

The p -adic Finite Fourier Transform and Theta Functions

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A polarization on an abelian variety A induces an isogeny between A and its dual variety \hat{A} . The kernel of this isogeny is a direct sum of two isomorphic subgroups. If A is an analytic torus over a non-archimedean valued field then it is possible to associate with each of these subgroups a basis for a corresponding space of theta functions, cf. [5], [6].

The relation between these bases is given by a finite Fourier transform. Similar results hold for complex abelian varieties, cf. [3].

The field k is algebraically closed and complete with respect to a non-archimedean absolute value. The residue field with respect to this absolute value is \bar{k} .

1 The finite Fourier transform

In this section we consider only finite abelian groups whose order is not divisible by $\text{char}(\bar{k})$.

For such a group A we denote by \hat{A} the group of k -characters of A , i.e. $\hat{A} = \text{Hom}(A, k^*)$. The vector space of k valued functions on A is denoted as $V(A)$.

Lemma 1.1 *Let A_1 and A_2 be finite abelian groups. Then $(\widehat{A_1 \times A_2})$ is isomorphic with $\hat{A}_1 \times \hat{A}_2$.*

Proof The map $\theta : \hat{A}_1 \times \hat{A}_2 \rightarrow \widehat{A_1 \times A_2}$, defined by $\theta(\chi, \tau)(a_1, a_2) = \chi(a_1) \cdot \tau(a_2)$ is an isomorphism. ■

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The vectorspace $V(A)$ is a banach space with respect to the norm

$$\|f\| = \max \{ |f(a)| \mid a \in A \}$$

For each $a \in A$ the function $\delta_a \in V(A)$ is defined by $\delta_a(b) = 0$ if $a \neq b$ and $\delta_a(a) = 1$. The functions $(\delta_a)_{a \in A}$ form an orthonormal basis for $V(A)$, i.e.

$$\begin{cases} \|\sum_{a \in A} \lambda_a \delta_a\| = \max \{ |\lambda_a| \mid a \in A \} \\ \|\delta_a\| = 1 \text{ for all } a \in A \end{cases}$$

Definition 1.1 Let m be the order of the finite group A . The finite Fourier transform F_A on $V(A)$ is the linear map $F_A : V(A) \rightarrow V(\widehat{A})$ defined by $F_A(\delta_a) = (1/\sqrt{m}) \sum_{\chi \in \widehat{A}} \chi(a) \delta_\chi$.

Proposition 1.2 Let A_1 and A_2 be finite abelian groups and let $F_1 = F_{A_1}$ and $F_2 = F_{A_2}$ be the finite Fourier transforms.

1. The map $\phi : V(A_1) \otimes V(A_2) \rightarrow V(A_1 \times A_2)$, defined by $\phi(\delta_{a_1} \otimes \delta_{a_2}) = \delta_{(a_1, a_2)}$ is an isomorphism. Furthermore $\phi(f_1 \otimes f_2)(a_1, a_2) = f_1(a_1)f_2(a_2)$.
2. Let $\hat{\theta} : V(\widehat{A_1 \times A_2}) \rightarrow V(\widehat{A_1} \times \widehat{A_2})$ be the linear map induced by the homomorphism $\theta : \widehat{A_1} \times \widehat{A_2} \rightarrow \widehat{A_1 \times A_2}$, (cf 1.1).

The following diagram is then commutative :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V(A_1) \otimes V(A_2) & \xrightarrow{\phi} & V(A_1 \times A_2) \\ F_1 \otimes F_2 \downarrow & & \downarrow F_{A_1 \times A_2} \\ V(\widehat{A_1}) \otimes V(\widehat{A_2}) & \xrightarrow{\hat{\phi}} V(\widehat{A_1} \times \widehat{A_2}) \xrightarrow{\hat{\theta}^{-1}} & V(\widehat{A_1 \times A_2}) \end{array}$$

Proof Straightforward calculation. ■

Proposition 1.3 The finite Fourier transform F_A is a unitary operator on $V(A)$, i.e. $\|F_A\| = 1$. Furthermore $F_A(f)(\tau) = (1/\sqrt{m}) \sum_{a \in A} f(a)\tau(a)$.

