

Remarks on metaplectic representations of $SL(2)^*$

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Introduction.

In a fundamental paper [9], Weil constructed oscillator representations of metaplectic groups. When specialized to the case $G=SL(2, k)$ where k is a local field whose characteristic is not 2, the construction gives a projective representation π of G realized on $L^2(k)$ such that

$$(1) \quad (\pi\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}\right)F)(x) = \phi(bx^2)F(x),$$

$$(2) \quad (\pi(w)F)(x) = \gamma F^*(x),$$

for $F \in L^2(k)$. Here $w = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, ϕ is a non-trivial additive character of k , F^* is the Fourier transformation of F with respect to ϕ and γ is a constant independent of F . When lifted to the 2-fold covering group of G (if $k \neq \mathbf{C}$), π becomes an ordinary representation. An important problem, already suggested in [9], is to construct analogous representations for an n -fold covering group of G , $n \geq 3$. A natural candidate is to replace x^2 by x^n in (1) and F^* by a suitably generalized Fourier transformation. This problem was solved by Kubota [3], [4] for $k = \mathbf{C}$ and by Yamazaki [10] for $k = \mathbf{R}$ and n is even.

In this paper, we shall give a conceptually simpler and unified treatment of these representations including the case $k = \mathbf{R}$, n is odd. We are going to sketch our idea intuitively. First observation is that we should start from a representation π (we choose it as a principal series representation corresponding to the parameter s , see the text) of an n -fold covering group \tilde{G} of G and then should examine its Kirillov realization. Thus we realize π on a suitable

(pre-Hilbert) space V of functions f on k such that the action of $\pi \left(\widetilde{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}} \right)$ is given by $f(x) \rightarrow \phi(bx)f(x)$. Here, for $g \in G$, \tilde{g} denotes some naturally defined element of \tilde{G} which projects to g (see §1). Let \tilde{V} be the vector space of all functions F on k defined by $F(x) = f(x^n)$, $x \in k$, $f \in V$. Set $F = \iota(f)$ and put

$$(3) \quad \tilde{\pi}(g)F = \iota(\pi(g)f) \quad \text{for } g \in \tilde{G}.$$

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If (3) is well defined, we see that $\tilde{\pi}$ is a representation of \tilde{G} on \tilde{V} which automatically satisfies (1) with x^n (resp. $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$) in the place of x^2 (resp. $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$); hence the only remaining task would be the explicit computation of the action of $\tilde{\pi}(\tilde{w})$.⁽¹⁾

Obviously the well-definedness of (3) is equivalent to:

$$(4) \quad \text{If } f(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x \in k^n, \text{ then } (\pi(g)f)(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x \in k^n, g \in \tilde{G}.$$

When $k = \mathbf{C}$, the condition (4) is trivially satisfied so that we can construct Weil type representation of $SL(2, \mathbf{C})$ corresponding to any parameter s , $0 < s < 3/2$ (Theorem 5.3). Kubota's representation is a special instance for $s = 2/n$, $n \geq 2$. When $k = \mathbf{R}$ and n is even, the condition (4) becomes non-trivial so that we are forced to choose the parameter s of the representation π as $s = 1/n$. Then $\tilde{\pi}$ turns out to be the representation constructed by Yamazaki (Theorem 4.1, which holds also for odd n).

It seems that attempts to construct Weil type representation of $G = SL(2)$ for non-archimedean local fields are so far unsuccessful beyond Weil's original case (cf. Moen [5] for example). This fact could be interpreted, though we have no rigorous proof, that the condition (4) can never be met by any representation π of \tilde{G} if $n \geq 3$.

The reader would notice that the idea sketched above is realized in the text in a straightforward manner, if some analytical details are disregarded. Concerning this technical part, we tried to be as precise as we could manage in compatibility of conciseness.

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NOTATION. We denote the set of positive real numbers by \mathbf{R}_+ . For $z \in \mathbf{C}$, $\Re(z)$ and $\Im(z)$ stand for the real part and the imaginary part of z respectively. Let $z \in \mathbf{C}^\times$. We denote by $\arg(z)$ (resp. $\text{Arg}(z)$) the argument of z for which we take the branch so that $0 \leq \arg(z) < 2\pi$ (resp. $-\pi < \text{Arg}(z) \leq \pi$).

§ 1. The n -fold covering group of $SL(2, \mathbf{R})$.

We set $G = SL(2, \mathbf{R})$ and fix a positive integer $n \geq 2$. For a positive integer m , put $\zeta_m = \exp(2\pi\sqrt{-1}/m)$. Let \tilde{G} be the n -fold covering group of G . We can construct \tilde{G} explicitly following Shimura's method (cf. [6], p. 443). For $g = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in G$ and $z \in \mathfrak{H}$, set

$$j(g, z) = cz + d, \quad x(g) = \begin{cases} c & \text{if } c \neq 0, \\ d & \text{if } c = 0, \end{cases}$$

where \mathfrak{H} denotes the complex upper half plane. Let $\mu_1(g, z), \dots, \mu_n(g, z)$ be all holomorphic functions on \mathfrak{H} which satisfy $\mu_l(g, z)^n = j(g, z)$, $1 \leq l \leq n$. Clearly we can choose $\mu_l(g, z)$ so that

$$(1.1) \quad \frac{2\pi}{n}(l-1) \leq \arg \mu_l(g, z) < \frac{2\pi}{n}l \quad \text{for all } z \in \mathfrak{H}, 1 \leq l \leq n.$$

Let \tilde{G} be the group consisting of all couples $(g, \mu_l(g, z))$ with $g \in G, 1 \leq l \leq n$ on which the multiplication is defined by

$$(1.2) \quad (g_1, \mu_{l_1}(g_1, z))(g_2, \mu_{l_2}(g_2, z)) = (g_1g_2, \mu_{l_1}(g_1, g_2(z))\mu_{l_2}(g_2, z)).$$

Let

$$p: \tilde{G} \ni (g, \mu_l(g, z)) \longrightarrow g \in G$$

be the projection homomorphism. We obtain a central extension

$$(1.3) \quad 1 \longrightarrow \mu_n \longrightarrow \tilde{G} \xrightarrow{p} G \longrightarrow 1$$

where $\mu_n = \text{Ker}(p) = \{(1, \zeta) \mid \zeta^n = 1\}$. We identify μ_n with the cyclic group generated by ζ_n . For $g \in G$, take the section $s_g \in \tilde{G}$ so that $s_g = (g, \mu_1(g, z))$. Then

$$\xi_1(g_1, g_2) = s_{g_1}s_{g_2}s_{g_1g_2}^{-1}, \quad g_1, g_2 \in G$$

is a 2-cocycle determined by (1.3). For $\theta \in \mathbf{R}$, put $r(\theta) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$ and set

$$K = \{r(\theta) \mid \theta \in \mathbf{R}\} \cong SO(2, \mathbf{R}).$$

Since the restriction of ξ_1 to K coincides with a cocycle defined by the n -fold covering map of $SO(2, \mathbf{R})$ to itself given by the n -th power, we find that the order of the cohomology class of ξ_1 in $H^2(G, \mu_n)$ is precisely n . By (1.2), we obtain

$$\xi_1(g_1, g_2) = \mu_1(g_1, g_2(z))\mu_1(g_2, z)\mu_1(g_1g_2, z)^{-1}$$

which is independent of z . Hence we have

$$(1.4) \quad \xi_1(g_1, g_2) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \arg \mu_1(g_1, g_2\sqrt{-1}) + \arg \mu_1(g_2, \sqrt{-1}) < 2\pi/n, \\ \zeta_n & \text{if } \arg \mu_1(g_1, g_2\sqrt{-1}) + \arg \mu_1(g_2, \sqrt{-1}) \geq 2\pi/n. \end{cases}$$

By (1.4), we immediately obtain

$$(1.5) \quad \xi_1(g_1, g_2) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \arg(j(g_1g_2, \sqrt{-1})) \geq \arg(j(g_2, \sqrt{-1})), \\ \zeta_n & \text{if } \arg(j(g_1g_2, \sqrt{-1})) < \arg(j(g_2, \sqrt{-1})), \end{cases}$$

for $g_1, g_2 \in G$. For $g \in G$, put

$$y(g) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x(g) > 0, \\ \zeta_n & \text{if } x(g) < 0, \end{cases}$$

and let

$$(1.6) \quad \xi(g_1, g_2) = \xi_1(g_1, g_2) y(g_1 g_2) y(g_1)^{-1} y(g_2)^{-1}, \quad g_1, g_2 \in G$$

be the 2-cocycle cohomologous to ξ_1 . If $n=2$, we can show by a straightforward computation that

$$\xi(g_1, g_2) = (x(g_1), x(g_2))_{\mathbf{R}} (-x(g_1)^{-1} x(g_2), x(g_1 g_2))_{\mathbf{R}}$$

where $(\cdot, \cdot)_{\mathbf{R}}$ denotes the Hilbert symbol of \mathbf{R} . Thus ξ coincides with the cocycle defined by Kubota [2] in this case.⁽²⁾

