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## Almost periodic functions in finite-dimensional space with the spectrum in a cone

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We prove that an almost periodic function in finite-dimensional space extends to a holomorphic bounded function in a tube domain with a cone in the base if and only if the spectrum belongs to the conjugate cone. We also prove that an almost periodic function in finite-dimensional space has the bounded spectrum if and only if it extends to an entire function of exponential type.

A continuous function  $f(z)$  on a strip

$$S_{a,b} = \{z = x + iy : x \in \mathbf{R}, \quad a \leq y \leq b\}, \quad -\infty \leq a \leq b \leq +\infty,$$

is called *almost periodic by Bohr* on this strip, if for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $l = l(\varepsilon)$  such that every interval of the real axis of length  $l$  contains a number  $\tau$  ( $\varepsilon$ -almost period for  $f(z)$ ) with the property

$$\sup_{z \in S_{a,b}} |f(z + \tau) - f(z)| < \varepsilon. \quad (1)$$

In particular, when  $a = b = 0$  we obtain the class of almost periodic functions on the real axis.

To each almost periodic function  $f(z)$  assign the Fourier series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(y) e^{i\lambda_n x}, \quad \lambda_n \in \mathbf{R},$$

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where  $a_n(y)$  are continuous functions of the variable  $y \in [a, b]$ .

In the case  $a = b = 0$  all exponents  $\lambda_n$  are nonnegative if and only if the function  $f(x)$  extends to the upper half-plane as a holomorphic bounded almost periodic function; the set of all exponents  $\lambda_n$  is bounded if and only if  $f(x)$  extends to the plane  $\mathbf{C}$  as an entire function of the exponential type  $\sigma = \sup_n |\lambda_n|$ , which is almost periodic in every horizontal strip of finite width (see [1, 4]).

A number of works connected with almost periodic functions of many variables on a *tube set* appeared recently (see [2, 6–9]). Recall that the set  $T_K \subset \mathbf{C}^m$  is a *tube set* if

$$T_K = \{z = x + iy : x \in \mathbf{R}^m, y \in K\},$$

where  $K \subset \mathbf{R}^m$  is the *base* of the tube set.

**Definition.** (See [6, 9]). A continuous function  $f(z)$ ,  $z \in T_K$  is called *almost periodic by Bohr on  $T_K$* , if for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $l = l(\varepsilon)$ , such that every  $m$ -dimensional cube on  $\mathbf{R}^m$  with the side  $l$  contains at least one point  $\tau$  ( $(T_K, \varepsilon)$ -almost period for  $f(z)$ ) with the property

$$\sup_{z \in T_K} |f(z + \tau) - f(z)| < \varepsilon. \tag{2}$$

Let  $f, g$  be locally integrable functions on every real plane

$$\{z = x + iy_0 : x \in \mathbf{R}^m\}, \quad y_0 \in K.$$

**Definition.** Stepanoff distance of the order  $p \geq 1$  between functions  $f$  and  $g$  is the value

$$S_{p, T_K}(f, g) = \sup_{z \in T_K} \left( \int_{[0, 1]^m} |f(z + u) - g(z + u)|^p du \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

Using this definition, we can extend the concept of almost periodic functions by Stepanoff on a strip (see [4, p. 197]) to almost periodic functions on a tube set:

**Definition.** A function  $f(z)$ ,  $z \in T_K$ , is called *almost periodic by Stepanoff on  $T_K$* , if for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $l = l(\varepsilon)$  such that every  $m$ -dimensional cube with the side  $l$  contains at least one  $\tau$  ( $(T_K, \varepsilon, p)$ -almost period by Stepanoff of the function  $f(z)$ ) with the property

$$S_{p, T_K}(f(z), f(z + \tau)) < \varepsilon. \tag{3}$$

The Fourier series for an almost periodic (by Bohr or by Stepanoff) function  $f(z)$  on a set  $T_K$  is the series

$$\sum_{\lambda \in \mathbf{R}^m} a(\lambda, y) e^{i\langle x, \lambda \rangle}, \quad (4)$$

where  $\langle x, \lambda \rangle$  is the scalar product on  $\mathbf{R}^m$ , and

$$a(\lambda, y) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{1}{2N} \right)^m \int_{[-N, N]^m} f(x + x' + iy) e^{-i\langle x + x', \lambda \rangle} dx; \quad (5)$$

this limit exists uniformly in the parameter  $x' \in \mathbf{R}^m$  and does not depend on this parameter (see [6, 8]).

