

POISSON SUMMATION AND ENDOSCOPY FOR $SL(3, \mathbb{R})$

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ABSTRACT. The group is interesting as the first example of split rank 2 semisimple group, all the irreducible unitary representations of which are known. We make a precise realization of the discrete series representations (in Section 2) by using the Orbit Method and Geometric Quantization, a computation of their traces (Section 3) and an exact formula for the noncommutative Poisson summation and endoscopy of for this group (in Section 4).

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1. INTRODUCTION

The questions of finding all the irreducible unitary representations of a reductive Lie group and decomposition of a particular representation into a discrete or continuous direct sum or integral of irreducible ones

are the basic questions of harmonic analysis on reductive Lie groups. In particular, the discrete part of the regular representation of reductive Lie groups is the discrete sum of discrete series representations.

Often these problems are reduced to the trace formula, because, as known, the unitary representations are uniquely defined by its generalized character and infinitesimal character. Following Harish-Chandra, the generalized character is defined by its restriction to the maximal compact subgroup, as the initial eigenvalue problem for the generalized Laplacian (the Casimir operator) with the infinitesimal character as the eigenvalues infinitesimal action of Casimir operators.

There is a very highly developed theory of Arthur-Selberg trace formula. The theory is complicated and one reduces it to the same problem for smaller endoscopic subgroups. It is called the transfer and plays a very important role in the theory. By definition, an endoscopic subgroup is the connected component of the centralizer of regular semisimple elements, associated to representations, namely by the orbit method.

For the discrete series representations of $\mathrm{SL}(3, \mathbb{R})$ the following endoscopic groups should be considered:

- *the elliptic case*: diagonal subgroup of regular elements

$$H = \{\mathrm{diag}(a_1, a_2, a_3); \quad a_1 a_2 a_3 = 1, a_i \neq a_j, \forall i \neq j\} \cong \mathbb{T}^2;$$

- *the parabolic case*: block-diagonal subgroup of regular elements

$$H = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta & 0 \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \cong \mathrm{SO}(2);$$

- *the trivial case*: the group $H = \mathrm{SL}(3, \mathbb{R})$ its-self.

We show in this paper that the method that J.-P. Labesse [La] used for $\mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ is applied also for $\mathrm{SL}(3, \mathbb{R})$. Therefore one deduces the transfer formula for the discrete series representations and limits of $\mathrm{SL}(3, \mathbb{R})$ to the corresponding endoscopic group.

For the group $\mathrm{SL}(3, \mathbb{R})$ we make a precise realization of the discrete series representations (in Section 2) by using the Orbit Method and Geometric Quantization to the solvable radical, a computation in the context of $\mathrm{SL}(3, \mathbb{R})$ of their traces (Section 3) and an exact formula for the noncommutative Poisson summation and endoscopy of for this group (in Section 4).

2. IRREDUCIBLE UNITARY REPRESENTATIONS OF $\mathrm{SL}(3, \mathbb{R})$

2.1. The structure of $\mathrm{SL}(3, \mathbb{R})$. The following notions and results are folklore and we recall them to fix an appropriate system of notations.

Let us remind that the group $\mathrm{SL}(3, \mathbb{R})$ is

$$\mathrm{SL}(3, \mathbb{R}) = \{X \in \mathrm{GL}(3, \mathbb{R}) \mid \det X = 1\}.$$

Denote by $\mathfrak{sl}(3, \mathbb{R})$ its Lie algebra $\mathrm{Lie} \mathrm{SL}(3, \mathbb{R})$, θ the Cartan involution of the group $G = \mathrm{SL}(3, \mathbb{R})$ which is $\theta(X) = {}^t X^{-1}$. The corresponding Cartan involution of for its Lie algebra $\mathfrak{sl}(3, \mathbb{R})$ is denoted by the same symbol $\theta \in \mathrm{Aut} \mathfrak{sl}(3, \mathbb{R})$,

$$\theta(X) = -{}^t X, X \in \mathfrak{sl}(3, \mathbb{R})$$

The maximal compact subgroup K of G is the orthogonal group

$$K = \mathrm{SO}(3)$$

is the subgroup of G , the Lie algebra \mathfrak{k} of which is consisting of all the matrices on which the Cartan involution has eigenvalue $+1$,

$$\mathfrak{k} = \{X \mid \theta(X) = -{}^t X = X\}.$$

The Borel subgroup of $\mathrm{SL}(3, \mathbb{R})$ is the minimal parabolic subgroup

$$P_0 = B = \left\{ p = \begin{pmatrix} m & * & \\ 0 & \det m^{-1} & \end{pmatrix} \middle| m \in U(2) \right\},$$

the Lie algebra of which is consisting of all the matrices with eigenvalue -1 ,

$$\mathfrak{b} = \{X \in \mathfrak{g} \mid \theta(X) = -X\}$$

. Up to conjugacy, there are two possible Borel subgroups: the split Borel subgroup

$$B_s = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} t_1 & * & * \\ 0 & t_2 & * \\ 0 & 0 & t_3 \end{pmatrix} \middle| t_i \in \mathbb{R}_+, t_1 t_2 t_3 = 1 \right\}$$

with the maximal abelian subgroup $A = \mathrm{diag}(t_1, t_2, t_3)$ and unipotent radical

$$U = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & * & * \\ 0 & 1 & * \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\},$$

the compact subgroup of of B is

$$K_s = B_s \cap K = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \pm 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \pm 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$$