Proof For $f \in V(A)$ we have :

$$\begin{aligned} F_A(f)(\tau) &= F_A(\sum_{a \in A} f(a)\delta_a)(\tau) \\ &= \sum_{a \in A} f(a) \left((1/\sqrt{m}) \sum_{\chi \in \widehat{A}} \chi(a) \delta_\chi(\tau) \right) \\ &= (1/\sqrt{m}) \sum_{a \in A} f(a)\tau(a) \end{aligned}$$

The norm on F_A is defined by $\|F_A\| = \max \{ \|F_A(f)\| \mid f \in V(A) \text{ and } \|f\| \leq 1 \}$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \|F_A\| &= \max \left\{ \|F_A(\sum_{a \in A} \lambda_a \delta_a)\| \mid \lambda_a \in k \text{ and } |\lambda_a| \leq 1 \right\} \\ &= \max \left\{ |(1/\sqrt{m}) \cdot \sum_{a \in A} \sum_{\chi \in \widehat{A}} (\lambda_a \chi(a))| \mid 1 \geq |\lambda_a| \right\} \\ &\leq \max \left\{ |\lambda_a \chi(a)| \mid \chi \in \widehat{A}, a \in A \text{ and } |\lambda_a| \leq 1 \right\} \\ &\leq 1 \quad \text{since } |\chi(a)| = 1 \text{ for all } \chi, a \end{aligned}$$

Since $\|F_A(\delta_a)\| = 1$ we have $\|F_A\| \geq 1$. ■

Consider now the special case that $A = \mathbb{Z}_m = \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}$, (with $\text{char}(\bar{k}) \nmid m$). The group k_m^* of points of order m in k^* is a cyclic group of order m . Let ξ be a fixed generator for k_m^* .

Lemma 1.4 *The map $\chi : \mathbb{Z}_m \rightarrow \widehat{\mathbb{Z}_m}$ defined by $\chi(\bar{a})(\bar{b}) = \xi^{ab}$ is an isomorphism.*

Proof Easy calculation. ■

We denote $\chi_{\bar{a}} = \chi(\bar{a})$.

Proposition 1.5 $(\chi_{\bar{a}})_{\bar{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_m}$ is an orthonormal basis for $V(\mathbb{Z}_m)$.

Proof The characters $(\chi_{\bar{a}})_{\bar{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_m}$ are linearly independant (standard algebra). Since $\dim(V(\mathbb{Z}_m)) = m$ the characters form a basis.

Let $\tau = \sum_{\bar{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_m} \lambda_{\bar{a}} \chi_{\bar{a}}$ with $\lambda_{\bar{a}} \in k$.

We have $\|\tau\| = \max \{ |\tau(\bar{b})| \mid \bar{b} \in \mathbb{Z}_m \}$. It follows that $\|\chi_{\bar{a}}\| = 1$ and since

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\bar{b}=0}^{m-1} \tau(\bar{b}) &= m\lambda_{\bar{0}} + \sum_{\bar{a}=1}^{m-1} \lambda_{\bar{a}} \left(\sum_{\bar{b}=0}^{m-1} \chi_{\bar{a}}(\bar{b}) \right) \\ &= m\lambda_{\bar{0}} + \sum_{\bar{a}=1}^{m-1} \lambda_{\bar{a}} \left(\sum_{\bar{b}=0}^{m-1} \xi^{ab} \right) \\ &= m\lambda_{\bar{0}} \end{aligned}$$

we find that

$$|\lambda_{\bar{0}}| = |m\lambda_{\bar{0}}| \leq \max \{ |\tau(\bar{b})| \mid \bar{b} \in \mathbb{Z}_m \} = \|\tau\|$$

In a similar way we find that $|\lambda_{\bar{a}}| \leq \|\tau\|$ for all $\bar{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_m$ and hence

$$\max \{ |\lambda_{\bar{a}}| \mid \bar{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_m \} \leq \|\tau\|$$

On the other hand we have

$$\|\tau\| \leq \max \{ \|\lambda_{\bar{a}} \chi_{\bar{a}}\| \mid \bar{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_m \} = \max \{ |\lambda_{\bar{a}}| \mid \bar{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_m \}$$

It follows that the elements $\chi_{\bar{a}}$ are orthonormal. ■

Let $F_m : V(\mathbb{Z}_m) \rightarrow V(\widehat{\mathbb{Z}_m})$ be the finite Fourier transform.

