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BASE CHANGE FOR UNIT ELEMENTS OF HECKE ALGEBRAS

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One of the ingredients in the comparison of trace formulas involves matching the orbital integrals of spherical functions; this is what Langlands [L] refers to as the “fundamental lemma”. There is a special case of the fundamental lemma that has a simple local proof. Let G be a connected reductive group over a p -adic field F and assume that G is unramified (that is, quasi-split over F and split over an unramified extension of F). Let E be a finite unramified extension of F , let θ be a generator of $\text{Gal}(E/F)$, and let $l = [E : F]$.

Consider a hyperspecial point x_0 in the building of G over F . We denote by K the stabilizer of x_0 in $G(F)$ and by $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}(G(F), K)$ the corresponding Hecke algebra. Of course x_0 also gives rise to $K_E \subset G(E)$ and $\mathcal{H}_E = \mathcal{H}(G(E), K_E)$. There is a canonical homomorphism $b : \mathcal{H}_E \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$, characterized by the following property:

$$\text{tr } \pi_\varphi(b(f)) = \text{tr } \pi_\psi(f)$$

for all $f \in \mathcal{H}_E$ and all unramified admissible homomorphisms $\varphi : W_F \rightarrow {}^l G$. Here ψ denotes the restriction of φ to W_E , and π_φ (resp. π_ψ) denotes the K -spherical (resp. K_E -spherical) representation of $G(F)$ (resp. $G(E)$) corresponding to φ (resp. ψ).

The fundamental lemma for the homomorphism $b : \mathcal{H}_E \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ relates the stable orbital integrals of $b(f)$ to the “stable” twisted orbital integrals of f for any $f \in \mathcal{H}_E$. The precise statement requires definitions for stable conjugacy, stable orbital integrals, the twisted analogues, and the norm mapping \mathcal{N} . All of these are easier to define if the derived group G_{der} is simply connected. To keep the exposition simple we will now assume that G_{der} is simply connected, and then in the last section of the paper we will sketch a proof of the general case.

There are two forms of the norm mapping. The first is the mapping $N : G(E) \rightarrow G(E)$ defined by

$$N\delta = \delta\theta(\delta)\theta^2(\delta)\dots\theta^{l-1}(\delta).$$

The second is a mapping \mathcal{N} from $G(E)$ to the set of stable conjugacy

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classes in $G(F)$. Since G_{der} is simply connected, stable conjugacy is the same as $G(\bar{F})$ -conjugacy, where \bar{F} is an algebraic closure of F . The conjugacy class of $N\delta$ in $G(\bar{F})$ is defined over F and therefore contains an element $\gamma \in G(F)$ (since G is quasi-split, G_{der} is simply connected, and $\text{char}(F) = 0$ [K2]). By definition, $\mathcal{N}\delta$ is the stable conjugacy class of γ . The fiber of \mathcal{N} through δ is the stable twisted conjugacy class of δ . The construction of \mathcal{N} when G_{der} is not simply connected is given in [K2].

Let dg (resp. dg_E) be the Haar measure on $G(F)$ (resp. $G(E)$) that gives K (resp. K_E) measure 1. For $\gamma \in G(F)$ and $f \in C_c^\infty(G(F))$ we denote by $O_\gamma(f)$ the orbital integral

$$\int_{G_\gamma(F) \backslash G(F)} f(g^{-1}\gamma g) dg/dt.$$

This requires a choice of Haar measure dt on $G_\gamma(F)$, but we leave the measure out of the notation.

Let $I = \text{Res}_{E/F} G$. Then the automorphism θ of E/F induces an F -automorphism of I ; this automorphism agrees with θ on $I(F) = G(E)$, and we will abuse notation slightly by using θ to denote both of them. For $\delta \in G(E)$ and $f \in C_c^\infty(G(E))$ we have the twisted orbital integral $O_{\delta\theta}(f)$, given by

$$\int_{I_{\delta\theta}(F) \backslash G(E)} f(g^{-1}\delta\theta(g)) dg_E/du,$$

where $I_{\delta\theta}$ denotes the fixed points of $\text{Int}(\delta) \circ \theta$ on I . Of course $I_{\delta\theta}(F)$ is simply the twisted centralizer of δ in $G(E)$.

For semisimple $\gamma \in G(F)$ we have the stable orbital integral SO_γ , given as a linear form on $C_c^\infty(G(F))$ by

$$SO_\gamma = \sum_{\gamma'} e(G_{\gamma'}) O_{\gamma'},$$

where the sum is taken over a set of representatives γ' for the conjugacy classes within the stable conjugacy class of γ , and where $e(G_{\gamma'}) = \pm 1$ is the sign [K3] attached to the connected reductive F -group $G_{\gamma'}$. The distribution SO_γ depends on a choice of Haar measure on $G_\gamma(F)$. This measure is then transported to the inner twists $G_{\gamma'}$ and used to form $O_{\gamma'}$. One expects that SO_γ is a stable distribution for all semisimple γ . Of course this is true by definition if γ is regular semisimple.

