

On irreducible unitary characters of a certain group extension of $GL(2, \mathbf{C})$

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Introduction.

0-1. Let $G=GL(2, \mathbf{C})$ be the complex general linear group of order 2. Denote by $\langle \sigma \rangle$ a group of automorphisms of G generated by the complex conjugation σ . Let G^\sim be the semi-direct product of G with $\langle \sigma \rangle$. More precisely, G^\sim is the group whose underlying set is $G \times \langle \sigma \rangle$ and whose composition law is given by $(g, \tau)(g', \tau') = (g^\tau g', \tau\tau')$. Then G^\sim is a disconnected Lie group which has G as a connected component of the identity element. Let T be an irreducible unitary representation of G^\sim . Then the restriction of T to G is either an irreducible representation of G or the direct sum of two mutually inequivalent irreducible representations of G . Accordingly, T is said to be of *the first* or *the second kind*. In the following, we assume T to be of the first kind. For each smooth and compactly supported function f on G , it is known that the operator $\int_G f(g)T(g, \sigma)dg$ is a trace operator acting on the representation space of T (dg is an invariant measure on G). Moreover it is shown that there exists a locally integrable function trace $T(g, \sigma)$ on G such that

$$\text{trace} \int_G f(g)T(g, \sigma)dg = \int_G f(g) \text{trace} T(g, \sigma)dg.$$

On the other hand, set $G_R=GL(2, \mathbf{R})$. It is known that, for any irreducible unitary representation r of G_R , there exists a locally summable class function trace $r(x)$ on G_R such that

$$\text{trace} \int_{G_R} \varphi(x)r(x)dx = \int_{G_R} \varphi(x) \text{trace} r(x)dx$$

for any smooth and compactly supported function φ on G_R (dx is an invariant measure on G_R). We extend a class function trace r on G_R to a class function on G_C by setting

$$\text{trace} r(g) = \begin{cases} \text{trace} r(x) & \text{if } g \text{ is conjugate to } x \in G_R \text{ in } G_C, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

THEOREM 1⁽¹⁾. *Notations being as above, for each irreducible unitary representation T of the first kind of G , there exists an irreducible unitary representation r of $G_{\mathbf{R}}$ such that*

$$\text{trace } T(g, \sigma) = \varepsilon \text{ trace } r(g^\sigma g) \quad (\forall g \in G),$$

where $\varepsilon = \pm 1$ does not depend upon g .

REMARK 1. An analogous result for finite general linear groups was given in [5].

0-2. This paper consists of two sections. In §1, we study orbits and orbital integrals on $G_1 = SL(2, \mathbf{C})/\pm 1$, with respect to the “ σ -twisted adjoint action”: $x \mapsto g^\sigma x g^{-1}$ of G_1 . We also determine a general form of distributions on G_1 , invariant under the above G_1 -action and whose supports are concentrated to the following “ σ -twisted singular set”: $\{g \in G; \text{trace } g^\sigma g = \pm 2\}$. Results obtained are quite similar to those on orbital integrals on $SL(2, \mathbf{R})$ with respect to the adjoint action.

In §2, we compute irreducible unitary characters of the first kind of the semi-direct product G_1^\sim of G_1 with $\langle \sigma \rangle$. Then, Theorem 1 is proved.

Notations.

As usual, \mathbf{C} , \mathbf{R} , \mathbf{Z} denote the field of complex numbers, the field of real numbers and the ring of integers respectively.

The group of non-zero complex (resp. real) numbers is denoted by \mathbf{C}^\times (resp. \mathbf{R}^\times).

For a complex matrix g , g^σ means the complex conjugation of g . We use such standard notations in the theory of linear groups as $SL(2, \mathbf{C})$, $SL(2, \mathbf{R})$, $SU(2)$, $PU(2) = SU(2)/\pm 1$ and $SO(2)$.

For a smooth manifold X , $C_0^\infty(X)$ is the space of smooth functions on X with compact support.

Let G be a Lie group and H be a closed subgroup of G . If normalizations of invariant measures of G and H are prescribed, the invariant measure on G/H (if any) is normalized to be the quotient of the invariant measure of G by that of H .

§1.

1 Set $G_1 = PSL(2, \mathbf{C}) = SL(2, \mathbf{C})/\pm 1$. Denote by G_1^\sim the semidirect product of G_1 and the Galois group $\langle \sigma \rangle$ of \mathbf{C} with respect to \mathbf{R} generated by the complex conjugation σ . More precisely, G_1^\sim is the group with the underlying set $G_1 \times \langle \sigma \rangle$ whose composition rule is given by $(g, \tau)(g', \tau') = (g^\tau g', \tau\tau')$ ($g, g' \in G_1$, $\tau, \tau' \in \langle \sigma \rangle$). Two elements g and g' of G_1 is said to be σ -twistedly conjugate

(1) The Theorem was reported by the author at the annual meeting of the Mathematical Society of Japan on fall, 1974.

in G_1 if, for a suitable element x of G_1 $g' = x^\sigma g x^{-1} = \bar{x} g x^{-1}$. It is easy to see that (g, σ) and (g', σ) are conjugate in G_1^\sim if and only if g and g' are σ -twistedly conjugate in G_1 . For real variables $\theta, t > 0$ and x set

$$(1) \quad k_\theta = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta/2 & \sin \theta/2 \\ -\sin \theta/2 & \cos \theta/2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad a_t = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{t} & \\ & \sqrt{t}^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad n(x) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

It follows from Lemma 3.4~Corollary 3.7 of [4] that a complete set of representatives for σ -twisted conjugate classes of G_1 is given by $\{k_\theta; 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi\} \cup \{a_t, t > 1\} \cup n(1)$. For each $g \in G_1$ set

$$Z_\sigma(g) = \{x \in G_1; x^\sigma g x^{-1} = g\}.$$

Then we have

$$(2) \quad Z_\sigma(k_\theta) = \begin{cases} G_{1R} \cup G_{1R} \begin{pmatrix} i & \\ & -i \end{pmatrix} & \text{if } \theta = 0, \text{ where we put } G_{1R} = SL(2, \mathbf{R})/\pm 1 \\ K = SO(2)/\pm 1 & \text{if } 0 < \theta < \pi, \\ PU(2) = SU(2)/\pm 1 & \text{if } \theta = \pi, \end{cases}$$

$Z_\sigma(a_t) = A \cup A \begin{pmatrix} i & \\ & -i \end{pmatrix}$ if $t \neq 1$, where we put $A = \{a_t; t > 0\}$, and $Z_\sigma(n(1)) = N = \{n(x); x \in \mathbf{R}\}$.

We normalize an invariant measure on G_1 by setting $dg = du dz \frac{dt}{t}$ for $g = un(z)a_t$ ($u \in PU(2), z \in \mathbf{C}, t > 0$) where du is the normalized Haar measure of $SU(2)/\pm 1$. Similarly, we normalize an invariant measure on G_{1R} by setting $dg = dk dx \frac{dt}{t}$ for $g = kn(x)a_t$ ($k \in K, x \in \mathbf{R}, t > 0$), where dk is the normalized Haar measure of K . Further, we normalize invariant measures on A and on N by setting $da_t = \frac{dt}{t}$ and $dn(x) = dx$. For each compactly supported smooth function f on G_1 , set

$$(3) \quad F_{f, \sigma}^1(t) = |t - t^{-1}| \int_{G_1/A} f(\dot{x}^\sigma a_t \dot{x}^{-1}) d\dot{x} \quad (t \in \mathbf{R}_+, t \neq 1),$$

$$(4) \quad F_{f, \sigma}^2(\theta) = \sin \theta \int_{G_1/K} f(\dot{x}^\sigma k_\theta \dot{x}^{-1}) d\dot{x} \quad (\theta \in \mathbf{R}, \sin \theta \neq 0),$$

$$(5) \quad \delta_\sigma^1(f) = \int_{G_1/G_{1R}} f(\dot{x}^\sigma \dot{x}^{-1}) d\dot{x},$$

$$(6) \quad \delta_\sigma^2(f) = \int_{G_1/PU(2)} f(\dot{x}^\sigma \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & -1 \end{pmatrix} \dot{x}^{-1}) d\dot{x},$$

$$(7) \quad \delta_\sigma^3(f) = \int_{G_1/N} f(\dot{x}^\sigma \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} \dot{x}^{-1}) d\dot{x},$$

where invariant measures on quotient spaces G_1/A , G_1/K etc. are quotient measures of previously normalized Haar measures of respective groups.

PROPOSITION 1. *Notations being as above,*

(i) *the function $F_{f,\sigma}^1$ ($f \in C_0^\infty(G_1)$) on $\mathbf{R}_+ - \{1\}$ is extended to a smooth junction on \mathbf{R}_+ with the following properties:*

$$F_{f,\sigma}^1(t) = F_{f,\sigma}^1(t^{-1}), \quad F_{f,\sigma}^1(1) = 4\delta_\sigma^3(f).$$

(ii) *The function $F_{f,\sigma}^2$ ($f \in C_0^\infty(G_1)$) on $\mathbf{R} - \pi\mathbf{Z}$ is extended to a smooth odd function on $\mathbf{R} - 2\pi\mathbf{Z}$ with the following properties:*

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow \pm 0} F_{f,\sigma}^2(\theta) = \pm 2\pi\delta_\sigma^3(f),$$

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{d}{d\theta} F_{f,\sigma}^2(\theta) = -2\pi\delta_\sigma^1(f),$$

$$\left(\frac{d}{d\theta} F_{f,\sigma}^2\right)(\pi) = -\delta_\sigma^2(f).$$

PROOF. (i) We have

$$\begin{aligned} F_{f,\sigma}^1(t) &= |t - t^{-1}| \int_{PU(2) \times \mathbf{C}} f(u^\sigma n(z^\sigma) a_t n(-z) u^{-1}) dz du \\ &= t^{-1} \int_{PU(2) \times \mathbf{C}} f(u^\sigma n(z) a_t u^{-1}) dz du. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $F_{f,\sigma}^1$ is extended to a smooth function on \mathbf{R}_+ . Since a_t and $a_{t^{-1}}$ are σ -twistedly conjugate to each other, $F_{f,\sigma}^1(t^{-1}) = F_{f,\sigma}^1(t)$. On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_\sigma^3(f) &= \int_{PU(2) \times \mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}_+} f(u^\sigma n(-ix) a_t n(1) a_t^{-1} n(-ix) u^{-1}) dudxdt \\ &= 4^{-1} \int_{PU(2) \times \mathbf{C}} f(u^\sigma n(z) u^{-1}) dudz. \end{aligned}$$

Hence $F_{f,\sigma}^1(1) = 4\delta_\sigma^3(f)$.

