

## RELATIVE TRACE FORMULA AND SIMPLE ALGEBRAS

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ABSTRACT. A Deligne-Kazhdan variant of the relative trace formula of Jacquet-Lai is given, thus generalizing the study of distinguished representations from the context of the quaternion algebra to that of any simple algebra.

1. Let  $F$  be a global field,  $E$  a separable quadratic extension,  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}_F$  and  $\mathbf{A}_E$  the associated rings of adèles, and  $G$  a reductive  $F$ -group. Let  $L(G)$  be the space of square-integrable functions  $\varphi$  on  $G(E) \backslash G(\mathbf{A}_E)$  such that for any proper parabolic subgroup  $P$  of  $G$  with unipotent radical  $N$  we have  $\int \varphi(nx) dn = 0$  ( $n$  in  $N(E) \backslash N(\mathbf{A}_E)$ ) for any  $x$  in  $G(\mathbf{A}_E)$ . An irreducible constituent of the representation  $r$  of  $G(\mathbf{A}_E)$  on  $L(G)$  by right translations is called a *cuspidal*  $G(\mathbf{A}_E)$ -module. A cuspidal  $G(\mathbf{A}_E)$ -module  $\pi$  is called *distinguished* if there is an integrable function  $\varphi$  in the space of  $\pi$  such that the integral  $B(\varphi) = \int \varphi(x) dx$ , on the closed subset  $G(F) \backslash G(\mathbf{A})$  of  $G(E) \backslash G(\mathbf{A}_E)$ , is nonzero.

Let  $M$  be a simple algebra of dimension  $n^2$  central over  $F$ , where  $n \geq 2$ . Then there is a division algebra  $D$  of rank  $d$  dividing  $n$  central over  $F$  so that  $M$  is the matrix algebra  $M(m, D)$  of  $m$  by  $m$  matrices over  $D$ , where  $n = dm$ . Let  $G$  be the quotient of the multiplicative group of  $M$  by its center. Let  $S$  be the set of places  $v$  of  $F$  where  $D$  is ramified. Assume that each  $v$  in  $S$  splits in  $E$ . Let  $G'$  be the quotient of  $\mathrm{GL}(n)$  by its center. For each place  $v$  of  $F$  we write  $F_v$  for the completion of  $F$  at  $v$ , and  $E_v = E \otimes_F F_v$ . For each  $v$  outside  $S$  we have  $G_v \simeq G'_v$ , where  $G_v = G(F_v)$ ,  $G'_v = G'(F_v)$ . Fix two places  $u$  and  $u'$  of  $F$  with  $u'$  in  $S$ . Denote by  $u$  and  $u'$  also a fixed place of  $E$  above  $u$  and  $u'$ . Let  $\pi$  be a cuspidal  $G(\mathbf{A}_E)$ -module which corresponds (by the Deligne-Kazhdan correspondence (see [F])) to a cuspidal  $G'(\mathbf{A}_E)$ -module  $\pi'$ , whose component  $\pi'_u$  at  $u$  is supercuspidal, and at  $u'$  it is discrete-series. Thus  $\pi_v \simeq \pi'_v$  via  $\bar{G}_v \simeq \bar{G}'_v$  for any place  $v$  outside  $S$ . We put  $\bar{G}_v = G(E_v)$ ,  $\bar{G}'_v = G'(E_v)$ .

THEOREM.  $\pi$  is distinguished if and only if  $\pi'$  is distinguished.

The case of  $n = 2$ , where  $\pi'_u$  is assumed to be only discrete-series, is due to Jacquet and Lai [JL]. For general  $n$  the condition at  $u$  can be removed on applying further computations of the trace formula; but this will not be discussed here. The integrals  $B(\varphi)$  were first studied by Shimura and Asai [A]. Applications of distinguished representations to the theory of Euler products are given in [F'].