For $\delta \in G(E)$ such that $N\delta$ is semisimple we have the ‘‘stable’’ twisted orbital integral

$$SO_{\delta\theta} = \sum_{\delta'} e(I_{\delta'\theta}) O_{\delta'\theta},$$

where the sum is taken over a set of representatives δ' for the twisted conjugacy classes within the stable twisted conjugacy class of δ . In the same way as for SO_γ we use compatible measures on the groups $I_{\delta',\theta}(F)$.

Let $f_E \in C_c^\infty(G(E))$ and $f \in C_c^\infty(G(F))$. As usual we say that f_E, f have matching orbital integrals if for every semisimple $\gamma \in G(F)$ the stable orbital integral $SO_\gamma(f)$ vanishes unless the stable conjugacy class of γ is equal to $\mathcal{N}\delta$ for some $\delta \in G(E)$, in which case it is given by

$$SO_\gamma(f) = SO_{\delta\theta}(f_E).$$

Of course we are using compatible Haar measures on $G_\gamma(F), I_{\delta\theta}(F)$ to form the orbital integrals; this has a meaning since $I_{\delta\theta}$ is an inner twist of G_γ [K2, Lemma 5.8].

The (conjectural) fundamental lemma for $b: \mathcal{H}_E \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ asserts that $f_E, b(f_E)$ have matching orbital integrals for all $f_E \in \mathcal{H}_E$. The main result of this paper is that $f_E, b(f_E)$ have matching orbital integrals if f_E is the unit element of \mathcal{H}_E , namely, the characteristic function of K_E (recall that we normalized the measure on $G(E)$ so that K_E has measure 1). In this case $b(f_E)$ is the unit element of \mathcal{H} , namely, the characteristic function of K .

For $G = GL_n$ this result is not new – it follows immediately from Lemma 8.8 of [K1]. In fact that lemma shows that some other pairs of functions have matching orbital integrals (characteristic functions of corresponding parahoric subgroups of $GL_n(F), GL_n(E)$, divided by the measures of the subgroups). Following a suggestion of J.-P. Labesse, this paper also proves a matching theorem for more general pairs of functions.

This more general matching theorem is the subject of §1. In §2 we make some remarks about twisted κ -orbital integrals of the functions considered in §1. In §3 we return to the unit elements of $\mathcal{H}_E, \mathcal{H}$ and follow a suggestion of J. Arthur by proving a matching theorem for some weighted orbital integrals. In §4 we sketch what to do when G_{der} is not simply connected.

1. Main result

In this section our situation will be somewhat more general than in the introduction. Let F, E, θ, l be as before. In particular we still insist that E/F be unramified. Let L denote the completion of the maximal unramified extension E^{un} of E . We have $E^{\text{un}} = F^{\text{un}}$ and we denote by σ the Frobenius automorphism of L over F .

Let G be a connected reductive group over F , no longer assumed to be unramified. We do assume, however, that G_{der} is simply connected. As before we write I for $\text{Res}_{E/F}G$ and θ for the F -automorphism of I

obtained from the field automorphism θ . Let K_L be an open bounded subgroup of $G(L)$ satisfying the following three conditions:

- (a) $\sigma(K_L) = K_L$.
- (b) The mapping $k \mapsto k^{-1}\sigma(k)$ from K_L to K_L is surjective.
- (c) The mapping $k \mapsto k^{-1}\sigma'(k)$ from K_L to K_L is surjective.

Let K (resp. K_E) be $G(F) \cap K_L$ (resp. $G(E) \cap K_L$). Note that the situation in the introduction can be recovered by taking K_L to be the stabilizer in $G(L)$ of the hyperspecial point x_0 ; then (a) is obvious and (b), (c) follow from a result of Greenberg [G] since the special fiber of \mathbf{G} is connected, where \mathbf{G} is the extension of G to a group scheme over \mathfrak{o} determined by x_0 (\mathfrak{o} denotes the valuation ring of F).

Let X, X_E, X_L denote $G(F)/K, G(E)/K_E, G(L)/K_L$ respectively. There are obvious inclusions $X \subset X_E \subset X_L$ and σ acts on X_L . Condition (b) (resp. (c)) implies that the fixed point set of σ (resp. σ') on X_L is equal to X (resp. X_E).

Choose Haar measures dg, dg_E on $G(F), G(E)$ such that K, K_E have measure 1, and use these measures in forming orbital integrals. Let f (resp. f_E) denote the characteristic function of K (resp. K_E) in $G(F)$ (resp. $G(E)$).