(ii) It is easy to see that $F_{f,\sigma}^2$ is a smooth odd function on $\mathbf{R} - \pi\mathbf{Z}$ with period 2π . For any compact subset I of the interval $(0, 2\pi)$, the mapping $(x, \theta) \mapsto \varphi(x, \theta) = x^\sigma k_\theta x^{-1}$ is a proper mapping from $G_1 \times I$ into G_1 . In fact, let M_1 be a compact subset in $\varphi(G_1 \times I)$ and set $M_2 = \varphi^{-1}(M_1)$. Let $\{(g_i, \theta_i)\} (i = 1, 2, \dots)$ be an infinite sequence in M_2 . Set $g_i = u_i n(z_i) a_{t_i}$ ($t_i > 0$, $z_i \in \mathbf{C}$, $u_i \in PU(2)$). Choosing a suitable subsequence if necessary, we may assume that $\theta_i \rightarrow \theta \in I$, $u_i \rightarrow u \in PU(2)$ and $\varphi(g_i, \theta_i) = g_i^\sigma k_{\theta_i} g_i^{-1} \rightarrow g \in M_1$. Put $(u^\sigma)^{-1} g u = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ and $x_i = (n(z_i) a_{t_i})^\sigma k_{\theta_i} \times (n(z_i) a_{t_i})^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} * & * \\ -t_i^{-1} \sin \frac{\theta_i}{2} & * \end{pmatrix}$. Then $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} x_i = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ and $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \left(-t_i^{-1} \sin \frac{\theta_i}{2}\right) \rightarrow c$. Since $\sin \frac{\theta_i}{2} \rightarrow \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \neq 0$ ($\theta \in I \subset (0, 2\pi)$), $-\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} t_i^{-1} = c / \sin \frac{\theta}{2}$.

If c were equal to zero, the eigenvalues of $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}^\sigma \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ would be positive while the eigenvalues of $x_i^\sigma x_i$ are $\exp(\pm \sqrt{-1}\theta_i)$ ($\theta_i \in I$). Thus, $c \neq 0$ and $\lim_{a_i \rightarrow a_i} (t^{-1} = -c/\sin \theta/2 > 0)$. Hence $n(z_i^\sigma) a_i k_\theta a_i^{-1} n(z_i)^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} + z_i^\sigma c & * \\ c & * \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ as $i \rightarrow \infty$. We have $z_i^\sigma \mapsto \frac{1}{c} \left(a - \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \right)$. We have proved that from any infinite sequence in M_2 , we can choose a convergent subsequence. Hence M_2 is compact. Thus the integral defining $F_{j,\sigma}^2(\theta)$ is absolutely convergent for any $\theta \in (0, 2\pi)$ and $F_{j,\sigma}^2(\theta)$ is smooth on $(0, 2\pi)$. Since

$$F_{j,\sigma}^2(\theta) = \sin \theta \int_{\mathbb{R}^+} \frac{dt}{t} \int_c dz \int_{PU(2)/K} f(a_i n(z^\sigma) \dot{u}^\sigma k_\theta \dot{u}^{-1} n(z)^{-1} a_i^{-1}) d\dot{u}$$

($d\dot{u}$ is the quotient measure of the normalized Haar measures of $PU(2)$ by that of K), and

$$\delta_\sigma^2(f) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^+} \frac{dt}{t} \int_c dz f\left(a_i n(z^\sigma) \begin{pmatrix} & -1 \\ 1 & \end{pmatrix} n(z)^{-1} a_i^{-1}\right),$$

$$F_{j,\sigma}^2(\pi) = 0 \text{ and } \left(\frac{d}{d\theta} F_{j,\sigma}^2\right)(\pi) = -\delta_\sigma^2(f).$$

Next, we will show that, for a given compact subset C of G_1 there exists a compact subset C' of G_1 such that $x^\sigma k_\theta x^{-1} \in C$ for some $\theta \in (-\pi/4, \pi/4)$ implies $x^\sigma x^{-1} \in C'$. Denote by M the image of $G_1 \times (-\pi/4, \pi/4)$ under the mapping $(x, \theta) \mapsto x^\sigma k_\theta x^{-1}$. Set $C_2 = \{z^\sigma z; z \in C \cap M\}$. Then C_2 is a relatively compact subset of G_1 . The eigen values of any element of C_2 are given by $\{e^{i\varphi}, e^{-i\varphi}\}$ for a suitable $\varphi \in (-\pi/4, \pi/4)$. Hence, the binomial series $\sqrt{g} = \sum_{m=0}^\infty \binom{1/2}{m} (g-1)^m$ is absolutely convergent on C_2 . Let C_3 be the image of C_2 under the continuous mapping $g \mapsto \sqrt{g}$. Then C_3 is also a relatively compact subset of G . For $g \in C_2$, \sqrt{g} is an element of G characterized by the following two properties:

(i) $(\sqrt{g})^2 = g$, (ii) Arguments of eigen values of \sqrt{g} are both in the interval $(-\pi/8, \pi/8)$. Hence, $y = x^\sigma k_\theta x^{-1} \in C$ for some $\theta \in (-\pi/4, \pi/4)$ implies $\sqrt{y^\sigma y} = x k_\theta x^{-1}$. Thus, $x^\sigma k_\theta x^{-1} \in C$ ($\theta \in (-\pi/4, \pi/4)$) implies $x k_\theta x^{-1} \in C_3$. Let C' be the closure of CC_3^{-1} . Then C' is compact and $x^\sigma k_\theta x^{-1} \in C$ for some $\theta \in (-\pi/4, \pi/4)$ implies $x^\sigma x^{-1} \in C'$. It is easy to see that the mapping $x \mapsto x^\sigma x^{-1}$ establishes a bicontinuous 1 to 1 correspondence between the homogeneous space $G_1/Z_\sigma(1)$ and the closed submanifold $\{z \in G_1; z^\sigma z = 1\}$ of G_1 . Since

$$F_{j,\sigma}^2(\theta) = \sin \theta \int_{G_1/G_{1R}} dx \int_{G_{1R}/K} f(x^\sigma y k_\theta y^{-1} x^{-1}) dy,$$

for a given compactly supported smooth function f on G_1 there exists a compact subset C of G_1/G_{1R} such that

$$F_{j,\sigma}^2(\theta) = \sin \theta \int_C d\dot{x} \int_{G_{1R/K}} f(\dot{x}^\sigma \dot{y} k_\theta \dot{y}^{-1} \dot{x}^{-1}) d\dot{y} \quad (\theta \neq 0, |\theta| < \pi/4).$$

By the Lemma of [1],

$$\lim_{\theta \downarrow 0} \sin \theta \int_{G_{1R/K}} f(\dot{x}^\sigma \dot{y} k_\theta \dot{y}^{-1} \dot{x}^{-1}) d\dot{y} = 2\pi \int_{G_{1R/N}} f\left(\dot{x}^\sigma \dot{y} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} \dot{y}^{-1} \dot{x}^{-1}\right) d\dot{y},$$

$$\lim_{\theta \downarrow 0} \frac{d}{d\theta} \sin \theta \int_{G_{1R/K}} f(\dot{x}^\sigma \dot{y} k_\theta \dot{y}^{-1} \dot{x}^{-1}) d\dot{y} = -2\pi f(\dot{x}^\sigma \dot{x}^{-1}).$$

Moreover, if x remains in a compact subset, both convergences are uniform with respect to \dot{x} . Thus,

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow \pm 0} F_{j,\sigma}^2(\theta) = \pm 2\pi \delta_\sigma^{(3)}(f),$$

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow \pm 0} \frac{d}{d\theta} F_{j,\sigma}^2(\theta) = -2\pi \delta_\sigma^{(1)}(f).$$

We omit the proof of the following proposition which is an analogue of the Weyl integral formula.

PROPOSITION 2. For each compactly supported smooth function f on G_1 ,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{G_1} f(g) dg &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty F_{j,\sigma}^1(t) |t - t^{-1}| \frac{dt}{t} + \\ &+ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} F_{j,\sigma}^2(\theta) 4 \sin \theta d\theta. \end{aligned}$$

2 Let G be a connected complex semi-simple Lie group with the Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} . Let \mathfrak{g}_0 be a real form of \mathfrak{g} and G_0 be the Lie subgroup of G corresponding to \mathfrak{g}_0 . We assume that there exists an anti-holomorphic involutive automorphism σ of G such that G_0 is the subgroup of fixed points of σ . Denote by \mathfrak{B} the universal enveloping algebra of $\mathfrak{g} \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C}$. We identify \mathfrak{B} with the algebra of left invariant differential operators on G in a usual manner. For a smooth function f on G , we write $(bf)(x) = f(x, b)$ ($x \in G, b \in \mathfrak{B}$). Let \mathfrak{h}_0 be a Cartan subalgebra of \mathfrak{g}_0 and let A_0 be the Lie subgroup of G_0 corresponding to \mathfrak{h}_0 . Denote by \mathfrak{A} the universal enveloping algebra of \mathfrak{h}_0 and identify it with the algebra of left invariant operators on A_0 . For $X \in \mathfrak{g}$, L_X (resp. R_X) is a linear mapping in \mathfrak{B} given by left (resp. right) multiplication by X . The proof of the next lemma is quite similar to that of Lemma 15 of [2].

