

EXTRA INVARIANCE OF PRINCIPAL SHIFT INVARIANT SPACES AND THE ZAK TRANSFORM.

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ABSTRACT. We prove a necessary and sufficient condition for a principal shift invariant space of $L^2(\mathbb{R})$ to be invariant under translations by the subgroup $\frac{1}{N}\mathbb{Z}$, $N > 1$. This condition is given in terms of the Zak transform of the group $\frac{1}{N}\mathbb{Z}$. This result is extended to principal shift invariant spaces generated by a lattice in a general locally compact abelian (LCA) group.

1. INTRODUCTION AND MAIN RESULT

Let H be an additive subgroup of \mathbb{R} . A closed subspace V of $L^2(\mathbb{R})$ is called **H -invariant** if it is invariant under translations by elements of H . That is, when $f \in V$, then $T_h(f) \in V$ for all $h \in H$, where $T_h(x) = f(x - h)$. A \mathbb{Z} invariant subspace of $L^2(\mathbb{R})$ is called **shift invariant**.

Shift invariant spaces are the core spaces of Multiresolution Analysis ([Mey90, Dau92, HW96, Mal99]), and as such they are used to study signals and images. They are also used as models to approximate functional data ([dBDVR94, ACHM07]).

Shift invariant spaces are also the natural spaces for sampling. For a measurable set $A \subset \mathbb{R}$, the Paley-Wiener space $PW(A)$ is defined by

$$PW(A) := \{f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}) : \text{supp } \widehat{f} \subset A\},$$

where $\widehat{f}(\xi) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x)e^{-2\pi i x \xi} dx$ denotes the Fourier transform of f . The Whittaker-Shannon-Kotel'nikov sampling theorem establishes that any signal f in the space $PW([-M/2, M/2])$, $M > 0$, can be recovered with the samples $\{f(k/M)\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ by the formula

$$f(x) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} f\left(\frac{k}{M}\right) \frac{\sin \pi(Mx - k)}{\pi(Mx - k)}, \quad (1.1)$$

with convergence in $L^2(\mathbb{R})$ and pointwise uniformly. The space $PW(A)$ is shift invariant, that is invariant under translations by the group \mathbb{Z} . It has extra invariance, since it is also invariant under the elements of the group \mathbb{R} , a bigger group than \mathbb{Z} .

There are other closed additive subgroups of \mathbb{R} that contain \mathbb{Z} . All of them are of the form $\frac{1}{N}\mathbb{Z}$ for some natural number $N > 1$. In [ACHKM10] several equivalent conditions are given to determine if a shift invariant space is also $\frac{1}{N}\mathbb{Z}$ invariant, $N \in$

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\mathbb{N} , $N > 1$. Their results are given in terms of cut-off spaces in the Fourier transform side, gramians and range functions.

A particular important class of H invariant spaces is the one whose elements are generated by the H -translations of a single function $\psi \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$. They are called **principal** and define as

$$\langle \psi \rangle_H := \overline{\text{span}}\{T_h \psi : h \in H\},$$

where the closure is taken in $L^2(\mathbb{R})$. It can be seen using (1.1) that the Paley-Wiener space $PW([1/2, 1/2])$ is principal and generated by the function $\psi \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ given by $\widehat{\psi} = \chi_{[-1/2, 1/2]}$.

For principal shift invariant spaces $\langle \psi \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}} \subset L^2(\mathbb{R})$ it is shown in [SW11] that $\langle \psi \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}}$ is also $\frac{1}{N}\mathbb{Z}$ invariant, $N \in \mathbb{N}$, $N > 1$, if and only if for all $p = 1, 2, \dots, N - 1$,

$$P_{\psi, N}(\xi)P_{\psi, N}(\xi + p) = 0, \text{ a.e. } \xi \in \mathbb{R},$$

where $P_{\psi, N}$ is the periodization function of ψ for the group $\frac{1}{N}\mathbb{Z}$, that is

$$P_{\psi, N}(\xi) := \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} |\widehat{\psi}(\xi + Nk)|^2.$$

The Zak transform of a function $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$ for the group $\frac{1}{N}\mathbb{Z}$, $N \in \mathbb{N}$, is given by

$$Z_N(f)(x, \xi) := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} f(x + \frac{k}{N}) e^{-2\pi i \frac{k}{N} \xi}, \quad x, \xi \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (1.2)$$

It can be extended to be an isometric isomorphism from $L^2(\mathbb{R})$ onto $L^2([0, 1/N) \times [0, N))$. For the proof of this result and other properties of the Zak transform, together with historical background and references, see [Jan88]. It is a very useful tool in time-frequency analysis ([Gro01]) and in situations where the Fourier transform is not available, such as in Harmonic Analysis in non-commutative discrete groups ([BHP14, BHP15]). And it is also of great value in abelian Fourier Analysis: as an example see the simple proof of the Plancherel Theorem given in [HSWW10] using the Zak transform.

The main purpose of this article is to give a characterization of $\frac{1}{N}\mathbb{Z}$ extra invariant of principal shift invariant spaces of $L^2(\mathbb{R})$ using the Zak transform of the group $\frac{1}{N}\mathbb{Z}$. The statement is the following:

Theorem 1.1. *Let $\psi \neq 0$, $\psi \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ and $N \in \mathbb{N}$, $N > 1$. The following are equivalent:*

- (a) $\langle \psi \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}}$ is $\frac{1}{N}\mathbb{Z}$ invariant.
- (b) $Z_N(\psi)(x, \xi + p) Z_N(\psi)(y, \xi + q) = 0$ a.e. $x, y \in [0, 1/N)$, a.e. $\xi \in [0, 1)$, for all $p, q = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$, $p \neq q$.

Let $I_1 = [0, 1/2) \cup [1, 3/2)$ and $I_2 = [0, 1/2) \cup [3/2, 2)$. The functions ψ_1 and ψ_2 given by $\widehat{\psi}_1 = \chi_{I_1}$ and $\widehat{\psi}_2 = \chi_{I_2}$ are exhibited in [SW11] to show that although both allow sampling formulas with the lattice $\frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Z}$, the second one is better with respect to sampling since it also allows sampling with the coarser lattice \mathbb{Z} , while the first one does not.

We can witness, using Theorem 1.1, that they are also different for $\frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Z}$ extra invariance. To see this, we borrow from Proposition 2.3 the following formula for the Zak transform of a function $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$ for the group $\frac{1}{N}\mathbb{Z}$, $N \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$Z_N(f)(x, \xi) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \widehat{f}(\xi + Nk) e^{2\pi i x \cdot (\xi + Nk)}, \quad x, \xi \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (1.3)$$

Using (1.3) it is easy to see that for $\xi \in [0, 1)$, and $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$Z_2(\psi_1)(x, \xi) = e^{2\pi i x \cdot \xi} \chi_{[0, 1/2)}(\xi), \quad \text{and} \quad Z_2(\psi_1)(y, \xi + 1) = e^{2\pi i x \cdot (\xi + 1)} \chi_{[0, 1/2)}(\xi).$$

Since $Z_2(\psi_1)(x, \xi) Z_2(\psi_1)(y, \xi + 1) \neq 0$ for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ and all $\xi \in [0, 1/2)$, we deduce from Theorem 1.1 that $\langle \psi_1 \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}}$ is not $\frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Z}$ invariant. On the other hand, using again (1.3), for all $\xi \in [0, 1)$, and $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$, we have

$$Z_2(\psi_2)(x, \xi) = e^{2\pi i x \cdot \xi} \chi_{[0, 1/2)}(\xi), \quad \text{and} \quad Z_2(\psi_2)(y, \xi + 1) = e^{2\pi i x \cdot (\xi + 1)} \chi_{[1/2, 1)}(\xi)$$

Hence, $Z_2(\psi_2)(x, \xi) Z_2(\psi_2)(y, \xi + 1) = 0$ for all $\xi \in [0, 1)$, and $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$. This shows, by Theorem 1.1, that $\langle \psi_2 \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}}$ is $\frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Z}$ invariant.

Theorem 1.1 will be proved in Section 3. Section 2 contains the tools needed for the proof. In Section 5 we generalize Theorem 1.1 to the case of locally compact abelian (LCA) groups. We need an LCA group G and two lattices $\mathcal{K} \subset \mathcal{L}$ of G . The dual group of G will be denoted by \widehat{G} and $\mathcal{L}^\perp \subset \mathcal{K}^\perp$ denote the dual lattices of \mathcal{L} and \mathcal{K} respectively. We denote by $C_{\mathcal{L}}$ a measurable tiling set of G by \mathcal{L} , and similarly by $C_{\mathcal{K}^\perp}$ a measurable tiling set of \widehat{G} by \mathcal{K}^\perp .

