

## *Some Remarks on Representations of $p$ -adic Chevalley Groups*

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### Introduction

Let  $F$  be a  $p$ -adic field, and let  $\mathfrak{O}$  and  $\mathfrak{P}$  be the ring of integers and the maximal ideal of  $\mathfrak{O}$  respectively. F. I. Mautner [4] first constructed square-integrable irreducible unitary representations of  $PGL_2(F)$  which are induced by irreducible representations of a certain maximal compact subgroup. In [5], J. A. Shalika carried it out for  $SL_2(F)$  by a different method. Independently, in [6] and [7], T. Shintani extended Mautner's results to a sort of special linear group of rank  $n$ . Recently, in [2] and [3], P. Gérardin extended their results to reductive  $p$ -adic groups whose semi-simple parts are simply connected.

In this paper, we extend the former results of [7], which are not covered by Gérardin's results, to general  $p$ -adic Chevalley groups. The contents of this paper are as follows. Let  $G(\mathbf{z})$  be a Chevalley group over the ring of all rational integers  $\mathbf{z}$ . Then we have a  $p$ -adic Chevalley group  $G(F)$  and its maximal compact subgroup  $G(\mathfrak{O})$  by base changes. In §1, we give preliminaries on the structures of  $p$ -adic Chevalley groups after [3]. In §2, we prepare certain lemma about induced representations of finite groups. In §3, we show that continuous irreducible unitary representations of  $G(\mathfrak{O})$ , which do not come from representations of  $G(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P})$ , are induced by certain irreducible representations of certain subgroups of  $G(\mathfrak{O})$  (Theorem 1). In §4, when we let  $\nu$  be a continuous irreducible unitary representation of  $G(\mathfrak{O})$  which does not come from a representation of  $G(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P})$ , we obtain a sufficient condition for  $\text{Ind}_{G(\mathfrak{O})}^{G(F)} \nu$  to be square-integrable.

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NOTATIONS: (i) Let  $F$  be a non-archimedean local field, and let  $\mathfrak{O}$ ,  $\mathfrak{P}$  and  $\pi$  be the ring of integers of  $F$ , the maximal ideal of  $\mathfrak{O}$ , and a prime element of  $F$ , respectively. Let  $p$  be the characteristic of the finite field  $\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}$ .

(ii) For a ring  $R$ , we denote by  $M(n_1, n_2, R)$  the set of  $n_1$  by  $n_2$  matrices with coefficients in  $R$ . We put  $M(n, R) = M(n, n, R)$ .

(iii) For each positive integer  $m$ , we denote by  $\psi_m$  the reduction modulo  $\mathfrak{P}^m$ :  $\mathfrak{O} \rightarrow \mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^m$ . For integers  $n \geq m \geq 1$ , we denote by the same symbol  $\psi_m$  the reduction modulo  $\mathfrak{P}^m$ :  $\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^n \rightarrow \mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^m$ .

(iv) If  $R$  is an arbitrary commutative ring with the identity, we denote by  $R^*$  the multiplicative group of all units in  $R$ .

(v) We denote by  $\mathbf{Z}$ ,  $\mathbf{M}$  and  $\mathbf{C}$  the ring of all rational integers, the set of all natural numbers and the field of all complex numbers, respectively.

## §1 $p$ -adic Chevalley groups

The aim of this section is to describe the structures of  $p$ -adic Chevalley groups and their subgroups.

**1.1.** Let  $\mathfrak{G}$  be a finite dimensional complex semi-simple Lie algebra. Fix a Cartan subalgebra  $\mathfrak{H}$  of  $\mathfrak{G}$ . Then we have the root decomposition  $\mathfrak{G} = \mathfrak{H} + \sum_{\alpha \in \Phi} \mathfrak{G}_\alpha$  (direct sum), where  $\Phi$  is the set of roots relative to  $(\mathfrak{G}, \mathfrak{H})$ . Choose a Chevalley basis  $(X_\alpha)_{\alpha \in \Phi}$  in  $\mathfrak{G}$  relative to  $\mathfrak{H}$ . Let  $Q(\Phi)$  (resp.  $P(\Phi)$ ) be the root module (resp. the weight module) of  $\Phi$  in the dual space  $\mathfrak{H}'$  of  $\mathfrak{H}$  (cf. [1], 6, §1). Let  $\rho$  be a finite dimensional faithful representation of  $\mathfrak{G}$  on a vector space  $E$  over  $\mathbf{C}$ , and let  $\mathbf{X}$  be the lattice generated by weights of  $\rho$  ( $\omega \in \mathfrak{H}'$  is called a weight of  $\rho$ , if there exists non-zero  $v \in E$  such that  $\rho(H)v = \omega(H)v$  for any  $H \in \mathfrak{H}$ ). Then  $Q(\Phi) \subset \mathbf{X} \subset P(\Phi)$ , and we have an admissible lattice  $E(\mathbf{Z})$  of  $E$  for  $(\rho, E)$  (cf. [8], §2). Let  $R$  be an arbitrary commutative ring with the identity. We define the automorphisms  $x_\alpha(t)$  and  $h(\chi)$  of  $E(R) = E(\mathbf{Z}) \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} R$  as follows: For each  $\alpha \in \Phi$ ,  $x_\alpha(t) = \sum_{n \geq 0} \rho(X_\alpha^n/n!) t^n$  ( $t \in R$ ). For each  $\chi \in \text{Hom}(\mathbf{X}, R^*)$ , and for each  $v \in E(R)$  of weight  $\omega$ ,  $h(\chi)v = \chi(\omega)v$ . We denote by  $A(R)$  the subgroup of  $\text{Aut}(E(R))$  generated by all  $h(\chi)$  ( $\chi \in \text{Hom}(\mathbf{X}, R^*)$ ), and by  $G(R)$  that generated by all subgroups  $x_\alpha(R)$  ( $\alpha \in \Phi$ ) and  $A(R)$ . We call this group  $G(R)$  the Chevalley group over  $R$ . For the above lattice  $\mathbf{X}$ , we denote by  $\mathbf{X}'$  the set of all  $H \in \mathfrak{H}$  such that  $\langle H', H \rangle \in \mathbf{Z}$  for any  $H' \in \mathbf{X}$ , where  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  is the natural pairing on  $\mathfrak{H}' \times \mathfrak{H}$ . Put  $G(R) = \mathbf{X} \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} R + \sum_{\alpha \in \Phi} R \cdot X_\alpha$  (direct sum), and we denote by  $\rho_R$  the representation of the Lie algebra  $G(R)$  into  $\text{End}(E(R))$ . Then  $\rho_R$  is faithful ([3], II, 2.1.6). Hence we can define the adjoint action of  $G(R)$  on  $\mathfrak{G}(R)$  by  $\rho_R(\text{Ad } x \cdot Y) = x \rho_R(Y) x^{-1}$  ( $x \in G(R)$ ,  $Y \in \mathfrak{G}(R)$ ) (cf. [3], II, 2.1.6).