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2. For every place  $v$  of  $F$  put  $G_v = G(F_v)$ , and let  $R_v$  be the ring of integer in  $E_v$ . For  $v$  outside  $S$  put  $K'_v = G(R_v)$  and  $K_v = K'_v \cap G_v$ , and let  $f_v^0$  be the quotient by the volume  $|K_v|$  of the characteristic function of  $K'_v$ . Fix a differential form of highest weight defined over  $F$ , hence a product measure  $dx = \otimes dx_v$  on  $G(\mathbf{A})$ , so that the product of the volumes  $|K_v|$  converges. Let  $f = \otimes f_v$  be a function on  $G(\mathbf{A}_E)$  such that for every place  $v$  the component  $f_v$  is a complex valued compactly supported function on  $\overline{G}_v = G(E_v)$ , which is locally constant if  $v$  is finite, or smooth if  $v$  is archimedean, with  $f_v = f_v^0$  for almost all  $v$ . Since  $G'$  is an inner form of  $G$  we obtain a matching measure on  $G'(\mathbf{A})$ , also denoted by  $dx$ . We choose a function  $f' = \otimes f'_v$  on  $G'(\mathbf{A}_E)$ , with the above properties, so that (1) at any  $v$  outside  $S$  we take  $f'_v = f_v$  via  $\overline{G}'_v \cong \overline{G}_v$ , (2) at any  $v$  in  $S$  which splits into  $v', v''$  in  $E$ , the convolutions  $h'_v = f_{v'}^* * f_{v''}$  and  $h_v = f_v^* * f_{v''}$  have matching orbital integrals. Here  $f_v^*(g) = f_v(g^{-1})$ ,

$$(f_v^* * f_{v''})(g) = \int f_v^*(gx^{-1})f_{v''}(x) dx,$$

and our requirement is that for any regular  $x$  in  $G_v \cong G_{v'} \cong G_{v''}$ , and  $x'$  in  $G'_v$ , which have the same sets of eigenvalues, we have

$$\int h'_v(g^{-1}x'g) dg = \int h_v(g^{-1}xg) dg.$$

The integrals are over  $Z'_v(x) \setminus G'_v$  and  $Z_v(x) \setminus G_v$ , where  $Z_v(x)$  is the centralizer of  $x$  in  $G_v$ , and the isomorphic tori  $Z_v(x)$  and  $Z'_v(x)$  are given matching measures.

Further, at some finite place  $u$  of  $E$  we require  $f'_u$ , and  $f_u$ , to be supercuspidal. Namely, for any  $E_u$ -parabolic subgroup of  $G'_u$  with unipotent radical  $N_u$ , and any  $x, y$  in  $G'_u$ , the integral  $\int f'_u(xny) dn$  is 0. Hence the operator  $r'(f') = \int f'(x)r'(x) dx$  ( $x$  in  $G'(E) \setminus G'(\mathbf{A}_E)$ ) on  $L(G')$  is an integral operator with kernel  $K'(x, y) = \sum_{\gamma} f'(x^{-1}\gamma y)$  ( $\gamma$  in  $G'(E)$ ).

An element  $\gamma$  of  $G'(E)$  is called regular if it has distinct eigenvalues, and elliptic if it lies in a compact torus of  $G'(\mathbf{A}_E)$ . Thus  $\gamma$  is elliptic regular if it lies in no proper  $E$ -parabolic subgroup of  $G'(E)$ . We say that  $\gamma$  in  $G'(E)$  is *relatively regular* (resp. *elliptic*) if  $\sigma(\gamma)\gamma^{-1}$  is regular (resp. elliptic) in  $G'(E)$ . We denote by  $\sigma$  the nontrivial element of  $\text{Gal}(E/F)$ . Note that the centralizer of a regular  $\sigma(\gamma)\gamma^{-1}$  is defined over  $F$ . From now on we deal only with relatively regular elements  $\gamma$  in  $G'(E)$ .

LEMMA. *Let  $A$  be either a torus or a parabolic subgroup of  $G'$  defined over  $F$ . Then  $\gamma$  lies in  $A(E)G'(F)$  if and only if  $\sigma(\gamma)\gamma^{-1}$  lies in  $A(E)$ .*

PROOF. Suppose  $A$  is parabolic over  $F$ . Then the first cohomology group  $H^1(\text{Gal}(E/F), A(E))$  is trivial. If  $p = \sigma(\gamma)\gamma^{-1}$  lies in  $A(E)$ , we have  $p\sigma(p) = 1$ . The cocycle  $a_\sigma = p$  then splits, namely there is  $u$  in  $A(E)$  with  $p = \sigma(u)u^{-1}$ . Hence  $g = \sigma(u^{-1}\gamma) = u^{-1}\gamma$  lies in  $G'(F)$ , and  $\gamma = ug$  is in  $A(E)G'(F)$ .