The groups $G(F), G(E), G(L)$ act on X, X_E, X_L respectively. Furthermore θ acts on X_E (by some power of σ). Let $\delta \in G(E)$. Then

$$O_{\delta\theta}(f_E) = \sum_g \text{meas}(I_{\delta\theta}(F) \backslash I_{\delta\theta}(F)gK_E),$$

where g runs over a set of representatives for the elements of

$$I_{\delta\theta}(F) \backslash G(E)/K_E$$

such that $g^{-1}\delta\theta(g) \in K_E$. Writing x for $gK_E \in X_E$, we have $g^{-1}\delta\theta(g) \in K_E$ if and only if $\delta\theta x = x$. Let $I_{\delta\theta}(F)_x$ denote the stabilizer of x in $I_{\delta\theta}(F)$. Then

$$\text{meas}(I_{\delta\theta}(F) \backslash I_{\delta\theta}(F)gK_E) = \text{meas}(I_{\delta\theta}(F)_x)^{-1}.$$

Let $X_E^{\delta\theta}$ denote the set of fixed points of $\delta\theta$ on X_E (the product of δ and θ is taken in the semidirect product of $G(E)$ and $\text{Gal}(E/F)$). Then we have shown that

$$O_{\delta\theta}(f_E) = \sum_x \text{meas}(I_{\delta\theta}(F)_x)^{-1},$$

where x runs through a set of representatives for the orbits of $I_{\delta\theta}(F)$ on $X_E^{\delta\theta}$. Taking the special case $E = F$, we get a corollary that for $\gamma \in G(F)$

$$O_\gamma(f) = \sum_x \text{meas}(G_\gamma(F)_x)^{-1},$$

where x runs through a set of representatives for the orbits of $G_\gamma(F)$ on X^γ , the set of fixed points of γ on X .

Choose an integer j such that θ is equal to the restriction of σ^j to E . Of course j is relatively prime to l , and hence we can choose integers a, b such that $bl - aj = 1$. We are going to define a correspondence between $G(F)$ and $G(E)$. Let $\gamma \in G(F)$ and $\delta \in G(E)$. We write $\gamma \leftrightarrow \delta$ if there exists $c \in G(L)$ such that the following two conditions hold:

$$(A) \quad c\gamma^a\sigma^l c^{-1} = \sigma^l,$$

$$(B) \quad c\gamma^b\sigma^j c^{-1} = \delta\sigma^j.$$

In (A) and (B) the equalities are of elements in the semidirect product of $G(L)$ and the infinite cyclic group $\langle \sigma \rangle$ generated by σ . Let $\langle \gamma, \sigma \rangle$ be the subgroup generated by γ, σ . Then if γ, δ, c satisfy (A) and (B), it follows that $c\langle \gamma, \sigma \rangle c^{-1} = \langle \sigma^l, \delta\sigma^j \rangle$, the point being that $\gamma^a\sigma^l, \gamma^b\sigma^j$ generate the same subgroup as γ, σ . Let Y be any set on which the semidirect product acts. Then $y \mapsto cy$ induces a bijection from the fixed points of $\langle \gamma, \sigma \rangle$ on Y to the fixed points of $\langle \sigma^l, \delta\sigma^j \rangle$ on Y . Taking $Y = X_L$, we see that $x \mapsto cx$ induces a bijection from X^γ to $X_E^{\delta\theta}$. Taking $Y = G(L)$ with $G(L)$ acting by conjugation, we see that $g \mapsto cgc^{-1}$ induces an isomorphism from $G_\gamma(F)$ to $I_{\delta\theta}(F)$. It is then immediate from the expressions we obtained for $O_{\delta\theta}(f_E)$ and $O_\gamma(f)$ that

$$O_{\delta\theta}(f_E) = O_\gamma(f)$$

if the measures used on $G_\gamma(F), I_{\delta\theta}(F)$ correspond under the isomorphism above.

What remains is to get a better understanding of the correspondence $\gamma \leftrightarrow \delta$. For which $\gamma \in G(F)$ do there exist $\delta \in G(E)$ such that $\gamma \leftrightarrow \delta$? Conditions (A), (B) can be rewritten as

$$(A') \quad \gamma^a = c^{-1}\sigma^l(c),$$

$$(B') \quad \delta = c\gamma^b\sigma^j(c^{-1}).$$

If δ exists, then (A') can be solved. Conversely, suppose that (A') can be solved. Then we can use (B') to define $\delta \in G(L)$ such that γ, δ, c satisfy (A), (B). But then $c\langle \gamma, \sigma \rangle c^{-1} = \langle \sigma^l, \delta\sigma^j \rangle$, which implies that $\sigma^l, \delta\sigma^j$ commute, and this in turn implies that $\delta \in G(E)$. We conclude that δ exists if and only if (A') can be solved. The element $c \in G(L)$ appearing in (A') is clearly determined up to left multiplication by an element of $G(E)$. Making such a change in c replaces δ by a θ -conjugate under $G(E)$. Thus if $\gamma \leftrightarrow \delta$, then $\gamma \leftrightarrow \delta'$ if and only if δ, δ' are θ -conjugate under $G(E)$.

