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# **Donoho-Stark Uncertainty Principle for the Generalized Bessel Transform**

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#### **Abstract**

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The generalized Bessel transform satisfies some uncertainty principles similar to the Euclidean Fourier transform. A generalization of Donoho-Stark uncertainty principle is obtained for the generalized Bessel transform.

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#### **1 Introduction**

There are many theorems known which state that a function and its classical Fourier transform on **R** cannot both be sharply localized. That it is impossible for a nonzero function and its Fourier transform to be simultaneously small. There are several manifestations of this principle. We refer the reader to the excellent survey article by Folland and Sitaram [\[3\]](#page-5-0), and also the monograph by S. Thangavelu [\[5\]](#page-5-1). In this paper we are interested in a variant of Donoho-Stark's uncertainty principle. Recall that Donoho and Stark [\[2\]](#page-5-2) paid attention to the supports of functions and gave qualitative uncertainty principles for the Fourier transforms. The purpose of this paper is to obtain uncertainty principle similar to Donoho-Stark's principle for the generalized Bessel transform. The outline of the content of this paper is as follows. Section 2 is dedicated to some properties and results concerning the Generalized Bessel transform.

Section 3 is devoted to the Donoho-Stark's uncertainty principle for the Generalized Bessel transform.

## **2 Preliminaries**

In this section we recapitulate some facts about harmonic analysis related to the generalized Bessel operator. We cite here, as briefly as possible, some properties. For more details we refer to [\[1\]](#page-4-0). Throughout this paper we assume that  $\alpha > \frac{-1}{2}$ .

We consider the second-order singular differential operator on the half line

$$
\mathcal{L}_{\alpha,n}f(x)=\frac{d^2}{dx^2}f(x)+\frac{2\alpha+1}{x}\frac{d}{dx}f(x)-\frac{4n(\alpha+n)}{x^2}f(x).
$$

The generalized Bessel transform is defined for a function  $f \in L^1_{\alpha,n}(\mathbb{R}^+)$  by

$$
\mathcal{F}_{\alpha,n}(f)(\lambda) = \int_0^\infty f(x)\varphi_\lambda(x)x^{2\alpha+1}dx, \quad \lambda \ge 0,
$$
\n(2.1)

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where

$$
\varphi_{\lambda}(x) = a_{\alpha+2n}x^{2n} \int_0^1 \cos(\lambda t x)(1-t^2)^{\alpha+2n-\frac{1}{2}}dt
$$

and

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$$

and

$$
a_{\alpha+2n} = \frac{2\Gamma(\alpha+2n+1)}{\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma(\alpha+2n+\frac{1}{2})}.
$$
 (2.2)

- The function  $\varphi_{\lambda}$  satisfies the differential equation
	- $\mathcal{L}_{\alpha,n} \varphi_\lambda = -\lambda^2 \varphi_\lambda$  $|\varphi_{\lambda}(x)| \leq x^{2n} e^{|Im\lambda||x|}$  $(2.3)$
- For all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^+$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}^+$ ,

• For all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}^+$ ,

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$$
\lambda^{2n} \varphi_{\lambda}(x) = x^{2n} \varphi_{x}(\lambda).
$$
 (2.4)

We denote by

•  $L^p_{\alpha}(\mathbb{R}^+)$  the class of measurable functions  $f$  on  $[0, +\infty[$  for which

$$
\|f\|_{L^p_\alpha(\mathbb{R}^+)} < \infty
$$

where

$$
||f||_{L^p_\alpha(\mathbb{R}^+)} = \left(\int_0^\infty |f(x)|^p x^{2\alpha+1} dx\right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \quad \text{if } p < \infty,
$$

and  $||f||_{L^{\infty}_{\alpha}(\mathbb{R}^+)} = \text{ess sup}_{x \geq 0} |f(x)|.$ 