LEMMA 3. For each $a \in A_0$, there exists a unique linear mapping $\Gamma_{a,\sigma}$ from $\mathfrak{B} \times \mathfrak{A}$ into \mathfrak{B} such that $\Gamma_{a,\sigma}(1 \times \nu) = \nu$ and $\Gamma_{a,\sigma}(X_1 \cdots X_r \times \nu) = (L_{Ad(a^{-1})X_1} - R_{X_1}) \cdots (L_{Ad(a^{-1})X_r} - R_{X_r})\nu$ for $X_1, \dots, X_r \in \mathfrak{g}, \nu \in \mathfrak{A}$ ($Ad(a^{-1})$ is the adjoint transformation corresponding to a^{-1}).

For a smooth function f on G , denote by F a smooth function on $G \times A_0$ given by $F(x, a) = f(x^\sigma a x^{-1})$. It is proved that, for $b \in \mathfrak{B}$ and $\nu \in \mathfrak{A}$,

$$F(x, b; a, \nu) = f(x^\sigma a x^{-1}, w^x),$$

where $w = \Gamma_{a, \sigma}(b \times \nu)$ and w^x is the image of w under the adjoint transformation corresponding to x (see p. 114 of [2]). Let \mathfrak{q} be the real subspace of \mathfrak{g} spanned by $\sqrt{-1} \mathfrak{h}_0$ and by root vectors of \mathfrak{g} with respect to the Cartan subalgebra $\mathfrak{h} = \mathfrak{h}_0 + \sqrt{-1} \mathfrak{h}_0$. Denote by λ the canonical mapping from $S(\mathfrak{g} \otimes_{\mathbf{R}} \mathbf{C})$ (the symmetric algebra over $\mathfrak{g} \otimes_{\mathbf{R}} \mathbf{C}$) onto \mathfrak{B} and set $\mathfrak{D} = \lambda(S(\mathfrak{q}))$, where $S(\mathfrak{q})$ is the symmetric algebra over \mathfrak{q} . Put

$$A'_0 = \{a \in A_0; \det(\text{Ad}(a^{-1}) \cdot \sigma - 1)|_{\mathfrak{q}} \neq 0\}.$$

LEMMA 4 (cf. Lemma 15 of [2]). *Notations being as above, for $a \in A'_0$, the mapping $\Gamma_{a, \sigma}$ is a linear bijection from $\mathfrak{D} \times \mathfrak{A}$ onto \mathfrak{B} .*

Set $\mathfrak{D}' = \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \lambda(S_r(\mathfrak{q}))$, where $S_r(\mathfrak{q})$ is the space of homogeneous elements of degree r in $S(\mathfrak{q})$. By lemma 4, for $b \in \mathfrak{B}$ and $a \in A'_0$, there exists a uniquely determined $\delta_{a, \sigma}(b) \in \mathfrak{A}$ such that

$$b - \delta_{a, \sigma}(b) \in \Gamma_{a, \sigma}(\mathfrak{D}' \times \mathfrak{A}).$$

A smooth function f on G is said to be σ -twistedly G -invariant if $f(x^\sigma g x^{-1}) = f(g)$ for any $x, g \in G$. The following lemma is an easy consequence of preceding results.

LEMMA 5. *Notations being as above, let z be in the center of \mathfrak{B} and let f be a smooth σ -twistedly G -invariant function on G . Then, for $a \in A'_0$, $f(a, z) = f(a, \beta_{a, \sigma}(z))$, where $\beta_{a, \sigma}(z)$ is a differential operator on A'_0 whose local expression (the definition of "local expression" is given at p. 112 of [2]) at a coincides with $\delta_{a, \sigma}(z)$.*

An example of Lemma 5. Set $G = SL(2, \mathbf{C})/\pm 1$, $G_0 = SL(2, \mathbf{R})/\pm 1$, $g^\sigma = \bar{g}$ ($g \in G$). Put $H = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & -1 \end{pmatrix}$, $X = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $Y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $H_1 = \sqrt{-1} H$, $X_1 = \sqrt{-1} X$, $Y_1 = \sqrt{-1} Y$. Then $\{H, X, Y, H_1, X_1, Y_1\}$ is an \mathbf{R} -base of the Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} of G and $\Omega_0 = \frac{1}{2}H^2 + XY + YX - (\frac{1}{2}H_1^2 + X_1Y_1 + Y_1X_1)$ is the Casimir operator on G .

1. Set $\mathfrak{h}_0 = \mathbf{R}H$, $A_0 = \{a_t = (\sqrt{t} \quad \sqrt{t^{-1}}); t > 0\}$. Then $A'_0 = A_0 - \{1\}$. For $a_t \in A'_0$, we have, by an elementary calculation,

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_0 = & \Gamma_{a_t, \sigma} \left(1 \times \left\{ \frac{1}{2}H^2 + \left(\frac{t+1}{t-1} + \frac{t-1}{t+1} \right) H \right\} \right) \\ & + \Gamma_{a_t, \sigma} \left(\left\{ -\frac{1}{8}H_1^2 - \frac{t}{(t-1)^2}(XY + YX) - \frac{t}{(t+1)^2}(X_1Y_1 + Y_1X_1) \right\} \times 1 \right). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $\delta_{a,\sigma}(\Omega_0) = \frac{1}{2}H^2 + 2\frac{t+t^{-1}}{t-t^{-1}}H$. Hence, for a σ -twistedly G -invariant smooth function f on G ,

$$(8) \quad f(a_t, \Omega_0) = \left\{ 2(t-t^{-1})^{-1} \left(t \frac{d}{dt} \right)^2 (t-t^{-1}) - 2 \right\} f(a_t).$$

2. Set $\mathfrak{h}_0 = \mathbf{R}(X-Y)$, $A_0 = \left\{ k_\theta = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta/2 & \sin \theta/2 \\ -\sin \theta/2 & \cos \theta/2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$. Then $A'_0 = \{k_\theta;$

$\sin \theta \neq 0\}$. For $k_\theta \in A'_0$, we have, by an elementary calculation

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_0 = & \Gamma_{k_\theta, \sigma} \left(1 \times \left\{ -\frac{1}{2}K^2 - \frac{\sin \theta}{1-\cos \theta}K + \frac{\sin \theta}{1+\cos \theta}K \right\} \right) + \\ & + \Gamma_{k_\theta, \sigma} \left(\left\{ \frac{1}{8}K_1^2 + \frac{1}{4(1-\cos \theta)}(H^2 + W^2) - \frac{1}{4(1+\cos \theta)}(H_1^2 + W_1^2) \right\} \times 1 \right), \end{aligned}$$

where we put $K = X - Y$, $K_1 = \sqrt{-1}K$, $W = X + Y$, $W_1 = \sqrt{-1}W$. Thus,

$$\delta_{k_\theta, \sigma}(\Omega_0) = -\frac{1}{2}K^2 - 2\frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta}K.$$

Hence, for a σ -twistedly G -invariant smooth function f on G ,

$$(9) \quad f(k_\theta, \Omega_0) = \left\{ -2\frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{d^2}{d\theta^2} \sin \theta - 2 \right\} f(k_\theta).$$

Set

$$(10) \quad \Omega = 2\Omega_0 + 4 = H^2 + 2(XY + YX) - H_1^2 - 2(X_1Y_1 + Y_1X_1) + 4.$$

The following proposition follows from (8), (9), and Proposition 2

PROPOSITION 6. For $f \in C_0^\infty(G_1)$ ($G_1 = SL(2, \mathbf{C})/\pm 1$),

$$F_{\Omega, \sigma}^1(t) = 4 \left(t \frac{d}{dt} \right)^2 F_{f, \sigma}^1(t),$$

$$F_{\Omega, \sigma}^2(\theta) = -4 \frac{d^2}{d\theta^2} F_{f, \sigma}^2(\theta) \quad (\text{for notations, see (3) and (4)}).$$

3 Let M be an m -dimensional smooth manifold and let N be an n -dimensional submanifold of M . For each $p \in N$, there exists a relatively compact coordinate neighborhood U of p in M and a system of coordinate functions $\{x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_{m-n}\}$ such that

$U \cap N = \{q \in U; y_1(q) = \dots = y_{m-n}(q) = 0\}$. For each $(m-n)$ -tuple of non-negative integers $I = (i_1, \dots, i_{m-n})$, we put

$$\partial_y^I = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y_1} \right)^{i_1} \cdots \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y_{m-n}} \right)^{i_{m-n}}, \quad y^I = y_1^{i_1} \cdots y_{m-n}^{i_{m-n}},$$

$$|I| = i_1 + \cdots + i_{m-n}, \quad I! = i_1! \cdots i_{m-n}!.$$

Let T be a distribution on M whose support is contained in N . As is well-known, the localization of T to U has the following expression:

$$(11) \quad T(f) = \sum_{|I| \leq r} T_I(\partial_y^I f|_N) \quad (f \in C_0^\infty(U)),$$

where each T_I is a distribution on $U \cap N$. In (11), if there is an I such that $T_I \neq 0$ and $|I|=r$, the non-negative integer r is called the normal rank of T on $U \cap N$. Now assume that a Lie group G operates smoothly on M and that N is a single G -orbit.

LEMMA 7. *Notations and assumptions being as above, assume further that T is invariant under the action of G .*

- (i) *The normal rank of T is constant on N .*
- (ii) *In (11), each T_I is a smooth function on $N \cap U$.*

PROOF. (i) is obvious. We identify $U \cap N$ with its image under the mapping: $q \rightarrow x(q) = (x_1(q), \dots, x_n(q))$. Take a neighborhood $U_0 \subset U$ of p such that $x(U_0) \subset x(U \cap N)$. For each $\varphi \in C_0^\infty(U \cap N)$, denote by φy^I a smooth function on U_0 given by

$$\varphi y^I(p) = \varphi(x(p))y^I(p).$$

Since the support of T is concentrated to N , $T(\varphi y^I)$ is defined in a natural manner. Moreover, $T(\varphi y^I) = I! T_I(\varphi)$. Let $\{X_1, \dots, X_l\}$ be an \mathbf{R} base of the Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} of G . For each $X \in \mathfrak{g}$, we denote by the same symbol a differ-

ential operator on M given by $(Xf)(x) = \frac{d}{dt} f(\exp tX \cdot x)|_{t=0}$. Set

$$X_i = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}(x, y) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} + \sum_{k=1}^{m-n} b_{ik}(x, y) \frac{\partial}{\partial y_k}$$

on U . Since T is G -invariant, $T(X_i(\varphi y^I)) = 0$ ($1 \leq i \leq l$). Thus

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{|J| \leq r-|I|} \frac{(I+J)!}{J!} T_{I+J} \left(\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x_j} (\partial_y^J a_{ij})|_N \right) + \\ & + \sum_{k=1}^{m-n} \sum_{|J| \leq r-|I|+1} i_k \frac{(I_k+J)!}{J!} T_{I_k+J} (\varphi \partial_y^J b_{jk}|_N) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

where, for $I = (i_1, \dots, i_{m-n})$, we put $I_k = (i_1, \dots, i_k - 1, \dots, i_{m-n})$. Since N is a G -orbit, $b_{jk}|_N = 0$ and the rank of the matrix $(a_{jk}(x, 0))$ ($1 \leq j \leq l, 1 \leq k \leq n$), is n for each $x \in U \cap N$. Thus, a system of distributions $\{T_I; |I| \leq r\}$ satisfies an elliptic system of differential equations with smooth coefficients. Hence, each T_I is a smooth function on $U \cap N$.