A set of all vectors  $\lambda \in \mathbf{R}^m$  such that  $a(\lambda, y) \neq 0$  is called the spectrum of  $f(z)$  and is denoted by  $sp f$ ; this set is at most countable, therefore the series (4) can be written in the form

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(y) e^{i\langle x, \lambda_n \rangle}.$$

Note that partial sums of the series (4), generally speaking, do not converge to the function  $f(z)$ . However the Bochner–Feyer sums \*

$$\sigma_q(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{q-1} k_n^q a_n(y) e^{i\langle x, \lambda_n \rangle}, \quad 0 \leq k_n^q < 1, \quad k_n^q \rightarrow 1 \text{ as } q \rightarrow \infty$$

converge to the function  $f(z)$  uniformly for almost periodic functions by Bohr and with respect to the metric  $S_{p, T_K}$  for almost periodic functions by Stepanoff; in particular, if two functions have the same Fourier series, then these functions coincide identically. For holomorphic almost periodic functions the series (4) can be written in the form

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n e^{-\langle y, \lambda_n \rangle} e^{i\langle x, \lambda_n \rangle} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n e^{i\langle z, \lambda_n \rangle}, \quad a_n \in \mathbb{C}, \quad (6)$$

(see [8]). Any series of the form (6) is called *Dirichlet series*.

By  $\Gamma$  we always denote a convex closed cone in  $\mathbf{R}^m$ ; by  $\widehat{\Gamma}$  we denote *the conjugate cone to  $\Gamma$* :

$$\widehat{\Gamma} = \{t \in \mathbf{R}^m : \langle t, y \rangle \geq 0 \forall y \in \Gamma\},$$

note that  $\widehat{\widehat{\Gamma}} = \Gamma$ . Also,  $\overset{\circ}{\Gamma}$  is the interior of a cone  $\Gamma$ .

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\* For  $n = 1$  see [4], for  $n > 1$  see [8].

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $f(x)$  be an almost periodic function by Bohr on  $\mathbf{R}^m$  with Fourier series*

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n e^{i\langle x, \lambda_n \rangle}, \tag{7}$$

where all the exponents  $\lambda_n$  belong to a cone  $\Gamma \subset \mathbf{R}^m$ . Then  $f(x)$  continuously extends to the tube set  $T_{\hat{\Gamma}}$  as an almost periodic by Bohr function  $F(z)$  with Fourier series (6). The function  $F(z)$  is holomorphic on the interior  $T_{\hat{\Gamma}}$ , and for any  $\Gamma' \subset\subset \hat{\Gamma}$  uniformly w.r.t.  $z \in T_{\Gamma'}$

$$\lim_{\|y\| \rightarrow \infty} F(z) = a_0, \tag{8}$$

where  $a_0$  is the Fourier coefficient corresponding to the exponent  $\lambda_0 = 0$  (if  $0 \notin \text{sp } f$ , put  $a_0 = 0$ .) If  $\text{sp } f \subset \overset{\circ}{\Gamma}$ , then (8) is true uniformly w.r.t.  $z \in T_{\hat{\Gamma}}$ .

Here the inclusion  $\Gamma' \subset\subset \hat{\Gamma}$  means that the intersection of  $\Gamma'$  with the unit sphere is contained in the interior of the intersection of  $\hat{\Gamma}$  with this sphere.

To prove this theorem, we use the following lemmas.

**Lemma 1.** *Suppose that a plurisubharmonic function  $\varphi(z)$  on  $\mathbf{C}^m$  is bounded from above on a set  $T_K$ , where  $K \subset \mathbf{R}^m$  is a convex set. Then the function*

$$\psi(y) = \sup_{x \in \mathbf{R}^m} \varphi(x + iy)$$

is convex on  $K$ .

**P r o o f o f L e m m a 1.** Fix  $y_1, y_2 \in K$ . The plurisubharmonic on  $\mathbf{C}^m$  function

$$\varphi_1(z) = \varphi(z) - \frac{\psi(y_2) - \psi(y_1)}{\|y_2 - y_1\|^2} \langle \text{Im } z, y_2 - y_1 \rangle$$

is bounded from above on the set  $T_{[y_1, y_2]}$ . Therefore the subharmonic function  $\varphi_2(w) = \varphi_1((y_2 - y_1)w + iy_1)$  is bounded on the strip  $\{w = u + iv : u \in \mathbf{R}, 0 \leq v \leq 1\}$ . Hence, the value of  $\varphi_1$  at any point of this strip does not exceed

$$\max\{\sup_{u \in \mathbf{R}} \varphi_2(u), \sup_{u \in \mathbf{R}} \varphi_2(u + i)\} \leq \max\{\sup_{x \in \mathbf{R}^m} \varphi_1(x + iy_1), \sup_{x \in \mathbf{R}^m} \varphi_1(x + iy_2)\}.$$