**1.2.** By changing base rings  $R$  in 1.1, we obtain the following groups;  $G = G(F)$ ,  $K = G(\mathfrak{O})$ ,  $G(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^n)$  ( $n \in \mathbf{N}$ ),  $A = A(F)$ ,  $A(\mathfrak{O})$  and  $A(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^n)$  ( $n \in \mathbf{N}$ ). From now on, we shall identify  $A$ ,  $A(\mathfrak{O})$  and  $A(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^n)$  with  $\mathbf{X}' \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} F^*$ ,  $\mathbf{X}' \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} \mathfrak{O}^*$  and  $\mathbf{X}' \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} (\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^n)^*$  respectively by the canonical isomorphisms.

**DEFINITION 1.2.** For each integer  $n \geq 1$ , we denote by  $G(\mathfrak{P}^n)$  (resp.  $A(\mathfrak{P}^n)$ ) the subgroup of  $K$  (resp.  $A(\mathfrak{O})$ ) which is the kernel of the reduction modulo  $\mathfrak{P}^n$ :  $G(\mathfrak{O}) \rightarrow G(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^n)$  (resp.  $A(\mathfrak{O}) \rightarrow A(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^n)$ ). For integers  $n \geq m \geq 1$ , we denote by  $G(\mathfrak{P}^m/\mathfrak{P}^n)$  (resp.  $A(\mathfrak{P}^m/\mathfrak{P}^n)$ ) the subgroup of  $G(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^n)$  (resp.  $A(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^n)$ ) which is the kernel of the reduction modulo  $\mathfrak{P}^m$ :  $G(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^n) \rightarrow G(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^m)$  (resp.  $A(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^n) \rightarrow A(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^m)$ ).

$\rightarrow A(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^m)$ .

From [3], 2.2.5 and 2.2.7,  $G(\mathfrak{P}^n)$  is the subgroup of  $K$  generated by all subgroups  $x_\alpha(\mathfrak{P}^n)$  ( $\alpha \in \Phi$ ) and  $A(\mathfrak{P}^n) = \mathbf{X}' \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} (1 + \mathfrak{P}^n)$ , and  $G(\mathfrak{P}^m/\mathfrak{P}^n)$  is the subgroup generated by all subgroups  $x_\alpha(\mathfrak{P}^m/\mathfrak{P}^n)$  ( $\alpha \in \Phi$ ) and  $A(\mathfrak{P}^m/\mathfrak{P}^n) = \mathbf{X}' \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} (1 + \mathfrak{P}^m/1 + \mathfrak{P}^n)$ .

EXAMPLE 1.2. When  $G = SL_{l+1}(F)$  ( $l \geq 1$ ), we have  $G(\mathfrak{P}^n) = \{x \in SL_{l+1}(\mathfrak{O}) \mid x - 1 \in \pi^n M(l+1, \mathfrak{O})\}$  ( $n \in \mathbf{N}$ ) and  $G(\mathfrak{P}^m/\mathfrak{P}^n) = \{x \in SL_{l+1}(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^n) \mid x - 1 \in \pi^m M(l+1, \mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^n)\}$  ( $n \geq m \geq 1$ ).

$G = G(F)$  inherits a topology from  $F$  for which  $G$  is a locally compact topological group. More precisely,  $G$  has a fundamental system of neighborhoods  $\{G(\mathfrak{P}^n)\}_{n \geq 0}$  which consist of open and compact subgroups of  $G$ . In particular,  $K = G(\mathfrak{O})$  is a profinite group. For  $n \geq m \geq 1$ , we obtain the adjoint action of  $G(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^n)$  on  $G(\mathfrak{P}^m/\mathfrak{P}^n)$  from that of  $G(\mathfrak{O})$  on  $G(\mathfrak{P}^m)$  by the reduction modulo  $\mathfrak{P}^n$ .

LEMMA 1 ([3], 2.2.6, Lemma 5). *If  $2m \geq n \geq m \geq 1$ , the mapping  $e: \mathfrak{G}(\mathfrak{P}^m/\mathfrak{P}^n) \rightarrow G(\mathfrak{P}^m/\mathfrak{P}^n)$ , defined by  $e(X) = 1 + \rho(X)$ , is an isomorphism as abelian groups commuting with the adjoint actions of  $G(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^n)$ .*

1.3. Let  $\mathfrak{G}'$  be the dual vector space over  $\mathbf{C}$  of  $\mathfrak{G}$ . We denote by  $\mathfrak{G}'(\mathbf{Z})$  the set of all  $X' \in \mathfrak{G}'$  such that  $\langle X', X \rangle \in \mathbf{Z}$  for all  $X \in \mathfrak{G}(\mathbf{Z})$ . Then we have  $\mathfrak{G}'(\mathbf{Z}) = \mathbf{X} + \sum_{\alpha \in \Phi} \mathbf{Z} \cdot X'_\alpha$  (direct sum), where  $\mathbf{X}$  is naturally embedded into  $\mathfrak{G}'$ , and where  $X'_\alpha$  is a linear form defined by  $\langle X'_\alpha, X_\alpha \rangle = 1$ ,  $\langle X'_\alpha, X_\beta \rangle = 0$  ( $\alpha \neq \beta$ ), and  $\langle X'_\alpha, \mathfrak{A} \rangle = 0$ . We define the co-adjoint action of  $G(R)$  on  $\mathfrak{G}'(R) = \mathfrak{G}'(\mathbf{Z}) \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} R$ ;

$$\langle \text{Ad}^{\vee} x \cdot X', \text{Ad } x \cdot X \rangle = \langle X', X \rangle \quad (X \in \mathfrak{G}(R), X' \in \mathfrak{G}'(R), x \in G(R)),$$

where  $R$  is an arbitrary commutative ring with the identity.