$B_s = \mathbb{Z}_2 A U$, and the non-split Borel subgroup

$$B_n = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} t_1 \cos \theta & t_1 \sin \theta & * \\ -t_1 \sin \theta & t_1 \cos \theta & * \\ 0 & 0 & t_2 \end{pmatrix} \middle| t_i \in \mathbb{R}_+, t_1^2 t_2 = 1 \right\}$$

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$$U = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & * \\ 0 & 1 & * \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\},$$

the maximal compact subgroup of B_n is

$$K_n = K \cap B_n = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \pm \cos \theta & \pm \sin \theta & 0 \\ \mp \sin \theta & \pm \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \middle| \theta \in [0, 2\pi) \right\}$$

and $B_n = K_n AU$,

In the split case, the group $\mathrm{SL}(3, \mathbb{R})$ admits the well-known Cartan decomposition in form $G = B_s K$. The Borel subgroup B_s is endowed with a further decomposition into a semi-direct product $B = MAU$, $M = \{\pm 1\}$, of a maximal split torus $A = (\mathbf{R}_+^*)^2$, the Lie algebra of which is

$$\mathfrak{a} = \left\{ H = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_3 \end{pmatrix} \middle| \lambda_i \in \mathbb{R}, \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 = 0 \right\}$$

and the unipotent radical $U = \mathrm{Rad}_u B \cong \mathrm{Heis}_3$, generated by matrices

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, Y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, Z = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

satisfying the Heisenberg commutation relation $[X, Y] = Z$.

$$\mathfrak{b} = \mathfrak{u} \oplus \mathfrak{a} \oplus \mathfrak{m},$$

where $\mathfrak{u} = \mathrm{Lie} \mathrm{Heis}_3 = \langle X, Y, Z \rangle$, $\mathfrak{a} = \langle H_1 = \mathrm{diag}(1, -1, 0), H_2 = \mathrm{diag}(1, 0, -1) \rangle$, $\mathfrak{m} = 0$.

In the nonsplit case, the group $\mathrm{SL}(3, \mathbb{R})$ admits the well-known Cartan decomposition in form of $G = B_n K$. The Borel subgroup B_n is endowed with a further decomposition into a semi-direct product $B = MAU$ of a maximal split torus A , the Lie algebra of which is

$$\mathfrak{a} = \left\{ H = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} \middle| \lambda_i \in \mathbb{R}, 2\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = 0 \right\}$$

and the unipotent radical $U = \mathrm{Rad}_u B \cong \mathrm{Heis}(3, \mathbb{R})$, generated by matrices

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, Y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, Z = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

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$$\mathfrak{b} = \mathfrak{u} \oplus \mathfrak{a} \oplus \mathfrak{m},$$

where $\mathfrak{u} = \mathrm{Lie} \mathrm{Heis}(3, \mathbb{R}) = \langle X, Y, Z \rangle$, $\mathfrak{a} = \langle H = \mathrm{diag}(1, 1, -2) \rangle$,

$$\mathfrak{m} \cap \mathfrak{b} = \left\langle T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle.$$

We have the commutation relations of the harmonic oscillator

$$[T, X] = 2X, [T, Y] = -2Y, [T, Z] = 0$$

The center $C(\mathfrak{k})$ is of dimension 1,

$$C(\mathfrak{k}) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} i\lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & i\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2i\lambda \end{pmatrix} \middle| \lambda \in \mathbb{R}, i = \sqrt{-1} \right\}$$

There is a compact Cartan subalgebra \mathfrak{h} consisting of all diagonal matrices

$$\mathfrak{h} = \{ \text{diag}(ih_1, ih_2, ih_3) \mid h_1, h_2, h_3 \in \mathbb{R}, h_1 + h_2 + h_3 = 0 \} \subset \mathfrak{k}.$$

The associate root system is

$$\Delta(\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}, \mathfrak{k}_{\mathbb{C}}) = \{ \alpha_{kl} = \alpha_k - \alpha_l \mid \alpha_k(h_l) = \delta_{kl} \}.$$

It means that $\alpha_{kl} = (0, \dots, 0, \underbrace{1}_k, 0, \dots, 0, \underbrace{-1}_l, 0, \dots, 0) \in \mathfrak{h}^*$, $1 \leq$

$k \neq l \leq 3$. The subroot system of compact roots is $\Delta_c = \{ \pm \alpha_{12} \}$ The noncompact root system is $\Delta_n = \{ \pm \beta, \pm 2\beta \}$ where β is the noncompact root such that

$$\beta \left(\begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2\lambda \end{pmatrix} \right) = \lambda$$

The coroot system is

$$\Delta(\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}, \mathfrak{k}_{\mathbb{C}})^* = \left\{ H_{kl} = E_{kk} - E_{ll} \middle| \begin{array}{l} E_{kl} = \text{elementary matrix with the} \\ \text{only nonzero entry 1 on position } (i, j) \end{array} \right\}$$

Theorem 2.1. *The discrete series representations of $SL(3, \mathbb{R})$ is obtained $\text{Ind}_B^G(\pi^k \otimes \chi_{\lambda}^{\pm})$ by induction from B to G by the tensor product of an irreducible representation of highest weight k irreducible representation π^k of the normalizer $M_K = K \cap M$ of a semisimple element of A in the maximal compact subgroup K , and a character $\chi_{\lambda_0}^{\pm}(uak) = a^{i\lambda}(\text{sign } a)^{\varepsilon}$, $\varepsilon = 0, 1$ of the split component A of B ,*

$$\sigma_k^{\pm} = \pi^k \otimes \chi_{\lambda}^{\pm}.$$

PROOF. The proof is consisting of geometric realization of the discrete series representations of $SL(3, \mathbb{R})$. Because the Borel subgroup is a minimal parabolic subgroup, the coadjoint action of K in \mathfrak{g}^* keeps the set \mathfrak{b}^* invariant.