On the product set $G \times \mu_n$, we define the multiplication by

$$(1.7) \quad (g, \zeta)(g', \zeta') = (gg', \zeta\zeta'\xi(g, g')).$$

Then $G \times \mu_n$ has the group structure isomorphic to \tilde{G} . We take this model of \tilde{G} for the convenience of calculation. For $g \in G$, set $\tilde{g} = (g, 1) \in \tilde{G}$. For a subgroup H of G , we denote by \tilde{H} the subgroup of \tilde{G} defined by

$$\tilde{H} = \{(h, \zeta) \mid h \in H, \zeta \in \mu_n\}.$$

We define subgroups T, B, B_+ and N of G by

$$T = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & a^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \mid a \in \mathbf{R}^\times \right\}, \quad B = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & a^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \mid a \in \mathbf{R}^\times, b \in \mathbf{R} \right\},$$

$$B_+ = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & a^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \mid a \in \mathbf{R}_+, b \in \mathbf{R} \right\}, \quad N = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mid b \in \mathbf{R} \right\}.$$

By (1.5) and (1.6), we obtain the following values of the cocycle.

$$(1.8) \quad \xi(g_1, g_2) = 1 \quad \text{for } g_1, g_2 \in G \text{ if } g_1 \in B_+ \text{ or } g_2 \in B_+.$$

$$(1.9) \quad \xi\left(\begin{pmatrix} a_1 & 0 \\ 0 & a_1^{-1} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} a_2 & 0 \\ 0 & a_2^{-1} \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } a_1 > 0 \text{ or } a_2 > 0, \\ \zeta_n^{-1} & \text{if } a_1 < 0 \text{ and } a_2 < 0. \end{cases}$$

By (1.9), we see that \tilde{T} is commutative. We see also that \tilde{K} is commutative. If m is an integer such that $m \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$,

$$(1.10) \quad \sigma_m((r(\theta), \zeta)) = e^{\sqrt{-1}m\theta/n} y(r(\theta))^{-1} \zeta, \quad 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi, \zeta \in \mu_n$$

defines a one dimensional representation of \tilde{K} . Every genuine (i.e., $\sigma_m((1, \zeta)) = \zeta$) continuous one dimensional representation σ_m of \tilde{K} is of this form. For the use of following sections, we note some relations among elements of \tilde{G} which can be verified easily by (1.5) and (1.6). Put $w = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

$$(1.11) \quad \tilde{w} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \tilde{u} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -u^{-1} & 1 \\ 0 & -u \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ u^{-1} & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad u \neq 0,$$

$$(1.12) \quad \tilde{w} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \tilde{u} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{u^2+1} & \tilde{u} \\ 0 & \sqrt{u^2+1} \end{pmatrix} r(\tilde{\theta}), \quad u \in \mathbf{R}$$

with $\cos \theta = -u/\sqrt{u^2+1}$, $\sin \theta = -1/\sqrt{u^2+1}$.

$$(1.13) \quad \tilde{w} \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & a^{-1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & a \end{pmatrix} \tilde{w}, \quad a \in \mathbf{R}^\times.$$

$$(1.14) \quad \tilde{w} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \tilde{u} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \tilde{w} = \begin{pmatrix} -u^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & -u \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \tilde{u} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \tilde{w} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \tilde{u}^{-1} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad u \neq 0.$$

$$(1.15) \quad \tilde{w}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \tilde{u} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u^{-1} & -1 \\ 0 & u \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ u^{-1} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{cases} 1, & u > 0, \\ \zeta_n, & u < 0. \end{cases}$$

$$(1.16) \quad \tilde{w}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \tilde{u} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \tilde{w} = \begin{pmatrix} u^{-1} & -1 \\ 0 & u \end{pmatrix} \tilde{w} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \tilde{u}^{-1} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{cases} 1, & u > 0, \\ \zeta_n, & u < 0. \end{cases}$$

§ 2. Principal series representations of \tilde{G} .

Let $\psi(x) = \exp(a\sqrt{-1}x)$ be an additive character of \mathbf{R} . We assume $a > 0$. Let du be the self-dual measure on \mathbf{R} with respect to the self-duality $\langle x, y \rangle = \psi(xy)$. Then du is $\sqrt{a/2\pi}$ times the usual Lebesgue measure. Let ρ be a one dimensional representation of \tilde{T} . We assume that ρ is genuine, i.e., $\rho((1, \zeta)) = \zeta, \zeta \in \mu_n$. Set

$$(2.1) \quad \rho \left(\begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & a^{-1} \end{pmatrix}, \zeta \right) = \eta_a \chi(a) \zeta, \quad \chi(a) = |a|^s, \quad a \in \mathbf{R}^\times, \zeta \in \mu_n$$

with $s \in \mathbf{C}$. Then ρ is a homomorphism if and only if

$$\xi \left(\begin{pmatrix} a_1 & 0 \\ 0 & a_1^{-1} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} a_2 & 0 \\ 0 & a_2^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \right) = \eta_{a_1} \eta_{a_2} \eta_{a_1^{-1} a_2}, \quad a_1, a_2 \in \mathbf{R}^\times.$$

Set

$$(2.2) \quad \eta_a = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } a > 0, \\ \nu^{-1} & \text{if } a < 0, \end{cases}$$

where $\nu^2 = \zeta_n$. Then (2.1) is a general form of a continuous genuine one dimensional representation of \tilde{T} . We shall eventually take $\nu = -\zeta_{2n}$, the reason of which shall be clarified later. Set

$$\delta \left(\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & a^{-1} \end{pmatrix}, \zeta \right) = |a|^2, \quad a \in \mathbf{R}^\times, b \in \mathbf{R}, \zeta \in \mu_n,$$

which is the modular function of \hat{B} . Let $PS(\mathcal{X})$ denote the space of all C^∞ -functions φ on \tilde{G} which satisfy

$$(2.3) \quad \varphi(tng) = \delta(t)^{1/2} \rho(t) \varphi(g) \quad \text{for all } t \in \hat{T}, n = \tilde{n}_1 \text{ with } n_1 \in N, g \in \tilde{G}.$$

Let $\pi(\mathcal{X})$ denote the representation of \tilde{G} realized on $PS(\mathcal{X})$ by right translations. For $\varphi \in PS(\mathcal{X})$, let $\Phi = R(\varphi)$ denote the C^∞ -function on \mathbf{R} defined by

$$(2.4) \quad \Phi(u) = \varphi(\tilde{w} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \tilde{u} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}), \quad u \in \mathbf{R}.$$

We choose s in (2.1) so that $0 < \sigma = \Re(s) < 1$. By (1.11), we have

$$\Phi(u) = \eta_{-u} |u|^{-s-1} \varphi \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \tilde{0} \\ u^{-1} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right), \quad u \neq 0.$$

Hence we easily obtain

$$(2.5) \quad \Phi^{(k)}(u) = O(|u|^{-\sigma-1}) \quad \text{for } |u| \rightarrow \infty, k \geq 0$$

where $\Phi^{(k)}$ denotes the k -th derivative of Φ . Let $f = \mathcal{F}(\Phi)$ be the Fourier transform of Φ , i.e.,

$$(2.6) \quad f(x) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} \varphi(\tilde{w} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \tilde{u} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}) \overline{\psi(ux)} dx, \quad x \in \mathbf{R}.$$

By (2.5), this integral converges absolutely and f is a continuous function. Furthermore we see

$$(2.7) \quad f(x) = O(|x|^{-N}), \quad |x| \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{for every } N > 0$$

using integration by parts. By Fourier inversion, we have

$$(2.8) \quad \varphi(\tilde{w} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \tilde{u} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} f(x) \psi(ux) dx.$$

Let V_n denote the vector space

$$\{f \mid f = \mathcal{F}(R(\varphi)) \quad \text{for some } \varphi \in PS(\mathcal{X})\}.$$

Since R is injective, we can transport the representation $\pi(\mathcal{X})$ to the representation π_0 of \tilde{G} on V_n . By (2.6) and (1.8), we obtain

$$(2.9) \quad (\pi_0 \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \tilde{b} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) f)(x) = \psi(bx) f(x), \quad f \in V_n, b, x \in \mathbf{R}.$$

By (2.6), (1.13) and (2.1), we obtain

$$(2.10) \quad (\pi_0 \left(\begin{pmatrix} a & \tilde{0} \\ 0 & a^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \right) f)(x) = \eta_a |a|^{1-s} f(a^2 x), \quad f \in V_n, a \in \mathbf{R}^\times, x \in \mathbf{R}.$$

We are going to compute the action of $\pi_o(\tilde{w})$ on V_n . Take $f = \mathcal{F}(R(\varphi)) \in V_n$, $\varphi \in PS(\mathcal{X})$. By definition, we have

$$(\pi_o(\tilde{w})f)(x) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} \varphi(\tilde{w} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & u \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \tilde{w}) \overline{\phi(ux)} du.$$