EXAMPLE 1.3. When  $G = SL_{l+1}(F)$  ( $l \geq 1$ ), we assume that the residue characteristic  $p$  of  $F$  is not 2 and does not divide  $l+1$ . Then we have  $\mathfrak{G}(\mathbf{Z}) = \{x \in M(l+1, \mathbf{Z}) \mid \text{Tr } x = 0\}$ . Define a non-degenerate bilinear form on  $\mathfrak{G}(\mathbf{Z})$  by  $\langle x, y \rangle = \text{Tr } xy$  ( $x, y \in \mathfrak{G}(\mathbf{Z})$ ). We identify  $\mathfrak{G}'(\mathbf{Z})$  with  $\mathfrak{G}(\mathbf{Z})$  by the isomorphism induced from the above bilinear form. Note that the above bilinear form  $\langle, \rangle$  is naturally extended to a non-degenerate bilinear form on  $\mathfrak{G}(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^n)$  ( $n \geq 1$ ) by the above assumption. Thus we have  $\text{Ad}^{\vee} x \cdot X' = x X' x^{-1}$ ,  $x \in SL_{l+1}(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^n)$ ,  $X' \in \mathfrak{G}'(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^n) = \{X' \in M(l+1, \mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^n) \mid \text{Tr } X' = 0\}$  ( $n \geq 1$ ).

1.4. From now on, we fix a base  $B(\Phi)$  of the root system  $\Phi$ .

DEFINITION 1.4. For each  $H \in \mathbf{X}'$ , we define the element  $\pi^H$  of  $A = \mathbf{X}'$

$\otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} F^*$  by  $\omega(\pi^H) = \pi^{<\omega, H>}$  for any  $\omega \in \mathbf{X}$ . We denote by  $\mathbf{X}$  the set of all  $H \in \mathbf{X}'$  such that  $\langle \alpha, H \rangle \geq 0$  for any  $\alpha \in B(\Phi)$ .

LEMMA 2 (Cartan decomposition).

$$G = KAK = \cup_{H \in \mathbf{X}^+} K\pi^H K \quad (\text{disjoint union}).$$

PROOF. The proof can be found in Theorem 21 of [8].

EXAMPLE 1.4. When  $G = SL_{l+1}(F)$  ( $l \geq 1$ ), put

$$A_+ = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \pi^{m_1} & & 0 \\ & \pi^{m_2} & \\ 0 & & \ddots \\ & & & \pi^{m_{l+1}} \end{pmatrix} \mid (m_1, m_2, \dots, m_{l+1}) \in \mathbb{Z}^{l+1}, m_1 + m_2 + \dots + m_{l+1} = 0, \text{ and } m_1 \geq m_2 \geq \dots \geq m_{l+1} \right\}.$$

Then we have

$$SL_{l+1}(F) = \cup_{a \in A_+} SL_{l+1}(\mathfrak{O}) \cdot a \cdot SL_{l+1}(\mathfrak{O}) \quad (\text{disjoint union}).$$

## §2. Preliminaries for induced representations of finite groups

Let  $H$  be a subgroup of a finite group  $G$ , and let  $\nu: H \rightarrow GL(V)$  be a linear representation of  $H$  where  $V$  is a finite dimensional vector space over  $\mathbb{C}$ . We denote by  $\text{Ind}_H^G \nu$  the representation of  $G$  induced from  $\nu$ . We assume that  $H$  is abelian and normal. We denote by  $\hat{H}$  the set of all characters of  $H$ . Then  $G$  operates on  $\hat{H}$  in an obvious way i.e., for  $\chi \in \hat{H}$ ,  $g \in G$  and  $h \in H$ ,  ${}^g\chi(h) = \chi(g^{-1}hg)$ . For each  $\chi \in \hat{H}$ , we denote by  $I_\chi$  the subgroup of  $G$  fixing  $\chi$ . Let  $\mu: G \rightarrow GL(W)$  be an irreducible representation of  $G$ , where  $W$  is a finite dimensional vector space over  $\mathbb{C}$ . For each  $\chi \in \hat{H}$ , put  $W_\chi = \{w \in W \mid \mu(h)w = \chi(h)w \text{ for any } h \in H\}$ . Then we see immediately that  $W_\chi$  is a  $I_\chi$ -invariant subspace of  $W$ , and that  $\mu$  induces naturally a representation  $\mu_\chi$  of  $I_\chi$  on  $W_\chi$ . With these notations, we have the following Lemma.

LEMMA 3 ([7], §1). Let  $\chi_0$  be a character of  $H$  such that  $W_{\chi_0} \neq \{0\}$ , and let  $O$  be the  $G$ -orbit in  $\hat{H}$  containing  $\chi_0$ . Then  $W = \sum_{\chi \in O} W_\chi$ , and  $\mu_\chi$  is an irreducible representation of  $I_\chi$  and  $\text{Ind}_{I_\chi}^G \mu_\chi$  is equivalent to  $\mu$ . Conversely, for  $\chi \in \hat{H}$ , let  $\nu_\chi$  be an irreducible representation of  $I_\chi$  such that  $\nu_\chi(h) = \chi(h) \cdot 1$  for any  $h \in H$ . Then  $\text{Ind}_{I_\chi}^G \nu_\chi$  is an irreducible representation of  $G$ . Moreover, for  $\chi, \tau \in \hat{H}$ ,  $\text{Ind}_{I_\chi}^G \nu_\chi$  is equivalent to  $\text{Ind}_{I_\tau}^G \nu_\tau$  if and only if there exists  $k \in G$  such that  $\chi = {}^k\tau$ , and  $\nu_\chi$  is equivalent to  $\nu_\tau^k$  as representations of  $I_\chi$ , where  $\nu_\tau^k$  is defined by  $\nu_\tau^k(g) = \nu_\tau(k^{-1}gk)$  ( $g \in I_\tau$ ).

## §3. Irreducible representations of the maximal compact subgroup $K$

3.1. Let  $\chi$  be an additive character of  $F$ . We say that  $\chi$  is of order 0 if  $\chi$

is trivial on  $\mathfrak{O}$  and non-trivial on  $\mathfrak{P}^{-1}$ . From now on, fix a character  $\chi$  of  $F$ , of order 0. Let  $f, f'$  and  $f''$  be integers such that  $f \geq 2, f = f' + f''$ , and  $2f' \leq f \leq 2f' + 1$ .