Next we consider $\delta \in G(E)$ and ask whether there exists $\gamma \in G(F)$ such that $\gamma \leftrightarrow \delta$. Inverting the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & l \\ b & j \end{bmatrix},$$

we see that (A), (B) are equivalent to

$$(C) \quad (\delta\sigma^j)^l \sigma^{-jl} = c\gamma c^{-1},$$

$$(D) \quad (\delta\sigma^j)^{-a} \sigma^{bj} = c\sigma c^{-1}$$

(of course we are using that γ, σ commute and that $\sigma^l, \delta\sigma^j$ commute). We can rewrite (C), (D) as

$$(C') \quad N\delta = c\gamma c^{-1},$$

$$(D') \quad (\delta\sigma^j)^{-a} \sigma^{aj} = c\sigma(c^{-1}).$$

If γ exists, then (D') can be solved. Conversely, suppose that (D') can be solved. Then we can use (C') to define $\gamma \in G(L)$ such that γ, δ, c satisfy (C), (D). But (C) and (D) imply that γ, σ commute and hence that $\gamma \in G(F)$. We conclude that γ exists if and only if (D') can be solved. Furthermore (D') determines c up to right multiplication by $G(F)$, and changing c by an element of $G(F)$ replaces γ by a conjugate under $G(F)$. Thus if $\gamma \leftrightarrow \delta$, then $\gamma' \leftrightarrow \delta$ if and only if γ, γ' are conjugate in $G(F)$.

What we now know about the correspondence $\gamma \leftrightarrow \delta$ can be summarized as follows. The correspondence sets up a bijection from the set of conjugacy classes in $G(F)$ of elements $\gamma \in G(F)$ such that (A') can be solved to the set of θ -conjugacy classes in $G(E)$ of elements $\delta \in G(E)$ such that (D') can be solved. Furthermore (C') tells us that if $\gamma \leftrightarrow \delta$, then $\mathcal{N}\delta = \gamma$.

To complete the picture we need to know that there are enough corresponding elements of $G(F), G(E)$. First we show that if $\gamma \in G(F)$ and X^γ is non-empty, then there exists $\delta \in G(E)$ such that $\gamma \leftrightarrow \delta$. Indeed, replacing γ by a conjugate, we may assume that $\gamma \in K$. Then our assumption (c) on K_L implies that (A') can be solved.

Next we show that if $\delta \in G(E)$ and $X_E^{\delta\theta}$ is non-empty, then there exists $\gamma \in G(F)$ such that $\gamma \leftrightarrow \delta$. Indeed, replacing δ by a θ -conjugate in $G(E)$, we may assume that $\delta\theta$ fixes the base point of $X_E = G(E)/K_E$. Then $(\delta\sigma^j)^{-a}$ and σ^{aj} both fix the base point of X_L , as does their product $(\delta\sigma^j)^{-a}\sigma^{aj} \in G(L)$. Therefore $(\delta\sigma^j)^{-a}\sigma^{aj} \in K_L$ and assumption (b) on K_L implies that (D') can be solved.

There is one further remark that we need to make before stating the main result of the paper. Suppose that $\gamma \leftrightarrow \delta$. Choose $c \in G(L)$ such

that γ, δ, c satisfy (C), (D). We have already seen that $g \mapsto cgc^{-1}$ induces an isomorphism from $G_\gamma(F)$ to $I_{\delta\theta}(F)$. Since (C), (D) determine c up to right multiplication by an element of $G_\gamma(F)$, the isomorphism is canonical up to inner automorphisms of $G_\gamma(F)$.

THEOREM: *The correspondence $\gamma \leftrightarrow \delta$ induces a bijection from the set of conjugacy classes of $\gamma \in G(F)$ such that $O_\gamma(f) \neq 0$ to the set of θ -conjugacy classes of $\delta \in G(E)$ such that $O_{\delta\theta}(f_E) \neq 0$. Moreover if $\gamma \leftrightarrow \delta$, then $\gamma = \mathcal{N}\delta$, $G_\gamma(F)$ is isomorphic to $I_{\delta\theta}(F)$, and $O_\gamma(f) = O_{\delta\theta}(f_E)$.*

Since $O_\gamma(f) \neq 0$ (resp. $O_{\delta\theta}(f_E) \neq 0$) if and only if X^γ (resp. $X_E^{\delta\theta}$) is non-empty, the theorem follows from the remarks made above.