We also need the notion of Zak transform with respect to a lattice that the reader can find in (4.5).

Theorem 1.2. *Let G be an LCA group and let $\mathcal{K} \subset \mathcal{L}$ be two lattices in G . Let $\psi \neq 0, \psi \in L^2(G)$. The following are equivalent:*

- (a) $\langle \psi \rangle_{\mathcal{K}}$ is \mathcal{L} invariant.
- (b) $Z_{\mathcal{L}}(\psi)(\alpha + \beta_1, x) Z_{\mathcal{L}}(\psi)(\alpha + \beta_2, y) = 0$ for all β_1, β_2 such that $[\beta_1] \neq [\beta_2]$ in $\mathcal{K}^\perp / \mathcal{L}^\perp$, and a.e. $x, y \in C_{\mathcal{L}}, \alpha \in C_{\mathcal{K}^\perp}$.

The proof of Theorem 1.2 will be given in Section 5. Subsections 4.1, 4.2, and 4.3 contain the tools needed for the proof.

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2. PRELIMINARIES

2.1. Properties of the Zak transform. Recall from (1.2) that the Zak transform of a function $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$ for the group $\frac{1}{N}\mathbb{Z}$, $N \in \mathbb{N}$, is given by

$$Z_N(f)(x, \xi) := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} f\left(x + \frac{k}{N}\right) e^{-2\pi i \frac{k}{N} \xi}, \quad x, \xi \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (2.1)$$

It can be extended to be an isometric isomorphism from $L^2(\mathbb{R})$ onto $L^2([0, 1/N] \times [0, N])$. It follows from the definition that if $\ell \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $x, \xi \in \mathbb{R}$

$$Z_N(f)(x, \xi + \ell N) = Z_N(f)(x, \xi), \quad (2.2)$$

and

$$Z_N(f)\left(x + \frac{\ell}{N}, \xi\right) = e^{2\pi i \frac{\ell}{N} \xi} Z_N(f)(x, \xi). \quad (2.3)$$

Therefore, $Z_N(f)(x, \xi)$ is determined as soon as we know its values in the rectangle $[0, 1/N] \times [0, N]$.

The following result relates the usual Zak transform Z_1 with the Zak transform defined by (2.1).

Proposition 2.1. *For $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$, $x, \xi \in \mathbb{R}$, and $N \in \mathbb{N}$,*

$$Z_1(f)(x, \xi) = \sum_{q=0}^{N-1} Z_N(f)(x, \xi + q).$$

Proof. By density, it is enough to prove the result for $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}) \cap L^2(\mathbb{R})$. Using definition (2.1) and collecting terms we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{q=0}^{N-1} Z_N(f)(x, \xi + q) &= \sum_{q=0}^{N-1} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} f\left(x + \frac{k}{N}\right) e^{-2\pi i \frac{k}{N} (\xi + q)} \\ &= \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{1}{N} \left(\sum_{q=0}^{N-1} e^{-2\pi i \frac{k}{N} q} \right) f\left(x + \frac{k}{N}\right) e^{-2\pi i \frac{k}{N} \xi}. \end{aligned}$$

Let $\Phi_N(k) := \frac{1}{N} \left(\sum_{q=0}^{N-1} e^{-2\pi i \frac{k}{N} q} \right)$. If $K = \ell N$, $\Phi_N(k) = 1$. On the other hand if k is not an integer multiple of N , using the sum of a geometric progression, $\Phi_N(k) = 0$. Therefore,

$$\sum_{q=0}^{N-1} Z_N(f)(x, \xi + q) = \sum_{\ell \in \mathbb{Z}} f\left(x + \frac{\ell}{N}\right) e^{-2\pi i \ell \xi} = Z_1(f)(x, \xi).$$

□

Recall that $T_x(f)(y) = f(y - x)$ denotes de translation by $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

Proposition 2.2. *For $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$, $x, \xi \in \mathbb{R}$, and $N \in \mathbb{N}$,*

$$Z_1(T_{1/N}(f))(x, \xi) = \sum_{q=0}^{N-1} e^{-\frac{2\pi i (\xi + q)}{N}} Z_N(f)(x, \xi + q).$$

Proof. By density, it is enough to prove the result for $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}) \cap L^2(\mathbb{R})$. Now, the result follows by using Proposition 2.1 and equation (2.3):

$$\begin{aligned} Z_1(T_{1/N}(f))(x, \xi) &= Z_1(f)\left(x - \frac{1}{N}, \xi\right) = \sum_{q=0}^{N-1} Z_N(f)\left(x - \frac{1}{N}, \xi + q\right) \\ &= \sum_{q=0}^{N-1} e^{-2\pi i \frac{1}{N}(\xi+q)} Z_N(f)(x, \xi + q). \end{aligned}$$

□

The following result will be needed in the sequel. It gives a way to compute the Zak transform of a function using its Fourier transform.

Proposition 2.3. *For $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$, $x, \xi \in \mathbb{R}$, and $N \in \mathbb{N}$,*

$$Z_N(f)(x, \xi) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \widehat{f}(\xi + Nk) e^{2\pi i x \cdot (\xi + Nk)}.$$

Proof. It is enough to show the result for $f \in C_c(\mathbb{R})$, the continuous functions with compact support in \mathbb{R} . For each $x, \xi \in \mathbb{R}$ define $F_{x,\xi}(t) := f\left(x + \frac{t}{N}\right) e^{-2\pi i \frac{t}{N} \xi}$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$. By the Poisson Summation Formula,

$$Z_N(f)(x, \xi) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} F_{x,\xi}(k) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \widehat{F_{x,\xi}}(k). \quad (2.4)$$

With the change of variables $x + \frac{t}{N} = z$ we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{F_{x,\xi}}(k) &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} F_{x,\xi}(t) e^{-2\pi i k t} dt = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f\left(x + \frac{t}{N}\right) e^{-2\pi i \frac{t}{N} \xi} e^{-2\pi i k t} dt \\ &= N \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(z) e^{-2\pi i (z-x)\xi} e^{-2\pi i k (z-x)N} dz \\ &= N e^{2\pi i x(\xi + Nk)} \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(z) e^{-2\pi i z(\xi + Nk)} dz \\ &= N e^{2\pi i x(\xi + Nk)} \widehat{f}(\xi + Nk). \end{aligned}$$

The result follows by replacing this equality in (2.4). □

Remark 2.4. *Propositions 2.1 and 2.2 can also be proved using Proposition 2.3. We leave the details for the reader.*

2.2. Principal invariant spaces. We start by giving a condition to determine if a principal shift invariant subspace is also $\frac{1}{N}\mathbb{Z}$ invariant.

Proposition 2.5. *Let $\psi \neq 0$, $\psi \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$, and $N \in \mathbb{N}$, $N > 1$. The following are equivalent:*

- (a) $\langle \psi \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}}$ is $\frac{1}{N}\mathbb{Z}$ invariant.
- (b) $T_{1/N}(\psi) \in \langle \psi \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}}$.

Proof. (a) \Rightarrow (b) is clear by definition. To prove (b) \Rightarrow (a) let $f \in \langle \psi \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}}$. We have to show that $T_{k/N}(f) \in \langle \psi \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}}$ for all $k \in \mathbb{Z}$. Write $k = \ell N + q$, $\ell \in \mathbb{Z}$, $q \in \mathbb{Z}$, $0 \leq q \leq N - 1$. Then, $T_{k/N}(f) = T_{q/N} T_{\ell}(f) \in T_{q/N}(\langle \psi \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}})$. Thus, it is enough to prove that $T_{q/N}(\langle \psi \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}}) \subset \langle \psi \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}}$ for all $q \in \mathbb{Z}$, $0 \leq q \leq N - 1$. The result is clear for $q = 0$. If $q = 1$,

$$T_{1/N}(\langle \psi \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}}) \subset \langle T_{1/N}(\psi) \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}} \subset \langle \psi \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}},$$

since $T_{1/N}\psi \in \langle \psi \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}}$ by (b). Proceed now by induction on q . If $T_{q/N}(\langle \psi \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}}) \subset \langle \psi \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}}$, then

$$T_{\frac{q+1}{N}}(\langle \psi \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}}) = T_{\frac{1}{N}} T_{\frac{q}{N}}(\langle \psi \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}}) \subset T_{\frac{1}{N}}(\langle \psi \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}}) \subset \langle T_{1/N}(\psi) \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}} \subset \langle \psi \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}},$$

since $T_{1/N}\psi \in \langle \psi \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}}$ by (b). \square

The following result characterizes the elements of $\langle \psi \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}}$ in terms of a multiplier. It was first proved in [dBDVR94], Theorem 2.14 (see also Theorem 2.1 in [HSWW10]).