**DEFINITION 3.1.** For each  $X' \in \mathfrak{G}'(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^f)$ , we define a function  $\chi_{X'}^f$  on  $G(\mathfrak{P}^{f''})$  by  $\chi_{X'}^f(g) = \chi(\pi^{-f} \langle X', e^{-1}(\psi_f(g)) \rangle)$  for any  $g \in G(\mathfrak{P}^{f''})$  where  $e$  is the isomorphism of  $\mathfrak{G}(\mathfrak{P}^{f''}/\mathfrak{P}^f)$  onto  $G(\mathfrak{P}^{f''}/\mathfrak{P}^f)$  defined in Lemma 1 of § 1.

**LEMMA 4.** (i) The function  $\chi_{X'}^f$  is an one-dimensional representation of  $G(\mathfrak{P}^{f''})$  which is trivial on  $G(\mathfrak{P}^f)$ .

(ii) For any  $k \in K$ , we have  ${}^k\chi_{X'}^f = \chi_{\text{Ad} \vee (\psi_f(k)) \cdot X'}^f$ .

(iii) The mapping  $X' \mapsto \chi_{X'}^f$  is an isomorphism of the additive group  $\mathfrak{G}'(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^f)$  onto the multiplicative group of all one-dimensional representations of  $G(\mathfrak{P}^{f''})$  which are trivial on  $G(\mathfrak{P}^f)$ .

**PROOF.** (i) is clear by the definition of  $\chi_{X'}^f$ .

(ii) By Lemma 1, we have  ${}^k\chi_{X'}^f(g) = \chi_{X'}^f(k^{-1}gk) = \chi(\pi^{-f} \langle X', e^{-1}(\psi_f(k^{-1}gk)) \rangle) = \chi(\pi^{-f} \langle X', \text{Ad}(\psi_f(k))^{-1} \cdot (e^{-1}(\psi_f(g))) \rangle) = (\pi^{-f} \langle \text{Ad} \vee \psi_f(k) \cdot X', e^{-1}(\psi_f(g)) \rangle) = \chi_{\text{Ad} \vee \psi_f(k) \cdot X'}^f(g)$  for any  $k \in K$  and any  $g \in G(\mathfrak{P}^{f''})$ .

(iii) By the well-known commutator relations in the Chevalley group  $G(R)$  over a commutative ring  $R$  (see [8]), and by the fact that  $2f'' \geq f$ , we see that  $G(\mathfrak{P}^{f''}/\mathfrak{P}^f) \cong G(\mathfrak{P}^{f''})/G(\mathfrak{P}^f)$  is abelian. Hence every one-dimensional representation of  $G(\mathfrak{P}^{f''})$  which is trivial on  $G(\mathfrak{P}^f)$  can be regarded as a character of  $G(\mathfrak{P}^{f''}/\mathfrak{P}^f)$ . Hence in order to prove (iii), it is enough to show that the mapping  $X' \mapsto \chi_{X'}^f$  is an isomorphism of  $\mathfrak{G}'(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^f)$  onto  $G(\widehat{\mathfrak{P}^{f''}/\mathfrak{P}^f})$ , where we denote by  $G(\widehat{\mathfrak{P}^{f''}/\mathfrak{P}^f})$  the multiplicative group of all characters of  $G(\mathfrak{P}^{f''}/\mathfrak{P}^f)$ . Since  $\chi$  is of order 0, we have a non-degenerate bilinear form  $(X', X) \mapsto \chi(\pi^{-f} \langle X', X \rangle)$  on  $\mathfrak{G}'(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^f) \times G(\mathfrak{P}^{f''}/\mathfrak{P}^f)$ . Hence an assigning each  $X' \in \mathfrak{G}'(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^f)$  to a character  $X \mapsto \chi(\pi^{-f} \langle X', X \rangle)$  of  $G(\mathfrak{P}^{f''}/\mathfrak{P}^f)$  gives the isomorphism  $\mathfrak{G}'(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^f) \cong G(\mathfrak{P}^{f''}/\mathfrak{P}^f)$ . Combining this isomorphism with an isomorphism  $\mathfrak{G}(\widehat{\mathfrak{P}^{f''}/\mathfrak{P}^f}) \cong G(\widehat{\mathfrak{P}^{f''}/\mathfrak{P}^f})$  induced from the isomorphism  $e: \mathfrak{G}(\mathfrak{P}^{f''}/\mathfrak{P}^f) \cong G(\mathfrak{P}^{f''}/\mathfrak{P}^f)$ , we have the desired isomorphism  $X' \mapsto \chi_{X'}^f: \mathfrak{G}'(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^f) \cong G(\widehat{\mathfrak{P}^{f''}/\mathfrak{P}^f})$ . q. e. d.

**3.2.** Let  $\nu$  be a non-trivial continuous irreducible unitary representation of the maximal compact subgroup  $K$  of  $G$  on a Hilbert space.

**DEFINITION 3.2.** We call an integer  $f$  the conductor of  $\nu$ , if  $\nu$  is trivial on  $G(\mathfrak{P}^f)$  and non-trivial on  $G(\mathfrak{P}^{f-1})$ . We denote by  $f = f(\nu)$  (Note that  $K$  has a fundamental system of neighborhoods  $\{G(\mathfrak{P}^n)\}_{n \geq 1}$ ).

We assume that  $f = f(\nu) \geq 2$ , and let  $f', f''$  be integers such that  $f = f' + f''$ ,  $2f' \leq f \leq 2f' + 1$ . For each  $X' \in \mathfrak{G}'(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^f)$ , put  $V_{X'} = \{v \in V \mid \nu(g)v = \chi_{X'}^f(g)v$

for any  $g \in G(\mathfrak{P}^{f''})$ . By (ii) of Lemma 4, for each  $k \in K$ ,  ${}^k\chi_{X'}^f = \chi_{X'}^f$  if and only if  $\text{Ad}^\vee(\psi_f(k))X' = X'$ . So we denote by  $Z_K(X')$  the set of all  $k \in K$  fixing  $\chi_{X'}^f$ . Then  $V_{X'}$  is a  $Z_K(X')$ -invariant subspace of  $V$ . Put  $O_v = \{X' \in \mathfrak{G}'(\mathfrak{D}/\mathfrak{P}^{f'}) \mid V_{X'} \neq 0\}$ . Then, since  $G(\mathfrak{P}^{f''})/G(\mathfrak{P}^f)$  is a finite normal abelian subgroup of  $G(\mathfrak{D})/G(\mathfrak{P}^f)$ ,  $O_v$  is not empty. For each  $X' \in O_v$ , we denote by  $v_{X'}$  the representation of  $Z_K(X')$  on  $V_{X'}$  defined by  $v_{X'}(g) = v(g)|_{V_{X'}}$  for any  $g \in Z_K(X')$ .