Suppose  $p$  is elliptic regular. Let  $\theta$  be an element of  $E - F$  with  $\theta^2$  in  $F$ . Then  $E = F(\theta) = F(\theta + c)$  for all  $c$  in  $F$ . Put  $\gamma = \gamma_1 + \theta\gamma_2$ , for  $\gamma_i$  in  $G'(F)$ . Consider the polynomial  $P(c) = \det(\gamma_1 + c\gamma_2)$ . If  $P(c) = 0$  for all  $c$  in  $F$  then  $P$  is identically zero, and  $P(\theta) = 0$ , contrary to the assumption that  $\det \gamma \neq 0$ . Hence

there is  $c$  in  $F$  so that  $\gamma'_1 = \gamma_1 + c\gamma_2$  is invertible. Put  $\theta' = \theta - c$ . Then  $\gamma = \gamma'_1 + \theta'\gamma_2$ . Define  $\delta = \gamma\gamma_1^{-1}$ , and  $\delta' = \gamma_2\gamma_1'^{-1}$ . Then  $\delta = 1 + \theta'\delta'$ . If  $\delta'$  is nonelliptic in  $G'(F)$ , then it lies in a parabolic subgroup of  $G'(F)$ , hence  $\delta$  lies in a parabolic of  $G'(E)$  defined over  $F$ , and so does  $p = \sigma(\delta)\delta^{-1}$ , contrary to our assumption. Hence  $\delta'$  lies in an elliptic torus  $T(F)$  of  $G'(F)$ ,  $\delta$  lies in  $T(E)$ , and so does  $p$ . But  $\delta$  commutes with the regular  $p$ , whose centralizer in  $G'(E)$  is  $T(E)$ . The Lemma follows.

We say that  $\gamma$  and  $\gamma'$  in  $G'(E)$  are *relatively conjugate* if there are  $x, y$  in  $G'(F)$  with  $\gamma' = x\gamma y$ ; equivalently (by the Lemma), if  $\sigma(\gamma)\gamma^{-1}$  and  $\sigma(\gamma')\gamma'^{-1}$  are conjugate by an element of  $G'(F)$ . Indeed, by the Lemma we can assume that both  $\gamma$  and  $\gamma'$  lies in  $A(E)$ .

Let  $\{T\}$  be a set of representatives for the conjugacy classes of elliptic tori in  $G'(F)$ . Put  $\cup_T T(E)/\sim$  for the quotient of the relatively regular subset of  $\cup_T T(E)$  by the equivalence relation:  $t$  in  $T(E)$  is equivalent to  $t'$  in  $T'(E)$  if  $T = T'$ , and there is  $w$  in the normalizer of  $T(F)$  in  $G(F)$ , and  $t''$  in  $T(F)$ , with  $t'' = t't''$ .

**COROLLARY.** (1)  $\gamma$  in  $G'(E)$  is relatively elliptic if and only if it lies in  $G'(F)T(E)G'(F)$ , where  $T$  is an elliptic torus of  $G'$  defined over  $F$ .

(2)  $\cup_T T(E)/\sim$  is a set of representatives for the relative conjugacy classes of the relatively elliptic regular elements in  $G'(E)$ .

Assume that  $f'$  is such that  $f'(x\gamma y)$  is 0 for any  $x, y$  in  $G'(A)$  and  $\gamma$  in  $G'(E)$ , unless  $\gamma$  is relatively elliptic regular. Assume that  $f$  satisfies the analogous condition. For example, we can make the analogous local assumption on the components  $f_u''$  and  $f_u'$  at a place  $u'$  of  $S$ .

**3. PROPOSITION.** We have  $\int \int K(x, y) dx dy = \int \int K'(x', y') dx dy$ ;  $x, y$  range over  $G(F) \setminus G(A)$ ;  $x', y'$  are over  $G'(F) \setminus G'(A)$ .

**PROOF.** The map which associates to  $g$  in  $GL(n, \mathbf{A}_E)$  the coefficients  $\{a_i; a_n = \det g\}$  in the characteristic polynomial of  $g$  yields an isomorphism from the variety of semisimple conjugacy classes in  $G(\mathbf{A}_E)$  to the quotient of  $\mathbf{A}_E^{n-1} \times \mathbf{A}_E^\times$  by  $\mathbf{A}_E^\times$ , where  $\{a_i\} \approx \{a_i z^i\}$  ( $z$  in  $\mathbf{A}_E^\times$ ). Suppose  $f(x^{-1}\gamma x) \neq 0$  ( $\gamma$  in  $G(E)$ ;  $x, y$  in  $G(A)$ ). Then the image of  $x^{-1}\sigma(\gamma)\gamma^{-1}x$  lies in a compact subset of  $\mathbf{A}_E^{n-1} \times \mathbf{A}_E^\times/\mathbf{A}_E^\times$ , and also in the discrete subset  $E^{n-1} \times E^\times/E^\times$ , hence in a finite set. Consequently, only finitely many relative conjugacy classes (of relatively elliptic regular)  $\gamma$  contribute to the sum  $\sum f(x^{-1}\gamma x)$  over  $\gamma$  in  $G(E)$ , which defines  $K(x, y)$ .

