

# Integral of an extension of the sine addition formula

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In this paper, we determine the continuous solutions of the integral functional equation of Stetkær’s extension of the sine addition law  $\int_G f(xyt)d\mu(t) = f(x)\chi_1(y) + \chi_2(x)f(y)$ ,  $x, y \in G$ , where  $f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ ,  $G$  is a locally compact Hausdorff group,  $\mu$  is a regular, compactly supported, complex-valued Borel measure on  $G$  and  $\chi_1, \chi_2$  are fixed characters on  $G$ .

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## 1. Notations and terminology

Throughout the paper, we consider the following notations and assumptions. Let  $G$  be a locally compact Hausdorff group with neutral element  $e$ . The *commutator* between  $x \in G$  and  $y \in G$  is  $[x, y] = xyx^{-1}y^{-1}$ . Let  $[G, G]$  denote the smallest subgroup of  $G$  containing the set  $\{[x, y] \mid x \in G, y \in G\}$ .  $[G, G]$  is called the *derived subgroup* of  $G$ .  $C(G)$  denotes the algebra of continuous, complex valued functions on  $G$ . The set of homomorphisms  $a: G \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}, +)$  will be called the additive maps and denoted by  $\mathcal{A}(G)$ .

A character  $\chi$  of  $G$  is a homomorphism  $\chi: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$ , where  $\mathbb{C}^*$  denotes the multiplicative group of non-zero complex numbers. It is well known that the set of characters on  $G$  is a linearly independent subset of the vector space of all complex-valued functions on  $G$  (see [1, Corollary 3.20]).

Let  $M_C(G)$  denote the space of all regular, compactly supported, complex-valued Borel measures on  $G$  and  $\delta_z$  the Dirac measure concentrated at  $z$ . For  $\mu \in M_C(G)$ , we use the notation

$$\mu(f) = \int_G f(t)d\mu(t),$$

for all  $f \in C(G)$ .

## 2. Introduction

The trigonometric addition and subtraction formulas have been studied in the context of functional equations by a number of mathematicians. The monographs by Aczél [2], by Kannappan [3], by Stetkær [1] and by Székelyhidi [4] have references and detailed discussions of the classic results.

Chung, Kannappan and Ng [5] solved on any group  $G$ , the functional equation

$$f(xy) = f(x)g(y) + f(y)g(x) + h(x)h(y), \quad x, y \in G.$$

Poulsen and Stetkær [6] found the complete set of continuous solutions of each of the functional equations

$$g(xy) = g(x)g(y) - f(x)f(y), \quad x, y \in G, \tag{1}$$

$$f(xy) = f(x)g(y) + f(y)g(x), \quad x, y \in G. \tag{2}$$

The following integral versions of the addition and subtraction formulas for cosine and sine:

$$\int_G g(xyt)d\mu(t) = g(x)g(y) - f(x)f(y), \quad x, y \in G,$$

$$\int_G f(x\sigma(y)t)d\mu(t) = f(x)g(y) \pm g(x)f(y), \quad x, y \in G,$$

where  $G$  is a locally compact Hausdorff group,  $\mu$  is a regular, compactly supported, complex-valued Borel measure on  $G$  and  $\sigma$  denotes an involution of  $G$ , i.e.,  $\sigma(xy) = \sigma(x)\sigma(y)$  and  $\sigma(\sigma(x)) = x$  for all  $x, y \in G$ , were solved by Zeglami, Tial and Kabbaj in [7] and [8] respectively.

In the paper [9], Stetkær determined the solutions  $f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  of the functional equation

$$f(xy) = f(x)\chi_1(y) + \chi_2(x)f(y), \quad x, y \in G, \quad (3)$$

where  $\chi_1$  and  $\chi_2$  are two characters on  $G$  and the functional equation

$$f(xy) = g(x)h_1(y) + \chi(x)h_2(y), \quad x, y \in G, \quad (4)$$

where  $f, g, h_1, h_2: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  are the unknown functions and  $\chi$  is a character on  $G$ .

