

## Duality, imprimitivity, reciprocity

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**Abstract.** Let  $G$  be a locally compact group,  $\Gamma$  a subgroup of  $G$ ,  $U$  an irreducible projective representation (p.r.) of  $G$ ;  $j$  a p.r. of  $\Gamma$ ;  $U^j$ -representation of  $G$  induced by  $j$ . Let  $A(U, j)$  be the space of  $(U, j)$ -automorphic forms. Then there exists a Hilbert space isomorphism  $L_G(U, U^j) \approx A(U, j)$ . Several reciprocity theorem of Frobenius type are corollaries. Any system of imprimitivity  $(R, U)$  based on  $G/\Gamma$  defines a  $(U, j)$ -automorphic form.

**Introduction.** The chief problem in the theory of group representations is to determine the space  $L_G(U, U_1)$  of operators intertwining unitary representations  $(U, H)$  and  $(U_1, H_1)$  of a locally compact group  $G$

$$L_G(U, U_1) = \{T \in L(H, H_1) : TU(g) = U_1(g)T, g \in G\}.$$

The problem is most interesting when  $U_1 = (U^j, H^j)$  is the representation induced by a unitary representation  $(j, V)$  of a subgroup  $\Gamma \subset G$ . In the case of a finite group  $G$  this problem was considered already by the founder of the theory of group representations — Ferdinand Georg Frobenius and was investigated by such masters of the theory as G. W. Mackey, F. Bruhat, I. M. Gelfand (and his school), R. I. Blattner (Lie-groups), Olšanski and many others.

K. Maurin and L. Maurin [6], [7] have given a complete characterization of the space  $L_G(U, U^j)$  by means of s. c.  $(U, j)$ -automorphic forms.

As was recently remarked by Mackey [5], several problems in the theory of theta-functions and automorphic forms could be considered as a describing of the space  $L_G(U, U^j)$ , where  $U$  and  $U^j$  are projective representations and  $(U, H)$  is irreducible. Our chief result is the following:

**DUALITY THEOREM (Theorem 3.1).** *Let  $(U, H)$  be an irreducible  $\sigma_1$ -representation and  $(j, V)$  a  $\sigma$ -representation of  $\Gamma \subset G$ . Then the Hilbert space  $L_G(U, U^j)$  is unitarily isomorphic to the space  $A(U, j)$  of  $(U, j)$ -automorphic forms.*

If we do not assume the irreducibility of  $(U, H)$ , we obtain the following result, which can be considered as a generalisation (and even a sharpened form) of an important theorem of Blattner [1].

**THEOREM 1.1.** *Let  $(U, H)$  be an arbitrary  $\sigma_1$ -representation and  $(j, V)$  a  $\sigma$ -representation of  $\Gamma \subset G$ . Then there exists an injection  $k : L_G(U, U^j) \rightarrow A(U, j)$ .*

We obtain the Blattner Theorem (which was inspired by F. Bruhat [2]) if we take  $U = U^M$ , where  $(M, H^M)$  is the representation induced by a unitary (or  $\sigma$ -) representation  $M$  of another subgroup  $\Gamma_1$  of  $G$ .

Since our notion of  $(U, j)$ -automorphic form is valid for arbitrary locally compact groups, it has been interesting to compare it with the famous notion of a "System of imprimitivity" introduced and investigated by G. W. Mackey. We prove in Section 3 (by a method which we owe to N. Skovhus-Poulsen) Theorem 3.1, which asserts that any system of imprimitivity defines a  $(U, j)$ -automorphic form.

In Section 4 we show that several reciprocity theorems proved in [7] are valid also for  $\sigma$ -representations.

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## 1. PRELIMINARIES

**A. Rho-functions.** Let  $G$  be a locally compact group with the left invariant measure  $dg$ . Let  $\Gamma \subset G$  be a subgroup of  $G$  provided with the left-invariant measure  $d\gamma$ . The modular functions are denoted by  $\Delta_G$  and  $\Delta_\Gamma$ . As is well known, on  $G$  there exists a strictly positive continuous function  $\varrho$  such that

$$(1.1) \quad \varrho(g\gamma) = \frac{\Delta_\Gamma(\gamma)}{\Delta_G(\gamma)} \varrho(g), \quad g \in G, \gamma \in \Gamma.$$

Such a function is called a *rho-function*.

We now fix a rho-function  $\varrho$  and let  $\mu$  be a (positive) quasi-invariant measure on  $G/\Gamma$  associated with  $\varrho$  and defined by

$$(1.2) \quad \int_G \psi(g) \varrho(g) dg = \int_{G/\Gamma} d\mu(\dot{g}) \int_\Gamma \psi(g\gamma) d\gamma, \quad \psi \in C_0(G).$$

**B. Induced representations.** (For the following cf. Mackey [5], Blattner [1], Bruhat [2], Bourbaki, and the excellent monograph of G. Warner [8].) Let  $(j, V)$  be a continuous unitary representation of  $\Gamma$  in the Hilbert space  $(V, \langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle)$ . Denote by  $H^j$  the Hilbert space of (equivalence classes of) functions  $f: G \rightarrow V$  which are

1°  $dg$ -measurable.

$$2^\circ f(g\gamma) = \left( \frac{\Delta_\Gamma(\gamma)}{\Delta_G(\gamma)} \right)^{1/2} j(\gamma^{-1})f(g), \quad \gamma \in \Gamma, \quad g \in G,$$