Proposition 2.6. *Let $\psi \neq 0, \psi \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$.*

(a) *If $f \in \langle \psi \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}}$, there exists a \mathbb{Z} -periodic function m_f on \mathbb{R} such that $\widehat{f} = m_f \widehat{\psi}$.*

(b) *If m is a \mathbb{Z} -periodic function on \mathbb{R} such that $m\widehat{\psi} \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ then, the function f defined by $\widehat{f} = m\widehat{\psi}$ belongs to $\langle \psi \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}}$.*

We will need a similar result to the one stated in the above Proposition, but in terms of multipliers of the Zak transform. It is a corollary of Proposition 2.6.

Corollary 2.7. *Let $\psi \neq 0, \psi \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$.*

(a) *If $f \in \langle \psi \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}}$, there exists a \mathbb{Z} -periodic function m_f on \mathbb{R} with $m_f \widehat{\psi} \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ such that $Z_1(f)(x, \xi) = m_f(\xi)Z_1(\psi)(x, \xi)$, a. e. $x, \xi \in \mathbb{R}$.*

(b) *If m is a \mathbb{Z} -periodic function on \mathbb{R} such that $m\widehat{\psi} \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ then, the function f defined by $Z_1(f)(x, \xi) = m(\xi)Z_1(\psi)(x, \xi)$, a. e. $x, \xi \in \mathbb{R}$, belongs to $\langle \psi \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}}$.*

Proof. (a) By (a) of Proposition 2.6 there exists a \mathbb{Z} -periodic function m_f on \mathbb{R} such that $\widehat{f} = m_f \widehat{\psi}$. Hence, $m_f \widehat{\psi} \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ and by Proposition 2.3 for $N = 1$ we deduce,

$$\begin{aligned} Z_1(f)(x, \xi) &= \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \widehat{f}(\xi + k) e^{2\pi i x \cdot (\xi + k)} = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} m_f(\xi + k) \widehat{\psi}(\xi + k) e^{2\pi i x \cdot (\xi + k)} \\ &= m_f(\xi) \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \widehat{\psi}(\xi + k) e^{2\pi i x \cdot (\xi + k)} = m_f(\xi) Z_1 \psi(x, \xi). \end{aligned}$$

(b) First notice that since $m\widehat{\psi} \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$, by Proposition 2.3 for $N = 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} m(\xi) Z_1(\psi)(x, \xi) &= m(\xi) \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \widehat{\psi}(\xi + k) e^{2\pi i x \cdot (\xi + k)} = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} m(\xi + k) \widehat{\psi}(\xi + k) e^{2\pi i x \cdot (\xi + k)} \\ &= \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} m\widehat{\psi}(\xi + k) e^{2\pi i x \cdot (\xi + k)} = Z_1(\mathcal{F}^{-1}(m\widehat{\psi}))(x, \xi), \end{aligned}$$

where \mathcal{F}^{-1} is our notation for the inverse Fourier transform of an $L^2(\mathbb{R})$ function. This shows that $mZ_1(\psi)$ coincides with the Zak transform of $\mathcal{F}^{-1}(m\widehat{\psi}) \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$. Since f satisfies $Z_1(f)(x, \xi) = m(\xi)Z_1(\psi)(x, \xi) = Z_1(\mathcal{F}^{-1}(m\widehat{\psi}))(x, \xi)$ and Z_1 is an isometry, we conclude $\widehat{f} = m\widehat{\psi}$. By (b) of Proposition 2.6, $f \in \langle \psi \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}}$. \square

3. PROOF OF THEOREM 1.1

3.1. Proof of (a) implies (b) of Theorem 1.1. Assume that $\langle \psi \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}}$ is $\frac{1}{N}\mathbb{Z}$ invariant, $N \in \mathbb{N}, N > 1$. Then 2.5, $T_{1/N}(\psi) \in \langle \psi \rangle_{\mathbb{Z}}$. By Corollary 2.7, there exists a \mathbb{Z} -periodic function m on \mathbb{R} , with $m\widehat{\psi} \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$, such that

$$Z_1(T_{1/N}(\psi))(x, \xi) = m(\xi)Z_1(\psi)(x, \xi), \text{ a. e. } x, \xi \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Equivalently,

$$Z_1(\psi)(x - \frac{1}{N}, \xi) = m(\xi)Z_1(\psi)(x, \xi), \text{ a. e. } x, \xi \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Iterating, for $p = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

$$Z_1(\psi)(x - \frac{p}{N}, \xi) = m(\xi)^p Z_1(\psi)(x, \xi), \text{ a. e. } x, \xi \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (3.1)$$

On the other hand, by Proposition 2.1 and equation (2.3), for $p \in \mathbb{Z}$ we obtain,

$$\begin{aligned}
Z_1(\psi)\left(x - \frac{p}{N}, \xi\right) &= \sum_{q=0}^{N-1} Z_N(\psi)\left(x - \frac{p}{N}, \xi + q\right) \\
&= \sum_{q=0}^{N-1} e^{-2\pi i \frac{p(\xi+q)}{N}} Z_N(\psi)(x, \xi + q) \\
&= e^{-2\pi i \frac{p\xi}{N}} \sum_{q=0}^{N-1} e^{-2\pi i \frac{pq}{N}} Z_N(\psi)(x, \xi + q). \tag{3.2}
\end{aligned}$$

For $q, p \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $x, \xi \in \mathbb{R}$, let $\alpha_q(x, \xi) := Z_N(\psi)(x, \xi + q)$ and $A_p(x, \xi) := \sum_{q=0}^{N-1} e^{-2\pi i \frac{pq}{N}} \alpha_q(x, \xi)$.

Observe that for x, ξ fixed, $\alpha_q(x, \xi)$ is $N\mathbb{Z}$ -periodic in q (see 2.2). Also $A_p(x, \xi)$ are the discrete Fourier coefficients of the sequence $\{\alpha_q(x, \xi)\}_{q=0}^{N-1}$. Thus, by inversion,

$$\alpha_q(x, \xi) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{p=0}^{N-1} e^{2\pi i \frac{pq}{N}} A_p(x, \xi), \quad x, \xi \in \mathbb{R}. \tag{3.3}$$

For these coefficients $A_p(x, \xi)$ the following crucial relation can be proved:

Lemma 3.1. *Let $x, y, \xi \in \mathbb{R}$. If $p, q, p_1, q_1 \in \mathbb{N}$ and $p + q = p_1 + q_1 \pmod{N}$, then*

$$A_p(x, \xi) A_q(y, \xi) = A_{p_1}(x, \xi) A_{q_1}(y, \xi).$$

Proof. By equation (3.2),

$$e^{-\frac{2\pi i(p+q)\xi}{N}} A_p(x, \xi) A_q(y, \xi) = Z_1(\psi)\left(x - \frac{p}{N}, \xi\right) Z_1(\psi)\left(y - \frac{q}{N}, \xi\right).$$

By equation (3.1),

$$e^{-\frac{2\pi i(p+q)\xi}{N}} A_p(x, \xi) A_q(y, \xi) = m(\xi)^{p+q} Z_1(\psi)(x, \xi) Z_1(\psi)(y, \xi). \tag{3.4}$$

Similarly,

$$e^{-\frac{2\pi i(p_1+q_1)\xi}{N}} A_{p_1}(x, \xi) A_{q_1}(y, \xi) = m(\xi)^{p_1+q_1} Z_1(\psi)(x, \xi) Z_1(\psi)(y, \xi). \tag{3.5}$$

For $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, use (3.1) with $p = kN$ and then (2.3) with $k = \ell$ and $N = 1$ to obtain

$$m(\xi)^{kN} Z_1(\psi)(x, \xi) = Z_1(\psi)(x - k, \xi) = e^{-2\pi i k \xi} Z_1(\psi)(x, \xi). \tag{3.6}$$