Proposition 1.6 $F_m(f)(\tau) = (1/\sqrt{m}) \sum_{\bar{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_m} f(\bar{a})\tau(\bar{a})$.

Proof Since $f = \sum_{\bar{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_m} f(\bar{a})\delta_{\bar{a}}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} F_m(f)(\tau) &= \sum_{\bar{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_m} f(\bar{a})F_m(\delta_{\bar{a}})(\tau) \\ &= (1/\sqrt{m}) \sum_{\bar{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_m} f(\bar{a}) \left(\sum_{\chi \in \widehat{\mathbb{Z}_m}} \chi(\bar{a})\delta_{\chi}(\tau) \right) \\ &= (1/\sqrt{m}) \sum_{\bar{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_m} f(\bar{a})\tau(\bar{a}) \end{aligned}$$

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The isomorphism $\chi : \mathbb{Z}_m \rightarrow \widehat{\mathbb{Z}_m}$ induces an isomorphism $\psi : V(\widehat{\mathbb{Z}_m}) \rightarrow V(\mathbb{Z}_m)$. The composition

$$\psi \circ F_m : V(\mathbb{Z}_m) \rightarrow V(\widehat{\mathbb{Z}_m}) \rightarrow V(\mathbb{Z}_m)$$

is still denoted as F_m .

Proposition 1.7 $F_m(\delta_{\bar{a}}) = (1/\sqrt{m})\chi_{\bar{a}}$ and $F_m(\chi_{\bar{a}}) = \sqrt{m}\delta_{-\bar{a}}$

Proof For all $\bar{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_m$ is

$$\begin{aligned} F_m(\delta_{\bar{a}})(\bar{b}) &= F_m(\delta_{\bar{a}})(\chi_{\bar{b}}) \\ &= (1/\sqrt{m}) \sum_{\bar{u} \in \mathbb{Z}_m} \chi_{\bar{b}}(\bar{u}) \delta_{\bar{a}}(\bar{u}) \\ &= (1/\sqrt{m}) \chi_{\bar{b}} = 1/\sqrt{m} \chi_{\bar{a}}(\bar{b}) \end{aligned}$$

We also have

$$\begin{aligned} F_m(\chi_{\bar{a}})(\bar{b}) &= (1/\sqrt{m}) \sum_{\bar{u} \in \mathbb{Z}_m} \chi_{\bar{b}}(\bar{u}) \chi_{\bar{a}}(\bar{u}) \\ &= (1/\sqrt{m}) \sum_{\bar{u} \in \mathbb{Z}_m} \chi_{\bar{a}+\bar{b}}(\bar{u}) \end{aligned}$$

This last sum equals 0 if $\bar{a} + \bar{b} \neq \bar{0}$ and equals m if $\bar{a} + \bar{b} = \bar{0}$.

Hence $\sum_{\bar{u} \in \mathbb{Z}_m} \chi_{\bar{a}+\bar{b}}(\bar{u}) = \delta_{-\bar{a}}(\bar{b})$. ■

Corollary 1.8 $F_m^2(\delta_{\bar{a}}) = \delta_{-\bar{a}}$

As a consequence of Prop 1.2 the results for \mathbb{Z}_m can be generalized for arbitrary abelian groups.

Let A be an abelian group which is isomorphic with the product $\mathbb{Z}_{m_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}_{m_r}$. (Where $\text{char}(\bar{k}) \nmid m_i$.)

Let ξ_i be a generator for the group $k_{m_i}^*$ and let $\chi^{(i)} : \mathbb{Z}_{m_i} \rightarrow \widehat{\mathbb{Z}_{m_i}}$ be the isomorphism defined by $\chi^{(i)}(\bar{a})(\bar{b}) = \xi_i^{ab}$. Let $\chi_{\bar{a}}^{(i)} = \chi^{(i)}(\bar{a})$.