3°  $\|f(\cdot)\|_0^2$  is locally integrable on  $G$ ,

$$4^\circ \int_{G/\Gamma} \varrho(g)^{-1} \|f(g)\|_0^2 d\mu(\dot{g}) =: \|f\|_{H^j}^2 < \infty,$$

$$5^\circ U^j(g)f(x) := f(g^{-1}x), \quad g, x \in G.$$

Blattner [1] avoids the use of the quasi-invariant measure in the following way: Write

$$(1.3) \quad \psi^b(x) := \int_\Gamma \psi(x\gamma) d\gamma, \quad \psi \in C_0(G).$$

Then  $\psi^b \in C_0(G/\Gamma)$ , and as was proved by Bruhat [2],  $C_0(G) \ni \psi \rightarrow \psi^b \in C_0(G/\Gamma)$  is a continuous surjection. For any  $f_1, f_2$  satisfying 1°-3° we have on  $G/\Gamma$  a complex Radon measure  $\mu_{f_1, f_2}$  defined by

$$(1.4) \quad \int_G \langle f_1(g) | f_2(g) \rangle \psi(g) dg =: \int_{G/\Gamma} \psi^b(\dot{g}) d\mu_{f_1, f_2}(\dot{g}).$$

Hence we have the important equations

$$(1.5) \quad (f_1 | f_2)_{H^j} = \mu_{f_1, f_2}(G/\Gamma),$$

$$(1.6) \quad \|f_1\|_{H^j}^2 = \sup_{0 \leq \psi^b \leq 1} \int_G \psi(g) \|f_1(g)\|_0^2 dg.$$

**C. Intertwining operators.** Let  $(U_i, H_i)$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , be unitary representations of the group  $G$ . A map  $T \in L(H_1, H_2)$  intertwines (by definition)  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  if

$$(1.7) \quad T U_1(g) = U_2(g) T, \quad g \in G.$$

The space of intertwining operators is denoted by  $L_G(U_1, U_2)$ . If  $(U_1, H_1)$  is irreducible, then (as was remarked by Mackey)  $L_G(U_1, U_2)$  has the natural Hilbert space structure

$$(1.8) \quad (T_1 | T_2) := (T_2^* T_1 \varphi | \varphi)_{H_1} \|\varphi\|^{-2}.$$

Since  $T_2^* T_1$  commutes with  $(U(g))$ ,  $g \in G$ , by the Schur Lemma  $T_2^* T_1 = a \cdot \text{id}_{H_1}$ , where  $a \in \mathbb{C}$ . Plainly  $(T_1 | T_2) = a$ . Plainly

$$\|T_1\|^2 = (T_1 | T_1).$$

## 2. DUALITY THEOREM (D.T.) FOR AUTOMORPHIC FORMS

This section is the core of the paper. We give here a much stronger version of our D.T. from K. Maurin-L. Maurin [6] and [7].

**The space  $\Phi$ .** Let  $(U, H)$  be a unitary representation of  $G$ . Let  $\Phi$  be the linear spacs of  $U(\psi)h := \int_G \psi(g) U(g)h$ , where  $\psi \in C_0(G)$ ,  $h \in H$ .

We equip  $\Phi$  with the (natural) bornological topology in the following way: for each compact  $K \subset G$ , denote by  $C_0(G, K) = \{\psi \in C_0(G) : \text{spt } \psi \subset K\}$ .  $C_0(G, K)$  is a Banach space with norm  $\|\psi\| = \|\psi\|_\infty = \sup |\psi(G)|$ .  $C_0(G) = \varinjlim C_0(G, K)$  is the inductive limit of Banach spaces  $C_0(G, K)$ . Denote by  $\Phi_K = \text{spacs of } \{U(\psi)h, \psi \in C_0(G, K), h \in H\} = Q_K(C_0(G, K) \otimes H)$ , where  $\otimes$  denotes the projective tensor product and  $Q_K(\psi \otimes h) = Q(\psi \otimes h) := U(\psi)h$ .

**DEFINITION.** The space  $\Phi$  is the *inductive limit* of  $\Phi_K$ :

$$\Phi = \varinjlim Q_K(C_0(G, K) \otimes H) = \varinjlim \Phi_K,$$

where  $K$  runs through all compact subsets of  $G$ .

It is a bornological space as an inductive limit of normed spaces  $\Phi_K$  (the topology of  $\Phi$  is of course the inductive topology with respect to  $\{Q_K, C_0(G, K) \otimes H\}$ ).

**LEMMA 2.1.**  $\Phi \subset H$  is dense in  $H$  and the imbedding is continuous.

**LEMMA 2.2.** The restriction  $(U|_\Phi, \Phi)$  of  $U$  to  $\Phi$  is a continuous representation of  $G$  in  $\Phi$ .

**LEMMA 2.3.** For each sequence  $h_n \rightarrow h$ , in  $H$

$$U(\psi)h_n \rightarrow U(\psi)h \quad \text{in } \Phi.$$

**LEMMA 2.4.** Let  $(W, \|\cdot\|)$  be a normed space. Then the linear map  $L : \Phi \rightarrow W$  is continuous if and only if for any compact set  $K \subset G$  there is a positive constant  $c(K)$  such that

$$\|LU(\psi)h\| \leq c(K) \|\psi\|_\infty \|h\|_H \quad \text{for any } \psi \in C_0(G, K), h \in H.$$

These Lemmas were (more or less) proved in [1].

