

Irreducible cuspidal representations III (and some Fourier analysis)

As usual, we let F be a non-Archimedean local field with valuation ring \mathcal{O}_F and maximal ideal \mathfrak{p} . We set $k = \mathcal{O}_F/\mathfrak{p}$ and we write $p = \text{char } k$, $q = \#\mathfrak{p}$. Moreover, $U_F := \mathcal{O}_F^\times$ and $U_F^n = 1 + \mathfrak{p}^n$ for $n \geq 1$. We also set $G = GL_2(F)$.

Let us first recall some results from the previous talk.

We have defined what is a "stratum" of G , namely a triple (α, n, χ) where α is a chain order in $A = \text{End}_F(F^2)$, $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, $\chi \in \mathfrak{p}^{*n}$ for $\mathfrak{p} = \text{rad } A$.

We have classified cuspidal representations of G according to the strata they contain. By the exhaustion theorem, a representation π of G such that $l(\pi) \leq l(\pi_\chi)$ for all $\chi \in \hat{F}^*$ is cuspidal if and only if

- 1) $l(\pi) = 0$ and π contains a representation of $U_m \cong GL_2(\mathcal{O}_F)$ inflated from an irreducible cuspidal representation of $GL_2(k)$, or
- 2) $l(\pi) > 0$ and π contains a simple stratum

Using this, we have built up a bijection

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{Conjugacy classes of} \\ \text{cuspidal types} \end{array} \right\} & \longrightarrow & \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{Isomorphism classes of} \\ \text{irreducible cuspidal repr.} \end{array} \right\} \\ (\alpha, \chi, \Lambda) & \longmapsto & c\text{-}\operatorname{Ind}_{\mathcal{O}}^G \Lambda \end{array}$$

Moreover, we have also seen that for a simple stratum (α, n, χ) the element α is minimal over F , and thus gives a quadratic extension $E = F[\alpha]$ of F .

Goal: We wish to extend the map above to a bijection

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{pairs } (E/F, \chi) \text{ where} \\ \rightarrow E/F \text{ quadratic ext.} \\ \rightarrow \chi \text{ character of } E^\times \\ \text{such that ...} \end{array} \right\} \longrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{conjugacy classes} \\ \text{of cuspidal types} \end{array} \right\} \longrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{Irr. classes of irreduc.} \\ \text{cusp. repr. of } G \end{array} \right\}$$

First, we need to explain what pairs $(E/F, \chi)$ should appear.

Second, we need to construct a cuspidal type out of these pairs.

§1. Admissible pairs

We start by recalling some facts about tame extensions.

As in the previous talk, we fix a character ψ of F of level one.

Def: Let E/F be a field extension. E/F is said to be "tameley ramified" if $p \nmid e(E/F)$, "wildly ramified" otherwise.

Fact: E/F is tamely ramified if and only if $\text{Tr}_{E/F}(\mathcal{O}_E) = \mathcal{O}_F$.

In particular, if $p \neq 2$ then every quadratic field extension E/F is tamely ramified. This is the case that we will mainly focus on.

We list some known properties of tame extensions.

Lemma 1: Let E/F be a tamely ramified field extension and set $e = e(E/F)$.

1) For $r \in \mathbb{Z}$, $\text{Tr}_{E/F}(\mathfrak{p}_E^{1+r}) = \mathfrak{p}^{\lceil \frac{1+r}{e} \rceil} = \mathfrak{p}_E^{1+r} \cap F$;

2) For $m \geq 1$, the norm map $N_{E/F}$ induces an isomorphism

$$\mathcal{U}_E^{em}/\mathcal{U}_E^{em+1} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{U}_F^m/\mathcal{U}_F^{m+1} \text{ which satisfies}$$

$$N_{E/F}(1+x) \equiv 1 + \text{Tr}_{E/F}(x) \pmod{\mathfrak{p}^{m+1}} \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathfrak{p}_E^{em}.$$

3) The norm $N_{E/F}$ induces a map $\mathcal{U}_E/\mathcal{U}_E^1 \rightarrow \mathcal{U}_F/\mathcal{U}_F^1$ which is surjective if E/F is unramified, and has kernel and cokernel of order $\gcd(e, q-1)$ if E/F is totally ramified.

For a tamely ramified extension E/F , we set $\psi_E = \psi \circ \text{Tr}_{E/F}$.

Proposition 2: 1) The character ψ_E has level one.

2) Let $\chi \in \widehat{F^\times}$ be of level $m \geq 1$ and set $\chi_E = \chi \circ N_{E/F}$.

Then χ_E has level em . If $c \in \mathfrak{p}^{-m}$ satisfies $\chi(1+x) = \psi(cx)$ for all $x \in \mathfrak{p}^{\lceil \frac{m+1}{e} \rceil + 1}$, then $\chi_E(1+y) = \psi_E(cy)$ for all $y \in \mathfrak{p}_E^{\lceil \frac{em}{e} \rceil + 1}$

Proof: 1) follows from part (1) of Lemma 1;

2) The first and the second assertion follow from (2) and (3) of Lemma 1.

Def: An "admissible pair" is a pair $(E/F, \chi)$ where E/F is a tamely ramified quadratic extension and χ is a character of E^\times , such that:

- 1) χ does not factor through the norm map $N_{E/F}: E^\times \rightarrow F^\times$, and
- 2) if $\chi|_{\mathcal{U}_E^1}$ factors through $N_{E/F}$, then E/F is unramified.

Two admissible pairs $(E/F, \chi)$ and $(E'/F, \chi')$ are said to be "F-isomorphic" if there is an F-isomorphism $j: E \rightarrow E'$ such that $\chi = \chi' \circ j$.

$P_2(F) := \{ \text{isomorphism classes of admissible pairs} \}$

For an admissible pair $(E/F, \chi)$ and a character φ of F^\times , the pair $(E/F, \chi \otimes \varphi)$ is also admissible (here, $\varphi_E = \varphi \circ N_{E/F}$).

Def: Let $(E/F, \chi)$ be an admissible pair, and call n the level of χ .

$(E/F, \chi)$ is called "minimal" if $\chi|_{U_E^m}$ does not factor through $N_{E/F}$.

Any admissible pair $(E/F, \chi)$ is isomorphic to one of the form $(E/F, \chi' \otimes \varphi_E)$ where $(E/F, \chi')$ is minimal and φ is a character of F^\times .

Notice that, if χ is a character of E^\times of level $m \geq 1$, then there is $\alpha \in p_E^{-m}$ such that $\chi(1+\alpha) = \psi_E(\alpha)$ for all $\alpha \in p_E^{-m}$. This follows from the characterization of the characters of $(U_E^m/U_E^{m+1})^\times \cong p_E^m/p_E^{m+1}$ that we gave in the last talk, together with the fact that χ is trivial on U_E^{m+1} .

Proposition 3: Let E/F be a tamely ramified quadratic field extension, χ a character of E^\times of level $m \geq 1$. Let $\alpha \in p_E^{-m}$ be such that $\chi|_{U_E^m} = \alpha \psi_E$.

Then $(E/F, \chi)$ is a minimal (admissible) pair if and only if α is minimal.

Recall: $\alpha \in E$ is called "minimal over F" if, writing $m = -v_E(\alpha)$, we have:

1) E/F is totally ramified and n is odd;

2) E/F is unramified and, for a prime element π of F , $\pi^m \alpha + p_E$ generates k_E/k .