We have the finite Fourier transform

$$F : V(\mathbb{Z}_{m_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}_{m_r}) \rightarrow V(\widehat{\mathbb{Z}_{m_1}} \times \dots \times \widehat{\mathbb{Z}_{m_r}})$$

defined by

$$F(\delta_{(\bar{a}_1, \dots, \bar{a}_r)}) = \sum_{\chi_i \in \widehat{\mathbb{Z}_{m_i}}} \chi_1(\bar{a}_1) \dots \chi_r(\bar{a}_r) \delta_{(\chi_1, \dots, \chi_r)}$$

The isomorphism $\chi : \mathbb{Z}_{m_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}_{m_r} \rightarrow \widehat{\mathbb{Z}_{m_1}} \times \dots \times \widehat{\mathbb{Z}_{m_r}}$, defined by

$$\chi(\bar{a}_1, \dots, \bar{a}_r) = (\chi_{\bar{a}_1}^{(1)}, \dots, \chi_{\bar{a}_r}^{(r)})$$

induces an isomorphism

$$\psi : V(\widehat{\mathbb{Z}_{m_1}} \times \dots \times \widehat{\mathbb{Z}_{m_r}}) \rightarrow V(\mathbb{Z}_{m_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}_{m_r})$$

The composition

$$\psi \circ F : V(\mathbb{Z}_{m_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}_{m_r}) \rightarrow V(\mathbb{Z}_{m_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}_{m_r})$$

is still denoted as F .

If $\bar{a} = (\bar{a}_1, \dots, \bar{a}_r) \in \mathbb{Z}_{m_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}_{m_r}$, define then $\chi_{\bar{a}} \in V(\widehat{\mathbb{Z}_{m_1}} \times \dots \times \widehat{\mathbb{Z}_{m_r}})$ by

$$\chi_{\bar{a}}(\bar{b}) = \chi_{\bar{a}_1}^{(1)}(\bar{b}_1) \dots \chi_{\bar{a}_r}^{(r)}(\bar{b}_r)$$

Proposition 1.9

1. $\{\delta_{\bar{a}} \mid \bar{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_{m_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}_{m_r}\}$ and $\{\chi_{\bar{a}} \mid \bar{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_{m_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}_{m_r}\}$ are both orthonormal bases for $V(\mathbb{Z}_{m_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}_{m_r})$.
2. $F(\delta_{\bar{a}}) = (1/\sqrt{m})\chi_{\bar{a}}$ and $F(\chi_{\bar{a}}) = (\sqrt{m})\delta_{-\bar{a}}$ where $m = m_1 \dots m_r$.

Proof Similar calculation as for the \mathbb{Z}_m case. ■

2 The action of the theta group

Let A be a finite abelian group with order m such that $\text{char}(\bar{k}) \nmid m$. The theta group $\mathcal{G}(A)$ is defined as $\mathcal{G}(A) = k^* \times A \times \hat{A}$. The multiplication on $\mathcal{G}(A)$ is defined by

$$(\lambda, x, \chi) \cdot (\mu, y, \tau) = (\lambda\mu\tau(x), xy, \chi\tau)$$

Proposition 2.1 *The sequence*

$$1 \rightarrow k^* \xrightarrow{\nu} \mathcal{G}(A) \xrightarrow{\mu} A \rightarrow 1$$

with $\nu(\lambda) = (\lambda, 1, 1)$ and $\mu(\lambda, x, \chi) = x$ is exact.

Proof See [2]. ■

The theta group acts on $V(A)$ in the following way

$$f^{(\lambda, x, \chi)}(z) = \lambda \cdot \chi(z) f(xz)$$

In a similar way we have the theta group $\mathcal{G}(\hat{A}) = k^* \times \hat{A} \times A$ which acts on $V(\hat{A})$ by

$$g^{(\lambda, \chi, x)}(\tau) = \lambda \tau(x) g(\chi\tau)$$

(The bidual $\hat{\hat{A}}$ is canonically identified with A .)

