

SPHERICAL FUNCTIONS ON THE  $p$ -ADIC GROUP  $PGL(2)$ . II.

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CHAPTER II: APPLICATION TO  $PGL(2, k)$ , THE PROJECTIVE LINEAR GROUP OF RANK 2 OVER A  $p$ -ADIC FIELD  $k$ .

6. Preliminaries about  $p$ -adic fields

By  $k$  we denote a (commutative)  $p$ -adic field, i.e. a commutative locally compact, totally disconnected, non-discrete field. We choose a Haar measure  $dx$  on the additive group  $k^+$  of  $k$ . A natural (non-archimedean) valuation  $|\cdot|$  on  $k$  is obtained by the formula  $d(ax) = |a|dx$  ( $a \neq 0$ ),  $|0| = 0$ . A Haar measure on the multiplicative group  $k^*$  of  $k$  is given by  $d^*x = |x|^{-1}dx$ . The open set  $\mathcal{O} = \{x: |x| \leq 1\}$  is a subring of  $k$ , called the ring of integers of  $k$ . Usually  $dx$  is normalized such that  $\mathcal{O}$  has measure one. The ring  $\mathcal{O}$  is a local ring; the unique maximal ideal is given by  $P = \{x: |x| < 1\}$ . The residue class field  $\mathcal{O}/P$  is a finite field with (say)  $q$  elements. *We always assume that its characteristic is odd.* Since the valuation on  $k$ , defined above, is discrete, it follows that  $P$  is a principal ideal. Let  $\pi$  be a generator of  $P$ . Then  $|\pi| = q^{-1}$  and for each  $x \in k$  either  $|x| = 0$  (if and only if  $x = 0$ ) or  $|x| = q^n$  for some integer  $n$ . Put  $P^n = \pi^n \mathcal{O}$  for all integers  $n$ . Clearly  $P^n$  has measure  $q^{-n}$  and  $P^n = \{x: |x| \leq q^{-n}\}$ . The collection  $\{P^n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  is a fundamental system of neighbourhoods of the zero-element in  $k^+$ , consisting of open compact subgroups of  $k^+$ . Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be the group of units of  $\mathcal{O}$ . A unique cyclic subgroup of  $\mathcal{U}$  of order  $q-1$  exists, whose elements, together with the zero of  $k$ , constitute a complete set of representatives for  $\mathcal{O}/P$ . Put  $\mathcal{U}_n = 1 + P^n$  for  $n \geq 1$ ,  $\mathcal{U}_0 = \mathcal{U}$ . Let  $\varepsilon$  be a generator of the cyclic subgroup just mentioned. Each element  $x$  in  $k^*$  can be written uniquely in the form  $x = \pi^n \varepsilon^k x_1$ , where  $|x| = q^{-n}$ ,  $0 \leq k < q-1$ ,  $x_1 \in \mathcal{U}_1$ . It follows that  $k^*$  is isomorphic to the direct product of three groups:  $k^* \simeq \mathbf{Z} \times \mathbf{Z}_{q-1} \times \mathcal{U}_1$ . Clearly the collection  $\{\mathcal{U}_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  is a fundamental system of neighbourhoods for the identity in  $k^*$ , consisting of open compact subgroups.

For any integer  $m \geq 1$ ,  $x \mapsto x^2$  induces on  $\mathcal{U}_m$  an automorphism of  $\mathcal{U}_m$ . It follows that the squares in  $k^*$ , denoted  $(k^*)^2$ , form an open subgroup of  $k^*$ . From  $k^* \simeq \mathbf{Z} \times \mathbf{Z}_{q-1} \times \mathcal{U}_1$  we have  $[k^*: (k^*)^2] = 4$ . Therefore  $k$  admits exactly three non-isomorphic quadratic field extensions. Denoting an extension by  $k_\nu = k(\sqrt{\nu})$ , one easily determines the following possibilities for  $\nu$ :  $\nu = \varepsilon$  (unramified extension),  $\nu = \pi$ ,  $\nu = \varepsilon\pi$  (ramified extensions). For

any  $\nu$  let  $N_\nu$  denote the norm of  $k_\nu$  with respect to  $k$ . The set  $N_\nu(k_\nu^*)$  is a subgroup of  $k^*$ , contains  $(k^*)^2$  and satisfies:  $[N_\nu(k_\nu^*): (k^*)^2] = 2$ ,  $[k^*: N_\nu(k_\nu^*)] = 2$ . Notice that  $N_\nu(k_\nu^*)$  is an open subgroup of  $k^*$ .

7. 'Iwasawa decomposition' of  $PGL(2, k)$ .

Let  $k$  be a  $p$ -adic field. Throughout this chapter  $G$  will be the projective linear group over  $k$  of rank 2, i.e. the group  $GL(2, k)$  divided by its centre.  $G$  is in a natural way a locally compact group.  $G$  is unimodular since  $GL(2, k)$  and its centre are.

Let us first consider the group  $GL(2, k)$ . Choose  $\nu$  as in 6. We introduce three subgroups:

$U_0$  consisting of the matrices  $\begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \nu\beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $\alpha, \beta \in k$ ,  $\alpha^2 - \nu\beta^2 \in k^*$ :

$A$  consisting of the matrices  $\begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $\lambda \in k^*$ ;

$N$  consisting of the matrices  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \mu \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $\mu \in k$ .

(7.1) Lemma. *Every element  $g \in GL(2, k)$  can be written uniquely in the form  $g = a \cdot n \cdot u$  ( $a \in A$ ,  $n \in N$ ,  $u \in U_0$ ). The projections  $g \mapsto a$ ,  $g \mapsto n$  and  $g \mapsto u$  are continuous.*

Proof. Consider the group  $B = A \cdot N$ . Clearly every element  $b \in B$  can be written uniquely in the form  $b = a \cdot n$ ; the mappings  $b \mapsto a$ ,  $b \mapsto n$  are continuous.

Put

$$g = \begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ z & t \end{pmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & \mu \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad u = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \nu\beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then we have  $g = b \cdot u$ , where

$$\alpha = t, \quad \nu\beta = z, \quad \lambda = -\nu \cdot \frac{\det g}{z^2 - \nu t^2}, \quad \mu = \frac{xz - \nu yt}{z^2 - \nu t^2}.$$

Moreover  $g \mapsto b$  and  $g \mapsto u$  are continuous. So the lemma follows.

