

## THE HANKEL TRANSFORMATION OF BANACH-SPACE-VALUED GENERALIZED FUNCTIONS

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**ABSTRACT.** The object of this paper is to study Banach-space-valued generalized functions belonging to  $[H_\mu(A); B]$  for which the Hankel transformation may be defined. In *Realizability theory for continuous linear systems* (Academic Press, New York, 1972), Zemanian considered certain  $\rho$ -type testing function spaces for which the Laplace transformation is defined. Tiwari (*Banach space valued distributional Mellin transform and form invariant linear filtering*, Indian J. Pure Appl. Math. **20** (1989), 493–504) follows Zemanian in extending the Mellin transform. Their works are based on the denseness of the Schwartz space  $D^m(A)$  in the testing function spaces of interest. This method is not possible here since the space  $D^m(A)$  is not dense in  $H_\mu(A)$ , and the structure of  $H_\mu(A)$  is quite different from that of  $D^m(A)$ , which has an inductive-limit topology. Thus, it is necessary to introduce a dense subspace  ${}_\mu D_I(A)$  of  $H_\mu(A)$  to derive some properties of  $H_\mu(A)$ . We then define the Hankel transformation on  $[H_\mu(A); B]$ . We end this paper with some operational formulas, which are analogous with those given by the first author in SIAM J. Math. Anal. **1** (1970), 322–327.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Zemanian studied the theory of Banach-space-valued testing functions and distributions in [2], which is somewhat more general than that of scalar distributions. He constructed  $D^m(A)$  as the inductive-limit space given by

$$D^m(A) = D_{R^n}^m(A) = \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} D_{K_j}^m(A)$$

where  $D_{K_j}^m(A)$  denotes the linear space of all smooth functions  $\phi$  from  $R^n$  into a Banach space  $A$  such that  $\text{supp } \phi \subset K_j$ .  $K_j$  are compact subsets of  $R^n$  and  $K_j \subset K_{j+1}$ ,  $\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} K_j = R^n$ . We assign to  $D_{K_j}^m(A)$  the topology generated by the collection  $\{\gamma_k; 0 \leq k \leq m\}$  of seminorms, where  $\gamma_k(\phi) \triangleq \sup_{t \in K_j} \|\phi^{(k)}(t)\|_A$ .

Applying the interpolation theory, he describes the local structure property below.

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**Theorem 1.1.** Let  $f \in [D^m(A); B]$  and  $K$  be a compact interval in  $R^n$ . Then there exists an integer  $p \in R^n$  with  $0 \leq p \leq m$  and a continuous  $[A; B]$ -valued function  $h$  on  $K$  such that, for all  $\phi \in D_K^{m+[2]}(A)$ ,

$$\langle f, \phi \rangle = \int_K h(t) D^{p+[2]} \phi(t) dt.$$

In general,  $p$  and  $h$  depend on  $f$  and  $K$ .

Finally, he mentions

**Theorem 1.2.** If  $\mathcal{T}^m$  and  $\mathcal{T}^m(A)$  are normal spaces (i.e.,  $D$  is dense in  $\mathcal{T}^m$  and  $\mathcal{T}^m(A)$ ), then there exists a bijection from  $[\mathcal{T}^m(A); B]$  onto  $[\mathcal{T}^m; [A; B]]$  defined by

$$\langle g, \psi \rangle a \triangleq \langle f, \psi a \rangle, \quad \psi \in \mathcal{T}^m, \quad a \in A,$$

where  $g \in [\mathcal{T}^m; [A; B]]$ ,  $f \in [\mathcal{T}^m(A); B]$ .

Tiwari [3] mimics the method of Zemanian in defining Banach-space-valued distributions for which a Mellin transform can be given. Several properties including a Mellin-type convolution theorem are proved. These results are similar to those of Zemanian [1].

In this paper, we introduce a dense subspace  ${}_{\mu}D_I(A)$  of  $H_{\mu}(A)$ . It does not have an inductive-limit topology. The local structure theorem is no longer discussed in  $[H_{\mu}(A); B]$ . However, with a different method, we show that there is still a bijection from  $[H_{\mu}(A); B]$  onto  $[H_{\mu}; [A; B]]$ . Further, we are able to define the Hankel transformation of arbitrary order on  $H_{\mu}(A)$ , which is still an automorphism on  $H_{\mu}(A)$ . We give some operational formulas at the end of this paper.

Our notation is similar to that used in [1, 2, 4]. Given any two topological vector spaces  $A$  and  $B$ ,  $[A; B]$  denotes the linear space of all continuous linear mappings of  $A$  into  $B$ . The element of  $B$  assigned by  $f \in [A; B]$  to  $\phi \in A$  is denoted by  $\langle f, \phi \rangle$ .  $[A; B]$  is supplied with the topology of uniform convergence on bounded sets in  $A$ .  $\|\cdot\|_B$  denotes the norm in any Banach space  $B$ .  $R$  and  $C$  are the real and complex number fields.  $I$  is the open interval  $(0, +\infty)$ . Other notation will be introduced as the need arises.