Let  $\mu \in M_C(G)$ . Our main contributions in this paper are the following. First, we give an explicit description of the continuous solutions  $f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  of the following integral version of Stetkær's extension of the sine addition law

$$\int_G f(xyt)d\mu(t) = f(x)\chi_1(y) + \chi_2(x)f(y), \quad x, y \in G, \quad (5)$$

where  $\chi_1, \chi_2$  are continuous fixed characters on  $G$  such that  $\mu(\chi_1) = \mu(\chi_2) = 1$ .

In the case where  $(\mu(\chi_1), \mu(\chi_2)) \neq (1, 1)$ , we show that the only continuous solutions of the equation (5) is  $f = 0$ , except for the two cases  $\chi_1 = \chi_2$ ,  $\mu(\chi_1) = 2$  and  $\mu(\chi_1) = 1$ ,  $\mu(\chi_2) \neq 1$  where the equation (5) admits non trivial solutions.

To solve the equation (5), we reduce it to the equation (3) and the following functional equation

$$f(xy) = f(x)\chi_1(y) + \chi_2(x)f(y) - \gamma\chi_2(xy), \quad x, y \in G,$$

where  $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}$ .

As application, we give the continuous solutions  $f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  of the following functional equation

$$f(xyz_0) = f(x)\chi_1(y) + \chi_2(x)f(y), \quad x, y \in G, \quad (6)$$

where  $\chi_1, \chi_2$  are two continuous characters on  $G$  such that  $\chi_1(z_0) = \chi_2(z_0) = 1$  for a fixed constant  $z_0 \in G$ .

In the last section, we provide two examples to show that nontrivial continuous solutions of (5) occur in real life.

Results of [9] have been an inspiration for this work. We refer also to [10–12] for some contextual discussions.

### 3. The solutions of the integral of an extension of the sine addition law

The purpose of this section is, first, to give an explicit description of the continuous complex-valued solutions of the functional equation

$$f(xy) = f(x)\chi(y) + \chi(x)f(y) + \chi(xy), \quad x, y \in G, \quad (7)$$

where  $\chi$  is a continuous character on  $G$ . And, secondly, to determine the continuous solutions  $f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  of the functional equation (5), namely

$$\int_G f(xyt) d\mu(t) = f(x)\chi_1(y) + \chi_2(x)f(y), \quad x, y \in G, \quad (8)$$

where  $\mu \in M_C(G)$  and  $\chi_1, \chi_2$  are continuous characters on  $G$ .

In the following Proposition, we exhibit the continuous solutions of the functional equation (7).

**Proposition 5.** Let  $G$  be a topological group and  $\chi$  a continuous character on  $G$ . The function  $f \in C(G)$  is a solution of the functional equation (7) if and only if  $f = \chi(a - 1)$ , where  $a$  is a continuous additive function on  $G$ .

**Proof.** Dividing the right-hand and the left-hand sides of equation (7) by  $\chi(xy) = \chi(x)\chi(y)$ , we find

$$F(xy) = F(x) + F(y) + 1 \quad \text{for all } x, y \in G,$$

where  $F(x) = \frac{f(x)}{\chi(x)}$  for all  $x \in G$ , which implies that

$$(F + 1)(xy) = (F + 1)(x) + (F + 1)(y) \text{ for all } x, y \in G.$$

So, the function  $F + 1$  is additive. Then there exists a continuous additive function on  $G$  such that  $F(x) = a(x) - 1$  for all  $x \in G$ . Finally,  $f = \chi(a - 1)$  on  $G$ .

Conversely, simple computations prove that the formula above for  $f$  defines solutions of (7). ■

Now we are in the position to describe all continuous solutions of the functional equation (8). We begin with the case  $\mu(\chi_1) = \mu(\chi_2) = 1$ .