•  $L_{\alpha,n}^p(\mathbb{R}^+)$  the class of measurable functions  $f$  on  $\mathbb{R}^+$  for which

$$
||f||_{L^p_{\alpha,n}(\mathbb{R}^+)} = ||x^{-2n}f||_{L^p_{\alpha+2n}(\mathbb{R}^+)} < \infty.
$$

For every  $f \in L^1_{\alpha,n}(\mathbb{R}^+) \cap L^2_{\alpha,n}(\mathbb{R}^+)$  we have the Plancherel formula

$$
\int_0^\infty |f(x)|^2 x^{2\alpha+1} dx = \int_0^\infty | \mathcal{F}_{\alpha,n}(f)(\lambda) |^2 d\mu_{\alpha+2n}(\lambda),
$$

where

$$
d\mu_{\alpha+2n}(\lambda) = \frac{1}{4^{\alpha+2n}(\Gamma(\alpha+2n+1))^2} \lambda^{2\alpha+4n+1} d\lambda.
$$
 (2.5)

The generalized Bessel transform  $\mathcal{F}_{\alpha,n}$  extends uniquely to an isometric isomorphism from  $L^2_{\alpha,n}(\mathbb{R}^+)$  onto  $L^2_{\alpha+2n}(\mathbb{R}^+).$ 

The inverse transform is given by

<span id="page-1-0"></span>
$$
\mathcal{F}_{\alpha,n}^{-1}(f)(x) = \int_0^\infty f(\lambda)\varphi_\lambda(x)d\mu_{\alpha+2n}(\lambda),\tag{2.6}
$$

where the integral converge in  $L^2_{\alpha,n}(\mathbb{R}^+).$ 

Let  $f \in L^1_{\alpha,n}(\mathbb{R}^+)$  such that  $\mathcal{F}_{\alpha,n}(f) \in L^1_{\alpha+2n}(\mathbb{R}^+)$ , then the inverse generalized Fourier-Bessel transform is given by the formula

<span id="page-1-1"></span>
$$
f(x) = \int_0^\infty \mathcal{F}_{\alpha,n}(f)(\lambda)\varphi_\lambda(x)d\mu_{\alpha+2n}(\lambda).
$$
 (2.7)

## **3 Donoho-Stark for the Fourier generalized transform**

Throughout this section we denote by  $\|.\|$  the operator norm on  $L^2_{\alpha,n}(\mathbb{R}_+)$ . More precisely if *T* is an operator then  $||T f||$ 

$$
||T|| = \sup_{f \in L^2_{\alpha,n}(\mathbb{R}^+)} \frac{||Tf||_{L^2_{\alpha,n}(\mathbb{R}^+)}}{||f||_{L^2_{\alpha,n}(\mathbb{R}^+)}}.
$$

We say that  $f$  is  $\epsilon$ -concentrated on a measurable set  $E$  if

$$
||f - \mathcal{X}_E f||_{L^2_{\alpha,n}(\mathbb{R}^+)} < \epsilon,
$$

where  $\chi_E$  is the characteristic function of the set *E*.

Donoho and Stark [\[3\]](#page-5-0) have shown that if  $f$  of unit  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^+)$  norm is  $\epsilon_T$  concentrated on a measurable set  $T$  and its Fourier transform  $\mathcal{F}(f)$  is  $\epsilon_W$ , on a measurable set *W*, then

$$
|W|.|T| \ge (1 - \epsilon_T - \epsilon_W)^2.
$$

Here, |*T*| is the Lebesque measure of the set *T*. This inequality has been slightly improved in ref.[\[4\]](#page-5-3) to

$$
|W|.|T| \ge (1 - (\epsilon_T^2 + \epsilon_W^2)^{\frac{1}{2}})^2
$$

In this section, we will extend the Donoho-Stark uncertainty principle to the generalized Bessel transform. Let  $P_E$  denote the time-limiting operator

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$$
(P_E f)(x) = \begin{cases} f(x), & x \in E \\ 0, & x \in \mathbb{R}^+ \backslash E \end{cases} .
$$
 (3.8)

.