Proof: If $\chi|_{U_E^m}$ factors through $N_{E/F}$, then by Proposition 2 $\chi|_{U_E^m} = c \psi_E|_{U_E^m}$ for some $c \in F$. Since $(U_E^m/U_E^{m+1})^\times \cong p_E^m/p_E^{m+1}$, it follows that $c \equiv \alpha \pmod{p_E^{1-m}}$. Conversely, if there exists $c \in F$ such that $c \equiv \alpha \pmod{p_E^{1-m}}$, then $c \psi_E|_{U_E^m} = \alpha \psi_E|_{U_E^m} = \chi|_{U_E^m}$, so $\chi|_{U_E^m}$ factors through $N_{E/F}$.

Now, α is not minimal \Leftrightarrow there is $c \in F$ such that $\alpha \equiv c \pmod{p_E^{1-m}}$.

\Leftarrow) If E/F is totally ramified, then $v_F = \frac{1}{2} v_E|_F$, so $v_E(\alpha) = v_E(c) = 2v_F(c) \in 2\mathbb{Z}$.

If E/F is unramified, then $\pi^m \alpha \equiv \pi^m c \pmod{p_E}$, so $\pi^m \alpha + p_E = \pi^m c + p_E \in k$.

\Rightarrow) If E/F is totally ramified and m is even, $\pi^{\frac{m}{2}} \alpha \equiv d \pmod{p_E}$ for some $d \in \mathcal{O}_F$, so $\alpha \equiv \pi^{\frac{m}{2}} d \pmod{p_E^{1-m}}$, and $\pi^{\frac{m}{2}} d \in F$.

If E/F is unramified and $\pi^m \alpha + p_E$ does not generate k_E/k , since $[k_E:k] = 2$ we must have $\pi^m \alpha + p_E \in k$, so $\pi^m \alpha \equiv \pi^m c \pmod{p_E}$ for some $c \in F$. □

§2. Construction of cuspidal representations (level 0)

Goal: we wish to associate an irreducible cuspidal representation to an admissible pair $(E/F, \chi)$

We start with admissible pairs of the form $(E/F, \chi)$ with χ of level 0.

In particular, $\chi|_{U_E^1}$ is trivial, so by definition of admissible pair E/F is unramified.

Lemma 4: Let E/F be an unramified quadratic extension, $\chi \in E^\times$ of level 0.

Let $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(E/F)$, $\sigma \neq 1$. The following are equivalent:

- 1) $(E/F, \chi)$ is an admissible pair;
- 2) $\chi \neq \chi^\sigma$;
- 3) $\chi|_{U_E} \neq \chi^\sigma|_{U_E}$.

Proof: Since E/F is unramified, we have $E^\times = F^\times U_E$, so $(2) \Leftrightarrow (3)$.

E/F is cyclic, so by Hilbert's Theorem 90 the kernel of $N_{E/F}$ consists of all elements of the form $\frac{x^\sigma}{x}$ for $x \in E^\times$. It follows that χ factors through $N_{E/F}$ if and only if for all $x \in E^\times$ $\chi\left(\frac{x^\sigma}{x}\right) = 1$, that is, $\chi^\sigma(x) = \chi(x^\sigma) = \chi(x)$. \square

Let $(E/F, \chi)$ be an admissible pair with χ of level 0. As in the previous talk, let $A = \text{End}_F(F^2) = M_2(F)$, and fix an F -embedding $E \hookrightarrow A$ (for example, we can map a primitive element of E/F to the companion matrix of its minimal polynomial over F). By a result at the beginning of the previous talk, there is a unique chain order $\mathcal{O} \subseteq A$ such that $E^\times \subseteq K_{\mathcal{O}}$ (recall that $K_{\mathcal{O}} = \{g \in G \mid g^{-1}\mathcal{O}g = \mathcal{O}\}$).

By conjugating with an element of G , we may take $\mathcal{O} = \mathcal{M} = M_2(\mathcal{O}_F)$, so that we have embeddings $\mathcal{O}_E \hookrightarrow \mathcal{M}$, $k_E \hookrightarrow M_2(k)$.

Since χ has level 0, it is trivial on U_E^1 , so $\chi|_{U_E}$ is inflated from a character of k_E^\times , say $\tilde{\chi}$. By Lemma 4, we have $\chi|_{U_E} \neq \chi^\sigma|_{U_E}$, so $\tilde{\chi}^q \neq \tilde{\chi}$, since σ reduces modulo p_E to $x \mapsto x^q$ in $\text{Gal}(k_E/k)$. This condition allows one to construct an irreducible cuspidal representation $\tilde{\lambda}$ of $GL_2(k)$.

A sketch of the construction of $\tilde{\lambda}$ is as follows:

Let ψ be any non-trivial character of $N_k = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & * \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \subseteq GL_2(k)$. If Z_k is the center of $GL_2(k)$, we define the character of $Z_k N_k$: $\chi_\psi: Z_k N_k \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times$, $\begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & a \end{pmatrix} \cdot u \mapsto \chi(a) \psi(u)$, $a \in k^\times, u \in N_k$.

Then $\tilde{\lambda} = \text{Ind}_{\mathbb{Z}_{K_{\mathbb{N}_k}}}^{GL_2(k)} \chi_{\psi} - \text{Ind}_{k_E^{\times}}^{GL_2(k)} \chi$ is an irreducible cuspidal representation of $GL_2(k)$ which does not depend on the choice of ψ .

We now inflate $\tilde{\lambda}$ to a representation λ of $U_M = GL_2(\mathcal{O}_F)$. It can be checked that the restriction of λ to U_F is a multiple of $\chi|_{U_F}$. We may therefore extend λ to a representation Λ of $K_M = F^\times U_M$ by imposing that $\Lambda|_{F^\times}$ be a multiple of $\chi|_{F^\times}$.

We have thus constructed a triple (M, K_M, Λ) which is a cuspidal type.

We set $\tilde{\omega}_\chi = c \cdot \text{Ind}_{K_M}^G \Lambda$: by the classification theorem of last talk, $\tilde{\omega}_\chi$ is an irreducible cuspidal representation of G with $l(\tilde{\omega}) = 0$.

Moreover, $\tilde{\omega}_\chi$ only depends on the isomorphism class of $(E/F, \chi)$.

Notation: $\mathbb{P}_2(F)_0 = \{ \text{iso classes of admissible pairs } (E/F, \chi) \text{ with } \chi \text{ of level 0} \}$

$\mathcal{A}_2^0(F)_0 = \{ \text{equivalence classes of irred. cuspidal representations of } G \text{ of level 0} \}$.

Proposition 5: The map $\mathbb{P}_2(F)_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_2^0(F)_0$, $(E/F, \chi) \mapsto \tilde{\omega}_\chi$ is a bijection.

Moreover, if $(E/F, \chi) \in \mathbb{P}_2(F)_0$, then

1) If $\varphi \in F^\times$ has level zero, then $\tilde{\omega}_{\chi \varphi} = \varphi \tilde{\omega}_\chi$;

2) $\omega_{\tilde{\omega}_\chi} = \chi|_{F^\times}$;

3) the pair $(E/F, \tilde{\chi})$ is admissible and $\tilde{\omega}_\chi = \tilde{\omega}_{\tilde{\chi}}$.

Proof: Surjectivity follows from the fact that any cuspidal type of level 0 arises from an admissible pair $(E/F, \chi) \in \mathbb{P}_2(F)_0$ (by the study of cuspidal representations of $GL_2(k)$ and Lemma 4), together with the exhaustion theorem.