Replacing  $f$  by its absolute value, we see that the integrals below are absolutely convergent; hence the rearrangements below are justified. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 K(x, y) &= \sum_T \sum'_{\gamma \in T(E)} \sum_{\alpha \in G(F)/T(F)} \sum_{\beta \in N(T) \setminus G(F)} f(x^{-1}\alpha\gamma\beta y) \\
 &= \sum_T w(T)^{-1} \sum'_{\gamma \in T(E)/T(F)} \sum_{\alpha \in G(F)} \sum_{\beta \in T(F) \setminus G(F)} f(x^{-1}\alpha\gamma\beta y),
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $N(T)$  is the normalizer of  $T(F)$  in  $G(F)$ ,  $w(T)$  is the cardinality of its Weyl group, and the prime over  $\sum$  indicates summation over relatively regular elements

only. Integrating over  $x, y$  in  $G(F) \setminus G(\mathbf{A})$ , we obtain

$$\iint K(x, y) dx dy = \sum_T \frac{|T(\mathbf{A})/T(F)|}{w(T)} \sum'_{\gamma \in T(E)/T(F)} \iint f(x\gamma y) dx dy.$$

On the right  $x$  ranges over  $G(\mathbf{A})$ , and  $y$  over  $T(\mathbf{A}) \setminus G(\mathbf{A})$ .  $|T(\mathbf{A})/T(F)|$  is the volume of the compact group  $T(\mathbf{A})/T(F)$ .

Each of the integrals is a product of local integrals. If  $v$  is a place of  $F$  which does not split in  $E$  and  $G_v = G(F_v)$ ,  $T_v = T(F_v)$ , we obtain

$$\iint f_v(x\gamma y) dx dy \quad (x \text{ in } G_v, y \text{ in } T_v \setminus G_v).$$

This converges. Indeed, if the integrand is nonzero, then  $x\gamma y$  lies in a compact, hence  $y^{-1}\sigma(\gamma^{-1})\gamma y$  is in a compact, hence  $y$  is in a compact modulo  $T(E_v)$  (since  $\sigma(\gamma^{-1})\gamma$  is regular), hence  $y$  is in a compact modulo  $T_v$ . But for such  $y$  the function  $x \mapsto f_v(x\gamma y)$  is compactly supported, and our integral converges.

At almost all nonsplit  $v$  we have that  $f_v = f_v^0$  is the quotient by  $|K_v|$  of the characteristic function of  $K'_v$ ,  $E_v/F_v$  is unramified and  $\gamma$  is in  $K'_v$ . If  $f_v(x\gamma y) \neq 0$  then  $x\gamma y$  is in  $K'_v$ , and so is  $y^{-1}\sigma(\gamma^{-1})\gamma y$ . But  $\sigma(\gamma^{-1})\gamma$  is regular in  $K'_v$ . Hence  $y$  lies in  $T(E_v)K'_v \cap G_v$ ; since  $E_v/F_v$  is unramified, the intersection is  $T_v K_v$ . Hence we can take  $y$  in  $K_v$  and conclude that  $x$  is in  $K_v$ . Hence the integral is equal to the volume  $|K_v|/|K_v \cap T_v|$  for almost all  $v$  which do not split  $E/F$ .

If  $v$  is a place of  $F$  which splits into  $v'$  and  $v''$  in  $E$ , then  $\gamma = (\gamma', \gamma'')$  in  $G(E_v) = G_{v'} \times G_{v''}$ , and our local integral is

$$\iint f_{v'}(x\gamma'y) f_{v''}(x\gamma''y) dx dy \quad (x \text{ in } G_v, y \text{ in } T_v \setminus G_v).$$

That is

$$\iint f_{v'}(x) f_{v''}(xy^{-1}\gamma'^{-1}\gamma''y) dx dy = \int h_v(y^{-1}\delta y) dy,$$

where  $h_v = f_{v'}^* * f_{v''}$ , and  $\delta = \gamma'^{-1}\gamma'' = \gamma^{-1}\sigma(\gamma)$  (we embed  $G_v$  diagonally in  $G(E_v)$ ). This is the orbital integral of  $h_v$  at (the regular element)  $\delta$ , hence it converges.