This operator cuts off the part of *f* outside *E*. Let us now be more precise, we need to introduce some notations, so *f* is *e*-concentrated on a set *E* if, and only if

$$
||f - P_E f||_{L^2_{\alpha,n}(\mathbb{R}^+)} \leq \epsilon.
$$

For simplicity, we will use  $P_X$  to  $P_{[0,X]}$ . Clearly  $||P_E|| = 1$  because  $P_E$  is a projection. The second operator is the frequency-limiting operator

<span id="page-2-1"></span>
$$
(Q_E f)(x) = \int_E \varphi_y(x) \mathcal{F}_{\alpha,n}(f)(y) d\mu_{\alpha+2n}(y), \qquad (3.9)
$$

.

From [\(2.6\)](#page-1-0) we can also write  $Q_E$  as follows

$$
Q_E f(x) = \mathcal{F}_{\alpha,n}^{-1}(P_E(\mathcal{F}_{\alpha,n}(f)))(x).
$$

Then by [\(2.6\)](#page-1-0) and [\(2.7\)](#page-1-1) we deduce that  $\mathcal{F}_{\alpha,n}(f)$  is *ε*-concentrated on *F* if and only if  $||f - Q_Ff||_{L^2_{\alpha,n}(\mathbb{R})} \le$  $\mathcal{E}$ ||*f* ||<sub>*L*<sup>2</sup><sub>*α*,*n*</sub>(**R**)</sub>.

We have from [\(3.8\)](#page-2-0) and [\(3.9\)](#page-2-1)

$$
(P_X Q_Y f)(x) = P_X \int_0^Y \varphi_y(x) \mathcal{F}_{\alpha,n}(f)(y) d\mu_{\alpha+2n}(y)
$$
  
\n
$$
= P_X \int_0^Y \varphi_y(x) \int_0^\infty \varphi_y(t) f(t) d\mu_{\alpha}(t) d\mu_{\alpha+2n}(y)
$$
  
\n
$$
= P_X \int_0^\infty f(t) \int_0^Y \varphi_y(x) \varphi_y(t) d\mu_{\alpha+2n}(y) d\mu_{\alpha}(t)
$$
  
\n
$$
= \int_0^\infty f(t) q(x, t) d\mu_{\alpha}(t),
$$

where

$$
q(x,t) = \begin{cases} \n\int_0^Y \varphi_y(x) \varphi_y(t) d\mu_{\alpha+2n}(y), & x < X \\ \n0, & x \ge X \n\end{cases}
$$

The Hilbert-Schmidt norm of  $P_XQ_Y$  is

$$
||P_XQ_Y||_{HS} = \left(\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty |q(x,t)|^2 d\mu_\alpha(x) d\mu_\alpha(t)\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.
$$

The norm  $||P_XQ_Y||$  does not exceed the Hilbert-Schmidt norm of  $P_XQ_Y$  , therefore

$$
||P_X Q_Y||^2 \leq ||P_X Q_Y||_{HS}^2
$$
  
= 
$$
\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty |q(x,t)|^2 d\mu_\alpha(x) d\mu_\alpha(t)
$$
  
= 
$$
\int_0^X \int_0^\infty |q(x,t)|^2 d\mu_\alpha(x) d\mu_\alpha(t).
$$

Notice that

$$
q(x,t) = \int_0^Y \varphi_y(x)\varphi_y(t)d\mu_{\alpha+2n}(y)
$$
  
= 
$$
\int_0^Y y^{2n}\varphi_y(x)y^{2n}\varphi_y(t)d\mu_{\alpha}(y).
$$

From [\(2.4\)](#page-1-2) we deduce that

$$
= \int_0^Y x^{2n} \varphi_x(y) t^{2n} \varphi_t(y) d\mu_\alpha(y)
$$
  

$$
= \int_0^Y x^{2n} t^{2n} \varphi_x(y) \varphi_t(y) d\mu_\alpha(y)
$$
  

$$
= x^{2n} t^{2n} \mathcal{F}_{\alpha,n}(\varphi_t(.) \mathcal{X}_{[0,Y]})(x),
$$