Put $\rho_o(a) = \rho(\begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & a^{-1} \end{pmatrix})$, $a \in \mathbf{R}^\times$. By (1.14), we get

$$\begin{aligned} (\pi_o(\tilde{w})f)(x) &= \int_{\mathbf{R}} \rho_o(-u^{-1}) |u|^{-1} \varphi(\tilde{w} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \tilde{u}^{-1} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}) \overline{\phi(ux)} du \\ &= \int_{\mathbf{R}} \rho_o(v) |v|^{-1} \varphi(\tilde{w} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & v \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}) \overline{\phi(-v^{-1}x)} dv = \int_{\mathbf{R}} \eta_v |v|^{s-1} \varphi(\tilde{w} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & v \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}) \phi(v^{-1}x) dv. \end{aligned}$$

Up to this point, the integrals are absolutely convergent. By (2.8), we obtain

$$(2.11) \quad (\pi_o(\tilde{w})f)(x) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} \left(\int_{\mathbf{R}} f(y) \phi(vy) dy \right) \eta_v |v|^{s-1} \phi(v^{-1}x) dv.$$

This double integral does not converge absolutely hence some care is called for to interchange two integrals. We shall show that this is permissible so that

$$(2.12) \quad (\pi_o(\tilde{w})f)(x) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} \left(\int_{\mathbf{R}} \eta_v |v|^{s-1} \phi(vy + v^{-1}x) dv \right) f(y) dy,$$

where the inner integral is understood in the sense $\lim_{T \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{|v| \leq T}$. First, by (2.7) and (2.11), we have

$$(\pi_o(\tilde{w})f)(x) = \lim_{T \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{\mathbf{R}} \left(\int_{-T}^T \eta_v |v|^{s-1} \phi(vy + v^{-1}x) dv \right) f(y) dy.$$

Assume $y \neq 0$. The convergence of $\lim_{T \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{-T}^T \eta_v |v|^{s-1} \phi(vy) dv$ is well known and can easily be verified. The integral

$$(2.13) \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \eta_v |v|^{s-1} \phi(vy) (\phi(v^{-1}x) - 1) dv$$

is absolutely convergent. Hence

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{-T}^T \eta_v |v|^{s-1} \phi(vy + v^{-1}x) dv$$

exists. By the Lebesgue dominated convergence theorem, it suffices to show

$$\left| \left(\int_{-T}^T \eta_v |v|^{s-1} \phi(vy + v^{-1}x) dv \right) f(y) \right| \leq |H(y)|, \quad y \neq 0$$

with $H \in L^1(\mathbf{R})$ which is independent of T . In view of the absolute convergence of (2.13) and $f \in L^1(\mathbf{R})$, it suffices to show

$$(2.14) \quad \left| \left(\int_{-T}^T \eta_v |v|^{s-1} \phi(vy) dv \right) f(y) \right| \leq |H_1(y)|, \quad y \neq 0$$

with $H_1 \in L^1(\mathbf{R})$ independent of T . We recall a well known integration formula

$$(2.15) \quad \int_0^\infty v^{s-1} \exp(c\sqrt{-1}v) dv = \sqrt{\frac{a}{2\pi}} \frac{\Gamma(s)}{c^s} e^{s\pi\sqrt{-1}/2}, \quad c > 0.$$

(cf. [1], p. 420-421.) By (2.15), we see that

$$\left(\int_{-\infty}^\infty \eta_v |v|^{s-1} \phi(vy) dv \right) f(y) \in L^1(\mathbf{R}),$$

since $|y|^{-s}$ is locally integrable at $y=0$. If $T \leq |1/y|$, we have

$$\left| \int_{-T}^T \eta_v |v|^{s-1} \phi(vy) dv \right| \leq \frac{2}{\sigma} |y|^{-\sigma}.$$

If $T \geq |1/y|$, we have

$$\left| \int_{|v| \geq T} \eta_v |v|^{s-1} \phi(vy) dv \right| \leq CT^{\sigma-1} |y|^{-1} \leq C |y|^{-\sigma}$$

with a constant C which does not depend on T and y using integration by parts. This proves (2.14). Hence (2.12) is justified. Changing variables, we obtain

$$(2.16) \quad (\pi_o(\tilde{w})f)(x) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} \left(\int_{\mathbf{R}} \eta_{vy} |v|^{s-1} \phi(v+v^{-1}xy) dv \right) f(y) |y|^{-s} dy.$$

Put

$$(2.17) \quad G(x, y) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} \eta_{vy} |v|^{s-1} \phi(v+v^{-1}xy) dv, \quad x, y \in \mathbf{R}.$$

LEMMA 2.1. Let $s \in \mathbf{R}$, $0 < s < 1$. Put $\nu = -\nu_1^2$, $\nu_1 = \exp(\alpha\sqrt{-1}\pi)$, $0 < \alpha < 1$, i. e., $\alpha = 1/2n$ (resp. $\alpha = 1/2n + 1/2$) if $\nu = -\zeta_{2n}$ (resp. $\nu = \zeta_{2n}$). Then $G(x, y)$ equals

$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{2\pi a} \nu_1^{-1} \sqrt{-1} (xy)^{s/2} \left\{ \cos\left(\left(\frac{s}{2} + \alpha\right)\pi\right) J_s(2a(xy)^{1/2}) - \sin\left(\left(\frac{s}{2} + \alpha\right)\pi\right) N_s(2a(xy)^{1/2}) \right\}, \\ & - \sqrt{2\pi a} \nu_1^{-1} \sqrt{-1} (xy)^{s/2} \left\{ \cos\left(\left(\frac{s}{2} - \alpha\right)\pi\right) J_s(2a(xy)^{1/2}) - \sin\left(\left(\frac{s}{2} - \alpha\right)\pi\right) N_s(2a(xy)^{1/2}) \right\}, \\ & - \sqrt{\frac{a}{2\pi}} 4\nu_1^{-1} \sqrt{-1} |xy|^{s/2} \sin\left(\left(\frac{s}{2} - \alpha\right)\pi\right) K_s(2a|xy|^{1/2}), \\ & \sqrt{\frac{a}{2\pi}} 4\nu_1^{-1} \sqrt{-1} |xy|^{s/2} \sin\left(\left(\frac{s}{2} + \alpha\right)\pi\right) K_s(2a|xy|^{1/2}), \end{aligned}$$

according as the cases $x > 0, y > 0$; $x < 0, y < 0$; $x > 0, y < 0$; $x < 0, y > 0$ respec-

lively.

PROOF. We use the following integration formulas.⁽³⁾

$$(2.18) \quad \int_0^\infty v^{s-1} \exp\left(a\sqrt{-1}\left(v - \frac{b^2}{v}\right)\right) dv = \sqrt{\frac{a}{2\pi}} 2e^{s\pi\sqrt{-1}/2} b^s K_s(2ab), \quad a > 0, b > 0,$$

$$(2.19) \quad \int_0^\infty v^{s-1} \exp\left(a\sqrt{-1}\left(v + \frac{b^2}{v}\right)\right) dv \\ = \sqrt{\frac{a}{2\pi}} \pi e^{s\pi\sqrt{-1}/2} b^s [\sqrt{-1}J_s(2ab) - N_s(2ab)], \quad a > 0, b > 0,$$

in the standard notation of Bessel functions (cf. [1], p. 470). Since

$$G(x, y) = \eta_y \int_0^\infty v^{s-1} \exp\left(a\sqrt{-1}\left(v + \frac{xy}{v}\right)\right) dv + \eta_{-y} \int_0^\infty v^{s-1} \exp\left(a\sqrt{-1}\left(v + \frac{xy}{v}\right)\right) dv,$$

the assertion follows from (2.18) and (2.19) by simple computations.

COROLLARY 2.2. $G(x, y) = 0$ whenever $x > 0, y < 0$ if and only if $s = 1/n, \nu = -\zeta_{2n}$. In this choice of parameters, we have

$$G(x, y) = \sqrt{2\pi a} \zeta_{4n}^{-1} \sqrt{-1} (xy)^{1/2n} J_{-1/n}(2a(xy)^{1/2}) \quad \text{if } x > 0, y > 0.$$

§ 3. The intertwining operator and unitary structure.

For $\varphi \in PS(\chi)$, set

$$(3.1) \quad (T_w(\varphi))(g) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} \varphi(\tilde{w}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & u \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} g) du, \quad g \in \tilde{G}.$$

By (1.15), we get

$$(3.2) \quad \varphi(\tilde{w}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & u \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} g) = \eta_u |u|^{-s-1} \varphi\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ u^{-1} & 1 \end{pmatrix} g\right) \times \begin{cases} 1, & u > 0, \\ \zeta_n, & u < 0, \end{cases}$$

$$(3.3) \quad \varphi(\tilde{w}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & u \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} g) = O(|u|^{-\sigma-1}), \quad |u| \rightarrow \infty.$$

Therefore the integral (3.1) is absolutely convergent. Furthermore by (3.2), we see that differentiations under the integral is legitimate so that $T_w(\varphi)$ defines a C^∞ -function on \tilde{G} . By a direct computation, we find that $T_w(\varphi)$ obeys the transformation rule (2.3) with χ^{-1} in the place of χ . Hence we have $T_w(\varphi) \in PS(\chi^{-1})$. Thus we obtain an intertwining operator T_w from $PS(\chi)$ to $PS(\chi^{-1})$. Assume $s \in \mathbf{R}$, i. e., $0 < s < 1$. Then for $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in PS(\chi)$, we have

$$(T_w(\varphi_1))(bg) \overline{\varphi_2(bg)} = \delta(b) T_w(\varphi_1)(g) \overline{\varphi_2(g)} \quad \text{for every } b \in \tilde{B}, g \in \tilde{G}.$$

Therefore

$$(3.4) \quad \langle \varphi_1, \varphi_2 \rangle = \int_{\tilde{B} \setminus \tilde{G}} (T_w(\varphi_1))(g) \overline{\varphi_2(g)} dg, \quad \varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in PS(\mathcal{X})$$

defines an invariant sesqui-linear form on $PS(\mathcal{X})$. Here we choose the invariant measure dg on $\tilde{B} \setminus \tilde{G}$ so that

$$(3.5) \quad \langle \varphi_1, \varphi_2 \rangle = \int_{\mathbf{R}} (T_w(\varphi_1))(\tilde{w} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \tilde{u} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}) \overline{\varphi_2(\tilde{w} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \tilde{u} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix})} du$$

holds.