## 2. THE CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN $[H_{\mu}(A); B]$ AND $[H_{\mu}; [A; B]]$ FOR $\mu \geq -\frac{1}{2}$

Following Zemanian,  $H_{\mu}(A)$  is defined as follows:

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $x$  be a real variable restricted to  $I$ . For each real number  $\mu$ ,  $\phi(x) \in H_{\mu}(A)$  iff it is defined on  $I$ , takes its values in  $A$ , is smooth, and for each pair of nonnegative integers  $m$  and  $k$

$$\gamma_{m,k}^{\mu}(\phi) \triangleq \sup_{x \in I} \|x^m (x^{-1} D)^k x^{-\mu-1/2} \phi(x)\|_A$$

is finite.  $H_{\mu}(A)$  is a linear space. The topology of  $H_{\mu}(A)$  is that generated by  $\{\gamma_{m,k}^{\mu}\}_{m,k=0}^{\infty}$ .

**Definition 2.2.**  $\phi(x) \in D_I(A)$  iff  $\phi$  is defined on  $I$ , takes its value in  $A$ , is smooth, and for every  $\phi$  there exists  $b \in I$  such that  $\phi(x) = 0$  for  $x \in [b, +\infty)$ . Let  ${}_{\mu}D_I(A) \triangleq D_I(A) \cap H_{\mu}(A)$ .

**Theorem 2.1.** *The subspace  ${}_{\mu}D_I(A)$  is dense in  $H_{\mu}(A)$  for all  $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\lambda(x) \in D_I(C)$  such that  $\lambda(x) = 1$  for  $0 < x \leq 1$  and  $\lambda(x) = 0$  for  $x \geq 2$ .

For arbitrary  $\phi(x) \in H_{\mu}(A)$  and each pair of nonnegative integers  $m$  and  $k$  we consider

$$\begin{aligned} & x^m(x^{-1}D)^k x^{-\mu-1/2}[\lambda(x/N)\phi(x) - \phi(x)] \\ &= x^{m+1} \sum_{v=0}^k \binom{k}{v} (x^{-1}D)^{k-v} x^{-\mu-1/2} \phi \frac{(x^{-1}D)^v [\lambda(x/N) - 1]}{x}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{x \in I} \|x^m(x^{-1}D)^k x^{-\mu-1/2}(\lambda(x/N)\phi(x) - \phi(x))\|_A \\ & \leq \sum_{v=0}^k \binom{k}{v} \sup_{x \in I} \|x^{m+1}(x^{-1}D)^{k-v} x^{-\mu-1/2} \phi\|_A \cdot \sup_{x \geq N} \left| \frac{(x^{-1}D)^v [\lambda(x/N) - 1]}{x} \right|. \end{aligned}$$

It follows from  $\phi \in H_{\mu}(A)$  that

$$\sup_{x \in I} \|(x^{-1}D)^{k-v} x^{-\mu-1/2} \phi\|_A$$

is finite.

Since  $\lambda(x)$  and its derivatives are bounded, it follows that

$$\sup_{x \geq N} \left| \frac{(x^{-1}D)^v [\lambda(x/N) - 1]}{x} \right| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } N \rightarrow \infty, \quad \text{for fixed } k \text{ and } 0 \leq v \leq k,$$

whence our assertion.

$H_{\mu}(A)$  is not a  $\rho$ -type testing function space in the sense of Zemanian [2]. To see this, we choose  $\phi(x) = x^{\mu+1/2} e^{-x^2} a_0$ ,  $a_0 \in A$  and  $a_0 \neq 0$ . Then for all  $\psi$ , which is smooth from  $I$  into  $A$  with compact support contained in  $I$ ,  $\gamma_{0,0}^{\mu}(\phi - \psi) \geq \|a_0\|/2 > 0$ . This means the balloon

$$\{\theta; \theta \in H_{\mu}(A), \gamma_{0,0}^{\mu}(\phi - \theta) \leq \|a_0\|/3\}$$

does not contain any element of  $D^m(A)$ . Thus our result is true.

The following lemmas will be used subsequently (see [1, 2]).

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $V, W$  be locally convex spaces, and let  $\Gamma$  and  $P$  generate families of seminorms of the topologies of  $V$  and  $W$ , respectively. Let  $f$  be a linear mapping of  $V$  into  $W$ . The following four assertions are equivalent:*

- (i)  $f$  is continuous.
- (ii)  $f$  is continuous at the origin.
- (iii) For every continuous seminorm  $\rho$  on  $W$ , there exists a continuous seminorm  $\gamma$  on  $V$  such that  $\rho(f(\theta)) \leq \gamma(\theta)$  for all  $\theta$ .
- (iv) For every  $\rho \in P$ , there exists a constant  $M > 0$  and a finite collection  $\{\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_m\} \subset \Gamma$  such that

$$\rho(f(\theta)) \leq M \max_{0 \leq k \leq m} \gamma_k(\theta)$$

for all  $\theta \in V$ .

**Lemma 2.2.** *For  $\mu \geq -\frac{1}{2}$ , the conventional  $h_{\mu}$  is an automorphism on  $H_{\mu}(A)$ .*

*Proof.* Very similar to Theorem 5.4.-1, p. 141 of [1].