For almost all such  $v$ ,  $f_{v'}$  and  $f_{v''}$  are the characteristic functions of  $K_v$  divided by  $|K_v|$ , and  $\gamma', \gamma''$  lie in  $K_v$ . If the integrand is nonzero, then  $x\gamma'y, x\gamma''y$  are in  $K_v$ . Hence  $y^{-1}\delta y$  is in  $K_v$ , and  $y$  is in  $T_v K_v$ . Taking  $y$  in  $K_v$ , it follows that  $x$  is in  $K_v$ , and the integral is equal to  $|K_v|/|T_v \cap K_v|$  once again.

These computations hold for any reductive group  $G$ , in particular for our  $G$  and  $G'$ , and the equality of the proposition follows since we have the same sums, volume factors, and integrals on both sides. Indeed, at  $v$  outside  $S$  we take  $f_v = f'_v$ , and at  $v$  in  $S$  we take  $f_v$  and  $f'_v$  so that  $h_v$  and  $h'_v$  have matching (regular) orbital integrals, and this is precisely what is needed for the comparison of the local integrals.

**4. Proof of theorem.** Suppose  $\pi$  is distinguished. We claim that so is  $\pi'$ . The opposite direction is similar. Now if  $v$  is a place of  $F$  which splits into  $v'$  and  $v''$  in  $E$ , then the restriction of  $B$  to the space of  $\pi$  is a nonzero  $G(\mathbf{A})$ -invariant form,

which can be restricted to a nonzero  $G_{v'} \times G_{v''}$ -invariant linear form on the space of  $\pi_{v'} \times \pi_{v''}$ ; hence  $\pi_{v''}$  is the contragredient of  $\pi_{v'}$ , and we write  $\pi_{v'}$  for  $\pi_{v'}$  so that  $\pi_{v''} = \bar{\pi}_{v'}$ .

Let  $S'$  be a sufficiently large set of places of  $F$  containing  $S$  and the archimedean places, so that the space of  $\pi$  contains a nonzero vector invariant under the action of  $K^{S'} = \prod_v K'_v$  ( $v$  outside  $S'$ ). For  $v$  outside  $S'$  we take a  $K'_v$ -bi-invariant  $f_v$ . Then  $\pi^{S'}(f^{S'})$  factors through a projection from the space  $V$  of  $\pi$  to the space  $V(\pi)$  of  $K^{S'}$ -fixed vectors in  $V$ , and it acts on  $V(\pi)$  as a scalar. The space  $V(\pi)$  is  $G_{S'}$ -invariant, where  $G_{S'} = \prod_v G_v$  ( $v$  in  $S'$ ), and the associated representation of  $G_{S'}$  is denoted by  $\pi_{S'}$ . Hence for  $\varphi$  in  $V(\pi)$  we have

$$\pi(f)\varphi = \pi^{S'}(f^{S'}) \cdot \pi_{S'}(f_{S'})\varphi.$$

These comments apply to any cuspidal  $G(\mathbf{A}_E)$ -module  $\rho$  with a supercuspidal component at  $u$ , so that we can write

$$K(x, y) = \sum_{\rho} \rho^{S'}(f^{S'}) \cdot K_{\rho}(x, y),$$

where  $K_{\rho}$  is the kernel of  $\rho_{S'}(f_{S'})$ , and the sum is over all cuspidal  $G(\mathbf{A}_E)$ -modules which contain a nonzero  $K^{S'}$ -invariant vector, whose component at  $u$  is supercuspidal. We have

$$\iint K(x, y) dx dy = \sum_{\rho} \rho^{S'}(f^{S'}) a_{\rho}, \quad a_{\rho} = \iint K_{\rho}(x, y) dx dy.$$

Note that  $\pi_{S'} = \otimes \pi_v$  ( $v$  in  $S'$ ) is  $\pi_S \otimes \pi_{S''}$ , and  $V(\pi) = V(S) \otimes V(S'')$ , where  $S''$  is the complement of  $S$  in  $S'$ , and  $\pi_S = \otimes \pi_v$ ,  $V(S) = \otimes V_v$  ( $v$  in  $S$ ); a similar definition holds for  $S''$ .