With these notations, we have the following generalization of Theorem 1 of [7], § 2.

**THEOREM 1.** *Let  $v$  be a continuous irreducible unitary representation of  $K$  such that  $f=v \geq 2$ , and let  $f', f''$  be integers such that  $f=f'+f''$ ,  $2f' \leq f \leq 2f'+1$ . Then*

(i)  *$G(\mathfrak{D}/\mathfrak{P}^{f'})$  operates transitively on  $O_v$  by the adjoint action, and for  $X' \in O_v$ , we have  $X' \not\equiv 0 \pmod{\mathfrak{P}}$ .*

(ii)  *$v_{X'}$  is the representation of  $Z_K(X')$  which coincides with  $\chi_{X'}^f \cdot 1$  on  $G(\mathfrak{P}^{f''})$ , and  $\text{Ind}_{Z_K(X')}^K v_{X'}$  is equivalent to  $v$ . Conversely, for  $X' \in \mathfrak{G}'(\mathfrak{D}/\mathfrak{P}^f)$  such that  $X' \not\equiv 0 \pmod{\mathfrak{P}}$ , let  $\mu$  be an irreducible unitary representation of  $Z_K(X')$  which coincides with  $\chi_{X'}^f \cdot 1$  on  $G(\mathfrak{P}^{f''})$ . Then  $v = \text{Ind}_{Z_K(X')}^K \mu$  is a continuous irreducible unitary representation of  $K$  such that  $f(v)=f$  and  $X' \in O_v$ .*

**PROOF.** Fix an element  $X'_0$  of  $O_v$ . For each  $k \in K$ , we have  $v(k)V_{X'_0} = V_{\text{Ad}^\vee(\psi_f(k)) \cdot X'_0}^f$ . Indeed, for any  $g \in G(\mathfrak{P}^{f''})$  and for any  $v(k)v(k)v = v(k)v(k^{-1}gk)v = v(k)\chi_{X'_0}^f(k^{-1}gk)v = v(k)\chi_{\text{Ad}^\vee(\psi_f(k)) \cdot X'_0}^f(g)v = \chi_{\text{Ad}^\vee(\psi_f(k)) \cdot X'_0}^f(g)v(k)v$ . Then we have  $\text{Ad}^\vee(\psi_f(k)) \cdot X'_0 \in O_v$  for any  $k \in K$ . Since the representation  $v$  of  $K$  can be regarded as an irreducible unitary representation of the finite group  $G(\mathfrak{D})/G(\mathfrak{P})$ , we have  $V = \sum_{k \in K} V_{\text{Ad}^\vee(\psi_f(k)) \cdot X'_0}$ . Therefore we have  $V = \sum_{k \in K} V_{\text{Ad}^\vee(\psi_f(k)) \cdot X'_0} \subset \sum_{X' \in O_v} V_{X'} \subset V$ , whereas we have  $O_v = \{\text{Ad}^\vee(\psi_f(k)) \cdot X'_0 \mid k \in K\}$ . This shows that  $G(\mathfrak{D}/\mathfrak{P}^f) \cong G(\mathfrak{D})/G(\mathfrak{P}^f)$  operates transitively on  $O_v$  by the co-adjoint action. For  $X' \in O_v$ , we assume that  $X' \equiv 0 \pmod{\mathfrak{P}}$ . Then  $\chi_{X'}^f$  is trivial on  $G(\mathfrak{P}^{f''})$ . Hence the representation  $v$  is trivial on  $G(\mathfrak{P}^{f''})$ . This contradicts  $f(v)=f$ .

(ii) In the proof of Lemma 4, we have seen that  $G(\mathfrak{P}^{f''})/G(\mathfrak{P})$  is a normal abelian subgroup of the finite group  $G(\mathfrak{D})/G(\mathfrak{P})$ . Hence (ii) is an immediate consequence of Lemma 3 in § 2. q. e. d.

In the above Theorem 1, the condition,  $f(v) \geq 2$ , means that the representation  $v$  of  $K$  does not come from an representation of  $G(\mathfrak{D}/\mathfrak{P})$ . Hence Theorem 1 says that continuous irreducible unitary representations of the maximal compact subgroup  $K$  of  $G$  which do not come from representations of  $G(\mathfrak{D}/\mathfrak{P})$  are induced from certain irreducible representations of certain subgroups of  $K$ .

**§4. Unitary representations of  $G$  induced from irreducible representations of the maximal compact subgroup  $K$  of  $G$**

**4.1.** Let  $dg$  be the Haar measure on  $G$  such that  $\int_K dg = 1$ . Let  $U$  be a continuous unitary representation of  $G$  on a Hilbert space  $\mathfrak{H}$ .

**DEFINITION 4.1.**  $U$  is said to be square-integrable if there exists  $v \in \mathfrak{H} - \{0\}$  such that

$$\int_G (U(g)v, v)(\overline{U(g)v}, v) dg < +\infty,$$

where  $(\ , \ )$  is an inner product of  $\mathfrak{H}$  and  $(\overline{U(g)v}, v)$  is the complex conjugate of  $(U(g)v, v)$ .

If  $U$  is square-integrable, then there exists a number  $d > 0$ , called the *formal degree* of  $U$  depending only the equivalence class of  $U$  and on the normalization of the Haar measure  $dg$  on  $G$  such that

$$\int_G (U(g)u_1, v_1)(\overline{U(g)u_2}, v_2) dg = d^{-1}(u_1, u_2)(\overline{v_1}, v_2)$$

for all  $u_i, v_i \in \mathfrak{H}$  ( $i=1, 2$ ) (Schur's orthogonality relation). Let  $\nu$  be a continuous irreducible unitary representation of  $K$  on a finite dimensional Hilbert space  $V$ . We denote by  $\mathfrak{H}_\nu$  the set of all  $V$ -valued functions  $f$  satisfying the following conditions:

- (i)  $f(kg) = \nu(k)f(g)$  for any  $k \in K$  and for any  $g \in G$ ,
- (ii)  $\int_G (f(g), f(g)) dg < +\infty$ ,

where  $(\ , \ )$  is an inner product of  $V$ . We define an inner product  $\langle \ , \ \rangle$  on  $\mathfrak{H}_\nu$  by

$$\langle f, h \rangle = \int_G (f(g), h(g)) dg \quad (f, h \in \mathfrak{H}_\nu).$$