Following the orbit method, in order to obtain the induced representation from the Borel subgroup B to G , we do describe the (co)adjoint orbits of B in \mathfrak{b}^* .

Lemma 2.2 (Orbital picture of \mathfrak{b}^* in the nonsplit case). *The space \mathfrak{b}^* is divided into a disjoint union of the following coadjoint B -orbits:*

- a. The two half-spaces Ω_{\pm} consisting of functionals $F = tT^* + xX^* + yY^* + zZ^*$,

$$\Omega_+ = \{(t, x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^4 | z > 0\}$$

$$\Omega_- = \{(t, x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^4 | z < 0\}$$

- b. A family of cylinders with hyperbolic base

$$\Omega_{\alpha} = \{(t, x, y, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \times \{0\} | xy = \alpha\}, \alpha > 0$$

- c. Four half-planes corresponding to the case $xy = 0$ but $x \neq y$

$$\Omega_{x>0} = \{t, x, 0, 0\} \in \mathbb{R}^4 | x > 0\}$$

$$\Omega_{x<0} = \{t, x, 0, 0\} \in \mathbb{R}^4 | x < 0\}$$

$$\Omega_{y>0} = \{t, 0, y, 0\} \in \mathbb{R}^4 | y > 0\}$$

$$\Omega_{y<0} = \{t, 0, y, 0\} \in \mathbb{R}^4 | y < 0\}$$

- d. The origin

$$\Omega = \{(0, 0, 0, 0)\}$$

PROOF. This proposition is proven by a direct computation of the (co-)adjoint action. \square

Let us now use the orbit method [D1],[K] Consider the linear functionals $\pm Z^* \in \Omega_{\pm} \subset \mathfrak{g}^*$ and the corresponding coadjoint orbits $\Omega_{\pm} = G.(\pm Z^*)$.

Lemma 2.3. *Subalgebras $\mathfrak{l} = \mathbb{C}(X \pm iY) \oplus \mathbb{C}Z \subset \mathfrak{u}_{\mathbb{C}}$ are the positive polarizations at $\pm Z^* \in \Omega_{\pm}$.*

PROOF. The Lemma is proven by a direct computation the conditions from the definition of a positive polarization. \square

2.2. Holomorphic Induction. Following the orbit method and the holomorphic induction, we do choose the integral functionals λ , take the corresponding orbits and then choose polarization and use the holomorphic induction.

As described above, the positive root system $\Delta^+ = \Delta_c^+ \cup \Delta_n^+ = \{\alpha_{kl}, 1 \leq k \neq l \leq 3, \beta, 2\beta\} = \{\alpha_{12}, \alpha_{32}, \alpha_{31}\}, \rho = \alpha_{32}$. The root spaces are $\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}^{\alpha_{kl}} = \mathbb{C}E_{kl}$. $\mathfrak{g}_{\beta} = \mathbb{R}X \oplus \mathbb{R}Y$ and $\mathfrak{g}_{2\beta} = \mathbb{R}Z$. Define

$$\mathfrak{p}_+ = \bigoplus_{\alpha \in \Delta_n^+} \mathfrak{g}^{\alpha} = \mathfrak{g}^{\alpha_{32}} \oplus \mathfrak{g}^{\alpha_{31}} = \mathbb{C}E_{31} \oplus \mathbb{C}E_{32}$$

and

$$\mathfrak{p}_- = \bigoplus_{\alpha \in \Delta_n^-} \mathfrak{g}^{\alpha} = \mathfrak{g}^{\alpha_{23}} \oplus \mathfrak{g}^{\alpha_{13}} = \mathbb{C}E_{13} \oplus \mathbb{C}E_{23}$$

Denote $\mathcal{F} \subset (i\mathfrak{h})^*$ the set of all linear functional λ on $\mathfrak{h}_{\mathbb{C}}$ such that $(\lambda + \rho)(H_{\alpha})$ is integral for any root $\alpha \in \Delta$, where H_{α} is the coroot corresponding to root α and ρ is the half-sum of the positive roots. Denote also