Therefore, for any  $z = x + iy \in T_{[y_1, y_2]}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_1(z) \leq \\ \max\{\psi(y_1) - \frac{\psi(y_2) - \psi(y_1)}{\|y_2 - y_1\|^2} \langle y_1, y_2 - y_1 \rangle, \psi(y_2) - \frac{\psi(y_2) - \psi(y_1)}{\|y_2 - y_1\|^2} \langle y_2, y_2 - y_1 \rangle\} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{\|y_2\|^2 - \langle y_1, y_2 \rangle}{\|y_2 - y_1\|^2} \psi(y_1) + \frac{\|y_1\|^2 - \langle y_1, y_2 \rangle}{\|y_2 - y_1\|^2} \psi(y_2).$$

Hence for any  $y \in [y_1, y_2]$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(y) &\leq \frac{\|y_2\|^2 - \langle y_1, y_2 \rangle - \langle y, y_2 - y_1 \rangle}{\|y_2 - y_1\|^2} \psi(y_1) \\ &\quad + \frac{\|y_1\|^2 - \langle y_1, y_2 \rangle + \langle y, y_2 - y_1 \rangle}{\|y_2 - y_1\|^2} \psi(y_2). \end{aligned}$$

If  $y = \lambda y_1 + (1 - \lambda)y_2$ ,  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ , then we obtain the inequality

$$\psi(\lambda y_1 + (1 - \lambda)y_2) \leq \lambda \psi(y_1) + (1 - \lambda)\psi(y_2).$$

Therefore, the function  $\psi(y)$  is convex on  $K$ . ■

**Lemma 2.** *Let  $\psi(y)$  be a convex bounded function on a cone  $\Gamma$ . Then  $\psi(y) \leq \psi(0)$  for all  $y \in \Gamma$ .*

*Proof of Lemma 2.* Since  $\psi(y)$  is convex, we have

$$\psi(y) \leq \left(1 - \frac{1}{t}\right) \psi(0) + \frac{1}{t} \psi(ty), \quad t > 1.$$

Taking  $t \rightarrow \infty$ , we obtain  $\psi(y) \leq \psi(0)$ . ■

*Proof of Theorem 1.* Let  $\sigma_q(x)$ ,  $q = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  be the Bochner–Feyer sums for the series (7). Obviously, these functions are also defined for  $z \in \mathbf{C}^m$ . Assume that

$$\varphi_{q,l}(z) = \log(|\sigma_q(z) - \sigma_l(z)|).$$

For any fixed  $q$  and  $l$ ,  $q > l$ , the function  $\varphi_{q,l}(z)$  is plurisubharmonic on  $\mathbf{C}^m$ . Moreover, for  $z \in T_{\widehat{\Gamma}}$  we have  $\langle y, \lambda_n \rangle \geq 0$  and

$$\begin{aligned} |\sigma_q(z) - \sigma_l(z)| &\leq |\sigma_q(z)| + |\sigma_l(z)| \\ \sum_{n=0}^{q-1} |a_n| e^{-\langle y, \lambda_n \rangle} + \sum_{n=0}^{l-1} |a_n| e^{-\langle y, \lambda_n \rangle} &\leq 2 \sum_{n=0}^{q-1} |a_n|. \end{aligned}$$

Consider the function

$$\psi_{q,l}(y) = \sup_{x \in \mathbf{R}^m} \log(|\sigma_q(z) - \sigma_l(z)|).$$

Using lemma 1, we obtain that  $\psi_{q,l}(y)$  is convex in  $\widehat{\Gamma}$ . Therefore, by lemma 2, we have

$$\sup_{z \in T_{\widehat{\Gamma}}} (|\sigma_q(z) - \sigma_l(z)|) \leq \sup_{x \in \mathbf{R}^m} (|\sigma_q(x) - \sigma_l(x)|). \quad (9)$$

Further, the function  $f(x)$  is almost periodic, therefore the Bochner–Feyer sums converge uniformly on  $\mathbf{R}^m$ , and for  $q, l \geq N(\varepsilon)$

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbf{R}^m} (|\sigma_q(x) - \sigma_l(x)|) \leq \varepsilon.$$

Hence,  $\sup_{x \in \mathbf{R}^m} (|\sigma_q(z) - \sigma_l(z)|) \leq \varepsilon$  for all  $z \in T_{\hat{\Gamma}}$ ,  $q, l \geq N(\varepsilon)$ .

Thus the Bochner–Feyer sums uniformly converge on  $T_{\hat{\Gamma}}$ , their limit is an almost periodic function by Bohr and holomorphic on the interior of  $T_{\hat{\Gamma}}$  with the Dirichlet series (6).