the Plancherel formula for the generalized Bessel transform yields

$$
\int_0^{\infty} |q(x,t)|^2 d\mu_{\alpha}(x) = \int_0^{\infty} |x^{2n} t^{2n} \mathcal{F}_{\alpha,n}(\varphi_t(.) \mathcal{X}_{[0,Y]})(x)|^2 d\mu_{\alpha}(x)
$$
  
\n
$$
= \frac{a_{\alpha}}{a_{\alpha+2n}} \int_0^{\infty} |t^{2n} \mathcal{F}_{\alpha,n}(\varphi_t(.) \mathcal{X}_{[0,Y]})(x)|^2 d\mu_{\alpha+2n}(x)
$$
  
\n
$$
= \frac{a_{\alpha}}{a_{\alpha+2n}} \int_0^{\infty} |\mathcal{F}_{\alpha,n}(t^{2n} \varphi_t(.) \mathcal{X}_{[0,Y]})(x)|^2 d\mu_{\alpha+2n}(x),
$$

by Plancherel formula we have

$$
\frac{a_{\alpha}}{a_{\alpha+2n}}\int_0^{\infty} |\mathcal{F}_{\alpha,n}(t^{2n}\varphi_t(.)\mathcal{X}_{[0,Y]})(x)|^2 d\mu_{\alpha+2n}(x) = \frac{a_{\alpha}}{a_{\alpha+2n}}\int_0^Y |t^{2n}\varphi_t(x)|^2 d\mu_{\alpha}(x)
$$
  

$$
= \frac{a_{\alpha}}{a_{\alpha+2n}}\int_0^Y |x^{2n}\varphi_x(t)|^2 d\mu_{\alpha}(x)
$$
  

$$
= \left(\frac{a_{\alpha}}{a_{\alpha+2n}}\right)^2 \int_0^Y |\varphi_x(t)|^2 d\mu_{\alpha+2n}(x).
$$

Consequently,

$$
||P_X Q_Y||^2 \le \left(\frac{a_{\alpha}}{a_{\alpha+2n}}\right)^2 \int_0^X \int_0^Y |\varphi_x(t)|^2 d\mu_{\alpha+2n}(x) d\mu_{\alpha}(t)
$$
  
\n
$$
\le \left(\frac{a_{\alpha}}{a_{\alpha+2n}}\right)^2 \int_0^X \int_0^Y |t^{2n}|^2 d\mu_{\alpha+2n}(x) d\mu_{\alpha}(t)
$$
  
\n
$$
= \left(\frac{a_{\alpha}}{a_{\alpha+2n}}\right)^3 \int_0^X \int_0^Y d\mu_{\alpha+2n}(x) d\mu_{\alpha+2n}(t)
$$
  
\n
$$
= \left(\frac{a_{\alpha}}{a_{\alpha+2n}}\right)^3 \int_0^X \int_0^Y d\mu_{\alpha+2n}(x) d\mu_{\alpha+2n}(t)
$$
  
\n
$$
= \left(\frac{a_{\alpha}}{a_{\alpha+2n}}\right)^3 \frac{(XY)^{\alpha+2n+1}}{\alpha+2n+1}.
$$

We put

<span id="page-4-1"></span>
$$
b_{\alpha,n} = \left(\frac{a_{\alpha+2n}}{a_{\alpha}}\right)^3 (\alpha+2n+1). \tag{3.10}
$$