**PROPOSITION 2.1.** Let  $T \in L_G(U, U^j)$ ; then for each  $\varphi = U(\psi)h \in \Phi$  the element  $T\varphi \in H^j$  has a continuous representative

$$(2.1) \quad G \ni x \rightarrow \int \psi(t) (Th)(t^{-1}x) dt \in V.$$

**Proof in the Appendix!**

**THEOREM 2.1.** Let  $T \in L_G(U, U^j)$ . Define  $\eta = \eta_T$  by

$$(2.2) \quad \eta(\varphi) := (T\varphi)(e) = \int \psi^*(t) Th(t) dt, \quad \varphi = U(\psi)h \in \Phi$$

(where the right-hand side is understood as the value of the continuous representative of  $T\varphi$  at  $e$ , and  $\psi^*(t) := \psi(t^{-1}) \Delta_G(t)^{-1}$ ). Then  $\Phi \ni \varphi \rightarrow \eta(\varphi) \in V$  has the following properties:

2(a)  $\eta \in L(\Phi, V)$ , i.e.  $\eta$  is continuous,

2(b)  $\eta(U(\gamma)\varphi) = \varrho(\gamma)^{-1/2}j(\gamma)\eta(\varphi)$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,

2(c)  $f_{\eta, \varphi}(\cdot) \in H^j$ , where  $f_{\eta, \varphi}(g) := \eta(U(g)\varphi)$ .

Proof. Since

$$(T\varphi)(g) = U^j(g^{-1})(T\varphi)(e) = TU(g^{-1})\varphi(e) = \eta(U(g^{-1})\varphi),$$

points (b) and (c) follow from the definition of induced representation.

It suffices to prove (a). Let  $\alpha \in C_0(G)$ ,  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$  and  $\alpha = 1$  on  $\text{spt } \psi^*$  — support of  $\psi^*$

$$\begin{aligned} \|\eta(\varphi)\|_V &\leq \int |\psi^*(g)| \|Th(g)\|_V dg = \int |\psi^*(g)| \alpha(g) \|Th(g)\|_V dg \\ &\leq \|\psi^*\|_{L^2(G)} \left( \int \alpha(g)^2 \|Th(g)\|_V^2 dg \right)^{1/2} \\ &\leq \|\theta^b\|_\infty \|\psi^*\|_{L^2} \|Th\|_{H^j} \leq c(K) \|\psi\|_\infty \|h\|_H \quad \text{by (1.6)} \end{aligned}$$

( $\theta := \alpha^2$ ) and Lemma 2.4.  $\square$

COROLLARY 2.1. For  $G$  unimodular

$$\|\eta(\varphi)\|_V \leq \|\psi\|_{L^2} \|\theta^b\|_\infty \|Th\|_{H^j}.$$

COROLLARY 2.2. For  $G$  unimodular,  $\Gamma$  compact,  $\eta$  is continuous even in the relative  $L^2(G)$ -topology on  $C_0(G)$ .

Proof. Since  $0 \leq \theta^b \leq 1$

$$\|\eta(\varphi)\|_V \leq \|\psi\|_{L^2(G)} \|Th\|_{H^j} \leq \|T\| \|\psi\|_{L^2} \|h\|.$$

DEFINITION 2.3. If  $(U, H)$  is irreducible, then the map  $\eta : \Phi \rightarrow V$  which satisfies 2(a)–2(c) is called a  $(U, j)$ -automorphic form.

COROLLARY 2.4. If  $G/\Gamma$  admits a finite invariant measure  $\mu$  and  $\dim H < \infty$ , then 2(a) and 2(b) imply 2(c).

Proof. Since  $\dim H < \infty$ ,  $\Phi = H$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\eta(U^{-1}(\cdot)\varphi)\|_{H^j}^2 &= \int_{G/\Gamma} \|\eta(U^{-1}(g)\varphi)\|_V^2 d\mu \leq c \int_{G/\Gamma} \|U^{-1}(g)\varphi\|_H^2 d\mu \\ &\leq c\mu(G/\Gamma) \|\varphi\|^2 < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Since in the theory of automorphic functions the space  $G/\Gamma$  is compact (Gelfand–Piateckij, Šapiro, Olšanskij) or  $G/\Gamma$  admits a finite invariant measure (“modular functions”), the following two Corollaries are of some interest:

COROLLARY 2.3. If  $G/\Gamma$  is compact, then from 2(b) follows 2(c).

Proof. We have to prove that, for each  $\varphi \in \Phi$ ,  $\eta(U^{-1}(\cdot)\varphi) \in H^j$ . But it is obvious since

$$\varrho(\cdot)^{-1} \|\eta(U^{-1}(\cdot)\varphi)\|_V^2 \in C(G/\Gamma).$$

PROPOSITION 2.2. *If  $G/\Gamma$  is compact or  $G/\Gamma$  possesses a finite invariant measure and  $\dim H < \infty$ , then each  $\eta \in L(\Phi, V)$  which is  $\varrho^{-1/2}$   $j$ -covariant (i.e. satisfies 2(b)) satisfies 2(c). Hence in these cases an automorphic form is characterised by 2(a) and 2(b) only.*

We have proved that any  $T \in L_G(U, U^j)$  defines an automorphic form (Theorem 2.1). The duality theorem asserts that a  $(U, j)$ -automorphic form defines an intertwining operator  $T_\eta \in L(U, U^j)$ ; more precisely:

THEOREM 2.2. *Let  $\eta$  be a  $(U, j)$ -automorphic form; then the map*

$$T_\eta^0: \Phi \rightarrow H^j, \quad \text{where } T_\eta^0 \varphi := f_{\eta, \varphi}(\cdot)$$

*can be extended (uniquely) to  $T_\eta \in L(U, U^j)$ .*

Theorems 2.1 and 2.2 give:

DUALITY THEOREM FOR AUTOMORPHIC FORMS (D.T.). *If we provide the space  $A(U, j)$  — of  $(U, j)$ -automorphic forms with the natural Hilbert structure*

$$(\eta_1 | \eta_2) := \left( \eta_1(U(\cdot)\varphi) | \eta_2(U(\cdot)\varphi) \right)_{H^j} \|\varphi\|^{-2} = (f_{\eta_1, \varphi} | f_{\eta_2, \varphi})_{H^j} \|\varphi\|^{-2},$$

*then the  $L_G(U, U^j)$  and  $A(U, j)$  are isomorphic as Hilbert spaces:*

$$(T_{\eta_1} | T_{\eta_2}) = (\eta_1 | \eta_2) \quad \text{for any } \eta_i \in A(U, j), \quad i = 1, 2,$$

$$(\eta_{T_1} | \eta_{T_2}) = (T_1 | T_2) \quad \text{for any } T_i \in L_G(U, U^j).$$

Remark. In the next section we shall extend these results to projective  $\sigma$ -representations.

Such extension is necessary — as was remarked by Mackey [5] — to embrace the classical automorphic forms and  $\theta$ -functions.

We precede the proof of the Theorem 2.2 by several lemmas

LEMMA 2.5. *Let  $\eta$  satisfy 2(a)–2(c); then  $T_0 = T_\eta^0: \Phi \rightarrow H^j$  is sequentially closed.*

Proof. Let  $\varphi_n \rightarrow 0$  in  $\Phi$  and  $T_0 \varphi_n \rightarrow h$  in  $H^j$ ,  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Since  $(T_0 \varphi_n)$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $H^j$ , there exists a subsequence  $n_k \rightarrow \infty$  such that  $(T_0 \varphi_{n_k})(g)$  is convergent for almost all  $g \in G$  (it is the Riesz–Fischer theorem for  $H^j$  proved e.g. in Blattner [1]). But

$$T_0 \varphi_{n_k}(g) = \eta(U(g)\varphi_{n_k}) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{for all } g \text{ for } n_k \rightarrow \infty$$

(by the continuity of  $\eta$ ). Hence  $h(g) = 0$  for almost all  $g \in G$ : thus  $h = 0$ .  $\square$

LEMMA 2.6. *Let  $\psi \in C_0(G, \mathbf{K})$ ; then for any compact  $M \subset G$  the map  $M \ni t \rightarrow U(t)U(\psi)h \in \Phi_{MK}$  is continuous.*

Proof.  $U(t)U(\psi)h = U(L_t \psi)h = Q(L_t \psi \otimes h) \in \Phi_{MK}$ . Since  $G \ni t \mapsto L_t \psi \in C_0(G)$  is continuous,  $G \ni t \mapsto Q(L_t \psi \otimes h) \in \Phi$  is continuous.

We recall a classical result as

LEMMA 2.7. *Let  $B_1, B_2$  be Banach spaces and let  $T: B_1 \rightarrow B_2$  be closed and defined on a dense linear subset of  $B_1$ . If  $f: G \rightarrow B_1$  is  $B_1$ -(Bochner)  $\mu$ -integrable in  $B_1$  and  $Tf$  is  $B_2$ -Bochner  $\mu$ -integrable, then*

$$T\left(\int_G f d\mu\right) = \int_G (Tf) d\mu.$$

LEMMA 2.8. *Let  $T_0\varphi := \eta(U(\cdot)^{-1}\varphi)$ . Then  $T_0U(\psi)\varphi = U^j(\psi)T_0\varphi$  for any  $\varphi \in \Phi, \psi \in C_0(G)$ .*

Proof. Let  $\varphi \in \Phi_K$  and  $\psi \in C_0(G, M)$ .

Since  $T_0: \Phi \rightarrow H^j$  is sequentially closed,  $T|_{\Phi_B}: \Phi_B \rightarrow H^j$  is sequentially closed for any compact  $B \subset G$ . By Lemma 2.6, we can consider  $M \ni t \mapsto U(t)\varphi \in \bar{\Phi}_{MK}$  (Banach space: completion of the normed space  $\Phi_{MK}$ ). Denote by  $\bar{T}_0$  the closure of  $T_0|_{\Phi_{MK}}$ . Since  $\psi(\cdot)U(\cdot)\varphi$  is continuous, it is Bochner integrable and  $\psi(\cdot)\bar{T}_0U(\cdot)\varphi = \psi(\cdot)U^j(\cdot)T_0\varphi$  is a Bochner-integrable  $H^j$ -valued function. Thus in virtue of Lemma 2.7 we have

$$\begin{aligned} T_0U(\psi)\varphi &= \bar{T}_0 \int \psi(t)U(t)\varphi dt = \int \bar{T}_0(\psi(t)U(t)\varphi) dt \\ &= \int \psi(t)\bar{T}_0U(t)\varphi dt = \int \psi(t)U^j(t)T_0\varphi dt \\ &= U^j(\psi)T_0\varphi. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

LEMMA 2.9.  *$T_0$  considered as a map from a dense subset  $\Phi$  of the Hilbert space  $H$  into  $H^j$  is closable.*

Proof. Let  $\varphi_n \rightarrow 0$  in  $H$  and  $T_0\varphi_n \rightarrow v$  in  $H^j$ .

