# Unitary Kloosterman Sums and Gelfand-Graev Representation of $GL_2$

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### Introduction

In this note, we obtain relations between two types of Kloosterman sums and corresponding ones for finite field extensions, using L-series and Euler product expansions. The methods used were first applied by A. Weil in his proof of the Davenport-Hasse relation for Gauss sums ([8], Chapter 11), and for other exponential sums in ([13], Appendix V). Generalized Kloosterman sums have also been considered in the context of l-adic sheaves over certain algebraic varieties by Deligne [6].

The relations proved in §1,2 are closely connected with the representation theory over the complex field  $\mathbb{C}$  of the connected reductive algebraic group  $G = GL_2$  defined over a finite field  $F = \mathbb{F}_q$ , with Frobenius map  $\sigma$ , so that  $G^{\sigma} = GL_2(\mathsf{F})$ . In [5], a norm map  $\Delta$  was defined, as a homomorphism of algebras from the Hecke algebra  $\mathcal{H}_m$  of a Gelfand-Graev representation of  $G^{\sigma^m}$  to a corresponding Hecke algebra  $\mathcal{H}$  of  $G^{\sigma}$ . The norm map  $\Delta$  is characterized by intertwining relations involving the two classes of  $\sigma$ -stable maximal tori in G. The identities for Kloosterman sums give these intertwining relations, and an explicit formula for the norm map  $\Delta$ , for certain basis elements of  $\mathcal{H}_m$ .

The relations for Kloosterman sums can also be used to calculate Gauss sums for certain irreducible representations of classical groups defined over finite fields, extending formulas obtained for representations of  $GL_n$  by Kondo [9] and Macdonald [11], based on the Davenport-Hasse relations for Gauss sums.

**Notation**  $F = F_1 = F_q$  denotes a finite field with q elements, and  $F_m = F_{q^m}$  the extension field of degree m of F, contained in a fixed algebraic closure  $\overline{F}$  of F. For a field K, we denote by  $K^{\times}$  the multiplicative group  $K - \{0\}$  of K. If m divides n, the norm map  $N_{n,m}: F_n \to F_m$  is defined by  $N_{n,m}(\alpha) = \alpha^{\frac{1-q^n}{1-q^m}}$  and the trace map  $T_{n,m}: F_n \to F_m$  is defined by  $T_{n,m}(\alpha) = \sum_{i=0}^{d-1} \alpha^{q^{mi}}$  where  $d = \frac{n}{m}$ . Let  $C_m \subset F_{2m}^{\times}$  be the kernel of the norm map  $N_{2m,m}$ , so that  $C_m = \{\alpha \in F_{2m}: \alpha^{q^m+1} = 1\}$ . In particular,  $C = C_1$  is the subgroup of  $F_2^{\times}$  consisting of elements of norm 1.

We fix a nontrivial additive character  $\chi$  of F throughout this paper, and let  $\chi_m = \chi \circ Tr_{m,1}$  be the canonical lift of  $\chi$  to  $F_m$ . Similarly, for a multiplicative character  $\pi$  (resp.  $\varphi$ ) of  $F^{\times}$ (resp. C),  $\pi_m = \pi \circ N_{m,1}$  (resp.  $\varphi_m = \varphi \circ N_{2m,2}$ ) denotes the

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canonical lift of  $\pi$  (resp.  $\varphi$ ) to  $\mathsf{F}_m^{\times}$  (resp.  $C_m$ ). We shall also use the convention that  $\pi(0) = \varphi(0) = 0$ .

#### 1. Generalized Kloosterman Sums and Finite Field Extensions

Let  $\pi$  be a multiplicative character of  $F^{\times}$ . A generalized Kloosterman sum is defined as the complex valued function on  $F^{\times}$  given by

$$a \mapsto K(\chi, \pi, a) = \sum_{st=a} \chi(s+t)\pi(s), \ a \in \mathsf{F}^{\times}$$

where  $s, t \in F^{\times}$ . The corresponding generalized Kloosterman sum for  $F_m$  is the function on  $F^{\times}$  defined by

$$a \mapsto K(\chi_m, \pi_m, a) = \sum_{\alpha\beta = a} \chi_m(\alpha + \beta) \pi_m(\alpha), \ a \in \mathsf{F}^{\times}$$

where  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathsf{F}_m^{\times}$ . If a = 1, we shall simply write  $K(\chi, \pi)$  and  $K(\chi_m, \pi_m)$  to denote  $K(\chi, \pi, 1)$  and  $K(\chi_m, \pi_m, 1)$  respectively.