Lemma 2.2 $\delta_b^{(\lambda, a, \chi)} = \lambda \chi(a^{-1}b) \delta_{a^{-1}b}$

Proof It is clear that $\delta_b(ax) = \delta_{a^{-1}b}(x)$ and hence

$$\delta_b^{(\lambda, a, \chi)}(x) = \lambda \chi(x) \delta_b(a^{-1}x) = \lambda \chi(a^{-1}b) \delta_{a^{-1}b}(x)$$

■

Proposition 2.3 *The map $\alpha : \mathcal{G}(A) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}(\hat{A})$ defined by*

$$\alpha(\lambda, x, \chi) = (\lambda \chi^{-1}(x), \chi, x^{-1})$$

is an isomorphism and for all $f \in V(A)$ and $(\lambda, a, \chi) \in \mathcal{G}(A)$ we have

$$F(f^{(\lambda, a, \chi)}) = F(f)^\alpha \left((\lambda, a, \chi) \right)$$

Proof It is clear that α is bijective and

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha\left((\lambda, x, \chi)(\mu, y, \tau)\right) &= \alpha(\lambda\mu\tau(x), xy, \chi\tau) \\ &= (\lambda\mu\tau(x)\tau^{-1}(x)\tau^{-1}(y)\chi^{-1}(xy), \chi\tau), xu) \\ &= (\lambda\chi^{-1}(x), \chi, x^{-1})(\mu\tau^{-1}(y), \tau, y) \\ &= \alpha(\lambda, x, \chi)\alpha(\mu, y, \tau) \end{aligned}$$

We have to prove the second assertion only for the basis functions δ_b , ($b \in A$).

$$\begin{aligned} F\left(\delta_b^{(\lambda, a, \chi)}\right) &= F\left(\lambda\chi(a^{-1}b)\delta_{a^{-1}b}\right) \\ &= \lambda\chi(a^{-1}b)\sum_{\tau \in \widehat{A}} \tau(a^{-1}b)\delta_\tau \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand we have

$$\begin{aligned} F(\delta_b)^{\alpha(\lambda, a, \chi)}(\nu) &= \sum_{\tau \in \widehat{A}} \delta_\tau^{(\lambda\chi^{-1}(a), \chi, a^{-1})}(\nu) \\ &= \sum_{\tau \in \widehat{A}} \tau(b)\lambda\chi^{-1}(a)\nu(a^{-1}\delta_\tau(\chi\nu)) \\ &= \sum_{\tau \in \widehat{A}} \tau(b)\lambda\chi^{-1}(a)\chi^{-1}(a^{-1})\tau(a^{-1})\delta_{\chi^{-1}\tau}(\nu) \\ &= \sum_{\tau' \in \widehat{A}} \lambda\chi(b)\tau'(b)\chi(a^{-1})\tau'(a^{-1})\delta_{\tau'}(\nu) \\ &= \lambda\chi(a^{-1}b)\sum_{\tau' \in \widehat{A}} \tau'(a^{-1}b)\delta_{\tau'}(\nu) \end{aligned}$$

This proves the second assertion. ■

The following lemma will be used in the next section.

Lemma 2.4 *Let $\nu : V(A) \rightarrow V(A)$ be a $\mathcal{G}(A)$ -automorphism of $V(A)$. Then there exists a constant element $\rho \in k^*$ such that $\nu(f) = \rho f$ for all $f \in V(A)$.*

Proof Let $\nu(\delta_a) = \sum_{b \in A} \gamma_{b,a}\delta_b$ with $\gamma_{b,a} \in k$.

$$\Rightarrow \nu\left(\delta_a^{(\lambda, x, \chi)}\right) = \lambda\chi(ax^{-1})\sum_{b \in A} \gamma_{b,ax^{-1}}\delta_b$$

Furthermore we have

$$\left(\nu(\delta_a)\right)^{(\lambda, x, \chi)} = \sum_{b \in A} \lambda\gamma_{bx, a}\chi(b)\delta_b$$

Hence $\chi(ax^{-1})\gamma_{b,ax^{-1}} = \gamma_{bx, a}\chi(b)$ for all $a, b \in A$ and $\chi \in \widehat{A}$. It follows that