**Theorem 2.2.** Every  $f \in [H_\mu(A); B]$  uniquely defines a  $g \in [H_\mu; [A; B]]$  through the equation

$$\langle g, \theta \rangle a \triangleq \langle f, \theta a \rangle, \quad \theta \in H_\mu, \quad a \in A,$$

for all  $\mu \in R$ .

*Proof.* Fixing upon some  $\theta \in H_\mu$  we define a mapping  $j_\theta$  of  $A$  into  $B$  by  $j_\theta a = \langle f, \theta a \rangle$  for all  $a \in A$ . It readily follows that  $j_\theta$  is linear. By Lemma 2.1(iv) there exist positive integers  $m_0, k_0$  and a constant  $M > 0$  such that

$$\|j_\theta a\|_B = \|\langle f, \theta a \rangle\|_B \leq M \max_{\substack{0 \leq k \leq k_0 \\ 0 \leq m \leq m_0}} \gamma_{m,k}^\mu(\theta a)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_{m,k}^\mu(\theta a) &= \sup_{x \in I} \|x^m (x^{-1} D)^k x^{-\mu-1/2} \theta a\|_A \\ &= \|a\|_A \sup_{x \in I} |x^m (x^{-1} D)^k x^{-\mu-1/2} \theta|. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\|j_\theta a\|_B \leq M \|a\|_A \max_{\substack{0 \leq k \leq k_0 \\ 0 \leq m \leq m_0}} \gamma_{m,k}^\mu(\theta)$$

and

$$(2.1) \quad \|j\theta\|_{[A; B]} \leq M \max_{\substack{0 \leq k \leq k_0 \\ 0 \leq m \leq m_0}} \gamma_{m,k}^\mu(\theta).$$

Next, set  $\langle g, \theta \rangle \triangleq j_\theta$ . This uniquely defines  $g$  as a mapping from  $H_\mu$  into  $[A; B]$ .  $g$  is linear because, for any  $a \in A, \alpha, \beta \in C$ , and  $\theta, \psi \in H_\mu$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle g, \alpha\theta + \beta\psi \rangle a &= \langle f, \alpha\theta a + \beta\psi a \rangle = \alpha \langle f, \theta a \rangle + \beta \langle f, \psi a \rangle \\ &= (\alpha \langle g, \theta \rangle + \beta \langle g, \psi \rangle) a. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, (2.1) implies that  $g$  is continuous.

Let  ${}_\mu D_I \odot A$  denote the linear space of all  $\varphi \in {}_\mu D_I(A)$  having representations of the form  $\varphi = \sum \theta_k a_k$  where  $\theta_k \in {}_\mu D_I, a_k \in A$ , and the summation is over a finite number of terms.

**Theorem 2.3.** The space  ${}_\mu D_I \odot A$  is dense in  $H_\mu(A)$  for  $\mu \geq -\frac{1}{2}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\lambda(x)$  be defined as in the proof of Theorem 2.1. For  $\varphi \in {}_\mu D_I(A)$ , we first show that

$$\lambda(x/N) h_\mu(\varphi) \rightarrow h_\mu(\varphi) \quad \text{in } H_\mu(A) \text{ as } N \rightarrow +\infty \text{ for all } \mu \in R.$$

The following equation will be used (see [1]):

$$(2.2) \quad \begin{aligned} &(-1)^{m+k} y^m (y^{-1} D)^k y^{-\mu-1/2} h_\mu(\varphi)(y) \\ &= \int_0^{+\infty} x^{2\mu+2k+m+1} [(x^{-1} D)^m x^{-\mu-1/2} \varphi(x)] \frac{J_{\mu+k+m}(xy)}{(xy)^{\mu+k}} dx. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} &\sup_{x \in I} \left\| x^m (x^{-1} D)^k x^{-\mu-1/2} h_\mu(\varphi) \left[ \lambda\left(\frac{x}{N}\right) - 1 \right] \right\|_A \\ &\leq \sum_{v=0}^k \binom{k}{v} \sup_{x \geq N} \left| \frac{(x^{-1} D)^v [\lambda(x/N) - 1]}{x} \right| \sup_{x \in I} \|x^{m+1} (x^{-1} D)^{k-v} x^{-\mu-1/2} h_\mu(\varphi)\|_A. \end{aligned}$$

By what we have proved in Theorem 2.1,

$$\sup_{x \geq N} \left| \frac{(x^{-1}D)^v [\lambda(x/N) - 1]}{x} \right| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } N \rightarrow \infty \text{ for fixed } k \text{ and } 0 \leq v \leq k.$$

Using equation (2.2) and noting that  $J_{\mu+k-v+m+1}(xy)/(xy)^{\mu+k-v}$  is bounded, say by  $B_{k,v,m}$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{x \in I} \|x^{m+1}(x^{-1}D)^{k-v}x^{-\mu-1/2}h_\mu(\varphi)\|_A \\ &= \sup_{x \in I} \left\| \int_0^{+\infty} y^{2\mu+2(k-v)+m+2} [(y^{-1}D)^{m+1}y^{-\mu-1/2}\varphi(y)] \frac{J_{\mu+k-v+m+1}(xy)}{(xy)^{\mu+k-v}} dy \right\|_A. \end{aligned}$$