Assume $p_1 + q_1 = p + q + kN$ for some $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$. Then, by (3.5), (3.6) and (3.4),

$$\begin{aligned}
A_{p_1}(x, \xi) A_{q_1}(y, \xi) &= e^{\frac{2\pi i(p_1+q_1)\xi}{N}} m(\xi)^{p_1+q_1} Z_1(\psi)(x, \xi) Z_1(\psi)(y, \xi) \\
&= e^{\frac{2\pi i(p+q)\xi}{N}} e^{2\pi i k \xi} m(\xi)^{p+q} m(\xi)^{kN} Z_1(\psi)(x, \xi) Z_1(\psi)(y, \xi) \\
&= e^{\frac{2\pi i(p+q)\xi}{N}} m(\xi)^{p+q} Z_1(\psi)(x, \xi) Z_1(\psi)(y, \xi) \\
&= A_p(x, \xi) A_q(y, \xi).
\end{aligned}$$

□

We continue now with the proof. With the notation introduced above, we need to show that $\alpha_p(x, \xi) \alpha_q(y, \xi) = 0$ a. e. $x, y \in [0, 1/N)$, a. e. $\xi \in [0, 1)$, for all $p, q = 0, 1, \dots, N-1, p \neq$

q . By equation (3.3)

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha_p(x, \xi) \alpha_q(y, \xi) &= \frac{1}{N^2} \left(\sum_{j=0}^{N-1} e^{2\pi i \frac{jp}{N}} A_j(x, \xi) \right) \left(\sum_{\ell=0}^{N-1} e^{2\pi i \frac{\ell q}{N}} A_\ell(y, \xi) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \sum_{\ell=0}^{N-1} e^{2\pi i \frac{(jp+\ell q)}{N}} A_j(x, \xi) A_\ell(y, \xi).\end{aligned}$$

Let $\ell = N - 1 - j - k$. Then,

$$\alpha_p(x, \xi) \alpha_q(y, \xi) = \frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \sum_{k=-j}^{N-1-j} e^{\frac{2\pi ij(p-q)}{N}} e^{-\frac{2\pi i(k+1)q}{N}} A_j(x, \xi) A_{N-1-j-k}(y, \xi).$$

By Lemma 3.1, $A_j(x, \xi) A_{N-1-j-k}(y, \xi) = A_0(x, \xi) A_{N-1-k}(y, \xi)$. Thus,

$$\alpha_p(x, \xi) \alpha_q(y, \xi) = \frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \sum_{k=-j}^{N-1-j} e^{\frac{2\pi ij(p-q)}{N}} e^{-\frac{2\pi i(k+1)q}{N}} A_0(x, \xi) A_{N-1-k}(y, \xi).$$

Interchanging, carefully, the above summations, and using that $A_0(x, \xi) A_{2N-1-\ell}(y, \xi) = A_0(x, \xi) A_{N-1-\ell}(y, \xi)$ by Lemma 3.1, we obtain,

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha_p(x, \xi) \alpha_q(y, \xi) &= \frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1-k} e^{\frac{2\pi ij(p-q)}{N}} e^{-\frac{2\pi i(k+1)q}{N}} A_0(x, \xi) A_{N-1-k}(y, \xi) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{k=-N+1}^{-1} \sum_{j=-k}^{N-1} e^{\frac{2\pi ij(p-q)}{N}} e^{-\frac{2\pi i(k+1)q}{N}} A_0(x, \xi) A_{N-1-k}(y, \xi) \\ &= \frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{\ell=0}^{N-1} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1-\ell} e^{\frac{2\pi ij(p-q)}{N}} e^{-\frac{2\pi i(\ell+1)q}{N}} A_0(x, \xi) A_{N-1-\ell}(y, \xi) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{\ell=1}^{N-1} \sum_{j=N-\ell}^{N-1} e^{\frac{2\pi ij(p-q)}{N}} e^{-\frac{2\pi i(\ell+1)q}{N}} A_0(x, \xi) A_{2N-1-\ell}(y, \xi) \\ &= \frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{\ell=0}^{N-1} \left(\sum_{j=0}^{N-1} e^{\frac{2\pi ij(p-q)}{N}} \right) e^{-\frac{2\pi i(\ell+1)q}{N}} A_0(x, \xi) A_{N-1-\ell}(y, \xi).\end{aligned}$$

Since, when $p \neq q$, $\sum_{j=0}^{N-1} e^{\frac{2\pi ij(p-q)}{N}} = 0$ the result is established.

3.2. Proof of (b) implies (a) of Theorem 1.1. Suppose that

$$Z_N(\psi)(x, \xi + p) Z_N(\psi)(y, \xi + q) = 0 \tag{3.7}$$

a.e. $x, y \in [0, 1/N]$, a.e. $\xi \in [0, 1)$, for all $p, q = 0, 1, \dots, N-1, p \neq q$. By (2.3), equation (3.7) holds for a. e. $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$. By Proposition 2.5 and Corollary 2.7 it is enough to find a \mathbb{Z} -periodic function m defined on \mathbb{R} such that $m\widehat{\psi} \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ and

$$Z_1(T_{1/N}(\psi))(x, \xi) = m(\xi) Z_1(\psi)(x, \xi) \tag{3.8}$$

a. e. $x, \xi \in \mathbb{R}$. By the quasi-periodicity properties of Z_1 (see (2.2) and (2.3)) it is enough to prove (3.8) for a. e. $x, \xi \in [0, 1)$.

For $0 \leq q \leq N-1$ and $0 \leq x < 1$, let

$$S_\psi^{(q)}(x) := \{\xi \in [0, 1) : Z_N(\psi)(x, \xi + q) \neq 0\},$$

and

$$S_\psi^{(q)} := \bigcup_{x \in [0,1)} S_\psi^{(q)}(x).$$

Note that $S_\psi^{(q)}$ is a measurable subset of $[0, 1) \times [0, 1)$. From (3.7) we conclude $|S_\psi^{(q)} \cap S_\psi^{(p)}| = 0$ when $p, q = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N-1, p \neq q$. Finally, define

$$S_\psi = [0, 1) \setminus \bigcup_{q=0}^{N-1} S_\psi^{(q)}.$$

For $0 \leq \xi < 1$, define

$$m(\xi) = \begin{cases} e^{-\frac{2\pi i(\xi+q)}{N}} & \text{if } \xi \in S^{(q)}, 0 \leq q \leq N-1, \\ 1 & \text{if } \xi \in S_\psi \end{cases},$$

and extend m to \mathbb{R} to be \mathbb{Z} -periodic. Since $|m(\xi)| = 1$ and $\psi \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$, we conclude $m\widehat{\psi} \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$.

We need to show that (3.8) holds for a. e. $x, \xi \in [0, 1)$. For almost every $x, \xi \in [0, 1)$ either $Z_N(\psi)(x, \xi + q) = 0$ for all $q = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N-1$ or there exists only one value of $q \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots, N-1\}$ such that $Z_N(\psi)(x, \xi + q) \neq 0$. In the first case, by Propositions 2.1 and 2.2 we have

$$Z_1(\psi)(x, \xi) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad Z_1(T_{1/N})(x, \xi) = 0,$$

so that (3.8) holds trivially. In the second case, again by Propositions 2.1 and 2.2 we have

$$Z_1(\psi)(x, \xi) = Z_N(\psi)(x, \xi + q) \quad \text{and} \quad Z_1(T_{1/N})(x, \xi) = e^{-\frac{2\pi i(\xi+q)}{N}} Z_N(\psi)(x, \xi + q).$$

Since, in this case, $\xi \in S_\psi^{(q)}(x)$, we have $m(\xi) = e^{-\frac{2\pi i(\xi+q)}{N}}$ and the equality (3.8) also holds in this case.

4. TOOLS AND RESULTS FOR LCA GROUPS

A natural question is to ask if Theorem 1.1 can be extended to locally compact abelian (LCA) groups. In [ACP10] the authors characterize the extra invariance of shift invariant spaces on LCA groups in terms of cut-off spaces in the Fourier transform side, and also in terms of range functions. Here, we give a characterization using the Zak transform relative to a given lattice.

We start by describing the results we need for our extension. For a detailed introduction to LCA groups see [Rud92].

4.1. Background on LCA groups. A group $(G, +)$ is an LCA (locally compact abelian) group if it is endowed with a separable, locally compact, Hausdorff topology, the map $x \rightarrow -x$ is continuous from G into G , and the map $(x, y) \rightarrow x+y$ is continuous from $G \times G$ into G . Every LCA group G has a non-zero Borel measure which is translation invariant and unique, up to a possible scalar multiple, called Haar measure, and denoted by μ_G .