Injectivity also follows by looking at the corresponding representations of $GL_2(k)$ □

§3. Construction of cuspidal representations (level ≥ 1)

Fix a character ψ of F of level one.

Let $(E/F, \chi)$ be a minimal admissible pair with χ of level $n \geq 1$. We set $\psi_E = \psi \circ \text{Tr}_{E/F}$ and $\psi_A = \psi \circ \text{Tr}_A$. Since $\chi|_{U_E^{n+1}}$ is trivial, χ induces a character in $(U_E^n/U_E^{n+1})^\wedge \cong \mathbb{P}_E^{-n}/\mathbb{P}_E^{-n+1}$; we may hence find $\alpha \in \mathbb{P}_E^{-n}$ such that $\chi(x + \alpha) = \psi_E(x)$ for all $x \in \mathbb{P}_E^{n+1}$.

Fix an F -embedding of E in $A = M_2(F)$ and let α be the unique chain order such that $E^\times \subseteq K_\alpha$. Then $e_\alpha = e(E/F)$ and the triple (α, n, α) is a simple stratum.

(indeed, we have shown that α is minimal in Proposition 3).

Thus, to a minimal admissible pair $(E/F, \chi)$ with χ of level $n \geq 1$ we can attach a simple stratum (α, n, α) .

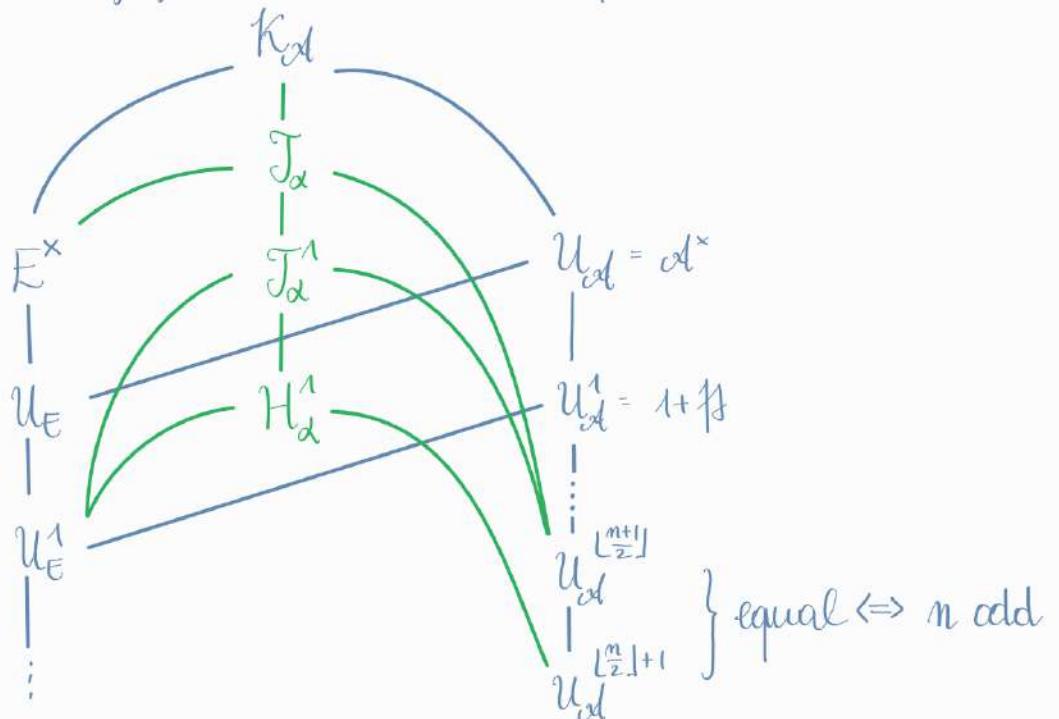
Next step: construct from this a cuspidal type.

(Set $J_\alpha = E^\times U_\alpha^{\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \rfloor}$; what we are missing is a representation $\Lambda \in C(\psi_\alpha, \alpha)$, i.e. a representation Λ of J_α such that $\Lambda|_{U_\alpha^{\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \rfloor}}$ is a multiple of ψ_α .)

We need some definitions:

$$J_\alpha = E^\times U_\alpha^{\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \rfloor}, \quad H_\alpha^1 = U_E^\times U_\alpha^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1}, \quad J_\alpha^1 = J_\alpha \cap U_\alpha^1 = U_E^\times U_\alpha^{\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \rfloor}$$

Notice that $H_\alpha^1 = J_\alpha^1$ if and only if n is odd. Here is a picture



We distinguish two cases.

Case 1: n odd, say $n = 2m+1$.

We can define the character Λ of $J_\alpha = E^\times U_\alpha^{m+1}$ by the conditions:

$$\Lambda|_{U_\alpha^{m+1}} = \psi_\alpha \quad \text{and} \quad \Lambda|_{E^\times} = \chi.$$

These conditions are compatible: $E^\times \cap U_\alpha^{m+1} = U_E^{m+1}$, and $\text{Tr}_A|_E = \text{Tr}_{E/F}$,

$$\text{so } \chi|_{E^\times \cap U_\alpha^{m+1}} = \psi_\alpha|_{E^\times \cap U_\alpha^{m+1}}.$$

It follows that the triple $(\alpha, J_\alpha, \Lambda)$ is a cuspidal type of G , so

$\omega_\chi = c \cdot \text{Ind}_{J_\alpha}^G \Lambda$ is an irreducible cuspidal representation of G containing the fundamental stratum (α, n, α) , and

$$l(\omega_\chi) = \frac{n}{e(E/F)}, \quad \omega_{\bar{\omega}_\chi} = \chi|_{F^\times}$$

Case 2: n even, say $n=2m$. In particular, E/F is unramified.

We can repeat what we have done in Case 1, but this time we only get a character ϑ of H_2^1 ; we can indeed define ϑ by the conditions

$$\vartheta|_{U_\alpha^{m+1}} = \psi_\alpha \quad \text{and} \quad \vartheta|_{U_E^1} = \chi,$$

which are still compatible. The problem is that the fact that $\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \rfloor \neq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1$ prevents us from defining ϑ directly on T_α .

Lemma 6: There is a unique irreducible representation η_0 of T_α^1 such that $\eta_0|_{H_2^1}$ contains ϑ . Moreover

- 1) $\dim \eta_0 = q$;
- 2) $\eta_0|_{H_2^1}$ is a multiple of ϑ ;
- 3) Let μ_E be the group of roots of unity of E of order prime to p . The action of μ_E on T_α^1 by conjugation fixes the representation η_0 .

Proof: Quite technical.

Let us consider the representation $\eta = \eta_0$ as in Lemma 6. Since the subgroup μ_F acts trivially on T_α^1 , we may consider the group $\mu_E/\mu_F \times T_\alpha^1$, where the action of μ_E/μ_F over T_α^1 is by conjugation.

Proposition 7: There is a unique irreducible representation $\tilde{\eta}$ of $\mu_E/\mu_F \times T_\alpha^1$ such that $\tilde{\eta}|_{T_\alpha^1} \cong \eta$ and $\operatorname{Tr} \tilde{\eta}(\zeta u) = -\vartheta(u)$ for all $u \in H_2^1$, $\zeta \in \mu_E/\mu_F$, $\zeta \neq 1$.

Proof: Long.