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $G$  be a locally compact Hausdorff group,  $\mu \in M_C(G)$  and  $\chi_1, \chi_2$  are two continuous characters on  $G$  such that  $\mu(\chi_1) = \mu(\chi_2) = 1$ . Assume that the function  $f \in C(G)$  is a solution of the equation (8). Then we have the following cases:*

i) If  $\chi_1 = \chi_2 = \chi$  then  $f$  has one of the forms:

a)  $f = \chi a$ , where  $a: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a continuous additive function such that  $\mu(a\chi) = 0$ .

b)  $f = \gamma\chi(1 - a)$ , where  $\gamma$  is a constant in  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $a: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a continuous additive function on  $G$  such that  $\mu(a\chi) = -1$ .

ii) If  $\chi_1(y_0) \neq \chi_2(y_0)$  for a fixed  $y_0 \in G$  then

$$f(x) = \alpha(\chi_1(x) - \chi_2(x)) + A([y_0, x])\chi_1(x), \quad x \in G,$$

where  $\alpha$  ranges over  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $A: [G, G] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  over the continuous additive functions with the transformation property

$$A(xcx^{-1}) = \frac{\chi_2(x)}{\chi_1(x)}A(c) \text{ for all } x \in G \text{ and } c \in [G, G], \quad (9)$$

such that  $\mu(A([y_0, \cdot])\chi_1) = 0$ .

Furthermore if  $G$  is Abelian then, in the case ii), the continuous solutions of the equation (8) are the functions of the form  $f = \alpha(\chi_1 - \chi_2)$ , where  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ .

Conversely, the formulas above for  $f$  define solutions of (8).

**Proof.** Let  $f$  be a solution of (8). Letting  $y = e$  in (8), we get that

$$\int_G f(xt) d\mu(t) = f(x) + \gamma\chi_2(x), \quad x \in G, \quad (10)$$

where  $\gamma = f(e)$ . So, using (10), we can reformulate the form of the equation (8) as

$$f(xy) = f(x)\chi_1(y) + \chi_2(x)f(y) - \gamma\chi_2(x)\chi_2(y), \quad x, y \in G. \quad (11)$$

**Case 1.** Suppose that  $\gamma = 0$  then the equation (11) becomes

$$f(xy) = f(x)\chi_1(y) + \chi_2(x)f(y), \quad x, y \in G. \quad (12)$$

I) If  $\chi_1 = \chi_2 = \chi$  then the equation (12) becomes

$$f(xy) = f(x)\chi(y) + \chi(x)f(y), \quad x, y \in G.$$

Using [9, Proposition 4], we get that  $f = \chi a$  where  $a$  is a continuous additive function on  $G$ . On putting  $f = \chi a$  in the equation (8) with  $\chi_1 = \chi_2 = \chi$ , we find that

$$\int_G \chi(xyt)a(xyt) d\mu(t) = \chi(x)a(x)\chi(y) + \chi(x)\chi(y)a(y), \quad x, y \in G,$$

which implies that

$$\chi(x)\chi(y) \int_G (a(x) + a(y) + a(t))\chi(t) d\mu(t) = \chi(x)\chi(y)(a(x) + a(y)),$$

for all  $x, y \in G$ . Then

$$a(x) \int_G \chi(t) d\mu(t) + a(y) \int_G \chi(t) d\mu(t) + \int_G a(t)\chi(t) d\mu(t) = a(x) + a(y),$$

for all  $x, y \in G$ . Since  $\mu(\chi) = 1$ , we conclude that  $\mu(a\chi) = 0$ . So, we are in the case i) a) of our statement.

II) If  $\chi_1(y_0) \neq \chi_2(y_0)$  for a fixed  $y_0 \in G$  then using [9, Theorem 11], we obtain that

$$f(x) = \alpha(\chi_1(x) - \chi_2(x)) + A([y_0, x])\chi_1(x), \quad x \in G, \quad (13)$$

where  $\alpha$  ranges over  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $A: [G, G] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  over the continuous additive functions with the transformation property (9). Using (13) in (8) and the fact that  $\mu(\chi_1) = \mu(\chi_2) = 1$ , we find that

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha\chi_1(x)\chi_1(y) - \alpha\chi_2(x)\chi_2(y) + \chi_1(x)\chi_1(y) \int_G A([y_0, xyt])\chi_1(t) d\mu(t) &= \alpha\chi_1(x)\chi_1(y) \\ - \alpha\chi_1(y)\chi_2(x) + \chi_1(y)\chi_1(x)A([y_0, x]) + \alpha\chi_2(x)\chi_1(y) - \alpha\chi_2(x)\chi_2(y) &+ \chi_2(x)\chi_1(y)A([y_0, y]), \end{aligned} \quad (E)$$

for all  $x, y \in G$ .