A character of an LCA group G is a continuous homomorphism $\alpha : G \rightarrow S^1 = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| = 1\}$. The set of all characters of G , with the compact open topology, is an LCA group, denoted by \widehat{G} , the **dual group** of G . We write $(x, \alpha) = \alpha(x)$ when $x \in G$ and $\alpha \in \widehat{G}$. Notice that for $x, y \in G$ and $\alpha \in \widehat{G}$, $(x+y, \alpha) = (x, \alpha)(y, \alpha)$ since α is a homomorphism. Thus, $(0, \alpha) = 1$, for any $\alpha \in \widehat{G}$. Similarly, for $x \in G$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \widehat{G}$, $(x, \alpha + \beta) = (x, \alpha)(x, \beta)$ and $(x, 0) = 1$.

A subgroup \mathcal{L} of G is called a **lattice** if it is discrete with respect to the topology of G and $T_{\mathcal{L}} = G/\mathcal{L}$ is compact in the quotient topology. In particular \mathcal{L} is countable. Associated to a lattice \mathcal{L} of G there is a **dual lattice** given by

$$\mathcal{L}^{\perp} = \{\alpha \in \widehat{G} : (\ell, \alpha) = 0 \text{ for all } \ell \in \mathcal{L}\}.$$

It is well known (see [Rud92], Theorem 2.1.2) that

$$\widehat{(G/\mathcal{L})} \approx \mathcal{L}^{\perp} \quad \text{and} \quad \widehat{\widehat{G}/\widehat{\mathcal{L}}} \approx \mathcal{L}^{\perp}. \quad (4.1)$$

Given two lattices $\mathcal{K} \subset \mathcal{L}$ of G , the quotient group $\mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K} \approx (G/\mathcal{L})/(G/\mathcal{K}) = T_{\mathcal{L}}/T_{\mathcal{K}}$, is a finite abelian group since $T_{\mathcal{L}}$ and $T_{\mathcal{K}}$ are compact.

We have $\mathcal{L}^{\perp} \subset \mathcal{K}^{\perp}$, and therefore $\mathcal{K}^{\perp}/\mathcal{L}^{\perp}$ is also a finite abelian group. In fact, $\mathcal{K}^{\perp}/\mathcal{L}^{\perp}$ and \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K} have the same number of elements. To see this, use (4.1) with $G = \mathcal{L}$ and $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{K}$ to deduce $\widehat{(\mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K})} \approx \widehat{\mathcal{L}}/\widehat{\mathcal{K}}$. Again by (4.1),

$$\widehat{(\mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K})} \approx \widehat{\mathcal{L}}/\widehat{\mathcal{K}} \approx (\widehat{G}/\widehat{\mathcal{K}}) / (\widehat{G}/\widehat{\mathcal{L}}) \approx \mathcal{K}^{\perp}/\mathcal{L}^{\perp}.$$

Since \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K} is a finite abelian group, $\widehat{(\mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K})} \approx \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K}$ and the result follows.

If $[\ell] \in \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K}$ and $[\alpha] \in \mathcal{K}^{\perp}/\mathcal{L}^{\perp}$, the number $([\ell], [\alpha]) := (\ell, \alpha)$ is well defined. Since \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K} and $\mathcal{K}^{\perp}/\mathcal{L}^{\perp}$ are finite abelian groups, by Theorem 1.2.5 in [Rud92],

$$\sum_{[\ell] \in \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K}} ([\ell], [\alpha]) = \begin{cases} |\mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K}| & \text{if } [\alpha] = [0] \in \mathcal{K}^{\perp}/\mathcal{L}^{\perp} \\ 0 & \text{if } [\alpha] \neq [0] \in \mathcal{K}^{\perp}/\mathcal{L}^{\perp} \end{cases}, \quad (4.2)$$

By duality we also have,

$$\sum_{[\alpha] \in \mathcal{K}^{\perp}/\mathcal{L}^{\perp}} ([\ell], [\alpha]) = \begin{cases} |\mathcal{K}^{\perp}/\mathcal{L}^{\perp}| = |\mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K}| & \text{if } [\ell] = [0] \in \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K} \\ 0 & \text{if } [\ell] \neq [0] \in \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K} \end{cases}, \quad (4.3)$$

The **Fourier transform** of $f \in L^1(G, \mu_G)$ is defined by

$$\widehat{f}(\alpha) = \int_G f(x)(-x, \alpha) d\mu_G(x), \quad \alpha \in \widehat{G},$$

and extends to an unique isometry $\mathcal{F}(f) = \widehat{f}$ from $L^2(G, \mu_G)$ into $L^2(\widehat{G}, \mu_{\widehat{G}})$, where $\mu_{\widehat{G}}$ is the Plancherel measure in \widehat{G} .

In the sequel we will use the **Poisson Summation Formula** in this situation (see Theorem 5.5.2 in [Rei68]). Let \mathcal{L} be a lattice in an LCA group G and $F \in C_c(G)$ (the set of continuous functions with compact support on G), then

$$|T_{\mathcal{L}}| \sum_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}} F(\ell) = \sum_{\gamma \in \mathcal{L}^{\perp}} \widehat{F}(\gamma). \quad (4.4)$$

4.2. The Zak transform on LCA groups. Let \mathcal{L} be a lattice in an LCA group. For $f \in L^1(G)$ the **Zak transform** of f with respect to the lattice \mathcal{L} is given by

$$Z_{\mathcal{L}}(f)(\alpha, x) = |T_{\mathcal{L}}| \sum_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}} f(x + \ell)(-\ell, \alpha), \quad \alpha \in \widehat{G}, x \in G, . \quad (4.5)$$

It can be extended to an isometric isomorphism from $L^2(G)$ onto $L^2(\widehat{\mathcal{L}}, L^2(C_{\mathcal{L}}))$, where $C_{\mathcal{L}}$ is a measurable set of representatives of G/\mathcal{L} . (For a proof see Proposition 3.3 in [BHP15].)

We list now some properties of the Zak transform just defined. The first one is the following: if $[\alpha_1] = [\alpha_2]$ in $\widehat{G}/\mathcal{L}^\perp$, then

$$Z_{\mathcal{L}}(f)(\alpha_1, x) = Z_{\mathcal{L}}(f)(\alpha_2, x), \quad x \in G. \quad (4.6)$$

Indeed, since $[\alpha_1] = [\alpha_2]$ in $\widehat{G}/\mathcal{L}^\perp$, there exists $\gamma \in \mathcal{L}^\perp$ such that $\alpha_1 - \alpha_2 = \gamma$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{\mathcal{L}}(f)(\alpha_1, x) &= |T_{\mathcal{L}}| \sum_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}} f(x + \ell)(-\ell, \alpha_1) \\ &= |T_{\mathcal{L}}| \sum_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}} f(x + \ell)(-\ell, \alpha_2 + \gamma) \\ &= |T_{\mathcal{L}}| \left(\sum_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}} f(x + \ell)(-\ell, \alpha_2) \right) (-\ell, \gamma) \\ &= Z_{\mathcal{L}}(f)(\alpha_2, x), \end{aligned}$$

since $(-\ell, \gamma) = 1$ by definition of \mathcal{L}^\perp . The second one is related to translations in G : if $\ell \in \mathcal{L}$, then

$$Z_{\mathcal{L}}(f)(\alpha, x - \ell) = (-\ell, \alpha) Z_{\mathcal{L}}(f)(\alpha, x), \quad x \in G, \alpha \in \widehat{G}. \quad (4.7)$$

In fact,

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{\mathcal{L}}(f)(\alpha, x - \ell) &= |T_{\mathcal{L}}| \sum_{\ell' \in \mathcal{L}} f(x - \ell + \ell')(-\ell', \alpha) \\ &= |T_{\mathcal{L}}| \sum_{\ell'' \in \mathcal{L}} f(x + \ell'')(-\ell'' - \ell, \alpha) \\ &= |T_{\mathcal{L}}| \left(\sum_{\ell'' \in \mathcal{L}} f(x + \ell'')(-\ell'', \alpha) \right) (-\ell, \alpha) \\ &= (-\ell, \alpha) Z_{\mathcal{L}}(f)(\alpha, x). \end{aligned}$$

Remark 4.1. *It follows from (4.7) that if $[x_1] = [x_2]$ in G/\mathcal{L} and $\alpha \in \mathcal{L}^\perp$, then $Z_{\mathcal{L}}(f)(\alpha, x_1) = Z_{\mathcal{L}}(f)(\alpha, x_2)$.*