In order to use the theorem to prove that f, f_E have matching orbital integrals, there is a technical point to check. Suppose that γ, δ, c satisfy (A), (B). Then Lemma 5.8 of [K2] gives us an inner twisting $\beta: I_{\delta\theta} \rightarrow G_\gamma$, canonical up to inner automorphisms of $G_\gamma(\bar{L})$. Assume now that γ is semisimple. We want to check that there exists an F -isomorphism $\alpha: I_{\delta\theta} \xrightarrow{\sim} G_\gamma$ whose restriction to $I_{\delta\theta}(F)$ is given by $g \mapsto c^{-1}gc$ and which differs from β by an inner automorphism of $G_\gamma(\bar{L})$. This will show that if we use $g \mapsto c^{-1}gc$ to transport a Haar measure on $I_{\delta\theta}(F)$ over to $G_\gamma(F)$, the two measures will be compatible in the sense that arises in the definition of matching orbital integrals. It will also show that the signs $e(G_\gamma)$ and $e(I_{\delta\theta})$ are equal. We see from [K2] that if $d \in G(\bar{L})$ and $N\delta = d\gamma d^{-1}$, then we can take β to be $\text{Int}(d)^{-1} \circ p$, where $p: I_{\delta\theta} \rightarrow G_{N\delta}$ (over E) is the restriction to $I_{\delta\theta}$ of the projection of $I_E = G_E \times \cdots \times G_E$ onto the factor indexed by the identity element of $\text{Gal}(E/F)$ (the l factors are indexed by the elements of $\text{Gal}(E/F)$). Let $\alpha = \text{Int}(c)^{-1} \circ p$. Then α, β differ by an inner automorphism of $G_\gamma(\bar{L})$ (use (C') to see this), and what remains is to show that α is defined over F . It is obvious that α is defined over L . Since the functor $A \mapsto \text{Isom}_A(I_{\delta\theta}, G_\gamma)$ from (F -algebras) to (sets) is representable by a scheme over F (here we use that γ is semisimple and that G_{der} is simply connected in order to conclude that the groups $G_\gamma, I_{\delta\theta}$ are connected and reductive), it is enough to show that α commutes with σ . We will do this by showing that α commutes with σ^j and σ^l ; this is enough since j, l are relatively prime. Direct calculation shows that

$$\sigma^j(\alpha) = \text{Int}(\sigma^j(c^{-1})\delta^{-1}c) \circ \alpha,$$

$$\sigma^l(\alpha) = \text{Int}(\sigma^l(c^{-1})c) \circ \alpha,$$

and (A'), (B') imply that

$$\sigma^j(c^{-1})\delta^{-1}c = \gamma^{-b},$$

$$\sigma^l(c^{-1})c = \gamma^{-a}.$$

Since γ is central in G_γ , this proves that $\sigma^j(\alpha) = \sigma^j(\alpha) = \alpha$.

COROLLARY: *The functions f, f_E have matching orbital integrals.*

This follows immediately from the theorem and the technical point that we just checked. However, we need to say a few more words about the corollary. If G is not quasi-split, the most natural notion of matching orbital integrals would involve “stable” twisted orbital integrals on $G(E)$ and stable orbital integrals on a quasi-split inner form of G . In fact, if G is not quasi-split, the stable conjugacy class of $N\delta$ need not contain any F -rational elements, hence the stable norm $\mathcal{N}\delta$ does not always exist in $G(F)$. Nevertheless the corollary is true and even has the following supplement: if $\mathcal{N}\delta$ does not exist in $G(F)$, then $SO_{\delta\theta}(f_E) = 0$. To prove the supplement, note that if $SO_{\delta\theta}(f_E) \neq 0$, then there exists a stable θ -conjugate δ' of δ such that $O_{\delta'\theta}(f_E) \neq 0$; therefore there exists $\gamma \in G(F)$ such that $\gamma \leftrightarrow \delta'$, and then it follows that $\gamma = \mathcal{N}\delta' = \mathcal{N}\delta$.

2. κ -orbital integrals and the dependence of $\gamma \leftrightarrow \delta$ on j, a, b

We keep the notation and assumptions of §1. We have not yet used the full strength of the theorem in §1, which proved a matching result for orbital integrals, not just stable orbital integrals. Consider an element $\delta \in G(E)$ such that $N\delta$ is regular and semisimple. Then $I_{\delta\theta}$ is a torus. For any stable θ -conjugate $\delta' \in G(E)$ of δ there is an invariant

$$\text{inv}(\delta, \delta') \in H^1(F, I_{\delta\theta})$$

measuring the difference between δ, δ' . This invariant sets up a bijection from the set of θ -conjugacy classes in the stable θ -conjugacy class of δ to the set

$$\ker[H^1(F, I_{\delta\theta}) \rightarrow H^1(F, I)].$$

As usual we can define twisted κ -orbital integrals $O_{\delta\theta}^\kappa$ for any character κ on the group $H^1(F, I_{\delta\theta})$ by putting

$$O_{\delta\theta}^\kappa = \sum_{\delta'} \langle \text{inv}(\delta, \delta'), \kappa \rangle O_{\delta'\theta},$$

where δ' runs over a set of representatives for the θ -conjugacy classes in the stable θ -conjugacy class of δ . Suppose that $O_{\delta'\theta}(f_E) \neq 0$ for some stable θ -conjugate δ' of δ . It does no harm to replace δ by δ' , and so we may as well assume that $O_{\delta\theta}(f_E) \neq 0$. Then there exists $\gamma \in G(F)$ such that $\gamma \leftrightarrow \delta$. Of course γ is regular and semisimple, and G_γ is a torus T .