Since the function  $A$  satisfies the transformation property (9), then using [9, Lemma 10], we obtain that

$$A([y_0, xy]) = A([y_0, x]) + \frac{\chi_2(x)}{\chi_1(x)}A([y_0, y]) \quad \text{for all } x, y \in G.$$

So, the equation (E) becomes

$$\chi_2(x)\chi_2(y)\mu(A([y_0, \cdot])\chi_1) = \alpha\chi_1(x)\chi_1(y) \quad \text{for all } x, y \in G.$$

Finally, taking  $x = e$  and using the linear independence of different characters, we conclude that  $\mu(A([y_0, \cdot])\chi_1) = 0$ . So, we are in the case ii) of our statement.

**Case 2.** Suppose that  $\gamma \neq 0$ . Putting  $x = e$  in (12), we find that

$$f(y) = \gamma\chi_1(y) + f(y) - \gamma\chi_2(y) \quad \text{for all } y \in G,$$

which implies that  $\chi_1 = \chi_2 = \chi$ . So, equation (12) becomes

$$f(xy) = f(x)\chi(y) + \chi(x)f(y) - \gamma\chi(x)\chi(y), \quad x, y \in G. \quad (14)$$

Dividing the right and the left hand sides of (14) by  $(-\gamma)$ , we get that

$$\frac{-1}{\gamma}f(xy) = \frac{-1}{\gamma}f(x)\chi(y) + \frac{-1}{\gamma}\chi(x)f(y) + \chi(x)\chi(y), \quad x, y \in G. \quad (15)$$

Putting  $F = \frac{-1}{\gamma}f$  in (15) we find that

$$F(xy) = F(x)\chi(y) + \chi(x)F(y) + \chi(x)\chi(y), \quad x, y \in G. \quad (16)$$

From Proposition (5), we obtain that  $F = \chi(a - 1)$ , where  $a$  is a continuous additive function on  $G$  and so

$$f = \gamma\chi(1 - a). \quad (17)$$

Replacing the expression of  $f$  from (17) into equation (8) with the condition  $\chi_1 = \chi_2 = \chi$ , we get that

$$\int_G \gamma\chi(xyt)(1 - a(xyt)) d\mu(t) = \gamma\chi(x)(1 - a(x))\chi(y) + \chi(x)\gamma\chi(y)(1 - a(y)),$$

for all  $x, y \in G$ . This implies that

$$\int_G \chi(t)(1 - a(x) - a(y) - a(t)) d\mu(t) = (1 - a(x)) + (1 - a(y)), \quad x, y \in G.$$

Since  $\mu(\chi) = 1$ , we obtain  $1 - a(x) - a(y) - \mu(a\chi) = 2 - a(x) - a(y)$ ,  $x, y \in G$ , which yields that  $\mu(a\chi) = -1$ . So, we are in the case i) b) of our statement.

Conversely, simple computations prove that the formulas above for  $f$  define solutions of (8). ■

In the following Proposition, we exhibit the continuous solutions of the equation (8) in the case where  $(\mu(\chi_1), \mu(\chi_2)) \neq (1, 1)$ .