Proposition 4.2. *Let $\mathcal{K} \subset \mathcal{L}$ be two lattices in an LCA group G . For $f \in L^2(G)$, $\alpha \in \widehat{G}$, $x \in G$,*

$$Z_{\mathcal{K}}(f)(\alpha, x) = \sum_{[\beta] \in \mathcal{K}^\perp/\mathcal{L}^\perp} Z_{\mathcal{L}}(f)(\alpha + \beta, x).$$

Proof. Observe that for $[\beta] \in \mathcal{K}^\perp/\mathcal{L}^\perp$, $Z_{\mathcal{L}}(f)(\alpha + \beta, x)$ is well defined by (4.6), that is the formula is independent of the representative chosen in $[\beta]$. By density, it is enough to prove the result for $f \in C_c(G)$. Using definition (4.5),

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{[\beta] \in \mathcal{K}^\perp/\mathcal{L}^\perp} Z_{\mathcal{L}}(f)(\alpha + \beta, x) &= \sum_{[\beta] \in \mathcal{K}^\perp/\mathcal{L}^\perp} |T_{\mathcal{L}}| \sum_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}} f(x + \ell)(-\ell, \alpha + \beta) \\ &= \sum_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}} |T_{\mathcal{L}}| \left(\sum_{[\beta] \in \mathcal{K}^\perp/\mathcal{L}^\perp} (-\ell, \beta) \right) f(x + \ell)(-\ell, \alpha). \end{aligned}$$

By (4.3), $\sum_{[\beta] \in \mathcal{K}^\perp/\mathcal{L}^\perp} (-\ell, \beta) = |\mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K}|$ if $[\ell] = [0]$ in \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K} and equals 0 if $[\ell] \neq [0]$ in \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K} . Since $|\mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K}| = |T_{\mathcal{K}}|/|T_{\mathcal{L}}|$ we obtain

$$\sum_{[\beta] \in \mathcal{K}^\perp/\mathcal{L}^\perp} Z_{\mathcal{L}}(f)(\alpha + \beta, x) = \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} |T_{\mathcal{K}}| f(x + k)(-k, \alpha) = Z_{\mathcal{K}}(f)(\alpha, x).$$

□

Recall that $T_x(f)(y) = f(y-x)$ denotes the translation by $x \in G$ of the function f defined in G .

Proposition 4.3. *Let $\mathcal{K} \subset \mathcal{L}$ be two lattices in an LCA group G . For $\ell \in \mathcal{L}$, $f \in L^2(G)$, $\alpha \in \widehat{G}$, $x \in G$,*

$$Z_{\mathcal{K}}(T_{\ell}f)(\alpha, x) = \sum_{[\beta] \in \mathcal{K}^{\perp}/\mathcal{L}^{\perp}} (-\ell, \alpha + \beta) Z_{\mathcal{L}}(f)(\alpha + \beta, x).$$

Proof. By density, it is enough to prove the result for $f \in C_c(G)$. Use Proposition 4.2 and (4.7) to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{\mathcal{K}}(T_{\ell}f)(\alpha, x) &= Z_{\mathcal{K}}(f)(\alpha, x - \ell) \\ &= \sum_{[\beta] \in \mathcal{K}^{\perp}/\mathcal{L}^{\perp}} Z_{\mathcal{L}}(f)(\alpha + \beta, x - \ell) \\ &= \sum_{[\beta] \in \mathcal{K}^{\perp}/\mathcal{L}^{\perp}} (-\ell, \alpha + \beta) Z_{\mathcal{L}}(f)(\alpha + \beta, x). \end{aligned}$$

□

As in the case of $G = \mathbb{R}$ we are going to need an expression for the Zak transform of $f \in L^2(G)$ in terms of the Fourier transform of f in G . This is possible due to the Poisson Summation Formula (4.4).

Proposition 4.4. *For $f \in L^2(G)$, $x \in G$, $\alpha \in \widehat{G}$, and \mathcal{L} a lattice in G ,*

$$Z_{\mathcal{L}}(f)(\alpha, x) = \sum_{\gamma \in \mathcal{L}^{\perp}} \widehat{f}(\alpha + \gamma)(x, \alpha + \gamma).$$

Proof. As before, it is enough to prove the result for $f \in C_c(G)$. Consider the function $F_{\alpha, x}(y) = f(x+y)(-y, \alpha)$, $y \in G$. By the Poisson Summation Formula,

$$Z_{\mathcal{L}}(\alpha, x) = |T_{\mathcal{L}}| \sum_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}} F_{\alpha, x}(\ell) = \sum_{\gamma \in \mathcal{L}^{\perp}} \widehat{F_{\alpha, x}}(\gamma). \quad (4.8)$$

We now compute $\widehat{F_{\alpha, x}}(\gamma)$:

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{F_{\alpha, x}}(\gamma) &= \int_G F_{\alpha, x}(y)(-y, \gamma) d\mu_G(y) \\ &= \int_G f(x+y)(-y, \alpha)(-y, \gamma) d\mu_G(y) \\ &= \int_G f(x+y)(-y, \alpha + \gamma) d\mu_G(y) \\ &= \int_G f(z)(x-z, \alpha + \gamma) d\mu_G(z) \\ &= (x, \alpha + \gamma) \widehat{f}(\alpha + \gamma). \end{aligned} \quad (4.9)$$

The result now follows replacing (4.9) in (4.8). □

4.3. Principal invariant spaces in LCA groups. Let \mathcal{L} be a lattice in an LCA group G . A closed subspace V of $L^2(G)$ is \mathcal{L} **invariant** if when $f \in V$, $T_\ell(f) \in V$ for all $\ell \in \mathcal{L}$. If $\psi \in L^2(G)$, the subspace

$$\langle \psi \rangle_{\mathcal{L}} := \overline{\text{span}}\{T_\ell(\psi) : \ell \in \mathcal{L}\}$$

is an \mathcal{L} invariant subspace of $L^2(G)$ that is called **principal**.

As in subsection 2.2, given two lattices $\mathcal{K} \subset \mathcal{L}$ in G , we are interested in finding necessary and sufficient conditions on $\psi \in L^2(G)$ for $\langle \psi \rangle_{\mathcal{L}}$ to be \mathcal{L} invariant. A preliminary result is the following:

Proposition 4.5. *Let $\psi \neq 0$, $\psi \in L^2(G)$, and $\mathcal{K} \subset \mathcal{L}$ be two lattices in G . The following are equivalent:*

- (a) $\langle \psi \rangle_{\mathcal{K}}$ is \mathcal{L} invariant.
- (b) $T_\ell(\psi) \in \langle \psi \rangle_{\mathcal{K}}$ for all $\ell \in \mathcal{L}$.

Proof. (a) \Rightarrow (b) is clear by definition. To prove (b) \Rightarrow (a) let $f \in \langle \psi \rangle_{\mathcal{K}}$. We have to show $T_\ell(f) \in \langle \psi \rangle_{\mathcal{K}}$ for all $\ell \in \mathcal{L}$. But

$$T_\ell(f) \in T_\ell(\langle \psi \rangle_{\mathcal{K}}) \subset \langle T_\ell(\psi) \rangle_{\mathcal{K}} \subset \langle \psi \rangle_{\mathcal{K}},$$

since $T_\ell(\psi) \in \langle \psi \rangle_{\mathcal{K}}$ by (b). □

We need now a characterization of $\langle \psi \rangle_{\mathcal{K}}$ in terms of a multiplier. In the case of \mathbb{R} this was accomplished by means of the Fourier transform. For LCA groups, the right tool is the periodization mapping introduced by H. Helson (see [Hel92]) for the case $G = \mathbb{T}$ and extended to LCA groups in [CP10]. For $f \in L^2(G)$ the **periodization** mapping of f relative to the lattice \mathcal{K} is given by

$$\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{K}}(f)(\alpha) = \{\widehat{f}(\alpha + \gamma)\}_{\gamma \in \mathcal{K}^\perp}, \quad \alpha \in \widehat{G}.$$

It can be shown (see Proposition 3.3 in [CP10]) that \mathcal{T} is an isometric isomorphism from $L^2(G)$ onto $L^2(C_{\mathcal{K}^\perp}, \ell^2(\mathcal{K}^\perp))$, where $C_{\mathcal{K}^\perp}$ is a measurable section of $\widehat{G}/\mathcal{K}^\perp$. For our purposes we need the following statement of Proposition 3.3 in [CP10] adapted to principal invariant subspaces.

