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# Plancherel measure for $GL(n, F)$ and $GL(m, D)$ : Explicit formulas and Bernstein decomposition

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## Abstract

Let  $F$  be a nonarchimedean local field, let  $D$  be a division algebra over  $F$ , let  $GL(n) = GL(n, F)$ . Let  $\nu$  denote Plancherel measure for  $GL(n)$ . Let  $\Omega$  be a component in the Bernstein variety  $\Omega(GL(n))$ . Then  $\Omega$  yields its fundamental invariants: the cardinality  $q$  of the residue field of  $F$ , the sizes  $m_1, \dots, m_t$ , exponents  $e_1, \dots, e_t$ , torsion numbers  $r_1, \dots, r_t$ , formal degrees  $d_1, \dots, d_t$  and conductors  $f_{11}, \dots, f_{tt}$ . We provide explicit formulas for the Bernstein component  $\nu_\Omega$  of Plancherel measure in terms of the fundamental invariants. We prove a transfer-of-measure formula for  $GL(n)$  and establish some new formal degree formulas. We derive, via the Jacquet–Langlands correspondence, the explicit Plancherel formula for  $GL(m, D)$ .

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## 1. Introduction

In this article we provide an explicit Plancherel formula for the  $p$ -adic group  $GL(n)$ . Moreover, we determine explicitly the Bernstein decomposition of Plancherel measure, including all numerical constants.

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Let  $F$  be a nonarchimedean local field with ring of integers  $\mathfrak{o}_F$ , let  $G = \text{GL}(n) = \text{GL}(n, F)$ . We will use the standard normalization of Haar measure on  $\text{GL}(n)$  for which the volume of  $\text{GL}(n, \mathfrak{o}_F)$  is 1. Plancherel measure  $\nu$  is then uniquely determined by the equation

$$f(g) = \int \text{trace } \pi(\lambda(g)f^\vee) d\nu(\pi)$$

for all  $g \in G, f \in \mathcal{C}(G)$ , where  $f^\vee(g) = f(g^{-1})$ .

The Harish-Chandra Plancherel Theorem expresses the Plancherel measure in the following form:

$$d\nu(\omega) = c(G|M)^{-2} \gamma(G|M)^{-1} \mu_{G|M}(\omega) d(\omega) d\omega,$$

where  $M$  is a Levi subgroup of  $G, \omega \in E_2(M)$  the discrete series of  $M, c(G|M)$  and  $\gamma(G|M)$  are certain constants,  $\mu_{G|M}$  is a certain rational function,  $d(\omega)$  is the formal degree of  $\omega$ , and  $d\omega$  is the Harish-Chandra canonical measure.

In this article we determine explicitly

$$c(G|M)^{-2} \gamma(G|M)^{-1} \mu_{G|M}(\omega) d(\omega) d\omega$$

for  $\text{GL}(n)$ .

The support of Plancherel measure  $\nu$  admits a Bernstein decomposition [23] and therefore  $\nu$  admits a canonical decomposition

$$\nu = \bigsqcup \nu_\Omega,$$

where  $\Omega$  is a component in the Bernstein variety  $\Omega(G)$ . We determine explicitly the Bernstein component  $\nu_\Omega$  for  $\text{GL}(n)$ .

We can think of  $\Omega$  as a vector of irreducible supercuspidal representations of smaller general linear groups. If the vector is

$$(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_t, \dots, \sigma_t)$$

with  $\sigma_i$  repeated  $e_i$  times,  $1 \leq i \leq t$ , and  $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_t$  pairwise distinct (after unramified twist) then we say that  $\Omega$  has *exponents*  $e_1, \dots, e_t$ .

Each representation  $\sigma_i$  of  $\text{GL}(m_i)$  has a *torsion number*: the order of the cyclic group of all those unramified characters  $\eta$  for which  $\sigma_i \otimes \eta \cong \sigma_i$ . The torsion number of  $\sigma_i$  will be denoted  $r_i$ .

We may choose each representation  $\sigma_i$  of  $\text{GL}(m_i)$  to be unitary: in that case  $\sigma_i$  has a *formal degree*  $d_i = d(\sigma_i)$ . We have  $0 < d_i < \infty$ .

We will denote by  $f_{ij} = f(\sigma_i^\vee \times \sigma_j)$  the conductor of the pair  $\sigma_i^\vee \times \sigma_j$ . An explicit conductor formula is obtained in the article by Bushnell et al. [9].

In this way, the Bernstein component  $\Omega$  yields up the following *fundamental invariants*:

- the cardinality  $q$  of the residue field of  $F$ ;
- the sizes  $m_1, m_2, \dots, m_t$  of the smaller general linear groups;
- the exponents  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_t$ ;
- the torsion numbers  $r_1, r_2, \dots, r_t$ ;
- the formal degrees  $d_1, d_2, \dots, d_t$ ;
- the conductors for pairs  $f_{11}, f_{12}, \dots, f_{tt}$ .

Our Plancherel formulas are built from precisely these numerical invariants.

If  $\Omega$  has the single exponent  $e$ , then the fundamental invariants yielded up by  $\Omega$  are  $q, m, e, r, d, f$ . The component  $\Omega$  determines a representation in the discrete series of  $GL(n)$ , namely the generalized Steinberg representation  $St(\sigma, e)$ . The formal degree of  $\pi = St(\sigma, e)$  is given by the following new formula, which is intricate, but depends only on the fundamental invariants of  $\Omega$ , in line with our general philosophy:

$$\frac{d(\pi)}{d(\sigma)^e} = \frac{m^{e-1}}{r^{e-1}e} \cdot q^{(e^2-e)(f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma) + r - 2m^2)/2} \cdot \frac{(q^r - 1)^e}{q^{er} - 1} \cdot \frac{|GL(em, q)|}{|GL(m, q)|^e}.$$

In Section 2, we give a précis of the background material which we need, following the recent article of Waldspurger [34].

The Langlands–Shahidi formula gives the rational function  $\mu_{G|M}$  as a ratio of certain  $L$ -factors and  $\varepsilon$ -factors [26]. In Sections 3 and 4, we compute explicitly the expression

$$c(G|M)^{-2} \gamma(G|M)^{-1} \mu_{G|M}(\omega) d\omega$$

when  $M$  is a maximal parabolic. The resulting formula is stated in Theorem 4.4: in this formula we correct certain misprints in [27, pp. 292–293].

In Section 5, we compute the Plancherel density  $\mu_{G|M}$  in the general case by using the Harish-Chandra product formula and we give the explicit Bernstein decomposition of Plancherel measure.

As a special case, we derive the explicit Plancherel formula for the (extended) affine Hecke algebra  $\mathcal{H}(n, q)$ .

We have, in effect, extended the classical formula of Macdonald [19,20, Theorem 5.1.2] from the spherical component of  $GL(n)$  to the whole of the tempered dual.

The Plancherel formulas for  $GL(n, F)$  and  $GL(m, D)$  are dominated by *repeating patterns*, which we now attempt to explain. The repeating patterns are expressed by transfer-of-measure theorems, of which the first is as follows. With  $j = 1, 2$ , let  $F_j$  be a nonarchimedean local field and let  $\Omega_j$  be a component in the Bernstein variety of  $GL(n_j, F_j)$ . Let  $v^{(j)}$  denote the Plancherel measure of  $GL(n_j, F_j)$ . If  $\Omega_1, \Omega_2$  share the same fundamental invariants, then

$$v_{\Omega_1}^{(1)} = v_{\Omega_2}^{(2)}.$$

The next transfer-of-measure theorem is more surprising. Let  $\Omega$  be a component in the Bernstein variety of  $\mathrm{GL}(n, F)$ , and let  $\nu$  be Plancherel measure. Let  $\Omega$  have the fundamental invariants  $(q, m, e, r, d, f)$ . Let  $K/F$  be an extension field with  $q_K = q^r$ . Let  $G_0 := \mathrm{GL}(e, K)$ , let  $\Omega_0$  be a component in the Bernstein variety of  $G_0$ , and let  $\nu^{(0)}$  be Plancherel measure. If  $\Omega_0$  has fundamental invariants  $(q^r, 1, e, 1, 1, 1)$  then  $\nu_\Omega$  and  $\nu_{\Omega_0}^{(0)}$  are *proportional*, i.e.,

$$\nu_\Omega = \kappa \cdot \nu_{\Omega_0}^{(0)},$$

where  $\kappa = \kappa(q, m, e, r, d, f)$ . This phenomenon was first noted by Bushnell et al. [10, Theorem 4.1] working in the context of types and Hilbert algebras. We reconcile our result for  $\mathrm{GL}(n)$  with (a special case of) their result by proving that

$$\kappa(q, m, e, r, d, f) = \mathrm{vol}(J)^{-1} \cdot \mathrm{vol}(I_0) \cdot \dim(\lambda),$$

where  $(J, \lambda)$  is an  $\Omega$ -type,  $I_0$  is an Iwahori subgroup of  $G_0$ : for this result, see Theorem 6.12. Theorem 5.7, which in essence is the Harish-Chandra product formula, then allows one to compute the Plancherel measure  $\nu_\Omega$  for any component  $\Omega$ .

Using the explicit value for the formal degree of any representation in the discrete series of  $G$  previously obtained by Silberger and Zink, we show that the comparison formula between formal degrees, proved by Corwin, Moy and Sally in the tame case [14], is valid in general.

In the last section of the paper we consider the case of a group  $\mathrm{GL}(n', D)$ , where  $D$  is a central division algebra of index  $d$  over  $F$ . We extend the transfer-of-measure result of Arthur and Clozel [1, pp. 88–90] to the case when  $F$  is of positive characteristic, by using results of Badulescu.

Let  $G' = \mathrm{GL}(n', D)$ ,  $G = \mathrm{GL}(n, F)$  with  $n = dn'$ . Let  $\nu', \nu$  denote the Plancherel measure for  $G', G$ , each with the standard normalization of Haar measure on  $G', G$ . Let  $\mathrm{JL}: E_2(G') \rightarrow E_2(G)$  denote the Jacquet–Langlands correspondence. Then we have

$$d\nu'(\omega') = \lambda(D/F) \cdot d\nu(\mathrm{JL}(\omega')),$$

where

$$\lambda(D/F) = \prod (q^m - 1)^{-1}$$

the product taken over all  $m$  such that  $1 \leq m \leq n - 1, m \not\equiv 0 \pmod d$ .

For example, let  $G' = \mathrm{GL}(3, D), G = \mathrm{GL}(6, F)$  with  $D$  of index 2. Then we have

$$d\nu'(\omega') = (q - 1)^{-1} (q^3 - 1)^{-1} (q^5 - 1)^{-1} \cdot d\nu(\mathrm{JL}(\omega')).$$

Our proof of this is in local harmonic analysis, cf. [1, pp. 88–90].

*Historical note.* The Harish-Chandra Plancherel Theorem, and the Product Theorem for Plancherel Measure, were published posthumously in his collected papers in 1984, see [16]. The theorems were stated without proof (although Harish-Chandra had apparently written out the proofs). At this point, we quote from Silberger’s article [30], published in 1996:

In [16] Harish-Chandra has summarized the theory underlying the Plancherel formula for  $G$  and sketched a proof of the Plancherel theorem. To complete this sketch it seems to this writer that details need to be supplied justifying only one assertion of [16], namely Theorem 11. Every other assertion in this paper can be readily proved either by using prior published work of Harish-Chandra or the present author’s notes on Harish-Chandra’s lectures.

For Silberger’s Notes, published in 1979, see [29]. Complete and detailed proofs were finally published by Waldspurger in 2003, see [34, V.2.1, VIII.1.1]. None of these sources contains any explicit computations for  $GL(n)$ .

Some of the results in this article have been announced in [2].

## 2. The Plancherel formula after Harish-Chandra

We shall follow very closely the notation and terminology in [34].

Let  $\mathcal{K} = GL(n, \mathfrak{o}_F)$ . Let  $H$  be a closed subgroup of  $G = GL(n, F)$ . We use the *standard* normalization of Haar measures, following [34, I.1, p. 240]. Then Haar measure  $\mu_H$  on  $H$  is chosen so that  $\mu_H(H \cap \mathcal{K}) = 1$ . If  $Z = A_G$  is the centre of  $G$  then we have  $\mu_Z(Z \cap \mathcal{K}) = 1$ . If  $H = G$  then Haar measure  $\mu = \mu_G$  is normalized so that the volume of  $\mathcal{K}$  is 1.

Denote by  $\Theta$  the set of pairs  $(\mathcal{O}, P = MU)$  where  $P$  is a semi-standard parabolic subgroup of  $G$  and  $\mathcal{O} \subset E_2(M)$  is an orbit under the action of  $\text{Im } X(M)$ . (Here  $E_2(M)$  is the set of equivalence classes of the discrete series of the Levi subgroup  $M$ , and  $\text{Im } X(M)$  is the group of the unitary unramified characters of  $M$ .)

Two elements  $(\mathcal{O}, P = MU)$  and  $(\mathcal{O}', P' = M'U')$  are *associated* if there exists  $s \in W^G$  such that  $s \cdot M = M', s\mathcal{O} = \mathcal{O}'$ . We fix a set  $\Theta/\text{assoc}$  of representatives in  $\Theta$  for the classes of association. For  $(\mathcal{O}, P = MU) \in \Theta$ , we set  $W(G|M) = \{s \in W^G : s \cdot M = M\}/W^M$ , and

$$\text{Stab}(\mathcal{O}, M) = \{s \in W(G|M) : s\mathcal{O} = \mathcal{O}\}.$$

Let  $\mathcal{C}(G)$  denote the Harish-Chandra Schwartz space of  $G$  and let  $I_P^G \omega$  denote the normalized induced representation from  $\omega$ . Let  $f \in \mathcal{C}(G)$ ,  $\omega \in E_2(M)$ . We will write

$$\pi = I_P^G \omega, \quad \pi(f) = \int f(g)\pi(g) \, dg, \quad \theta_\omega^G(f) = \text{trace } \pi(f).$$

**Theorem 2.1** (The Plancherel formula [34, VIII.1.1]). For each  $f \in \mathcal{C}(G)$  and each  $g \in G$  we have

$$f(g) = \sum c(G|M)^{-2} \gamma(G|M)^{-1} |\text{Stab}(\mathcal{O}, M)|^{-1} \int_{\mathcal{O}} \mu_{G|M}(\omega) d(\omega) \theta_{\omega}^G(\lambda(g) f^{\vee}) d\omega$$

where the sum is over all the pairs  $(\mathcal{O}, P = MU) \in \Theta/\text{assoc}$ .