$$\mathfrak{F}' = \{\lambda \in \mathfrak{F} | \lambda(H_{\alpha}) \neq 0, \forall \alpha \in \Delta\},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{F}'_0 &= \{\lambda \in \mathfrak{F}' \mid \lambda(H_\alpha) > 0, \forall \alpha \in \Delta_c^+\} \\ &= \left\{ \lambda \in \mathfrak{F}' \mid \begin{array}{l} \lambda(H_{12}) \in \mathbb{N}^+ \text{ and } \lambda(H_{31}) \in \mathbb{N}^+ \text{ (holomorphic case) or} \\ \lambda(H_{12}) \in \mathbb{N}^+ \text{ and } \lambda(H_{23}) \in \mathbb{N}^+ \text{ (anti-holomorphic case) or} \\ \lambda(H_{12}) \in \mathbb{N}^+ \text{ and } \lambda(H_{13}) \in \mathbb{N}^+, \lambda(H_{12}) > \lambda(H_{13}) \text{ neither-nor case} \end{array} \right\} \\ &\text{Choose complex subalgebra} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathfrak{e} = \mathfrak{p}_+ \oplus \mathfrak{k}_{\mathbb{C}},$$

we have

$$\mathfrak{e} + \bar{\mathfrak{e}} = \mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}, \quad \mathfrak{e} \cap \bar{\mathfrak{e}} = \mathfrak{k}_{\mathbb{C}}$$

and therefore we have a positive polarization.

The compact root Weyl group $W_K = \langle s_{\alpha_{12}} \rangle$ is generate by a single reflection $s_{\alpha_{12}}$ then for any $\lambda \in i\mathfrak{h}$, $-s_{\alpha_{12}}\lambda - \alpha_{32} = -s_{\alpha_{12}}(\lambda + \alpha_{31})$, therefore if V_λ is a K -module of lowest weight $\lambda + \rho$ then its contra-gradient K -module V_λ^* is of heighest weight $\lambda + \alpha_{31}$.

Because $G = BK = B_1K$, the relative cohomology of (\mathfrak{g}, K) -module with coefficients in the representation V_λ can be reduced to the one of B or $B_1 = AU \subset B$ with Lie algebra $\mathfrak{b}_1 = \langle S = E_{13} + E_{31}, X, Y, Z \rangle$.

Proposition 2.4. *The (\mathfrak{g}, K) -module π_λ with coefficients in the representation V_λ*

$$H^{q_\lambda}(G, K; \mathfrak{e}, V_\lambda) = H^{q_\lambda}(B, M; \mathfrak{e} \cap \mathfrak{b}, V_\lambda) = H^{q_\lambda}(B_1; \mathfrak{e} \cap \mathfrak{b}_1, V_\lambda)$$

2.3. Hochschild-Serre spectral sequence. Remark that because in general \mathfrak{p} is not a subalgebra, we can modify it by taking subalgebra $\mathfrak{h}_+ = \mathbb{C}(Y + iX) \oplus \mathbb{C}(S - iZ/2)$:

$$\mathfrak{e} = \mathfrak{p}_+ \oplus \mathfrak{k}_{\mathbb{C}} = \mathfrak{h}_+ \oplus \mathfrak{k}_{\mathbb{C}}, \quad \mathfrak{h}_+.$$

Therefore, one has

$$\mathfrak{e} \cap \mathfrak{b}_1 = \mathfrak{h}_+, \quad \mathfrak{e} \cap \mathfrak{b} = \mathfrak{h}_+ \oplus \mathfrak{m}_{\mathbb{C}}.$$

We may construct a Hochschild-Serre spectral sequence for this filtration.

Consider a highest weight $\lambda + \alpha_{31}$ representation V_λ^* of $\mathfrak{k}_{\mathbb{C}}$, which is trivially on \mathfrak{p}_+ extended to a representation ξ of $\mathfrak{e} = \mathfrak{p}_+ \oplus \mathfrak{k}_{\mathbb{C}}$. The action of \mathfrak{h}_+ in $V^{\lambda+\alpha_{31}}$ is $\xi + \frac{1}{2} \text{tr ad}_{\mathfrak{b}_1}$. Denote by \mathcal{H}_\pm the space of representations T_\pm of B Ω_\pm above and by \mathcal{H}_\pm^∞ the subspaces of smooth vectors. Because $\dim_{\mathbb{C}}(\mathfrak{p}_{\mathbb{C}}) = 2$, we have $\wedge^q(\mathfrak{h}_+) = 0$, for all $q \geq 3$. It is natural to define the Hochschild-Serre cobound operators

$$(\delta_\pm)_{\lambda, q} : \wedge^q(\mathfrak{h}_+)^* \otimes V^{\lambda+\alpha_{31}} \otimes \mathcal{H}_\pm^\infty \rightarrow \wedge^{q+1}(\mathfrak{h}_+)^* \otimes V^{\lambda+\alpha_{31}} \otimes \mathcal{H}_\pm^\infty$$

and by duality their formal adjoint operators $(\delta_\pm)_{\lambda, q}^*$. The Hochschild-Serre spectral sequence is convergent

$$\bigoplus_{r+s=q} H^r(\mathfrak{e}_1; H^s(M; V^{\lambda+\alpha_{31}} \otimes \mathcal{H}_\pm^\infty)) \implies H^q(B; \mathfrak{b}_1, V_\lambda)$$

Theorem 2.5. *The trace of the discrete series representations in the degenerate case is a finite sum of relative traces, i. e. if*

$$f = \sum_{i=1}^N f_i h_i, \quad f_i \in C_c^\infty(P/U), h_i \in C_c^\infty(MA)$$

and the Hochschild-Serre spectral converges

$$\bigoplus_{p+q=n} H^1(MA; H^q(U; V)) \implies H^n(P; V)$$

$$\text{tr} \pi_n^\pm(f) = \sum_{i=1}^N \text{tr} \sigma_k^\pm(h_i)|_{H^p(MA; \mathbb{C})} \text{tr} \chi_k^\pm|_{H^q(U; V)}$$

PROOF. The theorem is a consequence of the above spectral approximation. \square

3. TRACE FORMULA

In this section we make precise the Arthur-Selberg trace formula for $\text{SL}(3, \mathbb{R})$. We refer the readers to the prominent work of J. Arthur [A].