We shall obtain a relation between  $K(\chi_m, \pi_m, a)$  and  $K(\chi, \pi, a)$ , by a method similar to the proof of the Davenport-Hasse relation for Gauss sums ([8], Chapter 11, §4).

Let  $\Phi$  be the set of monic polynomials in F[x] with nonzero constant term and let  $\Phi_n$  be the set of polynomials in  $\Phi$  of degree n. We begin by defining the complex valued function  $\mathcal{E}(f)$  for

$$f(x) = x^n - c_1 x^{n-1} + \dots + (-1)^n c_n \in \Phi_n$$

by the formula

$$\xi(f) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 0, \\ \chi(c_1 + ac_{n-1}c_n^{-1})\pi(c_n) & \text{if } n > 0. \end{cases}$$

It is easily verified that the function  $\xi(f)$  has the following properties:

$$\xi(fg) = \xi(f)\xi(g) \text{ for all } f, g \in \Phi,$$

$$\sum_{f \in \Phi_1} \xi(f) = K(\chi, \pi, a), \text{ and}$$

$$\sum_{f \in \Phi_2} \xi(f) = G(\chi, \pi)G(\chi, \overline{\pi})\pi(a) = q\pi(-a)$$

where  $G(\chi, \pi) = \sum_{t \in F} \chi(t)\pi(t)$  is a Gauss sum,  $\pi$  is nontrivial, and  $\overline{\pi}(t) = \pi(t^{-1})$ . It is easily shown that if  $\pi$  is trivial, one has  $\sum_{f \in \Phi_2} \xi(f) = q$ . Finally, if d > 2

$$\sum_{f \in \Phi_d} \xi(f) = 0.$$

Following the proof of the Davenport-Hasse relation, one has

$$K(\chi_m, \pi_m, a) = \sum_f \deg f \, \xi(f)^{\frac{m}{\deg f}},$$

where the sum is taken over all irreducible polynomials in  $\Phi$  whose degree divide m. Continuing as in ([8], p. 165), one obtains

$$\frac{uz + 2vz^2}{1 + uz + vz^2} = \sum_{f} \left( \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \deg f \, \xi(f)^r z^{r \deg f} \right),$$

where the sum is taken over irreducible polynomials in  $\Phi$  and

$$u = K(\chi, \pi, a), \ v = q\pi(-a)$$

for all multiplicative characters  $\pi$ . It follows that  $K(\chi_m, \pi_m, a)$  is the coefficient of  $z^m$  on the left hand side. Therefore we have the following theorem.

**Theorem 1.** Let  $\pi$  be an arbitrary character of  $\mathsf{F}^{\times}$  and let  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  be the complex numbers defined by the equation

$$(1 - \omega_1 z)(1 - \omega_2 z) = 1 + K(\chi, \pi, a)z + q\pi(-a)z^2.$$

Then for all positive integers m, we have

$$-\omega_1^m - \omega_2^m = K(\chi_m, \pi_m, a).$$

**Remark.** This result, in case  $\pi$  is trivial, is due to Carlitz [1].

## 2. Unitary Kloosterman Sums and Finite Field Extensions

**2.1.** Let  $\varphi$  be a character of C. The sum

$$J(\chi,\varphi) = \sum_{\alpha \in C} \chi(\alpha + \alpha^{-1})\varphi(\alpha)$$

is called a unitary Kloosterman sum. More generally, this definition can be extended to give a complex valued function on  $F^{\times}$  defined by

$$a \mapsto J(\chi, \varphi', a) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathsf{F}_2, N_{2,1}(\alpha) = a} \chi_2(\alpha) \varphi'(\alpha),$$

for a multiplicative character  $\varphi'$  of  $\mathsf{F}_2^{\times}$ , where  $\chi_2 = \chi \circ Tr_{2,1}$ . Then  $J(\chi, \varphi', 1) = J(\chi, \varphi' \mid_{\mathcal{C}})$ . The sum  $J(\chi, \varphi', a)$  appears in the calculation of cuspidal characters of

 $GL_2(\mathsf{F})$  ([12], [2]).

**2.2.** Before establishing a relation between a unitary Kloosterman sum and the corresponding sum for a finite field extension, we consider the unitary Kloosterman sum  $J(\chi, \varphi)$  with  $\varphi^2 = 1$ .

Firstly, letting  $1_{\mathsf{F}^{\times}}$  and  $1_{\mathsf{C}}$  denote the trivial characters of  $\mathsf{F}^{\times}$  and C, respectively, one has

$$J(\chi, 1_C, a) = -K(\chi, 1_{\mathsf{F}^\times}, a),$$

for  $a \in \mathsf{F}^{\times}$ , by Chang's lemma ([3], Lemma 1.2).