Corollary 8: There is a unique representation Λ of T_α such that

- 1) $\Lambda|_{T_\alpha^1} \cong \eta$;
- 2) $\Lambda|_{F^\times}$ is a multiple of $\chi|_{F^\times}$;
- 3) for every $\zeta \in \mu_E \setminus \mu_F$ $\operatorname{Tr} \Lambda(\zeta) = -\chi(\zeta)$.

Proof: Uniqueness should be clear; we need to construct Λ with said properties.

We may identify μ_E/μ_F with $E^\times/F^\times U_E^1$. The representation $\tilde{\eta}$ of Proposition 7 can be regarded as a representation of $\mu_E/\mu_F \times T_\alpha^1 / \ker \vartheta \cong E^\times / F^\times U_E^1 \times T_\alpha^1 / \ker \vartheta$. We may thus inflate it to a representation ν of $E^\times \times T_\alpha^1 / \ker \vartheta$. We define the character $\tilde{\chi}$ of $E^\times \times T_\alpha^1 / \ker \vartheta$ by the conditions: $\tilde{\chi}|_{E^\times} = \chi$ and $\tilde{\chi}|_{T_\alpha^1 / \ker \vartheta}$ is trivial. (Notice that there is no compatibility to check).

Set $\tilde{\Lambda} = \tilde{\chi} \otimes v \in \text{Rep}(E^\times \times J_2^1/\ker \vartheta)$. without the "1"
 Consider the homomorphism $E^\times \times J_2^1/\ker \vartheta \rightarrow \overline{J_2}/\ker \vartheta$, $(x, j) \mapsto xj$: this map is surjective, and the fact that it is a homomorphism depends on the fact that E^\times acts by conjugation. The kernel of this map is then given by the elements of the form $(x, x\ker \vartheta)$ for $x \in U_E^1$; since $\tilde{\Lambda}$ is trivial on this kernel, it must be the inflation of an irreducible representation Λ_1 of $J_2/\ker \vartheta$. The inflation of Λ_1 to J_2 is the representation Λ in the statement. \square

Finally, the representation Λ of Corollary 8 lies in $C(\psi_\alpha, \alpha)$, so we may consider $\tilde{\omega}_\chi = c \text{-Ind}_{J_2}^G \Lambda$. This is an irreducible cuspidal representation of G with $\ell(\tilde{\omega}_\chi) = n$ and $\omega_{\tilde{\omega}_\chi} = \chi|_{F^\times}$.

Summarizing: we start with a minimal admissible pair $(E/F, \chi)$ with χ of level $n \geq 1$. We choose an embedding $E \hookrightarrow A = M_2(F)$, which gives a unique chain order α in A such that $E^\times \subseteq K_A$. We also fix a character ψ of F of level one and $\alpha \in \mathbb{P}_E^n$ such that $\chi(1+x) = \psi_E(xx)$ for all $x \in \mathbb{P}_E^{[\frac{n}{2}]+1}$. We therefore obtain a minimal fundamental stratum (α, n, α) .

At this point, we have constructed a particular representation $\Lambda \in C(\psi, \alpha)$ of J_2 , both for n odd and n even. This yields a cuspidal type (α, J_2, Λ) to which we may associate a cuspidal representation $\tilde{\omega}_\chi = c \text{-Ind}_{J_2}^G \Lambda$ of G .

We briefly check that $\tilde{\omega}_\chi$ does not depend on the choices that we have made, but only on the isomorphism type of $(E/F, \chi)$.

Proposition 9: The representation $\tilde{\omega}_\chi$ does not depend on the choice of ψ, α or the embedding $E \hookrightarrow A$, but only on the isomorphism class of $(E/F, \chi)$. Moreover, if φ is a character of F^\times such that $(E/F, \chi \varphi_E)$ is also minimal, we have $\tilde{\omega}_{\chi \varphi_E} = \varphi \tilde{\omega}_\chi$.

Proof: The choice of ψ and α does not affect J_2 nor Λ . The embeddings $E \hookrightarrow A$ are conjugate to one another, so they yield conjugate cuspidal types, hence the same representation $\tilde{\omega}_\chi$. If $(E_1/F, \chi_1)$ and $(E_2/F, \chi_2)$ are isomorphic pairs

via $\sigma: E_1 \xrightarrow{\sim} E_2$, and if we choose two embeddings $J_i: E_i \hookrightarrow A$, as before $J_1(E_1)$ and $J_2(E_2)$ are conjugate by an element of G , and conjugation by such element also turns χ_1 into χ_2 .

For the remaining assertion, the pair $(E/F, \chi \varphi_E)$ is associated with the cuspidal type $(\mathcal{O}, T_\chi, \varphi \circ \det)$, which gives rise to the representation $\varphi \tilde{\omega}_\chi$. \square

We may now extend this procedure to all admissible pairs (not necessarily minimal). Let $(E/F, \chi)$ be an admissible pair; there is a minimal pair $(E/F, \chi')$ and a character φ of F^\times such that $\chi = \chi' \otimes \varphi_E$.

Following the lead of Proposition 9, we define $\tilde{\omega}_\chi := \varphi \tilde{\omega}_{\chi'}$.

This is again a cuspidal representation of G with normalized level the same level of χ . As in Proposition 9, $\tilde{\omega}_\chi$ only depends on the isomorphism class of $(E/F, \chi)$.

We have thus constructed a map

$$\mathbb{P}_2(F) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_2^0(F), (E/F, \chi) \mapsto \tilde{\omega}_\chi$$

where $\mathcal{A}_2^0(F)$ is the set of irreducible classes of irreducible cuspidal representations of G .

§4. The parametrization theorem

From now on, we assume $p \neq 2$. Our next goal is to prove the following:

Theorem 10: (Parametrization theorem)

The map $\mathbb{P}_2(F) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_2^0(F), (E/F, \chi) \mapsto \tilde{\omega}_\chi$ is a bijection, and:

1) if χ has level $l(\chi)$, then $l(\tilde{\omega}_\chi) = l(\chi)/e(E/F)$;

2) $\omega \tilde{\omega}_\chi = \chi|_{F^\times}$;

3) $\check{\tilde{\omega}}_\chi = \tilde{\omega}_\chi$;

4) if φ is a character of F^\times , then $\tilde{\omega}_{\varphi_E \chi} = \varphi \tilde{\omega}_\chi$.

Before sketching the proof of this result, we need a preliminary definition

Def: A representation $\tilde{\omega} \in \mathcal{A}_2^0(F)$ is called "unramified" if there is an unramified character ϕ of F^\times such that $\phi \tilde{\omega} \cong \tilde{\omega}$. Otherwise, $\tilde{\omega}$ is called "totally ramified".

Remark: If $p=2$, one gets an isomorphism between $P_2(F)$ and the set of unramified classes in $A_0^2(F)$. In sketching the proof of Theorem 10, we will ignore the case $p=2$.

We now begin the proof of Theorem 10.

Step 1: Preliminary results.

We first focus on characters ϕ of F^\times for which $\phi\bar{\omega} \cong \bar{\omega}$. Notice first that, since $\phi\bar{\omega}(g) = \phi(\det g) \cdot \bar{\omega}(g)$, the central character of $\phi\bar{\omega}$ is $\omega_{\phi\bar{\omega}}(a^0) = \phi(a^2) \cdot \omega_{\bar{\omega}}(a^0) = (\phi^2\omega_{\bar{\omega}})(a^0)$, so the relation $\phi\bar{\omega} \cong \bar{\omega}$ implies that $\phi^2 = 1$ by comparing central characters.