Further, passing to the limit in (9) as  $q \rightarrow \infty$ , we get

$$\sup_{z \in T_{\hat{\Gamma}}} (|F(z) - \sigma_l(z)|) \leq \sup_{x \in \mathbf{R}^m} (|f(x) - \sigma_l(x)|).$$

Choose  $l$  such that the right hand side of this inequality is less than  $\varepsilon$ . We have for  $\Gamma' \subset \subset \hat{\Gamma}$

$$\sup_{z \in T_{\Gamma'}} |F(z) - a_0| \leq \sup_{z \in T_{\Gamma'}} |F(z) - \sigma_l(z)| + \sup_{z \in T_{\Gamma'}} |\sigma_l(z) - a_0| \leq \varepsilon + \sup_{z \in T_{\Gamma'}} |\sigma_l(z) - a_0|.$$

Note that for any fixed  $\lambda_n \in \Gamma \setminus \{0\}$  the value  $\langle y, \lambda_n \rangle$  tends to  $+\infty$  as  $\|y\| \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $y \in \Gamma'$ , therefore, we have

$$|\sigma_l(z) - a_0| = \left| \sum_{j=1}^{l-1} k_j^l a_j e^{i\langle x, \lambda_j \rangle} e^{-\langle y, \lambda_j \rangle} \right| \leq \sum_{j=1}^{l-1} |a_j| e^{-\langle y, \lambda_j \rangle} \rightarrow 0$$

as  $\|y\| \rightarrow \infty$  on  $\Gamma'$ . Hence, uniformly w.r.t.  $z \in T_{\Gamma'}$

$$\overline{\lim}_{\|y\| \rightarrow \infty} |F(z) - a_0| \leq \varepsilon. \tag{10}$$

This is true for arbitrary  $\varepsilon > 0$ , then (8) follows.

If  $spf \subset \overset{\circ}{\Gamma}$ , then for any  $\lambda_n \in spf$ ,  $\langle y, \lambda_n \rangle \rightarrow +\infty$  as  $\|y\| \rightarrow \infty$  uniformly w.r.t.  $y \in \hat{\Gamma}$ , therefore (10) is true uniformly w.r.t.  $z \in T_{\hat{\Gamma}}$ , and (8) is also true. The theorem has been proved. ■

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $f(x)$  be an almost periodic function by Stepanoff on  $\mathbf{R}^m$  with the Fourier series (7). Let all the exponents  $\lambda_n$  belong to a cone  $\Gamma \subset \mathbf{R}^m$ . Then there exists an almost periodic by Stepanoff function  $F(z)$  in the tube set  $T_{\hat{\Gamma}}$  with the Fourier series (6) such that  $F(x) = f(x)$ . The function  $F(z)$  is holomorphic almost periodic by Bohr on any domain  $T_{\hat{\Gamma}+b}$ ,  $b \in \overset{\circ}{\Gamma}$ . Besides, for any cone  $\Gamma' \subset \subset \hat{\Gamma}$  we have uniformly w.r.t.  $z \in T_{\Gamma'}$*

$$\lim_{\|y\| \rightarrow \infty} F(z) = a_0, \tag{11}$$

where  $a_0$  is the Fourier coefficient for the exponent  $\lambda = 0$ . If  $sp f \subset \overset{\circ}{\Gamma}$ , then (11) is true uniformly w.r.t.  $z \in T_{\overset{\circ}{\Gamma}+b}$  for any  $b \in \overset{\circ}{\Gamma}$ .

**P r o o f.** To prove the first part of the theorem, we need to replace  $\varphi_{q,l}(z)$  by

$$\widehat{\varphi}_{q,l}(z) = \log \left( \int_{[0,1]^m} |\sigma_q(z+u) - \sigma_l(z+u)|^p du \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

Arguing as in the proof of theorem 1, we obtain that the Bochner–Feyer sums  $\sigma_q(z)$  converge in the Stepanoff metric uniformly w.r.t.  $z \in T_{\overset{\circ}{\Gamma}}$  to an almost periodic function by Stepanoff  $F(z)$  with Fourier series (6).

Let  $b \in \overset{\circ}{\Gamma}$ . The module of the function  $\sigma_q(z) - \sigma_l(z)$  is estimated from above by the mean value on the corresponding ball contained in  $T_{\overset{\circ}{\Gamma}}$ . Using the Hölder inequality, we have

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbf{R}^m} |\sigma_q(x+bi) - \sigma_l(x+bi)| \leq C \sup_{z \in T_{\overset{\circ}{\Gamma}}} \left( \int_{[0,1]^m} |\sigma_q(z+u) - \sigma_l(z+u)|^p du \right)^{\frac{1}{p}},$$

where the constant  $C$  depends only on  $b$  and  $\overset{\circ}{\Gamma}$ .