3.1. Characters of unitary representations. Let us remind that $\Gamma \subset \text{SL}(3, \mathbb{R})$ is a finitely generated discrete subgroup with finite number of cusps, of finite co-volume

$$\text{vol}(\Gamma \backslash \text{SL}(3, \mathbb{R})) < \infty.$$

Let $f \in C_c^\infty(\text{SL}(3, \mathbb{R}))$ be a smooth function of compact support. If φ is a function from the representation space, the action of the induced representation $\text{inf}_P^G \chi$ is the restriction of the right regular representation R on the inducing space of induced representation.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr} R(f)\varphi &= \int_G (f(y)R(y)\varphi(x)dy) = \int_G f(y)\varphi(xy)dy \\ &= \int_G f(x^{-1}y)\varphi(y)dy \text{ (right invariance of Haar measure } dy) \\ &= \int_{\Gamma \backslash G} \left(\sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} f(x^{-1}\gamma y) \right) \varphi(y)dy \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, this action can be represented by an operator with kernel $K(x, y)$ of form

$$[R(f)\varphi](x) = \int_{\Gamma \backslash G} K_f(x, y)\varphi(y)dy,$$

where

$$K_f(x, y) = \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} f(x^{-1}\gamma y).$$

Because the function f is of compact support, this sum convergent, and indeed is a finite sum, for any fixed x and y and is of class $L^2(\Gamma \backslash G \times \Gamma \backslash G)$. The operator is of trace class and it is well-known that

$$\mathrm{tr} R(f) = \int_{\Gamma \backslash G} K_f(x, x) dx.$$

As supposed, the discrete subgroup Γ is finitely generated. Denote by $\{\Gamma\}$ the set of representatives of conjugacy classes. For any $\gamma \in \Gamma$ denote the centralizer of $\gamma \in \Omega \subset G$ by Ω_γ , in particular, $G_\gamma \subset G$. Following the Fubini theorem for the double integral, we can change the order of integration to have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{tr} R(f) &= \int_{\Gamma \backslash G} K_f(x, x) dx = \int_{\Gamma \backslash G} \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} f(x^{-1} \gamma x) dx \\ &= \int_{\Gamma \backslash G} \sum_{\gamma \in \{\Gamma\}} \sum_{\delta \in \Gamma_\gamma \backslash \Gamma} f(x^{-1} \delta^{-1} \gamma \delta x) dx \\ &= \sum_{\gamma \in \{\Gamma\}} \int_{\Gamma_\gamma \backslash G} f(x^{-1} \gamma x) dx = \sum_{\gamma \in \{\Gamma\}} \int_{G_\gamma \backslash G} \int_{\Gamma_\gamma \backslash G_\gamma} f(x^{-1} u^{-1} \gamma u x) du dx \\ &= \sum_{\gamma \in \{\Gamma\}} \int_{G_\gamma \backslash G} \mathrm{vol}(\Gamma_\gamma \backslash G_\gamma) f(x^{-1} \gamma x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, in order to compute the trace formula, one needs to do:

- classify the conjugacy classes of all γ in Γ : they are of type elliptic (different eigenvalues of the same sign), hyperbolic (non-degenerate, with eigenvalues of different sign), parabolic (degenerate)
- Compute the volume of form; it is the volume of the quotient of the stabilizer of the adjoint orbits. $\mathrm{vol}(\Gamma_\gamma \backslash G_\gamma)$
- and compute the orbital integrals of form

$$\mathcal{O}(f) = \int_{G_\gamma \backslash G} f(x^{-1} \gamma x) dx$$

The idea is to reduce these integrals to smaller endoscopic subgroups in order to the corresponding integrals are ordinary or almost ordinary.

3.2. Stable trace formula. The main difficult in the previous section is that the sum of traces which are unstable under the action of the Galois group. We refer the readers to [A] for more details.

4. ENDOSCOPY

In this section, the method that was used by J.-P. Labesse for $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$ is applied to analyze our case of $SL(3, \mathbb{R})$. The result is in the same way obtained, cf. [La].