Choosing a positive integer  $n$  such that

$$y^{2\mu+2(k-v)+m+2} \leq (1+y^2)^n \quad \text{for all } y \in I$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{y \in I} \|y^{2\mu+2(k-v)+m+2} [(y^{-1}D)^{m+1}y^{-\mu-1/2}\varphi(y)]\|_A \\ & \leq \sup_{y \in I} \|(1+y^2)^n [(y^{-1}D)^{m+1}y^{-\mu-1/2}\varphi(y)]\|_A. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\varphi \in {}_\mu D_I(A)$ , there exists  $b \in I$  such that  $\varphi(x) = 0$  for  $x \in [b, +\infty)$ . It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{x \in I} \|x^{m+1}(x^{-1}D)^{k-v}x^{-\mu-1/2}h_\mu(\varphi)\|_A \\ & \leq B_{k,v,m} b \sup_{y \in I} \|(1+y^2)^n [(y^{-1}D)^{m+1}y^{-\mu-1/2}\varphi(y)]\|_A \end{aligned}$$

is finite. Therefore,

$$\lambda(x/N)h_\mu(\varphi) \rightarrow h_\mu(\varphi) \quad \text{in } H_\mu(A) \text{ as } N \rightarrow +\infty.$$

Second, we prove that  ${}_\mu D_I \odot A$  is dense in  $H_\mu(A)$  for  $\mu \geq -\frac{1}{2}$ . For a positive integer  $m_1$ , we have

$$\sqrt{xy}J_\mu(xy) = \sum_{j=0}^{m_1} \frac{(xy)^{1/2}(-1)^j(xy/2)^{\mu+2j}}{j!\Gamma(\mu+j+1)} + \sum_{j=m_1+1}^{\infty} \frac{(xy)^{1/2}(-1)^j(xy/2)^{\mu+2j}}{j!\Gamma(\mu+j+1)}.$$

For every  $\varphi \in {}_\mu D_I(A)$ , the term

$$T_{N,m_1} = \lambda\left(\frac{x}{N}\right) \int_0^{+\infty} \varphi(t) \sum_{j=0}^{m_1} \frac{(xt)^{1/2}(-1)^j(xt/2)^{\mu+2j}}{j!\Gamma(\mu+j+1)} dt,$$

where  $N, m_1 = 1, 2, \dots$ , belongs to  ${}_\mu D_I \odot A$  since  $\mu \geq -\frac{1}{2}$ . Now

$$\begin{aligned} & T_{N,m_1} - \int_0^{+\infty} \varphi(t)\sqrt{xt}J_\mu(xt) dt \\ &= T_{N,m_1} - \lambda\left(\frac{x}{N}\right) \int_0^{+\infty} \varphi(t)\sqrt{xt}J_\mu(xt) dt \\ & \quad + \lambda\left(\frac{x}{N}\right) \int_0^{+\infty} \varphi(t)\sqrt{xt}J_\mu(xt) dt - \int_0^{+\infty} \varphi(t)\sqrt{xt}J_\mu(xt) dt. \end{aligned}$$

By what we have just proved, for arbitrary  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists an  $N_1$  such that for  $N \geq N_1$ , we have

$$\sup_{x \in I} \|x^m (x^{-1}D)^k x^{-\mu-1/2} [\lambda(x/N)h_\mu(\varphi) - h_\mu(\varphi)]\|_A < \varepsilon/2.$$

Fixing  $N (\geq N_1)$ , then

$$\lambda\left(\frac{x}{N}\right) \left[ \sum_{j=0}^{m_1} \frac{(xt)^{1/2} (-1)^j (xt/2)^{\mu+2j}}{j! \Gamma(\mu + j + 1)} - \sqrt{xt} J_\mu(xt) \right]$$

and its derivatives with respect to  $x$  converge to zero uniformly on every compact subset of  $I$ . It has a uniformly bounded support. Therefore it converges in the sense of Schwartz, whose topology is stronger than that of  $H_\mu$  (see [1]). It follows that there exists an  $L \in I$  such that as long as  $m_1 \geq L$ , then for all  $t \leq b$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{x \in I} \left\| x^m (x^{-1}D)^k x^{-\mu-1/2} \lambda\left(\frac{x}{N}\right) \left[ \sum_{j=0}^{m_1} \frac{(xt)^{1/2} (-1)^j (xt/2)^{\mu+2j}}{j! \Gamma(\mu + j + 1)} - \sqrt{xt} J_\mu(xt) \right] \right\| \\ \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2M_1}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $M_1 = b \sup_{t \in I} \|\varphi(t)\|_A$ . If  $M_1 = 0$ , then there is nothing to be proved. Therefore,

$$\sup_{x \in I} \left\| x^m (x^{-1}D)^k x^{-\mu-1/2} \left[ T_{N, m_1} - \int_0^{+\infty} \varphi(t) \sqrt{xt} J_\mu(xt) dt \right] \right\|_A < \varepsilon$$

provided  $N \geq N_1, m_1 \geq L$ .