Then  $\mathfrak{H}_\nu$  becomes a Hilbert space. We define a representation  $U_\nu$  of  $G$  on  $\mathfrak{H}_\nu$  as follows:

$$(U_\nu(g)f)(g') = f(g'g) \quad (g, g' \in G, f \in \mathfrak{H}_\nu).$$

We denote by  $\text{Ind}_K^G \nu$  the above unitary representation  $U_\nu$  and by  $U_\nu|_K$  the representation of  $K$  on  $\mathfrak{H}_\nu$  obtained by restricting  $U_\nu$  to  $K$ . Put  $I(U_\nu|_K, \nu) = \dim \text{Hom}_K(V, \mathfrak{H}_\nu)$ . This is called the *multiplicity* of  $\nu$  in  $U_\nu|_K$ .

**LEMMA 5** ([7], §3). (i) If  $I(U_\nu|_K, \nu) < +\infty$ , then  $U_\nu$  decomposes into a

direct sum of at most  $I(U_v|K, v)$  many irreducible representations. In particular, if  $I(U_v|K, v)=1$ , then  $U_v$  is irreducible.

(ii) If  $U_v$  is irreducible, then  $U_v$  is square-integrable and its formal degree equals  $\dim V$ .

**4.2.** Let  $G = \bigcup_{H \in X'_+} K\pi^H K$  be the Cartan decomposition of  $G$  in Lemma 2. Let  $v$  be a continuous irreducible unitary representation of  $K$  on a Hilbert space  $V$ . For each  $H \in X'_+$ , put  $K^H = K \cap \pi^{-H} K \pi^H$  and we denote by  $v^H$  the representation of  $K^H$  on  $V$  defined by  $v^H(k) = v^H(\pi^H k \pi^{-H})$  for any  $k \in K^H$ . Let  $\mathfrak{H}_v$  be the representation space of  $\text{Ind}_K^G v$  defined in 4.1. For each  $H \in X'_+$ , we denote by  $\mathfrak{H}_v^H$  the set of all  $f \in \mathfrak{H}_v$  whose supports are contained in  $K\pi^H K$ . Then  $\mathfrak{H}_v^H$  is a closed subset of  $\mathfrak{H}_v$  and invariant under the representation  $U_v|K$ , and moreover we have  $\mathfrak{H}_v = \sum_{H \in X'_+} \mathfrak{H}_v^H$  (direct sum as a Hilbert space). We denote by  $U_v^H|K$  the representation  $k \mapsto U(k)$  of  $K$  on  $\mathfrak{H}_v^H$  and by  $v|K^H$  the representation of  $K^H$  on  $V$  obtained by restricting  $v$  to  $K^H$ . Put  $I(v|K^H, v) = \dim \text{Hom}_{K^H}(V, V)$ .

LEMMA 6 ([7], §3). (i) For each  $H \in X'_+$ ,  $U_v^H|K$  is equivalent to  $\text{Ind}_{K^H}^G v^H$ .

(ii) For each  $H \in X'_+$ ,  $I(U_v^H|K, v) = I(v|K^H, v^H)$ .

(iii)  $I(U_v|K, v) = \sum_{H \in X'_+} I(v|K^H, v^H)$  (Remark, The equality in (iii) admits the infinity, i. e.,  $+\infty = +\infty$ ).

**4.3** Let  $v$  be a continuous irreducible unitary representation of  $K$  with the conductor  $f(v) = f \geq 2$ , and let  $f', f''$  be integers such that  $f = f' + f''$ ,  $2f' \leq f \leq 2f' + 1$ . Let  $O_v$  be the set of all  $X' \in \mathfrak{G}'(\mathfrak{D}/\mathfrak{P}^{f'})$  such that  $V_{X'} \neq \{0\}$ . Thus every element of  $O_v$  is uniquely written as the form  $H' + \sum_{\alpha \in \Phi} u_\alpha X'_\alpha$  where  $H' \in X \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{D}/\mathfrak{P}^{f'}$  and  $u_\alpha \in \mathfrak{D}/\mathfrak{P}^{f'}$  ( $\alpha \in \Phi$ ). For each  $X' = H' + \sum_{\alpha \in \Phi} u_\alpha X'_\alpha \in O_v$  and each integer  $m$  such that  $1 \leq m \leq f'$ , we denote by  $\text{Supp}_m(X')$  the set of all roots  $\alpha$  such that  $\psi_m(u_\alpha) \neq 0$  (We recall that  $\psi_m$  is the reduction modulo  $\mathfrak{P}^m$ :  $\mathfrak{D}/\mathfrak{P}^{f'} \rightarrow \mathfrak{D}/\mathfrak{P}^m$ ). For each  $H \in X'_+$ , we denote by  $P_m(H)$  the set of all positive roots  $\alpha$  such that  $\langle \alpha, H \rangle \geq m$ . Put  $B(\Phi) = \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_l\}$  (the fixed base of the root system  $\Phi$ ). Then every root is uniquely written as the form  $\sum_{i=1}^l n_i \alpha_i$  where all  $n_i$  are non-negative integers and have the same sign. For each  $\alpha_j \in B(\Phi)$ , we denote by  $(\alpha_j)$  the set of all roots  $\alpha = \sum_{i=1}^l n_i \alpha_i$  such that  $n_j \geq 1$ .

PROPOSITION 1. Let  $v$  be a continuous irreducible unitary representation of  $K$  with the conductor  $f(v) = f \geq 2$ , and let  $f', f''$  be integers such  $f = f' + f''$ ,  $2f' \leq f \leq 2f' + 1$ . Let  $H$  be an element of  $X'_+$ . Assume that there exists an integer  $m$  ( $1 \leq m \leq f'$ ) such that for any  $X' \in O_v$  and for any  $\alpha_i \in B(\Phi)$ ,  $(\alpha_i) \cap \text{Supp}_m(X') \neq \emptyset$  and  $B(\Phi) \cap P_m(H) \neq \emptyset$ . Then  $I(v|K^H, v^H) = 0$ .