By Lemma 2.3,  $U(\psi) \in L(H, \Phi): U(\psi)\varphi_n \rightarrow 0$  in  $\Phi$ . But by Lemma 2.8

$$T_0U(\psi)\varphi_n = U^j(\psi)T_0\varphi_n \rightarrow U^j(\psi)v \quad \text{in } H^j, \quad n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Hence, by the sequential closedness of  $T_0: \Phi \rightarrow H^j$  (Lemma 2.5),  $U^j(\psi)v = 0$  for each  $\psi \in C_0(G)$ . Thus  $v = 0$  (for  $\psi \rightarrow \delta_0, U^j(\psi)v \rightarrow v$ ).

LEMMA 2.10. *Let  $T = T_n$  be the  $H$ -space closure of  $T_0$ . Then*

$$(*) \quad TU(g) = U^j(g)T, \quad g \in G.$$

Thus by the theorem of v. Neumann and Najmark  $T$  is bounded and defined on the whole  $H$ . Hence  $T \in L_G(U, U^j)$ .

Proof of (\*). Let  $h \in D(T)$ ,  $D(T)$  domain of  $T$ .

Thus there exists a sequence  $\varphi_n \in \Phi$  such that  $\varphi_n \rightarrow h$  and  $T\varphi_n = T_0\varphi_n \rightarrow Th, n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Since  $U(g)\varphi_n \rightarrow U(g)h$  and  $TU(g)\varphi_n = T_0U(g)\varphi_n = U^j(g)T_0\varphi_n \rightarrow U^j(g)Th$ , by the closedness of  $T$  (the closure of  $T_0$ )  $TU(g)\varphi_n \rightarrow TU(g)h$  we have

$$U^j(g)Th = \lim U^j(g)T_0\varphi_n = \lim T_0U(g)\varphi_n = \lim TU(g)\varphi_n = TU(g)h. \quad \square$$

**Proof of D. T.** It suffices to check that the linear maps  $l : L_G(U, U^j) \rightarrow A(U, j)$ , where  $lT := \eta_T$ ,  $\eta_T(\varphi) := (T\varphi)(e)$  and  $k : A(U, j) \rightarrow L_G(U, U^j)$ ,  $k\eta = T_\eta$ , where  $T_\eta\varphi := \eta(U^{-1}(\cdot)\varphi)$  (given in the preceding Theorems), satisfy  $(l \circ k)\eta \equiv \eta$ ,  $\eta \in A(U, j)$ , and  $(k \circ l)T \equiv T$ ,  $T \in L_G(U, U^j)$ .

But this is immediate:

$$\begin{aligned} lk\eta(\varphi) &= \eta_{k\eta}(\varphi) = k\eta\varphi(e) = (T_\eta\varphi)(e) = \eta(\varphi) \quad \text{for every } \varphi \in \Phi, \\ (klT\varphi)(g) &= T_{lT}(\varphi)(g) = lT(U(g^{-1})\varphi) = T(U(g^{-1})\varphi)(e) \\ &= (T\varphi)(g) \quad \text{for all } g \in G \text{ and } \varphi \in \Phi. \end{aligned}$$

The isometry of  $k$  is almost obvious:

$$\begin{aligned} \|\varphi\|^2 (T_{\eta_1} | T_{\eta_2}) &= a(\varphi | \varphi) = (T_{\eta_2}^* T_{\eta_1} \varphi | \varphi) = (T_{\eta_1} \varphi | T_{\eta_2} \varphi) \\ &= \eta_1(U^{-1}(\cdot)\varphi) | \eta_2(U^{-1}(\cdot)\varphi)_{H^j} = (\eta_1 | \eta_2) \|\varphi\|^2 \\ &= (f_{\eta_1, \varphi} | f_{\eta_2, \varphi})_{H^j}. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

**Remark.** Our definition of  $(\eta_1 | \eta_2)$  is a far-reaching generalization of the scalar product introduced by Petersson in the early thirties.

### 3. EXTENSION OF D.T. FOR PROJECTIVE REPRESENTATIONS

Now we shall extend the results of Section 2 to projective  $\sigma$ -representations. Such a generalization is necessary for several applications (cf. Mackey [5])

**DEFINITION 3.1.** A continuous mapping  $G \ni g \mapsto U(g) \in L(H)$ , where  $U(g)$  are unitary  $U(e) = \text{id}_H$  is a *projective representation* with multiplier  $\sigma$ , or a  $\sigma$ -representation if

$$(3.1) \quad U(g_1)U(g_2) = \sigma(g_1, g_2)U(g_1 \cdot g_2),$$

where  $\sigma : G \times G \rightarrow S$  ( $S = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| = 1\}$ ) such that

$$(3.2) \quad \sigma(g_1, g_2)\sigma(g_1g_2, g_3) = \sigma(g_1, g_2g_3)\sigma(g_2, g_3),$$

$$(3.3) \quad \sigma(g, e) = \sigma(e, g) = 1.$$

**Induced  $\sigma$ -representations.** Let  $(j, V)$  be a  $\sigma$ -representation of the subgroup  $\Gamma \subset G$ , where  $\sigma$  satisfies (3.1)–(3.3). The space  $H^j$  of Section 1 is modified as follows:

**DEFINITION 3.2.**

1°  $f : G \rightarrow V$  are  $d_g$ -measurable,

2°  $f(g\gamma) = \varrho(\gamma)^{1/2} j(\gamma)^{-1} \sigma(g, \gamma) f(g)$ ,  $g \in G$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,

3°  $\|f(\cdot)\|_0^2$  is locally integrable on  $G$ ,

4°  $\int_G \varrho(g)^{-1} \|f(g)\|_0^2 d\mu(g) =: \|f\|_{H^j}^2 < \infty$ ,

5°  $U_\sigma^j f(x) = \sigma(g, g^{-1}x) f(g^{-1}x)$ .