4.1. Orbital integrals. *The simplest case* is the elliptic case when $\gamma = \text{diag}(a_1, a_2, a_3)$, $a_1 a_2 a_3 = 1$ and they are pairwise different. In this case, because of Iwasawa decomposition $x = mauk$, and the K -bivariance, the orbital integral is

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{O}_\gamma(f) &= \int_{G_\gamma \backslash G} f(x^{-1} \gamma x) dx = \int_U f(u^{-1} \gamma u) du = \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} f\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & x & z \\ 0 & 1 & y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a_3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x & z \\ 0 & 1 & y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}\right) dx dy dz = \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} f\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -x & yx - z \\ 0 & 1 & -y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a_3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x & z \\ 0 & 1 & y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}\right) dx dy dz \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} f\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -x & yx - z \\ 0 & 1 & -y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_1 x & a_1 z \\ 0 & a_2 & a_2 y \\ 0 & 0 & a_3 \end{pmatrix}\right) dx dy dz = \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} f\left(\begin{pmatrix} a_1 & (a_1 - a_2)x & (\dots)x + (\dots) + (a_1 - a_3)zy \\ 0 & a_2 & (a_2 - a_3)y \\ 0 & 0 & a_3 \end{pmatrix}\right) dx dy dz = \\ &= |a_1 - a_2|^{-1} |a_2 - a_3|^{-1} |a_1 - a_3|^{-1} f^H. \end{aligned}$$

The integral is absolutely and uniformly convergent and therefore is smooth function of $a \in (\mathbb{R}_+^*)^2$. Therefore the function

$$f^H(\gamma) = \Delta(\gamma)^{-1} \mathcal{O}_\gamma(f), \quad \Delta(\gamma) = \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq 3} |a_i - a_j|$$

is a smooth function on the endoscopic group $H = (\mathbb{R}^*)^2$.

The second case is the case where $\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} k_\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta & 0 \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

We have again, $x = mauk$. $a = \text{diag}(a_1, a_2, a_3)$, $a_1 a_2 a_3 = 1$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{O}_{k(\theta)}(f) &= \int_{G_{k(\theta)} \backslash G} f(k^{-1} u^{-1} a^{-1} m^{-1} k(\theta) mauk) dm dudadk = \\ &= \int_{G_{k(\theta)} \backslash G} f(u^{-1} a^{-1} m^{-1} k(\theta) mau) dm dudada = \\ &= \int_{G_{k(\theta)} \backslash G} f\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -x & yx - z \\ 0 & 1 & -y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_1^{-1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a_2^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a_3^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta & 0 \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}\right) \\ &\quad \times \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a_3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x & z \\ 0 & 1 & y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} dudadk(\theta) = \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_{G_k(\theta) \backslash G} f\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -x & yx - z \\ 0 & 1 & -y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & a_2 a_1^{-1} \sin \theta & 0 \\ -a_2^{-1} a_1 \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x & z \\ 0 & 1 & y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}\right) dudk(\theta) = \\
 & c \int_1^\infty f\left(\begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & t_1 \sin \theta & 0 \\ -t_1^{-1} \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}\right) \prod_{i=1}^2 |t_i - t_i^{-1}| \frac{dt_i}{t_i} = \\
 & c \int_0^{+\infty} \text{sign}(t-1) \tilde{f}\left(\begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & t \sin \theta & 0 \\ -t^{-1} \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}\right) dt,
 \end{aligned}$$

where c is some constant and \tilde{f} some good function. When f is an element of the Hecke algebra, i.e. f is of class $C_0^\infty(G)$ and is K -bivariant, the integral is converging absolutely and uniformly. Therefore the result is a function $F(\sin \theta)$. The function f has compact support, then the integral is well convergent at $+\infty$. At the another point 0, we develop the function F into the Taylor-Lagrange of the first order with respect to $\lambda = \sin \theta \rightarrow 0$

$$F(\lambda) = A(\lambda) + \lambda B(\lambda),$$

where $A(\lambda) = F(0)$ and $B(\lambda)$ is the error-correction term $F'(\tau)$ at some intermediate value $\tau, 0 \leq \tau \leq t$. Remark that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{1-\lambda^2} & t\lambda & 0 \\ -t^{-1}\lambda & \sqrt{1-\lambda^2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\
 & = \begin{pmatrix} t^{1/2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & t^{-1/2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{1-\lambda^2} & \lambda & 0 \\ \lambda & \sqrt{1-\lambda^2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} t^{-1/2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & t^{1/2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 B &= \frac{dF(\tau)}{d\lambda} = \frac{d}{d\lambda} \int_0^{+\infty} \text{sign}(t-1) f\left(\begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{1-\lambda^2} & t\lambda & 0 \\ -t^{-1}\lambda & \sqrt{1-\lambda^2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}\right) dt \Big|_{t=\tau} \\
 &= \int_0^{+\infty} \text{sign}(t-1) g\left(\begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{1-\lambda^2} & t\lambda & 0 \\ -t^{-1}\lambda & \sqrt{1-\lambda^2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}\right) \frac{dt}{t},
 \end{aligned}$$

where $g \in C_c^\infty(N)$ and $g(\lambda) \cong O(-t^{-1}\lambda)^{-1}$. B is of logarithmic growth and

$$B(\lambda) \cong \ln(|\lambda|^{-1})g(1)$$

up to constant term, and therefore is continuous.

$$A = F(0) = |\lambda|^{-1} \int_0^\infty f\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \text{sign}(\lambda)u & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}\right) du - 2f(I_3) + o(\lambda)$$

Hence the functions

$$\begin{aligned} G(\lambda) &= |\lambda|(F(\lambda) + F(-\lambda)), \\ H(\lambda) &= \lambda(F(\lambda) - F(-\lambda)) \end{aligned}$$

have the Fourier decomposition

$$\begin{aligned} G(\lambda) &= \sum_{n=0}^N (a_n |\lambda|^{-1} + b_n) \lambda^{2n} + o(\lambda^{2N}) \\ H(\lambda) &= \sum_{n=0}^N h_n \lambda^{2n} + o(\lambda^{2N}) \end{aligned}$$

Summarizing the discussion, we have that in the case of $\gamma = k(\theta)$, there exists also a continuous function f^H such that

$$f^H(\gamma) = \Delta(\gamma)(\mathcal{O}_\gamma(f) - \mathcal{O}_{w_\gamma}(f)) = \Delta(k(\theta))\mathcal{SO}_\gamma(f),$$

where $\Delta(k(\theta)) = -2i \sin \theta$.