Since  $h_\mu$  is an automorphism on  $H_\mu(A)$  for  $\mu \geq -\frac{1}{2}$  by Lemma 2.2 and  ${}_\mu D_I(A)$  is dense in  $H_\mu(A)$ , it follows that  $h_\mu({}_\mu D_I(A))$  is dense in  $H_\mu(A)$ . Our assertion follows directly from the fact that  ${}_\mu D_I \odot A$  is dense in  $h_\mu({}_\mu D_I(A))$ .

**Theorem 2.4.** *There is a bijection from  $[H_\mu(A); B]$  onto  $[H_\mu; [A; B]]$  defined by*

$$\langle g, \theta \rangle a = \langle f, \theta a \rangle$$

where  $a \in A, g \in [H_\mu; [A; B]]$ , and  $f \in [H_\mu(A); B], \theta \in H_\mu$  for  $\mu \geq -\frac{1}{2}$ .

*Proof.* By Theorem 2.2, every  $f \in [H_\mu(A); B]$  uniquely defines a  $g \in [H_\mu; [A; B]]$  through the equation

$$\langle g, \theta \rangle a \triangleq \langle f, \theta a \rangle \quad \text{for all } \mu \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Let us consider the converse. For every  $\varphi \in {}_\mu D_I \odot A$ , we define

$$\langle f, \varphi \rangle = \sum \langle g, \theta_k \rangle a_k \quad \text{for } \varphi = \sum \theta_k a_k.$$

It follows from the definition that  $f$  is linear on  ${}_\mu D_I \odot A$ . We wish to show that  $f$  is continuous. Indeed, for arbitrary  $\varepsilon > 0$ , as long as  $\theta a$  ( $\theta \in {}_\mu D_I, a \in A$ ) belongs to the balloon  $\{\varphi; \gamma_{m,k}^\mu(\varphi) < \varepsilon/M, m = 0, 1, \dots, m_0, k = 0, 1, \dots, k_0\}$ .  $M, m_0, k_0$  are defined as follows. We infer that

$$\|\langle f, \theta a \rangle\|_B = \|\langle g, \theta \rangle a\|_B \leq \|a\|_A \cdot \|\langle g, \theta \rangle\|_{[A; B]}.$$

By Lemma 2.1(iv), there exist  $M > 0$  and positive integers  $m_0, k_0$  such that

$$\| \langle f, \theta a \rangle \|_B \leq \| a \|_A \cdot M \max_{\substack{0 \leq k \leq k_0 \\ 0 \leq m \leq m_0}} \gamma_{m,k}^\mu(\theta) < M \cdot \varepsilon / M = \varepsilon .$$

Therefore  $f$  is continuous at the origin. By Lemma 2.1(ii),  $f$  is continuous on  ${}_\mu D_I \odot A$ . According to Theorem 2.3,  ${}_\mu D_I \odot A$  is dense in  $H_\mu(A)$  for  $\mu \geq -\frac{1}{2}$ . Thus our assertion is true.

**3. THE HANKEL TRANSFORMATION  $h_\mu$  ON  $H_\mu(A)$   
AND THE CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN  $[H_\mu(A); B]$  AND  $[H_\mu; [A; B]]$   
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We shall use the following differential and integral operators due to Zemanian [1]:

$$\begin{aligned} N_\mu \varphi(x) &\triangleq x^{\mu+1/2} D x^{-\mu-1/2} \varphi(x), \\ M_\mu \varphi(x) &\triangleq x^{-\mu-1/2} D x^{\mu+1/2} \varphi(x), \\ N_\mu^{-1} \varphi(x) &\triangleq x^{\mu+1/2} \int_\infty^x t^{-\mu-1/2} \varphi(t) dt . \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 3.1.**  $N_\mu$  is a continuous linear mapping of  $H_\mu(A)$  into  $H_{\mu+1}(A)$ .

Indeed,  $\gamma_{m,k}^{\mu+1}(N_\mu \varphi) = \gamma_{m,k+1}^\mu(\varphi)$  for every  $\varphi \in H_\mu(A)$  and every choice of  $m$  and  $k$ .

**Lemma 3.2.**  $N_\mu^{-1}$  is a continuous linear mapping of  $H_{\mu+1}(A)$  into  $H_\mu(A)$ .

*Proof.* Assume that  $\varphi(x) \in H_{\mu+1}(A)$  and  $k$  is a fixed positive integer. Then

$$\begin{aligned} (x^{-1} D)^k x^{-\mu-1/2} N_\mu^{-1} \varphi(x) &= (x^{-1} D)^k x^{-\mu-1/2} x^{\mu+1/2} \int_\infty^x t^{-\mu-1/2} \varphi(t) dt \\ &= (x^{-1} D)^{k-1} x^{-\mu-3/2} \varphi(x) . \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\gamma_{m,k}^\mu(N_\mu^{-1} \varphi) = \gamma_{m,k-1}^{\mu+1}(\varphi), \quad k = 1, 2, 3, \dots, m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