Note that

$$\mu_{G|M}(\omega) \cdot c(G|M)^{-2} \cdot \gamma(G|M)^{-1} = \gamma(G|M) \cdot j(\omega)^{-1}, \tag{1}$$

where  $j$  denotes the composition of intertwining operators defined in [34, IV.3 (2)].

The map

$$(\mathcal{O}, P = MU) \rightarrow \text{Irr}^t(G), \quad \omega \mapsto I_P^G \omega$$

determines a bijection

$$\bigsqcup (\mathcal{O}, P = MU)/\text{Stab}(\mathcal{O}, M) \longrightarrow \text{Irr}^t(G).$$

The tempered dual  $\text{Irr}^t(G)$  acquires, by transport of structure, the structure of *disjoint union of countably many compact orbifolds*.

According to [34, V.2.1], the function  $\mu_{G|M}$  is a rational function on  $\mathcal{O}$ . We have  $\mu_{G|M}(\omega) \geq 0$  and  $\mu_{G|M}(s\omega) = \mu(\omega)$  for each  $s \in W^G$ ,  $\omega \in \mathcal{O}$ . This invariance property implies that  $\mu$  descends to a function on the orbifold  $\mathcal{O}/\text{Stab}(\mathcal{O}, M)$ . We can view  $\mu$  either as an *invariant* function on the orbit  $\mathcal{O}$  or as a function on the orbifold  $\mathcal{O}/\text{Stab}(\mathcal{O}, M)$ .

We now define the *canonical measure*  $d\omega$ . The map  $\text{Im } X(M) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}$  sends  $\chi \mapsto \omega \otimes \chi$ ; the map  $\text{Im } X(M) \rightarrow \text{Im } X(A_M)$  is determined by restriction. Let  $(Y_i, \mathcal{B}_i, \mu_i)$  be finite measure spaces with  $i = 1, 2$  and let  $f : Y_1 \rightarrow Y_2$  be a measurable map. Then  $\mu_1$  is the *pull-back* of  $\mu_2$  if  $\mu_1(f^{-1}E) = \mu_2(E)$  for all  $E \in \mathcal{B}_2$ . This surely is the meaning of *préserve localement les mesures* in [34, pp. 239, 302].

The compact group  $\text{Im } X(A_M)$  is assigned the Haar measure of total mass 1. Choose Haar measure on the compact orbit  $\mathcal{O}$ . Now  $\text{Im } X(M)$  admits two pull-back measures:

$$\text{Im } X(A_M) \leftarrow \text{Im } X(M) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}.$$

These must coincide: this fixes the Haar measure  $d\omega$  on  $\mathcal{O}$ , see [34, pp. 239, 302].

Let  $E$  be a Borel set in  $\mathcal{O}$  which is also a fundamental domain for the action of  $\text{Stab}(\mathcal{O}, M)$  on  $\mathcal{O}$ . Since  $F(\omega) := \mu_{G|M}(\omega) d(\omega) \theta_{\omega}^G(\lambda(g) f^{\vee})$  is  $\text{Stab}(\mathcal{O}, M)$ -invariant,

we have

$$|\text{Stab}(\mathcal{O}, M)|^{-1} \cdot \int_{\mathcal{O}} F(\omega) \, d\omega = \int_E F(\omega) \, d\omega.$$

The Plancherel density, with respect to the canonical measure  $d\omega$ , is therefore

$$c(G|M)^2 \cdot \gamma(G|M)^{-1} \cdot \mu_{G|M}(\omega) \, d(\omega),$$

where  $d(\omega)$  is the formal degree of  $\omega$ . It is precisely this expression which we will compute explicitly for  $\text{GL}(n)$ . To this end, we will use the following result.

**Theorem 2.2** (The Product formula [34, V.2.1]). *With  $M = \text{GL}(n_1) \times \cdots \times \text{GL}(n_k) \subset \text{GL}(n)$  and  $\omega = \omega_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes \omega_k$  we have*

$$\mu_{G|M}(\omega) = \prod_{1 \leq j < i \leq k} \mu_{\text{GL}(n_i+n_j)|\text{GL}(n_i) \times \text{GL}(n_j)}(\omega_i \otimes \omega_j).$$

The Plancherel measure  $\nu$  is determined by the equation

$$f(g) = \int \text{trace } \pi(\lambda(g) f^\vee) \, d\nu(\pi)$$

for all  $f \in \mathcal{C}(G)$ .

**Theorem 2.3** (The Bernstein decomposition [23]). *The Plancherel measure  $\nu$  admits a canonical Bernstein decomposition*

$$\nu = \bigsqcup \nu_\Omega,$$

where  $\Omega$  is a component in the Bernstein variety  $\Omega(G)$ . The domain of each  $\nu_\Omega$  is a finite union of orbifolds of the form  $\mathcal{O}/\text{Stab}(\mathcal{O}, M)$  and is precisely a single extended quotient.

We will use Theorem 2.3 to compute the Plancherel measure of the (extended) affine Hecke algebra  $\mathcal{H}(n, q)$  (see Remark 5.6).

### 3. Calculation of the $\gamma$ factors

**Theorem 3.1.** *We have*

$$\gamma(G|M) = q^{-2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} n_i n_j} \frac{|\text{GL}(n, q)|}{|\text{GL}(n_1, q)| \times \cdots \times |\text{GL}(n_k, q)|}.$$

**Proof.** By applying the formula given in [34, p. 241, 1.7] to the group  $H = I_n + \varpi M(n, \mathfrak{o}_F)$ , we obtain

$$\gamma(G|M) = q^{-2R} \frac{\mu(M \cap H)}{\mu(H)},$$

with  $R = \Sigma(G)^+ - \Sigma(M)^+$ , where  $\Sigma(G)^+$  (resp.  $\Sigma(M)^+$ ) denotes the set of positive roots in  $G$  (resp.  $M$ ). We have

$$R = \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} n_i n_j.$$

On the other hand, since the Haar measure on  $G$  is normalized so that the volume of  $\mathcal{K}$  is 1, it follows from the exact sequence

$$1 \rightarrow H \rightarrow \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}(n, q),$$

that

$$\mu(H) = |\mathrm{GL}(n, q)|^{-1} \quad \text{and} \quad \mu(H \cap M) = |\mathrm{GL}(n_1, q)|^{-1} \times \cdots \times |\mathrm{GL}(n_k, q)|^{-1}. \quad \square$$

**Remark 3.2.** Observe that  $2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} n_i n_j$  equals the length of the element  $w = w_M w_{\mathrm{GL}(n)}$ , where  $w_M$  (resp.  $w_{\mathrm{GL}(n)}$ ) denotes the longest element in the Weyl group of  $M$  (resp.  $\mathrm{GL}(n)$ ). Let  $P_{S_n}(X)$  denote the Poincaré polynomial of the Coxeter group  $S_n$ . Then, using the fact that (see for instance [21, (2.6)])

$$P_{S_n}(q^{-1}) = \frac{|\mathrm{GL}(n, q)|}{q^{n^2-n}(q-1)^n}, \tag{2}$$

we obtain from Theorem 3.1

$$\gamma(G|M) = \frac{P_{S_n}(q^{-1})}{P_{S_{n_1}}(q^{-1}) \times \cdots \times P_{S_{n_k}}(q^{-1})}. \tag{3}$$

This gives the following expression for the  $c$ -function defined in [34, I.1]:

$$c(G|M) = \frac{\prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} P_{S_{n_i+n_j}}(q^{-1})}{P_{S_n}(q^{-1}) \cdot \prod_{i=1}^k (P_{S_{n_i}}(q^{-1}))^{k-2}}. \tag{4}$$

**4. The Langlands–Shahidi formula**

Let  $\varpi$  denote a fixed uniformizer. We will choose a continuous additive character  $\Psi$  such that the conductor of  $\Psi$  is  $\mathfrak{o}_F$ . Note that Shahidi uses precisely this normalization in [25]. We shall need the  $L$ -factor  $L(s, \pi_1 \times \pi_2)$  and the  $\varepsilon$ -factor  $\varepsilon(s, \pi_1 \times \pi_2, \Psi)$  for pairs, where  $s$  denotes a complex variable (see [18,26]). We define the conductor  $f(\pi_1 \times \pi_2)$  (see [9]) and the  $\gamma$ -factor  $\gamma(s, \pi_1 \times \pi_2, \Psi)$  (see [18, p. 374]) for pairs as

$$\varepsilon(0, \pi_1 \times \pi_2, \Psi) = q^{f(\pi_1 \times \pi_2)} \cdot \varepsilon(1, \pi_1 \times \pi_2, \Psi), \tag{5}$$

$$\gamma(s, \pi_1 \times \pi_2, \Psi) = \varepsilon(s, \pi_1 \times \pi_2, \Psi) \cdot L(1 - s, \pi_1^\vee \times \pi_2^\vee) / L(s, \pi_1 \times \pi_2). \tag{6}$$

We assume in this section that  $P$  is the upper block triangular maximal parabolic subgroup of  $G$  with Levi subgroup  $M = \text{GL}(n_1) \times \text{GL}(n_2)$ . We have the Langlands–Shahidi formula for the Harish-Chandra  $\mu$ -function, see [25, §6] or [27, §7]:

$$\mu_{G|M}(\omega_1 \otimes \omega_2) = \gamma(G|M)^2 \cdot \frac{\gamma(0, \omega_1^\vee \times \omega_2, \Psi)}{\gamma(1, \omega_1^\vee \times \omega_2, \Psi)}. \tag{7}$$

It is useful to note that

$$\frac{\gamma(0, \omega_1^\vee \times \omega_2, \Psi)}{\gamma(1, \omega_1^\vee \times \omega_2, \Psi)} = q^{f(\omega_1^\vee \times \omega_2)} \cdot L'', \tag{8}$$

where

$$L'' = \frac{L(1, \omega_1 \times \omega_2^\vee)L(1, \omega_1^\vee \times \omega_2)}{L(0, \omega_1 \times \omega_2^\vee)L(0, \omega_1^\vee \times \omega_2)}. \tag{9}$$

For any smooth representation  $\pi$  of  $G$  and any quasi-character  $\chi$ , we denote by  $\chi\pi$  the twist of  $\pi$  by  $\chi$ :

$$\chi\pi := (\chi \circ \det) \otimes \pi.$$

If  $\sigma_1$  (resp.  $\sigma_2$ ) is an irreducible supercuspidal representation of  $\text{GL}(m_1)$  (resp.  $\text{GL}(m_2)$ ), then we have  $L(s, \sigma_1 \times \sigma_2^\vee) = 1$  unless  $\sigma_1 \cong \chi\sigma_2$  with  $\chi$  an unramified quasi-character of  $F^\times$ .

The next formula is from [18, Proposition 8.1] or [27, p. 292].

**Lemma 4.1.** *Let  $\sigma_2$  have torsion number  $r$  and let  $\sigma_1 \cong \chi\sigma_2$  with  $\chi$  an unramified quasi-character such that  $\chi(\varpi) = \zeta$ . Then we have*

$$L(s, \sigma_1 \times \sigma_2^\vee) = (1 - \zeta^{-r} q^{-rs})^{-1}.$$

Let  $\chi_1, \chi_2$  be unramified (unitary) characters of  $F^\times$ . The group of unramified (unitary) characters  $\text{Im } X(M)$  of  $M$  has, via the map

$$(\chi_1 \circ \det) \otimes (\chi_2 \circ \det) \mapsto (\chi_1(\varpi), \chi_2(\varpi))$$

the structure of the compact torus  $\mathbb{T}^2$ .

Let  $\pi_i$  be in the discrete series of  $\text{GL}(n_i)$  with  $i = 1, 2$ , and let  $\pi_i$  have torsion number  $r$ . Consider now the orbit  $\text{Im } X(M) \cdot (\pi_1 \otimes \pi_2)$  in the Harish-Chandra parameter space  $\Omega^t(G)$ . The action of  $\text{Im } X(M)$  creates a short exact sequence

$$1 \rightarrow \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^2 \rightarrow 1$$

with

$$\mathbb{T}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^2, (\zeta_1, \zeta_2) \mapsto (\zeta_1^r, \zeta_2^r).$$

The finite group  $\mathcal{G}$  is precisely the finite group in [5, Lemma 25] and is the product of cyclic groups:

$$\mathcal{G} = \mathbb{Z}/r\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/r\mathbb{Z}.$$

We will write  $z_1 = \zeta_1^r, z_2 = \zeta_2^r$  so that  $z_1, z_2$  are precisely the co-ordinates of a point in the orbit.

**Remark 4.2.** We recall the following facts about the discrete series of  $\text{GL}(n)$ . Let  $\pi_1$  and  $\pi_2$  be two discrete series representations of  $\text{GL}(n_1)$  and  $\text{GL}(n_2)$ , respectively. By Zelevinsky [35], there exist two pairs of integers  $(m_1, l_1)$  and  $(m_2, l_2)$  and two irreducible unitary supercuspidal representations  $\sigma_1$  and  $\sigma_2$  of  $\text{GL}(m_1)$  and  $\text{GL}(m_2)$ , respectively, such that, for  $i = 1, 2$ , we have  $l_i m_i = n_i$  and the representation  $\pi_i$  is the unique irreducible quotient associated to the Zelevinsky segment

$$\{ |\det|^{-g_i} \sigma_i, |\det|^{-g_i+1} \sigma_i, \dots, |\det|^{g_i-1} \sigma_i, |\det|^{g_i} \sigma_i \},$$

where  $2g_i + 1 = l_i$ . We will follow the notation in [1, p. 61] and write

$$\pi_i = \text{St}(\sigma_i, l_i).$$

So  $\pi_i$  is a *generalized Steinberg representation*. We observe that

$$\chi \pi_i = \text{St}(\chi \sigma_i, l_i).$$

It follows that the torsion numbers of  $\pi_i$  and  $\sigma_i$  are equal.