Applying Lemmas 1 and 2 to the functions

$$\tilde{\psi}_{q,l,b}(y) = \sup_{x \in \mathbf{R}^m} \log |\sigma_q(z+bi) - \sigma_l(z+bi)|,$$

we get that the Bochner–Fourier sums converge uniformly on  $T_{\overset{\circ}{\Gamma}+b}$  to  $F(z)$ , thus

$F(z)$  is holomorphic almost periodic by Bohr in  $T_{\overset{\circ}{\Gamma}+b}$  for any  $b \in \overset{\circ}{\Gamma}$ .

Then the other statements of the theorem follow from Theorem 1. ■

Now we prove the inverse statements to Theorems 1 and 2.

**Theorem 3.** *Suppose that an almost periodic by Bohr function  $f(x)$  continuously extends to the interior of  $T_{\Gamma}$  as a holomorphic function  $F(z)$ . If  $F(z)$  is bounded on any set  $T_{\Gamma'}$ ,  $\Gamma'$  being a the cone in  $\mathbf{R}^m$ ,  $\Gamma' \subset\subset \Gamma$ , then  $F(z)$  is an almost periodic function by Bohr on  $T_{\Gamma}$  and the spectrum of  $F(z)$  is contained in  $\overset{\circ}{\Gamma}$ .*



**P r o o f.** Take  $\lambda \notin \hat{\Gamma}$ . Then there exists  $y_0 \in \overset{\circ}{\Gamma}$  such that  $\langle y_0, \lambda \rangle < 0$ .

Choose a neighbourhood  $U \subset \overset{\circ}{\Gamma}$  of  $y_0$  such that  $\langle y, \lambda \rangle \leq \frac{1}{2}\langle y_0, \lambda \rangle$  for all  $y \in U$ . Let  $A$  be any nondegenerate operator in  $\mathbf{R}^m$  such that  $A$  maps all the vectors  $e_1 = (1, 0, \dots, 0), \dots, e_m = (0, 0, \dots, 1)$  into  $U$ .

The function  $F(A\zeta)$  is holomorphic and bounded on the set

$$\{\zeta = \xi + i\eta \in \mathbf{C}^m : \xi \in \mathbf{R}^m, \eta^j > 0, j = 1, \dots, m\}$$

because  $A\{\eta : \eta^j \geq 0\} \subset \Gamma$ .

If for each coordinates  $\zeta^1, \dots, \zeta^m$  we change the integration over the segments  $-N \leq \xi^j \leq N, \eta^j = 0$  to the integration over the half-circles  $\zeta^j = Ne^{i\theta^j}, 0 \leq \theta^j \leq \pi, j = 1, \dots, m$  we obtain the equality

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{1}{2N}\right)^m \int_{[-N, N]^m} F(A\xi) e^{-i\langle A\xi, \lambda \rangle} d\xi \\ &= \left(\frac{i}{2}\right)^m \int_{[0, \pi]^m} F(ANe^{i\theta}) \prod_{j=1}^m e^{i\theta^j - iNe^{i\theta^j} \langle Ae_j, \lambda \rangle} d\theta, \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

where  $\theta = (\theta^1, \dots, \theta^m), e^{i\theta} = (e^{i\theta^1}, \dots, e^{i\theta^m})$ .

Since  $\langle Ae_j, \lambda \rangle < 0$  for  $j = 1, \dots, m$ , we see that the integrand in the right-hand side of (12) is uniformly bounded for all  $N > 1$ . By Lebesgue theorem (12) tends to zero as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ .

Thus

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(2N)^m} \int_{A([-N, N]^m)} f(x) e^{-i\langle x, \lambda \rangle} dx = 0. \quad (13)$$

Cover the set  $A([-N^2, N^2]^m)$  by cubes  $L_j = x'_j + [-N, N]^m$  such that the interiors of these cubes are not intersected. We may assume that the number of the cubes intersecting the boundary of the set  $A([-N^2, N^2]^m)$  is  $O(N^{m-1})$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ . Taking into account boundedness of the function  $f(x)e^{-i\langle x, \lambda \rangle}$  on  $\mathbf{R}^m$  and equality (13), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{(2N)^{2m}} \int_{\cup L_j} f(x) e^{-i\langle x, \lambda \rangle} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{(2N)^{2m}} \left( \int_{A([-N^2, N^2]^m)} f(x) e^{-i\langle x, \lambda \rangle} dx + O(N^{2m-1}) \right) = o(1) \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