Let us further assume that there exists a non-zero G -invariant n -form ω on N . Then, in Lemma 7, there exists a smooth function $T_I(x)$ on $U \cap N$ such that $T_I(\varphi) = \int_N \varphi(x) T_I(x) \omega$ for any $\varphi \in C_0^\infty(U \cap N)$.

Denote by $S^r(T_N(M)/T(N))$ the symmetric tensor product of homogeneous

degree r of the normal tangent bundle of N in M .

The next lemma is easily proved.

LEMMA 8. *Notations and assumptions being as above, the mapping: $p \mapsto \sum_{|I|=r} T_I(p)(\partial_y^I)_p$ gives a G -invariant section of $S^r(T_N(M)/T(N))$.*

In the following, for each G -invariant distribution T supported in N , we denote by $s(T)$ the G -invariant section of $S^r(T_N(M)/T(N))$ given by Lemma 8. We note that if T_1 and T_2 are G -invariant distributions supported on N of normal rank r , $s(T_1)=s(T_2)$ implies that the normal rank of T_1-T_2 is less than r .

From now on, we regard the group $G_1=SL(2, \mathbf{C})/\pm 1$ as a transformation space of G_1 under the action

$$(12) \quad x \longrightarrow g \cdot x = g^\sigma x g^{-1} \quad (g, x \in G_1).$$

A distribution T on G_1 is said to be σ -twistedly G_1 -invariant if T is invariant under the transformations (12). Set $N_1=\{g \in G_1, g^\sigma g=1\}$. Then N_1 is a three dimensional closed submanifold of G_1 which is a single G_1 -orbit. It is easy to see that there exists a G_1 -invariant non-zero 3-form on N_1 . For each non-zero integer k , $\Omega^k \delta_\sigma^1$ (see (5), (10)) is a σ -twistedly G_1 -invariant distribution supported on N_1 with the normal rank $2k$. Moreover, any G_1 -invariant section of $S^r(T_{N_1}(G_1)/T(N_1))$ is zero if r is odd and is a multiple of $s(\Omega^{r/2} \delta_\sigma^1)$ if r is even. The following lemma is now easily proved, by the induction with respect to the normal rank.

LEMMA 9. *Any σ -twistedly G_1 -invariant distribution supported on N_1 is a finite linear combinations of $\Omega^k \delta_\sigma^1$ ($k=0, 1, 2, \dots$).*

Set $N_2=\{g \in G_1, g^\sigma g=-1\}$. Then N_2 is also a closed three dimensional submanifold of G_1 which is a single G_1 -orbit. The next lemma is derived in quite a similar manner.

LEMMA 10. *Any σ -twistedly G_1 -invariant distribution supported on N_2 is a finite linear combinations of $\Omega^k \delta_\sigma^2$ ($k=0, 1, 2, \dots$) (see (6), (10)).*

Set $S_\sigma=\{g \in G_1; \text{tr } g^\sigma g = \pm 2\}$. Put $N_3=\{g \in G_1; \text{tr } g^\sigma g = 2, g^\sigma g \neq 1\}$, then $S_\sigma = N_1 \cup N_2 \cup N_3$ is a decomposition of S_σ into G_1 -orbits under the action: $x \mapsto g \cdot x = g^\sigma x g^{-1}$. The orbit N_3 is open in S_σ and is of codimension 1 in G_1 .

LEMMA 11. *Let T be a σ -twistedly G_1 -invariant distribution on G_1 supported in S_σ . Then, on N_3 , T is equal to a suitable finite linear combinations of $\Omega^k \delta_\sigma^3$ ($k=0, 1, 2, \dots$) (see (7), (10)).*

PROOF. Set $x(g) = \text{tr } g^\sigma g - 2$ ($g \in G_1$). Then it is easy to see that $dx \neq 0$ on N_3 . Hence, if the support of T has a nonempty intersection with N_3 , there exists the largest non-negative integer r such that $x(g)^r T \neq 0$ on N_3 . We call r the normal rank of T on N_3 . It is easy to see that, for a suitable constant c , $x^r T = c \delta_\sigma^3$ on N_3 . We note that the normal rank of $\Omega^k \delta_\sigma^3$ on N_1 is k ($k=0, 1, 2, \dots$). In fact, it follows from Proposition 1 and Proposition 6 that

$$\begin{aligned}
 (4x^r \Omega^k \delta_\sigma^3)(f) &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 1} F_{\Omega^k x^r f, \sigma}^1(t) \\
 &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 1} \left(2t \frac{d}{dt}\right)^{2k} (t+t^{-1}-2)^r F_{f, \sigma}^1(t) \\
 &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } r > k \\ 2^{2k}(2k)! 4\delta_\sigma^3(f) & \text{if } r = k. \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the normal rank of $T - \frac{c}{2^{2k}(2k)!} \Omega^r \delta_\sigma^3$ on N_3 is smaller than r . The lemma is now obtained easily, by applying the induction with respect to r .

Lemma 9, Lemma 10 and Lemma 11 imply the following:

LEMMA 12. *Notations being as above, any σ -twistedly G_1 -invariant distribution on G_1 supported on S_σ is a finite linear combinations of $\Omega^k \delta_\sigma^1, \Omega^k \delta_\sigma^2$ and $\Omega^k \delta_\sigma^3$ ($k=0, 1, 2, \dots$).*

COROLLARY. *If T is a σ -twistedly G_1 -invariant distribution on G_1 supported on S_σ and is an eigen distribution of Ω , then $T=0$.*

§ 2.

1. Let T be an irreducible unitary representation of the group G_1^\sim on a Hilbert space \mathfrak{H} (G_1^\sim is the semi-direct product of $G_1=SL(2, \mathbf{C})/\pm 1$ and $\langle \sigma \rangle$ introduced in § 1, 1). Let T_0 be the restriction of T to the group G_1 , which is the connected component of 1 of G_1^\sim . Then T_0 is either irreducible or the direct sum of two mutually inequivalent irreducible unitary representations of G_1 . The representation T is said to be *of the first kind* or *of the second kind* according as T_0 is irreducible or reducible. If T is of the first kind,

$$(12) \quad T_0(g) = JT_0(g^\sigma)J^{-1} \quad (g \in G_1),$$

where $T_0(g) = T(g, 1)$, $J = T(1, \sigma)$. Hence, T_0 is equivalent to its "conjugate representation" given by $g \mapsto T_0(g^\sigma)$. We note that a unitary operator J on \mathfrak{H} which satisfies (12) is either $T(1, \sigma)$ or $-T(1, \sigma)$.

2. We recall a description of irreducible unitary representations of $G_1 = SL(2, \mathbf{C})/\pm 1$. For details, see [3]. For an integer m , denote by \mathfrak{H}^{2m} the space of measurable functions f on $PU(2) \cong SU(2)/\pm 1$ which satisfy the following conditions (i) and (ii).

$$(i) \quad f\left(\begin{pmatrix} e^{+i\theta} & \\ & e^{-i\theta} \end{pmatrix} u\right) = e^{2im\theta} f(u) \quad (\forall \theta \in \mathbf{R}),$$

$$(ii) \quad \int_{PU(2)} |f(u)|^2 du < \infty,$$

where du is the normalized invariant measure on $PU(2)$. The space \mathfrak{H}^{2m} is a Hilbert space with the inner product

$$(f_1, f_2) = \int_{PU(2)} f_1(u) \overline{f_2(u)} du.$$

For each $g \in G_1$, there exists a uniquely determined triple $(z(g), t(g), k(g)) \in \mathbf{C} \times \mathbf{R}_+ \times PU(2)$ such that $g = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & z(g) \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} t(g)^{-1} & \\ & t(g) \end{pmatrix} k(g)$. Denote by $R^{(2m, \rho)}$ ($\rho \in \mathbf{R}$) a representation of G_1 on \mathfrak{H}^{2m} given by the following formula;

$$(R^{(2m, \rho)}(g)f)(u) = t(ug)^{i, \rho-2} f(k(ug)).$$

It is known that $R^{(2m, \rho)}$ is an irreducible unitary representation of G_1 . Two representations $R^{(2m, \rho)}$ and $R^{(2m', \rho')}$ are equivalent if and only if $(2m, \rho) = \pm(2m', \rho')$.