**Theorem 4.3.** *Let  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2$  be irreducible unitary supercuspidal representations of  $\mathrm{GL}(m_1), \mathrm{GL}(m_2)$ . Let  $\pi_1, \pi_2$  be discrete series representations of  $\mathrm{GL}(n_1), \mathrm{GL}(n_2)$  such that  $\pi_i = \mathrm{St}(\sigma_i, l_i)$ . Let  $\chi_1, \chi_2$  be unramified characters. If  $\sigma_1 \neq \chi\sigma_2$  for any unramified quasi-character  $\chi$  of  $F^\times$  then, as a function on the compact torus  $\mathbb{T}^2$ ,  $\mu_{G|M}(\chi_1\pi_1 \otimes \chi_2\pi_2)$  is constant: we have*

$$\mu_{G|M}(\chi_1\pi_1 \otimes \chi_2\pi_2) = \gamma(G|M)^2 \cdot q^{l_1 l_2 f(\sigma_1^\vee \times \sigma_2)}$$

We also have

$$f(\pi_1^\vee \times \pi_2) = l_1 l_2 f(\sigma_1^\vee \times \sigma_2).$$

**Proof.** Let  $\omega_i = \chi_i\pi_i$  and  $\tau_i = \chi_i\sigma_i$  for  $i = 1, 2$ . We will use the multiplicative property of the  $\gamma$ -factors. From [17, p. 254] or [18, Theorem 3.1], we have, with  $b = g_1 + g_2$ ,

$$\gamma(s, \omega_1^\vee \times \omega_2, \Psi) = \prod_{i=0}^{l_1-1} \prod_{j=0}^{l_2-1} \gamma(s, |^{i+j-b}\tau_1^\vee \times \tau_2, \Psi).$$

On the other hand,  $\gamma(s, |^{i+j-b}\tau_1^\vee \times \tau_2, \Psi)$  equals

$$\varepsilon(s, |^{i+j-b}\tau_1^\vee \times \tau_2, \Psi) \cdot \frac{L(1-s, |^{-i-j+b}\tau_1 \times \tau_2^\vee)}{L(s, |^{i+j-b}\tau_1^\vee \times \tau_2)}.$$

Since

$$\frac{\varepsilon(0, |^{i+j-b}\tau_1^\vee \times \tau_2, \Psi)}{\varepsilon(1, |^{i+j-b}\tau_1^\vee \times \tau_2, \Psi)} = q^{f(|^{i+j-b}\tau_1^\vee \times \tau_2)} = q^{f(\tau_1^\vee \times \tau_2)} = q^{f(\sigma_1^\vee \times \sigma_2)},$$

it follows that

$$\frac{\gamma(0, \omega_1^\vee \times \omega_2, \Psi)}{\gamma(1, \omega_1^\vee \times \omega_2, \Psi)} = q^{l_1 l_2 \cdot f(\sigma_1^\vee \times \sigma_2)} \cdot L', \tag{10}$$

with

$$L' = \prod_{i=0}^{l_1-1} \prod_{j=0}^{l_2-1} \frac{L(1, |^{-i-j+b}\tau_1 \times \tau_2^\vee)}{L(0, |^{i+j-b}\tau_1^\vee \times \tau_2)} \cdot \frac{L(1, |^{i+j-b}\tau_1^\vee \times \tau_2)}{L(0, |^{-i-j+b}\tau_1 \times \tau_2^\vee)}. \tag{11}$$

Since  $\sigma_1 \neq \chi\sigma_2$ , then  $\tau_1 \neq \chi\tau_2$  for any unramified quasi-character  $\chi$ , and  $L' = 1$ .

The multiplicative property of the  $L$ -factors [18, Theorem 8.2] implies that  $L'' = 1$ . Therefore, by (8) we have

$$\frac{\gamma(0, \omega_1^\vee \times \omega_2, \Psi)}{\gamma(1, \omega_1^\vee \times \omega_2, \Psi)} = q^{f(\omega_1^\vee \times \omega_2)} \tag{12}$$

Then the results follow from the Langlands–Shahidi formula (7), and from (10) and (12).  $\square$

**Theorem 4.4.** *Let  $\sigma$  be an irreducible unitary supercuspidal representation of  $GL(m)$  with torsion number  $r$ . Let  $\pi_1, \pi_2$  be discrete series representations of  $GL(n_1), GL(n_2)$ , with  $n_i = l_i m$ , such that  $\pi_i = \text{St}(\sigma, l_i)$ . Let  $\chi_1, \chi_2$  be unramified characters. Let  $\chi_i(\varpi) = \zeta_i, z_i = \zeta_i^r, i = 1, 2$ . Then, as a function on the compact torus  $\mathbb{T}^2$  with co-ordinates  $(z_1, z_2)$ , we have*

$$\mu_{G|M}(\chi_1 \pi_1 \otimes \chi_2 \pi_2) = \gamma(G|M)^2 \cdot q^{l_1 l_2 f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma)} \cdot \prod \left| \frac{1 - z_2 z_1^{-1} q^{gr}}{1 - z_2 z_1^{-1} q^{-(g+1)r}} \right|^2,$$

where the product is over those  $g$  for which  $|g_1 - g_2| \leq g \leq g_1 + g_2$ . Note that  $g_1 - g_2$  and  $g_1 + g_2$  can both be half integers.

We also have

$$f(\pi_1^\vee \times \pi_2) = l_1 l_2 f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma) + r(l_1 l_2 - \min(l_1, l_2)).$$

**Proof.** Let  $\tau_i = \chi_i \sigma$ . We have

$$L' = \prod_{i=0}^{l_1-1} \prod_{j=0}^{l_2-1} \frac{L(1-i-j+b, \tau_1 \times \tau_2^\vee)}{L(i+j-b, \tau_1^\vee \times \tau_2)} \cdot \frac{L(i+j+1-b, \tau_1^\vee \times \tau_2)}{L(-i-j+b, \tau_1 \times \tau_2^\vee)},$$

where  $L'$  is defined by (11).

Now we delve into the combinatorics. To this end, we make a change of variable, and a change of notation.

Let  $\lambda(s) = L(s, \tau_1^\vee \times \tau_2), \lambda^*(s) = L(s, \tau_1 \times \tau_2^\vee)$ . Note that, for all  $s \in \mathbb{R}, \lambda^*(s)$  is the complex conjugate of  $\lambda(s)$ . Let now  $k = i + j - b$ . We have

$$L' = \prod_{i=0}^{l_1-1} \prod_{j=0}^{l_2-1} \frac{\lambda^*(1-k)}{\lambda(k)} \cdot \frac{\lambda(1+k)}{\lambda^*(-k)}.$$

We now define the function

$$a : \{-b, -b + 1, \dots, b - 1, b\} \longrightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, \min(l_1, l_2)\}$$

as follows:

$$a(k) = \#\{(i, j) : k = i + j - b, 0 \leq i \leq l_1 - 1, 0 \leq j \leq l_2 - 1\}.$$

Note that the function  $a$  is even:  $a(-k) = a(k)$ . It first increases, then is constant with its maximum value  $\min(l_1, l_2)$ , then decreases. Quite specifically, we have

- $a(-b) = 1,$
- $-b \leq k < -|g_1 - g_2| \Rightarrow a(k + 1) - a(k) = 1,$
- $a(-|g_1 - g_2|) = \min(l_1, l_2),$
- $-|g_1 - g_2| \leq k < |g_1 - g_2| \Rightarrow a(k + 1) = a(k),$
- $a(|g_1 - g_2|) = \min(l_1, l_2),$
- $|g_1 - g_2| \leq k < b \Rightarrow a(k + 1) - a(k) = -1,$
- $a(b) = 1.$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} L' &= \prod_{k=-b}^b \frac{\lambda^*(1-k)^{a(k)}}{\lambda(k)^{a(k)}} \cdot \frac{\lambda(1+k)^{a(k)}}{\lambda^*(-k)^{a(k)}} \\ &= \prod_{k=-b}^b \frac{\lambda^*(1+k)^{a(k)}}{\lambda(k)^{a(k)}} \cdot \frac{\lambda(1+k)^{a(k)}}{\lambda^*(k)^{a(k)}} \\ &= \prod_{k=-b}^b \left| \frac{\lambda(1+k)^{a(k)}}{\lambda(k)^{a(k)}} \right|^2. \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

We also have, setting  $a(1+b) = 0,$

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{k=-b}^b \frac{\lambda(1+k)^{a(k)}}{\lambda(k)^{a(k)}} &= \frac{1}{\lambda(-b)} \cdot \prod_{k=-b}^b \frac{\lambda(1+k)^{a(k)}}{\lambda(1+k)^{a(1+k)}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\lambda(-b)} \cdot \prod_{k=-b}^{-|g_1-g_2|-1} \frac{1}{\lambda(k+1)} \cdot \prod_{k=|g_1-g_2|}^b \lambda(1+k) \\ &= \frac{\lambda(1+b)}{\lambda(-b)} \cdots \frac{\lambda(1+|g_1-g_2|)}{\lambda(-|g_1-g_2|)} \\ &= \prod_{g=|g_1-g_2|}^{g_1+g_2} \frac{\lambda(1+g)}{\lambda(-g)}. \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

Note that  $\tau_2 = \chi\tau_1$  where  $\chi(\varpi) = \zeta_2\zeta_1^{-1}$ . Therefore  $\chi(\varpi)^{-r} = z_1z_2^{-1}$ . The first result now follows immediately from Lemma 4.1, since

$$\lambda(g) = L(g, \tau_1^\vee \times \tau_2) = L(g, \tau_2 \times \tau_1^\vee) = (1 - z_1z_2^{-1}q^{-gr})^{-1}.$$

Note also that  $|1 - z_2z_1^{-1}q^{-gr}| = |1 - z_1z_2^{-1}q^{-gr}|$  since  $z_2z_1^{-1}, z_1z_2^{-1}$  are complex conjugates.

In addition we have

$$|1 - z_2z_1^{-1}q^{gr}|^2 = |q^{gr} - z_2z_1^{-1}|^2 = q^{2gr}|1 - z_2z_1^{-1}q^{-gr}|^2$$

and so we have

$$\left| \frac{\lambda(g)}{\lambda(-g)} \right|^2 = q^{2gr}.$$

The multiplicative property of the  $L$ -factors [18, Theorem 8.2] leads to the equation

$$L'' = \prod_{g=|g_1-g_2|}^{g_1+g_2} \left| \frac{\lambda(1+g)}{\lambda(g)} \right|^2.$$

Therefore, we have

$$\begin{aligned} L'/L'' &= \prod_{g=|g_1-g_2|}^{g_1+g_2} \left| \frac{\lambda(g)}{\lambda(-g)} \right|^2 \\ &= \prod_{g=|g_1-g_2|}^{g_1+g_2} q^{2rg} \\ &= q^{r(l_1l_2 - \min(l_1, l_2))} \end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

thanks to the identity

$$2|g_1 - g_2| + \dots + 2(g_1 + g_2) = l_1l_2 - \min(l_1, l_2)$$

which follows from the classic identity

$$2|g_1 - g_2| + 1 + \dots + 2(g_1 + g_2) + 1 = l_1l_2.$$

Since

$$\frac{\gamma(1, \omega_1^\vee \times \omega_2, \psi_F)}{\gamma(0, \omega_1^\vee \times \omega_2, \psi_F)} = q^{f(\omega_1^\vee \times \omega_2)} \cdot L'' = q^{l_1 l_2 f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma)} \cdot L'$$

we have

$$q^{f(\omega_1^\vee \times \omega_2)} = q^{l_1 l_2 f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma)} \cdot L' / L'' = q^{l_1 l_2 f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma)} q^{r(l_1 l_2 - \min(l_1, l_2))}$$

and we conclude that

$$f(\pi_1^\vee \times \pi_2) = l_1 l_2 f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma) + r(l_1 l_2 - \min(l_1, l_2)). \quad \square$$

The above formulas are invariant under the map  $(z_1, z_2) \mapsto (\lambda z_1, \lambda z_2)$  with  $\lambda$  a complex number of modulus 1, and under the map  $(z_1, z_2) \mapsto (z_2, z_1)$ . In Section 6 of the paper we shall interpret  $q^r$  as the cardinality  $q_K$  of the residue field of a canonical extension field  $K/F$ .

For example, let  $M = \text{GL}(1) \times \text{GL}(2) \subset \text{GL}(3)$ ,  $\omega_1 = 1$ ,  $\omega_2 = \text{St}(2) = \text{St}(1, 2)$ . We have  $l_1 = 1$ ,  $l_2 = 2$ ,  $g_1 = 0$ ,  $g_2 = 1/2$ ,  $r = 1$ . This gives the following (rational) function on the 2-torus:

$$\mu(\chi_1 \otimes \chi_2 \text{St}(2)) = \gamma(\text{GL}(3)|M)^2 \cdot q \cdot \left| \frac{1 - z_2 z_1^{-1} q^{-1/2}}{1 - z_2 z_1^{-1} q^{-3/2}} \right|^2.$$

**Theorem 4.5.** *Let  $G = \text{GL}(2m)$ ,  $M = \text{GL}(m) \times \text{GL}(m)$  and let  $\sigma$  be an irreducible unitary supercuspidal representation of  $\text{GL}(m)$  with torsion number  $r$ . Then we have*

$$\mu_{G|M}(\chi_1 \sigma \otimes \chi_2 \sigma) = \gamma(G|M)^2 \cdot q^{f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma)} \cdot \left| \frac{1 - z_2 z_1^{-1}}{1 - z_2 z_1^{-1} q^{-r}} \right|^2$$

**Proof.** This follows from Theorem 4.4 by taking  $l_1 = l_2 = 1$ , so that  $g_1 = g_2 = g = 0$ .  $\square$

## 5. The Bernstein decomposition of Plancherel measure

### 5.1. The one exponent case

Let  $X$  be a space on which the finite group  $\Gamma$  acts. The extended quotient associated to this action is the quotient space  $\tilde{X}/\Gamma$  where

$$\tilde{X} = \{(\gamma, x) \in \Gamma \times X : \gamma x = x\}.$$

The group action on  $\tilde{X}$  is  $g.(\gamma, x) = (g\gamma g^{-1}, gx)$ . Let  $X^\gamma = \{x \in X : \gamma x = x\}$  and let  $Z(\gamma)$  be the  $\Gamma$ -centralizer of  $\gamma$ . Then the extended quotient is given by:

$$\tilde{X}/\Gamma = \bigsqcup_{\gamma} X^\gamma/Z(\gamma),$$

where one  $\gamma$  is chosen in each  $\Gamma$ -conjugacy class. If  $\gamma = 1$  then  $X^\gamma/Z(\gamma) = X/\Gamma$  so the extended quotient always contains the ordinary quotient:

$$\tilde{X}/\Gamma = X/\Gamma \sqcup \dots$$

We shall need only the special case in which  $X$  is the compact torus  $\mathbb{T}^n$  of dimension  $n$  and  $\Gamma$  is the symmetric group  $S_n$  acting on  $\mathbb{T}^n$  by permuting co-ordinates.