Proposition 4.6. *Let $\psi \neq 0$, $\psi \in L^2(G)$, and \mathcal{K} a lattice in G .*

(a) *If $f \in \langle \psi \rangle_{\mathcal{K}}$, there exists a \mathcal{K}^\perp -periodic function m_f on \widehat{G} such that $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{K}}(f)(\alpha) = m_f(\alpha)T_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi)(\alpha)$, $\alpha \in \widehat{G}$.*

(b) *If m is a \mathcal{K}^\perp -periodic function on \widehat{G} such that $mT_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi) \in L^2(C_{\mathcal{K}^\perp}, \ell^2(\mathcal{K}^\perp))$, the function f defined by $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{K}}(f) = mT_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi)$ belongs to $\langle \psi \rangle_{\mathcal{K}}$.*

We need a similar result in terms of multipliers of the Zak transform.

Corollary 4.7. *Let $\psi \neq 0$, $\psi \in L^2(G)$, and \mathcal{K} a lattice in G .*

(a) *If $f \in \langle \psi \rangle_{\mathcal{K}}$, there exists a \mathcal{K}^\perp -periodic function m_f on \widehat{G} such that $Z_{\mathcal{K}}(f)(\alpha, x) = m_f(\alpha)Z_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi)(\alpha, x)$, $\alpha \in \widehat{G}$, $x \in G$.*

(b) *If m is a \mathcal{K}^\perp -periodic function on \widehat{G} such that $mZ_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi) \in L^2(C_{\mathcal{K}^\perp}, \ell^2(\mathcal{K}^\perp))$, the function f defined by $Z_{\mathcal{K}}(f)(\alpha, x) = m(\alpha)Z_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi)(\alpha, x)$ belongs to $\langle \psi \rangle_{\mathcal{K}}$.*

Proof. (a) Choose m_f as in part (a) of Proposition 4.6. Then, by Proposition 4.4 for $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{K}$, since m_f is \mathcal{K}^\perp -periodic, we have

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{\mathcal{K}}(f)(\alpha, x) &= \sum_{\gamma \in \mathcal{K}^\perp} \widehat{f}(\alpha + \gamma)(x, \alpha + \gamma) \\ &= \langle \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{K}}(f)(\alpha), (x, \cdot) \rangle_{\ell^2(\mathcal{K}^\perp)}(x, \alpha) \\ &= \langle m_f(\alpha) \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi)(\alpha), (x, \cdot) \rangle_{\ell^2(\mathcal{K}^\perp)}(x, \alpha) \\ &= m_f(\alpha) \langle \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi)(\alpha), (x, \cdot) \rangle_{\ell^2(\mathcal{K}^\perp)}(x, \alpha) \\ &= m_f(\alpha) Z_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi)(\alpha, x). \end{aligned}$$

(b) If $\alpha \in \widehat{G}$ and $x \in G$, by Proposition 4.4 and the \mathcal{K}^\perp -periodicity of m , we can write:

$$\begin{aligned} m(\alpha) Z_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi)(\alpha, x) &= m(\alpha) \langle \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi)(\alpha), (x, \cdot) \rangle_{\ell^2(\mathcal{K}^\perp)}(x, \alpha) \\ &= \langle m(\alpha) \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi)(\alpha), (x, \cdot) \rangle_{\ell^2(\mathcal{K}^\perp)}(x, \alpha) \\ &= Z_{\mathcal{K}}(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{K}}^{-1}(m \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi))). \end{aligned}$$

By (b), $Z_{\mathcal{K}}(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{K}}^{-1}(m \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi))) = Z_{\mathcal{K}}(f)$, and since $Z_{\mathcal{K}}$ is an isometry, we conclude $m \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi) = \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{K}}(f)$. The result now follows from (b) of Proposition 4.6. \square

5. PROOF OF THEOREM 1.2

5.1. Proof of (a) implies (b) of Theorem 1.2. Assume that $\langle \psi \rangle_{\mathcal{K}}$ is \mathcal{L} invariant. By Proposition 4.5, for every $\ell \in \mathcal{L}$, we have $T_\ell(\psi) \in \langle \psi \rangle_{\mathcal{K}}$. By Corollary 4.7, there exists a \mathcal{K}^\perp -periodic function m_ℓ on \widehat{G} such that

$$Z_{\mathcal{K}}(T_\ell(\psi))(\alpha, x) = m_\ell(\alpha) Z_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi)(\alpha, x), \quad \alpha \in \widehat{G}, x \in G. \quad (5.1)$$

On the other hand, by Proposition 4.3, for $\ell \in \mathcal{L}$,

$$Z_{\mathcal{K}}(T_\ell \psi)(\alpha, x) = (-\ell, \alpha) \sum_{[\beta] \in \mathcal{K}^\perp / \mathcal{L}^\perp} (-\ell, \beta) Z_{\mathcal{L}}(\psi)(\alpha + \beta, x), \quad (5.2)$$

for $\ell \in \mathcal{L}$, $\alpha \in \widehat{G}$, $x \in G$. Define

$$A_\ell(\alpha, x) := \sum_{[\beta] \in \mathcal{K}^\perp / \mathcal{L}^\perp} (-\ell, \beta) Z_{\mathcal{L}}(\psi)(\alpha + \beta, x).$$

We know that for $[\ell] \in \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K}$ and $[\alpha] \in \mathcal{K}^\perp / \mathcal{L}^\perp$, $([\ell], [\alpha]) = (\ell, \alpha)$ is well defined. Also, if $[\ell_1] = [\ell_2]$ in \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K} it can be shown that $A_{\ell_1}(\alpha, x) = A_{\ell_2}(\alpha, x)$. Thus, for $[\ell] \in \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K}$, $\alpha \in \widehat{G}$, $x \in G$, there is no ambiguity in defining

$$A_{[\ell]}(\alpha, x) := \sum_{[\beta] \in \mathcal{K}^\perp / \mathcal{L}^\perp} (-[\ell], [\beta]) Z_{\mathcal{L}}(\psi)(\alpha + \beta, x). \quad (5.3)$$

Use the orthogonality relations (4.2) to obtain, for $\beta \in \mathcal{K}^\perp$, $\alpha \in \widehat{G}$, $x \in G$,

$$Z_{\mathcal{L}}(\psi)(\alpha + \beta, x) := \frac{1}{|\mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K}|} \sum_{[\ell] \in \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K}} (\ell, \beta) A_{[\ell]}(\alpha, x). \quad (5.4)$$

Lemma 5.1. *If $[\ell_1] + [\ell_2] = [s_1] + [s_2]$ in \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K} , $\alpha \in \widehat{G}$, $x \in G$, then*

$$A_{[\ell_1]}(\alpha, x) A_{[\ell_2]}(\alpha, y) = A_{[s_1]}(\alpha, x) A_{[s_2]}(\alpha, y).$$

Proof. By (5.3), (5.2), and (5.1),

$$A_{[\ell_1]}(\alpha, x)A_{[\ell_2]}(\alpha, y) = (\ell_1 + \ell_2, \alpha)m_{\ell_1}(\alpha)m_{\ell_2}(\alpha)Z_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi)(\alpha, x)Z_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi)(\alpha, y).$$

Similarly,

$$A_{[s_1]}(\alpha, x)A_{[s_2]}(\alpha, y) = (s_1 + s_2, \alpha)m_{s_1}(\alpha)m_{s_2}(\alpha)Z_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi)(\alpha, x)Z_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi)(\alpha, y).$$

Since $[\ell_1] + [\ell_2] = [s_1] + [s_2]$ in \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K} , there exists $k \in \mathcal{K}$ such that $s_1 + s_2 = \ell_1 + \ell_2 + k$. Hence, by (4.7) with $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{K}$,

$$\begin{aligned} m_{s_1}(\alpha)m_{s_2}(\alpha)Z_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi)(\alpha, x) &= Z_{\mathcal{K}}(T_{s_1+s_2}(\psi))(\alpha, x) \\ &= Z_{\mathcal{K}}(T_k T_{\ell_1+\ell_2}(\psi))(\alpha, x) \\ &= (-k, \alpha)Z_{\mathcal{K}}(T_{\ell_1+\ell_2}(\psi))(\alpha, x) \\ &= (-k, \alpha)m_{\ell_1}(\alpha)m_{\ell_2}(\alpha)Z_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi)(\alpha, x). \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} A_{[s_1]}(\alpha, x)A_{[s_2]}(\alpha, y) &= (\ell_1 + \ell_2 + k, \alpha)(-k, \alpha)m_{\ell_1}(\alpha)m_{\ell_2}(\alpha)Z_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi)(\alpha, x)Z_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi)(\alpha, y) \\ &= A_{[\ell_1]}(\alpha, x)A_{[\ell_2]}(\alpha, y) \end{aligned}$$

since $(k, \alpha)(-k, \alpha) = |(k, \alpha)|^2 = 1$. \square

We continue with the proof of (a) implies (b) of Theorem 1.2. Choose $[\beta_1] \neq [\beta_2] \in \mathcal{K}^\perp/\mathcal{L}^\perp$, $\alpha \in \widehat{G}$, $x \in G$. By (5.4),

$$\begin{aligned} &Z_{\mathcal{L}}(\psi)(\alpha + \beta_1, x)Z_{\mathcal{L}}(\psi)(\alpha + \beta_2, y) \\ &= \frac{1}{|\mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K}|^2} \sum_{[\ell] \in \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K}} \sum_{[m] \in \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K}} ([\ell], [\beta_1]) ([m], [\beta_2]) A_{[\ell]}(\alpha, x) A_{[m]}(\alpha, y) \\ &= \frac{1}{|\mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K}|^2} \sum_{[\ell] \in \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K}} \sum_{[s] \in \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K}} ([\ell], [\beta_1]) ([s - \ell], [\beta_2]) A_{[\ell]}(\alpha, x) A_{[s - \ell]}(\alpha, y). \end{aligned}$$