Lemma 5.8 of [K2] gives us a canonical isomorphism $T \xrightarrow{\sim} I_{\delta\theta}$, allowing us to view κ as a character on $H^1(F, T)$ and to form κ -orbital integrals

$$O_\gamma^\kappa = \sum_{\gamma'} \langle \text{inv}(\gamma, \gamma'), \kappa \rangle O_{\gamma'},$$

where γ' runs over a set of representatives for the conjugacy classes in the stable conjugacy class of γ .

PROPOSITION 1: $O_{\delta\theta}^\kappa(f_E) = O_\gamma^\kappa(f)$.

Of course the significance of the proposition is that whenever one is able to express the κ -orbital integrals of f in terms of stable orbital integrals of a function on an endoscopic group H of G , the proposition will then express $O_{\delta\theta}^\kappa(f_E)$ in terms of stable orbital integrals on H , which may also be regarded as an endoscopic group for the pair (I, θ) [S].

To prove the proposition it is enough to show that if γ' is stably conjugate to γ , if δ' is stably θ -conjugate to δ , and if $\gamma' \leftrightarrow \delta'$, then $\text{inv}(\gamma, \gamma') = \text{inv}(\delta, \delta')$. This is sufficient since the elements γ', δ' that do not take part in the correspondence contribute zero to $O_\gamma^\kappa(f), O_{\delta\theta}^\kappa(f_E)$. In order to prove that $\text{inv}(\gamma, \gamma') = \text{inv}(\delta, \delta')$ it is convenient to use the injection

$$H^1(F, T) \rightarrow B(T)$$

defined in [K4, §1], where $B(T)$ denotes $H^1(\langle \sigma \rangle, T(L))$. Choose $c, c' \in G(L)$ such that γ, δ, c and γ', δ', c' satisfy (A), (B). Since $H^1(L, T)$ is trivial, we can also choose $g \in G(L)$ such that $\gamma' = g\gamma g^{-1}$. The image of $\text{inv}(\gamma, \gamma')$ in $B(T)$ is represented by the 1-cocycle

$$\sigma^k \mapsto g^{-1}\sigma^k(g)$$

of $\langle \sigma \rangle$ in $T(L)$.

As in §1 we write $p: I_{\delta\theta} \rightarrow G_{N\delta}$ (over E) for the restriction to $I_{\delta\theta}$ of the projection of $I_E = G_E \times \cdots \times G_E$ on the factor indexed by the identity element of $\text{Gal}(E/F)$. The canonical isomorphism from $I_{\delta\theta}$ to T is given by $\text{Int}(c)^{-1} \circ p$. It is easy to see that there exists a unique element $h \in I(L)$ such that

- (a) the image of h under the projection of $I(L) = G(L) \times \cdots \times G(L)$ onto the factor indexed by the identity element of $\text{Gal}(E/F)$ is equal to dgc^{-1} (note that dgc^{-1} conjugates $N\delta$ into $N\delta'$),
- (b) $\delta' = h\delta\theta(h)^{-1}$.

The image of $\text{inv}(\delta, \delta')$ in $B(T)$ is represented by the 1-cocycle

$$\sigma^k \mapsto (\text{Int}(c)^{-1} \circ p)(h^{-1}\sigma^k(h))$$

of $\langle \sigma \rangle$ in $T(L)$.

We will now show that with the choices we have made the two 1-cocycles of $\langle \sigma \rangle$ in $T(L)$ are equal (not just cohomologous). Since j, l are relatively prime, it is enough to show that

$$(\text{Int}(c)^{-1} \circ p)(h^{-1}\sigma^k(h)) = g^{-1}\sigma^k(g)$$

for $k = j, l$. First we take $k = j$. The equality $\delta' = h\delta\theta(h)^{-1}$ implies that $p(h^{-1}\sigma^j(h))$ is equal to

$$(dgc^{-1})^{-1} \cdot \delta' \cdot \sigma^j(dgc^{-1}) \cdot \delta^{-1}.$$

Therefore $(\text{Int}(c)^{-1} \circ p)(h^{-1}\sigma^j(h))$ is equal to

$$g^{-1}d^{-1}\delta'\sigma^jdgc^{-1}\sigma^{-j}\delta^{-1}c.$$

Using (B) for δ and δ' , we can simplify this expression, obtaining

$$g^{-1}(\gamma')^b \sigma^j(g) \gamma^{-b}.$$

Using $\gamma' = g\gamma g^{-1}$, we can simplify it further, obtaining $g^{-1}\sigma^j(g)$.

Next we take $k = l$. Then $(\text{Int}(c)^{-1} \circ p)(h^{-1}\sigma^l(h))$ is equal to

$$c^{-1} \cdot (dgc^{-1})^{-1} \cdot \sigma^l(dgc^{-1}) \cdot c.$$

Using (A') for c and d we can simplify this expression, obtaining

$$g^{-1}(\gamma')^a \sigma^l(g) \gamma^{-a}.$$

Using $\gamma' = g\gamma g^{-1}$, we can simplify it further, obtaining $g^{-1}\sigma^l(g)$. This completes the proof of the proposition.