PROOF. We shall prove by absurdity. Assume that  $I(v|K^H, v^H) > 0$ . Let  $V$  be a representation space of  $v$ . Then there exists a non-trivial linear transformation  $T$  of  $V$  satisfying the following condition; for any  $k \in K^H$ ,

$$(1) \quad v(k)T = T v(\pi^H k \pi^{-H}).$$

Now by the assumption  $B(\Phi) \cap P_m(H) \neq \phi$ , there exists  $\alpha_{i_0} \in B(\Phi) \cap P_m(H)$  ( $1 \leq i_0 \leq l$ ). Then

$$(2) \quad (\alpha_{i_0}) \subset P_m(H).$$

In fact, let  $\beta = \sum_{i=1}^l n_i \alpha_i$  be any root of  $(\alpha_{i_0})$ . Then, since  $n_i \geq 0$  and  $\langle \alpha_i, H \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq l$ ), we have  $\langle \beta, H \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^l n_i \langle \alpha_i, H \rangle \geq \langle \alpha_{i_0}, H \rangle \geq m$ . Hence  $\beta$  belongs to  $P_m(H)$ . We denote by  $U$  the subgroup of  $K$  generated by the set  $\{x_\alpha(t) | \alpha \in (\alpha_{i_0}), t \in \mathfrak{P}^{f-m}\}$ . Then, under some order in  $(\alpha_{i_0})$ , every element of  $U$  is uniquely written as the product  $\prod_{\alpha \in (\alpha_{i_0})} x_\alpha(t_\alpha)$  ( $t_\alpha \in \mathfrak{P}^{f-m}$ ) ([8], § 3, Lemma 17). For any  $u \in U$ , say  $u = \prod_{\alpha \in (\alpha_{i_0})} x_\alpha(t_\alpha)$  ( $t_\alpha \in \mathfrak{P}^{f-m}$ ), we have  $\pi^H u \pi^{-H} = \prod_{\alpha \in (\alpha_{i_0})} \pi^H x_\alpha(t_\alpha) \pi^{-H} = \prod_{\alpha \in (\alpha_{i_0})} x_\alpha(\pi^{\langle \alpha, H \rangle} t_\alpha)$ . By (2),  $\pi^{\langle \alpha, H \rangle} t_\alpha \in \mathfrak{P}^f$  for all  $\alpha \in (\alpha_{i_0})$ . Thus we have  $\pi^H u \pi^{-H} \in G(\mathfrak{P}^f)$ . Hence by (1), we have  $v(u)T = T$  for any  $u \in U$ . Since  $T$  is not trivial, there exists  $v \in V - \{0\}$  such that  $v(u)v = v$  for any  $u \in U$ . Therefore, since  $V = \sum_{X' \in O_v} V_{X'}$ , there exists a non-zero  $V_{X'}$ -component  $v_{X'}$  of  $v$  such that  $v(u)v_{X'} = v_{X'}$  for any  $u \in U$ . Hence we have  $\chi_{X'}^f(u) = 1$  for any  $u \in U$ . On the other hand, by the assumption  $(\alpha_{i_0}) \cap \text{Supp}_m(X') \neq \phi$ , there exists a root  $\gamma$  belonging to  $(\alpha_{i_0}) \cap \text{Supp}_m(X')$ . Therefore, let  $X'$  be the form  $H' + \sum_{\alpha \in \Phi} u_\alpha X'_\alpha$  where  $H' \in \mathbf{X} \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} \mathfrak{D}/\mathfrak{P}^f$ ,  $u_\alpha \in \mathfrak{D}/\mathfrak{P}^f$  ( $\alpha \in \Phi$ ), then we have  $\psi_m(u_\gamma) \neq 0$  in  $\mathfrak{D}/\mathfrak{P}^m$ . Here we take  $t_\alpha \in \mathfrak{P}^{f-m}$  ( $\alpha \in (\alpha_{i_0})$ ) such that for  $\alpha = \gamma$ ,  $t_\gamma \notin \mathfrak{P}^{f-m+1}$  and  $\chi(\pi^{-f} u_\gamma t_\gamma) \neq 1$ , and for  $\alpha \neq \gamma$ ,  $t_\alpha \in \mathfrak{P}^{f-m+1}$ . This is possible, because  $\chi$  is of order 0. Put  $u_0 = \prod_{\alpha \in (\alpha_{i_0})} x_\alpha(t_\alpha)$ , then we have  $u_0 \in U$ . By the definition of  $\chi_{X'}^f$ , we have  $\chi_{X'}^f(u_0) = \chi(\pi^{-f} \langle X', e^{-1}(\psi_f(u_0)) \rangle) = \chi(\pi^{-f} \langle X', \sum_{\alpha \in (\alpha_{i_0})} \psi_f(u_\alpha) \cdot X_\alpha \rangle) = \chi(\pi^{-f} t_\gamma u_\gamma) \neq 1$ . This is contradiction. q. e. d.

**COROLLARY 1.** Let  $v, f, f'$  and  $f''$  be as in Proposition 1. Assume that there exists an integer  $m$  ( $1 \leq m \leq f'$ ) such that for any  $X' \in O_v$  and for any integer  $i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq l$ ),  $(\alpha_i) \cap \text{Supp}_m(X') \neq \phi$ . Then there exist only finitely many elements  $H$  of  $\mathbf{X}'_+$  such that  $I(v|K^H, v^H) > 0$ . If  $m=1$ , then  $I(v|K^H, v^H) = 0$  for any  $H \neq 0$  in  $\mathbf{X}'_+$ .

**PROOF.** If  $I(v|K^H, v^H) > 0$ , then we have  $B(\Phi) \cap P_m(H) = \phi$  by the above Proposition. Therefore, for all  $\alpha_i \in B(\Phi)$  ( $1 \leq i \leq l$ ), we have  $0 \leq \langle \alpha_i, H \rangle < m \dots$  (\*). Since the root module  $Q(\Phi)$  is of finite index in the lattice  $\mathbf{X}$ , and the bilinear form  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  is non-degenerated on  $\mathbf{X} \times \mathbf{X}'$ , there must exist only finitely many  $H \in \mathbf{X}'_+$  satisfying (\*). In the case that  $m=1$ , there does not exist such  $H \neq 0$ . q. e. d.

By Corollary 1 and Lemma 6, we have the following Corollary.