We distinguish between ramified and unramified characters.

Proposition 11: Let $\bar{\omega}$ be an irreducible cuspidal representation of G corresponding to the cuspidal type (α, T, Λ) . Then $\bar{\omega}$ is unramified if and only if $\alpha \cong M$.

Proof: Let ϕ be an unramified character of F^\times such that $\phi\bar{\omega} \cong \bar{\omega}$. Suppose $\alpha \not\cong M$. For ϕ is unramified, $\phi|_{U_F} = 1$, and since $\phi^2 = 1$ we have $\det K_{\alpha\bar{\omega}} = (F^\times)^2 U_F \subseteq \ker \phi$. But ϕ being trivial on $\det K_{\alpha\bar{\omega}}$ implies that $\Lambda \otimes (\phi \circ \det) \cong \Lambda$. Thus:

$$\phi\bar{\omega} = c \text{-Ind}_{K_\alpha}^G (\Lambda \otimes (\phi \circ \det)) \cong c \text{-Ind}_{K_\alpha}^G \Lambda = \bar{\omega}.$$

Conversely, suppose $\alpha \cong T$. Then $\bar{\omega}$ is compactly induced from a representation Λ of T , where T is a subgroup of G on which $\phi \circ \det$ does not act trivially. Since $\phi\bar{\omega} \cong \bar{\omega}$, this would imply that Λ and $\Lambda \otimes \det \phi$ intertwine in G .

However, it can be shown that two representations of $C(\alpha, \psi)$ intertwine if and only if they are isomorphic (the proof is easy when the stratum (α, n, α) associated with the cuspidal type (α, T, Λ) has n odd, while it is more involved for n even). □

Proposition 12: Suppose $\bar{\omega} \in A_0^2(F)$ is totally ramified.

- 1) There exists a unique character ϕ of F^\times such that $\phi\bar{\omega} \cong \bar{\omega}$, $\phi \neq 1$. ϕ is ramified, of level 0, and order 2. ($\phi^2 = 1$)

2) Let (α, n, α) be a simple stratum, $n \geq 1$, and suppose that $\bar{\omega} = \delta \bar{\omega}_0$ for some character δ of F^\times and some representation $\bar{\omega}_0$ containing $\psi_\alpha|_{U_\alpha^{l^m_2+1}}$. Then the field $E = F[\alpha]$ satisfies $N_{E/F}(E^\times) = \ker \phi$.

Proof: Up to twisting $\bar{\omega}$ by a character, we may assume that $l(\bar{\omega}) \leq l(\xi \bar{\omega})$ for all characters ξ of F^\times . By the exhaustion theorem, $\bar{\omega}$ contains a simple stratum (α, n, α) . However, the previous Proposition tells us that $\alpha \neq \text{Id}$, since $\bar{\omega}$ is totally ramified; thus, (α, n, α) is ramified and n is odd, say $n = 2m+1$. Put $E = F[\alpha]$, $J_\alpha = E^\times U_\alpha^{l^m_2+1}$; then $\bar{\omega}$ is induced by a cuspidal type $(\alpha, J_\alpha, \Lambda)$. Now, tame ramification implies that $\det E^\times = N_{E/F}(E^\times) \cong U_F^1$, and we also have $\det U_\alpha^{m+1} \subseteq \det U_\alpha^1 = U_F^1$. Hence $\det J_\alpha = N_{E/F}(E^\times)$.

By class field theory, $N_{E/F}(E^\times)$ has index two in F^\times ; there is therefore a unique character ϕ of F^\times such that $\phi \neq 1$ and ϕ is trivial on $N_{E/F}(E^\times)$. Since $[F^\times : N_{E/F}(E^\times)] = 2$, we have $\phi^2 = 1$; ϕ is also ramified and has level 0.

We have $\Lambda = \Lambda \otimes (\phi \circ \det)$ for ϕ is trivial on $N_{E/F}(E^\times)$, so

$$\bar{\omega} = c \cdot \text{Ind}_{J_\alpha}^G \Lambda = c \cdot \text{Ind}_{J_\alpha}^G \Lambda \otimes (\phi \circ \det) = \phi \bar{\omega}.$$

This proves the existence of ϕ . Let us turn to uniqueness.

Suppose $\xi \bar{\omega} \cong \bar{\omega}$ for some character ξ of F^\times . Then $\xi^2 = 1$, so $\xi|_{U_F^1} = 1$ and ξ has level 0. It follows that $\bar{\omega}$ contains both Λ and $\Lambda \otimes (\xi \circ \det)$ (where Λ is a suitable character of J_α). As in the proof of the previous Proposition, Λ and $\Lambda \otimes (\phi \circ \det)$ must intertwine, and they are therefore isomorphic. This implies that ξ is trivial on $N_{E/F}(E^\times)$, so either $\xi = 1$ or $\xi = \phi$. \square

Step 2: Injectivity of the map $P_2(F) \rightarrow A_2^\circ(F)$, $(E/F, \chi) \mapsto \bar{\omega}_\chi$.

Suppose that there are admissible pairs $(E_1/F, \chi_1)$ and $(E_2/F, \chi_2)$ such that $\bar{\omega}_{\chi_1} \cong \bar{\omega}_{\chi_2}$. Set $\bar{\omega} = \bar{\omega}_{\chi_1} = \bar{\omega}_{\chi_2}$ for short.

• We prove that $E_1 \cong E_2$

Indeed, if $\bar{\omega}$ is unramified, then it is attached to a cuspidal datum with chain order $\alpha \cong \text{Id}$. But then $e(E_i/F) = e_{\alpha} = 1$ for $i=1,2$, which means that E_1, E_2 are unramified. Since F has a unique unramified extension of fixed degree, up to isomorphism, we conclude that $E_1 \cong E_2$.

On the other hand, if $\bar{\omega}$ is totally ramified, by Proposition 12 there is a ramified character $\phi+1$ of F^\times such that $\phi\bar{\omega} \cong \bar{\omega}$, and $N_{E_i/F}(E_i^\times) = \ker \phi$. Thus $N_{E_1/F}(E_1^\times) = N_{E_2/F}(E_2^\times)$, which implies $E_1 \cong E_2$ by class field theory (a "simple instance of class field theory", apparently).

We may thus assume that $E_1 = E_2$ and we will denote this field by E . We also have that the level of χ_i is $n = e(E/F) \cdot l(\bar{\omega})$.

) We may finish the argument for injectivity, up to a lemma whose proof we shall postpone to a later stage.

Fix an embedding of E in $A \cdot M_2(F)$ and let \mathcal{A} be the unique chain order such that $E^\times \subseteq K_{\mathcal{A}}$. As usual, set $J = E^\times U_{\mathcal{A}}^{\lfloor \frac{m+1}{2} \rfloor}$, so $(E/F, \chi_i)$ is mapped to the cuspidal type $(\mathcal{A}, J, \Lambda_i)$ for a suitable Λ_i that we have defined in the previous section. We also know that the restriction of Λ_i to $U_{\mathcal{A}}^{\lfloor \frac{m+1}{2} \rfloor + 1}$ is a multiple of ψ_{α_i} for some $\alpha_i \in p_E^{-n}$.