Let  $\beta$  be a partition of  $n$ , and let  $\gamma$  have cycle type  $\beta$ . Each cycle provides us with one circle, and cycles of equal length provide us with a symmetric product of circles. For example, the extended quotient  $\mathbb{T}^5/S_5$  is the following disjoint union of compact orbifolds (one for each partition of 5):

$$\mathbb{T} \sqcup \mathbb{T}^2 \sqcup \mathbb{T}^2 \sqcup (\mathbb{T} \times \text{Sym}^2\mathbb{T}) \sqcup (\mathbb{T} \times \text{Sym}^2\mathbb{T}) \sqcup (\mathbb{T} \times \text{Sym}^3\mathbb{T}) \sqcup \text{Sym}^5\mathbb{T},$$

where  $\text{Sym}^n\mathbb{T}$  is the  $n$ -fold symmetric product of the circle  $\mathbb{T}$ . This extended quotient is a model of the arithmetically unramified tempered dual of  $\text{GL}(5)$ .

Let  $\Omega \subset \Omega(\text{GL}(n))$  have one exponent  $e$ . Then we have  $e|n$  and so  $em = n$ .

There exists an irreducible unitary supercuspidal representation  $\sigma$  of  $\text{GL}(m)$  such that the conjugacy class of the cuspidal pair  $(\text{GL}(m) \times \dots \times \text{GL}(m), \sigma \otimes \dots \otimes \sigma)$  is an element in  $\Omega$ . We have  $\Omega \cong \text{Sym}^e \mathbb{C}^\times$  as complex affine algebraic varieties. Consider now a partition  $p = (l_1, \dots, l_k)$  of  $e$  into  $k$  parts, and write  $2g_1 + 1 = l_1, \dots, 2g_k + 1 = l_k$ . Let

$$\pi_i = \text{St}(\sigma, l_i)$$

as in Remark 3.2. Then  $\pi_1 \in E_2(\text{GL}(ml_1)), \dots, \pi_k \in E_2(\text{GL}(ml_k))$ . Note that  $ml_1 + \dots + ml_k = n$  so that  $\text{GL}(ml_1) \times \dots \times \text{GL}(ml_k)$  is a standard Levi subgroup  $M$  of  $\text{GL}(n)$ . Now consider

$$\pi = \chi_1 \pi_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \chi_k \pi_k$$

with  $\chi_1, \dots, \chi_k$  unramified (unitary) characters. Then  $\pi \in E_2(M)$ . We have

$$\omega = I_{MN}^{\text{GL}(n)}(\pi \otimes 1) \in \text{Irr}^t \text{GL}(n)$$

and each element  $\omega \in \text{Irr}^t \text{GL}(n)$  for which  $\text{inf.ch.}\omega \in \Omega$  is accounted for in this way. As explained in detail in [23], we have

$$\tilde{X}/\Gamma \cong \text{Irr}^t \text{GL}(n)_\Omega, \tag{16}$$

where  $X = \mathbb{T}^e$ ,  $\Gamma = S_e$ , i.e.,

$$\bigsqcup_{\gamma} X^\gamma / Z(\gamma) \cong \text{Irr}^t \text{GL}(n)_\Omega.$$

The partition  $p = (l_1, \dots, l_k)$  of  $e$  determines a permutation  $\gamma$  of the set  $\{1, 2, \dots, e\}$ :  $\gamma$  is the product of the cycles  $(1, \dots, l_1) \cdots (1, \dots, l_k)$ . Then the fixed set  $X^\gamma$  is

$$\{(z_1, \dots, z_1, \dots, z_k, \dots, z_k) \in \mathbb{T}^e : z_1, \dots, z_k \in \mathbb{T}\}$$

and so  $X^\gamma \cong \mathbb{T}^k$ .

Explicitly, we have

$$X^\gamma \longrightarrow \text{Irr}^t \text{GL}(n)_\Omega,$$

$$(z_1, \dots, z_k) \mapsto I_{MN}^{\text{GL}(n)}(\chi_1 \pi_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes \chi_k \pi_k)$$

with  $\chi_1(\varpi) = \zeta_1, \dots, \chi_k(\varpi) = \zeta_k, z_1 = \zeta_1^r, \dots, z_k = \zeta_k^r$  exactly as in Remark 3.2. This map is constant on each  $Z(\gamma)$ -orbit and descends to an *injective* map

$$X^\gamma / Z(\gamma) \rightarrow \text{Irr}^t \text{GL}(n)_\Omega.$$

Taking one  $\gamma$  in each  $\Gamma$ -conjugacy class we have the bijective map

$$\bigsqcup_{\gamma} X^\gamma / Z(\gamma) \cong \text{Irr} \text{GL}(n)_\Omega.$$

This bijection, by transport of structure, equips  $\text{Irr}^t \text{GL}(n)_\Omega$  with the structure of disjoint union of finitely many compact orbifolds.

We now describe the restriction  $\mu_\Omega$  of Plancherel density to the compact orbifold  $X^\gamma / Z(\gamma)$ .

**Theorem 5.1.** *Let  $\sigma$  be an irreducible unitary supercuspidal representation of  $\text{GL}(m)$  with torsion number  $r$ . For  $i = 1, \dots, k$ , let*

$$\pi_i = \text{St}(\sigma, l_i),$$

let  $\chi_i$  be an unramified character with  $\chi_i(\varpi) = \zeta_i$ , and let  $z_i = \zeta_i^r$ .

Then, as a function on the compact torus  $\mathbb{T}^k$  with co-ordinates  $(z_1, \dots, z_k)$  we have

$$\mu(\chi_1 \pi_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \chi_k \pi_k) = \text{const.} \prod \left| \frac{1 - z_j z_i^{-1} q^{gr}}{1 - z_j z_i^{-1} q^{-(g+1)r}} \right|^2,$$

where the product is taken over those  $i, j, g$  for which the following inequalities hold:  $1 \leq i < j \leq k, |g_i - g_j| \leq g \leq g_i + g_j, 2g_i + 1 = l_i$ .

**Proof.** Apply Theorem 4.4 and the Harish-Chandra product formula, Theorem 2.2. Note that the function

$$(z_1, \dots, z_k) \mapsto \text{const.} \prod \left| \frac{1 - z_j z_i^{-1} q^{gr}}{1 - z_j z_i^{-1} q^{-(g+1)r}} \right|^2$$

is a  $Z(\gamma)$ -invariant function on the  $\gamma$ -fixed set  $X^\gamma = \mathbb{T}^k$ , and descends to a nonnegative function on the orbifold  $X^\gamma/Z(\gamma)$ :

$$X^\gamma/Z(\gamma) \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}_+. \quad \square$$

In the above theorem, the co-ordinates  $z_1, \dots, z_k$  should be thought of as *generalized Satake parameters*. The  $k$ -tuple  $t = (z_1, \dots, z_k)$  is a point in the standard maximal torus  $T$  of the unitary group  $U(k, \mathbb{C})$ . In that case, the roots of the unitary group are given by

$$\alpha_{ij}(t) = z_i/z_j.$$

The  $\mu$ -function may now be written in the more invariant form

$$\mu(\chi_1 \pi_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \chi_k \pi_k) = \text{const.} \prod (1 - \alpha(t)q^{gr})(1 - \alpha(t)q^{-(g+1)r})^{-1},$$

where the product is taken over all roots  $\alpha = \alpha_{ij}$  of  $U(k, \mathbb{C})$  and all  $g$  for which the following inequalities hold:  $1 \leq i \leq k, 1 \leq j \leq k, i \neq j, |g_i - g_j| \leq g \leq g_i + g_j, 2g_i + 1 = l_i$ .

**Theorem 5.2.** We have the following numerical formula for  $\text{const.}$

$$\text{const.} = q^{\ell(\gamma)f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma)} \cdot \gamma(G|M)^2 \cdot c(G|M)^2,$$

where  $\ell(\gamma) = \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} l_i l_j$ .

**Proof.** The numerical constant is determined by Theorems 4.4 and 2.2. Explicitly, for  $i, j \in \{1, \dots, k\}$ , setting

$$\gamma_{i,j} := \gamma(\text{GL}(n_i + n_j)|\text{GL}(n_i) \times \text{GL}(n_j)),$$

for the  $\gamma$ -factor of the Levi subgroup  $GL(n_i) \times GL(n_j)$  of the maximal standard parabolic subgroup in  $GL(n_i + n_j)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{const.} &= q^{\sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} l_i l_j f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma)} \cdot \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} \gamma_{i,j}^2 \\ &= q^{\ell(\gamma) f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma)} \cdot \gamma(G|M)^2 \cdot c(G|M)^2. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

**Corollary 5.3.** *We have*

$$j(\omega) = q^{\ell(\gamma) f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma)} \cdot \prod \left| \frac{1 - z_j z_i^{-1} q^{-(g+1)r}}{1 - z_j z_i^{-1} q^{gr}} \right|^2$$

**Proof.** This follows immediately from Theorems 5.1, 5.2 and the fact that

$$c(G|M)^{-2} \gamma(G|M)^{-1} \mu_{G|M}(\omega) = \gamma(G|M) j(\omega)^{-1}. \quad \square$$

Given  $G = GL(n) = GL(n, F)$  choose  $e|n$  and let  $m = n/e$ . Let  $\Omega$  be a Bernstein component in  $\Omega(GL(n))$  with one exponent  $e$ . The compact extended quotient attached to  $\Omega$  has finitely many components, each component is a compact orbifold. We now have enough results to write down explicitly the component  $\mu_\Omega$ . Let  $l_1 + \dots + l_k = e$  be a partition of  $e$ , let  $\gamma = (1, \dots, l_1) \dots (1, \dots, l_k) \in S_e = \Gamma$ ,  $g_1 = (l_1 - 1)/2, \dots, g_k = (l_k - 1)/2$ . Then we have the fixed set  $X^\gamma = \mathbb{T}^k$ . Let  $\sigma$  be an irreducible unitary supercuspidal representation of the group  $GL(m)$  and let the conjugacy class of the cuspidal pair  $(GL(m)^e, \sigma^{\otimes e})$  be a point in the Bernstein component  $\Omega$ . Let  $r$  be the torsion number of  $\sigma$  and choose a field  $K$  such that  $q_K = q_F^r$ .

We have (16):

$$\text{Irr}^t GL(n, F)_\Omega \cong \tilde{X}/\Gamma.$$

This compact Hausdorff space admits the Harish-Chandra *canonical measure*  $d\omega$ : on each connected component in the extended quotient  $\tilde{X}/\Gamma$ ,  $d\omega$  restricts to the quotient by the centralizer  $Z(\gamma)$  of the normalized Haar measure on the compact torus  $X^\gamma$ .

Let  $dv$  denote Plancherel measure on the tempered dual of  $GL(n, F)$ .

**Theorem 5.4.** *On the component  $X^\gamma/Z(\gamma)$  of the extended quotient  $\tilde{X}/\Gamma$  we have:*

$$dv(\omega) = q^{\ell(\gamma) f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma)} \cdot \gamma(G|M) \cdot d(\omega) \cdot \prod \left| \frac{1 - z_j z_i^{-1} q^{gr}}{1 - z_j z_i^{-1} q^{-(g+1)r}} \right|^2 \cdot d\omega.$$

**Proof.** By 2.1, the Plancherel measure on  $\text{Irr}^t \text{GL}(n, F)_\Omega$  is given by

$$d\nu(\omega) = c(G|M)^{-2} \gamma(G|M)^{-1} \mu(\omega) d(\omega) d\omega.$$

Then, the result follows from Theorems 5.1 and 5.2.  $\square$

Let  $T$  be the diagonal subgroup of  $G$  and take for  $\Omega$  the Bernstein component in  $\Omega(G)$  which contains the cuspidal pair  $(T, 1)$ . Then  $\Omega$  has the single exponent  $n$  and parametrizes those irreducible smooth representations of  $\text{GL}(n, F)$  which admit nonzero Iwahori fixed vectors.

Now let  $l_1 + \dots + l_k$  be a partition of  $n$ , and let

$$M = \text{GL}(l_1, F) \times \dots \times \text{GL}(l_k, F) \subset \text{GL}(n, F).$$

The formal degree of the Steinberg representation  $\text{St}(l_i)$  is given by

$$d(\text{St}(l_i)) = \frac{q^{(l_i - l_i^2)/2}}{l_i} \cdot \frac{|\text{GL}(l_i, q)|}{q^{l_i} - 1} = \frac{1}{l_i} \cdot \prod_{j=1}^{l_i-1} (q^j - 1). \tag{17}$$

We also have the inner product identity in pre-Hilbert space:

$$\langle (\sigma_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \sigma_k)(g) \xi_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \xi_k, \xi_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \xi_k \rangle = \prod (\sigma_j(g) \xi_j, \xi_j).$$

Let each  $\xi_j \in V_j$  be a unit vector. With respect to the standard normalization of all Haar measures we then have (cf. [11, (7.7.9)])

$$1/d_{\sigma_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \sigma_k} = \prod \int | \langle \sigma_j(g) \xi_j, \xi_j \rangle |^2 d\mu_j = \prod 1/d_{\sigma_j}$$

and so

$$d_{\sigma_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \sigma_k} = \prod d_{\sigma_j}. \tag{18}$$

Using (18) and Theorem 3, we obtain the following result.