**COROLLARY 2.** Let  $v, f, f'$  and  $f''$  be as in Proposition 1. Assume that

there exists an integer  $m$  ( $1 \leq m \leq f'$ ) such that for any  $X' \in O_v$  and for any  $\alpha_i \in B(\Phi)$  ( $1 \leq i \leq l$ ),  $(\alpha_i) \cap \text{Supp}_m(X') \neq \emptyset$ . Then  $I(U_v|K, v) < +\infty$ . If  $m=1$ , then  $I(U_v|K, v)=1$ .

By Lemma 6 and the above Propositions, we have the following Theorem.

**THEOREM 2.** *Let  $v$  be a continuous irreducible unitary representation with conductor  $f(v)=f \geq 2$ , and let  $f, f'$  and  $f''$  be integers such that  $f=f'+f''$ ,  $2f' \leq f \leq 2f'+1$ . Assume that there exists an integer  $m$  ( $1 \leq m \leq f'$ ) such that for any  $X' \in O_v$  and for any  $\alpha_i \in B(\Phi)$  ( $1 \leq i \leq l$ ),  $(\alpha_i) \cap \text{Supp}_m(X') \neq \emptyset$ . Then  $U_v = \text{Ind}_K^G v$  decomposes into a direct sum of at most  $I(U_v|K, v)$  many irreducible representations of  $G$ . In particular, if  $m=1$ , then  $U_v = \text{Ind}_K^G v$  is a square-integrable irreducible unitary representation of  $G$  whose formal degree is the degree of the representation  $v$ .*

**REMARK.** By Lemma 6 and Corollary 1 to Proposition 1, we have  $I(U_v|K, v) = \sum I(v|K^H, v^H)$  where the summation is taken over all  $H \in \mathbf{X}_+^*$  such that  $\langle \alpha_i, H \rangle < m$  for all  $\alpha_i \in B(\Phi)$ .

**4.4.** We shall compare our results with those of [7] obtained by T. Shintani. From now on, we put  $G = SL_{l+1}(F)$  and  $K = SL_{l+1}(\mathfrak{O})$  ( $l \geq 1$ ). Let  $v$  be a continuous irreducible unitary representation of  $K$  on a Hilbert space  $V$  with conductor  $f(v)=f \geq 2$ , and  $f', f''$  be  $f=f'+f''$ ,  $2f' \leq f \leq 2f'+1$ . By Example 1.3 and 3.2, for this representation  $v$ ,  $O_v$  is the set of all  $x \in \mathfrak{G}'(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^f)$  such that  $V_x \neq \{0\}$ , where  $\mathfrak{G}'(\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^f) = \{x \in M(l+1, \mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^f) | \text{Tr } x = 0\}$ . For some  $x \in O_v$ , we define a monic polynomial of the degree  $l+1$  over the finite local ring  $\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^f$  by  $C_v(t) = \det(t \cdot 1 - x)$  where  $t$  is an indeterminate. Then  $C_v(t)$  does not depend upon the choice of an element  $x$  of  $O_v$ . Hence the polynomial  $C_v(t)$  corresponds the above representation  $v$  of  $K$ . T. Shintani proved the following facts in [7]; If  $C_v(t)$  is an irreducible polynomial, then the unitary representation  $\text{Ind}_K^G v$  of  $G$  has finitely many irreducible components. In particular, put  $C_v(t) = t^{l+1} - a_1 t^l + \cdots + a_{l+1}$  ( $a_i \in \mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^f$ ). If  $\psi_1(C_v(t)) = t^{l+1} + \psi_1(a_1)t^l + \cdots + \psi_1(a_{l+1})$  is an irreducible polynomial over the finite field  $\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}$ , then  $\text{Ind}_K^G v$  is a square-integrable irreducible representation and its formal degree equals  $\dim V$ . Moreover, he constructed all continuous irreducible unitary representation  $v$  whose corresponding polynomials  $\psi_1(C_v(t))$  are irreducible.

**PROPOSITION 3.** *Let  $v$  be a continuous irreducible unitary representation of  $K = SL_{l+1}(\mathfrak{O})$  with conductor  $f(v)=f \geq 2$ , and let  $f', f''$  be integers  $f=f'+f''$ ,  $2f' \leq f \leq 2f'+1$ . For each integer  $m$  ( $1 \leq m \leq f'$ ), if  $\psi_m(C_v(t))$  is an irreducible polynomial over  $\mathfrak{O}/\mathfrak{P}^m$ , then we have  $(\alpha_i) \cap \text{Supp}_m(x) \neq \emptyset$  for any  $x \in O_v$  and for any  $\alpha_i \in B(\Phi)$  ( $1 \leq i \leq l$ ).*

PROOF. Put  $A = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & & 0 \\ & a_2 & \\ 0 & \ddots & \\ & & a_{l+1} \end{pmatrix} \in SL_{l+1}(F) \right\}$ . For each  $i$ , let  $e_i$  be a character of  $A$  defined by  $e_i \left( \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & & 0 \\ & a_i & \\ 0 & \ddots & \\ & & a_{l+1} \end{pmatrix} \right) = a_i$ . Then as a root system of  $\mathfrak{G}$  and its base, we can take  $\Phi = \{e_i - e_j | i \neq j, 1 \leq i \leq l+1, 1 \leq j \leq l+1\}$  and  $B(\Phi) = \{e_1 - e_2, e_2 - e_3, \dots, e_l - e_{l+1}\}$ . Now if there exist  $x \in O_v$  and  $\alpha_{i_0} = e_{i_0} - e_{i_0+1} \in B(\Phi)$  ( $1 \leq i_0 \leq l$ ) such that  $(\alpha_{i_0}) \cap \text{Supp}_m(x) = \emptyset$ , then by the definition of  $\text{Supp}_m(x)$  and by Example 1.3,  $\psi_m(x) \in M(l+1, \mathfrak{D}/\mathfrak{P}^m)$  is the form  $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ 0 & x_3 \end{pmatrix}$  where  $x_1 \in M(i_0, \mathfrak{D}/\mathfrak{P}^m)$ ,  $x_2 \in M(i_0, l+1-i_0, \mathfrak{D}/\mathfrak{P}^m)$  and  $x_3 \in M(l+1-i_0, \mathfrak{D}/\mathfrak{P}^m)$ . Hence  $\psi_m(C_v(t)) = \det(t \cdot 1 - \psi_m(x))$  is clearly reducible. q. e. d.

Thus in the case of  $G = SL_{l+1}(F)$ , there exist continuous irreducible unitary representations of  $K = SL_{l+1}(\mathfrak{O})$  which satisfy the condition that  $m=1$  in Theorem 2.

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