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## On variational methods in Fourier analysis

### ABSTRACT

In this thesis, we explore some state-of-the-art variational methods in Fourier Analysis. More specifically, we will study optimizers for the Tomas-Stein restriction inequality on a sphere. We will give a characterization of all maximizers in dimension  $N = 3$ , in particular we will see that they are of the form  $\omega \mapsto ce^{i\xi\omega}$  for some  $c \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^3$ . In dimension  $N = 2$  we will establish that constants are local extremizers. We will also shed light on the general case and find a sufficient condition for the existence of extremizers and the precompactness of maximizing sequences.