We are going to calculate the action of T_w on $\Phi = R(\varphi)$. Let $\varphi \in PS(\mathcal{X})$ and put $\Phi = R(\varphi)$, $\Psi = R(T_w(\varphi))$. By (1.16), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi(u) &= (T_w(\varphi))(\tilde{w} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \tilde{u} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} \varphi(\tilde{w}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \tilde{v} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}) \tilde{w} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \tilde{u} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} dv \\ &= \int_{\mathbf{R}} \eta_v^{-2} \rho_0(v^{-1}) |v|^{-1} \varphi(\tilde{w} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\tilde{v}^{-1} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \tilde{u} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} dv \\ &= \int_{\mathbf{R}} \eta_{-\tilde{v}}^{-1} |v|^{s-1} \varphi(\tilde{w} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \tilde{u} + v \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}) dv. \end{aligned}$$

Define a locally integrable function T on \mathbf{R} by

$$(3.6) \quad T(x) = \eta_{-x}^{-1} |x|^{s-1}.$$

The calculation above shows that

$$(3.7) \quad \Psi = \check{T} * \Phi,$$

where $\check{T}(x) = T(-x)$. The integral defining $\check{T} * \Phi$ is absolutely convergent by (2.5). Let $\varphi_i \in PS(\mathcal{X})$, $\Phi_i = R(\varphi_i)$, $i=1, 2$. By (3.5) and (3.7), we have

$$\langle \varphi_1, \varphi_2 \rangle = (\check{T} * \Phi_1)(\overline{\Phi_2}).$$

Put $\tilde{\Phi}_2(x) = \overline{\Phi_2(-x)}$, $x \in \mathbf{R}$ and regard T as a distribution on \mathbf{R} . Since $\Phi_1 * \tilde{\Phi}_2 \in L^1(\mathbf{R})$, the double integral defining $T(\Phi_1 * \tilde{\Phi}_2)$ is absolutely convergent. Hence we obtain⁽⁴⁾

$$(3.8) \quad \langle \varphi_1, \varphi_2 \rangle = T(\Phi_1 * \tilde{\Phi}_2) \quad \text{for } \varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in PS(\mathcal{X}).$$

The inverse Fourier transformation

$$(\mathcal{F}'T)(x) = \lim_{A \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{-A}^A T(y) \psi(xy) dy$$

of T can be calculated by (2.15) and we obtain

$$(3.9) \quad (\mathfrak{F}'T)(x) = -2\sqrt{-1}\nu_1\sqrt{\frac{a}{2\pi}}\Gamma(s)a^{-s}|x|^{-s} \times \begin{cases} \sin\left(\left(\frac{s}{2} + \alpha\right)\pi\right), & x > 0, \\ -\sin\left(\left(\frac{s}{2} - \alpha\right)\pi\right), & x < 0, \end{cases}$$

in the notation of Lemma 2.1. Put

$$f_i = \mathfrak{F}(\Phi_i), \quad i = 1, 2, \quad f = f_1\bar{f}_2, \quad \Phi = \Phi_1 * \tilde{\Phi}_2.$$

We have

$$\mathfrak{F}(\Phi) = \mathfrak{F}(\Phi_1)\overline{\mathfrak{F}(\Phi_2)} = f.$$

Since f is rapidly decreasing (cf. (2.7)), we have $\mathfrak{F}'(f) = \Phi$ by Fourier inversion. Hence we have

$$\begin{aligned} T(\mathfrak{F}'f) &= \lim_{A \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{-A}^A \left(\int_{\mathbf{R}} f(y)\phi(xy)dy \right) T(x)dx \\ &= \lim_{A \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{\mathbf{R}} \left(\int_{-A}^A T(x)\phi(xy)dx \right) f(y)dy. \end{aligned}$$

As in §2, we can apply the Lebesgue dominated convergence theorem and obtain $T(\mathfrak{F}'f) = (\mathfrak{F}'T)(f)$. Therefore we have shown

$$(3.10) \quad \langle \varphi_1, \varphi_2 \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\mathfrak{F}'T)(x) f_1(x) \overline{f_2(x)} dx.$$

Hereafter we choose $s = 1/n$, $\nu = -\zeta_{2n}$. We have

$$(3.11) \quad \langle \varphi_1, \varphi_2 \rangle = c_n \int_0^{\infty} f_1(x) \overline{f_2(x)} x^{-1/n} dx,$$

$$c_n = -2\sqrt{-1}\zeta_{4n} \sin \frac{\pi}{n} \sqrt{\frac{a}{2\pi}} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) a^{-1/n}.$$

Dropping the constant c_n , put

$$(3.12) \quad (\varphi_1, \varphi_2) = \int_0^{\infty} f_1(x) \overline{f_2(x)} x^{-1/n} dx.$$

Then (3.12) defines an invariant sesqui-linear form on $PS(\mathcal{X})$ such that $(\varphi, \varphi) \geq 0$ for every $\varphi \in PS(\mathcal{X})$. Therefore (3.12) is a positive semi-definite invariant hermitian form on $PS(\mathcal{X})$. Let V_n^+ be the space of all functions $f(x)$ on \mathbf{R}_+ such that $f(x) = f_1(x)$, $x > 0$ for some $f_1 \in V_n$. On V_n^+ , we introduce the norm

$$(3.13) \quad \|f\|_n = \left(\int_0^{\infty} |f(x)|^2 x^{-1/n} dx \right)^{1/2}.$$

Then V_n^+ is a pre-Hilbert space with respect to $\| \cdot \|_n$.

PROPOSITION 3.1. Let $f \in V_n^+$ and $g \in \tilde{G}$. Take any $f_1 \in V_n$ such that $f(x) = f_1(x)$, $x > 0$. Set

$$(\pi_1(g)f)(x) = (\pi_0(g)f_1)(x), \quad x > 0.$$

Then $\pi_1(g)$ is a well defined unitary operator on V_n^+ .

PROOF. Let $f_1 \in V_n$ and assume $f_1(x) = 0$ for all $x > 0$. The well-definedness follows if we can show

$$(\pi_0(g)f_1)(x) = 0 \quad \text{for all } x > 0.$$

This is clear for $g \in \tilde{N}$ by (2.9); for $g = \tilde{w}$, this follows from (2.16) and Corollary 2.2. Since \tilde{G} is generated by \tilde{N} and \tilde{w} , the general case follows. The unitarity of $\pi_1(g)$ is an obvious consequence of the invariance of the positive definite hermitian form (3.12) on V_n^+ . This completes the proof.

Let H_n be the Hilbert space of all measurable functions $f(x)$ on \mathbf{R}_+ such that

$$\|f\|_n^2 = \int_0^\infty |f(x)|^2 x^{-1/n} dx < \infty.$$

PROPOSITION 3.2. V_n^+ is a dense subspace of H_n .