Since (5) we see that uniformly w.r.t.  $x' \in \mathbf{R}^m$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$

$$\frac{1}{(2N)^m} \int_{x'+[-N,N]^m} f(x)e^{-i\langle x,\lambda \rangle} dx = a(\lambda, f) + o(1). \quad (15)$$

On the other hand, the number of the cubes  $L_j$  equals  $O(N^m)$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ , then the equality  $a(\lambda, f) = 0$  follows from (14) and (15). This yields the inclusion  $sp f \subset \widehat{\Gamma}$ . Using theorem 1 we complete the proof of our theorem. ■

**Theorem 4.** *If  $F(z)$  is bounded on each set  $T_{\Gamma'}$ ,  $\Gamma' \subset\subset \Gamma$ , and the nontangential limit value of  $F(z)$  as  $y \rightarrow 0$  is an almost periodic function by Stepanoff on  $\mathbf{R}^m$ , then  $F(z)$  extends to  $T_{\Gamma}$  as an almost periodic function by Stepanoff and the spectrum of  $F(z)$  is contained in  $\widehat{\Gamma}$ .*

*P r o o f.* The proof of this theorem is the same as of theorem 3, but we have to use theorem 2 instead of theorem 1. ■

To formulate further results we need the concept of  $P$ -indicator. ( See, for example, [5, p. 275].)

**Definition.**  $P$ -indicator of an entire function  $F(z)$  on  $\mathbf{C}^m$  is the function

$$h_F(y) = \sup_{x \in \mathbf{R}^m} \overline{\lim}_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{r} \log |F(x + iry)|.$$

**Theorem 5.** *(For  $m = 1$  see [3, 4].) Let  $f(x)$ ,  $x \in \mathbf{R}^m$  be an almost periodic function by Stepanoff with the Fourier series (7), and let  $\|\lambda_n\| \leq C < \infty$  for all  $n$ . Then  $f(x)$  extends to  $\mathbf{C}^m$  as an entire function  $F(z)$  of exponential type, which is almost periodic by Bohr on any tube domain in  $\mathbf{C}^m$  with bounded base;  $F(z)$  has the Dirichlet series (6), and  $P$ -indicator  $h_F(y)$  satisfies the equation  $h_F(y) = H_{sp f}(-y)$ , where  $H_{sp f}(\mu) := \sup_{x \in sp f} \langle x, \mu \rangle$  is the support function of the set  $sp f$ .*

*P r o o f.* Take  $\mu \in \mathbf{R}^m$  such that  $\|\mu\| = 1$ . Put

$$f_{\mu}(x) = f(x)e^{-i[H_{sp f}(\mu)+\varepsilon]\langle x,\mu \rangle}.$$

The Fourier series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n e^{i\langle x,\lambda_n - (H_{sp f}(\mu)+\varepsilon)\mu \rangle}$  corresponds to the function  $f_{\mu}(x)$ , hence

$$sp f_{\mu} \subset \{x \in \mathbf{R}^m : \langle x, \mu \rangle \leq -\varepsilon\}.$$

Since  $sp f_\mu$  is bounded, we obtain for some  $\delta > 0$

$$sp f_\mu(x) \subset \Gamma_{\delta, -\mu} = \{\lambda \in \mathbf{R}^m : \langle \lambda, -\mu \rangle \geq \delta \|\lambda\|\}.$$

Theorem 2 yields that  $f_\mu(x)$  extends to the interior of the domain  $T_{\widehat{\Gamma}_{\delta, -\mu}}$ , where

$$\widehat{\Gamma}_{\delta, -\mu} = \{y : \langle y, -\mu \rangle \geq \sqrt{1 - \delta^2} \|y\|\}$$

is the conjugate cone to  $\Gamma_{\delta, -\mu}$ , as an almost periodic function by Bohr  $F_\mu(z)$ .

This function is holomorphic on any domain  $T_{\widehat{\Gamma}_{\delta, -\mu} + b}$ ,  $b \in \overset{\circ}{\widehat{\Gamma}}_{\delta, -\mu}$  with the Dirichlet series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n e^{i\langle z, \lambda_n - [H_{sp f}(\mu) + \varepsilon]\mu \rangle},$$

and  $F_\mu(z) \rightarrow 0$  as  $\|y\| \rightarrow \infty$  uniformly w.r.t.  $z \in T_{\Gamma'}$  for any cone  $\Gamma' \subset \subset \widehat{\Gamma}_{\delta, -\mu}$ . Using (5), we get

$$\left| a_n e^{-\langle y, \lambda_n - [H_{sp f}(\mu) + \varepsilon]\mu \rangle} \right| \leq \sup_{x \in \mathbf{R}^m} |F_\mu(x + iy)|, \quad y \in \Gamma'. \quad (16)$$

