$

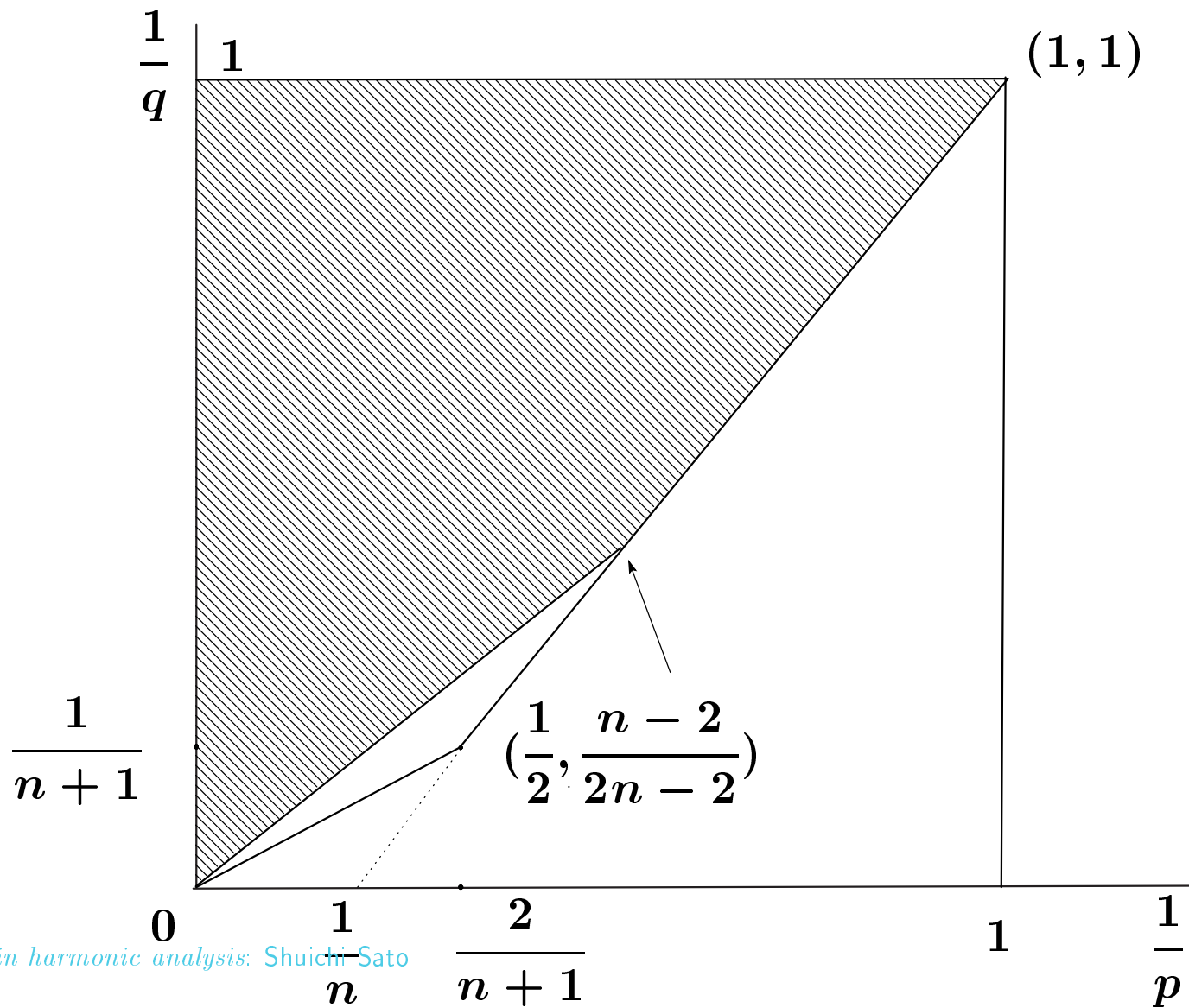


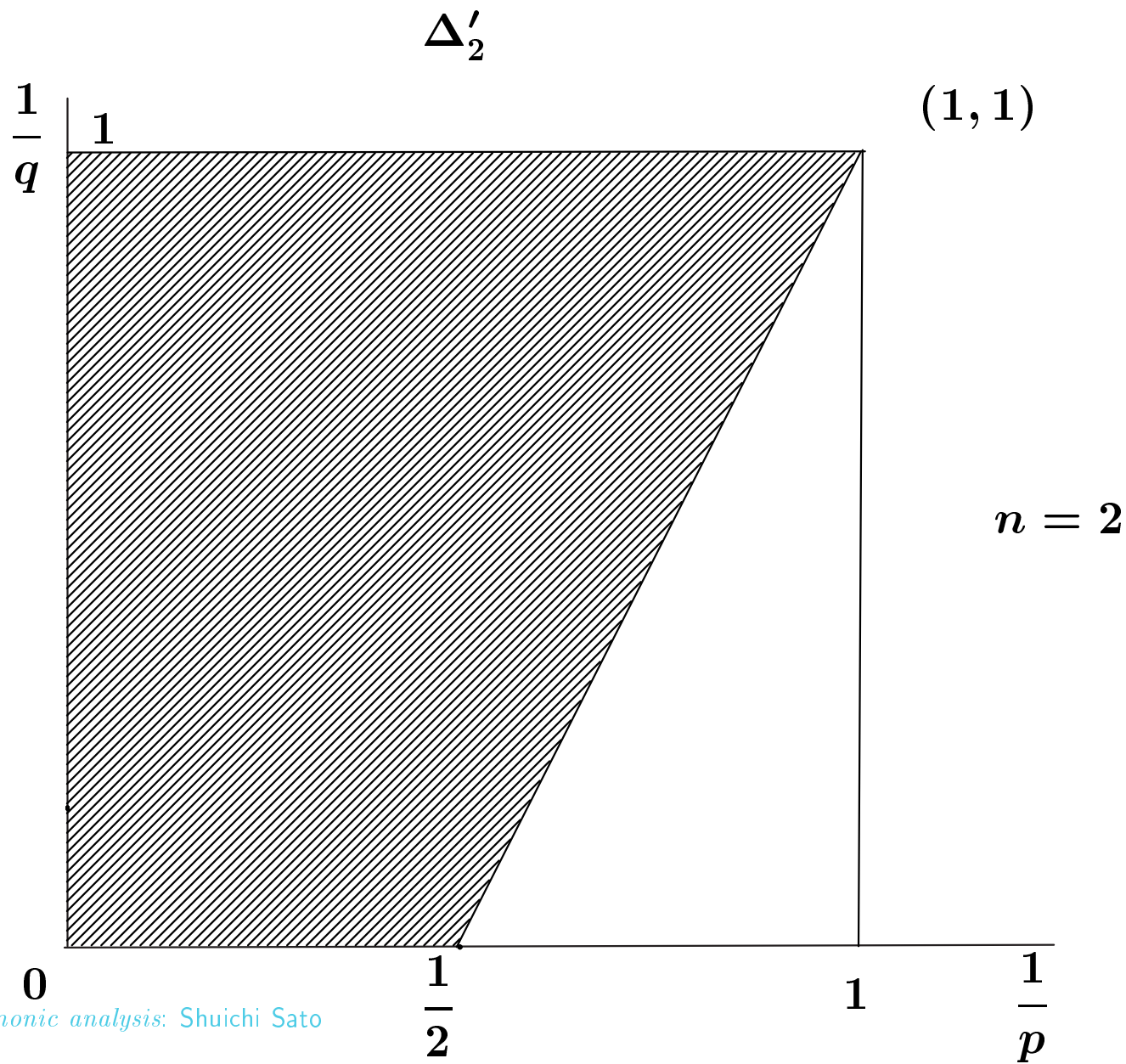


**Theorem D.** (M. Christ, J. Duoandikoetxea and J. L. Rubio de Francia, 1986.) Suppose  $A_t = tE$  (the identity matrix). Then

$$\left(\frac{1}{p}, \frac{1}{q}\right) \in \Delta_n \implies M, H, H_* : L^p(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow L^p(L^q).$$

$$\Delta'_n, \quad n \geq 3$$





Theorem A for  $M, H$  was extended to the case of nonisotropic dilations by Bez (2008) as follows.

**Theorem E.**

(1)

$$\left(\frac{1}{p}, \frac{1}{q}\right) \in \Delta_n \implies M : L^p(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow L^p(L^q);$$

(2)

$$\left(\frac{1}{p}, \frac{1}{q}\right) \in \Delta'_n \implies H : L^p(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow L^p(L^q).$$

**IDEA: To apply X-ray like transforms of P. Gressman, 2006,  
and decay estimates for certain trigonometric integrals of Bez, 2008.**

**Theorem 4.** (Sato, 2012.) Suppose that  $\left(\frac{1}{p}, \frac{1}{q}\right) \in \Delta'_n$ . Then,

$$H_* : L^p(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow L^p(L^q).$$

- This is optimal when  $n = 2$  and improves on a result of Lung-Kee Chen (1988).

**Theorem 5.** (Weighted estimates.) (Sato, 2012.)

$$M, H, H_* : L^2_w(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow L^2_w(L^2), \quad w \in \mathcal{A}_1.$$

- $r(x)^\alpha \in \mathcal{A}_1$  if  $-\gamma < \alpha \leq 0$ ,  $\gamma = \text{trace} P$ .

**IDEA:** To apply weighted L-P theory for vector valued functions

and decay estimates for certain trigonometric integrals of Bez, 2008.

## Applications.

By the method of rotations of Calderón-Zygmund, Theorems 4 and 5 can be applied to singular integrals with **a variable kernel** of the form:

$$Tf(x) = \text{p.v.} \int K(x, y) f(x-y) dy = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{r(y) \geq \epsilon} K(x, y) f(x-y) dy$$

and the maximal singular integral

$$T_*f(x) = \sup_{\epsilon, R > 0} \left| \int_{\epsilon \leq r(y) \leq R} K(x, y) f(x-y) dy \right|.$$

**THANK YOU !**

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