We shall write  $GL(2, k) = A \cdot N \cdot U_0$ . By passing to  $G$ ,  $B = A \cdot N$  may be considered as unaltered,  $U_0$  becomes a subgroup  $U$  of  $G$ . We write  $G = A \cdot N \cdot U$  or  $G = B \cdot U$ . Observe that (7.1) remains valid on  $G$ . Since  $U$  depends on the choice of  $\nu$  we also write  $U_\nu$ . One easily checks that  $U$  is a compact subgroup of  $G$ . The 'Iwasawa decomposition' of  $G$ , introduced above, leads to a decomposition of Haar measure on  $G$ . We have  $dg = db \cdot du$ , provided each measure is well normalized. The subgroup  $B$  is parametrized by  $\lambda \in k^*$ ,  $\mu \in k$ .  $B$  is not unimodular. A left Haar measure on  $B$  will be denoted  $db$ , a right Haar measure  $d_r(b)$ . One verifies that one can take

$$db = \frac{d\lambda d\mu}{|\lambda|^2}, \quad d_r(b) = \frac{d\lambda d\mu}{|\lambda|}.$$

8. *Commutativity of  $L_\tau(G, U)$ .*

The continuous irreducible unitary representations  $\tau$  of  $U$  are one-dimensional and are identified with (unitary) characters of  $U$ . We shall prove that the algebras  $L_\tau(G, U)$ , introduced in 1, are commutative if we take  $G$  and  $U$  as in 7.

First we will have a suitable set of representatives for the double cosets with respect to  $U$  in  $G$ . Since  $G = B \cdot U$ , every double coset contains an element of  $B$ .

(8.1) Lemma. *Any double coset with respect to  $U_0$  in  $GL(2, k)$  contains an element of the form  $\begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ \nu y & t \end{pmatrix}$  where  $x, y, t \in k, xt - \nu y^2 \in k^*$ .*

Proof. It suffices to show that for given  $\lambda \in k^*, \mu \in k$  there exist  $\alpha, \beta, x, y, t \in k$  such that

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \nu\beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & \mu \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ \nu y & t \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $\alpha^2 - \nu\beta^2 \neq 0, xt - \nu y^2 \neq 0$ . Consequently one has to solve the equation  $\beta\lambda = \alpha\mu + \beta$  by  $\alpha, \beta \in k$ , satisfying  $\alpha^2 - \nu\beta^2 \neq 0$ . But this is a triviality.

For  $g \in GL(2, k), g = \begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ z & t \end{pmatrix}$  put  $*g = \begin{pmatrix} x & \nu^{-1}z \\ \nu y & t \end{pmatrix}$ .

Since  $*g = \begin{pmatrix} \nu & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \cdot {}^t g \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \nu & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,

the map  $g \mapsto *g$  is an anti-automorphism of  $GL(2, k)$ , which leaves the centre fixed. Therefore  $g \mapsto *g$  induces an anti-automorphism of  $G$ , which we also denote by  $g \mapsto *g$ .

For any complex function  $f$  on  $G$  we define  $*f(g) = f(*g)$  ( $g \in G$ ). Let  $f_1, f_2$  be continuous functions with compact support on  $G$ . The following relation is easily verified:  $*(f_1 \star f_2) = *f_2 \star *f_1$ .

(8.2) Theorem. *The algebras  $L_\tau(G, U)$  are commutative.*

Proof. For  $g \in GL(2, k)$  write  $g = u \cdot s \cdot u'$  with  $s$  of the form  $\begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ \nu y & t \end{pmatrix}$  and  $u, u' \in U_0$  (8.1).

Then  $*g = u' \cdot s \cdot u$ . Pass to  $G$ . In the same notation we have for all  $f \in L_\tau(G, U)$ :

$$*f(g) = f(*g) = \tau(uu')f(s) = f(g) \quad (g \in G).$$

Hence  $f_1 \star f_2 = *( *f_2 \star *f_1) = *(f_2 \star f_1) = f_2 \star f_1$  for all  $f_1, f_2 \in L_\tau(G, U)$ . This completes the proof.

9. *Commutativity of  $L_\sigma(G, K)$ .*

Let  $K$  be a maximal compact subgroup of  $G$  and let  $\sigma$  be a continuous irreducible unitary representation of  $K$  on a finite dimensional vector

space  $E_\sigma$ . Let  $d_\sigma$  be the dimension of  $E_\sigma$ . We shall prove that the algebra  $L_\sigma(G, K)$ , defined in 1, is commutative. The notations, introduced in 1, will be used in this section.

It is known that (modulo conjugation in  $G$ ) exactly two maximal compact subgroups in  $G$  exist. They are open in  $G$  ([1(c)], § 6). One subgroup is well-known: the group  $PGL(2, \mathcal{O})$ , consisting of the integer matrices, whose determinant is a unit. A representative  $K'$  for the other conjugate class is generated by the image in  $G$  of the following set of matrices in  $GL(2, k)$ :

$$\left\{ k = \begin{pmatrix} k_{11} & k_{12} \\ \pi k_{21} & k_{22} \end{pmatrix} : k_{ij} \in \mathcal{O}, 1 \leq i, j \leq 2 \right\} \cup \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ \pi & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

Clearly  $U_\sigma$  is contained in  $PGL(2, \mathcal{O})$  and  $U_\pi, U_{\pi\sigma}$  are contained in  $K'$ .

(9.1) Proposition. *Any maximal compact subgroup of  $G$  contains some conjugate of certain  $U_\nu$ .*

For arbitrary  $g \in G, S \subset G$  put  ${}^gS = gSg^{-1}$ . If  $f$  is a mapping defined on  $S$ , put  ${}^gf(s) = f(g^{-1}sg)$ . Then  ${}^gf$  is defined on  ${}^gS$ .

(9.2) Lemma. *The map  $f \mapsto {}^gf$  defines an isomorphism of  $L_\tau(G, U)$  onto  $L_{{}^g\tau}(G, {}^gU)$ .*

The proof follows 'par transport de structure'.

To prove that  $L_\sigma(G, K)$  is commutative, we may assume by (9.1) and (9.2) that  $U = U_\nu$  (for some  $\nu$ ) is contained in  $K$ .

If we restrict  $\sigma$  to  $U$ ,  $\sigma$  can be decomposed into irreducible parts: an orthonormal basis exists in  $E_\sigma$  such that  $\sigma(u)$  is diagonal with respect to this basis for all  $u \in U$ . Denote the diagonal elements of  $\sigma(u)$  by

$$\tau_1^\sigma(u), \dots, \tau_{d_\sigma}^\sigma(u) \quad (u \in U).$$

The functions  $u \mapsto \tau_i^\sigma(u)$  ( $u \in U, 1 \leq i \leq d_\sigma$ ) are characters of  $U$ . Since for all characters  $\tau$  of  $U$  the algebra  $L_\tau(K, U)$  is commutative ( $K$  is open in  $G$ ), we obtain by (4.2) that the characters  $\tau_i^\sigma$  ( $1 \leq i \leq d_\sigma$ ) are mutually distinct. So we have

(9.3) Theorem. *Let  $K$  be a maximal compact subgroup of  $G$  containing a conjugate  $U$  of some  $U_\nu$ . Let  $\sigma$  be an irreducible continuous finite-dimensional representation of  $K$ . Then the restriction of  $\sigma$  to  $U$  decomposes into inequivalent characters.*

Let  $\mathbf{f}$  be in  $L_\sigma(G, K)$ . Denote by  $\mathbf{f}_{ij}(g)$  the matrix coefficients of  $\mathbf{f}(g)$  with respect to the basis, chosen above ( $1 \leq i, j \leq d_\sigma, g \in G$ ). Simple matrix calculus yields:  $\mathbf{f}_{ij}(ugu') = \tau_i^\sigma(u)\mathbf{f}_{ij}(g)\tau_j^\sigma(u)$  for all  $u, u' \in U, g \in G$ . Therefore we have:  $\mathbf{f}_{ii} \in L_{\tau_i^\sigma}(G, U)$  for all  $\mathbf{f} \in L_\sigma(G, K)$  ( $1 \leq i \leq d_\sigma$ ). By (1.1) the mapping  $\mathbf{f} \mapsto d_\sigma \mathbf{f}_{ii}$  ( $\mathbf{f} \in L_\sigma(G, K)$ ) is a \*-isomorphism onto the subalgebra  $L_{\tau_i^\sigma}(G, K)$  of  $L_{\tau_i^\sigma}(G, U)$ . Hence  $L_\sigma(G, K)$  is commutative, since  $L_{\tau_i^\sigma}(G, U)$  is (cf. 8).