Since the representations associated with these cuspidal types are isomorphic, $(\mathcal{A}, J, \Lambda_1)$ and $(\mathcal{A}, J, \Lambda_2)$ must be conjugate, and in particular ψ_{α_1} and ψ_{α_2} intertwine in G . It can be shown that this implies that ψ_{α_1} is $U_{\mathcal{A}}$ -conjugate to ψ_{α_2} ; this follows from the so-called "Conjugacy Theorem", which is a result that we have not stated, but is needed to define the representation Λ arising from an admissible pair $(E/F, \chi)$ as done in the previous section.

Assume for now the following lemma, which we will prove later:

Lemma 13: There exists $u \in U_{\mathcal{A}}$ such that $u\alpha_2 u^{-1} \in E$ and $u\alpha_2 u^{-1} \equiv \alpha_1 \pmod{p_E^{-\lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor}}$.

By this lemma, conjugating the cuspidal type $(\mathcal{A}, J, \Lambda_2)$ by u yields a cuspidal type $(\mathcal{A}, J, \Lambda'_2)$ such that $\Lambda'_2|_{U_{\mathcal{A}}^{\lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor + 1}}$ is a multiple of $\psi_{u\alpha_2 u^{-1}}|_{U_{\mathcal{A}}^{\lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor + 1}}$, and $u\alpha_2 u^{-1} \in E$.

Applying the lemma again (with α_2 replaced by α_1 and α_1 by $u\alpha_2 u^{-1}$), we may find $v \in G$ such that $v\alpha_1 v^{-1} \in E$ and $v\alpha_1 v^{-1} \equiv u\alpha_2 u^{-1} \pmod{p_E^{-\lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor}}$. As a result, $(\mathcal{A}, J, \Lambda_1)$ is conjugate to a cuspidal type $(\mathcal{A}, J, \Lambda'_1)$ such that $\Lambda'_1|_{U_{\mathcal{A}}^{\lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor + 1}}$ is a multiple of $\psi_{v\alpha_1 v^{-1}}|_{U_{\mathcal{A}}^{\lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor + 1}}$, and $v\alpha_1 v^{-1} \in E$.

The congruence $v\alpha_1 v^{-1} \equiv u\alpha_2 u^{-1} \pmod{p_E^{-\lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor}}$ implies that $\psi_{v\alpha_1 v^{-1}} = \psi_{u\alpha_2 u^{-1}}$.

This proves that Λ_1 and Λ_2 intertwine in G . It can be shown that $\Lambda_1, \Lambda_2 \in C(\alpha, \psi_\alpha)$ intertwine in G if and only if Λ_1 and Λ_2 are equivalent. Again, this follows from a previous result that we have omitted and lies behind the constructions of the previous section. The proof for n odd is rather straightforward, but the one for n even would take us too far afield.

Finally, if n is odd, the construction of Λ_i in the previous section implies that $\chi_i = \Lambda_i|_{E^\times}$. If n is even, we can recover χ_i from Λ_i by using point (2) and (3) of Corollary 8.

This concludes the proof of injectivity of the map $P_2(F) \rightarrow A_2^\circ(F)$.

Step 3: Surjectivity of the map $P_2(F) \rightarrow A_2^\circ(F)$, $(E/F, \chi) \mapsto \omega_\chi$.

The key result is the following:

Proposition 14: Let $\omega \in A_2^\circ(F)$ satisfy $0 < l(\omega) \leq l(\chi\omega)$ for all characters χ of F^\times . Then there exists a minimal pair $(E/F, \chi) \in P_2(F)$ such that $\omega \cong \omega_\chi$.

Proof: ω is associated with a cuspidal type (α, J, Λ) attached to a simple stratum (α, n, α) . Thus, $J = J_\alpha$ and $\Lambda|_{U_\alpha^{\frac{n+1}{2}}}$ is a multiple of ψ_α . Since α is minimal, $E = F[\alpha]$ is a field and we have $J = E^\times U_\alpha^{\frac{n+1}{2}}$.

If n is odd, then we can set $\chi = \Lambda|_{E^\times}$, and it follows immediately that the pair $(E/F, \chi)$ is mapped to ω via $P_2(F) \rightarrow A_2^\circ(F)$.

If n is even, we have to work harder. Let ϑ be the unique character of H_2^\wedge occurring in $\Lambda|_{H_2^\wedge}$. Let now χ' be any character of E^\times agreeing with ϑ on U_E^\wedge and with ω_χ on F^\times . It is easily checked that the pair $(E/F, \chi')$ is minimal and admissible. By Corollary 8, there is a unique representation $\Lambda' \in C(\psi_\alpha, \alpha)$ such that $\text{Tr } \Lambda'(\zeta) = -\chi'(\zeta)$ for all $\zeta \in \mu_E \setminus \mu_F$.

Then, there is a unique character ϕ of $J_\alpha / F^\times J_\alpha^\wedge \cong \mu_E / \mu_F$ such that $\Lambda \cong \phi \otimes \Lambda'$. Via the isomorphism $\mu_E / \mu_F \cong E^\times / F^\times U_E^\wedge$, we can regard ϕ as a character of E^\times by inflation. Then the pair $(E/F, \phi\chi')$ is the one we are looking for. □

Now it is just a matter to extend this result to any $\bar{w} \in A_2^\circ(F)$. We can take a character ϕ of F^\times such that $\bar{\rho} = \phi^{-1}\bar{w}$ has minimal level among its twists, i.e. $l(\bar{\rho}) \leq l(\chi\bar{\rho})$ for any $\chi \in \widehat{F^\times}$. If we end up with $l(\bar{\rho}) = 0$, then we already have a bijection $P_2(F) \xrightarrow{\sim} A_2^\circ(F)$, by Proposition 5, so we can find a minimal admissible pair $(E/F, \xi)$ such that $\bar{\rho} \cong \bar{w}_\xi$. Otherwise, if $l(\bar{\rho}) > 0$ we can apply Proposition 14 to end up with $(E/F, \xi)$ such that $\bar{\rho} \cong \bar{w}_\xi$ all the same. If we set $\chi = \phi_E \cdot \xi$, we obtain $\bar{w} \cong \bar{w}_\chi$, which proves surjectivity.

Step 4: Proof of Lemma 13.

This is the only missing ingredient in the proof of the Parametrization Theorem. Recall that we had started with two cuspidal types $(\mathcal{A}, J, \Lambda_1)$ and $(\mathcal{A}, J, \Lambda_2)$ associated with simple fundamental strata $(\mathcal{A}, n, \alpha_1)$ and $(\mathcal{A}, n, \alpha_2)$. We were under the hypothesis that the field $E = F[\alpha_1]$ and $F[\alpha_2]$ coincide, and that the characters ψ_{α_1} and ψ_{α_2} of $U_{\mathcal{A}}^{[\frac{m}{2}] + 1}$ are conjugate in $U_{\mathcal{A}}$, i.e., the cosets $\alpha_1 U_{\mathcal{A}}^{[\frac{m}{2}] + 1}$ and $\alpha_2 U_{\mathcal{A}}^{[\frac{m}{2}] + 1}$ are $U_{\mathcal{A}}$ -conjugate. In particular, the cosets $\alpha_1 U_{\mathcal{A}}^1$ and $\alpha_2 U_{\mathcal{A}}^1$ are $U_{\mathcal{A}}$ -conjugate.