A similar result for the case  $k = 0$  can be derived as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \| x^m x^{-\mu-1/2} N_\mu^{-1} \varphi(x) \|_A &\leq x^m \int_x^\infty \| t^{-\mu-1/2} \varphi(t) \|_A dt \\ &\leq \int_x^\infty \| t^m t^{-\mu-1/2} \varphi(t) \|_A dt \\ &\leq \int_0^{+\infty} \left\| \frac{1}{1+t^2} (t^{m+1} + t^{m+2}) t^{-\mu-3/2} \varphi(t) \right\|_A dt \\ &\leq \int_0^\infty \frac{1 dt}{1+t^2} \cdot \sup_{t \in I} \| (t^{m+1} + t^{m+3}) t^{-\mu-3/2} \varphi(t) \|_A . \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\gamma_{m,0}^\mu(N_\mu^{-1} \varphi) \leq \frac{\pi}{2} [\gamma_{m+1,0}^{\mu+1}(\varphi) + \gamma_{m+3,0}^{\mu+1}(\varphi)], \quad m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

It follows from the above that  $N_\mu^{-1}$  is a continuous linear mapping of  $H_{\mu+1}(A)$  into  $H_\mu(A)$ .

Let  $\mu \in R$  and let  $k$  be a positive integer such that  $\mu + k \geq -\frac{1}{2}$ . Assume that  $\varphi \in H_\mu(A)$  and define  $h_{\mu,k}$  on  $H_\mu(A)$  by (see Koh [4])

$$\Phi(x) = h_{\mu,k}(\varphi(y)) \triangleq (-1)^k x^{-k} h_{\mu+k} N_{\mu+k-1} \cdots N_{\mu+1} N_\mu \varphi(y).$$

Let  $\Phi(x) \in H_\mu(A)$  and define  $h_{\mu,k}^{-1}$  on  $H_\mu(A)$  by

$$\varphi(y) = h_{\mu,k}^{-1}(\Phi(x)) \triangleq (-1)^k N_\mu^{-1} N_{\mu+1}^{-1} \cdots N_{\mu+k-1}^{-1} h_{\mu+k} x^k \Phi(x).$$

**Theorem 3.1.**  $h_{\mu,k}$  is an automorphism on  $H_\mu(A)$ . Its inverse is  $h_{\mu,k}^{-1}$  and  $h_{\mu,k} = h_\mu$  if  $\mu \geq -\frac{1}{2}$ .

*Proof.* By Lemmas 3.1 and 3.2,  $\varphi \rightarrow N_\mu N_{\mu+1} \cdots N_{\mu+k-1} \varphi$  is an isomorphism from  $H_\mu(A)$  onto  $H_{\mu+k}(A)$ .

By Lemma 2.2,  $h_{\mu+k}$  is an automorphism on  $H_{\mu+k}(A)$  for  $\mu + k \geq -\frac{1}{2}$ . It follows from  $\gamma_{m,k}^{\mu+k}(x^{-k}\varphi) = \gamma_{m,k}^{\mu+k}(\varphi)$  that  $\varphi \rightarrow x^{-k}\varphi$  is an isomorphism from  $H_{\mu+k}(A)$  onto  $H_\mu(A)$ . Therefore  $h_{\mu,k}$  is an automorphism on  $H_\mu(A)$ . Similarly  $h_{\mu,k}^{-1}$  is an automorphism on  $H_\mu(A)$  and is inverse to  $h_{\mu,k}$  because  $h_{\mu+k}^{-1} = h_{\mu+k}$  and the inverse of  $N_{\mu+k-1} \cdots N_\mu$  is  $N_\mu^{-1} \cdots N_{\mu+k-1}^{-1}$ .

To prove the last statement, let  $\varphi(y) \in H_\mu(A)$ ,  $\mu \geq -\frac{1}{2}$ , and consider  $k = 1$ ;

$$\begin{aligned} h_{\mu,1}\varphi &= -x^{-1} h_{\mu+1} N_\mu \varphi = -x^{-1} \int_0^\infty y^{\mu+1/2} [D_y y^{-\mu-1/2} \varphi(y)] \sqrt{xy} J_{\mu+1}(xy) dy \\ &= -x^{-1} \sqrt{xy} J_{\mu+1}(xy) \varphi(y) \Big|_0^\infty + \int_0^\infty \varphi(y) \sqrt{xy} J_\mu(xy) dy. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\varphi(y)$  is of rapid descent and  $\sqrt{xy} J_{\mu+1}(xy)$  is bounded as  $y \rightarrow \infty$ , while  $\varphi(y) = O(y^{\mu+1/2})$  and  $\sqrt{xy} J_{\mu+1}(xy) = O(y^{\mu+3/2})$  as  $y \rightarrow 0^+$ , the limit terms are zero for  $\mu \geq -\frac{1}{2}$ . Thus  $h_{\mu,1}\varphi = h_\mu \varphi$ . By induction,  $h_{\mu,k} = h_\mu$  for  $\mu \geq -\frac{1}{2}$ .