So we have proved:

(9.4) Theorem. *For each continuous irreducible finite-dimensional representation  $\sigma$  of  $G$ , the algebra  $L_\sigma(G, K)$  is commutative.*

(9.5) Corollary. *The restriction to  $K$  of a continuous irreducible unitary representation of  $G$  decomposes into inequivalent irreducible unitary representations of  $K$ .*

Partial results are obtained by MAUTNER [8], BRUHAT (for  $SL(2, k)$ ) ([1(a)], in particular Théorème 3) and KIRILLOV [7] (for  $GL(2, k)$ ). The techniques used in the case of a semi-simple linear Lie group for proving results like the above cannot be applied here. In particular the 'principal series' of  $G$  does not form a complete set of representations of  $G$  ([1(a)], [8]).

## 10. Characters.

In this section we only deal with the maximal compact subgroup  $K = PGL(2, \mathcal{O})$ . 'Reduction modulo  $\pi^n$ ' defines a homomorphism of  $PGL(2, \mathcal{O})$  onto  $G_n = PGL(2, \mathcal{O}/P_n)$ ,  $n \geq 1$ .  $G_n$  is a finite group. Let us denote the kernel of this homomorphism by  $K_n$ . Then  $\{K_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  is a fundamental system of neighbourhoods of the identity in  $G$ , consisting of open compact subgroups. Let  $\mathcal{S}(G)$  be the convolution algebra of locally constant complex-valued functions on  $G$  with compact support. To any  $f \in \mathcal{S}(G)$  there exists a natural number  $n$  such that  $f$  is constant modulo  $K_n$ . Therefore, if  $\text{supp}(f)$  is contained in  $K$ ,  $f$  can be considered as a function on the finite group  $G_n$ . Observe that  $\mathcal{S}(G)$  is dense in  $L^p(G)$  ( $1 \leq p < \infty$ ), the space of  $p^{\text{th}}$ -power integrable functions on  $G$ .

For any compact set  $C \subset G$  and any  $n \geq 1$ , let  $\mathcal{S}_n(C)$  be the space of all  $f \in \mathcal{S}(G)$ , with  $\text{supp}(f) \subset C$ , which are constant modulo  $K_n$ . Provided with the sup-norm,  $\mathcal{S}_n(C)$  becomes a Banach space. One has  $\mathcal{S}_n(C) \subset \mathcal{S}_{n'}(C')$  whenever  $n \leq n'$ ,  $C \subset C'$ . Clearly  $\mathcal{S}(G) = \bigcup_{n, C} \mathcal{S}_n(C)$ . Put on  $\mathcal{S}(G)$  the inductive limit topology with respect to the  $\mathcal{S}_n(C)$ . Then  $\mathcal{S}(G)$  is a complete locally convex Hausdorff space, the so-called space of Schwartz functions on  $G$ . A sequence  $\{f_m\}$  ( $f_m \in \mathcal{S}(G)$ ) converges to zero if and only if there are  $n, C$  such that  $f_m \in \mathcal{S}_n(C)$  for all  $m$  and  $\{f_m\}$  tends to zero in  $\mathcal{S}_n(C)$ .

$\mathcal{S}'(G)$ , the (topological) dual of  $\mathcal{S}(G)$ , is called the space of *distributions* on  $G$ . A linear function on  $\mathcal{S}(G)$  is continuous if and only if it is continuous on each subspace  $\mathcal{S}_n(C)$ .

The following theorem is a special case of [1(b)] (Proposition 16).

(10.1) Theorem. *Let  $\pi$  be a continuous irreducible unitary representation of  $G$ . Then for all  $f \in \mathcal{S}(G)$ ,  $\pi(f)$  is an operator of finite rank (and hence of trace class). Moreover the character of  $\pi$ ,  $f \mapsto \text{tr } \pi(f)$  ( $f \in \mathcal{S}(G)$ ) is a distribution on  $G$ .*

The foregoing results imply that  $G$  is a type I group (in the sense of

the Von-Neumann classification) and hence  $G$  admits a Plancherel formula (cf. [3], 15.5.2, 18.8.2).

It seems to be true that the characters of the irreducible unitary representations of  $G$  are given by locally integrable functions which are locally constant on the set of regular elements. This result was announced by P. J. Sally Jr. and J. A. Shalika for  $SL(2, k)$ . For semi-simple Lie groups this was proved by Harish-Chandra several years ago.

### CHAPTER III: SOME HARMONIC ANALYSIS ON $L(G, U)$ .

#### 11. Summary of harmonic analysis on $k$ .

For details we refer to [9] (§ 2).

Let  $\chi$  be a continuous character of  $k^+$  which is trivial on  $\mathcal{O}$  but not trivial on  $P^{-1}$ . Each continuous character of  $k^+$  can be written in the form  $\chi_u$  ( $u \in k$ ), where  $\chi_u(x) = \chi(ux)$  ( $x \in k$ ). The mapping  $u \mapsto \chi_u$  establishes an isomorphism between  $k^+$  and  $\hat{k}^+$ . The character  $\chi$  is called a *basic* character. Fix a basic character  $\chi$  of  $k^+$ . The Fourier transform of a function  $f \in L^1(k^+)$  is defined by  $\hat{f}(u) = \int_k f(x)\chi(ux)dx$  ( $u \in k$ ). Due to the normalization of the Haar measure on  $k^+$ , the Fourier inversion formula takes the form  $f(x) = \int_k \hat{f}(u)\chi(-ux)du$  ( $\hat{f} \in L^1(\hat{k}^+)$ ).