**Corollary 5.5.** *On the orbifold  $X^\gamma/Z(\gamma)$  we have*

$$d\nu(\omega) = \gamma(G|M) \cdot d(\omega) \cdot \prod \left| \frac{1 - z_j z_i^{-1} q^g}{1 - z_j z_i^{-1} q^{-(g+1)}} \right|^2 \cdot d\omega$$

where

$$d(\omega) = \prod d(\text{St}(l_i)).$$

So we have

$$\begin{aligned} dv(\omega) &= \gamma(G|M) \cdot \prod_{i=1}^k \frac{1}{l_i} \prod_{j=1}^{l_i-1} (q^j - 1) \cdot \prod \left| \frac{1 - z_j z_i^{-1} q^g}{1 - z_j z_i^{-1} q^{-(g+1)}} \right|^2 \cdot d\omega \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^k \frac{q^{\frac{l_i^2-l_i}{2}} (q-1)^{l_i}}{l_i (q^{l_i} - 1)} \cdot P_{S_n}(q^{-1}) \cdot \prod \left| \frac{1 - z_j z_i^{-1} q^g}{1 - z_j z_i^{-1} q^{-(g+1)}} \right|^2 \cdot d\omega. \end{aligned} \tag{19}$$

**Remark 5.6.** Using [10, Theorem 3.3], we obtain that the Plancherel measure of the (extended) affine Hecke algebra  $\mathcal{H}(n, q)$  is given on  $X^\gamma/Z(\gamma)$  by

$$\mu(I) \cdot \gamma(G|M) \cdot d(\omega) \cdot \prod \left| \frac{1 - z_j z_i^{-1} q^g}{1 - z_j z_i^{-1} q^{-(g+1)}} \right|^2 \cdot d\omega.$$

Concerning the volume  $\mu(I)$ : by Bushnell and Kutzko [11, 5.4.3] we have

$$\mu(\text{GL}(n, \mathfrak{o}_F)) = \sum_{w \in W_0} \mu(IwI) = \sum_{w \in W_0} \mu(I) \cdot q^{\ell(w)} = P_{S_n}(q) \cdot \mu(I).$$

The explicit formula is then (using (2)):

$$dv_{\mathcal{H}(n,q)}(\omega) = \prod_{i=1}^k \frac{q^{\frac{l_i^2-l_i}{2}} (q-1)^{l_i}}{l_i (q^{l_i} - 1)} \cdot q^{\frac{n-n^2}{2}} \cdot \prod \left| \frac{1 - z_j z_i^{-1} q^g}{1 - z_j z_i^{-1} q^{-(g+1)}} \right|^2 \cdot d\omega,$$

where the second product is taken over those  $i, j, g$  for which the following inequalities hold:  $1 \leq i < j \leq k, |g_i - g_j| \leq g \leq g_i + g_j, 2g_i + 1 = l_i$ . Note that Plancherel measure for Iwahori Hecke algebras has been already calculated by Opdam (see [22, 2.8.3]).

We will now consider a special case. The  $p$ -adic gamma function attached to the local field  $K$  (see [32, p. 51]) is the following meromorphic function of a single complex variable:

$$\Gamma_1(\zeta) = \frac{1 - q_K^\zeta / q_K}{1 - q_K^{-\zeta}}.$$

We will change the variable via  $s = q_K^{\zeta}$  and write

$$\Gamma_K(s) = \frac{1 - s/q_K}{1 - s^{-1}},$$

a rational function of  $s$ . Let  $s \in i\mathbb{R}$  so that  $s$  has modulus 1. Then we have

$$1/|\Gamma_K(s)|^2 = \left| \frac{1 - s}{1 - q_K^{-1}s} \right|^2.$$

Let  $T$  be the standard maximal torus in  $GL(n)$  and let  $\widehat{T}$  denote the unitary dual of  $T$ . Then  $\widehat{T}$  has the structure of a compact torus  $\mathbb{T}^n$  (the space of Satake parameters) and the unramified unitary principal series of  $GL(n)$  is parametrized by the quotient  $\mathbb{T}^n/S_n$ . Let now  $t = (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \mathbb{T}^n$ . Applying the above formulas the Plancherel density  $\mu_{G|T}$  is given by

$$\mu_{G|T} = \text{const.} \cdot \prod_{i < j} \left| \frac{1 - z_j z_i^{-1}}{1 - z_j z_i^{-1}/q} \right|^2, \tag{20}$$

$$\mu_{G|T} = \text{const.} \cdot \prod_{0 < \alpha} \left| \frac{1 - \alpha(t)}{1 - \alpha(t)/q} \right|^2, \tag{21}$$

$$\mu_{G|T} = \text{const.} \cdot \prod_{\alpha} 1/\Gamma(\alpha(t)), \tag{22}$$

where  $\alpha$  is a root of the Langlands dual group  $GL(n, \mathbb{C})$  so that  $\alpha_{ij}(t) = z_i/z_j$ .

For  $GL(n)$ , one connected component in the tempered dual is the compact orbifold  $\mathbb{T}^n/S_n$ , the symmetric product of  $n$  circles. On this component we have the Macdonald formula [19]:

$$d\mu(\omega_\lambda) = \text{const.} \cdot d\lambda / \prod_{\alpha} \Gamma(i\lambda(\alpha^\vee))$$

the product over all roots  $\alpha$  where  $\alpha^\vee$  is the coroot. This formula is a very special case of our formula for  $GL(n)$ .

### 5.2. General case

We now pass to the general case of a component  $\Omega \subset \Omega(GL(n))$  with exponents  $e_1, \dots, e_t$ . We first note that each component  $\Omega \subset \Omega(GL(n))$  yields up its fundamental invariants:

- the cardinality  $q$  of the residue field of  $F$ ;
- the sizes  $m_i$  of the small general linear groups;

- the exponents  $e_i$ ;
- the torsion numbers  $r_i$ ;
- the formal degrees  $d_i$ ;
- the conductors  $f_{ij} = f(\sigma_i^\vee \times \sigma_j)$ ;

with  $1 \leq i \leq t$ .

We now construct the disjoint union

$$E = \Omega(\mathrm{GL}(\infty)) = \left\{ \bigsqcup \Omega(\mathrm{GL}(n)) : n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots \right\}$$

with the convention that  $\Omega(\mathrm{GL}(0)) = \mathbb{C}$ .

We will say that two components  $\Omega_1, \Omega_2 \in E$  are *disjoint* if none of the irreducible supercuspidals which occur in  $\Omega_1$  is equivalent (after unramified twist) to any of the supercuspidals which occur in  $\Omega_2$ . We now define a law of composition on *disjoint components* in  $E$ . With the cuspidal pair  $(M_1, \sigma_1) \in \Omega_1$  and the cuspidal pair  $(M_2, \sigma_2) \in \Omega_2$  we define  $\Omega_1 \times \Omega_2$  as the unique component determined by

$$(M_1 \times M_2, \sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_2).$$

The set  $E$  admits a law of composition *not everywhere defined* such that  $E$  is unital, commutative and associative. Rather surprisingly,  $E$  admits prime elements: the prime elements are precisely the components with a single exponent. Each element in  $E$  admits a unique factorization into prime elements:

$$\Omega = \Omega_1 \times \dots \times \Omega_t.$$

Plancherel measure respects the unique factorization into prime elements, modulo constants. Quite specifically, we have

**Theorem 5.7.** *Let  $\Omega$  have the unique factorization*

$$\Omega = \Omega_1 \times \dots \times \Omega_t$$

*so that  $\Omega$  has exponents  $e_1, \dots, e_t$  and  $\Omega_1, \dots, \Omega_t$  are pairwise disjoint prime elements with the individual exponents  $e_1, \dots, e_t$ . Let*

$$v = \bigsqcup v_\Omega$$

*denote the Bernstein decomposition of Plancherel measure. Then we have*

$$v_\Omega = \text{const. } v_{\Omega_1} \cdots v_{\Omega_t},$$

where  $v_{\Omega_1}, \dots, v_{\Omega_r}$  are given by Theorem 5.1 and the constant is given, in terms of the fundamental invariants, by Theorem 5.2.

**Proof.** In the Harish-Chandra product formula, all the cross-terms are constant, by Theorem 4.3.  $\square$

## 6. Transfer-of-measure, conductor, and the formal degree formulas

### 6.1. Torsion number

The theory of types of [11] produces a canonical extension  $K$  of  $F$  such that  $q_K = q^r$ . Indeed, let  $\sigma$  be an irreducible supercuspidal representation of  $GL(m)$ , and let  $(J, \lambda)$  be a maximal simple type occurring in it. Let  $\mathfrak{A}$  be the hereditary  $\mathfrak{o}_F$ -order in  $A = M(m, F)$  and let  $E = F[\beta]$  be the field extension of  $F$  attached to the stratum (see [11, Definition 5.5.10 (iii)]). It is proved in [11, Lemma 6.2.5] that

$$r = \frac{m}{e(E|F)}, \tag{23}$$

where  $e(E|F)$  denotes the ramification index of  $E$  with respect to  $F$ . Let  $B$  denote the centralizer of  $E$  in  $A$ . We set  $\mathfrak{B} := \mathfrak{A} \cap B$ . Then  $\mathfrak{B}$  is a maximal hereditary order in  $B$ , see [11, Theorem 6.2.1]. Let  $K$  be an unramified extension of  $E$  which normalizes  $\mathfrak{B}$  and is maximal with respect to that property, as in [11, Proposition 5.5.14]. Then  $[K : F] = m$ , and (23) gives that  $r$  is equal to the residue index  $f(K|F)$  of  $K$  with respect to  $F$ . Thus  $Q = q^r$  is equal to the order  $q_K$  of the residue field of  $K$ .

Also the number  $Q$  is the one which occurs for the Hecke algebra  $\mathcal{H}(GL(m), \lambda)$  associated to  $(J, \lambda)$ , see [11, Theorem 5.6.6]. Indeed, since the order of the residue field of  $E$  is equal to  $q^{f(E|F)}$ , that number is  $(q^{f(E|F)})^f$ , with

$$f = \frac{m}{[E : F] e(\mathfrak{B})},$$

where  $e(\mathfrak{B})$  denotes the period of a lattice chain attached to  $\mathfrak{B}$  as in [11, (1.1)]. Since  $\sigma$  is supercuspidal,  $e(\mathfrak{B}) = 1$  (see [11, Corollary 6.2.3]). It follows that

$$f \cdot f(E|F) = \frac{m \cdot f(E|F)}{[E : F]} = \frac{m}{e(E|F)} = r. \tag{24}$$

### 6.2. Normalization of measures

We will relate our normalization of measures to the measures used in [11, (7.7)]. Bushnell and Kutzko work with a quotient measure  $\dot{\mu}$ , the quotient of  $\mu_G$  by  $\mu_Z$ .

Let  $Z$  denote the centre of  $GL(n)$ . The second isomorphism theorem in group theory gives:

$$JZ/Z \cong J/J \cap Z.$$

We have

$$J \cap Z = \mathfrak{o}_F^\times.$$

One way to see this would be:  $J$  contains  $\mathfrak{A}^\times \cap B$ , where  $B$  is the centralizer in  $M(n, F)$  of the extension  $E$ . Now certainly  $Z$  is contained in  $B$ . On the other hand,  $\mathfrak{A}$  is an  $\mathfrak{o}_F$ -order so  $\mathfrak{A}$  certainly contains  $\mathfrak{o}_F$ . Thanks to Shaun Stevens for this remark.

Then we have

$$JZ/Z \cong J/\mathfrak{o}_F^\times.$$

Now  $J$  is a principal  $\mathfrak{o}_F^\times$ -bundle over  $J/\mathfrak{o}_F^\times$ . Each fibre over the base  $J/\mathfrak{o}_F^\times$  has volume 1. The quotient measure of the base space is then given by

$$\dot{\mu}(JZ/Z) = \mu(J). \tag{25}$$

Similar normalizations are done with  $G_0 = \text{GL}(e, K)$ . We also need the corresponding quotient measure  $\ddot{\mu}$  (see [11, (7.7.8)]). We have

$$\ddot{\mu}(IK^\times/K^\times) = \mu_{G_0}(I).$$

Let  $M = \prod \text{GL}(n_j)$ . We have  $Z_M = \prod Z_j$ ,  $\mathcal{K} = \prod \mathcal{K}_j$ , with  $Z_j = Z_{\text{GL}(n_j, F)}$  and  $\mathcal{K}_j = \text{GL}(n_j, \mathfrak{o}_F)$ . With respect to the standard normalization of all Haar measures, we have  $\mu_M = \prod \mu_j$  (where  $\mu_j$  denotes  $\mu_{\text{GL}(n_j, F)}$ ) and  $\mu_{Z_M} = \prod \mu_{Z_j}$ . This then guarantees that

$$\dot{\mu}_M = \prod \dot{\mu}_j. \tag{26}$$

### 6.3. Conductor formulas (the supercuspidal case)

We will first recall results from [9] in a suitable way for our purpose.

Let  $(J^s, \lambda^s)$  be a simple type in  $\text{GL}(2m)$  with associated maximal simple type  $(J, \lambda)$  (in the terminology of [11, (7.2.18) (iii)]). When  $(J, \lambda)$  is of positive level, we set  $J_P = (J^s \cap P)H^1(\beta, \mathfrak{A}) \subset J^s$  (in notation [11, (3.1.4)]), where  $P$  denotes the upper-triangular parabolic subgroup of  $\text{GL}(2m)$  with Levi component  $M = \text{GL}(m) \times \text{GL}(m)$ , and unipotent radical denoted by  $N$ . Following [11, Theorem 7.2.17], we define  $\lambda_P$  as the natural representation of  $J_P$  on the space of  $(J \cap N)$ -fixed vectors in  $\lambda^s$ . The representation  $\lambda_P$  is irreducible and  $\lambda_P \simeq \text{c-Ind}_{J_P}^{J^s}(\lambda^s)$ .

The pair  $(J \times J, \lambda \otimes \lambda)$  is a type in  $M$  which occurs in  $\sigma \otimes \sigma$ , and, as shown in [13, Proposition 1.4],  $(J_P, \lambda_P)$  is a  $\text{GL}(2m)$ -cover of  $(J \times J, \lambda \otimes \lambda)$ .

**Theorem 6.1** (Conductor formulas [9]). *Let  $G_0 = \text{GL}(2, K)$ , let  $N_0$  denote the unipotent radical of the standard Borel subgroup of  $G_0$  and let  $I$  denote the standard Iwahori subgroup of  $G_0$ . We will denote by  $\mu_0$  the Haar measure on  $G_0$  normalized as in Section 6.2.*

*Let  $(J^{\text{GL}(2m)}, \lambda^G)$  be any  $\text{GL}(2m)$ -cover of  $(J \times J, \lambda \otimes \lambda)$ .*

Then

$$\frac{\mu(J^G \cap N) \cdot \mu(J^G \cap \bar{N})}{\mu_0(I \cap N_0) \cdot \mu_0(I \cap \bar{N}_0)} = q^{-f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma)} = \frac{j(\sigma \otimes \sigma)}{j_0(1)},$$

where  $j, j_0$  denote the  $j$ -functions for the group  $G, G_0$  respectively.

**Proof.** The first equality is [9, Theorem in §5.4], using the fact that  $\mu_0(I \cap N_0) \cdot \mu_0(I \cap \bar{N}_0) = q_K^{-1}$ . The second equality is [9, Theorem in §5.4] (note that in [9] the normalizations have been taken so that  $\mu(J^G \cap N) \cdot \mu(J^G \cap \bar{N}) = \mu_0(I \cap N_0) \cdot \mu_0(I \cap \bar{N}_0)$ ). It also follows directly from our Corollary 5.3.  $\square$

We will now extend the above theorem to the case of  $M = \text{GL}(m)^{\times e}$ , with  $e$  arbitrary.