PROOF. First we shall show $V_n^+ \neq \{0\}$. For an integer m such that $m \equiv n+1 \pmod{2n}$, define a function φ_m on \tilde{G} by

$$\varphi_m \left(\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & a^{-1} \end{pmatrix} r(\theta), \zeta \right) = a^{s+1} e^{\sqrt{-1}m\theta/n} y(r(\theta))^{-1} \zeta$$

for $a \in \mathbf{R}_+$, $b \in \mathbf{R}$, $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$, $\zeta \in \mu_n$. Then we can verify that φ_m transforms according to σ_m (cf. (1.10)) under the right action of \tilde{K} and that $\varphi_m \in PS(\chi)$. Put $\Phi_m = R(\varphi_m)$, $f_m = \mathfrak{F}(\Phi_m)$. By (1.12), we have

$$\Phi_m(u) = \zeta_n^{-1} (\sqrt{u^2+1})^{-s-1} e^{\sqrt{-1}m\theta/n}$$

with $\cos \theta = -u/\sqrt{u^2+1}$, $\sin \theta = -1/\sqrt{u^2+1}$, $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$. We have

$$e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta} = -(u + \sqrt{-1})^{1/2} / (u - \sqrt{-1})^{1/2}, \quad \sqrt{u^2+1} = (u + \sqrt{-1})^{1/2} (u - \sqrt{-1})^{1/2}$$

when we choose the branches so that

$$0 < \text{Arg}(\log(u + \sqrt{-1})) < \pi, \quad -\pi < \text{Arg}(\log(u - \sqrt{-1})) < 0$$

for $u \in \mathbf{R}$. Put $m = n+1+2nt$ with $t \in \mathbf{Z}$. Then we get

$$\Phi_m(u) = -\zeta_{2n}^{-1} (u + \sqrt{-1})^t (u - \sqrt{-1})^{-t-(n+1)/n}, \quad u \in \mathbf{R},$$

$$f_m(x) = -\zeta_{2n}^{-1} \int_{-\infty}^\infty (u + \sqrt{-1})^t (u - \sqrt{-1})^{-t-(n+1)/n} \exp(-\sqrt{-1}axu) du, \quad x \in \mathbf{R}.$$

For $R > 1$, consider the integration of $\Phi_m(u) \exp(-\sqrt{-1}axu)$ along the contour

R to $-R$ on the real line, $-R$ to R on the semi-circle C lying in the lower half plane, of radius R , the center at the origin. If $x > 0$, the integral on C tends to 0 as $R \rightarrow +\infty$. Therefore we obtain

$$(3.14) \quad f_m(x) = \sqrt{\frac{a}{2\pi}} 2\pi \sqrt{-1} \zeta_{2n}^{-1} \times \text{Residue of } (u + \sqrt{-1})^t (u - \sqrt{-1})^{-t - (n+1)/n} \\ \exp(-\sqrt{-1}axu) \text{ at } u = -\sqrt{-1}, \quad x > 0.$$

From (3.14), we see immediately that

$$(3.15) \quad f_m(x) = 0 \quad \text{for all } x > 0 \text{ if } t \geq 0, \\ f_{-n+1}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{a}{2\pi}} 2\pi \sqrt{-1} \zeta_{4n}^{-1} 2^{-1/n} \exp(-ax), \quad x > 0, \\ f_m(x) = \sqrt{\frac{a}{2\pi}} \times \text{a polynomial of degree (precisely) } |t| - 1 \text{ of } ax \\ \times \exp(-ax), \quad x > 0, t < 0.$$

In particular, we obtain $V_n^+ \neq \{0\}$.

Let \bar{V}_n^+ be the closure of V_n^+ in H_n . Let $f \in V_n^+$, $f \neq 0$ and take any function $h \in H_n$ from the orthogonal complement of \bar{V}_n^+ in H_n . Put $f_1(x) = f(x)x^{-s/2}$, $h_1(x) = \overline{h(x)}x^{-s/2}$. Then $f_1, h_1 \in L^2(\mathbf{R}_+)$. Since $\phi(ux)f(ax) \in V_n^+$ for every $u \in \mathbf{R}$, $a \in \mathbf{R}_+^*$ by (2.9) and (2.10), we have

$$(3.16) \quad \int_0^\infty \phi(ux)f_1(ax)h_1(x)dx = 0 \quad \text{for every } u \in \mathbf{R}, a \in \mathbf{R}_+^*.$$

Fix $a > 0$ and put $F(x) = f_1(ax)h_1(x)$ for $x > 0$, $F(x) = 0$ for $x \leq 0$. Then $F \in L^1(\mathbf{R})$ and (3.16) implies $\mathcal{F}(F) = 0$. Hence $F = 0$ as a distribution which implies $F(x) = 0$ for almost all x . Since f_1 is continuous, we can find $0 < \alpha < \beta$ such that $f_1(x) \neq 0$ for all $x \in (\alpha, \beta)$. Then we have $h_1(x) = 0$ for almost all $x \in (a^{-1}\alpha, a^{-1}\beta)$. Since $\cup_{a \in \mathbf{Q}_+} (a^{-1}\alpha, a^{-1}\beta) = \mathbf{R}_+$, we obtain $h_1(x) = 0$ for almost all x . This implies $h = 0$ in H_n . Hence $\bar{V}_n^+ = H_n$ and this completes the proof.

REMARK 3.3. (1) Let $s = 1/n$, $\nu = -\zeta_{2n}$. By (3.11) and (3.15), we have $\varphi_m \in \text{Ker}(T_w)$, $m = n + 1 + 2nt$ if and only if $t \geq 0$. Hence $PS(\chi)$ is reducible. The \tilde{K} -type of π_1 is determined by (3.15).

(2) Let $\nu = -\zeta_{2n}$. We see by a similar argument as above that $PS(\chi)$ is irreducible for $0 < s < 1$, $s \neq 1/n$. We can also see by more argument using (3.9) and (3.10) that $PS(\chi)$ is unitarizable for $0 < s < 1/n$ but not unitarizable for $1/n < s < 1$.

By Proposition 3.2, π_1 extends to a unitary representation of \tilde{G} on H_n . We use the same letter π_1 for this representation. By (3.4), we see easily that $g \rightarrow \pi_1(g)f$ is a continuous map from \tilde{G} to H_n for fixed $f \in H_n$. Hence π_1 is a

continuous unitary representation of \tilde{G} on H_n (cf. Warner [7], p. 219, p. 237, Proposition 4.2.2.1).

PROPOSITION 3.4. *There exists a unique irreducible unitary representation π_1 of \tilde{G} on H_n which satisfies the following conditions for $f \in H_n$.*

$$(1) \quad (\pi_1(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \tilde{b} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix})f)(x) = \phi(bx)f(x), \quad b \in \mathbf{R}, x \in \mathbf{R}_+.$$

$$(2) \quad (\pi_1(\begin{pmatrix} a & \tilde{0} \\ 0 & a^{-1} \end{pmatrix})f)(x) = \eta_a |a|^{1-1/n} f(a^2x), \quad a \in \mathbf{R}^\times, x \in \mathbf{R}_+.$$

$$(3) \quad (\pi_1(\tilde{w})f)(x) = \lim_{T \rightarrow +\infty} \int_0^T k(xy)f(y)y^{-1/n} dy, \quad x \in \mathbf{R}_+,$$

where

$$k(z) = \sqrt{2\pi a} \zeta_{4n}^{-1} \sqrt{-1} z^{1/2n} J_{-1/n}(2az^{1/2}), \quad z > 0.$$

PROOF. The formulas (1) and (2) follow from (2.9) and (2.10) respectively. By the well known asymptotic formula

$$(3.17) \quad J_\nu(z) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi z}} \cos\left(z - \frac{\nu\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) + O(|z|^{-3/2}), \quad \Re(\nu) > -\frac{1}{2},$$

for $|z| \rightarrow \infty$ satisfying $-\pi + \delta \leq \text{Arg}(z) \leq \pi$ for fixed $0 < \delta < \pi/2$ (cf. [8], p. 197-199), we see that⁽⁵⁾

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow +\infty} \int_0^T k(xy)f(y)y^{-1/n} dy = 2 \lim_{T \rightarrow +\infty} \int_0^T k(xy^2)f(y^2)y^{1-2/n} dy$$

exists for almost all $x \in \mathbf{R}_+$, since $f(y^2)y^{1/2-1/n} \in L^2(\mathbf{R}_+)$. By (2.16) and Corollary 2.2, this coincides with the action of $\pi_1(\tilde{w})$ for $f \in V_n^+$. By Proposition 3.2 and (3.17), we see that this fact holds also for $f \in H_n$ by a standard theorem on the Fourier transformation of L^2 -functions.

What remains to be shown is the irreducibility of π_1 . Let $V \neq \{0\}$ be a closed invariant subspace of H_n and let W be the orthogonal complement of V . Take $f \in V, f \neq 0$. Choose $\alpha \in C_c^\infty(\mathbf{R}_+)$ and consider the multiplicative convolution $f_0(x) = \int_0^\infty \alpha(t)f(tx)dt$. By (2), we have $f_0 \in V \cap C^\infty(\mathbf{R}_+)$. We can choose α so that $f_0 \neq 0$. Now by the same proof as in Proposition 3.2, we conclude $W = \{0\}$. Hence the irreducibility follows.

§ 4. Metaplectic representations of \tilde{G} .

Let \mathfrak{H}_n be the Hilbert space of all measurable functions F on \mathbf{R}_+ such that

$$\|F\| = \left(n \int_0^\infty |F(x)|^2 x^{n-2} dx \right)^{1/2} < \infty.$$

By the map $H_n \ni f(x) \rightarrow F(x) = f(x^n) \in \mathfrak{H}_n$, H_n and \mathfrak{H}_n are isomorphic as Hilbert spaces. We transport the representation π_1 of \tilde{G} on H_n to the representation $\tilde{\pi}$ of \tilde{G} on \mathfrak{H}_n . Then we obtain the following theorem.