Let  $\mathcal{S}(k)$  be the space of locally constant functions on  $k$  with compact support. To any  $f \in \mathcal{S}(k)$  an integer  $n$  exists such that  $f$  is constant on the cosets of  $P^n$  in  $k^+$ . Similar to the process described in 10 for  $\mathcal{S}(G)$ ,  $\mathcal{S}(k)$  is endowed with an inductive limit topology such that  $\mathcal{S}(k)$  is a complete locally convex Hausdorff space.  $\mathcal{S}(k)$  is called the space of Schwartz functions on  $k$ .  $\mathcal{S}(k)'$ , the topological dual of  $\mathcal{S}(k)$  is called the space of distributions on  $k$ . The Fourier transform yields a (topological) isomorphism of  $\mathcal{S}(k)$  onto itself. More explicitly:  $f \in \mathcal{S}(k)$  is supported on  $P^n$  and is constant on the cosets (in  $k^+$ ) of  $P^m$  if and only if  $\hat{f}$  is supported on  $P^{-m}$  and is constant on the cosets (in  $k^+$ ) of  $P^{-n}$  (cf. [9], § 2, lemma ( $A_1$ )). Observe that  $\mathcal{S}(k)$  is dense in  $L^p(k^+)$  ( $1 \leq p < \infty$ ).

The map dual to the Fourier transform on  $\mathcal{S}(k)$  defines a (topological) isomorphism of  $\mathcal{S}(k)'$ . The image of a distribution  $\phi$  under this map is called the Fourier transform of  $\phi$  and is denoted  $\hat{\phi}$ . One has  $\hat{\hat{f}}(f) = \phi(\hat{f})$  for all  $f \in \mathcal{S}(k)$ .

Let  $t_n$  be the characteristic function of  $P^n$ . Then  $t_n \in \mathcal{S}(k)$  and  $\hat{t}_n = q^{-nt-n}$  for all integers  $n$ .

As to the characters of  $k^*$ , any continuous (unitary) character  $c$  of  $k^*$  is trivial on certain subgroup  $\mathcal{U}_n$  ( $n \geq 0$ ). If  $c$  is trivial on  $\mathcal{U}$ ,  $c$  is called unramified or of ramification degree zero. If  $c$  is trivial on  $\mathcal{U}_n$  ( $n \geq 1$ ), but not on  $\mathcal{U}_{n-1}$ ,  $c$  is said to be ramified with ramification degree  $n$ . The same definition applies to the characters of  $\mathcal{U}$ . Since  $k^* \simeq \mathbf{Z} \times \mathbf{Z}_{q-1} \times \mathcal{U}_1$  (cf. 6), the character group of  $k^*$  takes the form  $\hat{k}^* \simeq \mathbf{T} \times \mathbf{Z}_{q-1} \times \hat{\mathcal{U}}_1$ , where  $\mathbf{T}$  denotes the group of the complex numbers of modulus 1. For

$\lambda \in k^*$  we write  $\lambda = \pi^n \cdot \tilde{\lambda}$ , where  $n$  is determined by  $|\lambda| = q^n$  and  $\tilde{\lambda}$  by requiring  $\tilde{\lambda} \in \mathcal{U}$ . The characters of  $k^*$  can be written in the form

$$(1) \quad c(\lambda) = |\lambda|^{-s} \tilde{c}(\tilde{\lambda}) \quad \text{where } s = it,$$

$$-\frac{\pi}{\log q} < t \leq \frac{\pi}{\log q}$$

and  $\tilde{c}$  a character of  $\mathcal{U}$ . — The reader will notice the different meanings of the symbol  $\pi$ . — Since there are only finitely many characters of  $\mathcal{U}$  of a given ramification degree, we see that  $\hat{\mathcal{U}}$  is a countable set. Let us consider now *all* (not necessarily unitary) continuous characters of  $k^*$ . Usually they are called quasi-characters. One obtains them by replacing the purely imaginary  $s$  in (1) by an arbitrary complex number. Then  $s$  is uniquely determined by  $c$ , modulo  $\frac{2\pi i}{\log q}$ . Observe that  $\tilde{c}$  is uniquely determined by  $c$ .

By the remarks made above one checks easily that one can view  $k^*$  as a countable discrete collection of circles  $\mathbf{T}_{\tilde{c}}$  ( $\tilde{c} \in \hat{\mathcal{U}}$ ). A Haar measure  $dc$  on  $k^*$  is given by integrating over each circle  $\mathbf{T}_{\tilde{c}}$  with respect to the usual Haar measure and then summing up over  $\tilde{c}$ . Thus

$$(2) \quad \int_{k^*} f(c) dc = \sum_{\tilde{c} \in \hat{\mathcal{U}}} \frac{q' \log q}{2\pi} \int_{-(\pi/\log q)}^{\pi/\log q} f(\tilde{c}|\lambda|^{i\alpha}) d\alpha$$

where  $\frac{1}{q'} = 1 - \frac{1}{q}$ ,  $c = \tilde{c} \cdot |\lambda|^{i\alpha}$  and the normalizing constant  $\frac{q' \log q}{2\pi}$  has been chosen to make that Plancherel's theorem works. The space of Schwartz functions on  $k^*$ , denoted  $\mathcal{S}(k^*)$ , is the space of locally constant functions with compact support on  $k^*$ . So for all  $f \in \mathcal{S}(k^*)$  an integer  $m \geq 0$  exists such that  $f$  is constant on the cosets (in  $k^*$ ) of  $\mathcal{U}_m$ .  $\mathcal{S}(k^*)$  is dense in  $L^p(k^*)$ ,  $1 \leq p < \infty$ . The restriction to  $k^*$  of a function  $f \in \mathcal{S}(k)$  belongs to  $\mathcal{S}(k^*)$  if and only if  $f(0) = 0$ .

Let us denote by  $\hat{\mathcal{S}}(k^*)$  the space of complex-valued functions  $f$  on  $k^*$  with compact support (vanishing outside a finite number of circles) which are on each circle a trigonometric polynomial:

$$f(c) = f(\tilde{c}|\lambda|^{i\alpha}) = \sum_{r=-m}^m a_r(\tilde{c}, f) q^{ir\alpha}$$

Both  $\mathcal{S}(k^*)$  and  $\hat{\mathcal{S}}(k^*)$  can be endowed with a 'test-space' topology (inductive limit topology).

The Fourier transform on  $k^*$  and  $\hat{k}^*$  is called Mellin transform. If  $f \in L^1(k^*)$  then

$$\hat{f}(c) = \int_{k^*} f(\lambda) c(\lambda) d^* \lambda \quad (c \in \hat{k}^*).$$

The Fourier inversion formula takes the form

$$f(\lambda) = \int_{\hat{k}^*} \hat{f}(c) c^{-1}(\lambda) dc, \text{ provided } \hat{f} \in L^1(\hat{k}^*, dc), dc$$

being chosen in (2).

The Mellin transform yields a (topological) isomorphism of  $\mathcal{S}(k^*)$  onto  $\hat{\mathcal{S}}(k^*)$ .

