

# On a Pseudodifferential Calculation in Group Algebras

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**Abstract:** The paper is devoted to the construction of pseudodifferential operators over group algebras. An algebra of such operators is generated by central derivations. The equipping with an order function of this algebra is also shown. Some examples of such operators are given and some further ideas for the development of the new pseudodifferential calculus are presented.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

In A.N. Parshin's paper [12] the following construction was proposed. Let  $d$  be a derivation of some ring  $R$ . Then the left module of formal expressions  $L = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} a_i d^i$  can be understood

as an analog of the pseudo-differential operators algebra. Further development of this logic leads us to the Shur-Sato theory. For the most complete and up-to-date study, see [14].

Note also that similar ideas to describe pseudodifferential operators as noncommutative power series in which derivations are substituted as variables have been previously proposed in [9]. In particular, the formalism of the so-called  $\mu$ -calculus and the corresponding  $\mu$ -algebras was studied.

The study of differentials over noncompact spaces is motivated by the author's earlier work in which the studies of classical and nonlocal pseudodifferential operators over a Euclidean space [3, 6]. The study of operators on Euclidean spaces has also been carried in [11]. Issues related to the calculus of Pseudodifferential operators on abelian groups were considered in [8, 10].

In this paper, we will propose a construction of the algebra of pseudo-differential operators in group algebra, using previously obtained results to describe derivations from papers [2, 4, 5]. Using the aforementioned idea from [12] we will take as derivations the central derivations that were studied earlier in [2].

The description of all sorts of derivations as variables is hampered by considerable computational difficulties and the problematic nature of the study of outer derivations (see results of [4] and [5]).

In the first section we give a short overview of the concept of central derivations and prove their necessary conditions. Especially the formula for the power (see lemma 2.2). In the second section we build firstly the construction for 1-dimensional algebra of pseudodifferential operators generated by single derivation. Then by induction we are constructing the algebra of "large" algebra generated by the cortege of central derivations.

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In the theorem we prove that this is a well-ordered algebra. We give some examples, the most interesting is the analog of the Laplace operator (see examples 3.1 and 3.4).

## 2. CENTRAL DERIVATIONS

Recall that a derivation  $d : \mathbb{C}[G] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}[G]$  is a such linear operator that

$$d(uv) = d(u)v + ud(v), \quad \forall u, v \in \mathbb{C}[G].$$

Central derivations were presented in [2]. It is easy to see that they form a Lie algebra, i.e. the commutator of central derivations is a central derivation. Central derivations give an example of derivations which are not inner – they cannot be represented as a commutator  $x \rightarrow [a, x]$  for some  $a \in \mathbb{C}[G]$ . In other words, the intersection of the central derivations space and inner derivations space is trivial.

Moreover, such derivations are, in a sense, fundamentally outer, i.e., they cannot in any sense be approximated by inner derivations. For more details on this, see the paper [4] which shows that central derivations are quasi-outer.

Recall the definition of central derivations. We are fixing  $z \in Z(G)$  central element, and a homomorphism  $\tau : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  i.e.  $\tau(uv) = \tau(u) + \tau(v)$ ,  $u, v \in G$ .

And a formula for the action of central derivations on the basis element  $g \in G \subset \mathbb{C}[G]$  is

$$d_{\tau, z} : g \mapsto \tau(g)gz. \quad (2.1)$$

Sure the following identity holds for central elements  $z, z_1$

$$d_{\tau, z} \cdot z_1 = d_{\tau, z \cdot z_1}. \quad (2.2)$$

From the definition we can get the formula for the derivation commutator.