Put

$$F(z) := F_\mu(z) e^{i[H_{sp f}(\mu) + \varepsilon]\langle z, \mu \rangle}.$$

$F(z)$  is almost periodic on  $T_{\Gamma'}$  with Dirichlet series (6). Therefore it follows from (16) that

$$|a_n| \leq \sup_{x \in \mathbf{R}^m} |F(x + iy)| e^{\langle y, \lambda_n \rangle}. \quad (17)$$

On the other hand, the function  $F_\mu(z)$  is bounded on  $T_{\Gamma'}$ , hence

$$|F(z)| \leq C(\Gamma') e^{-[H_{sp f}(\mu) + \varepsilon]\langle y, \mu \rangle}, \quad z \in T_{\Gamma'} \quad (18)$$

Cover the space  $\mathbf{R}^m$  by the interiors of a finite number of cones  $\Gamma'_1, \dots, \Gamma'_N$ . There exist holomorphic on the interior of  $\Gamma'_k$  almost periodic functions  $F_k(z)$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, N$ , with identical Dirichlet series (6). Using the uniqueness theorem, we obtain that these functions coincide on the intersections of the cones and thus define a holomorphic function  $F(z)$  on  $\mathbf{C}^m \setminus \mathbf{R}^m$ . The Bochner–Feyer sums for  $F(z)$  converge to this function uniformly on any set

$$\{z = x + iy : x \in \mathbf{R}^m, \|y\| = r > 0\}.$$

Hence, these sums converge on the tube domain  $T_{\{\|y\| < r\}}$ . Thus  $F(z)$  extends to  $\mathbf{C}^m$  as the holomorphic function, which is almost periodic on any tube set with

a bounded base. Owing to the uniqueness of expansion into Fourier series, we have  $F(x) = f(x)$ .

Let us prove that  $h_F(y) = H_{spf}(-y)$ . From inequality (18) with  $\mu = -y$  it follows that

$$h_F(y) \leq \overline{\lim}_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{r} [H_{spf}(-y) + \varepsilon] \langle ry, y \rangle = H_{spf}(-y) + \varepsilon.$$

The functions  $h_F(y)$  and  $H_{spf}(y)$  are positively homogenous, hence the inequality

$$h_F(y) \leq H_{spf}(-y)$$

is true for all  $y \in \mathbf{R}^m$ .

Further, fix  $x, y \in \mathbf{R}^m$ . The holomorphic on  $\mathbf{C}$  function  $\varphi(w) = F(x + wy)$  is bounded on the axis  $\text{Im } w = 0$ . Then the estimate

$$|\varphi(w)| \leq C e^{a|\text{Im } w|}$$

for some  $a > 0$  and all  $w \in \mathbf{C}$  follows from (18). Using the definition of  $P$ -indicator, we get

$$\overline{\lim}_{v \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1}{v} \log |\varphi(iv)| \leq h_F(y).$$

Therefore the function  $\varphi(w)e^{i(h_F(y)+\varepsilon)w}$  is bounded on the positive part of the imaginary axis. Applying the Fragmen–Lindelof principle to the quadrants  $\text{Re } w \geq 0, \text{Im } w \geq 0$  and  $\text{Re } w \leq 0, \text{Im } w \geq 0$ , we get boundedness of this function on the upper half-plane. Applying the Fragmen–Lindelof principle to the half-plane  $\text{Im } w \geq 0$ , we get the inequality

$$|\varphi(w)| \leq \left( \sup_{\text{Im } w=0} |\varphi(w)| \right) e^{h_F(y)\text{Im } w} \quad (\text{Im } w > 0).$$

Hence, for all  $z \in \mathbf{C}^m$ , we have

$$|F(z)| \leq \sup_{x \in \mathbf{R}^m} |F(x)| e^{h_F(y)}.$$

Now using formula (17) for coefficients of the Dirichlet series of the function  $F(z)$ , we get the estimate

$$|a_n| \leq \sup_{x \in \mathbf{R}^m} |f(x)| e^{h_F(y) + \langle y, \lambda_n \rangle}. \quad (19)$$

Suppose  $\langle y_0, \lambda_n \rangle + h_F(y_0) < 0$  for some  $y_0 \in \mathbf{R}^m$ . Put  $y = ty_0$  in (19) and let  $t \rightarrow \infty$ . We obtain  $a_n = 0$ . This is impossible because  $\lambda_n \in spf$ .

Thus for all  $y \in \mathbf{R}^m$  and  $\lambda_n \in spf$  we have  $h_F(y) + \langle y, \lambda_n \rangle \geq 0$ , hence

$$H_{spf}(-y) = \sup_{\lambda_n \in spf} \langle -y, \lambda_n \rangle \leq h_F(y).$$

This completes the proof of the theorem. ■

The following theorem is inverse to the previous one.