**Proposition 6.** Let  $\chi_1, \chi_2$  be two continuous characters on  $G$  such that  $(\mu(\chi_1), \mu(\chi_2)) \neq (1, 1)$ . Depending on  $\chi_1$  and  $\chi_2$ , the solutions  $f \in C(G)$  of the equation (8) are:

- i) If  $\chi_1 = \chi_2 = \chi$  and  $\mu(\chi) = 2$  then  $f = \gamma\chi$ ,  $\gamma \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ ;
- ii) If  $\mu(\chi_1) = 1$  and  $\mu(\chi_2) \neq 1$  then  $f(x) = \alpha(\chi_1(x) - \chi_2(x)) + A([y_0, x])\chi_1(x)$ ,  $x \in G$ , where  $A: [G, G] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  over the continuous additive functions with the transformation property (9) such that  $\alpha = \frac{\mu(A([y_0, \cdot])\chi_1)}{(\mu(\chi_2) - 1)}$ ;
- iii) otherwise  $f = 0$ .

Conversely, the formulas above for  $f$  define solutions of (8).

**Proof.** Let  $\chi_1, \chi_2$  be two continuous characters on  $G$  such that  $(\mu(\chi_1), \mu(\chi_2)) \neq (1, 1)$  and let  $f$  be a continuous solution of (8). We proceed as in the proof of Theorem 1.

**Case 1.** Suppose that  $f(e) = \gamma = 0$ .

I) If  $\chi_1 = \chi_2 = \chi$  then we find that  $f = \chi a$ , where  $a$  is a continuous additive function on  $G$ . On putting  $f = \chi a$  in the equation (8) with  $\chi_1 = \chi_2 = \chi$ , we find that

$$\int_G \chi(xyt)a(xyt) d\mu(t) = \chi(x)a(x)\chi(y) + \chi(x)\chi(y)a(y), \quad x, y \in G,$$

which means that

$$\chi(x)\chi(y) \int_G (a(x) + a(y) + a(t))\chi(t) d\mu(t) = \chi(x)\chi(y)(a(x) + a(y)),$$

for all  $x, y \in G$ . This yields that

$$(a(x) + a(y))\mu(\chi) + \mu(a\chi) = a(x) + a(y),$$

for all  $x, y \in G$ . Then

$$(\mu(\chi) - 1)a(xy) = -\mu(a\chi) \quad \text{for all } x, y \in G.$$

Since  $\mu(\chi) \neq 1$ , the additive function  $a$  is constant. We conclude that  $a = 0$  and then  $f = 0$ . Thus, we are in the case iii) of our statement.

II) If  $\chi_1(y_0) \neq \chi_2(y_0)$  for a fixed  $y_0 \in G$ , we obtain that

$$f(x) = \alpha(\chi_1(x) - \chi_2(x)) + A([y_0, x])\chi_1(x), \quad x \in G, \tag{18}$$

where  $\alpha$  ranges over  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $A: [G, G] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  over the continuous additive functions with the transformation property (9). On putting (18) in (8), we find that

$$(\alpha + A([y_0, x]))(\mu(\chi_1) - 1)\chi_1(xy) + (\mu(A([y_0, \cdot])\chi_1) - \alpha(\mu(\chi_2) - 1))\chi_2(xy) + \chi_2(x)\chi_1(y)A([y_0, y])(\mu(\chi_1) - 1) = 0 \quad \text{for all } x, y \in G. \tag{19}$$

Here we discuss three cases:

a) If  $\mu(\chi_1) = 1$  and  $\mu(\chi_2) \neq 1$ , then (19) becomes

$$(\mu(A([y_0, \cdot])\chi_1) - \alpha(\mu(\chi_2) - 1))\chi_2(xy) = 0, \quad x, y \in G,$$

then  $\mu(A([y_0, \cdot])\chi_1) = \alpha(\mu(\chi_2) - 1)$ . So, we are in the case ii) of our statement.

b) If  $\mu(\chi_2) = 1$  and  $\mu(\chi_1) \neq 1$ , then (19) becomes

$$(\mu(\chi_1) - 1)[(\alpha + A([y_0, x]))\chi_1(xy) + \chi_2(x)\chi_1(y)A([y_0, y])] = 0, \quad x, y \in G.$$

Putting  $x = e$  in the last equation and using the fact that  $A([y_0, e]) = 0$ , we find that  $A([y_0, y]) = -\alpha$  for all  $y \in G$ . Since  $A$  is additive, we deduce that  $A = 0$ , so  $\alpha = 0$ , which implies that  $f = 0$ . So, we are in the case iii) of our statement.

c) If  $\mu(\chi_2) \neq 1$  and  $\mu(\chi_1) \neq 1$ , putting  $x = e$  in (19), we find that,  $A([y_0, y]) = -\alpha$  for all  $y \in G$ , then  $\alpha = 0$ , which gives that  $f = 0$ . So, we are in the case iii) of our statement.