Theorem 4.1. [La] *There is a natural function $\varepsilon : \Pi \rightarrow \pm 1$ such that in the Grothendieck group of discrete series representation ring,*

$$\sigma_G = \sum_{\pi \in \Pi} \varepsilon(\pi) \pi,$$

the map $\sigma \mapsto \sigma_G$ is dual to the map of geometric transfer, that for any f on G , there is a unique f^H on H

$$\mathrm{tr} \sigma_G(f) = \mathrm{tr} \sigma(f^H).$$

PROOF. There is a natural bijection $\Pi_\mu \cong \mathfrak{D}(\mathbb{R}, H, G)$, we get a pairing

$$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : \Pi_\mu \times \mathfrak{k}(\mathbb{R}, H, G) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}.$$

Therefore we have

$$\mathrm{tr} \Sigma_\nu(f^H) = \sum_{\pi \in \Pi_\Sigma} \langle s, \pi \rangle \mathrm{tr} \pi(f).$$

□

Suppose given a complete set of endoscopic groups $H = \mathbb{S}^1 \times \mathbb{S}^1 \times \{\pm 1\}$ or $\mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbb{R}) \times \{\pm 1\}$. For each group, there is a natural inclusion

$$\eta : {}^L H \hookrightarrow {}^L G$$

Let $\varphi : DW_{\mathbb{R}} \rightarrow {}^L G$ be the Langlands parameter, i.e. a homomorphism from the Weil-Deligne group $DW_{\mathbb{R}} = W_{\mathbb{R}} \rtimes \mathbb{R}_+^*$ the Langlands dual group, \mathbb{S}_φ be the set of conjugacy classes of Langlands parameters modulo the connected component of identity map. For any $s \in \mathbb{S}_\varphi$, $\check{H}_s = \mathrm{Cent}(s, \check{G})^\circ$ the connected component of the centralizer of $s \in \mathbb{S}_\varphi$ we have \check{H}_s is conjugate with H . Following the D. Shelstad pairing

$$\begin{aligned} \langle s, \pi \rangle &: \mathbb{S}_\varphi \times \Pi(\varphi) \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \\ \varepsilon(\pi) &= c(s) \langle s, \pi \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the relation

$$\sum_{\sigma \in \Sigma_s} \text{tr } \sigma(f^H) = \sum_{\pi \in \Pi} \varepsilon(\pi) \text{tr } \pi(f)$$

can be rewritten as

$$\tilde{\Sigma}_s(f^H) = \sum_{s \in \Pi} \langle s, \pi \rangle \text{tr } \pi(f)$$

and

$$\tilde{\Sigma}_s(f^H) = c(s)^{-1} \sum_{\sigma \in \tilde{\Sigma}_s} \text{tr } \sigma(f^H).$$

We arrive, finally to the result

Theorem 4.2. [La]

$$\text{tr } \pi(f) = \frac{1}{\#\mathbb{S}_\varphi} \sum_{s \in \mathbb{S}_\varphi} \langle s, \pi \rangle \tilde{\Sigma}_s(\check{f}^H).$$

In the Langlands picture of the trace formula, the trace of the restriction of the regular representation on the cuspidal parabolic part is the coincidence of of the spectral side and the geometric side.

$$(1) \quad \sum_{\pi} m(\pi) \hat{f}(\pi) = \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma \cap H} a_\gamma^G \hat{f}(\gamma)$$

Let us do this in more details.

4.2. Stable orbital integrals. Let us remind that the *orbital integral* is defined as

$$\mathcal{O}(f) = \int_{G_\gamma \backslash G} f(x^{-1} \gamma x) dx$$

The complex Weyl group is isomorphic to \mathfrak{S}_3 while the real Weyl group is isomorphic to \mathfrak{S}_2 . The set of conjugacy classes inside a strongly regular stable elliptic conjugacy class is in bijection with the pointed set $\mathfrak{S}_3/\mathfrak{S}_2$ that can be viewed as a sub-pointed-set of the group $\mathfrak{E}(\mathbb{R}, T, G) = (Z_2)^2$. We shall denote by $\mathfrak{K}(\mathbb{R}, T, G)$ its Pontryagin dual.

Consider $\kappa \neq 1$ in $\mathfrak{K}(\mathbb{R}, T, G)$ such that $\kappa(H_{13}) = -1$. Such a κ is unique: in fact one has necessarily $\kappa(H_{12}) = \kappa(H_{13}) = -1$.