## 12. Double cosets and sections.

We want a description of the set of double cosets of  $G$  with respect to  $U (= U_\nu)$ , denoted  $X = U \backslash G / U$ . Each double coset contains an element of  $B$ . Therefore it suffices to investigate when two elements of  $B$  are in the same coset. Obviously we may restrict ourselves to  $GL(2, k)$  and ask for the equivalence of two elements in  $B$  with respect to  $U_0$ . It is not hard to see that

$$b = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & \mu \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } b' = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda' & \mu' \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

are in the same coset with respect to  $U_0$  if and only if the following relation holds:

$$\frac{\lambda^2 - \nu\mu^2 + 1}{\lambda} = \frac{\lambda'^2 - \nu\mu'^2 + 1}{\lambda'}.$$

The proof is a simple exercise and is left to the reader. Put

$$\Phi \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & \mu \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{\lambda^2 - \nu\mu^2 + 1}{\lambda} \quad (\lambda \in k^*, \mu \in k).$$

Then we have:

(12.1) Proposition. *Two elements  $b, b' \in B$  are in the same coset with respect to  $U$  if and only if  $\Phi(b) = \Phi(b')$ .*

So  $X$  may be identified with the range of  $\Phi$ , which we denote by  $X$  again.  $\Phi$  is a continuous function on  $B$  with values in  $X$ , a subset of  $k$ . We want a continuous section  $\Psi: X \rightarrow B$  (such that  $\Phi \circ \Psi = \text{identity on } X$ ).

(12.2) Proposition. *There exists a continuous section  $\Psi: X \rightarrow B$ .*

Proof. We shall point out the unramified case:  $\nu = \varepsilon$ . The ramified case is then easy and is left to the reader. So assume  $\nu = \varepsilon$ . Let us solve the equation

$$\frac{\lambda^2 - \varepsilon\mu^2 + 1}{\lambda} = 2\varrho \quad (\lambda \in k^*, \mu \in k, 2\varrho \in X).$$

It can be reduced to  $(\lambda - \varrho)^2 - \varepsilon\mu^2 = \varrho^2 - 1$ . So we have a solution  $(\lambda, \mu)$  if and only if  $\varrho^2 - 1 \in N_\varepsilon(k_\varepsilon^*)$  or  $\varrho = \pm 1$ .

We recall that the map  $x \mapsto x^2$  induces on  $\mathcal{U}_1$  an automorphism of  $\mathcal{U}_1$ . So we can speak of *the* square root (denoted  $\sqrt{\phantom{x}}$ ) of any element in  $\mathcal{U}_1$ . Due to the choice of the quadratic extension  $k_\varepsilon$  we have that every unit in  $k^*$  is in  $N_\varepsilon(k_\varepsilon^*)$ . Indeed, solving an equation of the following type:  $x^2 - \varepsilon y^2 = \zeta$  ( $\zeta \in \mathcal{U}$  given;  $x, y \in k$ ) is a simple exercise if we pass to the finite residue class field. So we have  $x, y \in k$  satisfying  $x^2 - \varepsilon y^2 = \zeta \cdot \delta$  where  $\delta \in \mathcal{U}_1$ . Therefore  $\delta \in (k^*)^2 \subset N_\varepsilon(k_\varepsilon^*)$ , hence  $\zeta \in N_\varepsilon(k_\varepsilon^*)$ . If  $|\varrho| > 1$ , put  $\Psi(2\varrho) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & \mu \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $\lambda = \varrho + \varrho \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{\varrho^2}}$ ,  $\mu = 0$ . If  $|\varrho| < 1$ , we have  $\varrho^2 - 1 = -1(1 - \varrho^2)$ , hence again  $\varrho^2 - 1 \in N_\varepsilon(k_\varepsilon^*)$ .

Let  $-1 = a^2 - \varepsilon b^2$  for suitable  $a, b \in k$ . Now, put

$$\Psi(2\varrho) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & \mu \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ where } \lambda = \varrho + a\sqrt{1 - \varrho^2}, \mu = b\sqrt{1 - \varrho^2}.$$

It remains to consider  $\varrho = \pm 1$  and  $\{\varrho: \varrho^2 - 1 \in N_\varepsilon(k_\varepsilon^*), |\varrho| = 1\}$ . The set  $\{\varrho^2 - 1: \varrho^2 - 1 \in N_\varepsilon(k_\varepsilon^*), |\varrho| = 1\}$  is a disjoint union of the sets  $\pi^{2n} \cdot \varepsilon^k \cdot \mathcal{U}_1$  ( $n > 0, 0 \leq k < q - 1$ ) and the sets  $(\varepsilon^{2l} - 1) \mathcal{U}_1$ , where  $l$  is such that  $\varepsilon^l \neq \pm 1, 0 < l < q - 1$ . Observe that  $\pi$  is not in  $N_\varepsilon(k_\varepsilon^*)$ , hence only even powers of  $\pi$  occur. Let us consider the sets  $\pi^{2n} \cdot \varepsilon^k \cdot \mathcal{U}_1$  ( $n > 0, 0 \leq k < q - 1$ ). Put

$$\varrho^2 - 1 = \pi^{2n} \varepsilon^k \quad F(\varrho) = \pi^{2n} \varepsilon^k (\sqrt{F(\varrho)})^2.$$

Then we write

$$\Psi(2\varrho) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & \mu \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ where } \lambda = \varrho + \pi^n \varepsilon^{k/2} \sqrt{F(\varrho)}, \mu = 0$$

if  $k$  is even (or zero);  $\lambda = \varrho + b\pi^n \varepsilon^{(k+1)/2} \sqrt{F(\varrho)}, \mu = a\pi^n \varepsilon^{(k-1)/2} \sqrt{F(\varrho)}$  if  $k$  is odd,  $\varrho$  being chosen such that  $\varrho^2 - 1 \in \pi^{2n} \cdot \varepsilon^k \cdot \mathcal{U}_1$ .

Similar procedures can be applied to the remaining sets. We leave this to the reader. Finally put

$$\Psi(2) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Psi(-2) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

From the explicit formulas derived here it easily follows that  $\Psi$  is continuous (in particular at the points  $\pm 2$ ) and  $\Phi \circ \Psi = id.$  on  $X$ . So  $\Psi$  is a continuous section.

### 13. The transformation ' $F_f$ ' (1).

For  $f \in L_\tau(G, U)$ , put  $F_f(\lambda) = |\lambda|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \int_k f(b_{\lambda, \mu}) d\mu$ , where

$$\lambda \in k^*, \quad b_{\lambda, \mu} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & \mu \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Clearly  $F_f$  is a continuous function with compact support on  $k^*$ .

(13.1) Proposition. *The transformation  $f \mapsto F_f$  enjoys the following properties:*

- (i)  $f \mapsto F_f$  is linear,
- (ii)  $F_{f_1} \star f_2 = F_{f_1} \star F_{f_2}$ , where the second star means convolution in  $L(k^*)$ ,
- (iii)  $F_{f^*}(\lambda) = \overline{F_f(\lambda^{-1})}$  for all  $\lambda \in k^*$ ,
- (iv)  $F_f(\lambda) = F_f(\lambda^{-1})$  for all  $\lambda \in k^*$ .