- $\gamma_{b,b}\chi(b) = \gamma_{a,a}$ for all $a, b \in A$ and $\chi \in \widehat{A}$.
 $\Rightarrow \forall a \in A : \gamma_{a,a} = \gamma_{1,1}$
- $\gamma_{b,a}\chi(b) = \gamma_{b, a}\chi(b)$ for all $a \neq b \in A$ and $\chi \in \widehat{A}$.
 $\Rightarrow \forall a \neq b : \gamma_{b,a} = 0$

Let $\rho = \gamma_{1,1}$. It follows that $\nu(f) = \rho f$ for all $f \in V(A)$. ■

3 Theta functions on an analytic torus

Let $T = G/\Lambda$ be a g -dimensional analytic torus. So $G \cong (k^*)^g$ and $\Lambda \subset G$ is a free discrete subgroup of rank g .

Let H be the character group of G . So H is a free abelian group of rank g and each nowhere vanishing holomorphic function on G has a unique decomposition λu with $\lambda \in k^*$ and $u \in H$, (cf [1]).

The lattice Λ acts on $\mathcal{O}^*(G)$ in the following way :

$$\forall \gamma \in \Lambda, \alpha \in \mathcal{O}^*(G) : \alpha^\gamma(z) = \alpha(\gamma z)$$

A cocycle $\xi \in \mathcal{Z}^1(\Lambda, \mathcal{O}^*(G))$ has a canonical decomposition

$$\xi_\gamma(z) = c(\gamma)p(\gamma, \sigma(\gamma))\sigma(\gamma)(z), \quad \gamma \in \Lambda$$

with $c \in Hom(\Lambda, k^*)$, $\sigma \in Hom(\Lambda, H)$ and $p : \Lambda \times H \rightarrow k^*$ a bihomomorphism such that $p^2(\gamma, \sigma(\delta)) = \sigma(\delta)(\gamma)$ and $p(\gamma, \sigma(\delta)) = p(\delta, \sigma(\gamma))$ for all $\gamma, \delta \in \Lambda$.

We assume that ξ is positive and non-degenerate. This means that σ is injective and $|p(\gamma, \sigma(\gamma))| < 1$ for all $\gamma \neq 1$.

Remark The fact that such a cocycle exists implies that T is analytically isomorphic with an abelian variety, (see [1]).

The cocycle ξ induces an analytic morphism $\lambda_\xi : G \rightarrow Hom(G, k^*)$ which is defined by $\lambda_\xi(x)(\gamma) = \sigma(\gamma)(x)$.

Let $\hat{G} = Hom(G, k^*)$ and let $\hat{\Lambda} = \{u|_\Lambda \mid u \in H\}$. Then $\hat{G} \cong (k^*)^g$ and $\hat{\Lambda}$ is a lattice in \hat{G} .

The analytic torus $\hat{T} = \hat{G}/\hat{\Lambda}$ is called the dual torus of T and \hat{T} isomorphic with the dual abelian variety of T .

The morphism λ_ξ induces an isogeny $\lambda_{\bar{\xi}} : T \rightarrow \hat{T}$ of degree $[H : \sigma(\Lambda)]^2$. We assume that $char(\bar{k}) \nmid [H : \sigma(\Lambda)]$. This means that $\lambda_{\bar{\xi}}$ is a separable isogeny.

More details about $\lambda_{\bar{\xi}}$ can be found in [5] and [6].

If $x \in G$ determines an element $\bar{x} \in Ker(\lambda_{\bar{\xi}})$ then there exists a character $u_x \in H$ such that

$$\forall \gamma \in \Lambda : \sigma(\gamma)(x) = u_x(\gamma)$$

If $\gamma \in \Lambda$ then $\bar{\gamma} = 1$ and $u_\gamma = \sigma(\gamma)$.

The map $e : Ker(\lambda_{\bar{\xi}}) \times Ker(\lambda_{\bar{\xi}}) \rightarrow k^*$, defined by $e(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = u_y(x)/u_x(y)$ is a non-degenerate, anti-symmetric pairing on $Ker(\lambda_{\bar{\xi}})$ and hence $Ker(\lambda_{\bar{\xi}}) = K_1 \oplus K_2$ where K_1 and K_2 are subgroups of order $[H : \sigma(\Lambda)]$ which are maximal with respect to the condition that e is trivial on K_i .