### Lemma 2.1:

*The commutator of central derivations is the central derivation such that*

$$[d_{\tau_1, z_1}, d_{\tau_2, z_2}] = d_{\tau_2(g)\tau_1(z_2) - \tau_1(g)\tau_2(z_1), z_1 z_2}. \quad (2.3)$$

*Furthermore the derivations corresponding to the same homomorphism  $\tau$  commute.*

*Proof*

Directly from the formula (2.1) we have the following

$$\begin{aligned} [d_{\tau_1, z_1}, d_{\tau_2, z_2}](g) &= (\tau_1(gz_1)(\tau_2(g) - \tau_2(gz_1)\tau_1(g))gz_1z_2 = \\ &= (\tau_2(g)\tau_1(z_2) - \tau_2(z_1)\tau_1(g))gz_1z_2. \end{aligned}$$

Central elements  $z_1, z_2$  are fixed so  $\tau_1(z_2)$  and  $\tau_2(z_1)$  do not depend from the element  $g$ . So the mapping  $(\tau_2(g)\tau_1(z_2) - \tau_2(z_1)\tau_1(g)) : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a linear combination of homomorphisms so it is also a homomorphism.

The permutability of differentiations corresponding to the same homomorphism follows from the proved formula.  $\square$

We can also calculate the power of the central derivation.

### Lemma 2.2:

*The formula for the central derivation of the power  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  is following*

$$d_{\tau, z}^n(g) = \prod_{j=0}^{n-1} (\tau(g) + j\tau(z))^{\text{sign}(n)} gz^n.$$

Note that in the case  $n = -1$  we have

$$d_{\tau,z}^{-1}(g) = \frac{1}{\tau(g) - \tau(z)}gz^{-1}. \tag{2.4}$$

*Proof*

First we consider the case  $n > 0$ .

Let us fix central derivations for  $i = 1 \dots n$ :

$$d_i : g \mapsto \tau_i(g)gz_i. \tag{2.5}$$

So the composition is

$$d_1d_2(g) = d_1(\tau_2(g)gz_2) = \tau_2(g)d_1(gz_2) = \tau_2(g)\tau_1(gz_2)gz_1z_2.$$

That means that for  $n$  central derivatons we get the following

$$d_1 \dots d_n(g) = \tau_n(g)\tau_{n-1}(gz_{n-1}) \dots \tau_1(gz_{n-1} \dots z_1)gz_1 \dots z_n.$$

We are calculating the power so  $\tau_i \equiv \tau_j, z_i \equiv z_j$ . Hence:

$$d^n(g) = \tau(g)\tau(gz) \dots \tau(gz^{n-1})gz^n. \tag{2.6}$$

We can rewrite the last formula in the following way considering that  $\tau$  is a homomorphism to  $(\mathbb{C}, +)$  we have that  $\tau(z^n) = n\tau(z)$ :

$$d^n(g) = \tau(g)(\tau(g) + \tau(z)) \dots (\tau(g) + (n - 1)\tau(z))gz^n. \tag{2.7}$$

In other words

$$d^n(g) = \prod_{j=0}^{n-1} (\tau(g) + j\tau(z))gz^n. \tag{2.8}$$

That gives us the statement.

The proof for the case  $n < 0$  is simillar. □

**Example 2.1:**

If  $\tau(z) = 0$  then we get

$$d^n(g) = \tau^n(g)gz^n. \tag{2.9}$$

We will use the following coefficient-function  $\theta_\tau^n(g) : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ ,

$$\theta_{\tau,z}^n(g) := \prod_{j=0}^{n-1} (\tau(g) + j\tau(z)) \tag{2.10}$$

This function satisfies the following asymptotic condition

**Proposition 2.1:**

For  $n \neq 0$

$$\frac{|\theta_{\tau,z}^n(g)|}{|g|^n} \longrightarrow \mathbf{const}, |g| \rightarrow \infty. \tag{2.11}$$

*Proof*

Follows from Lemma 2.2. □

### 3. PSEUDODIFFERENTIAL OPERATORS OVER $\mathbb{C}[G]$

#### 3.1. Case of one derivation

Let us consider a Laurent polynomial  $f(x)$  with coefficients in  $\mathbb{C}$

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^N f_k x^k, \quad f_k \in \mathbb{C}. \quad (3.12)$$

For such denoted  $f$  with  $f_N \neq 0$  we will say that  $\deg(f) = N$ .

**Proposition 3.1:**

For a central derivation  $d$  the operator  $f(d) : \mathbb{C}[G] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}[G]$  is well defined for all  $g$  such that  $\theta_{\tau,z}^n(g) \neq 0$ .