We may assume that there is a unitary vector  $t$  in the space  $V(S'')$ , such that the restriction of  $B$  to  $t \otimes V(S'')$  is nonzero. Choose  $f_{S''}$  so that  $\pi_{S''}(f_{S''})$  is the orthogonal projection on  $t$ . If  $\{v_k\}$  is a basis of  $V(S)$ , then

$$\iint K_{\pi}(x, y) dx dy = \sum_k B(t \otimes \pi_S(f_S)v_k) \bar{B}(t \otimes v_k).$$

Indeed,

$$K_{\pi}(x, y) = \sum_k \pi_S(f_S)v_k(x) \bar{v}_k(y).$$

Note that if  $u$  lies in  $S''$  then we may assume that the component of  $f_{S''}$  at  $u$  is supercuspidal, since (1) if  $g_u$  is supercuspidal then  $f_u * g_u * f_u$  is supercuspidal, (2) if  $\pi_u(f_u)$  is a projection on the space spanned by the unitary vector  $t$ , and  $g_u(x) = (t, \pi_u(x)t)$ , then  $\pi_u(f_u * g_u * f_u) = \pi_u(f_u)\pi_u(g_u)\pi_u(f_u)$  is also a projection on the space spanned by  $t$ , multiplied by a nonzero scalar.

The space  $V(S)$  is the tensor product of the spaces  $V_{v'} \otimes V_{v''}$  over the  $v$  in  $S$ , where  $v', v''$  are the places of  $E$  above  $v$ . The restriction of  $B$  to  $t \otimes V(S)$  is the tensor product of nonzero  $G_v \times G_v$ -invariant linear forms  $C_v$  on  $V_{v'} \otimes V_{v''}$ , up to a constant. For each  $v$  in  $S$  choose bases  $\{a_i\}$  and  $\{b_j\}$  of  $V_{v'}$  and  $V_{v''}$  which are dual to each other with respect to  $C_v$ . The sum over  $k$  is equal (up to a constant) to

$$\sum_{ij} C_v[\pi_{v'}(f_{v'})a_i \otimes \pi_{v''}(f_{v''})b_j] \bar{C}_v[a_i \otimes b_j].$$

As  $C_v(a_i \otimes b_j) = \delta_{ij}$  we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_i C_v[\pi_v(f_{v'})a_i \otimes \check{\pi}_v(f_{v'})b_i] &= \sum_i C_v[\pi_v(f_{v'})\pi_v(f_{v'})a_i \otimes b_i] \\ &= \sum_i C_v[\pi_v(f_{v'} * f_{v'})a_i \otimes b_i] = \text{tr } \pi_v(f_{v'} * f_{v'}). \end{aligned}$$

If we replace  $f_{v'}$  by  $f_{v'} + f_{v'}^*$  we may assume that  $f_{v'}^* = f_{v'}$  and that  $h_v = f_{v'} * f_{v'}$ . It is clear that there is  $h_v$  which is zero on the singular set, in fact supported on the elliptic regular set if  $\pi_v$  is discrete-series, so that  $\text{tr } \pi_v(h_v) \neq 0$ . We choose such a function at  $u'$ .

Similar analysis applies in the case of  $G'$ . In particular,

$$\iint K'(x, y) dx dy = \sum_{\rho'} \rho'^{S'}(f'^{S'}) a_{\rho'}, \quad a_{\rho'} = \iint K'_{\rho'}(x, y) dx dy,$$

is equal to  $\iint K(x, y) dx dy$  by the Proposition, for a function  $f'$  related to  $f$  as there. Applying linear independence of characters of the Hecke algebra of  $G^{S'} \simeq G'^{S'}$ , we conclude that  $\pi^{S'}(f^{S'}) = \pi'^{S'}(f'^{S'})$  for our corresponding  $\pi, \pi'$ , and that  $a_{\pi'} = a_{\pi}$  is nonzero. But  $K'_{\pi'}$  is a sum of terms of the form  $\varphi(x)\bar{\varphi}'(y)$ , where  $\varphi, \varphi'$  lie in the space of  $\pi'$ . Hence the restriction of  $B'$  to the space of  $\pi'$  is nonzero, and  $\pi'$  is distinguished, as required.

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