DEFINITION 3.3. Let  $(U, H)$  be a  $\sigma_1$ -irreducible representation of  $G$  and let  $(j, V)$  be a  $\sigma$ -representation of  $\Gamma$ . A mapping  $\eta : \Phi \rightarrow V$  is called a  $(U, j; \sigma, \sigma_1)$ -automorphic form if

- 3(a)  $\eta \in L(\Phi, V)$ ,
- 3(b)  $\eta(U(\gamma)\varphi) = \varrho(\gamma)^{-1/2} j(\gamma)\eta(\varphi)$ ,
- 3(c)  $(\eta(U(g^{-1})\varphi)) \in H^j$ .

THEOREM 3.1. *The Duality Theorem extends without any changes to projective representations:*

*The spaces  $L_G(U, U^j)$  and  $A(U, j; \sigma, \sigma_1)$  are isomorphic as Hilbert spaces.*

In order to see this we shall make some simple

Remarks. Let  $G^{\sigma_1}$  be a  $\sigma_1$ -extension of  $G$ : i.e.  $G^{\sigma_1} = S \times G$  and the group operation is defined as follows:

$$(3.4) \quad (z_1, g_1)(z_2, g_2) := (z_1 z_2 \sigma_1(g_1, g_2), g_1 g_2).$$

Plainly

$$(3.5) \quad (1, e) = 1, \quad (z, g)^{-1} = \left( \frac{1}{z \sigma_1(g, g^{-1})}, g^{-1} \right).$$

Following Mackey [5] we define  $(U^0, H)$  as a unitary representation of  $G^{\sigma_1}$  in  $H$  by

$$(3.6) \quad U^0(z, g) := zU(g).$$

The subsequent lemma shows that our space  $\Phi$  is good for  $\sigma_1$ -representations:

LEMMA 3.1. *Let  $\psi_1(z, g) := \psi(g)$ ; where  $\psi \in C_0(G)$  (thus  $\psi_1 \in C_0(G^{\sigma_1})$ ). Put  $c = \int_S z dz$ ; then*

$$(3.7) \quad U^0(\psi_1)h = cU(\psi)h,$$

$$(3.8) \quad U(t)U(\psi) = U(L_t\psi),$$

$$(3.9) \quad G \ni t \rightarrow U(t)\varphi \in \Phi \quad \text{is continuous for } \varphi \in \Phi.$$

$$(3.10) \quad \text{For each } \psi \in C_0(G), \quad U(\psi) \in L(H, \Phi).$$

Proof in Appendix.

LEMMA 3.2.  $(\sigma\text{-representation } (U, H) \text{ is irreducible}) \Leftrightarrow ((U^0, H) \text{ is irreducible})$ .

LEMMA 3.3. *If  $(U, H)$  is an irreducible projective representation of  $G$  and  $(U_1, H_1)$  any  $\sigma$ -representation, then every closed densely defined intertwining map  $T : H \rightarrow H_1$  such that  $TU(g) = U_1(g)T$  is bounded.*

**Proof.** Since  $T$  intertwines the irreducible unitary representation  $U^0$  of  $G^{\sigma_1}$  with  $U_1^0$ , then by the v. Neumann–Najmark Theorem  $T$  is bounded.

Since all lemmas and propositions are valid for projective representations (cf. Appendix), the Duality Theorem for  $(U, j; \sigma, \sigma_1)$ -forms is proved.  $\square$

#### 4. AUTOMORPHIC FORMS AND SYSTEMS OF IMPRIMITIVITY (S.I.)

We recall

**DEFINITION 4.1.** Let  $P : C_0(G/\Gamma) \rightarrow L(H)$  be such a  $*$ -homomorphism that

$$U(g)P(\psi^b)U(g)^{-1} = P(L_g\psi^b).$$

Then the pair  $\{P, U\}$  is called a *system of imprimitivity* with base  $G/\Gamma$ .

In this section we prove the following

**THEOREM 4.1.**  $1^\circ$  *Each system of imprimitivity defines an automorphic form  $\eta$  by the formula*

$$\eta(\varphi) := [\varphi], \quad \text{where } [\varphi] := \varphi + \text{Ker } \beta,$$

$\beta(\cdot, \cdot)$  being a semi-scalar product on  $\Phi$  given by

$$\beta(\varphi, \varphi) := \lim_{\psi \rightarrow \delta_e} (P(\psi^b)\varphi | \varphi), \quad \text{Ker } \beta = \{\varphi \in \Phi : \beta(\varphi, \varphi) = 0\}.$$

**Proof  $1^\circ$ .** (This construction we owe to Niels Skovhus-Poulsen; he used it in his elegant proof of the imprimitivity theorem communicated on the conference in Aarhus, May 1972: "Open House for Functional Analysis".)

$$\text{Let } \beta(\varphi, \varphi) := \lim_{\psi \rightarrow \delta_e} (P(\psi^b)\varphi | \varphi)_H.$$

Plainly  $\beta(\varphi, \varphi) \geq 0$  and  $\beta$  is hermitian on  $\Phi \times \Phi$ . Let  $\Phi \ni \varphi \mapsto [\varphi] = \varphi + \text{Ker } \beta \in V_0 := \Phi / \text{Ker } \beta$  be the natural projection and  $\langle [\varphi_1] | [\varphi_2] \rangle := \beta(\varphi_1, \varphi_2)$ . Then  $(V_0, \langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle)$  is a pre-Hilbert space.