The endoscopic group H one associates to κ is isomorphic to $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$ and

can be embedded in G as

$$\begin{pmatrix} ua & iub & 0 \\ -iuc & ud & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$w = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}, ad - bc = 1 \text{ and } u = \pm 1.$$

Let f_μ be a pseudo-coefficient for the discrete series representation π_μ then the κ -orbital integral of a regular element γ in $T(R)$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{O}_\gamma^\kappa(f_\mu) &= \int_{G_\gamma \backslash G} \kappa(x) f_\mu(x^{-1} \gamma x) dx \\ &= \sum_{\text{sign}(w)=1} \kappa(w) \Theta_\mu^G(\gamma_w^{-1}) = \sum_{\text{sign}(w)=1} \kappa(w) \Theta_{w\mu}(\gamma^{-1}), \end{aligned}$$

because there is a natural bijection between the left coset classes and the right coset classes.

4.3. Endoscopic transfer. The transfer factor $\Delta(\gamma, \gamma_H)$ is given by

$$\Delta(\gamma, \gamma_H) = (1)^{q(G)+q(H)} \chi_{G,H}(\gamma) \Delta_B(\gamma^1) \cdot \Delta_{B_H}(\gamma_H^{-1})^{-1}$$

for some character $\chi_{G,H}$ defined as follows. Let ξ be a character of the twofold covering \mathfrak{h}_1 of \mathfrak{h} , then $\chi_{G,H}(\gamma^1) = e^{\gamma^{\rho-\rho_H+\xi}}$ defines a character of H , corresponding to \mathfrak{h} , because it is trivial on any fiber of the cover.

With such a choice we get when $\text{sign}(w) = 1$ and $w \neq 1$, we have $\kappa(w) = -1$ and

$$\Delta(\gamma^{-1}, \gamma_H^{-1}) \Theta_{w\mu}^G(\gamma) = -\frac{\gamma_H^{w\mu+\xi} - \gamma_H^{w_0 w\mu+\xi}}{\gamma^{\rho_H} \Delta_{B_H}(\gamma_H)}$$

therefore

$$\Delta(\gamma, \gamma_H) \Theta_{w\mu}^G(\gamma^{-1}) = \kappa(w)^{-1} \mathcal{S} \mathcal{O}_\nu^H(\gamma_H^{-1}),$$

where $\nu = w\mu + \xi$ is running over the corresponding L -package of discrete series representations for the endoscopic group H . Therefore we have the following formula

$$\Delta(\gamma, \gamma_H) \mathcal{O}_\gamma^\kappa(f_\mu) = \sum_{\substack{\nu=w\mu+\xi \\ \text{sign}(w)=1}} \mathcal{S} \mathcal{O}_\nu^H(\gamma_H^{-1})$$

or

$$\Delta(\gamma, \gamma_H) \mathcal{O}_\gamma^\kappa(f_\mu) = \sum_{\substack{\nu=w\mu+\xi \\ \text{sign}(w)=1}} \mathcal{S} \mathcal{O}_{\gamma_H}(g_\nu),$$

where g_ν is pseudo-coefficient for any one of the discrete series representation of the endoscopic subgroup H in the L -package of μ .

For any

$$f^H = \sum_{\substack{\nu=w\mu+\rho \\ \text{sign}(w)=1}} a(w, \nu) g_\nu, \quad a(w_1, w_2 \mu) = \kappa(w_2) \kappa(w_2 w_1)^{-1}$$

we have the formula

$$\text{tr } \Sigma_\nu(f^H) = \sum_w a(w, \nu) \text{tr } \pi_{w\mu}(f).$$

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5.1. Endoscopic orbital integrals.

Theorem 5.1. [La] *There is a function $\varepsilon : \Pi \rightarrow \pm 1$ such that, if we consider G in the Grothendieck group defined by*

$$\sigma_G = \sum_{\pi \in \Pi} \varepsilon(\pi) \pi,$$

then $\sigma \mapsto \sigma_G$ is the dual of the geometric transfer:

$$\mathrm{tr} \sigma_G(f) = \mathrm{tr} \sigma(f^H)$$

PROOF. There is a natural bijection $\Pi_\mu \cong \mathfrak{D}(\mathbb{R}, H, G)$, we get a pairing

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. Therefore we have

$$\mathrm{tr} \Sigma_\nu(f^H) = \sum_{\pi \in \Pi_\Sigma} \langle s, \pi \rangle \mathrm{tr} \pi(f).$$

□

5.2. Endoscopic Trace Formula.

Theorem 5.2.

$$\mathrm{tr} R(f)_{L^2_{\mathrm{cusp}}(\Gamma \backslash SL(3, \mathbb{R}))} = \sum_{\Pi_\mu} \sum_{\pi \in \Pi_\mu} m(\pi) \mathcal{S}\Theta_\pi(f) = \sum_{\Pi_\mu} \Delta(\gamma, \gamma_H) \mathcal{S}\mathcal{O}(f_\mu),$$

where

$$\mathcal{S}\Theta_\pi(f) = \sum_{\pi \in \Pi} \kappa(\pi) \Theta_\pi(f)$$

is the sum of Harish-Chandra characters of the discrete series running over the stable conjugacy classes of π and

$$\mathcal{S}\mathcal{O}(f_\mu) = \sum_{\lambda \in \Pi_\mu} \kappa(\pi_\lambda) \mathcal{O}(f_\lambda)$$

is the sum of orbital integrals weighted by a character $\kappa : \Pi_\mu \rightarrow \{\pm 1\}$.

PROOF. The proof just is a combination of the previous theorems. □

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