THEOREM 4.1. *There exists a unique irreducible unitary representation $\tilde{\pi}$ of \tilde{G} on \mathfrak{H}_n which satisfies the following conditions for $F \in \mathfrak{H}_n$.*

- (1) $(\tilde{\pi}_1 \left(\begin{smallmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{smallmatrix} \right) F)(x) = \phi(bx^n)F(x), \quad b \in \mathbf{R}, x \in \mathbf{R}_+.$
- (2) $(\tilde{\pi} \left(\begin{smallmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & a^{-1} \end{smallmatrix} \right) F)(x) = \eta_a |a|^{1-1/n} F(|a|^{2/n}x), \quad a \in \mathbf{R}^\times, x \in \mathbf{R}_+.$
- (3) $(\tilde{\pi}(\tilde{w})F)(x) = \lim_{T \rightarrow +\infty} \int_0^T K(xy)F(y)y^{n-2}dy, \quad x \in \mathbf{R}_+.$

Here η_a is given by (2.2) with $\nu = -\zeta_{2n}$, $w = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and

$$K(z) = nk(z^n) = n\sqrt{2\pi a} \zeta_{4n}^{-1} \sqrt{-1} z^{1/2} J_{-1/n}(2az^{n/2}), \quad z > 0.$$

If $n=2$ and $a=\pi$, we have $K(z) = 2\sqrt{2}\zeta_8 \cos(2\pi z)$. Noting dy in (3) is $\sqrt{1/2}$ times the usual Lebesgue measure, we see that $\tilde{\pi}$ coincides with the usual Weil representation realized on even functions in $L^2(\mathbf{R})$.

§ 5. Metaplectic representations of $SL(2, \mathbf{C})$.

The construction of metaplectic representations of $SL(2, \mathbf{C})$ can be carried out in a similar manner as in the case $SL(2, \mathbf{R})$. Since $SL(2, \mathbf{C})$ is simply connected, its algebraic part is quite simple though analytic part is somewhat more complex.

Let $G = SL(2, \mathbf{C})$ and define subgroups T, B, N of G as in § 1 with \mathbf{C} (resp. \mathbf{C}^\times) in the place of \mathbf{R} (resp. \mathbf{R}^\times). For simplicity, we fix an additive character ϕ of \mathbf{C} so that $\phi(z) = \exp(\pi\sqrt{-1}(z+\bar{z}))$. Then the usual Lebesgue measure $dx dy$ for $z = x + \sqrt{-1}y$, $x, y \in \mathbf{R}$ is the self-dual measure with respect to the self-duality $\langle x, y \rangle = \phi(xy)$ of \mathbf{C} . We denote this measure simply by dz since no confusion is likely. Set

$$\delta \left(\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & a^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \right) = |a|^4, \quad a \in \mathbf{C}^\times, b \in \mathbf{C},$$

which is the modular function of B . For a quasi-character χ of \mathbf{C}^\times , let $PS(\chi)$ denote the space of all C^∞ -functions φ on G which satisfy

$$(5.1) \quad \varphi(tng) = \delta(t)^{1/2} \chi(t) \varphi(g) \quad \text{for all } t \in T, n \in N, g \in G.$$

Let $\pi(\chi)$ denote the representation of G realized on $PS(\chi)$ by right translations.

For $\varphi \in PS(\mathcal{X})$, let $\Phi = R(\varphi)$ denote the C^∞ -function on \mathbf{C} defined by

$$(5.2) \quad \Phi(u) = \varphi(w \begin{pmatrix} 1 & u \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}), \quad u \in \mathbf{C},$$

where $w = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$. We take χ so that

$$\chi(a) = |a|^s, \quad a \in \mathbf{C}^\times$$

with $s \in \mathbf{C}$, $0 < \sigma = \Re(s) < 3/2$. By

$$\Phi(u) = |u|^{-s-2} \varphi \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ u^{-1} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right), \quad u \in \mathbf{C}^\times,$$

we obtain

$$(5.3) \quad (\partial/\partial u_1)^{m_1} (\partial/\partial u_2)^{m_2} \Phi(u_1 + \sqrt{-1}u_2) = O(|u|^{-\sigma-2}), \quad |u| \rightarrow \infty$$

for $m_1, m_2 \geq 0$, $u = u_1 + \sqrt{-1}u_2$, $u_1, u_2 \in \mathbf{R}$. Put $f = \mathcal{F}(\Phi)$, that is

$$(5.4) \quad f(x) = \int_{\mathbf{C}} \varphi(w \begin{pmatrix} 1 & u \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}) \overline{\varphi(ux)} du, \quad x \in \mathbf{C}.$$

By (5.3), f is a continuous function on \mathbf{C} which satisfies

$$(5.5) \quad f(x) = O(|x|^{-N}), \quad |x| \rightarrow \infty \text{ for every } N > 0.$$

Hence we have $\Phi = \mathcal{F}'(f)$, i. e.,

$$(5.6) \quad \varphi(w \begin{pmatrix} 1 & u \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}) = \int_{\mathbf{C}} f(x) \phi(ux) dx, \quad u \in \mathbf{C}.$$

Let V_s denote the vector space

$$\{f \mid f = \mathcal{F}(R(\varphi)) \text{ for some } \varphi \in PS(\mathcal{X})\}.$$

Since R is injective, we can transport the representation $\pi(\mathcal{X})$ to the representation π_s of G on V_s . By (5.4), we immediately obtain

$$(5.7) \quad (\pi_s \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) f)(x) = \phi(bx) f(x), \quad b \in \mathbf{C}, x \in \mathbf{C},$$

$$(5.8) \quad (\pi_s \left(\begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & a^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \right) f)(x) = |a|^{2-s} f(a^2 x), \quad a \in \mathbf{C}^\times, x \in \mathbf{C}$$

for $f \in V_s$. We can compute the action of $\pi_s(w)$ on $f \in V_s$ as in the real case and obtain

$$(5.9) \quad (\pi_s(w)f)(x) = \int_{\mathbf{C}} \left(\int_{\mathbf{C}} f(y) \phi(vy) dy \right) |v|^{s-2} \phi(v^{-1}x) dv.$$

Hence we have

$$(5.10) \quad (\pi_s(w)f)(x) = \lim_{T \rightarrow +\infty} \int_C \left(\int_{|v| \leq T} |v|^{s-2} \phi(vy + v^{-1}x) dv \right) f(y) dy.$$

To justify the interchange of the limit and the integral, let us first consider the integral

$$I_T = \int_{|v| \leq T} |v|^{s-2} \phi(vy) dv.$$

Using the polar coordinate, put

$$(5.11) \quad v = \rho e^{\sqrt{-1}\phi}, \quad y = r e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta}, \quad 0 \leq \rho, \quad 0 < r, \quad 0 \leq \phi, \quad \theta < 2\pi.$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_T &= \int_0^T \int_0^{2\pi} \rho^{s-1} \exp(2\pi\sqrt{-1}r\rho \cos(\theta + \phi)) d\phi d\rho \\ &= 2\pi \int_0^T \rho^{s-1} J_0(2\pi r\rho) d\rho = 2\pi r^{-s} \int_0^{rT} x^{s-1} J_0(2\pi x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

Here we have used an integration formula

$$(5.12) \quad \int_0^\pi \exp(\sqrt{-1}z \cos \theta) \cos n\theta d\theta = (\sqrt{-1})^n \pi J_n(z), \quad n \in \mathbf{Z},$$

(cf. [1], p. 482). By the asymptotic formula (3.17), we see that $\left| \int_0^{rT} x^{s-1} J_0(2\pi x) dx \right| \leq C$ with a constant C independent of r, T . We have

$$(5.13) \quad \int_0^\infty x^\mu J_0(ax) dx = 2^\mu a^{-\mu-1} \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\mu\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\mu\right)}, \quad a > 0, \quad -1 < \Re(\mu) < 1/2.$$

(cf. [1], p. 684.) Hence we obtain

$$(5.14) \quad \lim_{T \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{|v| \leq T} |v|^{s-2} \phi(vy) dv = \pi^{1-s} \frac{\Gamma(s/2)}{\Gamma(1-s/2)} |y|^{-s}.$$

Since $|I_T| \leq 2\pi C |y|^{-\sigma}$ and $|y|^{-\sigma} f(y) \in L^1(C)$, it suffices to show the existence of $H \in L^1(C)$ such that

$$(5.15) \quad \left| \left(\int_{|v| \leq T} |v|^{s-2} \phi(vy) (\phi(v^{-1}x) - 1) dv \right) f(y) \right| \leq |H(y)|, \quad y \neq 0,$$

and also the existence of the limit

$$(5.16) \quad \lim_{T \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{|v| \leq T} |v|^{s-2} \phi(vy) (\phi(v^{-1}x) - 1) dv, \quad y \neq 0.$$

We have $|\phi(v^{-1}x) - 1| \leq c_1/|v|$, $|v| \geq 1$ with some constant c_1 . If $\sigma < 1$, the integral $\int_{|v| \geq 1} |v|^{s-3} dv$ is absolutely convergent. Hence we obtain (5.15) and (5.16).