**Case 2.** Suppose that  $\gamma = f(e) \neq 0$ , then we have necessarily  $\chi_1 = \chi_2 = \chi$  and so, we find that

$$f = \gamma\chi(1 - a), \tag{20}$$

where  $a$  is a continuous additive function on  $G$ . Replacing the expression of  $f$  from (20) into equation (8), we get that

$$\int_G \gamma\chi(xyt)(1 - a(xyt)) d\mu(t) = \gamma\chi(x)(1 - a(x))\chi(y) + \chi(x)\gamma\chi(y)(1 - a(y)),$$

for all  $x, y \in G$ , which implies that

$$\int_G \chi(t)(1 - a(x) - a(y) - a(t)) d\mu(t) = (1 - a(x)) + (1 - a(y)), \quad x, y \in G,$$

then

$$\mu(\chi)(1 - a(x) - a(y)) - \mu(a\chi) = 2 - a(x) - a(y), \quad x, y \in G.$$

This yields that

$$a(xy)(1 - \mu(\chi)) = 2 - \mu(\chi) + \mu(a\chi), \quad x, y \in G.$$

Since  $\mu(\chi) \neq 1$ , we conclude that  $a = 0$ . Then

$$f = \gamma\chi.$$

Replacing this formula into equation (8), we find that  $\mu(\chi) = 2$ , so we are in the case i) of our statement.

Conversely, simple computations prove that the formulas above for  $f$  define solutions of (8). ■

In the following corollary we solve the functional equation

$$f(xyz_0) = f(x)\chi_1(y) + \chi_2(x)f(y), \quad x, y \in G, \quad (21)$$

where  $\chi_1$  and  $\chi_2$  are two continuous characters on  $G$  and  $z_0$  is a fixed element in  $G$  such that  $\chi_1(z_0) = \chi_2(z_0) = 1$ .

**Corollary 1.** *Let  $G$  be a topological group,  $z_0$  a fixed constant in  $G$  and  $\chi_1, \chi_2$  are two continuous characters on  $G$  such that  $\chi_1(z_0) = \chi_2(z_0) = 1$ . Assume that the function  $f \in C(G)$  is a solution of the equation (21). Then we have the following cases:*

i) If  $\chi_1 = \chi_2 = \chi$  then  $f$  has one of the forms:

a)  $f = \chi a$ , where  $a: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a continuous additive function such that  $a(z_0) = 0$ .

b)  $f = \gamma\chi(1 - a)$ , where  $\gamma$  is a constant in  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $a: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a continuous additive function such that  $a(z_0) = -1$ .

ii) If  $\chi_1(y_0) \neq \chi_2(y_0)$  for a fixed  $y_0 \in G$  then

$$f(x) = \alpha(\chi_1(x) - \chi_2(x)) + A([y_0, x])\chi_1(x), \quad x \in G,$$

where  $\alpha$  ranges over  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $A: [G, G] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  over the continuous additive functions with the transformation property (9) such that  $A([y_0, z_0]) = 0$ . Furthermore if  $G$  is Abelian, then the continuous solutions of the equation (21) are the functions of the forms:

$$f = \alpha(\chi_1 - \chi_2), \quad \alpha \in \mathbb{C}.$$

Conversely, the formulas above for  $f$  define solutions of (21).

**Proof.** As the proof of Theorem 1 with  $\mu = \delta_{z_0}$ . ■

## 4. Examples

**Example 1.** In view of Corollary 1, we characterize the corresponding continuous solutions of equation (8) which is

$$f(x + y + z_0) = f(x)\chi_1(y) + \chi_2(x)f(y), \quad x, y \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (22)$$

Here  $G = (\mathbb{R}, +)$ ,  $z_0$  is a fixed element in  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  and  $\chi_1, \chi_2: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  are two continuous characters such that  $\chi_1(z_0) = \chi_2(z_0) = 1$ . Let  $f$  be a continuous solution of the equation (22).