*Proof*

Almost all coefficients  $f_k$  in (3.12) are equal to zero. Hence, if  $\theta_{\tau,z}^n(g) \neq 0$  then each term in (3.12) is well defined by lemma 2.2.  $\square$

**Definition 3.1:**

For fixed  $N \in \mathbb{Z}$  and fixed homomorphism  $\tau : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  the algebra generated by operators  $f(d_{\tau,*})$  from (3.12) and multiplying on central elements will be denoted as  $\Psi_{\tau}^N \mathbb{C}[G]$ ,

$$\Psi_{\tau}^N \mathbb{C}[G] = \langle f(d_{\tau,z}, \times z), \quad \deg f \leq N, z \in Z(G). \rangle$$

Therefore,  $\Psi_{\tau}^{\infty} \mathbb{C}[G] := \cup_{N \in \mathbb{Z}} \Psi_{\tau}^N \mathbb{C}[G]$ .

Certainly holds the embedding  $\Psi_{\tau}^N \mathbb{C}[G] \subset \Psi_{\tau}^{N+k} \mathbb{C}[G]$ , for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Considering the identity (2.2) we get that each operator  $A \in \Psi^N$  can be written for the basis element  $g$  as

$$A(g) = \sum_{i \leq N} a_i d_{\tau,e}^i(g) z_i, \quad z_i \in Z(G).$$

So we can define the order for operators in following classic form.

**Definition 3.2:**

For the operator  $A \in \Psi_{\tau}^{\infty} \mathbb{C}[G]$

$$\text{ord}(A) := \min\{N \in \mathbb{Z} | A \in \Psi_{\tau}^N \mathbb{C}[G]\}. \quad (3.13)$$

It is well known from the classical PDO-calculation theory that for a good symbol-calculus we need the order function which transforms the space of pseudo-differential operators into a graded algebra.

**Proposition 3.2:**

$\Psi_{\tau}^{\infty} \mathbb{C}[G]$  is a commutative algebra such that

$$\text{ord}(A \circ B) \leq \text{ord}(A) + \text{ord}(B); \quad (3.14)$$

*Proof*

The commutativity of algebra follows from Lemma 2.1. The formula for orders follows from Lemma 2.2.  $\square$

**Example 3.1:**

Let us give some examples of operators from  $\Psi_{\tau}^{\infty} \mathbb{C}[G]$  with their orders

<i>operator</i>	$N=$
$\Delta_{\tau,e}(g) := \tau^2(g)g$	2
$\Delta_{\tau,z}(g) := \tau^2(g)gz, z \in Z(G)$	2
$id_z(g) := gz, z \in Z(G)$	0
$\Delta_{\tau,z}^{-1}(g) := \frac{1}{\tau^2(g)}gz^{-1}$	-2

It is easy to see that for such  $g$  that  $\tau(g) \neq 0$  holds  $\Delta_{\tau,z} \circ \Delta_{\tau,z}^{-1} = id_e$ . It is also important to note that multiplying operator  $id_z$  saves the order

$$\forall z \in Z(G) : id_z(\Psi_\tau^N \mathbb{C}[G]) = \Psi_\tau^N \mathbb{C}[G]. \tag{3.15}$$

We can also show an analogue of the composition formula.

**Proposition 3.3:**

For  $z \in Z(G)$  – central element of infinite order, and Laurant polynomials  $f, h$  the following composition formula holds for the central derivation  $d := d_{\tau,z}$ :

$$((h \circ f)(d))(g) = f(h(d))(g) = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{k+l=i} f_k h_l \theta_\tau^k(g) \theta_\tau^l(g) g z^i. \tag{3.16}$$

*Proof*

Immediately follows from Lemma 2.2 □

For a Laurant polynomial from (3.12) using Lemma 2.2 we get that

**Example 3.2:**

For a central derivation  $d_{\tau,e}$  for a neutral group element  $e$

$$f(d_{\tau,e})(g) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^N f_k (\tau(g))^k g = f(\tau(g))g. \tag{3.17}$$

The situation is arranged similarly for the finite-ordered central elements.