Proof. The properties (i), (ii) and (iii) are easily verified. Let us prove (iv). By (12.1)  $b_{\lambda^{-1}, \mu}$  and  $b_{\lambda, \lambda\mu}$  are in the same double coset with respect to  $U$ . So there exists  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta \in k$  such that

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \nu\beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda^{-1} & \mu \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \gamma & \delta \\ \nu\delta & \gamma \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & \lambda\mu \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \alpha^2 - \nu\beta^2 \neq 0, \quad \gamma^2 - \nu\delta^2 \neq 0.$$

Simple calculation shows that

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \nu\beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \gamma & \delta \\ \nu\delta & \gamma \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix},$$

provided  $(\lambda, \mu) \neq (-1, 0)$ . Hence we have for all  $f \in L_\tau(G, U)$   $f(b_{\lambda, \lambda\mu}) = f(b_{\lambda^{-1}, \mu})$  for every  $\lambda \in k^*, \mu \in k$ .

Therefore:

$$F_f(\lambda^{-1}) = |\lambda|^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_k f(b_{\lambda^{-1}, \mu}) d\mu = |\lambda|^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_k f(b_{\lambda, \lambda\mu}) d\mu = |\lambda|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \int_k f(b_{\lambda, \mu}) d\mu = F_f(\lambda)$$

for all  $\lambda \in k^*$ . This completes the proof.

If we want to distinguish between different  $\tau$ , we shall write  $F_\tau^r$  instead of  $F_f$ . For the moment we keep  $\tau$  fixed.

There is a connection (well-known to specialists) between the transformation  $f \mapsto F_f$  and the so-called *principal series* of representations of  $G$ . Let us briefly describe this connection for the convenience of the reader (cf. [6], p. 239–243).

Let  $c$  be any quasi-character of  $k^*$ , written in the form  $c(\lambda) = |\lambda|^s \tilde{c}(\tilde{\lambda})$  where  $s$  is a complex number,

$$-\frac{\pi}{\log q} < \text{Im } s \leq \frac{\pi}{\log q}.$$

Put

$$\alpha(b) = c(\lambda) |\lambda|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \text{ for } b = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & \mu \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (\lambda \in k^*, \mu \in k).$$

Clearly  $\alpha$  is a one-dimensional continuous representation of  $B$ , which is trivial on  $N$ . So  $\alpha(b) = \alpha(a)$  if  $b = an$  ( $b \in B, a \in A, n \in N$ ). Let  $H^\alpha$  be the complex vector space of the continuous functions  $f$  on  $G$  satisfying  $f(bx) = \alpha(b)f(x)$  for all  $x \in G, b \in B$ . Restricting  $f$  to  $U$ , we obtain a bijective linear map of  $H^\alpha$  onto the space  $L(U)$  of all continuous complex-valued

functions  $\theta$  on  $U$  (by (7.1)). On  $H^\alpha$  a representation  $T^\alpha$  of  $G$  is defined by  $(T_g^\alpha f)(x) = f(xg)$  ( $g, x \in G$ ).

We pass to  $U$  and write  $\pi_\alpha(g)$  in stead of  $T_g^\alpha$ .

We have

$$\pi_\alpha(g)\theta(u) = \theta(w(u, g)) \cdot \alpha(a(u, g)) \quad (u \in U, g \in G)$$

where  $ug = a(u, g) \cdot n(u, g) \cdot w(u, g)$ ;  $a(u, g) \in A$ ,  $n(u, g) \in N$ ,  $w(u, g) \in U$ .

We state some properties of the mappings  $g \mapsto w(u, g)$  and  $g \mapsto a(u, g)$ .

- (i)  $w(u, g_1g_2) = w(w(u, g_1), g_2)$
- (ii)  $a(u, g_1g_2) = a(u, g_1)a(w(u, g_1), g_2)$
- (iii)  $a(u, u') = 1$
- (iv)  $a(u, u^{-1}g) = a(e, g)$ .

According to the decomposition  $G = ANU$  we choose a Haar measure on  $G$ :  $dx = dadndu$ .

Let  $g \in G$  be fixed. For  $a = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , put  $\beta(a) = |\lambda|$ .

We have

$$\begin{aligned} xg &= a \cdot n \cdot u \cdot g = a \cdot n \cdot a(u, g)n(u, g)w(u, g) = \\ &= a \cdot a(u, g)(a(u, g)^{-1} \cdot n \cdot a(u, g) \cdot n(u, g))w(u, g). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $d(a^{-1}na) = \beta(a)dn$  for all  $a \in A$  and since  $G$  is unimodular, we obtain

$$\int_G f(x)dx = \int_G f(xg)dx = \int_A \int_N \int_U f(a \cdot n \cdot w(u, g))\beta(a(u, g))dadndu$$

for all suitable functions  $f$  on  $G$ . This yields:

$$\int_U \theta(u)du = \int_U \beta(a(u, g))\theta(w(u, g))du \quad \text{for all } \theta \in L(U), g \in G.$$

If one applies these formulas one easily proves the following proposition.

(13.2) Proposition.

- (i) For each  $g \in G$ ,  $\pi_\alpha(g)$  is a continuous linear operator in  $L(U)$ , provided with the topology of  $L^2(U, du)$ .  
Extend  $\pi_\alpha(g)$  to the whole of  $L^2(U)$  for all  $g \in G$ .
- (ii)  $\pi_\alpha$  is a continuous representation of  $G$  on the Hilbert space  $L^2(U)$ .
- (iii)  $\pi_\alpha$  is unitary if and only if  $\text{Re } s = 0$ .

The representations  $\pi_\alpha = \text{ind}_{B \uparrow G} \alpha$ , realized on  $L^2(U)$ , coincide on  $U$  with the right regular representation of  $U$  on  $L^2(U)$  for every  $\alpha$ . From other realizations we know that  $\pi_\alpha$  is irreducible for all  $\alpha$  such that  $\pi_\alpha$  is unitary. (cf. e.g. [8], Theorem 3.2).

Now let  $f$  be a function in  $L_\tau(G, U)$ . Take the function in  $L^2(U)$  which transforms under  $\pi_\alpha$  according to  $\bar{\tau}$ , having length 1:

$$u \mapsto \overline{\tau(u)} \quad (u \in U).$$

We obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (\pi_\alpha(f)\bar{\tau}|\bar{\tau}) &= \int_G f(g)(\pi_\alpha(g)\bar{\tau}|\bar{\tau})dg = \\ &= \int_G \int_U f(g)\overline{\tau(w(u, g))} \alpha(a(u, g)) \tau(u) du dg = \int_G f(g)\overline{\tau(w(e, g))} \alpha(a(e, g)) dg = \\ &= \int_B f(b)\alpha(b)db = \int_k \int_{k^*} f \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & \mu \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \alpha \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} d\mu \frac{d^*\lambda}{|\lambda|} = \int_{k^*} F_f^\tau(\lambda) c(\lambda) |\lambda|^{-1} d^*\lambda. \end{aligned}$$

We could write

$$tr \pi_\alpha(f) = \int_{k^*} F_f^\tau(\lambda) c(\lambda) |\lambda|^{-1} d^*\lambda \quad (f \in L_\tau(G, U)).$$