Note that the definition of  $h_{\mu,k}$  is independent of the choice of  $k$  so long as  $k + \mu \geq -\frac{1}{2}$ . Indeed, if  $k > p \geq -\mu - \frac{1}{2}$ , then  $h_{\mu+p,k-p} = h_{\mu+p}$  by Theorem 3.1; hence

$$\begin{aligned} h_{\mu,k}\varphi &= (-1)^k x^{-k} h_{\mu+k} N_{\mu+k-1} \cdots N_\mu \varphi \\ &= (-1)^p x^{-p} (-1)^{k-p} x^{-(k-p)} h_{\mu+p+k-p} N_{\mu+p+k-p-1} \cdots N_{\mu+p} N_{\mu+p-1} \cdots N_\mu \varphi \\ &= (-1)^p x^{-p} h_{\mu+p,k-p} N_{\mu+p-1} \cdots N_\mu \varphi \\ &= (-1)^p x^{-p} h_{\mu+p} N_{\mu+p-1} \cdots N_\mu \varphi = h_{\mu,p}\varphi. \end{aligned}$$

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $\mu \in R$  and  $k$  be a positive integer such that  $\mu + k \geq -\frac{1}{2}$ . For any  $f \in [H_\mu(A); B]$ , the generalized Hankel transform  $h'_{\mu} f$  is defined by

$$\langle h'_{\mu} f, \varphi \rangle = \langle f, h_{\mu,k}\varphi \rangle, \quad \varphi \in H_\mu(A).$$

By Theorem 3.1 and the fact that  $h'_\mu$  is the adjoint operator of  $h_{\mu,k}$  on  $H_\mu(A)$ , we have

**Theorem 3.2.**  $h'_\mu$  is an automorphism on  $[H_\mu(A); B]$  for all  $\mu \in R$ .

Applying operator  $T \triangleq N_{\mu+k-1} \cdots N_{\mu}$ , we have

**Theorem 3.3.** *Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two Banach spaces. There is a bijection from  $[H_{\mu}(A); B]$  onto  $[H_{\mu}; [A; B]]$  defined by*

$$\langle g, \theta \rangle a = \langle f, \theta a \rangle$$

where  $a \in A$ ,  $\theta \in H_{\mu}$ ,  $g \in [H_{\mu}; [A; B]]$ , and  $f \in [H_{\mu}(A); B]$ ,  $\mu \in R$ .

*Proof.* For arbitrary  $\mu \in R$ , we choose a positive integer  $k$  such that  $\mu + k \geq -\frac{1}{2}$ . The operator  $T$  is an isomorphism from  ${}_{\mu}D_I \odot A$  onto  ${}_{\mu+k}D_I \odot A$ , which is dense in  $H_{\mu+k}(A)$ . Also  $T$  is an isomorphism from  $H_{\mu}(A)$  onto  $H_{\mu+k}(A)$ . Therefore,  ${}_{\mu}D_I \odot A$  is dense in  $H_{\mu}(A)$ . By Theorems 2.3 and 2.4, there is a bijection from  $[H_{\mu}(A); B]$  onto  $[H_{\mu}; [A; B]]$  satisfying the above equation.

#### 4. SOME OPERATIONAL FORMULAS

We now establish certain transformation formulas relating to the Bessel-type differential operator  $M_{\mu}N_{\mu}$ , which are similar to those obtained in [4], but on  $H_{\mu}(A)$ .

**Lemma 4.1.** *Let  $\mu$  be a fixed real number and  $k$  a positive integer  $\geq -\mu - \frac{1}{2}$ . Then for every  $\varphi \in H_{\mu}(A)$ ,  $h_{\mu+1,k}(N_{\mu}\varphi) = -xh_{\mu,k}(\varphi)$ .*

*Proof.* By definition

$$\begin{aligned} h_{\mu+1,k}(N_{\mu}\varphi) &= (-1)^k x^{-k} h_{\mu+1+k} N_{\mu+1+k} \cdots N_{\mu+1} N_{\mu} \varphi \\ &= -x h_{\mu,k+1}(\varphi) = -x h_{\mu,k}(\varphi). \end{aligned}$$

Turning to the linear operator  $M_{\mu}$ , we prove that  $\varphi \rightarrow M_{\mu}\varphi$  is a continuous linear mapping of  $H_{\mu+1}(A)$  onto  $H_{\mu}(A)$ . Indeed, for  $\varphi \in H_{\mu+1}(A)$  and any choice  $m$  and  $k$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_{m,k}^{\mu}(M_{\mu}\varphi) &= \sup_{x \in I} \|x^m (x^{-1}D)^k x^{-2\mu-1} D x^{2\mu+2} x^{-\mu-3/2} \varphi(x)\|_A \\ &= \sup_{x \in I} \|(2\mu+2)x^m (x^{-1}D)^k x^{-\mu-3/2} \varphi(x) \\ &\quad + x^m (x^{-1}D)^k x^2 (x^{-1}D) x^{-\mu-3/2} \varphi(x)\|_A \\ &= \cdots = \sup_{x \in I} \|2(\mu+k+1)x^m (x^{-1}D)^k x^{-\mu-3/2} \varphi(x) \\ &\quad + x^{m+2} (x^{-1}D)^{k+1} x^{-\mu-3/2} \varphi(x)\|_A \\ &\leq 2|\mu+k+1| \gamma_{m,k}^{\mu+1}(\varphi) + \gamma_{m+2,k+1}^{\mu+1}(\varphi). \end{aligned}$$

This implies our assertion.