Now assume that q is odd and let  $\pi_0$  be the quadratic character of  $\mathsf{F}^\times$ . For  $s \in \mathsf{F}$ , let  $\chi^s$  be the additive character of  $\mathsf{F}$  defined by  $\chi^s(a) = \chi(sa), a \in \mathsf{F}$ . Then one also has

$$K(\chi^s, \pi_0) = \pi_0(s)G(\chi, \pi_0)(\chi(2s) + \chi(-2s))$$

and in particular

$$K(\chi, \pi_0) = G(\chi, \pi_0)(\chi(2) + \chi(-2))$$

by a theorem of Evans [7] (cf. also [10], Exercise 5.85).

A similar result holds for a unitary Kloosterman sum. Let  $\varphi_0$  be the quadratic character of C.

**Proposition.** For all  $s \in F$ , we have

$$J(\chi^{s}, \varphi_{0}) = \pi_{0}(s)G(\chi, \pi_{0})(\chi(-2s) - \chi(2s)),$$

and in particular

$$J(\chi, \varphi_0) = G(\chi, \pi_0)(\chi(-2) - \chi(2)).$$

*Proof.* Let t=2s, then as in ([7], Theorem 2.6) it suffices to show that for all  $a \in F$ 

$$q^{-1} \sum_{t} J(\chi^{\frac{t}{2}}, \varphi_0) \chi(-at)$$

$$= q^{-1} \pi_0(2) G(\chi, \pi_0) \sum_{t} \pi_0(t) (\chi(t(-1-a)) - \chi(t(1-a)).$$

The calculation in [loc.cit.] also holds in this case, and the left hand side of the above equation becomes  $0, \varphi_0(a)$  or  $2\varphi_0(a+\sqrt{a^2-1})$  according as  $\pi_0(a^2-1)=1, 0$  or -1, respectively, and the right hand side is  $\pi_0(2a+2)-\pi_0(2a-2)$ . Therefore the proof is reduced to showing that if  $\pi_0(a^2-1)=-1$ , then

$$\pi_0(2a+2) = \varphi_0(a+\sqrt{a^2-1}).$$

Now take the (q-1)/2-th power of the following equation:

$$a + \sqrt{a^2 - 1} = \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{a^2 - 1}}{a + 1}\right)^2 \frac{a + 1}{2}.$$

Then the conclusion follows, since  $\varphi_0(a+\sqrt{a^2-1})=(a+\sqrt{a^2-1})^{(q+1)/2}$ ,

$$\pi_0(2a+2) = \left(\frac{a+1}{2}\right)^{(q-1)/2}$$
 and

$$(a + \sqrt{a^2 - 1})^{-1} = \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{a^2 - 1}}{a + 1}\right)^{q - 1} = a - \sqrt{a^2 - 1}.$$

**Remark.** The sums  $K(\chi^s, \pi)$  and  $J(\chi^s, \varphi)$  have also appeared in ([4], Theorem 5.2), in connection with the representation theory of  $SL_2$ .

**2.3.** Now we shall obtain a relation between a unitary Kloosterman sum and a corresponding one for a finite field extension.

For a polynomial

$$f(x) = x^n - c_1 x^{n-1} + \dots + (-1)^n c_n \in F_2[x],$$

with  $c_n \neq 0$ , define

$$f^*(x) = (-1)^n \overline{f}(x^{-1}) x^n \overline{c}_n^{-1},$$

where  $\overline{c} = c^q$  is the algebraic conjugate of the element  $c \in \mathsf{F}_2$  by the nontrivial element of the Galois group  $c \mapsto \overline{c}$ , and  $\overline{f}(x)$  is the polynomial  $\sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^{n-i} \overline{c}_{n-i} x^i$ . It is easily verified that

$$f^{**}(x) = f(x),$$
  
 $(f(x)g(x))^* = f^*(x)g^*(x),$ 

and that

$$f^*(x) = f(x)$$

if and only if

$$c_i = \overline{c}_{n-i}\overline{c_n}^{-1}, \ 0 \le i \le \left[\frac{n}{2}\right],$$

and

$$c_n \in C$$
.