For a positive τ ($0 < \tau < 2$), denote by \mathfrak{H}_τ the space of measurable functions on $PU(2)$ which satisfy the following conditions:

- (i) $f\left(\begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\theta} & \\ & e^{i\theta} \end{pmatrix} u\right) = f(u) \quad (\forall \theta \in \mathbf{R}).$
- (ii) $\int_{PU(2)^2} \Phi_\tau(u_1 u_2^{-1}) f_1(u_1) \overline{f_2(u_2)} du_1 du_2 < \infty,$

where we put $\Phi_\tau(u) = |u_{21}|^{-2+\tau}$, u_{21} being the $(2, 1)$ -entry of u . Then \mathfrak{H}_τ is the Hilbert space with the inner product

$$(f_1, f_2) = \pi \int_{PU(2)^2} \Phi_\tau(u_1 u_2^{-1}) f_1(u_1) \overline{f_2(u_2)} du_1 du_2.$$

Denote by R_τ a representation of G on \mathfrak{H}_τ given by the following:

$$(R_\tau(g)f)(u) = t(ug)^{-2-\tau} f(k(ug)).$$

Then R_τ is an irreducible unitary representation of G . Two representations R_τ and $R_{\tau'}$ ($0 < \tau, \tau' < 2$) are equivalent if and only if $\tau = \tau'$. Representations R_τ and $R^{(2m, \rho)}$ are never equivalent. It is known that any non-trivial irreducible unitary representation of G_1 is equivalent either to $R^{(2m, \rho)}$ ($m \in \mathbf{Z}, \rho \in \mathbf{R}$) or to R_τ ($0 < \tau < 2$). An irreducible unitary representation R of G_1 is said to be self-conjugate if R is equivalent to $R^\sigma : g \mapsto R(g^\sigma)$. It is easy to see that representations $R^{(0, \rho)}$ ($\rho \in \mathbf{R}$), $R^{(2m, 0)}$ ($m \in \mathbf{Z}$) and R_τ ($0 < \tau < 2$) are all self-conjugate and that any non-trivial self-conjugate irreducible representation of G_1 is equivalent to one of them.

Denote by I_σ a unitary operator of order 2 on \mathfrak{H}^0 (or \mathfrak{H}_τ) given by

$$(13) \quad (I_\sigma f)(u) = f(\bar{u}).$$

We extend representation $R^{(0, \rho)}$ (resp. R_τ) of G_1 to a representation $T_\pm^{(0, \rho)}$ (resp. $T_{\tau \pm}$) of G_1^- by setting $T_\pm^{(0, \rho)}((g, \sigma)) = \pm I_\sigma R^{(0, \rho)}(g)$ (resp. $T_{\tau \pm}((g, \sigma)) = \pm I_\sigma R_\tau(g)$).

Let m, n and r be integers which satisfy inequalities: $n \geq |m|, |r|$. Denote by $C_{m, r}^n$ the function on $SU(2)/\pm 1$ given by

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{2n+1} C_{m,r}^n(u) = & \sum_{\max(0, -m-r) \leq k \leq \min(n-r, n-m)} \binom{n-r}{k} \binom{n+r}{n-m-k} a^{k+m+r} \times \\ & \times (-\bar{b})^{n-m-k} b^{n-r-k} \bar{a}^k \end{aligned}$$

for $u = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ -\bar{b} & \bar{a} \end{pmatrix}$. Namely, $\sqrt{2n+1} C_{m,r}^n(u)$ is the coefficient of $X^{n+m}Y^{n-m}$ in $(aX - \bar{b}Y)^{n+r}(bX + \bar{a}Y)^{n-r}$. It is well known that $\{C_{m,r}^n(u); n = |m|, |m|+1, \dots, r = -n, \dots, n\}$ forms a complete orthonormal base of the Hilbert space \mathfrak{S}^{2m} .

LEMMA 13. Set $\Phi_s^{2m}(u) = |u_{21}|^{-2m-2+2s} u_{21}^{2m}$ for $u = \begin{pmatrix} u_{11} & u_{12} \\ u_{21} & u_{22} \end{pmatrix}$. If $\text{Re } s \geq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{PU(2)} \Phi_s^{2m}(vu^{-1}) C_{m,r}^n(u) du \\ & = (-1)^{n+m} \left(\prod_{k=0}^{n+m-1} \frac{s-n+k}{s-m+k} \right) \frac{1}{s+n} C_{-m,r}^n(v). \end{aligned}$$

PROOF. Making use of the change of variable: $u \rightarrow uv$, we see that the above integral is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{PU(2)} u_{12}^{-2m} |u_{12}|^{2m+2s-2} C_{m,r}^n(uv) du \\ & = \int_{PU(2)} u_{12}^{-2m} |u_{12}|^{2m+2s-2} \int_{|t|=1} C_{m,r}^n \left(u \begin{pmatrix} t & \\ & t^{-1} \end{pmatrix} v \right) t^{2m} dt du, \end{aligned}$$

(where dt is the normalized Haar measure on the unit circle)

$$= C_{-m,r}^n(v) \int_{PU(2)} u_{12}^{-2m} |u_{12}|^{2m+2s-2} C_{m,-m}^n(u) du \sqrt{2n+1}.$$

Set $u_{11} = \sqrt{1-t} e^{i\varphi_1}$ and $u_{12} = \sqrt{t} e^{i\varphi_2}$ ($0 \leq t \leq 1$, $0 \leq \varphi_1, \varphi_2 \leq 2\pi$). Then $du = \frac{1}{4\pi^2} dt d\varphi_1 d\varphi_2$ and

$$\sqrt{2n+1} C_{m,-m}^n(u) = t^m e^{2mi\varphi_2} \frac{d^{n+m}}{dt^{n+m}} (1-t)^{n+m} t^{n-m} \times (n+m)!^{-1}.$$

Thus the integral is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} & C_{-m,r}^n(v) \{(n+m)!\}^{-1} \int_0^1 t^{m+s-1} \frac{d^{n+m}}{dt^{n+m}} (1-t)^{n+m} t^{n-m} dt \\ & = C_{-m,r}^n(v) (-1)^{n+m} \left(\prod_{k=0}^{n+m-1} \frac{s-n+k}{s-m+k} \right) \frac{1}{s+n}. \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 13 shows that if $m > 0$, for a smooth function φ in \mathfrak{S}^{2m} the integral $\int_{PU(2)} \Phi_s^{2m}(v^\sigma u^{-1}) \varphi(u) du$, which is absolutely convergent for $\text{Res } s \geq 1$, gives rise to a holomorphic function of s in the domain $\{s; \text{Res} > -|m|\}$. Set

$$(14) \quad I_\sigma^{(2m)}(\varphi)(v) = (-1)^m m \int_{PU(2)} \Phi_s^{2m}(v^\sigma u^{-1}) \varphi(u) du \Big|_{s=0}.$$

Since $C_{m,r}^n(u^\sigma) = (-1)^{m+r} C_{-m-r}^n(u)$, Lemma 13 shows that $I_\sigma^{(2m)}$ is a unitary operator of order 2 of \mathfrak{H}^{2m} . Furthermore, it is easy to see that $I_\sigma^{(2m)} R^{(2m,0)}(g) = R^{(2m,0)}(g^\sigma) I_\sigma^{(2m)}$ ($\forall g \in G_1$). We extend a representation $R^{(2m,0)}$ ($m > 0$) of G_1 to a representation $T_{\pm}^{(2m,0)}$ of G_1^\sim by setting

$$T_{\pm}^{(2m,0)}(g, \sigma) = \pm I_\sigma^{(2m)} R^{(2m,0)}(g).$$

So far, we have proved the following proposition.

PROPOSITION 14. *Notations being as above, any non-trivial irreducible unitary representation of G_1^\sim of the first kind is equivalent to $T_{\pm}^{(0,\rho)}$ ($\rho \geq 0$) or $T_{\tau\pm}$ ($0 < \tau < 2$) or to $T_{\pm}^{(2m,0)}$ ($m = 1, 2, \dots$).*

3. If T is an irreducible unitary representation of G_1^\sim of the first kind, for any $f \in C_0^\infty(G_1)$, the linear operator $\int_{G_1} f(g) T(g, \sigma) dg$ is known to be of trace class. In the following we calculate the trace of this operator for each representation T . We use notations introduced in 2 without further comment.

PROPOSITION 15. (i) *Notations being as above, for $f \in C_0^\infty(G_1)$, the trace of the linear operator*

$$(15) \quad \int_G f(g) I_\sigma R^{(0,\rho)}(g) dg$$

on $\mathfrak{H}^{(0)}$ is given by $\int_{G_1} f(g) S^{(0,\rho)}(g) dg$, where $S^{(0,\rho)}$ is a function on G_1 given as follows:

$$S^{(0,\rho)}(g) = \begin{cases} \frac{t^{i\rho/2} + t^{-i\rho/2}}{|t - t^{-1}|}, & \text{if } g \text{ is } \sigma\text{-twistedly conjugate to } a_t \text{ } (t > 0), \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

(ii) *The trace of the linear operator $\int_{G_1} f(g) I_\sigma R_\tau(g) dg$ on \mathfrak{H}_τ is given by $\int_{G_1} f(g) S_\tau(g) dg$, where $S_\tau(g)$ is given by*

$$S_\tau(g) = \begin{cases} \frac{t^{\tau/2} + t^{-\tau/2}}{|t - t^{-1}|}, & \text{if } g \text{ is } \sigma\text{-twistedly conjugate to } a_t \text{ } (t > 0). \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

PROOF. (i) For $\varphi \in \mathfrak{H}^0$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\int_{G_1} f(g) I_\sigma R^{(0,\rho)}(g) dg \varphi \right) (u) \\ &= \int_{G_1} f(g) t (u^\sigma g)^{i\rho-2} \varphi(k(u^\sigma g)) dg \\ &= \int_{\mathbf{R}_+ \times \mathbf{C} \times PU(2)} f((u^\sigma)^{-1} a_t n(z) v) t^{1-i\rho/2} \varphi(v) \frac{dt}{t} dz dv \end{aligned}$$

$$= \int_{PU(2)} K(u, v) \varphi(v) dv,$$

where $K(u, v)$ is a smooth function on $PU(2) \times PU(2)$ given by

$$K(u, v) = \int_{\mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{C}} f((u^\sigma)^{-1} a_t n(z) v) t^{-i\rho/2+1} \frac{dt}{t} dz.$$

Hence, the trace of the operator (15) is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{PU(2)} K(u, u) du &= \int_{\mathbb{R}_+} t^{-i\rho/2} F_{f, \sigma}^1(a_t) \frac{dt}{t} \quad (\text{see (3)}) \\ &= \int_G f(g) S^{(0, \rho)}(g) dg \quad (\text{see Proposition 2}). \end{aligned}$$

The second part of the proposition is proved in a similar manner.