In order to define the correspondence $\gamma \leftrightarrow \delta$ we had to choose integers j, a, b such that the restriction of σ^j to E was θ and such that $bl - aj = 1$. This raises an obvious question: How does the correspondence depend on the choice of j, a, b ? It turns out that the correspondence is independent of j, b , but is dependent on a . To see how the correspondence changes when j, a, b are replaced by j', a', b' , we suppose that we have $\gamma, \gamma' \in G(F)$, $\delta \in G(E)$, $c, c' \in G(L)$ such that γ, δ, c satisfy (A), (B) for j, a, b and γ', δ, c' satisfy (A), (B) for j', a', b' . Then γ, γ' are stably conjugate and we can measure the difference between the two correspondences by calculating $\text{inv}(\gamma, \gamma') \in H^1(F, G_\gamma)$. At this point we assume that γ is semisimple, so that G_γ is connected and we can embed $H^1(F, G_\gamma)$ in $B(G_\gamma)$. The set $B(G_\gamma)$ can be identified with the set of σ -conjugacy classes in $G_\gamma(L)$.

PROPOSITION 2: *The image of $\text{inv}(\gamma, \gamma')$ in $B(G_\gamma)$ is equal to the*

σ -conjugacy class of γ^{-n} in $G_\gamma(L)$, where n is defined by the equality $a' = a + nl$.

We also write $j' = j + ml$; then $b' = b + nj + ma + mnl$. We have $c\gamma c^{-1} = N\delta = c'\gamma'(c')^{-1}$, and hence $\gamma' = g\gamma g^{-1}$, where $g = (c')^{-1}c$. Therefore the image of $\text{inv}(\gamma, \gamma')$ in $B(G_\gamma)$ is equal to the σ -conjugacy class of x , where $x = g^{-1}\sigma(g)$.

We will now show that $x = \gamma^{-n}$. We have

$$x = c^{-1}c' \cdot \sigma \cdot (c')^{-1}c \cdot \sigma^{-1},$$

and using (D) for c' and then replacing j' by $j + ml$, we find that

$$x = c^{-1}(\delta\sigma^j)^{-a'}\sigma^{l(b+nj)}c\sigma^{-1}.$$

Finally, replacing a' by $a + nl$ and then using (C) and (D) for c , we find that $x = \gamma^{-n}$. In carrying out these steps we must remember that σ' commutes with δ . This finishes the proof of the proposition.

3. Weighted orbital integrals

We return to the situation in the introduction, so that G is again unramified. The hyperspecial point x_0 determines an extension of G to a connected reductive group over the valuation ring \mathfrak{o} of F , and we have $K_L = G(\mathfrak{o}_L)$. Let M be a Levi subgroup of G over \mathfrak{o} . We write \mathfrak{a}_M for the real vector space

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathbf{Z}}(\text{Hom}_F(M, \mathbf{G}_m), \mathbb{R})$$

and define a homomorphism

$$H_M : M(L) \rightarrow \mathfrak{a}_M$$

by requiring that for $x \in M(L)$

$$\exp\langle H_M(x), \lambda \rangle = |\lambda(x)|$$

for all $\lambda \in \text{Hom}_F(M, \mathbf{G}_m)$. Here we have extended the normalized absolute value on F^x to an absolute value on L^x . Let P be a parabolic subgroup of G having M as Levi component and write N for the unipotent radical of P . We define a function

$$H_P : G(L) \rightarrow \mathfrak{a}_M$$

by putting $H_P(g) = H_M(m)$, where g has been written as mnk for

$m \in M(L)$, $n \in N(L)$, $k \in K_L$. For $g \in G(L)$ and $\lambda \in \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{R}}(\mathfrak{a}_M, \mathbf{C})$ we set

$$v_p(\lambda, g) = e^{-\lambda(HP(g))}.$$

For fixed g the functions $\lambda \mapsto v_p(\lambda, g)$ form a (G, M) family [A], and this (G, M) family determines a number $v_M(g)$. In this way we have constructed a weight function v_M on $G(L)$; it is left invariant under $M(L)$ and right invariant under K_L .

It is obvious that the restriction of v_M to $G(F)$ is the weight function on $G(F)$ that Arthur uses to define weighted orbital integrals. Let γ be a regular semisimple element of $M(F)$. The weighted orbital integral that we are referring to is

$$WO_{\gamma}(\phi) = \int_{G_{\gamma}(F) \backslash G(F)} \phi(g^{-1}\gamma g) v_M(g) dg/dt$$

for $\phi \in C_c^{\infty}(G(F))$.