**Theorem 6.** (For  $m = 1$  see [3, 4].) Let  $F(z)$  be an entire function on  $\mathbf{C}^m$ ,  $|F(z)| \leq Ce^{b\|z\|}$ , let  $F(x)$ ,  $x \in \mathbf{R}^m$  be an almost periodic function by Stepanoff with the Fourier series (7). Then  $F(z)$  is an almost periodic function by Bohr on any tube domain  $T_D \subset \mathbf{C}^m$  with the bounded base,  $F(z)$  has the Dirichlet series (6), and  $spF \subset \{\lambda : \|\lambda\| \leq b\}$ .

*P r o o f.* It follows from theorem 5, that it suffices to prove the inclusion

$$sp F \subset \{\lambda : \|\lambda\| \leq b\}.$$

Let the function  $F(x)$  be bounded on  $\mathbf{R}^m$ . Arguing as in theorem 5, we see that for all  $z \in \mathbf{C}^m$

$$|F(z)| \leq \sup_{x \in \mathbf{R}^m} |F(x)|e^{h_F(y)},$$

where  $h_F(y)$  is  $P$ -indicator for  $F(z)$ . Further, for all  $x \in \mathbf{R}^m$  we have

$$h_F(y) = \sup_{x \in \mathbf{R}^m} \overline{\lim}_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{r} \log |F(x + iry)| \leq \sup_{x \in \mathbf{R}^m} \overline{\lim}_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{r} (\log C + b\|x + iry\|) \leq b\|y\|,$$

therefore for all  $z \in \mathbf{C}^m$

$$|F(z)| \leq Ce^{b\|y\|}.$$

Take  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\mu \in \mathbf{R}^m$ ,  $\|\mu\| = 1$ . Consider the function

$$F_\mu(z) = F(z)e^{-i\langle z, \mu \rangle (b+\varepsilon)}.$$

Since  $|F_\mu(z)| \leq Ce^{b\|y\| + (b+\varepsilon)\langle y, \mu \rangle}$  uniformly w.r.t.  $x \in \mathbf{R}^m$ , then  $F_\mu(z)$  is uniformly bounded for  $z \in T_{\Gamma_{-\mu}}$ , where  $\Gamma_{-\mu}$  is the cone  $\{y : \langle y, -\mu \rangle \geq (1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{b+\varepsilon})\|y\|\}$ . Using theorem 4, we obtain that the spectrum  $F_\mu$  is contained in  $\widehat{\Gamma}_{-\mu}$  and

$$sp F = sp F_\mu + (b + \varepsilon)\mu \subset \widehat{\Gamma}_{-\mu} + (b + \varepsilon)\mu.$$

Finally, using the inclusion

$$\bigcap_{\mu: \|\mu\|=1} (\widehat{\Gamma}_{-\mu} + (b + \varepsilon)\mu) \subset \{\lambda : \|\lambda\| \leq b + \varepsilon\}$$

and the arbitrariness of choice of  $\varepsilon$  we get the assertion of the theorem in the case of bounded on  $\mathbf{R}^m$  function  $F(z)$ .

Now let the function  $F(z)$  be unbounded on  $\mathbf{R}^m$ . Put for some  $N > 0$

$$g(z) = \frac{1}{N^m} \int_{[0, N]^m} F(z + t) dt.$$

The function  $g(z)$  satisfies the estimate on  $\mathbf{C}^m$

$$|g(z)| \leq C e^{bmN} e^{b\|z\|}.$$

As in the case  $m = 1$  (see [4]), we can prove that  $g(x)$  is an almost periodic function by Bohr and is bounded on  $\mathbf{R}^m$ . The function  $g(x)$  has the Fourier series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \frac{e^{i\lambda_n^1 N} - 1}{N\lambda_n^1} \dots \frac{e^{i\lambda_n^m N} - 1}{N\lambda_n^m} e^{i\langle x, \lambda_n \rangle},$$

where  $\lambda_n^j$  are coordinates of the vector  $\lambda_n$  (if  $\lambda_n^j = 0$ , the corresponding multiplier should be replaced by 1).

Using countability of  $sp F$ , we can choose  $N$  in such a way that none of the numbers  $\lambda_n^j N$  coincides with  $2\pi k$ ,  $k \in \mathbf{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ . In this case  $sp g = sp F$ . Applying the proved above statement to the function  $g(z)$ , we obtain the inclusion

$$sp F \subset \{\lambda : \|\lambda\| \leq b\}. \quad \blacksquare$$

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