The continuous characters on  $\mathbb{R}$  are known to be  $\chi(x) = e^{\lambda x}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , where  $\lambda$  ranges over  $\mathbb{C}$ .

**Case 1.** Assume  $\chi_1 = \chi_2 = \chi$ . The condition  $\chi(z_0) = 1$  implies that  $\lambda = \frac{i2k\pi}{z_0}$ , where  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , so the relevant characters are of the form  $\chi_k(x) = \exp\left(\frac{i2k\pi}{z_0}x\right)$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

The continuous additive functions on  $\mathbb{R}$  are the functions of the form  $a(x) = \beta x$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , where the constant  $\beta$  ranges over  $\mathbb{C}$  (see for instance [9, Corollary 2.4]). In the point i) a) of Corollary 1 we have  $a(z_0) = 0$  which implies that  $\beta = 0$  i.e.  $a = 0$ . So,  $f = 0$  in this case.

The condition  $a(z_0) = -1$  in the point i) b) of Corollary 1 implies that  $\beta = \frac{-1}{z_0}$ , so,  $a(x) = \frac{-1}{z_0}x$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . In this case

$$f(x) = \gamma e^{\frac{i2k\pi}{z_0}x} \left(1 + \frac{1}{z_0}x\right), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \gamma \in \mathbb{C}.$$

**Case 2.** Assume now that  $\chi_1 \neq \chi_2$ . The group  $(\mathbb{R}, +)$  is Abelian, so, according to Corollary 1, we get that

$$f(x) = \alpha(\chi_1(x) - \chi_2(x)) = \alpha \left( e^{\frac{i2k_1\pi}{z_0}x} - e^{\frac{i2k_2\pi}{z_0}x} \right) \quad x \in \mathbb{R},$$

where  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $k_1, k_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

In conclusion, the continuous solutions  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  of the functional equation (22) which is here

$$f(x + y + z_0) = f(x)e^{\frac{i2k_1\pi}{z_0}y} + e^{\frac{i2k_2\pi}{z_0}x}f(y), \quad x, y \in \mathbb{R},$$

are the functions of the forms:

i) If  $k_1 = k_2 = k$ , then

$$f(x) = \gamma e^{\frac{i2k\pi}{z_0}x} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{z_0}x \right), \quad x \in \mathbb{R},$$

where  $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}$ ;

ii) If  $k_1 \neq k_2$ , then

$$f(x) = \alpha(\chi_1(x) - \chi_2(x)) = \alpha \left( e^{\frac{i2k_1\pi}{z_0}x} - e^{\frac{i2k_2\pi}{z_0}x} \right), \quad x \in \mathbb{R},$$

where  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ .

**Example 2.** For an application of our results on a non-Abelian group, we consider the  $(ax + b)$ -group

$$G := \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mid a > 0, b \in \mathbb{R} \right\},$$

$Z_0 = \begin{pmatrix} a_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  be a fixed element on  $G$  such that  $a_0 \neq 1$  and let  $\mu = \delta_{Z_0}$ . We indicate the continuous solutions of the functional equation

$$f(XYZ_0) = f(X)\chi_1(Y) + \chi_2(X)f(Y), \quad X, Y \in G. \tag{23}$$

The continuous characters on  $G$  are parameterized by  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  as follows (see, e.g., [1, Example 3.13]),

$$\chi_\lambda \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = a^\lambda \text{ for } a > 0 \text{ and } b \in \mathbb{R}.$$