Let $\mathcal{L}(\xi)$ be the vectorspace of holomorphic theta functions of type ξ . An element $h \in \mathcal{L}(\xi)$ is a holomorphic function on G which satisfies the equation

$$\forall \gamma \in \Lambda : f(z) = \xi_\gamma(z)f(\gamma z)$$

The vectorspace $\mathcal{L}(\xi)$ has dimension $[H : \sigma(\Lambda)]$. Using the subgroups K_1 and K_2 it is possible to construct two bases for this vectorspace.

Let h_T be a fixed element in $\mathcal{L}(\xi)$ and let

$$\mathcal{G}(\xi) = \{(\bar{x}, f) \mid \bar{x} \in \text{Ker}\lambda_{\bar{\xi}}, f \in \mathcal{M}(T), \text{div}(f) = \text{div}\left(\frac{h_T(xz)}{h_T(z)}\right)\}$$

where $\mathcal{M}(T)$ is the space of meromorphic functions on T .

$\mathcal{G}(\xi)$ is a group for the multiplication defined by $(\bar{x}, f) \cdot (\bar{y}, g) = (\bar{x}\bar{y}, g(xz)f(z))$.

Moreover:

$$\forall (\bar{x}, f), (\bar{y}, g) \in \mathcal{G}(\xi) : [(\bar{x}, f), (\bar{y}, g)] = e(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$$

The sequence

$$1 \rightarrow k^* \xrightarrow{\nu} \mathcal{G}(\xi) \xrightarrow{\mu} \text{Ker}(\lambda_{\bar{\xi}}) \rightarrow 1$$

with $\nu(\lambda) = (1, \lambda)$ and $\mu(\bar{x}, f) = \bar{x}$ is exact. Furthermore there exist subgroups \tilde{K}_1 and \tilde{K}_2 in $\mathcal{G}(\xi)$ such that $\mu : \tilde{K}_i \rightarrow K_i$ is an isomorphism.

If $\bar{x} \in K_i$ then there exists a unique element $\tilde{x} \in \tilde{K}_i$ such that $\mu(\tilde{x}) = \bar{x}$. It follows that each element in $\mathcal{G}(\xi)$ has two decompositions $\lambda_1 \tilde{x}_2 \tilde{x}_1 = \lambda_2 \tilde{x}_1 \tilde{x}_2$ with $\lambda_i \in k^*$ and $\tilde{x}_i \in \tilde{K}_i$. The relation between λ_1 and λ_2 is given by

$$\lambda_1 = e(\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2) \lambda_2$$

Proposition 3.1 *The maps $\alpha_i : \mathcal{G}(\xi) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}(K_i), (i = 1, 2)$, defined by*

$$\alpha_1(\lambda_1 \tilde{x}_2 \tilde{x}_1) = (\lambda_1, \bar{x}_1, e(\bar{x}_2, *))$$

$$\alpha_2(\lambda_2 \tilde{x}_1 \tilde{x}_2) = (\lambda_2, \bar{x}_2, e(\bar{x}_1, *))$$

are isomorphisms of groups.

Proof Since the pairing e is non-degenerate the map $K_2 \rightarrow \hat{K}_1$ defined by $\bar{x}_2 \mapsto e(\bar{x}_2, *)$ is an isomorphism. Hence α_1 is bijective. An easy calculation shows that α_1 is a homomorphism.

A similar argument holds for α_2 . ■

Since K_2 and \hat{K}_1 are isomorphic we have an isomorphism $\alpha : \mathcal{G}(\hat{K}_1) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}(K_2)$, (cf lemma 2.3).

Lemma 3.2 $\alpha_2^{-1} \circ \alpha \circ \alpha_1 = Id$

Proof Straightforward calculation. ■

Let $T_i = T/K_i, (i = 1, 2)$. Then T_i is isomorphic with an analytic torus G_i/Λ_i and the canonical map $T \rightarrow T_i$ is induced by a surjective morphism $\psi_i : G \rightarrow G_i$. Furthermore there exists a cocycle $\xi_i \in \mathcal{Z}^1(\Lambda_i, \mathcal{O}^*(G_i))$ such that $\xi = \psi_i^*(\xi_i)$.