14. *An incomplete system.*

Let us recall that a collection of representations  $\pi$  of a complex associative algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  on complex vector spaces is said to form a complete system, if  $\pi(f)=0$  for all  $\pi$  implies  $f=0$  ( $f \in \mathcal{A}$ ). It is known that the principal series of  $G$  does not form a complete system for the algebra  $L(G)$  (in full contrast with the real Lie group case). For certain algebras  $L_\sigma(G, K)$  however, where  $K=PGL(2, \mathcal{O})$ , the principal series does form a complete system (cf. [1(a)], [8]). Let us consider the algebra  $L_\tau(G, U)$  for  $\tau=1$ , also denoted  $L(G, U)$ . We shall briefly prove that the principal series of  $G$  does *not* form a complete set of representations for  $L(G, U_s)$ . Clearly this is equivalent to the assertion that  $f \mapsto F_f$  ( $f \in L(G, U_s)$ ) is not injective (13). It suffices to consider this problem on  $K=PGL(2, \mathcal{O})$  and (after reduction modulo  $\pi$ ) even on the finite group  $PGL(2, q)$ . Now consult a character table for the representations of  $PGL(2, q)$  (e.g. R. Steinberg, The representations of  $GL(3, q)$ ,  $GL(4, q)$ ,  $PGL(3, q)$  and  $PGL(4, q)$ , Can. J. 3, p. 225, 226 (1951). Observe that the group  $U_s \subset K$  is mapped on the matrices of the form  $\begin{pmatrix} \sigma^a & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma^{aq} \end{pmatrix}_{a+\text{mult. } q+1}$ .

After a few computations one sees that the representation with character  $\chi_{q-1}^{(n)}$  ( $q$  odd,  $n=1, 2, \dots, \frac{1}{2}(q-1)$ ) in Steinberg's notation, possesses a matrix coefficient  $f$  satisfying

$$f(ugu')=f(g) \text{ and } \sum_{\mu \in \mathbf{F}_q} f \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & \mu \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \text{ for all } \lambda \in \mathbf{F}_q^*.$$

Let us consider the real group  $G=PSL(2, \mathbf{R})$  with  $U=PSO(2, \mathbf{R})$ . Denote by  $\mathcal{D}(G)$  the algebra of all  $C^\infty$ -functions on  $G$  with compact support. Let  $\mathcal{D}_+$  be the algebra of all  $C^\infty$ -functions on  $\mathbf{R}_+^*$  with compact support satisfying  $f(\lambda)=f(\lambda^{-1})$ . Both algebras are provided with the usual inductive limit topologies. Then  $f \mapsto F_f$  is an isomorphism (both algebraical and topological) of  $\mathcal{D}(G) \cap L(G, U)$  onto  $\mathcal{D}_+$ . This can easily be deduced from the results obtained by Takahashi ([10], I, § 4).

On a  $p$ -adic group (like  $k^*$  and  $G = PGL(2, k)$ ,  $k$  a  $p$ -adic field) the role of  $\mathcal{D}(G)$  is played by the algebra of Schwartz functions. From now on we restrict ourselves to the subgroup  $G_v$  of  $G$ , being the image of the subgroup of  $GL(2, k)$  consisting of the matrices with determinant in  $N_v(k_v^*)$ , under the canonical map  $GL(2, k) \rightarrow G$ . Let  $\mathcal{S}_+$  be the subalgebra of  $\mathcal{S}(k^*)$  consisting of all functions  $f$  satisfying  $f(\lambda) = f(\lambda^{-1})$  ( $\lambda \in k^*$ ) and  $\text{supp}(f) \subset (k^*)^2$ . Then  $f \mapsto F_f|_{(k^*)^2}$  is a *surjective* continuous homomorphism from  $\mathcal{S}(G_v) \cap L(G, U_v)$  onto  $\mathcal{S}_+$ . This will be proved in the next section.

15. *The transformation 'F<sub>f</sub>' (2).*

The results of this section do hold even for the real groups  $PSL(2, \mathbf{R})$  and  $SL(2, \mathbf{R})$  and then they yield a proof without differential equations and the application of Abel's integral equation (cf. [5(b)], [10]). However, we shall be concerned with the  $p$ -adic case only.

Let  $\mathcal{S}(G_v, U_v)$  be the algebra of Schwartz functions on  $G$ , bi-invariant with respect to  $U_v$  and with support contained in  $G_v$ . Each function  $f \in \mathcal{S}(G_v, U_v)$  is completely determined by its restriction to  $B$ , which is clearly a Schwartz function on  $B$ , satisfying

$$(1) \quad f(b_{\lambda, \mu}) = \phi \left( \frac{\lambda^2 - \gamma \mu^2 + 1}{\lambda} \right) \quad (\lambda \in N_v(k_v^*), \mu \in k)$$

for a suitable function  $\phi$  on  $k$ . By (12.2)  $\phi$  can be chosen of Schwartz type. Observe that  $\phi$  is not uniquely determined by  $f$ :  $\phi$  may be changed (at least) on an open set, as is easily seen in view of (12.2). On the other hand, any Schwartz function  $\phi$  on  $k$  yields a function  $f \in \mathcal{S}(G_v, U_v)$  in the obvious way, such that (1) holds. Now consider

$$F_f(\lambda) = |\lambda|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \int_k f(b_{\lambda, \mu}) d\mu \quad (\lambda \in (k^*)^2) \text{ for } f \in \mathcal{S}(G_v, U_v).$$

Then clearly  $F_f \in \mathcal{S}_+$ . One checks immediately the continuity of this transformation (considered as a homomorphism  $\mathcal{S}(G_v, U_v) \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_+$ ).

(15.1) *Theorem. The transformation  $f \mapsto F_f$  yields a continuous homomorphism of  $\mathcal{S}(G_v, U_v)$  onto  $\mathcal{S}_+$ .*

The greater part of this theorem follows from (13.1) and the considerations from above. We have still to prove that the transformation is surjective. We first state a lemma.

(15.2) *Lemma. Let  $\chi$  be a basic character of  $k^+$ . Then for all  $\lambda \in k^*$  one has:  $\int_{|\mu| \leq q^n} \chi(\lambda \mu^2) d\mu$  does not depend on  $n$  if  $n \geq \frac{\log |\lambda|}{2 \log q}$ , and, assuming this, equals  $|\lambda|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \gamma(\lambda)$ , where  $\gamma(\lambda)$  is a complex number of modulus 1.*