Let  $XY < (b_{\alpha,n})^{\frac{1}{\alpha+2n+1}}$ . Then  $||P_XQ_Y|| < 1$  and therefore  $I-P_XQ_Y$  is invertible with

$$
\begin{array}{rcl} || (I - P_X Q_Y)^{-1} || & \leq & \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} ||P_X Q_Y||^k \\ & \leq & \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{(XY)^{\alpha + 2n + 1}}{b_{\alpha, n}} \right]^k \\ & = & \frac{b_{\alpha, n}}{b_{\alpha, n} - (XY)^{\alpha + 2n + 1}}. \end{array}
$$

We have

$$
I = P_X + P_{(X,\infty)} = P_X Q_Y + P_X Q_{(Y,\infty)} + P_{(X,\infty)}.
$$

The orthogonality of  $P_X$  and  $P_{(X,\infty)}$  gives

$$
||P_{X}Q_{(Y,\infty)}f||^{2}_{L^{2}_{\alpha,n}(\mathbb{R}^{+})}+||P_{(X,\infty)}f||^{2}_{L^{2}_{\alpha,n}(\mathbb{R}^{+})}=||P_{X}Q_{(Y,\infty)}f+P_{(X,\infty)}f||^{2}_{L^{2}_{\alpha,n}(\mathbb{R}^{+})}.
$$

Together with  $||P_X|| = 1$ 

$$
||f||_{2,\alpha,n}^{2} \leq ||(I - P_{X}Q_{Y})^{-1}||^{2}||(I - P_{X}Q_{Y})f||_{L_{\alpha,n}^{2}(\mathbb{R}^{+})}^{2}
$$
  
\n
$$
\leq \left(\frac{b_{\alpha,n}}{b_{\alpha,n} - (XY)^{\alpha+2n+1}}\right)^{2} \left[||P_{X}Q_{(Y,\infty)}f||_{L_{\alpha,n}^{2}(\mathbb{R}^{+})}^{2} + ||P_{(X,\infty)}f||_{L_{\alpha,n}^{2}(\mathbb{R}^{+})}^{2}\right]
$$
  
\n
$$
\leq \left(\frac{b_{\alpha,n}}{b_{\alpha,n} - (XY)^{\alpha+2n+1}}\right)^{2} \left[||Q_{(Y,\infty)}f||_{L_{\alpha,n}^{2}(\mathbb{R}^{+})}^{2} + ||P_{(X,\infty)}f||_{L_{\alpha,n}^{2}(\mathbb{R}^{+})}^{2}\right].
$$

If  $f$  of unit norm is  $\epsilon_X$ -time-limited on  $[0,X]$ , then  $||P_{(X,\infty)}f||_{L^2_{\alpha,n}(\mathbb{R}^+)} \leq \epsilon_X$ , If  $f$  of unit norm is  $\epsilon_Y$ -bandlimited on  $[0, Y]$ , then  $||Q_{(Y, \infty)}f||_{L^2_{\alpha,n}(\mathbb{R}^+)} \leq \epsilon_Y$ . Then if  $f$  of unit norm is both  $\epsilon_X$ -time-limited and  $\epsilon_Y$ -bandlimited,

$$
1 \leq \left(\frac{b_{\alpha,n}}{b_{\alpha,n} - (XY)^{\alpha+2n+1}}\right)^2 (\epsilon_X^2 + \epsilon_Y^2)
$$

or

$$
XY \ge (b_{\alpha,n})^{\frac{1}{\alpha+2n+1}} \left(1-(\epsilon_X^2+\epsilon_Y^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha+2n+1}}.
$$

We arrive at the Donoho-Stark uncertainty principle for the generalized Bessel transform.

**Theorem 3.1.** Let a unit norm signal f be  $\epsilon_X$ -time-limited on  $[0, X]$  and  $\epsilon_Y$ -bandlimited on  $[0, Y]$ . Then

$$
XY \ge (b_{\alpha,n})^{\frac{1}{\alpha+2n+1}} \left(1 - (\epsilon_X^2 + \epsilon_Y^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha+2n+1}}
$$

*where*  $b_{\alpha,n}$  *is given by* [\(3.10\)](#page-4-1)*.* 

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