Lemma 15: There exists $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(E/F)$ such that $\alpha_2 \equiv \alpha_1^\sigma \pmod{U_E^1}$

Proof: Suppose E/F unramified. Then $\alpha_i \equiv \pi^{-n} \zeta_i \pmod{U_E^1}$ for some root of unity $\zeta_i \in \mu_E \cap \mu_F$. Since $\pi \in Z(G)$, it follows that $\zeta_1 U_{\mathcal{A}}^1$ and $\zeta_2 U_{\mathcal{A}}^1$ are also $U_{\mathcal{A}}$ -conjugate. Reducing modulo \mathfrak{P} , the images $\tilde{\zeta}_1$ and $\tilde{\zeta}_2$ of ζ_1 and ζ_2 in $\mathcal{A}/\mathfrak{P} \cong M_2(k)$ are conjugate under $\text{GL}_2(k)$. Moreover, $\tilde{\zeta}_1$ and $\tilde{\zeta}_2$ must generate the residue extension of E/F (because $(\mathcal{A}, n, \alpha_i)$ is simple, so α_i is minimal), hence $\tilde{\zeta}_1$ and $\tilde{\zeta}_2$ are Galois conjugate in $k[\tilde{\zeta}_1] = k[\tilde{\zeta}_2] = k_E$ over k . It follows that ζ_1 and ζ_2 are Galois conjugate in E/F . Thus, we may find $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(E/F)$ such that $\zeta_2 = \zeta_1^\sigma$. Since $\pi \in F$, we have:

$$\alpha_2 \equiv \pi^{-n} \zeta_2 \equiv \pi^{-n} \zeta_1^\sigma \equiv (\pi^{-n} \zeta_1)^\sigma = \alpha_1^\sigma \pmod{U_E^1}.$$

Suppose instead that E/F is totally ramified, so $U_E = U_F U_E^1$. We may therefore find $y \in U_F$ such that $\alpha_2 \equiv y \alpha_1 \pmod{U_E^1}$. By using the fact that α_2 and α_1 are $U_{\mathcal{A}}$ -conjugate and taking norms, we must have $y \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{U_E^1}$. If σ is the non-trivial Galois automorphism of E/F , it follows that $\alpha_1^\sigma = -\alpha_1 \pmod{U_E^1}$. \square

Lemma 16: There exists $u \in U_{\mathcal{O}}$ such that $uE u^{-1} = E$ and $u\alpha_2 u^{-1} \equiv \alpha_1 \pmod{U_E^1}$.

Proof: We know that there is $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(E/F)$ such that $\alpha_2 \equiv \alpha_1^\sigma \pmod{U_E^1}$ by the previous lemma. Denote by j the embedding $E \hookrightarrow A$. The conjugate embedding $j^\sigma: E \hookrightarrow A, x \mapsto j(x^\sigma)$ will map α_1 to $\alpha_2 \cdot x$ for some $x \in U_E^1$. Since $E = F[\alpha_1] = F[\alpha_2]$, it follows that $j^\sigma(E^*) \subseteq K_A$. It follows that j and j^σ are $U_{\mathcal{O}}$ -conjugate, which implies the statement. \square

In order to prove Lemma 13, up to replacing α_2 by $u\alpha_2 u^{-1}$ we may assume that $\alpha_2 \equiv \alpha_1 \pmod{U_E^1}$. The final step is to show:

Lemma 17: Suppose that $\alpha_1 \equiv \alpha_2 \pmod{U_E^1}$ and that $\alpha_1 U_{\mathcal{O}}^{1-\frac{m}{2}}$ and $\alpha_2 U_{\mathcal{O}}^{1-\frac{m}{2}}$ are $U_{\mathcal{O}}$ -conjugate. Then $\alpha_1 \equiv \alpha_2 \pmod{U_E^{1-\frac{m}{2}}}$

Proof: If $P = \text{rad } \mathcal{O}$, there is $u \in U_{\mathcal{O}}$ such that $u\alpha_2 u^{-1} \equiv \alpha_1 \pmod{P^{1-m}}$. It is not too difficult but rather technical to see that under these assumptions $u \in U_{\mathcal{O}}^1 U_E$. We may actually assume that $u \in U_{\mathcal{O}}^1$, since if $u = ab$ with $a \in U_{\mathcal{O}}^1$ and $b \in U_E$, then $u\alpha_2 u^{-1} = ab\alpha_2 b^{-1}a = a\alpha_2 a^{-1}$ because $\alpha_2, b \in E$, so they commute with each other. Let us then write $u = 1+x$ for $x \in P$.

We now argue by induction. Let $m=1$; suppose that $\alpha_1 \equiv \alpha_2 \pmod{P_E^{m-n}}$ and that there exists $x \in P^m$ such that $(1+x)\alpha_2(1+x)^{-1} \equiv \alpha_1 \pmod{P^{m+1-n}}$. Then we claim $x \in P_E^m + P^{m+1}$ and $\alpha_1 \equiv \alpha_2 \pmod{P_E^{m+1-n}}$.

Write $\alpha_2 = \alpha_1 + c$ with $c \in P_E^{m-n}$. Since $U_{\mathcal{O}}^m / U_{\mathcal{O}}^{m+1} \cong P^m / P^{m+1}$, we have $(1+x)^{-1} = 1-x+q$ for some $q \in P^{m+1}$. Thus:

$$\alpha_1 \equiv (1+x)\alpha_2(1+x)^{-1} \equiv (1+x)(\alpha_1 + c)(1-x+q) \equiv \alpha_1 + c - \alpha_1 x + xc \pmod{P^{m+1-n}},$$

where the last congruence follows by expanding the product and noticing that many of the terms which appear lie in P^{m+1-n} . Hence $\alpha_1 x - x\alpha_1 \equiv c \pmod{P^{m+1-n}}$. Now consider the character of P_E^{m-n} given by $y \mapsto \psi_A(cy)$ for $y \in P_E^{m-n}$. Using the fact that $\psi_A = \psi \circ \text{Tr}_A$ and that the trace is a central function (i.e., it is constant on conjugacy classes of A), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_E(cy) &= \psi_A(cy) = \psi_A((\alpha_1 x - x\alpha_1)y) = \psi_A(\alpha_1 xy) \psi_A(x\alpha_1 y)^{-1} = \\ &= \psi_A(y \cdot (\alpha_1 xy) \cdot y^{-1}) \cdot \psi_A(\alpha_1 y \cdot (x\alpha_1 y) (\alpha_1 y)^{-1})^{-1} = \psi_A(y\alpha_1 x) \psi_A(\alpha_1 y x)^{-1} = \\ &= \psi_A((y\alpha_1 - \alpha_1 y)x). \end{aligned}$$

But α_1 and y both lie in E , so they commute with one another. As a result $\psi_E(cy)=1$ for all $y \in p_E^{m-n}$. The fact that ψ_E has level one, we infer that $c \in p_E^{m+1-n}$, which means $\alpha_2 = \alpha_1 \pmod{p_E^{m+1-n}}$. We also obtain $\alpha_1 x - x \alpha_1 \in p^{m+n}$. This finally implies that $x \in p_E^m + p^{m+n}$.

From this induction process Lemma 17 follows, and Lemma 13 together with it \square

§5. Some Fourier analysis.

We need to recall some elementary results about Fourier transforms which will be used in future talks.

Fix a character ψ of F , $\psi \neq 1$, and a Haar measure μ for F . We recall that all characters of F are of the form $a\psi$ for $a \in F$, where $(a\psi)(x) = \psi(ax)$ for all $x \in F$. Recall that $C_c^\infty(F)$ denotes the set of compactly supported smooth functions over F , i.e. functions $F \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ which are locally constant and are zero on the complement of a compact subset of F .