**Corollary 6.2.** *Let  $M = \text{GL}(m)^{\times e}$  with  $n = em$ , and  $G_0 = \text{GL}(e, K)$ , let  $N_0$  denote the unipotent radical of the standard Borel subgroup of  $G_0$  and let  $I$  denote the standard Iwahori subgroup of  $G_0$ .*

*Let  $(J^G, \lambda^G)$  be a cover in  $G = \text{GL}(n)$  of  $(J^{\times e}, \lambda^{\otimes e})$  (the existence of which is guaranteed by Bushnell and Kutzko [13]).*

Then

$$\frac{\mu(J^G \cap N) \cdot \mu(J^G \cap \bar{N})}{\mu_0(I \cap N_0) \cdot \mu_0(I \cap \bar{N}_0)} = q^{-\frac{e(e-1)}{2} f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma)} = \frac{j(\sigma^{\otimes e})}{j_0(1)}.$$

**Proof.** Let  $M'$  be a Levi subgroup of a parabolic subgroup in  $G$  such that  $P$  is a maximal parabolic subgroup of  $M'$ . Then,  $M'/M \simeq \text{GL}(2m)/\text{GL}(m) \times \text{GL}(m)$  and

$$\mu(J^G \cap M' \cap N) = \mu(J^{\text{GL}(2m)} \cap \text{GL}(2m) \cap N).$$

It follows from [12, Proposition 8.5 (ii)] that  $(J^G \cap M', \lambda^G |_{J^G \cap M'})$  is an  $M'$ -cover of  $(J^{\times e}, \lambda^{\otimes e})$ .

Because of the unipotency of  $N$ , we have

$$\mu(J^G \cap N) = (\mu(J^{\text{GL}(2m)} \cap \text{GL}(2m) \cap N))^{\frac{e(e-1)}{2}} \tag{27}$$

and similar equalities for the three others terms. Since  $\text{GL}(2m) \cap N$  is the unipotent radical of the parabolic subgroup of  $\text{GL}(2m)$  with Levi  $\text{GL}(m) \times \text{GL}(m)$ , the first equality in the corollary follows from Theorem 6.1.

The second equality follows from our Corollary 5.3. It is also a direct consequence of Theorem 6.1, using the product formula for  $j$  and for  $j_0$  from [34, IV.3. (5)].  $\square$

### 6.4. Formal degree formulas

Using Corollary 6.2, we will deduce from [11, (7.7.11)] a formula relating the formal degree of any discrete series of  $GL(n)$  and the formal degree of a supercuspidal representation in its inertial support.

Given  $G = GL(n) = GL(n, F)$  choose  $e|n$  and let  $m = n/e$ . Let  $\sigma$  be an irreducible unitary supercuspidal representation of  $GL(m)$  and let  $(J, \lambda)$  be a maximal simple type occurring in it. Let  $g = (e - 1)/2$ . We consider the standard Levi subgroup  $M = GL(m)^{\times e}$  of  $GL(n, F)$  and the supercuspidal representation

$$\sigma_M = |\det(\cdot)|^{-g} \sigma \otimes \cdots \otimes |\det(\cdot)|^g \sigma$$

of it. Then  $(J_M, \lambda_M) = (J^{\times e}, \lambda^{\otimes e})$  is a type in  $M$  occurring in  $\sigma_M$ .

Let  $\pi = \text{St}(\sigma, e)$  and let  $(J^s, \lambda^s)$  be a simple type in  $GL(n)$  occurring in  $\pi$  (it has associated maximal simple type  $(J, \lambda)$ ).

The following result is rather intricate, but note that only the *fundamental invariants*  $m, e, r, d, f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma)$  occur in it, in line with our general philosophy.

**Theorem 6.3.** *We have*

$$\frac{d(\pi)}{d(\sigma)^e} = \frac{m^{e-1}}{r^{e-1}e} \cdot q^{\frac{e^2-e}{2}(f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma)+r-2m^2)} \cdot \frac{(q^r - 1)^e}{q^{er} - 1} \cdot \frac{|GL(em, q)|}{|GL(m, q)|^e}.$$

**Remark 6.4.** The right-hand side in the above equality can be rewritten, by using (17), as

$$r^{1-e} \cdot \frac{(q^{em} - 1)(q^r - 1)^e}{(q^m - 1)^e(q^{er} - 1)} \cdot q^{\frac{e^2-e}{2}(f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma)+r-m^2)} \cdot \frac{\text{deg}(\text{St}(em))}{(\text{deg}(\text{St}(m)))^e}.$$

**Proof.** Let  $T$  denote the diagonal torus in  $GL(e, K)$  and let  $I$  denote the Iwahori subgroup of  $G_0 = GL(e, K)$  attached to the Bernstein component in  $\Omega(GL(e, K))$  which contains the cuspidal pair  $(T, 1)$ . Note that  $I \cap T = GL(1, \mathfrak{o}_K)^{\times e}$ . From [11, (7.7.11)], applied to the representations  $\pi$  and  $\sigma$ , we have

$$d(\pi) = \frac{\mu_0(I)}{\mu(J^s)} \cdot \frac{\dim(\lambda^s)}{e(E|F)} \cdot d(\pi)_0, \tag{28}$$

where  $d(\pi)_0$  denotes the formal degree of  $\pi \in E_2(G_0)$ , and

$$d(\sigma) = \frac{\mu(GL(1, \mathfrak{o}_K))}{\mu(J)} \cdot \frac{\dim(\lambda)}{e(E|F)}. \tag{29}$$

Using (28), (29) and (24), we obtain

$$\frac{d(\pi)}{d(\sigma)^e} = \frac{m^{e-1}}{r^{e-1}} \cdot \frac{\mu_0(I)}{\mu(J^s)} \cdot \frac{\mu(J^{\times e})}{\mu(\text{GL}(1, \mathfrak{o}_K)^{\times e})} \cdot \frac{\dim(\lambda^s)}{(\dim(\lambda))^e} \cdot d(\pi)_0. \tag{30}$$

We set  $J_P = (J^s \cap P)H^1(\beta, \mathfrak{A}) \subset J^s$ , where  $P$  is the upper-triangular parabolic subgroup of  $G$  with Levi component  $M$ , and unipotent radical  $N$ . We define  $\lambda_P$  as the natural representation of  $J_P$  on the space of  $(J \cap N)$ -fixed vectors in  $\lambda^s$ . The representation  $\lambda_P$  is irreducible and  $\lambda_P \simeq \text{c-Ind}_{J_P}^{J^s}(\lambda^s)$ . Then  $(J_P, \lambda_P)$  is a  $G$ -cover of  $(J_M, \lambda_M)$ . In the case where  $(J, \lambda)$  is of zero level, we denote by  $(J^s, \lambda^s) = (J_P, \lambda_P)$  an arbitrary  $G$ -cover of  $(J_M, \lambda_M)$ .

Since  $J^s \cap M = J^{\times e} = J_M = J_P \cap M$ , and

$$\dim(\lambda)^e = \dim(\lambda_M) = \dim(\lambda_P) = [J^s : J_P]^{-1} \dim(\lambda^s),$$

(30) gives

$$\frac{d(\pi)}{d(\sigma)^e} = \frac{m^{e-1}}{r^{e-1}} \cdot \frac{\mu_0(I)}{\mu(J_P)} \cdot \frac{\mu(J_M)}{\mu_0(I \cap T)} \cdot d(\pi)_0.$$

On the other hand, by applying formula [34, p. 241, 1.7] to the group  $J$ , we obtain

$$\gamma(G|M) = \frac{\mu(J_P \cap N) \cdot \mu(J_P \cap M) \cdot \mu(J_P \cap \overline{N})}{\mu(J_P)}. \tag{31}$$

Similarly, we have

$$\gamma(G_0|T) = \frac{\mu_0(I \cap N_0) \cdot \mu_0(I \cap T) \cdot \mu_0(I \cap \overline{N}_0)}{\mu_0(I)}.$$

We then obtain

$$\frac{d(\pi)}{d(\sigma)^e} = \frac{\gamma(G|M)}{\gamma(G_0|T)} \cdot \frac{\mu_0(I \cap N_0) \cdot \mu_0(I \cap \overline{N}_0)}{\mu(J_P \cap N) \cdot \mu(J_P \cap \overline{N})} \cdot d(\pi)_0.$$

Applying Corollary 6.2, we get

$$\frac{d(\pi)}{d(\sigma)^e} = \frac{m^{e-1}}{r^{e-1}} \cdot q^{\frac{e(e-1)}{2} f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma)} \cdot \frac{\gamma(G|M)}{\gamma(G_0|T)} \cdot d(\pi)_0.$$

Since Haar measure on  $GL(e, K)$  has been normalized so that the volume of  $GL(e, \mathfrak{o}_K)$  is equal to one, the formal degree of the Steinberg representation of  $GL(e, K)$  is given as in (17) by

$$d(\pi)_0 = \frac{q_K^{(e-e^2)/2}}{e} \cdot \frac{|GL(e, q_K)|}{q_K^e - 1}.$$

On the other hand, Theorem 3.1 gives

$$\gamma(G|M) = q^{mn-n^2} \cdot \frac{|GL(n, q)|}{|GL(m, q)|^e} \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma(G_0|T) = q^{e-e^2} \cdot \frac{|GL(e, q_K)|}{(q_K - 1)^e}.$$

The result follows.  $\square$

We will now recall the explicit formulas for  $d(\pi)$  and  $d(\sigma)$  from [31], using also [36]. We would like to thank Wilhelm Zink for explaining these works to us.

Let  $\eta$  be the Heisenberg representation of  $J^1(\beta, \mathfrak{A})$  attached to a maximal simple type  $(J(\beta, \mathfrak{A}), \lambda)$  occurring in the supercuspidal representation  $\sigma$  of  $GL(m)$  (see [11, (5.1.1), (5.5.10)]). Let  $\mathfrak{P}$  denote the Jacobson radical of  $\mathfrak{A}$  and let  $U^i(\mathfrak{A}) = 1 + \mathfrak{P}^i$ . Let  $\pi_\beta^1$  be the compactly induced representation  $\text{c-Ind}_{J^1(\beta, \mathfrak{A})}^{U^1(\mathfrak{A})}(\eta)$ . Then  $\pi_\beta^1$  is irreducible, see [11, (5.2.3)]. More generally the restriction of  $\eta$  to  $J^i(\beta, \mathfrak{A}) = J^1(\beta, \mathfrak{A}) \cap (1 + \mathfrak{P}^i)$  is a multiple of an irreducible representation  $\eta^i$  which induces irreducibly to a representation  $\pi_\beta^i$  of  $U^i(\mathfrak{A})$  (see [36, 2.2]). Let  $E_{-i}$  be any field such that

$$U^1(\mathfrak{A}) \cdot I_{GL(m)}(\pi_\beta^{i+1}) \cdot U^1(\mathfrak{A}) = U^1(\mathfrak{A}) \cdot GL(m/[E_{-i} : F], E_{-i}) \cdot U^1(\mathfrak{A}),$$

where  $I_{GL(m)}(\pi_\beta^{i+1})$  denotes the intertwining of  $\pi_\beta^{i+1}$  in  $GL(m, F)$ . In particular, we have  $E_0 = E$ .

**Theorem 6.5** (Explicit formal degrees formulas [31,36]). *The formal degrees of  $\sigma$  and  $\pi$  are, respectively, given by*

$$d(\sigma) = r \cdot \frac{q^m - 1}{q^r - 1} \cdot q^{(r-m+\delta)/2} \cdot \text{deg}(\text{St}(m)),$$

$$d(\pi) = r \cdot \frac{q^{em} - 1}{q^{er} - 1} \cdot q^{(er-em+e^2\delta)/2} \cdot \text{deg}(\text{St}(em)),$$

where

$$\delta = rm \cdot \sum_{i \geq 0} (1 - [E_{-i} : F]^{-1}).$$

**Proof.** It follows directly from [31, Theorem 1.1] and [36, Corollary 6.7], using the fact that  $r = f(K|F)$  and  $m/e(E|F) = r$ .  $\square$

As immediate consequences, we obtain the following results.

**Corollary 6.6.**

$$\frac{d(\pi)}{d(\sigma)^{e^2}} = r^{1-e^2} \cdot \frac{(q^{em} - 1)(q^r - 1)^{e^2}}{(q^{er} - 1)(q^m - 1)^{e^2}} \cdot q^{(e^2-e)(m-r)/2} \cdot \frac{\deg(\text{St}(em))}{(\deg(\text{St}(m)))^{e^2}}.$$

**Remark 6.7.** We observe that the above formula extends to the general case the formula obtained in [14, Theorem 4.6] in the case where  $(n, p) = 1$  and  $F$  has characteristic zero. The existence of such a formula was expected in [14, Remark 4.7]. Our formula also extends [33, Theorem VII.3.2].

**Corollary 6.8.**

$$\frac{d(\pi)}{d(\sigma)^e} = r^{1-e} \cdot \frac{(q^{em} - 1)(q^r - 1)^e}{(q^{er} - 1)(q^m - 1)^e} \cdot q^{(e^2-e)\delta/2} \cdot \frac{\deg(\text{St}(em))}{(\deg(\text{St}(m)))^e}.$$

The comparison of Corollary 6.8 with Remark 6.4 gives the following expression for the conductor for pairs  $f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma)$ .