After working through Arthur's definition is twisted weighted orbital integrals, one finds that the necessary weight function on $G(E)$ is none other than the restriction of v_M to $G(E)$ (up to a scalar which will be 1 in a suitable normalization). Let $\delta \in M(E)$ and assume that $N\delta$ is regular and semisimple. Then the twisted weighted orbital integral that we are referring to is

$$WO_{\delta\theta}(\phi) = \int_{I_{\delta\theta}(F) \backslash G(E)} \phi(g^{-1}\delta\theta(g)) v_M(g) dg_E/du$$

for $\phi \in C_c^{\infty}(G(E))$.

As before we let f, f_E denote the characteristic functions of K, K_E . Suppose that our elements $\gamma \in M(F)$ and $\delta \in M(E)$ are related by the correspondence $\gamma \leftrightarrow \delta$ for the group M , so that there exists $c \in M(L)$ such that γ, δ, c satisfy (A) and (B).

PROPOSITION: $WO_{\delta\theta}(f_E) = WO_{\gamma}(f)$.

The proof is a slight variant of the proof that $O_{\delta\theta}(f_E) = O_{\gamma}(f)$. Since v_M is right invariant under K_L it descends to a function w_M on $X_L = G(L)/K_L$. We have

$$WO_{\gamma}(f) = \sum_x \text{meas}(G_{\gamma}(F)_x)^{-1} w_M(x),$$

where x runs through a set of representatives for the orbits of $G_{\gamma}(F)$ on X^{γ} . There is a similar formula for $WO_{\delta\theta}(f_E)$. The bijection $x \mapsto cx$ from

X^γ to $X_E^{\delta\theta}$ matches up the terms in the two formulas, and to finish the proof of the proposition we have only to note that the left invariance of v_M under $M(L)$ implies that $w_M(x) = w_M(cx)$.

Before finishing this section we should observe that enough γ, δ are related by the correspondence $\gamma \leftrightarrow \delta$ for M . Suppose that γ is a regular semisimple element of $M(F)$ such that $WO_\gamma(f) \neq 0$. Then there exists $g \in G(F)$ such that $g^{-1}\gamma g \in K$. Choose a parabolic subgroup P of G with Levi component M and unipotent radical N . Writing $g = mnk$ with $m \in M(F), n \in N(F), k \in K$ and using that $P(o) = M(o)N(o)$, we see that $m^{-1}\gamma m \in M(o)$. The discussion in §1 then shows that there exists $\delta \in M(E)$ such that $\gamma \leftrightarrow \delta$ in the group M . Similarly, if $WO_{\delta\theta}(f_E) \neq 0$, then there exists $\gamma \in M(F)$ such that $\gamma \leftrightarrow \delta$ in the group M .

4. Groups G for which G_{der} is not simply connected

In proving our special case of the fundamental lemma we assumed that G_{der} was simply connected. We will now show that this assumption can be dropped. Choose a finite unramified extension F' of F that splits G and contains E ; then there exists an extension H of G by a central torus Z such that

- (a) H_{der} is simply connected,
- (b) Z is a product of copies of $\text{Res}_{F'/F}\mathbf{G}_m$.

In the terminology of [K2, §5] H is an unramified z -extension of G adapted to E . Note that $H(F)$ maps onto $G(F)$.

It is not hard to see that the fundamental lemma for G, E, θ follows from the fundamental lemma for H, E, θ . The point is that there is a surjective homomorphism from the Hecke algebra of H (for the hyperspecial maximal compact subgroup of $H(F)$ corresponding to K) to the Hecke algebra of G , obtained by mapping f_H to f_G , where

$$f_G(x) = \int_{Z(F)} f_H(x_0z) \, dz.$$

Here x_0 is an element of $H(F)$ that maps to x and dz is the Haar measure on $Z(F)$ that gives measure 1 to the maximal compact subgroup of $Z(F)$. The mapping $f_H \mapsto f_G$ gives us (by means of the Satake isomorphism) a mapping

$$\mathbb{C}[X_*(S_H)]^{\Omega(F)} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}[X_*(S_G)]^{\Omega(F)},$$

where S_G is a maximal F -split torus of G , S_H is the corresponding maximal F -split torus of H , and $\Omega(F)$ is the relative Weyl group of S_G in G . The mapping is simply the homomorphism induced by $X_*(S_H) \rightarrow X_*(S_G)$, which is surjective since $H^1(F, X_*(Z))$ is trivial. From this it is

also clear that $f_H \mapsto f_G$ is compatible with the base change homomorphisms b for H and G . Furthermore, the orbital integrals of f_G can be obtained from the orbital integrals of f_H by integrating over $Z(F)$. There is an analogous statement for twisted orbital integrals, in which the integration is over $Z(E)/(\theta - id)Z(E)$. Finally, the assumption that F' contains E implies that the norm map induces an isomorphism

$$Z(E)/(\theta - id)Z(E) \xrightarrow{\sim} Z(F).$$

Putting all this together, one can now check that the fundamental lemma for H implies the fundamental lemma for G .

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