The continuous additive functions on  $G$  are parameterized by  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  as follows

$$a_\alpha \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \alpha \ln a.$$

**Case 1.** Suppose  $\chi_1 = \chi_2 = \chi$ . The condition  $\chi_\lambda(Z_0) = 1$  implies that  $a_0^\lambda = e^{\lambda \ln a_0} = 1$ , then  $\lambda = \frac{i2k\pi}{\ln a_0}$  and so,  $\chi_1 \left( \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \chi_2 \left( \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \exp \left( \frac{i2k\pi \ln a}{\ln a_0} \right)$  for a fixed  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . According to Corollary 1, the solutions of the equation (23) are of the forms:

a)  $f = \chi_\lambda a_\alpha$  such that  $a_\alpha(Z_0) = 0$ , which implies that  $\alpha \ln(a_0) = 0$ , then  $a_\alpha = 0$  (because  $a_0 \neq 1$ ). So,  $f = 0$ .

b)  $f = \gamma \chi_\lambda (1 - a_\alpha)$ ,  $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $a_\alpha(Z_0) = -1$ . This gives that  $\alpha = \frac{-1}{\ln a_0}$  and, so,

$$f \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \gamma a^\lambda \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\ln a_0} \ln a \right) \text{ for } a > 0, b \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } \gamma \in \mathbb{C}.$$

**Case 2.** Suppose now  $\chi_1 \neq \chi_2$ . Let  $Y_1 = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in G$  such that  $\chi_1(Y_1) \neq \chi_2(Y_1)$ . Since  $\chi_1(Z_0) = \chi_2(Z_0) = 1$ , then  $\chi_1 \left( \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) = a^{\lambda_1} = \exp \left( \frac{i2k_1\pi \ln a}{\ln a_0} \right)$  and  $\chi_2 \left( \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) = a^{\lambda_2} = \exp \left( \frac{i2k_2\pi \ln a}{\ln a_0} \right)$  for different fixed  $k_1, k_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$ . The continuous, additive functions on

$$[G, G] = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mid x \in \mathbb{R} \right\},$$

are given by  $A_\alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \alpha b$ , where  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  (see [9, Example 19]). By Corollary 1, we get that

$$f \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \gamma (a^{\lambda_1} - a^{\lambda_2}) + A_\alpha \left( \left[ Y_1, \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right] \right) a^{\lambda_1}, \quad \gamma \in \mathbb{C}.$$

In this case,  $Y_1 \neq Z_0$  because  $\chi_1(Z_0) = \chi_2(Z_0) = 1$ . By simples computations, the condition  $A_\alpha[Y_1, Z_0] = 0$  is always verified. The transformation property (9) for  $A_\alpha$  is

$$A_\alpha \left( \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \right) = A_\alpha \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 & ax \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \frac{a^{\lambda_2}}{a^{\lambda_1}} A_\alpha \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right),$$

for all  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in G$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in [G, G]$ , which reduces to  $\alpha = \alpha a^{\lambda_2 - \lambda_1 - 1}$ . Then there are two cases:

1) If  $\lambda_2 - \lambda_1 \neq 1$  then  $\alpha = 0$ , so that  $A_\alpha = 0$  and we deduce that

$$f \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \gamma(a^{\lambda_1} - a^{\lambda_2}), \quad \gamma \in \mathbb{C}.$$

2) If  $\lambda_2 - \lambda_1 = 1$ , here any  $A_\alpha$  has the transformation property (9). According to Corollary 1, we get that

$$f \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \gamma(a^{\lambda_1} - a^{\lambda_2}) + \alpha a_1 b a^{\lambda_1}, \quad \gamma \in \mathbb{C}.$$

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## Інтеграл від розширення формули додавання синуса

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У цій роботі визначено неперервні розв'язки інтегрального функціонального рівняння розширення Стеткара закону додавання синусів.  $\int_G f(xyt) d\mu(t) = f(x)\chi_1(y) + \chi_2(x)f(y)$ ,  $x, y \in G$ , де  $f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ ,  $G$  — локально компактна Хаусдорфова група,  $\mu$  — регулярна комплекснозначна борелівська міра на  $G$  з компактним носієм та  $\chi_1, \chi_2$  — фіксовані характери на  $G$ .

**Ключові слова:** функціональне рівняння; закон додавання синусів; характер; адитивна функція; міра Бореля.