$\gamma$  is constant on the cosets of  $(k^*)^2$  in  $k^*$ . Moreover one has

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(1) &= 1, \quad \gamma(\varepsilon) = 1, \quad \gamma(\varepsilon\pi) = -\gamma(\pi); \\ \gamma(\pi) &= \pm 1 \text{ if } -1 \text{ is a square in } k, \\ \gamma(\pi) &= \pm i \text{ if } -1 \text{ is not a square in } k. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* We use some results about the Fourier transform of quadratic characters due to A. Weil, in the setting of CARTIER [2]. Applying [2] (Satz 1) to the quadratic character  $\mu \mapsto \chi(\lambda\mu^2)$  ( $\mu \in k, \lambda \in k^*$  fixed) we obtain:

$$\int_{|\mu| \leq q^m} \chi(\lambda\mu^2) d\mu = \gamma(\lambda) |\lambda|^{-\frac{1}{2}} q^{-m} \int_{|\mu| \leq q^{-m}} \overline{\chi(\lambda\mu^2)} d\mu,$$

where  $\gamma(\lambda)$  is a complex number of modulus 1. For  $m$  such that  $|\lambda|q^{-2m} \leq 1$  we have

$$q^{-m} \int_{|\mu| \leq q^{-m}} \chi(\lambda\mu^2) d\mu = 1.$$

Therefore

$$\int_{|\lambda\mu| \leq q^m} \chi(\lambda\mu^2) d\mu = \gamma(\lambda) |\lambda|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \text{ for all } m \geq \frac{\log |\lambda|}{2 \log q}.$$

Let  $\alpha$  be a square in  $k^*$ . Then  $\gamma(\alpha\lambda) |\alpha\lambda|^{-\frac{1}{2}} = |\alpha|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \gamma(\lambda) |\lambda|^{-\frac{1}{2}}$  for all  $\lambda \in k^*$ . Hence  $\gamma(\alpha\lambda) = \gamma(\lambda)$  for all  $\lambda \in k^*$ . So  $\gamma$  is constant on the cosets of  $(k^*)^2$  in  $k^*$ .

For  $\lambda = 1$  or  $\lambda = \varepsilon$ , take  $m = 0$ . Then  $\gamma(\lambda) = \int_{\mathcal{O}} \chi(\lambda\mu^2) d\mu = 1$ .

For  $\lambda = \pi$  or  $\lambda = \varepsilon\pi$ , take  $m = 0$  again. Then  $\gamma(\lambda) = q^{-\frac{1}{2}} \sum_{k=0}^{q-1} \chi(\tilde{\lambda}\pi^{-1}\varepsilon_k^2)$ , where  $\varepsilon_0, \varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_{q-1}$  is a set of representatives for  $\mathcal{O}$  modulo  $P$  and  $\tilde{\lambda} = 1$  if  $\lambda = \pi$ ,  $\tilde{\lambda} = \varepsilon$  if  $\lambda = \varepsilon\pi$ . Clearly we now have  $\gamma(\varepsilon\pi) = -\gamma(\pi)$ . If  $-1$  is a square in  $k$  we have  $\overline{\gamma(\pi)} = \gamma(-\pi) = \gamma(\pi)$ . Hence  $\gamma(\pi) = \pm 1$ . If  $-1$  is not a square in  $k$  we have  $\gamma(-\pi) = \gamma(\varepsilon\pi)$ . Therefore  $\gamma(\pi) = \overline{-\gamma(\pi)}$  and hence  $\gamma(\pi) = \pm i$ .

*Proof of the theorem.*

First we shall modify the expression for  $F_f$ .

Let  $f$  be a function in  $\mathcal{S}(G_v, U_v)$ . Take any  $\phi \in \mathcal{S}(k)$  such that (1) holds. Let  $\chi$  be a basic character of  $k^+$ . By Fourier's inversion formula we have

$$\phi(\xi) = \int_k \chi(-\xi\eta) \widehat{\phi}(\eta) d\eta \quad (\xi \in k).$$

Inserting this expression in

$$F_f(\lambda) = |\lambda|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \int_k \phi\left(\frac{\lambda^2 - v\mu^2 + 1}{\lambda}\right) d\mu,$$

we obtain

$$F_f(\lambda) = |\lambda|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \int_k \int_k \chi\left(-\eta \frac{\lambda^2 - v\mu^2 + 1}{\lambda}\right) \widehat{\phi}(\eta) d\eta d\mu \quad (\lambda \in (k^*)^2).$$

Since both  $\eta$  and  $\mu$  actually run over compact sets, we may change the order of integration:

$$(2) \quad F_f(\lambda) = |\lambda|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \int_k \chi\left(-\eta \frac{\lambda^2 + 1}{\lambda}\right) \widehat{\phi}(\eta) d\eta \cdot \int_S \chi\left(\frac{v\eta\mu^2}{\lambda}\right) d\mu,$$

where  $S$  denotes some compact set, such that  $f(b_{\lambda,\mu}) = 0$  for all  $\lambda \in (k^*)^2$  and all  $\mu \notin S$ .

By the remarks made above, we may assume that  $\phi$  satisfies

$$\hat{\phi}(0) = \int_k \phi(\xi) d\xi = 0.$$

So the integrals in (2) may be taken over  $\eta$  outside some neighbourhood of  $\eta=0$ .

For large  $S$  we have by (15.2):

$$\int_S \chi \left( \frac{v\eta\mu^2}{\lambda} \right) d\mu = |\nu|^{-\frac{1}{2}} |\lambda|^{\frac{1}{2}} |\eta|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \gamma(v\eta) \quad (\lambda \in (k^*)^2, \eta \in k^*).$$

We obtain:

$$F_f(\lambda) = |\nu|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \int_k \chi \left( -\eta \frac{\lambda^2 + 1}{\lambda} \right) |\eta|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \gamma(v\eta) \hat{\phi}(\eta) d\eta \quad (\lambda \in (k^*)^2).$$

Let us now prove the surjectivity.

Let  $h$  be any function in  $\mathcal{S}_+$ . We can find  $H \in \mathcal{S}(k)$  satisfying:

$$h(\lambda) = H \left( \frac{\lambda^2 + 1}{\lambda} \right) \quad (\lambda \in (k^*)^2), \quad \int_k H(\xi) d\xi = 0.$$

This follows easily from our considerations for the formula

$$f(b_{\lambda,\mu}) = \phi \left( \frac{\lambda^2 - \nu\mu^2 + 1}{\lambda} \right)$$

from above, taking  $\mu=0$ .

Put

$$\phi(\xi) = |\nu|^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_k \chi(-\eta\xi) \hat{H}(\eta) |\eta|^{\frac{1}{2}} \overline{\gamma(v\eta)} d\eta \quad (\xi \in k).$$

Then  $\phi \in \mathcal{S}(k)$ ,  $\hat{\phi}(0) = 0$ .

Put

$$f(g) = f(b_{\lambda,\mu}) = \phi \left( \frac{\lambda^2 - \nu\mu^2 + 1}{\lambda} \right),$$

where  $g = b_{\lambda,\mu} \cdot u$

$$(g \in G_\nu, b_{\lambda,\mu} \in B, u \in U_\nu, \lambda \in N_\nu(k^*), \mu \in k).$$

Then  $f \in \mathcal{S}(G_\nu, U_\nu)$  and

$$\begin{aligned} F_f(\lambda) &= \int_k \chi \left( -\eta \frac{\lambda^2 + 1}{\lambda} \right) |\eta|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \gamma(v\eta) \hat{H}(\eta) |\eta|^{\frac{1}{2}} \overline{\gamma(v\eta)} d\eta = \\ &= H \left( \frac{\lambda^2 + 1}{\lambda} \right) = h(\lambda) \quad \text{for all } \lambda \in (k^*)^2. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof.

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