Def: The "Fourier transform" of a function $\tilde{\mathbb{Z}} \in C_c^\infty(F)$ is the function $\hat{\tilde{\mathbb{Z}}} : F \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ defined by $\hat{\tilde{\mathbb{Z}}}(x) = \int_F \tilde{\mathbb{Z}}(y) \psi(xy) d\mu(y)$.

Remark: This definition mimics the one in classical analysis. If $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$ (with respect to the Lebesgue measure over \mathbb{R}), its Fourier transform is $\hat{f}(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(y) e^{-2\pi i xy} dy$, and notice that the map $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*, y \mapsto e^{-2\pi iy}$ is a character of \mathbb{R} as an additive group.

Let us recall some properties of the classical Fourier transform.

If $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$, then $\|\hat{f}\|_{L^\infty} \leq \|f\|_{L^1}$, so \hat{f} is bounded; however, \hat{f} need not lie in $L^1(\mathbb{R})$ in general. In case it happens that $\hat{f} \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$, then Fourier inversion formula holds: $f(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \hat{f}(y) e^{2\pi i xy} dy$, which means $\hat{f}(x) = f(-x)$.

If $\tilde{\mathbb{Z}} \in C_c^\infty(F)$, the function $y \mapsto \tilde{\mathbb{Z}}(y) \psi(xy)$ is locally constant, so $\hat{\tilde{\mathbb{Z}}}$ consists of a finite sum.

Proposition 18: Let $\tilde{\chi} \in C_c^\infty(F)$

- 1) $\hat{\tilde{\chi}} \in C_c^\infty(F)$;
- 2) There exists some positive real number $c = c(\psi, \mu_\psi)$ such that $\hat{\tilde{\chi}}(x) = c \tilde{\chi}(-x)$ for all $x \in F$.
- 3) For a given ψ , there exists a unique Haar measure μ_ψ such that $c(\psi, \mu_\psi) = 1$. Moreover, if ψ has level l , $\mu_\psi(O_F) = q^{-l/2}$.
- 4) For all $a \in F^\times$, $\mu_{a\psi} = \|a\|^{1/2} \mu_\psi$.

Proof: Let l be the level of ψ and denote by $\tilde{\chi}_j$ the characteristic function of p^j . For $a \in F$, the character $a\psi|_{p^j}$ is trivial if and only if $a \in p^{l-j}$.

Notice that

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\tilde{\chi}}_j(x) &= \int_F \tilde{\chi}_j(y) \psi(xy) d\mu(y) = \int_{p^j} \psi(xy) d\mu(y) = \\ &= \begin{cases} \mu(p^j) = \mu(O_F) \cdot q^{-j} & \text{if } x \in p^{l-j} \\ \sum_{y \in p^j/p^{j+1}} (a\psi)(y) \int_{y+p^{j+1}} d\mu = \int_{p^{j+1}} d\mu \cdot \sum_{y \in p^j/p^{j+1}} (a\psi)(y) = 0 & \text{if } x \notin p^{l-j} \end{cases} \\ &\quad (\text{corect repres. of } p^j/p^{j+1}) \end{aligned}$$

In the last equality, we are using the fact that if A is a finite group and χ a character of A , then $\sum_{a \in A} \chi(a) = |A|$ if χ is trivial, while $\sum_{a \in A} \chi(a) = 0$ if χ is non-trivial.

This computation easily leads to (1) and (2) in the case when $\tilde{\chi} = \tilde{\chi}_j$.

Now, for $\tilde{\chi} \in C_c^\infty(F)$ and $a \in F$, consider the function $\Psi \in C_c^\infty(F)$ given by

$\Psi(x) = \tilde{\chi}(x-a)$ for all $x \in F$. We have

$$\hat{\Psi}(x) = \int_F \tilde{\chi}(y-a) \psi(xy) d\mu(y) = (a\psi)(x) \int_F \tilde{\chi}(y-a) \psi(x(y-a)) d\mu(y) = (a\psi)(x) \hat{\tilde{\chi}}(x).$$

Since $a\psi$ is locally constant, $\hat{\Psi} \in C_c^\infty(F)$ if and only if $\hat{\tilde{\chi}} \in C_c^\infty(F)$.

Moreover, if $\tilde{\chi} \in C_c^\infty(F)$, then

$$\hat{\tilde{\Psi}}(x) = \int_F \hat{\tilde{\chi}}(y) \psi(ay) \psi(xy) d\mu(y) = \int_F \hat{\tilde{\chi}}(y) \psi(y(x+a)) d\mu(y) = \hat{\tilde{\chi}}(x+a).$$

This shows that (1) and (2) hold for $\tilde{\chi}$ if and only if they hold for Ψ (with the same value of $c = c(\psi, \mu)$ for (2)).

But (1) and (2) hold for the functions $\tilde{\mathbb{Z}}_j$ for all $j \in \mathbb{Z}$. Thus, they hold also for the functions $x \mapsto \tilde{\mathbb{Z}}_j(x-a)$ for all $a \in F, j \in \mathbb{Z}$. These functions generate $C_c^\infty(F)$ as a \mathbb{C} -vector space, so (1) and (2) hold for every $\tilde{\mathbb{Z}} \in C_c^\infty(F)$, using the fact that the Fourier transform is \mathbb{C} -linear.

We may also take $c = c(\psi, \mu) = \mu(O_F)^2 q^{-l}$.

For any $b > 0$ we have $c(\psi, b\mu) = b^2 \mu(O_F)^2 q^{-l} = b^2 c(\psi, \mu)$. Thus, if we fix ψ and we start with any Haar measure μ of F , the measure μ_ψ in (3) is given by $\mu_\psi = \mu(O_F) q^{-l/2} \cdot \mu$. Since all Haar measures of F are multiples of μ , uniqueness in (3) follows. Now (4) comes from a straightforward computation. \square

Def: The measure μ_ψ as in Proposition 18 is called the "self dual Haar measure on F , relative to ψ ".

Using μ_ψ for computing Fourier transforms gives the Fourier inversion formula: $\hat{\tilde{\mathbb{Z}}}(x) = \tilde{\mathbb{Z}}(-x)$ for all $\tilde{\mathbb{Z}} \in C_c^\infty(F)$ and $x \in F$.

We now pass to the case of $A = M_2(F)$.

Fix a character ψ of F , $\psi \neq 1$, and set $\psi_A = \psi \circ \text{Tr}_A$. Fix a Haar measure μ of A .

Def: The Fourier transform of $\tilde{\mathbb{Z}} \in C_c^\infty(A)$ is the function $\hat{\tilde{\mathbb{Z}}} : A \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ defined by $\hat{\tilde{\mathbb{Z}}}(x) = \int_A \tilde{\mathbb{Z}}(y) \psi_A(xy) d\mu(y)$ for all $x \in A$.

Exactly as in Proposition 18, one can check that $\hat{\tilde{\mathbb{Z}}} \in C_c^\infty(A)$ and there is a unique Haar measure μ_ψ^A for which the inversion formula holds, that is $\hat{\tilde{\mathbb{Z}}}(x) = \tilde{\mathbb{Z}}(-x)$ for all $x \in A$.

Such μ_ψ^A is called the "self dual Haar measure on A , relative to ψ ".

For this measure, we have $\mu_\psi^A(M) = q^{2l}$ and $\mu_{a\psi}^A = \|a\|^2 \mu_\psi^A$, where $a \in F^\times$ and l is the level of ψ .