Plainly  $\Phi \ni \varphi \rightarrow \eta(\varphi) := [\varphi] \in V_0$  is linear and continuous. Since  $\varrho(\gamma)\beta(\varphi_1, \varphi_2) = \beta(U(\gamma)\varphi_1, U(\gamma)\varphi_2)$ ,

$$j_0(\gamma)[\varphi] := [\varrho(\gamma)^{-1/2} U(\gamma)\varphi]$$

is a well-defined isometry on  $V_0$ . But  $j_0(\gamma_1\gamma_2) = j_0(\gamma_1) \cdot j_0(\gamma_2)$ ,  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2 \in \Gamma$ ; hence by closure we obtain a unitary representation  $\gamma \rightarrow j_0(\gamma) =: j(\gamma)$  ( $j, V$ ) of the subgroup  $\Gamma$  in the Hilbert space  $(V, \langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus } j(\gamma)\eta(\varphi) &= \varrho(\gamma)^{-1/2}\eta(U(\gamma)^{-1}\varphi) \\ \infty > (P(\psi^b)\varphi|\varphi) &= \int_G \beta(U(g^{-1})\varphi, U(g^{-1})\varphi)\psi(g)dg \\ &= \int_G \|\eta(U(g^{-1})\varphi)\|_v^2 \psi(g) dg, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\|f_{\eta,\varphi}\|_{H^j}^2 := \sup_{0 \leq \psi^b \leq 1} (P(\psi^b)\varphi|\varphi) = \|\varphi\|_H^2.$$

Thus  $\varphi \rightarrow [\varphi]$  is a  $(U, j)$ -automorphic form.  $\square$

5. RECIPROCITY THEOREMS

In this section we formulate several reciprocity theorem of the Frobenius–Bruhat type. They are immediate generalizations of the theorems proved in Part II of G.D.T., for unitary representations  $(U, H)$  and  $(j, V)$ . Since these proofs use only the Duality Theorem, its corollaries from Section 3 and Proposition 2.2, they go over without any change to projective  $\sigma$ -representations and we formulate the results only.

THEOREM 5.1. *If  $G/\Gamma$  is compact or if  $G/\Gamma$  has a finite invariant measure and  $\dim H < \infty$  and  $(U, H)$  and  $(j, V)$  are projective representations, then there holds the Frobenius reciprocity*

$$(F.R) \quad L_G(U, U^j) \cong L_\Gamma(j_e, U|\Gamma),$$

where  $j_e(\gamma) := \varrho(\gamma)^{-1/2}j(\gamma)$ .

THEOREM 5.2. *Let  $G$  be unimodular and  $\sigma$ -compact and let the projective representation  $U$  be irreducible and square-integrable, i.e.  $(U(\cdot)h|k) \in L^2(G)$  for any  $h, k$ . Then if  $\Gamma$  is compact we have the isometric isomorphism*

$$(5.1) \quad L_G(U, U^j) \cong (H - S)_\Gamma(j, U|\Gamma),$$

where the right-hand side of (5.1) denotes the space of Hilbert–Schmidt maps:  $H \rightarrow V$  intertwining for  $U|\Gamma$  and  $j$ . This space is provided with the Hilbert–Schmidt scalar product.

APPENDIX

Proofs of lemmas. We shall now give the proof of a generalized version of Proposition 2.1 (for  $\sigma$ -representations). Let  $(U, H)$  be a projective representation of  $G$ , and  $(U^j, H^j)$  – a representation induced by the  $\sigma$ -representation  $(j, V)$  of the subgroup  $\Gamma \subset G$ . If intertwines  $U$  and  $U^j$ , then the continuous function

$$(A.1) \quad f(x) := \int_G \psi(t)\sigma(t, t^{-1}x)Th(t^{-1}x)dt$$

is a representative of  $TU(\psi)h$ , where  $\psi \in C_0(G)$ ,  $h \in H$ .

The proof consists of two points:

1°  $f(\cdot)$  — defined by (A.1) is an element of  $H^j$ ,

2°  $f = U^j(\psi)Th$ .

Ad 1°: Plainly  $f$  is locally integrable. Take  $0 \leq \theta \in C_0(G)$ ,  $0 \leq \theta^b \leq 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} I &:= \left| \int \theta(g) \langle f(g) | f(g) \rangle_V dg \right| \\ &= \left| \int \theta(g) \langle \int \psi(t) \sigma(t, t^{-1}g) Th(t^{-1}g) dt | f(g) \rangle dg \right| \\ &\leq \int |\psi(t)| \left| \int \theta(g) \sigma(t, t^{-1}g) \langle Th(t^{-1}g) | f(g) \rangle dg \right| dt. \end{aligned}$$

(We can interchange the integrations (Tonelli!) since the integrand has a compact support.) But