If $1 \leq \sigma < 3/2$, we take the first order term of the expansion of $\phi(v^{-1}x) - 1$ in v^{-1} and \bar{v}^{-1} into consideration. Using the polar coordinate (5.11), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{T_1 \leq |v| \leq T_2} |v|^{s-2} v^{-1} \phi(vy) dv &= \int_{T_1}^{T_2} \int_0^{2\pi} \rho^{s-2} e^{-\sqrt{-1}\phi} \exp(2\pi\sqrt{-1}r\rho \cos(\theta + \phi)) d\phi d\rho \\ &= 2\pi\sqrt{-1} e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta} r^{-s+1} \int_{rT_1}^{rT_2} x^{s-2} J_1(2\pi x) dx \end{aligned}$$

by (5.12). Similarly we obtain

$$\int_{T_1 \leq |v| \leq T_2} |v|^{s-2} \bar{v}^{-1} \phi(vy) dv = 2\pi\sqrt{-1} e^{-\sqrt{-1}\theta} r^{-s+1} \int_{rT_1}^{rT_2} x^{s-2} J_1(2\pi x) dx.$$

By the asymptotic formula (3.17) for J_1 , we see that the integral $\int_1^\infty x^{s-2} J_1(2\pi x) dx$ is absolutely convergent. This proves the existence of the limit (5.16). If $\sigma > 1$, $x^{s-2} J_1(2\pi x)$ is locally integrable at $x=0$ and this proves (5.15). If $\sigma=1$, we have

$$\left| \int_A^1 x^{s-2} J_1(2\pi x) dx \right| = O(|\log A|), \quad A \rightarrow +0.$$

Since $f(y)|y|^{-s+1} \log|y|$ is integrable, (5.15) follows. Therefore we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (\pi_s(w)f)(x) &= \int_{\mathcal{C}} \lim_{T \rightarrow +\infty} \left(\int_{|v| \leq T} |v|^{s-2} \phi(vy + v^{-1}x) dv \right) f(y) dy \\ (5.17) \quad &= \int_{\mathcal{C}} \lim_{T \rightarrow +\infty} \left(\int_{|v| \leq T} |v|^{s-2} \phi(v + v^{-1}xy) dv \right) f(y) |y|^{-s} dy. \end{aligned}$$

Put

$$(5.18) \quad k(z) = \lim_{T \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{|v| \leq T} |v|^{s-2} \phi(v + v^{-1}z) dv, \quad z \in \mathcal{C}.$$

LEMMA 5.1. We have, for $s \in \mathbf{R}$, $0 < s < 3/2$,

$$\begin{aligned} k(z) &= -\pi^2 |z|^{s/2} \Im(e^{\sqrt{-1}s\pi/2} H_{s/2}^{(1)}(2\pi z^{1/2}) H_{s/2}^{(1)}(2\pi \bar{z}^{1/2})) \\ &= \frac{\pi^2}{\sin(s\pi/2)} |z|^{s/2} (|J_{-s/2}(2\pi z^{1/2})|^2 - |J_{s/2}(2\pi z^{1/2})|^2), \quad z \in \mathcal{C}. \end{aligned}$$

PROOF. Set $z = r e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta}$, $v = \rho e^{\sqrt{-1}\phi}$ in the polar coordinate. Here we choose θ so that $-\pi < \theta \leq \pi$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{|v| \leq T} |v|^{s-2} \phi(v + v^{-1}z) dv &= \int_0^T \int_0^{2\pi} \rho^{s-1} \exp(2\pi\sqrt{-1}(\rho \cos \phi + \frac{r}{\rho} \cos(\phi - \theta))) d\phi d\rho \\ &= 2\pi \int_0^T \rho^{s-1} J_0\left(2\pi\sqrt{\rho^2 + \left(\frac{r}{\rho}\right)^2 + 2r \cos \theta}\right) d\rho \\ &= 2\pi r^{s/2} \int_0^{T/\sqrt{r}} \rho^{s-1} J_0\left(2\pi\sqrt{r}\sqrt{\rho^2 + \left(\frac{1}{\rho}\right)^2 + 2 \cos \theta}\right) d\rho \end{aligned}$$

by (5.12). Hence it suffices to show

$$(5.19) \quad \int_0^\infty v^{s-1} H_0^{(1)}\left(a\sqrt{v^2 + \frac{1}{v^2} + 2\cos\theta}\right) dv \\ = \frac{\pi\sqrt{-1}}{2} e^{\sqrt{-1}s\pi/2} H_{s/2}^{(1)}(ae^{\sqrt{-1}\theta/2}) H_{s/2}^{(1)}(ae^{-\sqrt{-1}\theta/2}), \quad a > 0, \quad -\pi < \theta \leq \pi.$$

We employ an integral representation for Hankel functions (cf. [1], p. 956).

$$(5.20) \quad H_\nu^{(1)}(z) = -\frac{\sqrt{-1}}{\pi} e^{-\sqrt{-1}\nu\pi/2} \int_0^\infty \exp\left[\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{-1}z\left(t + \frac{1}{t}\right)\right] t^{-\nu-1} dt, \quad \nu \in \mathbb{C}, \quad \Im z > 0.$$

Take $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}, \Im\alpha > 0, \Im\beta > 0$. By (5.20), we have

$$H_\nu^{(1)}(\alpha) H_\nu^{(1)}(\beta) \\ = -\frac{1}{\pi^2} e^{-\sqrt{-1}\nu\pi} \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \exp\left[\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{-1}\alpha\left(t + \frac{1}{t}\right) + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{-1}\beta\left(u + \frac{1}{u}\right)\right] t^{-\nu-1} u^{-\nu-1} dt du$$

with the absolutely convergent double integral. Changing variables so that $v = \sqrt{tu}, w = \sqrt{t/u}$, we obtain

$$(5.21) \quad H_\nu^{(1)}(\alpha) H_\nu^{(1)}(\beta) = -\frac{2}{\pi^2} e^{-\sqrt{-1}\nu\pi} \\ \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \exp\left[\frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2}\left\{\left(\alpha v + \frac{\beta}{v}\right)w + \left(\frac{\alpha}{v} + \beta v\right)w^{-1}\right\}\right] w^{-1} v^{-2\nu-1} dw dv.$$

Let I denote the inner integral of (5.21). Assume $|\alpha| = |\beta|$ and set

$$\alpha = \rho e^{\sqrt{-1}\phi_1}, \quad \beta = \rho e^{\sqrt{-1}\phi_2} \quad \text{with } \rho > 0, \quad 0 < \phi_1, \phi_2 < \pi.$$

Then we find

$$(5.22) \quad I = \int_0^\infty \exp\left[\frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2} \rho \rho_1 e^{\sqrt{-1}(\phi_1 + \phi_2)/2} \{e^{\sqrt{-1}\eta} w + e^{-\sqrt{-1}\eta} w^{-1}\}\right] w^{-1} dw,$$

where ρ_1 and $\eta, -\pi < \eta \leq \pi$, are determined by

$$\rho_1 = \sqrt{v^2 + \frac{1}{v^2} + 2\cos(\phi_1 - \phi_2)}, \\ \rho_1 \cos \eta = \cos \frac{\phi_1 - \phi_2}{2} \left(v + \frac{1}{v}\right), \quad \rho_1 \sin \eta = \sin \frac{\phi_1 - \phi_2}{2} \left(v - \frac{1}{v}\right).$$

Since

$$-\pi/2 < \eta < \pi/2, \quad 0 < \frac{\phi_1 - \phi_2}{2} \pm \eta < \pi$$

for $v > 0$, we see easily that the path of integration in (5.22) can be altered to $\int_0^{e^{-\sqrt{-1}\eta(+\infty)}}$. Then, by (5.20), we get

$$I = \sqrt{-1}\pi H_0^{(1)}(\rho\rho_1 e^{\sqrt{-1}(\phi_1+\phi_2)/2}).$$

Hence we have

$$H_\nu^{(1)}(\alpha)H_\nu^{(1)}(\beta) = -\frac{2\sqrt{-1}}{\pi}e^{-\sqrt{-1}\nu\pi} \int_0^\infty v^{-2\nu-1}H_0^{(1)}\left(|\alpha|e^{\sqrt{-1}(\phi_1+\phi_2)/2}\sqrt{v^2+\frac{1}{v^2}+2\cos(\phi_1-\phi_2)}\right)dv.$$

Changing the variable v to v^{-1} and putting $\nu=s/2$, we obtain the formula⁽⁶⁾

$$(5.23) \quad \int_0^\infty v^{s-1}H_0^{(1)}\left(\sqrt{\alpha^2+\beta^2+\alpha\beta\left(v^2+\frac{1}{v^2}\right)}\right)dv = \frac{\pi\sqrt{-1}}{2}e^{\sqrt{-1}s\pi/2}H_{s/2}^{(1)}(\alpha)H_{s/2}^{(1)}(\beta).$$

This formula holds whenever $\Im(\alpha)>0, \Im(\beta)>0, |\alpha|=|\beta|$ for arbitrary $s\in\mathbf{C}$ when $\sqrt{}$ is taken to have positive imaginary part. Recall the asymptotic formula

$$(5.24) \quad H_\nu^{(1)}(z) = \left(\frac{2}{\pi z}\right)^{1/2} \exp\left(\sqrt{-1}\left(z-\frac{\nu\pi}{2}-\frac{\pi}{4}\right)\right)[1+O(|z|^{-1})], \quad \Re(\nu) > -\frac{1}{2}$$

when $|z|\rightarrow\infty$ satisfying $-\pi+\delta\leq\text{Arg}(z)\leq\pi$ for fixed $0<\delta<\pi/2$. We see that the integral (5.23) is absolutely convergent and defines an analytic function of two variables α and β in the domain $0<\text{Arg}(\alpha+\beta)<\pi/2, \Im(\alpha\beta)>0$ when $\sqrt{}$ is taken to have positive imaginary part. Hence (5.23) holds in this domain by analytic continuation. If $0<\Re(s)<3/2$, we see, by continuity, that (5.23) holds also for the domain $0\leq\text{Arg}(\alpha+\beta)\leq\pi/2, \Im(\alpha\beta)\geq 0, \alpha\beta\neq 0$ if $\sqrt{}$ is taken to have non-negative real and imaginary parts. Putting $\alpha=ae^{\sqrt{-1}\theta/2}, \beta=ae^{-\sqrt{-1}\theta/2}$, we obtain (5.19). This completes the proof.