For $z \in \mathbb{C}$, put $\chi(z) = \exp 2\pi \sqrt{-1} \operatorname{Re} z$. For $f \in C_0^\infty(G_1)$ and $(x, y) \in \mathbb{C}^2$, set

$$I_f(x, y) = \int_{G_1 \times T} f(g) \chi(t \{(a\bar{x} + c\bar{y})y - (b\bar{x} + d\bar{y})x\}) t^{-2m} dg dt$$

($g = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$, $m=1, 2, \dots$), where T is the unit circle and dt is the normalized Haar measure on T .

PROPOSITION 16. *Notations being as above, the integral*

$$\int_{\mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C}} I_f(x, y) dx dy$$

is absolutely convergent and is equal to the trace of the linear operator $\frac{1}{2} \int_{G_1} I_\sigma^{(2m)} R^{(2m, 0)}(g) f(g) dg$ on \mathfrak{H}^{2m} .

PROOF. Set $c(s, m) = (-1)^m \frac{\pi^{-2s}}{2} \frac{\Gamma(s+m)}{\Gamma(1+m-s)}$. Then

$$\int_T \chi(tz) t^{-2m} dt = \frac{z^{2m} |z|^{-2m}}{\pi i} \int_{\operatorname{Re} s = \sigma_0} c(s, m) |z|^{-2s} ds,$$

($-m < \sigma_0 < 0$), the integral is absolutely convergent. Put $(x, y) = r(0, 1)u$ ($r \geq 0$, $u \in SU(2)$). We denote by u' the image of u in $SU(2)/\pm 1$. We have

$$I_f(x, y) = \frac{1}{\pi i} \int_{\operatorname{Re} s = \sigma_0} c(s, m) \left\{ \int_{PU(2)} F_f(v, u', s) r^{-4s} \times \Phi_{1-s}^{2m}(u'^\sigma v^{-1}) dv \right\} ds,$$

where we put

$$F_f(v, u', s) = \int_{\mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{C}} f(v^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & z \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} a_t u') t^{-s} \frac{dt}{t} dz$$

and

$$\Phi_s^{2m}(u) = u_{21}^{2m} |u_{21}|^{-2m-2+2s}.$$

Set

$$\Phi_f^{(2m)}(u', s) = \int_{PU(2)} F_f(v, u', s) \Phi_{1-s}^{2m}(u'^\sigma v^{-1}) dv.$$

It follows from Lemma 13 that

$$\Phi_f^{(2m)}(u', s) = \sum_{\substack{n \geq m \\ n \geq |k|}} \int_{PU(2)} F_f(v, u', s) \overline{C_{m,k}^n(v)} dv C_{-m,k}^n(u'^\sigma) a_{m,n}(1-s),$$

where $a_{m,n}(s) = (-1)^{n+m} \left(\prod_{k=0}^{n+m-1} \frac{s-n+k}{s-m+k} \right) \frac{1}{s+n}$.

It is now easy to see that for any polynomial $P(s)$ in s , $|\Phi_f^{(2m)}(u', s)P(s)|$ is bounded, uniformly with respect to u' , when s remains in the strip $\{s \in \mathbb{C}; -1 < \text{Re } s < \frac{3}{2}\}$. We have, for $(x, y) = r(0, 1)u$,

$$I_f(x, y) = \frac{1}{\pi i} \int_{\text{Re } s = \sigma_0} c(s, m) \Phi_f^{(2m)}(u', s) r^{-4s} ds.$$

Thus, the function $I_f(x, y)$ is integrable on $C \times C$ and

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{C \times C} I_f(x, y) dx dy \\ &= \frac{2\pi^2}{\pi i} \int_0^\infty r^{3-4s} dr \left[\int_{\text{Re } s = \sigma_0} c(s, m) \left\{ \int_{PU(2)} \Phi_f^{(2m)}(u', s) du' \right\} ds \right] \\ &= \frac{2\pi^2}{\pi i} \frac{2\pi i}{4} c(1, m) \int_{PU(2)} \Phi_f^{(2m)}(u', 1) du' \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \text{trace} \int_{G_1} I_\sigma^{(2m)} R^{(2m,0)}(g) f(g) dg. \end{aligned}$$

PROPOSITION 17. Assume that the support of $f \in C_0^\infty(G_1)$ is contained in the following set:

$$(16) \quad G'_\sigma = \{g \in G_1; \text{tr } g^\sigma g \neq \pm 2\}.$$

Then

$$\int_{C \times C} I_f(x, y) dx dy = \frac{1}{2} \int_{G_1} f(g) S^{(2m,0)}(g) dg,$$

where

$$S^{(2m,0)}(g) = \begin{cases} -\frac{e^{mi\theta} - e^{-mi\theta}}{e^{i\theta} - e^{-i\theta}} & \text{if } g \text{ is } \sigma\text{-twistedly conjugate to } k_\theta, \\ \frac{2t^{-m}}{t-t^{-1}} & \text{if } g \text{ is } \sigma\text{-twistedly conjugate to } a_t \ (t > 1). \end{cases}$$

PROOF. It follows from Proposition 16 that

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{C \times C} I_f(x, y) dx dy \\ &= \lim_{\epsilon \downarrow 0} \int_{C \times C} \exp\{-\pi\epsilon(|x|^2 + |y|^2)\} I_f(x, y) dx dy. \end{aligned}$$

We note that for $g = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in G_1$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \varepsilon(|x|^2 + |y|^2) - 2i \operatorname{Ret} \{ (a\bar{x} + c\bar{y})y - (b\bar{x} + d\bar{y})x \} \\ & = (\varepsilon + ibt + i\bar{b}t^{-1})|x|^2 - i(at - \bar{d}t^{-1})\bar{x}y - i(\bar{a}t^{-1} - dt)x\bar{y} + \\ & \quad + (\varepsilon - ict - i\bar{c}t^{-1})|y|^2. \end{aligned}$$

Changing the orders of integrations, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{C \times C} I_f(x, y) dx dy \\ & = \lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} \int_{G_1} \int_T \frac{f(g)t^{-2m}}{\{\varepsilon^2 + i\varepsilon(bt + \bar{b}t^{-1} - ct - \bar{c}t^{-1}) + \operatorname{tr} g^\sigma g - t^2 - t^{-2}\}} dg dt. \end{aligned}$$

We note that the set of roots of the following equation in t is invariant under the transformation: $t \rightarrow -(\bar{t})^{-1}$.

$$(17) \quad t^4 - i\varepsilon(\bar{b} - \bar{c})t^3 - (\varepsilon^2 + \operatorname{tr} g^\sigma g)t^2 - i\varepsilon(b - c)t + 1 = 0.$$

For $\varepsilon > 0$, the above equation has no root on the unit circle. Denote by $\{\lambda_\varepsilon(g), \mu_\varepsilon(g), -\bar{\lambda}_\varepsilon^{-1}(g), -\bar{\mu}_\varepsilon^{-1}(g)\}$ ($|\lambda_\varepsilon(g)| < 1$, $|\mu_\varepsilon(g)| < 1$) the set of roots of the above equation (17). By the assumption, if g is in the support of f , the matrix $g^\sigma g$ has two different eigenvalues $\{e^{i\theta}, e^{-i\theta}\}$ ($\sin \theta \neq 0$) or $\{\lambda, \lambda^{-1}\}$ ($\lambda > 1$). In the former case, we may assume

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} (\lambda_\varepsilon(g), \mu_\varepsilon(g)) = (e^{i\theta/2}, e^{-i\theta/2})$$

or

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} (\lambda_\varepsilon(g), \mu_\varepsilon(g)) = (e^{i\theta/2}, -e^{-i\theta/2}).$$

In the latter case, we may assume that $\lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} (\lambda_\varepsilon(g), \mu_\varepsilon(g)) = (\sqrt{\lambda}^{-1}, -\sqrt{\lambda}^{-1})$. Since the support of f is a compact subset of (16), there exists a positive number η such that $\lambda_\varepsilon(g) \neq \mu_\varepsilon(g)$ if $0 < \varepsilon \leq \eta$ and $f(g) \neq 0$. Thus, for $0 < \varepsilon \leq \eta$, if $f(g) \neq 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_T \frac{t^{-2m} dt}{\{\varepsilon^2 + i\varepsilon(bt + \bar{b}t^{-1} - ct - \bar{c}t^{-1}) + \operatorname{tr} g^\sigma g - (t^2 + t^{-2})\}} \\ & = -\frac{2\pi}{2\pi} \left\{ \frac{\lambda_\varepsilon(g)^{2m+1}}{(\lambda_\varepsilon(g) + \bar{\lambda}_\varepsilon^{-1}(g))(\lambda_\varepsilon(g) - \mu_\varepsilon(g))(\lambda_\varepsilon(g) + \bar{\mu}_\varepsilon^{-1}(g))} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{\mu_\varepsilon(g)^{2m+1}}{(\mu_\varepsilon(g) - \lambda_\varepsilon(g))(\mu_\varepsilon(g) + \bar{\lambda}_\varepsilon^{-1}(g))(\mu_\varepsilon(g) + \bar{\mu}_\varepsilon^{-1}(g))} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$I_f(x, y) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{G_1} f(g) S^{(2m, 0)}(g) dg$$

under our assumption that the support of f is contained in the set (16).

PROPOSITION 18. For $m=1, 2, \dots$, the trace of linear operator

$$\int_{G_1} f(g) I_\sigma^{2m} R^{(2m,0)}(g) dg$$

on \mathfrak{S}^{2m} ($f \in C_0^\infty(G)$) is given by $\int_{G_1} f(g) S^{(2m,0)}(g) dg$.

PROOF. Set

$$T_1(f) = \text{trace} \int_{G_1} f(g) I_\sigma^{2m} R^{(2m,0)}(g) dg,$$

$$T_2(f) = \int_{G_1} f(g) S^{(2m,0)}(g) dg.$$

Then, both T_1 and T_2 are σ -twistedly invariant distributions on G_1 (see 3, § 1).