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| \int \theta(g) \sigma(t, t^{-1}g) \langle Th(t^{-1}g) | f(g) \rangle_V dg \right| \\ &= \left| \int \theta(g) \int \sigma(t, t^{-1}g) \langle Th(t^{-1}g) | \psi(s) \sigma(s, s^{-1}g) Th(s^{-1}g) \rangle ds dg \right| \\ &\leq \int |\psi(s)| \int \theta(g) |\sigma(t, t^{-1}g)| \|\sigma(s, s^{-1}g)\| \langle Th(t^{-1}g) | Th(s^{-1}g) \rangle | dg ds \\ &= \int |\psi(s)| \int \theta(g) |\langle U^j(t) Th(g) | U^j(s) Th(g) \rangle| dg ds \\ &\leq \int |\psi(s)| \int \theta(g) \|U^j(t) Th(g)\|_V \|U^j(s) Th(g)\|_V dg ds \\ &\leq \int |\psi(s)| \left( \int \theta(g) \|U^j(t) Th(g)\|_V^2 dg \right)^{1/2} \left( \int \theta(g) \|U^j(s) Th(g)\|_V^2 dg \right)^{1/2} ds \\ &\leq \int |\psi(s)| \|\theta^b\|_\infty \|U^j(t) Th\|_{H^j} \|U^j(s) Th\|_{H^j} ds \leq \|\psi\|_1 \|\theta^b\|_\infty \|Th\|_{H^j}^2. \end{aligned}$$

Hence finally

$$I \leq \int |\psi(t)| dt \|\psi\|_1 \|\theta^b\|_\infty \|Th\|_{H^j}^2 = \|\psi\|_1^2 \|Th\|_{H^j}^2 \|\theta^b\|_\infty.$$

But

$$\begin{aligned} \|f\|_{H^j}^2 &= \sup_{0 \leq \theta^b \leq 1} \int \theta(g) \|f(g)\|_V^2 dg \\ &\leq \sup_{0 \leq \theta^b \leq 1} (\|\psi\|_1^2 \|Th\|_{H^j}^2 \|\theta^b\|_\infty) = \|\psi\|_1^2 \|Th\|_{H^j}^2 < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $f \in H^j$ .

Ad 2°. It suffices to prove the identity

$$(f|l)_{H^j} \equiv (U^j(\psi)Th|l)_{H^j} \quad \text{for } l \text{ from a total set in } H^j.$$

But we have a classical

SUBLEMMA (Mackey, cf. Bruhat [2] or G. Warner [8]).

$$\left\{ l : l(x) := \int_\Gamma \varrho(\gamma)^{-1/2} \theta(x\gamma) \sigma(x, \gamma) j(\gamma) v d\gamma, \theta \in C_0(G), v \in V \right\},$$

is total in  $H^j$  and each  $l$  has a compact support modulo  $\Gamma$  (i.e. if  $S = \text{spt} l$ , then  $\pi(S) \subset K$  is a compact subset of  $G/\Gamma$ , where  $\pi(x) := x\Gamma$ ).

Proof of 2°. Write  $F_t(\pi(x)) = \varrho(x)^{-1} \langle U^j(t)Th(x) | l(x) \rangle_V$ . But  $\text{spt} F_t \subset K$  since  $\text{spt} F_t \subset \text{spt} l$ . Thus

$$(t, \dot{x}) \mapsto \psi(t) \varrho(x)^{-1} \langle U^j(t)Th(x) | l(x) \rangle_V$$

is a measurable function with support  $\text{spt} \psi \times K$  (a compact subset in  $G \times (G/\Gamma)$ ). Hence we can apply the Tonelli Theorem:

$$\begin{aligned} (f|l)_{H^j} &= \int_{G/\Gamma} \varrho(x)^{-1} \langle f(x) | l(x) \rangle d\mu(\dot{x}) \\ &= \int_{G/\Gamma} \varrho(x)^{-1} \int_G \psi(t) \langle \sigma(t, t^{-1}x)Th(t^{-1}x) | l(x) \rangle dt d\mu(\dot{x}) \\ &= \int_G \psi(t) \left( \int_{G/\Gamma} \varrho(x)^{-1} \sigma(t, t^{-1}x) \langle Th(t^{-1}x) | l(x) \rangle d\mu(\dot{x}) \right) dt \\ &= \int_G \psi(t) (U^j(t)Th|l)_{H^j} dt = (U^j(\psi)Th|l)_{H^j}. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

LEMMA A.1 (Skovhus–Poulsen). Let  $\{P, U\}$  be an S.I. based on  $G/\Gamma$  and let for  $h, k \in H, \nu_{h,k}$  be Radon measure on  $G$  such that

$$(P(\psi^b)h|k) = \int_G \psi(g) d\nu_{h,k}(g).$$

If  $h, k \in \Phi$ , then there exists a continuous function  $m_{h,k}(\cdot)$  on  $G$  such that

$$(A.2) \quad d\nu_{h,k}(g) = m_{h,k}(g) dg.$$

If  $h = U(\psi)x, k = U(\theta)y, \psi, \theta \in C_0(G), x, y \in H$ , then there exists a measure  $\mu$  (depending on  $x, y$ ) on  $G \times G$  such that

$$m_{h,k}(g) = \int_{G \times G} \psi(lg) \bar{\theta}(cg) d\mu(b, c).$$

Remark. The sesquilinear form  $\beta(\cdot, \cdot)$  in Theorem 4.1 is given by:  $\beta(h, k) := m_{h,k}(e), h, k \in \Phi$ .

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