For $\varphi\in PS(\mathcal{X})$, set

$$(5.25) \quad (T_w(\varphi))(g) = \int_{\mathbf{C}} \varphi(w^{-1}\begin{pmatrix} 1 & u \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}g)du, \quad g\in G.$$

This integral is absolutely convergent. As in the real case, we see that $T_w(\varphi)\in PS(\mathcal{X}^{-1})$ and that T_w defines an intertwining operator from $PS(\mathcal{X})$ to $PS(\mathcal{X}^{-1})$. Assume $s\in\mathbf{R}$, i. e., $0<s<3/2$. Set

$$(5.26) \quad \langle\varphi_1, \varphi_2\rangle = \int_{B\setminus G} (T_w(\varphi_1))(g)\overline{\varphi_2(g)}dg, \quad \varphi_1, \varphi_2\in PS(\mathcal{X}).$$

Here we have normalized the invariant measure dg on $B\setminus G$ so that

$$(5.27) \quad \langle\varphi_1, \varphi_2\rangle = \int_{\mathbf{C}} (T_w(\varphi_1))(w\begin{pmatrix} 1 & u \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix})\overline{\varphi_2(w\begin{pmatrix} 1 & u \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix})}du.$$

Then we have

$$(T_w(\varphi))(w\begin{pmatrix} 1 & u \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}) = \int_{\mathbf{C}} |v|^{s-2} \varphi(w\begin{pmatrix} 1 & u+v \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}) dv, \quad u \in \mathbf{C}.$$

Define a locally integrable function T on \mathbf{C} by

$$(5.28) \quad T(x) = |x|^{s-2}, \quad x \in \mathbf{C}.$$

Then we get

$$R(T_w(\varphi)) = \check{T} * \Phi, \quad \Phi = R(\varphi) \quad \text{for } \varphi \in PS(\mathcal{X}).$$

Now it follows immediately that

$$(5.29) \quad \langle \varphi_1, \varphi_2 \rangle = T(\Phi_1 * \check{\Phi}_2) \quad \text{for } \varphi_i \in PS(\mathcal{X}), \Phi_i = R(\varphi_i), i=1, 2.$$

Let

$$(\mathfrak{F}'T)(x) = \lim_{A \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{|y| \leq A} T(y) \psi(xy) dy$$

be the inverse Fourier transformation of T . We have

$$(5.30) \quad (\mathfrak{F}'T)(x) = \pi^{1-s} \frac{\Gamma(s/2)}{\Gamma(1-s/2)} |x|^{-s}$$

by (5.14). When transferred to the Fourier transformation, (5.29) yields

$$(5.31) \quad \langle \varphi_1, \varphi_2 \rangle = c_s \int_{\mathbf{C}} f_1(x) \overline{f_2(x)} |x|^{-s} dx, \quad \varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in PS(\mathcal{X}),$$

where $c_s = \pi^{1-s} \Gamma(s/2) / \Gamma(1-s/2)$, $f_i = \mathfrak{F}(\Phi_i)$, $\Phi_i = R(\varphi_i)$, $i=1, 2$. Dropping the constant c_s , put

$$(5.32) \quad (\varphi_1, \varphi_2) = \int_{\mathbf{C}} f_1(x) \overline{f_2(x)} |x|^{-s} dx.$$

Then (5.32) defines an invariant positive definite hermitian form on $PS(\mathcal{X})$. Let H_s denote the Hilbert space with the norm $\| \cdot \|_s$ of all measurable functions $f(x)$ on \mathbf{C} such that

$$\|f\|_s^2 = \int_{\mathbf{C}} |f(x)|^2 |x|^{-s} dx < \infty.$$

As in Proposition 3.2, we see that V_s is a dense subspace of H_s (the fact $V_s \neq \{0\}$ is trivial in this case). Hence π_s extends to a unitary representation of G on H_s which we denote by the same symbol π_s . We see that π_s is continuous and irreducible as in the real case. Summing up, we have obtained:

PROPOSITION 5.2. *For every real number s , $0 < s < 3/2$, there exists a unique irreducible unitary representation π_s of G on H_s which satisfies the following conditions for every $f \in H_s$.*

$$(1) \quad (\pi_s(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix})f)(x) = \phi(bx)f(x), \quad b \in \mathbf{C}, x \in \mathbf{C}.$$

$$(2) \quad (\pi_s(\begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & a^{-1} \end{pmatrix})f)(x) = |a|^{2-s}f(a^2x), \quad a \in \mathbf{C}^\times, x \in \mathbf{C}.$$

$$(3) \quad (\pi_s(w)f)(x) = \lim_{T \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{|y| \leq T} k(xy)f(y)|y|^{-s}dy, \quad x \in \mathbf{C}.$$

where

$$k(z) = \frac{\pi^2}{\sin(s\pi/2)} |z|^{s/2} (|J_{-s/2}(2\pi z^{1/2})|^2 - |J_{s/2}(2\pi z^{1/2})|^2), \quad z \in \mathbf{C}.$$

We remark that (3) can be shown in a similar manner as in the real case using (5.24) and the first expression of $k(z)$ given in Lemma 5.1.

Let \mathfrak{H}_s be the Hilbert space with the norm $\|\cdot\|_{(s)}$ of all measurable functions F on \mathbf{C} such that

$$F(\zeta_n x) = F(x), \quad x \in \mathbf{C}, \quad \|F\|_{(s)} = (n \int_{\mathbf{C}} |F(x)|^2 |x|^{2n-2-ns} dx)^{1/2} < \infty.$$

By the map $H_s \ni f(x) \rightarrow F(x) = f(x^n) \in \mathfrak{H}_s$, H_s and \mathfrak{H}_s are isomorphic as Hilbert spaces. We transport the representation π_s of G on H_s to the representation $\tilde{\pi}_s$ of G on \mathfrak{H}_s . Then we obtain the following theorem.

THEOREM 5.3. *For every real number s , $0 < s < 3/2$ and a natural number n , there exists a unique irreducible unitary representation $\tilde{\pi}_s$ of G on \mathfrak{H}_s which satisfies the following conditions for every $F \in \mathfrak{H}_s$.*

$$(1) \quad (\tilde{\pi}_s(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix})F)(x) = \phi(bx^n)F(x), \quad b \in \mathbf{C}, x \in \mathbf{C}.$$

$$(2) \quad (\tilde{\pi}_s(\begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & a^{-1} \end{pmatrix})F)(x) = |a|^{2-s}F(a^{2/n}x), \quad a \in \mathbf{C}^\times, x \in \mathbf{C}.$$

$$(3) \quad (\tilde{\pi}_s(w)F)(x) = \lim_{T \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{|y| \leq T} K(xy)F(y)|y|^{2n-2-ns}dy, \quad x \in \mathbf{C},$$

$$\text{where } w = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$K(z) = nk(z^n) = \frac{n\pi^2}{\sin(s\pi/2)} |z|^{ns/2} (|J_{-s/2}(2\pi z^{n/2})|^2 - |J_{s/2}(2\pi z^{n/2})|^2), \quad z \in \mathbf{C}.$$

If $s=2/n$, the representation $\tilde{\pi}_s$ coincides with the Weil type representation constructed in Kubota [3].

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Notes

- (1) This simple observation must have been noticed by specialists. The author himself had this idea long time ago.
- (2) It is probable that we can compute the cocycle also for non-archimedean local fields by Shimura's method using an analogue of the complex upper half plane; the same idea may apply to some higher dimensional cases.
- (3) These formulas can be summarized by a single formula

$$\int_0^\infty v^{s-1} \exp\left(a\sqrt{-1}\left(v + \frac{b^2}{v}\right)\right) dv = \sqrt{\frac{a}{2\pi}} \pi \sqrt{-1} e^{s\pi\sqrt{-1}/2} b^s H_s^{(1)}(2ab),$$

$$a > 0, 0 \leq \arg b \leq \pi/2, 0 < s < 1$$

involving the Hankel function $H_s^{(1)}$, which can be derived from (5.20).

- (4) A similar inner product formula for p -adic groups of higher rank is considered by the author [11].
- (5) If $\nu = -1/2$, (3.17) holds as the identity without the O -term. We also note that $k(|z|)$ is continuous on \mathbf{R} .
- (6) This formula may be derived from [1], p. 722, 6.648. But we think it better to give a proof here.

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