Moreover, by Proposition 16 and Proposition 17, the support of $T_1 - T_2$ is contained in the set $S_\sigma = \{g \in G; \text{tr } g^\sigma g = \pm 2\}$. Let Ω be the Casimir operator on G_1 given by (10). It is well-known that $\Omega T_1 = 4m^2 T_1$. We will show that $\Omega T_2 = 4m^2 T_2$. By Proposition 2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} T_2(\Omega f) &= \int_1^\infty \frac{(t-t^{-1})}{t} \frac{2t^{-m}}{t-t^{-1}} F_{\mathfrak{Q}f,\sigma}^1(t) dt \\ &\quad + \frac{4}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \sin \theta \left(-\frac{\sin m\theta}{\sin \theta} \right) F_{\mathfrak{Q}f,\sigma}^2(\theta) d\theta. \end{aligned}$$

By Proposition 6,

$$F_{\mathfrak{Q}f,\sigma}^1(a_t) = 4 \left(t \frac{d}{dt} \right)^2 F_{f,\sigma}^1(t)$$

and

$$F_{\mathfrak{Q}f,\sigma}^2(k_\theta) = -4 \frac{d^2}{d\theta^2} F_{f,\sigma}^2(\theta).$$

Hence, in view of Proposition 1 (i),

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \int_1^\infty t^{-m} F_{\mathfrak{Q}f,\sigma}^1(t) \frac{dt}{t} &= 8m \int_1^\infty t^{-m} \left(t \frac{d}{dt} \right) F_{f,\sigma}^1(t) \frac{dt}{t} \\ &= 8(m^2) \int_1^\infty t^{-m} F_{f,\sigma}^1(t) - 8m \cdot 4\delta_\sigma^3(f). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, by (ii) of Proposition 1,

$$\begin{aligned} -\frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \sin m\theta F_{\mathfrak{Q}f,\sigma}^2(\theta) d\theta &= -\frac{8m}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \cos m\theta \frac{d}{d\theta} F_{f,\sigma}^2(\theta) d\theta \\ &= -\frac{8m}{\pi} (-2\pi - 2\pi) \delta_\sigma^3(f) - \frac{8m^2}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \sin m\theta F_{f,\sigma}^2(\theta) d\theta. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, again by Proposition 2,

$$\begin{aligned} T_2(\Omega f) &= 8m^2 \int_1^\infty t^{-m} F_{f,\sigma}^1(t) \frac{dt}{t} - \frac{8m^2}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \sin m\theta F_{f,\sigma}^2(\theta) d\theta \\ &= 4m^2 T_2(f). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $T_1 - T_2$ is a σ -twistedly G -invariant distribution on G_1 with support concentrated to the set S_σ and satisfies the differential equation $\Omega(T_1 - T_2) = 4m^2(T_1 - T_2)$. Thus, by Corollary to Lemma 12, $T_1 = T_2$.

4. For an $f \in C_0^\infty(G_1)$, set

$$S_n(f) = \text{trace} \int_{G_1} f(g) I_\sigma^{(2n)} R^{(2n,0)}(g) dg \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots)$$

and

$$T_\lambda(f) = \text{trace} \int_{G_1} f(g) I_\sigma R^{(2\lambda,0)}(g) dg.$$

The following formula is quite analogous to the Plancherel formula for $SL(2, \mathbf{R})$.

PROPOSITION 19. *Notations being as above, we have*

$$4\pi \delta_\sigma^1(f) = \sum_{n=1}^\infty n S_n(f) + \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \lambda \frac{ch \pi \lambda}{sh \pi \lambda} T_\lambda(f) d\lambda \quad (\text{cf. (5)}).$$

PROOF. It follows from Proposition 18, Proposition 17 and Proposition 2 that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^N n S_n(f) &= -\frac{4}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \sum_{n=1}^N n \sin n\theta F_{f,\sigma}^2(\theta) d\theta + 2 \int_1^\infty \sum_{n=1}^N n t^{-n} F_{f,\sigma}^1(t) \frac{dt}{t} \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} F_{f,\sigma}^2(\theta) \left\{ \frac{d}{d\theta} \frac{\sin(N + \frac{1}{2})\theta}{\sin \frac{\theta}{2}} \right\} d\theta \\ &\quad - \int_1^\infty F_{f,\sigma}^1(t) \frac{d}{dt} \frac{1+t^{-1}-2t^{-N-1}}{1-t^{-1}} dt. \end{aligned}$$

Proposition 1 suggests that

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_0^{2\pi} F_{f,\sigma}^2(\theta) \left\{ \frac{d}{d\theta} \frac{\sin(N + \frac{1}{2})\theta}{\sin \frac{\theta}{2}} \right\} d\theta \\ &= -4\pi(2N+1) \delta_\sigma^3(f) - \int_0^{2\pi} \left(\frac{d}{d\theta} F_{f,\sigma}^2(\theta) \right) \frac{\sin(N + \frac{1}{2})\theta}{\sin \frac{\theta}{2}} d\theta \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\int_1^\infty F_{f,\sigma}^1(t) \frac{d}{dt} \frac{1+t^{-1}-2t^{-N-1}}{1-t^{-1}} dt$$

$$= -(2N+1)4\delta_\sigma^3(f) - \int_1^\infty \left(\frac{d}{dt} F_{f,\sigma}^1(t) \right) \frac{1+t^{-1}-2t^{-N-1}}{1-t^{-1}} dt.$$

Thus, we have

$$\sum_{n=1}^N nS_n(f) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\sin(N+\frac{1}{2})\theta}{\sin\frac{\theta}{2}} \frac{d}{d\theta} F_{f,\sigma}^2(\theta) d\theta$$

$$+ \int_1^\infty \frac{1+t^{-1}-2t^{-N-1}}{1-t^{-1}} \frac{d}{dt} F_{f,\sigma}^1(t) dt.$$

It follows from Proposition 1 that

$$\sum_{n=1}^\infty nS_n(f) = 4\pi\delta_\sigma^1(f) + \int_1^\infty \frac{1+t^{-1}}{1-t^{-1}} \frac{d}{dt} F_{f,\sigma}^1(t) dt.$$

In view of Proposition 15, we have

$$T_\lambda(f) = \int_0^\infty F_{f,\sigma}^1(t) t^{i\lambda} \frac{dt}{t}.$$

Hence,

$$\int_1^\infty \frac{1+t^{-1}}{1-t^{-1}} \frac{d}{dt} F_{f,\sigma}^1(t) dt = -\frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \lambda \frac{ch\pi\lambda}{sh\pi\lambda} T_\lambda(f) d\lambda.$$

Thus we get the Proposition.

5. Set $G=GL(2, \mathbf{C})$ and let \tilde{G} be the semi-direct product of G with $\langle\sigma\rangle$ (for details, see the introduction). We are going to construct (up to equivalence) all the irreducible unitary representations of the first kind of \tilde{G} . In the following we use notations in § 2, 2. without further comment. Let $L^2(\mathbf{C})$ be the Hilbert space of square-integrable functions on \mathbf{C} . We denote by $X(\mathbf{R}^\times)$ the character group of \mathbf{R}^\times . For $(\mu_1, \mu_2) \in X(\mathbf{R}^\times) \times X(\mathbf{R}^\times)$, let $\Pi_{\pm}^{(\mu_1, \mu_2)}$ be the representation of \tilde{G} on $L^2(\mathbf{C})$ given by the following formula:

$$\Pi_{\pm}^{(\mu_1, \mu_2)}(g, 1)f(z)$$

$$= f\left(\frac{az+c}{bz+d}\right) \mu_1\left(\left|\frac{ad-bc}{bz+d}\right|^2\right) \mu_2(|bz+d|^2) \frac{|ad-bc|}{|bz+d|^2} \quad \left(g = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in G\right),$$

$$\Pi_{\pm}^{(\mu_1, \mu_2)}(g, \sigma) = \pm J_\sigma \Pi_{\pm}^{(\mu_1, \mu_2)}(g, 1),$$

where J_σ is a unitary operator on $L^2(\mathbf{C})$ given by $(J_\sigma f)(z) = f(z^\sigma)$. Denote by $T_{\pm}^{(\mu_1, \mu_2)}$ the representation of \tilde{G} given by

$$T_{\pm}^{(\mu_1, \mu_2)}(g, \lambda) = (\mu_1 \mu_2)^{-1}(|\det g|) \Pi_{\pm}^{(\mu_1, \mu_2)}(g, \lambda) \quad (g \in G, \lambda \in \langle\sigma\rangle).$$

The representation $T_{\pm}^{(\mu_1, \mu_2)}$ is naturally regarded as a representation of \tilde{G}_1 . Take a real number ρ such that $\mu_1^{-1} \mu_2(t) = (t)^{i\rho}$ ($t > 0$). Denote by $M_{i\rho}$ a linear

mapping from \mathfrak{H}^0 into $L^2(C)$ given by the following formula :

$$M_{i\rho}(F)(z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}}(1+|z|^2)^{i\rho-1}F(u(z)) \quad (F \in \mathfrak{H}^0),$$

where $u(z) = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\alpha} & -\bar{\beta} \\ \beta & \alpha \end{pmatrix}$ $\left(\alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+|z|^2}}, \beta = \frac{z}{\sqrt{1+|z|^2}}\right)$.

It is easy to see that $M_{i\rho}$ is an isometric linear mapping from \mathfrak{H}^0 onto $L^2(C)$ such that $M_{i\rho}(I_\sigma) = J_\sigma M_{i\rho}$ and

$$M_{i\rho}T_{\pm}^{(0,2\rho)}(g) = T_{\pm}^{(\mu_1, \mu_2)}(g)M_{i\rho} \quad (\forall g \in \tilde{G}_1).$$

For a positive integer m , denote by $M^{(m)}$ the linear mapping from \mathfrak{H}^{2m} into $L^2(C)$ given by the following formula :

$$M^{(m)}F(z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}}(1+|z|^2)^{-1}F(u(z)) \quad (F \in \mathfrak{H}^{2m}).$$

Let $J_\sigma^{(2m)}$ be the linear operator on $L^2(C)$ given by the following :

$$J_\sigma^{(2m)}f(z) = \frac{(-1)^m m}{\pi} \lim_{s \rightarrow +0} \int_C |z^\sigma - w|^{-2m-2+s} (z^\sigma - w)^{2m} f(w) dw.$$

It is easy to see that $M^{(m)}$ is an isometric linear mapping from \mathfrak{H}^{2m} onto $L^2(C)$ and that $J_\sigma^{(2m)}M^{(m)} = M^{(2m)}I_\sigma^{(2m)}$ (cf. (14)).