**Example 3.3:**

Let  $z \in Z(G)$  such that  $z^k = e$ . We want to calculate  $f(d_{\tau,z})$ . First we have to rewrite  $f = f^1 + \dots + f^k$  where

$$f^i(x) = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} f_{jk+i} x^{jk+i}. \tag{3.18}$$

After simple calculations we get the following

$$f(d_{\tau,z})(g) = \sum_{j=1}^k f^j(\tau(g)) g z^j. \tag{3.19}$$

**3.2. Generalized  $\Psi^\infty(\mathbb{C}[G])$  algebra**

If we are working with the pair of central derivations their commutator is also a central derivation by the formula (2.3). Because this commutator is not trivial, the algebra which is generated by all Laurant polynomials with the values in central derivations, is not commutative and is arranged more cunningly.

We will define a generalized algebra  $\Psi_{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_k}^\infty(\mathbb{C}[G])$  by induction.

Fix an algebra  $\Psi_{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_{k-1}}^\infty(\mathbb{C}[G])$  with given homomorphisms  $\tau_1, \dots, \tau_{k-1} : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  and equipped with the order function  $\text{ord} : \Psi_{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_{k-1}}^\infty(\mathbb{C}[G]) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  such that the following holds

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ord}(A \circ B) &\leq \text{ord}(A) + \text{ord}(B); \\ \text{ord}([A, B]) &\leq \text{ord}(A) + \text{ord}(B) - 1. \end{aligned}$$

Then for a homomorphism  $\tau_k : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  we will define an algebra  $\Psi_{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_k}^\infty(\mathbb{C}[G])$  as

$$\Psi_{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_k}^\infty(\mathbb{C}[G]) = \langle \Psi_{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_{k-1}}^\infty(\mathbb{C}[G]), d_{\tau, e} \rangle.$$

The order function is defined as following

$$\text{ord}(A \circ d_{\tau, e}^n) := \text{ord}(A) + n, n \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad (3.20)$$

and naturally continues on linear combinations .

So we are ready to formulate and prove the theorem

**Theorem 3.1:**

*Algebra  $\Psi_{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_k}^\infty(\mathbb{C}[G])$  is well defined and the order function satisfies conditions*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ord}(A \circ B) &\leq \text{ord}(A) + \text{ord}(B); \\ \text{ord}([A, B]) &\leq \text{ord}(A) + \text{ord}(B) - 1. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof*

We need to check for  $\varepsilon_{1,2} = \pm 1$  that the following inequality holds

$$\text{ord}([d_{\tau_1, z_1}^{\varepsilon_1} \circ d_{\tau_2, z_2}^{\varepsilon_2}]) < \varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_2. \quad (3.21)$$

If  $\varepsilon_1 = \varepsilon_2 = 1$  it immediately follows from 2.1.

Now let us consider  $\varepsilon_1 = 1, \varepsilon_2 = -1$ . Then we have the following calculation for the meaning of derivations  $d_{\tau_1, z_1}, d_{\tau_2, z_2}$  on the basis element  $g$ :

$$\begin{aligned} (d_{\tau_1, z_1} \circ d_{\tau_2, z_2}^{-1})(g) &= d_{\tau_1, z_1} \left( \frac{gz_2^{-1}}{\tau_2(g) - \tau_2(z_2)} \right) = \frac{\tau_1(g) - \tau_1(z_2)}{\tau_2(g) - \tau_2(z_2)} gz_1 z_2^{-1} = \\ &= \frac{z_2^{-1}}{\tau_2(g) - \tau_2(z_2)} (d_{\tau_1, z_1}(g) - \tau_1(z_2)gz_1) = (d_{\tau_2, z_2}^{-1} \circ d_{\tau_1, z_1})(g) - \tau_1(z_2)d_{\tau_2, z_2}^{-1}(g)z_1. \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have the following operator view of the commutator:

$$[d_{\tau_1, z_1}, d_{\tau_2, z_2}^{-1}] = -\tau_1(z_2)d_{\tau_2, z_2}^{-1} \times z_1. \quad (3.22)$$

Considering that  $\tau_1(z_2)$  is a constant we get that  $\text{ord}([d_{\tau_1, z_1}, d_{\tau_2, z_2}^{-1}]) = -1$ .