**Theorem 6.9.** *We have*

$$f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma) = \delta + m^2 - r.$$

**Remark 6.10.** In [10, §6.4] (see also [10, 6.13]) is introduced a certain discriminant function  $C(\beta)$  and an integer  $c(\beta)$  such that  $C(\beta) = q^{c(\beta)}$ . It follows from our Theorem 5.1 and [10, Theorem 6.5 (i)] that

$$c(\beta) = \frac{[E : F]^2}{m^2} \cdot \delta.$$

6.5. *Conductor formulas (the discrete series case)*

Let  $\sigma$  be an irreducible supercuspidal representation of  $\text{GL}(m)$ , and let  $(J, \lambda)$  be a maximal simple type occurring in it. Let  $e|n$ , and let  $l_1 + \dots + l_k = e$  be a partition of  $e$ . It determines the standard Levi subgroup

$$M = \text{GL}(l_1 m) \times \dots \times \text{GL}(l_k m) \subset \text{GL}(n, F). \tag{32}$$

Let  $g_1 = (l_1 - 1)/2, \dots, g_k = (l_k - 1)/2$ , and let  $\pi_1, \dots, \pi_k$  be discrete series representations of  $\text{GL}(l_1 m), \dots, \text{GL}(l_k m)$  such that  $\pi_i = \text{St}(\sigma, l_i)$ . Let  $\pi = \pi_1 \otimes$

$\cdots \otimes \pi_k$  be the corresponding discrete series representation of  $M$ . For each  $i \in \{1, \dots, k\}$ , we fix a  $\text{GL}(l_i m)$ -cover  $(J^{\text{GL}(l_i m)}, \lambda^{\text{GL}(l_i m)})$  of  $(J^{\times l_i}, \lambda^{\otimes l_i})$  (as in the proof of Theorem 6.3). Then

$$(J_M, \lambda_M) = (J^{\text{GL}(l_1 m)} \times \cdots \times J^{\text{GL}(l_k m)}, \lambda^{\text{GL}(l_1 m)} \otimes \cdots \otimes \lambda^{\text{GL}(l_k m)}) \tag{33}$$

is an  $M$ -cover of  $(J^{\times e}, \lambda^{\otimes e})$ . Then let  $(J^G, \lambda^G)$  denote a  $G$ -cover of  $(J_M, \lambda_M)$  (the existence of which is guaranteed by Bushnell and Kutzko [13, Main Theorem (second version)]).

At the same time the partition  $(l_1, \dots, l_k)$  determines the standard Levi subgroup

$$M_0 = \text{GL}(l_1) \times \cdots \times \text{GL}(l_k) \subset \text{GL}(e, K) = G_0. \tag{34}$$

Let  $P$  (resp.  $P_0$ ) be the upper-triangular parabolic subgroup of  $G$  (resp.  $G_0$ ) with Levi component  $M$  (resp.  $M_0$ ), and unipotent radical denoted by  $N$  (resp.  $N_0$ ). Let  $I$  denote the standard Iwahori subgroup of  $G_0$ .

**Theorem 6.11.** *We have*

$$\frac{\mu(J^G \cap N) \cdot \mu(J^G \cap \overline{N})}{\mu_0(I \cap N_0) \cdot \mu_0(I \cap \overline{N}_0)} = q^{-\ell(\gamma)f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma)} = \frac{j(\sigma^{\otimes e})}{j_0(1)}.$$

**Proof.** The second equality follows from our Corollary 5.3.

We will prove the first equality. Let  $U$  denote the unipotent radical of the upper-triangular parabolic subgroup of  $G$  with Levi component  $\text{GL}(m)^{\times e}$ , and, for  $i = 1, \dots, k$ , let  $U_i$  denote the unipotent radical of the upper-triangular parabolic subgroup of  $\text{GL}(l_i m)$  with Levi component  $\text{GL}(m)^{\times l_i}$ . We observe that

$$U = N \times (U \cap M) = N \times \prod_{i=1}^k U_i.$$

Similarly, let  $U_0$  be the unipotent radical of the standard Borel subgroup of  $G_0$ , and, for  $i = 1, \dots, k$ , let  $U_{0,i}$  be the unipotent radical of the standard Borel subgroup of  $\text{GL}(l_i, K)$ . We have

$$U_0 = N_0 \times (U_0 \cap M_0) = N_0 \times \prod_{i=1}^k U_{0,i}.$$

It follows from [12, Proposition 8.5 (i)] that  $(J^G, \lambda^G)$  is also a  $G$ -cover of  $(J^{\times e}, \lambda^{\otimes e})$ . Applying Corollary 6.2 to  $(J^G, U)$  and to  $(J^{\text{GL}(l_i m)}, U_i)$  for each  $i \in \{1, \dots, k\}$ ,

we obtain

$$\frac{\mu(J^G \cap U) \cdot \mu(J^G \cap \bar{U})}{\mu_0(I \cap U_0) \cdot \mu_0(I \cap \bar{U}_0)} = q^{-\frac{e(e-1)}{2} f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma)}$$

$$\frac{\mu(J^{\text{GL}(l_i m)} \cap U_i) \cdot \mu(J^{\text{GL}(l_i m)} \cap \bar{U}_i)}{\mu_0(I \cap U_{0,i}) \cdot \mu_0(I \cap \bar{U}_{0,i})} = q^{-\frac{l_i(l_i-1)}{2} f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma)}.$$

Since  $J^G \cap M = J_M$  (by definition of covers), it follows from (33) that  $J^G \cap \text{GL}(l_i m) = J^{\text{GL}(l_i m)}$ . Then using the fact that

$$\mu(J^G \cap N) = \mu(J^G \cap U) \times \prod_{i=1}^k \mu(J^{\text{GL}(l_i m)} \cap U_i)$$

and the analogous equalities for the others terms, we obtain

$$\frac{\mu(J^G \cap N) \cdot \mu(J^G \cap \bar{N})}{\mu_0(I \cap N_0) \cdot \mu_0(I \cap \bar{N}_0)} = q^{(-\frac{e(e-1)}{2} + \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{l_i(l_i-1)}{2}) f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma)}, \tag{35}$$

$$\frac{\mu(J^G \cap N) \cdot \mu(J^G \cap \bar{N})}{\mu_0(I \cap N_0) \cdot \mu_0(I \cap \bar{N}_0)} = q^{-\ell(\gamma) f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma)}. \quad \square \tag{36}$$

### 6.6. Transfer-of-measure

The following result reduces the case of an arbitrary component  $\Omega$  to the one (studied in Corollary 5.5) of a component (of a possibly different group  $G_0$ ) which contains the cuspidal pair  $(T, 1)$ . We give a direct proof which is based on our previous calculations. It is worth noting that it is also a direct application of [10, Theorem 4.1].

Let  $\Omega = \sigma^e$  be a Bernstein component in  $\Omega(\text{GL}(n))$  with single exponent  $e$ . Let  $T$  be the diagonal subgroup of  $G_0 = \text{GL}(e, K)$ , and let  $\Omega_0$  be the Bernstein component in  $\Omega(\text{GL}(e, K))$  which contains the cuspidal pair  $(T, 1)$ . The components  $\Omega, \Omega_0$  each have the single exponent  $e$ , and we have a homeomorphism of compact Hausdorff spaces

$$\text{Irr}^\dagger \text{GL}(n, F)_\Omega \cong \text{Irr}^\dagger \text{GL}(e, K)_{\Omega_0}. \tag{37}$$

This homeomorphism is determined by the map

$$\bigotimes_{i=1}^k \zeta_i^{\text{val}_F \circ \det_F} \otimes \pi_i \mapsto \bigotimes_{i=1}^k (\zeta_i^r)^{\text{val}_K \circ \det_K} \otimes \text{St}(l_i).$$

This formula precisely allows for the fact that  $\pi_i$  has torsion number  $r$  and that  $\text{St}(l_i)$  has torsion number 1. Note that when  $\zeta$  is replaced by  $\omega\zeta$ , where  $\omega$  is an  $r$ th root of unity, each term remains unaltered.

The equation  $r = f(K|F)$  and the standard formula

$$\text{val}_K(y) = f(K|F)^{-1} \text{val}_F(N_{K|F}(y))$$

lead to the more invariant formula:

$$\bigotimes_{i=1}^k (\chi_i \circ \det_F) \otimes \pi_i \mapsto \bigotimes_{i=1}^k (\chi_i \circ N_{K|F} \circ \det_K) \otimes \text{St}(l_i),$$

where  $\chi_i$  is an unramified character of  $F^\times$ .

Let  $(J^G, \lambda^G)$  be defined as in the previous subsection. It is a type in  $G$  attached to  $\Omega$ . Recall that  $I$  denotes the standard Iwahori subgroup of  $G_0$ .

**Theorem 6.12.** *Let  $dv, dv_0$ , respectively, denote Plancherel measure on  $\text{Irr}^t \text{GL}(n, F)_\Omega, \text{Irr}^t \text{GL}(e, K)_\Omega$ . We have*

$$\frac{\mu(J^G)}{\dim(\lambda^G)} \cdot dv(\omega) = \mu_0(I) \cdot dv_0(\omega_0),$$

where

$$\omega = \chi_1 \pi_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes \chi_k \pi_k$$

and

$$\omega_0 = (\chi_1 \circ N_{K|F})\text{St}(l_1) \otimes \cdots \otimes (\chi_k \circ N_{K|F})\text{St}(l_k).$$

**Proof.** We first have to elucidate the canonical measures  $d\omega, d\omega_0$ . First, let  $M = \text{GL}(n)$ , and let  $\omega$  have torsion number  $r$ . Then the map  $\text{Im } X(M) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}$  is the  $r$ -fold covering map:  $\mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}, z \mapsto z^r$ . The map  $\text{Im } X(M) \rightarrow \text{Im } X(A_M)$  sends the map  $T \mapsto z^{\text{val}(\det(T))}$  to the map  $x \mapsto z^{\text{val}(\det(xI_n))} = (z^n)^{\text{val}(\det(x))}$  and so induces the  $n$ -fold covering map  $\mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$ . The canonical measure  $d\omega$  on the orbit  $\mathcal{O}$  is the Haar measure of total mass  $n/r$ . If  $M = \text{GL}(l_1) \times \cdots \times \text{GL}(l_k)$  and  $\omega_j$  has torsion number  $r_j$  then the canonical measure  $d\omega$  on the orbit  $\mathcal{O}$  of  $\omega_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes \omega_k$  is the Haar measure of total mass  $l_1 \cdots l_k / r_1 \cdots r_k$ . For the canonical measures  $d\omega, d\omega_0$  we therefore have

$$d\omega = (ml_1 \cdots ml_k / r^k) \cdot d\tau = l_1 \cdots l_k \cdot (m^k / r^k) \cdot d\tau,$$

$$d\omega_0 = l_1 \cdots l_k \cdot d\tau,$$

where  $d\tau$  is the Haar measure on  $\mathbb{T}^k$  of total mass 1. So, we have

$$d\omega = (m^k / r^k) \cdot d\omega_0. \tag{38}$$

By Theorem 5.4,

$$dv(\omega) = q^{\ell(\gamma)f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma)} \cdot \gamma(G|M) \cdot d(\omega) \cdot \prod \left| \frac{1 - z_j z_i^{-1} q^{gr}}{1 - z_j z_i^{-1} q^{-(g+1)r}} \right|^2 \cdot d\omega$$

and

$$dv_0(\omega_0) = \gamma(G_0|M_0) \cdot d(\omega_0) \cdot \prod \left| \frac{1 - z_j z_i^{-1} q^{gr}}{1 - z_j z_i^{-1} q^{-(g+1)r}} \right|^2 \cdot d\omega_0.$$

Hence

$$\frac{dv(\omega)}{dv_0(\omega_0)} = q^{\ell(\gamma)f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma)} \cdot \frac{\gamma(G|M)}{\gamma(G_0|M_0)} \cdot \frac{d(\omega)}{d(\omega_0)} \cdot \frac{d\omega}{d\omega_0}. \tag{39}$$

We keep the notation of Section 6.5. It follows from (26), (25) that

$$\mu(J_M) = \mu(J^{\text{GL}(l_1 m)}) \times \dots \times \mu(J^{\text{GL}(l_k m)}), \tag{40}$$

since  $J_M = J^{\text{GL}(l_1 m)} \times \dots \times J^{\text{GL}(l_k m)}$ . In the same way, we have

$$\mu_0(I \cap M_0) = \mu_0(I \cap \text{GL}(l_1 m)) \times \dots \times \mu_0(I \cap \text{GL}(l_k m)), \tag{41}$$

On the other hand, formula [11, (7.7.11)] gives

$$\mu(J^{\text{GL}(l_i m)}) \cdot d(\pi_i) = \mu_0(I \cap \text{GL}(l_i, K)) \cdot \frac{\dim(\lambda^{\text{GL}(l_i m)})}{e(E|F)} \cdot d(\text{St}(l_i)).$$

Then (40), (41), (33), and (18) imply

$$\mu(J_M) \cdot d(\omega) = \mu_0(I \cap M_0) \cdot \frac{\dim(\lambda_M)}{e(E|F)^k} \cdot d(\omega_0). \tag{42}$$

Applying (31) to both  $\gamma(G|M)$  and  $\gamma(G_0|M_0)$ , we obtain

$$\frac{\gamma(G|M)}{\gamma(G_0|M_0)} = \frac{\mu(J^G \cap N)\mu(J^G \cap \overline{N})}{\mu_0(I \cap N_0)\mu_0(I \cap \overline{N}_0)} \cdot \frac{\mu_0(I)}{\mu(J^G)} \cdot \frac{\mu(J_M)}{\mu_0(I \cap M_0)}. \tag{43}$$

It then follows from (39), (42) and (43) that

$$\frac{d\nu(\omega)}{d\nu_0(\omega_0)} = q^{\ell(\gamma)f(\sigma^\vee \times \sigma)} \cdot \frac{\mu(J^G \cap N)\mu(J^G \cap \bar{N})}{\mu_0(I \cap N_0)\mu_0(I \cap \bar{N}_0)} \cdot \frac{\mu_0(I)}{\mu(J^G)} \cdot \frac{\dim(\lambda_M)}{e(E|F)^k} \frac{d\omega}{d\omega_0}.$$

Noting that  $\dim(\lambda^G) = \dim(\lambda_M)$ , and using Eq. (24) and Theorem 6.11, we have

$$\frac{d\nu(\omega)}{d\nu_0(\omega_0)} = \frac{\mu_0(I)}{\mu(J^G)} \cdot \dim(\lambda^G) \cdot \frac{r^k}{m^k} \cdot \frac{d\omega}{d\omega_0} = \frac{\mu_0(I)}{\mu(J^G)} \cdot \dim(\lambda^G),$$

using (38).  $\square$

### 7. The central simple algebras case

Let  $D$  be a central division algebra of index  $d$  over  $F$  and ring of integers  $\mathfrak{o}_D$ , and let  $A = A(n')$  denote the algebra of  $n' \times n'$  matrices with coefficients in  $D$ . Then  $A$  is a central simple algebra with centre  $F$  of reduced degree  $n = dn'$  and the group of units of  $A$  is the group  $G' = \text{GL}(n', D)$ . In Theorem 7.2 we will prove a transfer of Plancherel measure formula for  $G'$ : this will be deduced from properties of the Jacquet–Langlands correspondence. In order to do this, we will adapt the proof of [1, (2.5), p. 88] to the case when  $F$  is of positive characteristic by using results of Badulescu.