**Lemma 4.2.** *Let  $\mu$  and  $k$  be as in Lemma 4.1. Then for every  $\varphi \in H_{\mu+1}(A)$*

$$h_{\mu,k}(M_{\mu}\varphi) = x h_{\mu+1,k}(\varphi).$$

*Proof.* Using the relation

$$N_{\mu+k-1} \cdots N_{\mu+1} N_{\mu} \varphi(x) = x^{\mu+k+1/2} (x^{-1}D)^k x^{-\mu-1/2} \varphi(x)$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} (4.1) \quad h_{\mu,k}(M_{\mu}\varphi) &= (-1)^k x^{-k} \int_0^{\infty} \sqrt{xy} J_{\mu+k}(xy) y^{\mu+k+1/2} y^2 (y^{-1}D)^{k+1} y^{-\mu-1/2} \varphi dy \\ &\quad + (-1)^k x^{-k} (2\mu+2k+2) \\ &\quad \times \int_0^{\infty} \sqrt{xy} J_{\mu+k}(xy) \cdot y^{\mu+k+1/2} (y^{-1}D)^k y^{-\mu-1/2-1} \varphi dy. \end{aligned}$$

We now show that  $xh_{\mu+1,k}(\varphi)$  reduces to (4.1). Indeed

$$xh_{\mu+1,k}(\varphi) = (-1)^k x^{-k+1} \int_0^\infty \sqrt{xy} J_{\mu+k+1}(xy) y^{\mu+k+1+1/2} (y^{-1}D)^k y^{-\mu-3/2} \varphi dy.$$

From the formula (see [5])

$$J_{\mu+k+1}(xy) = -x^{-1} y^{\mu+k} D y^{-\mu-k} J_{\mu+k}(xy)$$

and an integration by parts, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} xh_{\mu+1,k}(\varphi) &= (-1)^{k+1} x^{-k+1/2} \\ &\quad \times \int_0^\infty y^{2\mu+2k+2} (y^{-1}D)^k y^{-\mu-3/2} \varphi \cdot D[y^{-\mu-k} J_{\mu+k}(xy)] dy \\ &= (-1)^{k+1} x^{-k+1/2} \left\{ y^{\mu+k+2} J_{\mu+k}(xy) (y^{-1}D)^k y^{-\mu-3/2} \varphi \Big|_0^\infty \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \int_0^\infty y^{-\mu-k} J_{\mu+k}(xy) \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times D[y^{2\mu+2k+2} (y^{-1}D)^k \cdot y^{-\mu-3/2} \varphi] dy \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

The limit terms vanish because  $\varphi \in H_{\mu+1}(A)$ . Since

$$\begin{aligned} D[y^{2\mu+2k+2} (y^{-1}D)^k y^{-\mu-3/2} \varphi] &= y^{2\mu+2k+3} (y^{-1}D)^{k+1} y^{-\mu-3/2} \\ &\quad + (2\mu + 2k + 2) \cdot y^{2\mu+2k+1} (y^{-1}D) y^{-\mu-3/2} \varphi, \end{aligned}$$

we see that  $xh_{\mu+1,k}(\varphi)$  equals the right-hand side of (4.1). This completes the proof.

**Lemma 4.3.** *Let  $\mu$  be any fixed real number and  $k$  a positive integer  $\geq -\mu - \frac{1}{2}$ . Then, for every  $\varphi \in H_\mu(A)$ ,*

$$h_{\mu,k}(M_\mu N_\mu \varphi) = -x^2 h_{\mu,k}(\varphi).$$

*Proof.* From Lemmas 4.1 and 4.2.

Similarly, we can show

**Lemma 4.4.** *Let  $\mu$  be any fixed real number and  $k$  a positive integer  $\geq -\mu - \frac{1}{2}$ . Then, for every  $\varphi \in H_\mu(A)$ ,*

$$M_\mu N_\mu h_{\mu,k} \varphi = h_{\mu,k}(-x^2 \varphi).$$

**Theorem 4.1.** *For any real  $\mu$  and  $f \in [H_\mu(A); B]$ ,*

$$M_\mu N_\mu h'_\mu f = h'_\mu[-x^2 f].$$

*Proof.* It follows from Lemma 4.3 that

$$\begin{aligned} \langle h'_\mu[-x^2 f], \varphi \rangle &= \langle -x^2 f, h_{\mu,k} \varphi \rangle = \langle f, -x^2 h_{\mu,k} \varphi \rangle = \langle f, h_{\mu,k}(M_\mu N_\mu \varphi) \rangle \\ &= \langle h'_\mu f, M_\mu N_\mu \varphi \rangle = \langle M_\mu N_\mu h'_\mu f, \varphi \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

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