Similarly for  $\varepsilon_1 = \varepsilon_2 = -1$  we get that

$$\begin{aligned} (d_{\tau_1, z_1}^{-1} \circ d_{\tau_2, z_2}^{-1})(g) &= d_{\tau_1, z_1}^{-1} \left( \frac{gz_2^{-1}}{\tau_2(g) - \tau_2(z_2)} \right) = \\ &= \frac{gz_1^{-1}z_2^{-1}}{(\tau_2(g) - \tau_2(z_2))(\tau_1(gz_2^{-1}) - \tau_1(z_1))} = \frac{1}{\tau_2(g) - \tau_2(z_2)} d_{\tau_1, z_1 z_2}^{-1}(g) = \\ &= z_2 (d_{\tau_2, z_2}^{-1} \circ d_{\tau_1, z_1 z_2}^{-1})(g). \end{aligned}$$

Hence for the commutator we have the following formula:

$$[d_{\tau_1, z_1}^{-1}, d_{\tau_2, z_2}^{-1}] = (d_{\tau_2, z_2}^{-1} \circ d_{\tau_1, z_1 z_2}^{-1})(z_2 - e). \tag{3.23}$$

The operator on the right hand has the order  $-2$ , which is the required result.

Summarizing Lemma 2.1 and formulas (3.22),(3.23) we see that order function defined by (3.20) satisfies conditions of our theorem.  $\square$

We can define the spaces  $\Psi_{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_k}^N(\mathbb{C}[G])$  with the help of our order function in following way:

$$\Psi_{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_k}^N(\mathbb{C}[G]) := \{A \in \Psi_{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_k}^\infty(\mathbb{C}[G]) \mid \text{ord}(A) \leq N\}.$$

That gives us the structure of filtered algebra in  $\Psi_{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_k}^\infty(\mathbb{C}[G])$  by the theorem.

Also it is easy to see that if, for instance,  $\tau_k$  are equal (or can be presented as linear combination as in Lemma 2.1) then new algebra is precisely the algebra from the previous step. But it is superfluous variable for the general construction.

We can improve Example 3.1 for the generalized construction of pseudodifferential operators for the cortege of homomorphisms  $\{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_k\}$

**Example 3.4:**

Let us give some examples of operators from  $\Psi_{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_k}^\infty \mathbb{C}[G]$  with their orders:

<i>operator</i>	<i>N=</i>
$\Delta_{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_k, z}(g) := (\tau_1^2(g) + \dots + \tau_k^2(g))gz, z \in Z(G)$	2
$\Delta_{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_k, z}^{-1}(g) := \frac{1}{\tau_1^2(g) + \dots + \tau_k^2(g)}gz^{-1}$	-2

We can define the main symbol of the operator  $A \in \Psi_{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_k}^N \mathbb{C}[G]$  as an element in factor algebra  $\Psi_{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_k}^N \mathbb{C}[G] / \Psi_{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_k}^{N-1} \mathbb{C}[G]$ . Immediately from Theorem 3.1 we get that

**Corollary 3.1:**

Main symbols form a commutative algebra.

**Conclusion**

In conclusion, we would like to note the following. For such a well-defined algebra of pseudo-differential operators, it becomes correct to investigate the index of elliptic operators: operators with invertible main symbol. There is also an opportunity to construct a symbolic calculus. In particular, the question of calculating the parametrix is of interest.

The areas of interest seem to be the following

- Is there a clear formula for the composition?
- Is there an equipment of the group algebra with the Sobolev structure such that an pseudodifferential operator is bounded as an operator between the corresponding spaces (with respect to the order)?
- Is there an analogue of the index formula for such operators?

Another area of activity may also be the transfer of the results obtained to other classes of operators. In particular the case of  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -twisted operators. The case of derivations was investigated in [1]. For a more complete overview see [7].

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