We use the *standard* normalization of Haar measures, in particular  $\mu_{G'}$  is normalized so that the volume of  $\mathcal{K}' = \text{GL}(n', \mathfrak{o}_D)$  is 1.

#### 7.1. A transfer-of-measure formula

The aim of this subsection is to prove the transfer-of-measure formula stated in Theorem 7.2.

An element  $x'$  in  $G'$  will be called *semisimple* (resp. *regular semisimple*) if its orbit  $O_{G'}(x') = \{yx'y^{-1} : y \in G'\}$  is a closed subset of  $G'$  (resp. if its characteristic polynomial admits only simple roots in an algebraic closure of  $F$ ). Let  $G'_{\text{rs}}$  denote the set of regular semisimple elements in  $G'$ .

Let  $G'_{x'}$  denote the centralizer in  $G'$  of  $x'$ . Then the group  $G'_{x'}$  is unimodular, and the choice of Haar measures on  $G'$  and  $G'_{x'}$  induces an invariant measure  $dx$  on  $G'/G'_{x'}$ . The orbital integral of  $f' \in C_c(G')$  at  $x'$  is defined as

$$\Phi(f', x') = \int_{G'/G'_{x'}} f'(y^{-1}x'y) dy. \tag{44}$$

Since the orbit  $O_{G'}(x')$  is closed in  $G'$ , the integral is absolutely convergent. Indeed, it is a finite sum, since the restriction of  $f'$  to  $O_{G'}(x')$  is locally constant with compact support. Note that, if  $x' \in G'_{\text{rs}}$ , then  $G'_{x'}$  is a maximal torus in  $G'$ .

Orbital integrals have a local expansion, due to Shalika [28], which we will now recall. If  $O'$  is a unipotent orbit in  $G'$ , let  $\Lambda_{O'}$  denote the distribution given by integration over the orbit  $O'$ . There exist functions  $\Gamma_{O'}^{G'}: G'_{\text{rs}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  (the *Shalika germs*) indexed by unipotent orbits of  $G'$  with the following property:

$$\Phi(f', x') = \sum_{O'} \Gamma_{O'}^{G'}(x') \cdot \Lambda_{O'}(f'), \tag{45}$$

for  $x' \in G'_{\text{rs}}$  sufficiently close to the identity. Observe that  $\Lambda_1 = f'(1)$ .

Harish-Chandra proved that the germ  $\Gamma_1^{G'}$  associated to the trivial unipotent orbit is constant, and Rogawski [24] has determined its value assuming the characteristic of  $F$  to be zero:

$$\Gamma_1^{G'} = \frac{(-1)^{n-n'}}{d(\text{St}_{G'})}. \tag{46}$$

Equality (46) is still valid in the case when  $F$  is of positive characteristic. Indeed, let  $F$  be of positive characteristic and let  $E$  be a field of zero characteristic sufficiently close to  $F$ , that is, such that there exists a ring isomorphism from  $\mathfrak{o}_F/\mathfrak{o}_F^l$  to  $\mathfrak{o}_E/\mathfrak{o}_E^l$ , for some sufficiently big integer  $l \geq 1$ . Let  $D_E$  be a central division algebra over  $E$  with the same index  $d$ . Then by Badulescu [4, Lemma 3.8] the lifts  $f'_E$  of  $f'$  to  $G'_E = \text{GL}(m, D_E)$  (resp.  $f_E$  of  $f$  to  $G_E = \text{GL}(n, E)$ ) also satisfy  $f_E \leftrightarrow (-1)^{n-n'} f'_E$ . On the other hand,  $f'_E(1) = f'(1)$ , independently of  $m$ : since the way to lift  $f'$  to  $f'_E$  consists in cutting the group  $G'$  into compact open subsets on which  $f'$  is constant, in associating to these subsets compact open subsets in  $G'_E$ , and assigning to *these* subsets the same constants in order to define  $f'_E$ ; but the compact open subset of  $G'$  containing 1 corresponds to the compact open subset in  $G'_E$  containing 1.

If  $\pi$  is a smooth representation of  $G$  or  $G'$  with finite length, we will denote by  $\theta_\pi$  its character.

**Theorem 7.1** (*The Jacquet–Langlands correspondence [3,15]*). *There exists a bijection*

$$\text{JL}: E_2(G') \rightarrow E_2(G)$$

such that for each  $\pi' \in E_2(G')$ :

$$\theta_{\pi'}(x') = (-1)^{n-n'} \theta_{\text{JL}(\pi')}(x), \tag{47}$$

for any  $(x, x') \in G \times G'$  such that  $x \leftrightarrow x'$ .

Recall that  $A = A(n')$  denotes the algebra of  $n' \times n'$  matrices with coefficients in  $D$ . Let  $\text{Nrd}_{A|F}: A \rightarrow F$  denote the reduced norm of  $A$  over  $F$  as defined in [7, §12.3, p. 142]. We shall view the reduced norm  $\text{Nrd}_{A|F}$  as a homomorphism from  $G'$  to  $F^\times$ .

If  $\eta$  is a quasi-character of  $F^\times$  then we will write

$$\eta\pi' = (\eta \circ \text{Nrd}_{A|F}) \otimes \pi'.$$

If  $\eta$  is an unramified quasi-character then we will refer to  $\eta\pi'$  as an *unramified twist* of  $\pi'$ .

Each representation  $\pi'$  of  $G'$  has a *torsion number*: the order of the cyclic group of all those unramified characters  $\eta$  of  $F^\times$  for which

$$\eta\pi' \cong \pi'.$$

The Jacquet–Langlands correspondence has the property that

$$\eta(\text{JL}(\pi')) = \text{JL}(\eta\pi'), \tag{48}$$

for any square integrable representation  $\pi'$  of  $G'$  and any (unitary) character  $\eta$  of  $F^\times$  (see [15, (4), p. 35]). It follows that the torsion number of  $\pi'$  is equal to that of  $\text{JL}(\pi')$ .

For each Levi subgroup  $M = \text{GL}(n_1, F) \times \cdots \times \text{GL}(n_k, F)$  of  $G$  such that  $d$  does not divide  $n_i$  for some  $i \in \{1, \dots, k\}$ , we have

$$\theta_\omega^G(f) = 0, \quad \text{for any } \omega \in E_2(M)$$

(see the beginning of [4, §3] and the proof of [4, Lemma 3.3]).

We consider now a Levi subgroup  $M$  of the form  $M = \text{GL}(dn'_1, F) \times \cdots \times \text{GL}(dn'_k, F)$ , and define  $M' = \text{GL}(n'_1, D) \times \cdots \times \text{GL}(n'_k, D)$  (a Levi subgroup of  $G'$ ):  $M$  is the *transfer* of  $M'$ . The Jacquet–Langlands correspondence induces a bijection  $\text{JL}: E_2(M') \rightarrow E_2(M)$ , by setting

$$\text{JL}(\omega'_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes \omega'_k) = \text{JL}(\omega'_1) \otimes \cdots \otimes \text{JL}(\omega'_k).$$

For any  $\omega \in E_2(M)$ , there exists  $\omega' \in E_2(M')$  such that  $\omega = \text{JL}(\omega')$ .

Let  $\Omega^t(G')$ ,  $\Omega^t(G)$  denote the Harish-Chandra parameter space of  $G'$ ,  $G$ . Each point in  $\Omega^t(G')$  is a  $G'$ -conjugacy class of discrete-series pairs  $(M', \omega')$  with  $\omega' \in E_2(M')$ . The topology on  $\Omega^t(G')$  is determined by the unramified unitary twists: then  $\Omega^t(G')$  is a locally compact Hausdorff space. The map

$$(M', \omega') \mapsto (M, \text{JL}(\omega')),$$

where  $M$  is the transfer of  $M'$ , secures an *injective* map

$$\text{JL}: \Omega^t(G') \rightarrow \Omega^t(G).$$

We will write  $Y = \text{JL}(\Omega^t(G'))$ . Since the JL-map respects unramified unitary twists, we obtain a homeomorphism of  $\Omega^t(G')$  onto its image:

$$\text{JL} : \Omega^t(G') \cong Y \subset \Omega^t(G).$$

**Theorem 7.2** (Transfer of Plancherel measure). *Let  $G' = \text{GL}(n', D)$ ,  $G = \text{GL}(n, F)$  with  $n = dn'$ . Let  $\nu', \nu$  denote the Plancherel measure for  $G', G$ , each with the standard normalization of Haar measure on  $G', G$ . Then we have*

$$d\nu'(\omega') = \lambda(D/F) \cdot d\nu(\text{JL}(\omega')),$$

where

$$\lambda(D/F) = \prod (q^m - 1)^{-1}$$

the product taken over all  $m$  such that  $1 \leq m \leq n - 1, m \not\equiv 0 \pmod d$ .

**Proof.** If  $x \in G$  and  $x' \in G'$ , we will write  $x \leftrightarrow x'$  if  $x, x'$  are regular semisimple and have the same characteristic polynomial. If  $x \in G$ , we will say that  $x$  can be transferred if there exists  $x' \in G'$  such that  $x \leftrightarrow x'$ .

Let  $f' \in C_c(G')$ . Then, by [4, Theorem 3.2.], there exists  $f \in C_c(G)$  such that

$$\Phi(f, x) = \begin{cases} (-1)^{n-n'} \cdot \Phi(f', x') & \text{for each } x' \in G' \text{ such that } x \leftrightarrow x', \\ 0 & \text{if } x \text{ cannot be transferred,} \end{cases}$$

for any  $x \in G_{\text{rs}}$ .

It then follows from the germ expansion (45) that

$$f'(1) \cdot \Gamma_1^{G'} = (-1)^{n-n'} \cdot f(1) \cdot \Gamma_1^G,$$

that is, using (46),

$$\frac{f'(1)}{d(\text{St}_{G'})} = \frac{f(1)}{d(\text{St}_G)}. \tag{49}$$

We recall that  $\theta_\omega^G(f) = 0$  on the complement of  $Y$  in  $\Omega^t(G)$ . Next, we use Eq. (49), and apply twice the Harish-Chandra Plancherel theorem, first for  $G'$ , then for  $G$ . We obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int \theta_{\omega'}^{G'}(f') d\nu'(\omega') &= f'(1) \\ &= d(\text{St}_{G'}) \cdot d(\text{St}_G)^{-1} \cdot f(1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= d(\text{St}_{G'}) \cdot d(\text{St}_G)^{-1} \cdot \int \theta_\omega^G(f) \, dv(\omega) \\
 &= d(\text{St}_{G'}) \cdot d(\text{St}_G)^{-1} \cdot \int \theta_\omega^G(f) \, dv|_Y(\omega)
 \end{aligned} \tag{50}$$

for all  $f' \in C_c(G')$ .

We recall that the parameter space  $\Omega^t(G')$  is the *domain* of the Plancherel measure  $v'$ .

By the refinement of the trace Paley–Wiener theorem due to Badulescu [4, Lemma 3.4] we have

$$\{\omega' \mapsto \theta_{\omega'}^{G'}(f'^\vee) : f' \in C_c(G'), \omega' \in \Omega^t(G')\} = L(\Omega^t(G')),$$

where  $L(\Omega^t(G'))$  is the space of compactly supported functions on  $\Omega^t(G')$  which, upon restriction to each connected component (a quotient of a compact torus  $\mathbb{T}^k$  by a product of symmetric groups), are Laurent polynomials in the co-ordinates  $(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_k)$ .

Now  $L(\Omega^t(G'))$  is a dense subspace of  $C_0(\Omega^t(G'))$ , the continuous complex-valued functions on  $\Omega^t(G')$  which vanish at infinity. On the other hand, it follows from [4, Proposition 3.6] that

$$\theta_{\omega'}^{G'}(f') = \theta_{\text{JL}(\omega')}^G(f) \quad \text{for any } \omega' \in E_2(M'). \tag{51}$$

Eq. (50) therefore provides us with two Radon measures (continuous linear functionals) which agree on a *dense subspace* of  $C_0(\Omega^t(G'))$ . Therefore the measures are equal:

$$dv'(\omega') = d(\text{St}_{G'}) \cdot d(\text{St}_G)^{-1} \cdot dv|_Y(\omega). \tag{52}$$

At this point, we have to elucidate a normalization issue. Let  $K' = \text{GL}(n', \mathfrak{o}_D)$ . The group  $A_{G'}$  by definition is the  $F$ -split component of the centre of  $G'$  and can be identified with  $F^\times$ . As in Section 6.2, we have  $F^\times K'/F^\times = K'/K' \cap F^\times = K'/\mathfrak{o}_F^\times$ . But the Haar measure on  $A_{G'}$  has, as in [34, p. 240], the standard normalization  $\text{mes}(K' \cap A_{G'}) = 1$ , i.e.,  $\text{mes}(\mathfrak{o}_F^\times) = 1$ . Since  $\text{mes}(K') = 1$ , we have  $\text{mes}(F^\times K'/F^\times) = 1$ . It follows (see for instance [31, 3.7]) that the formal degree of the Steinberg representation  $\text{St}_{G'}$  is given by

$$d(\text{St}_{G'}) = \frac{1}{n} \prod_{j=1}^{n'-1} (q^{dj} - 1).$$

We then have

$$dv'(\omega') = \lambda(D/F) \cdot dv(\omega), \tag{53}$$

where

$$\lambda(D/F) = (q^d - 1)(q^{2d} - 1) \cdots (q^{(n'-1)d} - 1)(q - 1)^{-1}(q^2 - 1)^{-1} \cdots (q^{n-1} - 1)^{-1},$$

so that

$$\lambda(D/F) = \prod (q^m - 1)^{-1} \quad (54)$$

the product taken over all  $m$  such that  $1 \leq m \leq n - 1$ ,  $m \neq 0 \pmod{d}$ .  $\square$

This result may be expressed as follows:

**Theorem 7.3.** *Let  $(\Omega^t G', \mathcal{B}', \nu')$  be the measure space determined by the Plancherel measure  $\nu'$ , let  $(Y, \mathcal{B}, \lambda(D/F) \cdot \nu|_Y)$  be the measure space determined by the restriction of  $\lambda(D/F) \cdot \nu$  to  $Y = \text{JL}(\Omega^t(G')) \subset \Omega^t(G)$ . Then these two measure spaces are isomorphic:*

$$(\Omega^t G', \mathcal{B}', \nu') \cong (Y, \mathcal{B}, \lambda(D/F) \cdot \nu|_Y).$$

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