The vectorspace $\mathcal{L}(\xi_i)$ of holomorphic theta functions on G_i is 1-dimensional.

Let $h_i \in \mathcal{L}(\xi_i)$ be a fixed non-zero element.

For each $\bar{a} \in K_1$ and $\bar{b} \in K_2$ we can define theta functions $h_{\bar{a}}$ and $h_{\bar{b}}$ by

$$h_{\bar{a}} = (h_2 \circ \psi_2)^{(\bar{a})} \text{ and } h_{\bar{b}} = (h_1 \circ \psi_1)^{(\bar{b})}$$

We proved in [4] that $(h_{\bar{a}})_{\bar{a} \in K_1}$ and $(h_{\bar{b}})_{\bar{b} \in K_2}$ are bases for $\mathcal{L}(\xi)$.

Using the results about the finite Fourier transform it is possible to give the relation between these bases.

Proposition 3.3 *The maps $\beta_i : \mathcal{L}(\xi) \rightarrow V(K_i), (i = 1, 2)$, defined by $\beta_i(h_{\bar{x}}) = \delta_{\bar{x}^{-1}}$ are isomorphisms and*

$$\forall h \in \mathcal{L}(\xi) \text{ and } (\bar{x}, f) \in \mathcal{G}(\xi) : \beta_i(h^{(\bar{x}, f)}) = \beta_i(h)^{\alpha_i(\bar{x}, f)}$$

If $F : V(K_1) \rightarrow V(\hat{K}_1) \cong V(K_2)$ is the finite Fourier transform then we have

$$\mathcal{L}(\xi) \xrightarrow{\beta_1} V(K_1) \xrightarrow{F} V(K_2) \xrightarrow{\beta_2^{-1}} \mathcal{L}(\xi)$$

and

$$\beta_2^{-1} \circ F \circ \beta_1(h_{\bar{a}}) = \left(1/\sqrt{[H : \sigma(\Lambda)]}\right) \sum_{\bar{b} \in K_2} e(\bar{b}, \bar{a}) h_{\bar{b}}$$

Proof For the proof of the first part we refer to [6] Furthermore we have

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_2^{-1} \circ F \circ \beta_1(h_{\bar{a}}) &= \beta_2^{-1} \circ F(\delta_{\bar{a}^{-1}}) = \left(1/\sqrt{[H : \sigma(\Lambda)]}\right) \beta_2^{-1} \left(\sum_{\bar{b} \in K_2} e(\bar{b}, \bar{a}^{-1}) \delta_{\bar{b}}\right) \\ &= \left(1/\sqrt{[H : \sigma(\Lambda)]}\right) \sum_{\bar{b} \in K_2} e(\bar{b}, \bar{a}^{-1}) h_{\bar{b}^{-1}} \\ &= \left(1/\sqrt{[H : \sigma(\Lambda)]}\right) \sum_{\bar{b} \in K_2} e(\bar{b}, \bar{a}) h_{\bar{b}} \end{aligned}$$

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Since β_1, F and β_2 are compatible with the actions of the theta groups we find that $V(K_1) \xrightarrow{\beta_1 \circ \beta_2^{-1} \circ F} V(K_1)$ is a $\mathcal{G}(K_1)$ -automorphism of $V(K_1)$ and hence there exists a constant element $\rho \in k^*$ such that $\beta_1 \circ \beta_2^{-1} \circ F(f) = \rho f$ for all $f \in V(K_1)$. It follows that $\beta_2^{-1} \circ F \circ \beta_1(h_{\bar{a}}) = \rho h_{\bar{a}}$ for all $\bar{a} \in K_1$. We can conclude :

Theorem 3.4 *(Transformation formula)*

$$\forall \bar{a} \in K_1 : \rho h_{\bar{a}} = \sum_{\bar{b} \in K_2} e(\bar{b}, \bar{a}) h_{\bar{b}}$$

Remark The bases $(h_{\bar{x}})_{\bar{x} \in K_i}, (i = 1, 2)$, depend on the choices of the theta functions h_1 and h_2 . These theta functions are unique up to multiplication with a non-zero constant. It follows that it is not possible to get rid of the constant ρ in the transformation formula.

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