Hence, $J_\sigma^{(2m)}$ is a unitary operator of order 2 on $L^2(C)$. For a $\mu \in X(\mathbf{R}^\times)$ and a positive integer m , let $\Pi_{m\pm}^\mu$ be the representation of \tilde{G} on $L^2(C)$ given by the following formula :

$$\begin{aligned} & \Pi_{m\pm}^\mu(g, 1)f(z) \\ &= \mu(|ad-bc|^2) \frac{(ad-bc)^m}{|ad-bc|^{m-1}} \frac{|bz+d|^{2m-2}}{(bz+d)^{2m}} f\left(\frac{az+c}{bz+d}\right) \quad \left(g = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in G\right), \end{aligned}$$

$$\Pi_{m\pm}^\mu(g, \sigma) = \pm J_\sigma^{(2m)} \Pi_{m\pm}^\mu(g, 1).$$

Denote by $T_{m\pm}^\mu$ the representation of \tilde{G} given by

$$T_{m\pm}^\mu(g, \lambda) = \mu^{-1}(|\det g|^2) \Pi_{m\pm}^\mu(g, \lambda) \quad (g \in G, \lambda \in \langle \sigma \rangle).$$

The representation $T_{m\pm}^\mu$ is naturally regarded as a representation of the group \tilde{G}_1 . Moreover, it is easy to see that

$$T_{m\pm}^\mu(g)M^{(m)} = M^{(m)}T_{\pm}^{(2m,0)}(g) \quad (\forall g \in \tilde{G}_1).$$

For each $\tau(0 < \tau < 1)$, denote by H_τ the space of measurable functions on C such that

$$\int_{C^2} |z_1 - z_2|^{2(\tau-1)} f(z_1) \overline{f(z_2)} dz_1 dz_2 < \infty.$$

Then the space H_τ is a Hilbert space with the inner product

$$(f_1, f_2) = \int_{\mathbb{C}^2} |z_1 - z_2|^{2(\tau-1)} f_1(z_1) \overline{f_2(z_2)} dz_1 dz_2.$$

For a $\mu \in X(\mathbb{R}^\times)$ and a τ ($0 < \tau < 1$), denote by $\Pi_{\tau\pm}^\mu$ the representation of \tilde{G} on H_τ given by the following formula :

$$\begin{aligned} & \Pi_{\tau\pm}^\mu(g, 1)f(z) \\ &= \mu(|ad-bc|^2) \left| \frac{ad-bc}{(bz+d)^2} \right|^{\tau+1} f\left(\frac{az+c}{bz+d}\right) \quad \left(g = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in G\right), \end{aligned}$$

$$\Pi_{\tau\pm}^\mu(g, \sigma) = \pm J_\sigma \Pi_{\tau\pm}^\mu(g, 1).$$

Set

$$\Pi_{\tau\pm}^\mu(g, \lambda) = \mu(|\det g|^2) T_{\tau\pm}^\mu(g, \lambda) \quad (g \in G, \lambda \in \langle \sigma \rangle).$$

Then $T_{\tau\pm}^\mu$ is naturally regarded as a representation of \tilde{G}_1 . Let L_τ be a linear mapping from $\mathfrak{H}_{2\tau}$ into H_τ given by

$$L_\tau F(z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} (1 + |z|^2)^{-1-\tau} F(u(z)) \quad (F \in \mathfrak{H}_{2\tau}).$$

Then it is easy to see that L_τ is an isometric linear mapping from $\mathfrak{H}_{2\tau}$ onto H_τ which satisfies

$$L_\tau T_{2\tau\pm}(g) = T_{\tau\pm}^\mu(g) L_\tau \quad (\forall g \in \tilde{G}_1).$$

The next proposition is now an easy consequence of Prop. 14, Prop. 15, Prop. 18 and the classification theory of irreducible unitary representations of $GL(2, \mathbb{C})$.

PROPOSITION 20. *Let notations be as above,*

(i) *Any infinite dimensional irreducible unitary representation T of \tilde{G} of the first kind is equivalent to a suitable $\Pi_{\pm}^{\mu_1, \mu_2}$ ($(\mu_1, \mu_2) \in X(\mathbb{R}^\times)^2$) or to $\Pi_{m\pm}^\mu$ ($\mu \in X(\mathbb{R}^\times)$, $m=1, 2, \dots$) or to $\Pi_{\tau\pm}^\mu$ ($\mu \in X(\mathbb{R}^\times)$, $0 < \tau < 1$).*

(ii) *For each $F \in C_0^\infty(G)$, the trace of the operator $\int_G F(g) T(g, \sigma) dg$ is equal to $\int_G F(g) \text{trace} T(g, \sigma) dg$, where $\text{trace} T(\cdot, \sigma)$ is a locally integrable function on G given by the following formulas:*

a) *If $T = \Pi_{\pm}^{\mu_1, \mu_2}$,*

$$\text{trace} T(g, \sigma) = \begin{cases} \pm |\det g| \frac{\mu_1(\lambda_1)\mu_2(\lambda_2) + \mu_1(\lambda_2)\mu_2(\lambda_1)}{|\lambda_1 - \lambda_2|}, & \text{if } gg^\sigma \text{ has} \\ & \text{distinct positive eigenvalues } \lambda_1 \text{ and } \lambda_2 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

b) *If $T = \Pi_{\tau\pm}^\mu$*

$$\text{trace } T(g, \sigma) = \begin{cases} \pm \mu(|\det g|^2) |\det g|^{1-\tau} \frac{\lambda_1^\tau + \lambda_2^\tau}{|\lambda_1 - \lambda_2|}, & \text{if } gg^\sigma \text{ has two} \\ & \text{distinct positive eigenvalues } \lambda_1 \text{ and } \lambda_2, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

c) If $T = \Pi_{m, \pm}^\mu$,

$$\text{trace } T(g, \sigma) = \begin{cases} \pm \mu(|\det g|^2) |\det g|^{1-m} \frac{2\lambda_1^m}{|\lambda_2 - \lambda_1|}, & \text{if } gg^\sigma \text{ has two} \\ & \text{distinct positive eigenvalues } \lambda_1 \text{ and } \lambda_2 \ (\lambda_1 < \lambda_2) \\ \pm \mu(|\det g|^2) \left(-\frac{\sin m\theta}{\sin \theta}\right), & \text{if } gg^\sigma \text{ has complex} \\ & \text{eigenvalues } re^{i\theta}, re^{-i\theta}. \end{cases}$$

6. Let us recall a description of irreducible unitary representations of $G_{\mathbf{R}} = GL(2, \mathbf{R})$. For $(\mu_1, \mu_2) \in X(\mathbf{R}^*)^2$, $r^{(\mu_1, \mu_2)}$ is a representation of $G_{\mathbf{R}}$ on $L^2(\mathbf{R})$ (=the Hilbert space of square integrable functions on \mathbf{R}) given by

$$\begin{aligned} r^{(\mu_1, \mu_2)}(g)f(x) &= \mu_1\left(\frac{ad-bc}{bx+d}\right) \mu_2(bx+d) \frac{|ad-bc|^{1/2}}{|bx+d|} f\left(\frac{ax+c}{bx+d}\right) \quad \left(g = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in G_{\mathbf{R}}\right). \end{aligned}$$

For a τ ($0 < \tau < 1$), let h_τ be the space of measurable functions on \mathbf{R} such that

$$\int_{\mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}} |x_1 - x_2|^{\tau-1} f(x_1) \overline{f(x_2)} dx_1 dx_2 < \infty.$$

Then h_τ is a Hilbert space with the inner product

$$(f_1, f_2) = \int_{\mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}} |x_1 - x_2|^{\tau-1} f_1(x_1) \overline{f_2(x_2)} dx_1 dx_2.$$

For a $\mu \in X(\mathbf{R}^*)$ and a τ ($0 < \tau < 1$), the representation r_τ^μ of $G_{\mathbf{R}}$ on h_τ is given by

$$r_\tau^\mu(g)f(x) = \mu(ad-bc) \left| \frac{ad-bc}{(bx+d)^2} \right|^{(\tau+1)/2} f\left(\frac{ax+c}{bx+d}\right) \quad \left(g = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in G_{\mathbf{R}}\right).$$

For a positive integer m , denote by \mathcal{A}_m the space of holomorphic functions on $\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{R}$ such that

$$\int_{\mathbf{C}} |f(z)|^2 |\text{Im } z|^{m-1} dz < \infty.$$

For $\mu \in X(\mathbf{R}^*)$ and a positive integer m , the representation $r^{\mu, m}$ of $G_{\mathbf{R}}$ on \mathcal{A}_m is given by

$$r^{\mu, m}(g)f(z) = \mu(ad-bc) |ad-bc|^{(m+1)/2} f\left(\frac{az+c}{bz+d}\right) (bz+d)^{-m-1}.$$

The next theorem is now an immediate consequence of Prop. 20 and the

well-known character formulas for irreducible unitary representations of $GL(2, \mathbf{R})$.

We employ notations in the introduction, § 2, 4. and in § 2, 5.

THEOREM. *For each irreducible unitary representation T of \tilde{G} of the first kind, there exists an irreducible unitary representation r of $G_{\mathbf{R}}$ such that*

$$\text{trace } T(g, \sigma) = \varepsilon \text{ trace } r(gg^\sigma) \quad (\forall g \in GL(2, \mathbf{C})),$$

where $\varepsilon = \pm 1$ does not depend upon g .

More precisely, for $T = \Pi_{\pm}^{(\mu_1, \mu_2)}$, one may put $\varepsilon = \pm 1$, $r = r^{(\mu_1, \mu_2)}$, for $T = \Pi_{m\pm}^{\mu}$, one may put $\varepsilon = \pm 1$, $r = r^{\mu, m}$ and for $T = \Pi_{\mp}^{(\mu)}$ one may put $\varepsilon = \pm 1$, $r = r_{\mp}^{\mu}$.

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