Since $[\ell] + [s - \ell] = [s] = [0] + [s]$, by Lemma 5.1,

$$\begin{aligned} &Z_{\mathcal{L}}(\psi)(\alpha + \beta_1, x)Z_{\mathcal{L}}(\psi)(\alpha + \beta_2, y) \\ &= \frac{1}{|\mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K}|^2} \sum_{[\ell] \in \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K}} \sum_{[s] \in \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K}} ([\ell], [\beta_1] - [\beta_2]) ([s], [\beta_2]) A_{[0]}(\alpha, x) A_{[s]}(\alpha, y) \\ &= \frac{1}{|\mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K}|^2} \sum_{[s] \in \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K}} \left(\sum_{[\ell] \in \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K}} ([\ell], [\beta_1] - [\beta_2]) \right) ([s], [\beta_2]) A_{[0]}(\alpha, x) A_{[s]}(\alpha, y). \end{aligned}$$

Since, when $[\beta_1] \neq [\beta_2]$, $\sum_{[\ell] \in \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{K}} ([\ell], [\beta_1] - [\beta_2]) = 0$ by (4.2), the result is established.

5.2. Proof of (b) implies (a) of Theorem 1.2. Assume that

$$Z_{\mathcal{L}}(\psi)(\alpha + \beta_1, x)Z_{\mathcal{L}}(\psi)(\alpha + \beta_2, y) = 0 \tag{5.5}$$

when $[\beta_1] \neq [\beta_2]$ in $\mathcal{K}^\perp/\mathcal{L}^\perp$, and a. e. $x, y \in C_{\mathcal{L}}$, $\alpha \in C_{\mathcal{K}^\perp}$. Recall that

$$\bigcup_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}} C_{\mathcal{L}} + \ell = G, \quad \text{and} \quad \bigcup_{\gamma \in \mathcal{K}^\perp} C_{\mathcal{K}^\perp} + \gamma = \widehat{G}, \tag{5.6}$$

with disjoint unions. By Proposition 4.5 and Corollary 4.7 we have to show that for $\ell \in \mathcal{L}$ there exists a \mathcal{K}^\perp -periodic function m_ℓ defined on \widehat{G} such that $m_\ell Z_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi) \in L^2(C_{\mathcal{K}^\perp}, \ell^2(\mathcal{K}^\perp))$ and

$$Z_{\mathcal{K}}(T_\ell(\psi))(\alpha, x) = m_\ell(\alpha)Z_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi)(\alpha, x), \quad \alpha \in \widehat{G}, \quad x \in G. \tag{5.7}$$

For $x \in G$ and $[\beta] \in \mathcal{K}^\perp / \mathcal{L}^\perp$ let

$$S_\psi^{[\beta]}(x) := \{\alpha \in C_{\mathcal{K}^\perp} : Z_{\mathcal{L}}(\psi)(\alpha + \beta, x) \neq 0\}.$$

Notice that the definition of $S_\psi^{[\beta]}(x)$ does not depend on the representation chosen for $[\beta]$. Indeed, If $\beta_1 \in [\beta]$, there exists $\gamma \in \mathcal{L}^\perp$ such that $\beta_1 - \beta = \gamma$, and since $(-\ell, \gamma) = 1$ when $\ell \in \mathcal{L}$ and $\gamma \in \mathcal{L}^\perp$,

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{\mathcal{L}}(\psi)(\alpha + \beta_1, x) &= \sum_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}} \psi(x + \ell)(-\ell, \alpha + \beta_1) \\ &= \left(\sum_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}} \psi(x + \ell)(-\ell, \alpha + \beta) \right) (-\ell, \gamma) \\ &= Z_{\mathcal{L}}(\psi)(\alpha + \beta, x). \end{aligned}$$

Consider

$$S_\psi^{[\beta]} := \bigcup_{x \in C_{\mathcal{K}^\perp}} S_\psi^{[\beta]}(x), \quad \text{and} \quad S_\psi := C_{\mathcal{K}^\perp} \setminus \bigcup_{[\beta] \in \mathcal{K}^\perp / \mathcal{L}^\perp} S_\psi^{[\beta]}. \quad (5.8)$$

Observe that the union in the left hand side of (5.8) is disjoint due to (5.5).

For $\ell \in \mathcal{L}$ define

$$m_\ell(\alpha) := \sum_{[\beta] \in \mathcal{K}^\perp / \mathcal{L}^\perp} (-\ell, \alpha) \chi_{S_\psi^{[\beta]}}(\alpha)(-\ell, \beta) + \chi_{S_\psi}(\alpha), \quad \alpha \in C_{\mathcal{K}^\perp}, \quad (5.9)$$

and extend m_ℓ to be \mathcal{K}^\perp -periodic in \widehat{G} .

Notice that, by Proposition 4.2,

$$Z_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi)(\alpha, x) = \sum_{[\beta] \in \mathcal{K}^\perp / \mathcal{L}^\perp} Z_{\mathcal{L}}(\psi)(\alpha + \beta, x), \quad (5.10)$$

and, by Proposition 4.3,

$$Z_{\mathcal{K}}(T_\ell(\psi))(\alpha, x) = \sum_{[\beta] \in \mathcal{K}^\perp / \mathcal{L}^\perp} (-\ell, \alpha + \beta) Z_{\mathcal{L}}(\psi)(\alpha + \beta, x). \quad (5.11)$$

If given $\alpha \in C_{\mathcal{K}^\perp}$ and $x \in C_{\mathcal{L}}$, $Z_{\mathcal{L}}(\psi)(\alpha + \beta, x) = 0$ for all $[\beta] \in \mathcal{K}^\perp / \mathcal{L}^\perp$, then by (5.10), $Z_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi)(\alpha, x) = 0$, and by (5.11), $Z_{\mathcal{K}}(T_\ell(\psi))(\alpha, x) = 0$. Therefore, (5.7) holds trivially for any value given to m_ℓ and in particular for the value given by the definition of m_ℓ in (5.9).

If $Z_{\mathcal{L}}(\psi)(\alpha + \beta, x) \neq 0$ for some $[\beta] \in \mathcal{K}^\perp / \mathcal{L}^\perp$, by (5.5) and (5.10) we have $Z_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi)(\alpha, x) = Z_{\mathcal{L}}(\psi)(\alpha + \beta, x)$, and by (5.5) and (5.11), $Z_{\mathcal{K}}(T_\ell(\psi))(\alpha, x) = (-\ell, \alpha + \beta) Z_{\mathcal{L}}(\psi)(\alpha + \beta, x)$. In this case $\alpha \in S_\psi^{[\beta]}$ and, by (5.9), $m_\ell(\alpha) = (-\ell, \alpha + \beta)$, so that (5.7) also holds. Observe that $|m_\ell(\alpha)| = 1$ and since $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi) \in L^2(C_{\mathcal{K}^\perp}, \ell^2(\mathcal{K}^\perp))$, also $m_\ell \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{K}}(\psi) \in L^2(C_{\mathcal{K}^\perp}, \ell^2(\mathcal{K}^\perp))$.

Finally, although we have only proved (5.7) for $\alpha \in C_{\mathcal{K}^\perp}$ and $x \in C_{\mathcal{L}}$, the quasi-periodicity properties of $Z_{\mathcal{K}}$ and the periodicity properties of m_ℓ , together with (5.6), prove the result for all $\alpha \in \widehat{G}$ and all $x \in G$.

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