Let  $\Psi$  be the set of monic polynomials  $f(x) \in \mathsf{F}_2[x]$  with nonzero constant term, satisfying  $f^*(x) = f(x)$ , and let  $\Psi_n$  be the set of polynomials in  $\Psi$  of degree n. Introduce the complex valued function  $\eta(f)$ , for  $f \in \Psi$ , by setting

$$\eta(f) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } n = \deg f = 0, \\ \chi(c_1 + c_{n-1}c_n^{-1})\varphi(c_n), & \text{if } n = \deg f > 0, \end{cases}$$

noting that  $c_1 + c_{n-1}c_n^{-1} \in \mathsf{F}$  if  $f \in \Psi$ . Thus as in §1, it follows that

$$\eta(fg) = \eta(f)\eta(g), \text{ for } f,g \in \Psi.$$

The L-function associated with the set of polynomials  $\Psi$  is the series

$$L_{\Psi}(z) = \sum_{n \ge 0} \left( \sum_{f \in \Psi_n} \eta(f) \right) z^n.$$

The multiplicative property of  $\eta$  implies that  $L_{\Psi}(z)$  has the Euler product expansion

(2.3.1) 
$$L_{\Psi}(z) = \prod_{f} (1 - \eta(f)z^{\deg f})^{-1} \prod_{\{g,g^*\}} (1 - \eta(gg^*)z^{2\deg g})^{-1},$$

where  $\{f\}$  and  $\{g\}$  are irreducible polynomials in  $F_2[x]$  such that  $f = f^*$  and  $g \neq g^*$ , respectively.

We now proceed to calculate the coefficients of  $L_{\Psi}(z)$ . We have immediately

$$\sum_{f \in \Psi_1} \eta(f) = J(\chi, \varphi),$$

$$\sum_{f \in \Psi_2} \eta(f) = \begin{cases} G(\chi_2, \varphi'), & \text{if } \varphi \neq 1_C, \\ q, & \text{if } \varphi = 1_C \end{cases}$$

$$\sum_{f \in \Psi_n} \eta(f) = 0, & \text{if } n > 2,$$

where  $\chi_2 = \chi \circ Tr_{2,1}$  as before and  $\varphi'(\alpha) = \varphi(\alpha^{1-q})$  for  $\alpha \in \mathsf{F}_2^{\times}$ . By Stickelberger's Theorem ([10], Theorem 5.16) we have  $G(\chi_2, \varphi') = q\varphi(-1)$  in case  $\varphi$  is nontrivial. If  $\varphi = 1_C$ , the formula follows from the definition of  $\eta(f)$ . At this point we have

$$L_{\Psi}(z) = 1 + J(\chi, \varphi)z + \varphi(-1)qz^{2}.$$

Define the complex numbers  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  by

$$L_{\Psi}(z) = (1 - \omega_1 z)(1 - \omega_2 z).$$

Now let

$$z\frac{d}{dz}\log L_{\Psi}(z) = \sum_{m\geq 1} L_m z^m.$$

By the preceding discussion it follows that  $L_m$  is the coefficient of  $z^m$  in

$$\frac{uz + 2vz^2}{1 + uz + vz^2},$$

where  $u = J(\chi, \varphi)$ ,  $v = \varphi(-1)q$ , and can also be expressed in the form

$$(2.3.2) L_m = -\omega_1^m - \omega_2^m.$$

The desired relation will follow from

#### **2.4. Lemma.** For $m \geq 1$ ,

$$L_{m} = \begin{cases} \sum_{\gamma \in \mathsf{F}_{m}^{\times}} \chi(Tr_{m,1}(\gamma + \gamma^{-1})) \varphi(N_{m,2}(\gamma^{1-q})), & \text{if } m \text{ is even,} \\ \sum_{\gamma \in C_{m}} \chi(Tr_{2m,2}(\gamma + \gamma^{-1})) \varphi(N_{2m,2}(\gamma)), & \text{if } m \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Before starting a proof of this lemma, we prove the following result, which plays a key role in the proof.

(2.4.1) Let  $f(x) \in F_2[x]$  be irreducible and  $f^*(x) = f(x)$ . Then  $d = \deg f$  is an odd integer. Moreover if  $\gamma$  is a root of f, then  $\gamma^{q^d+1} = 1$ .

To prove this assertion, let  $\gamma$  be a root of f(x). Then the condition  $f^*(x) = f(x)$  implies that  $f(\gamma^{-q}) = 0$  so that  $\gamma = (\gamma^{-q})^{q^{2i}}$  for some i,  $0 \le i < d = \deg f$ , since f is irreducible. Thus  $\gamma$  is contained in  $\mathsf{F}_{2(2i+1)}$  and hence  $\mathsf{F}_{2d} \subseteq \mathsf{F}_{2(2i+1)}$ , because  $\gamma$  generates the field  $\mathsf{F}_{2d}$ . Therefore d divides 2i+1 which is possible only when d=2i+1.

Now by the Euler product expansion (2.3.1) and the definition of  $L_m$ , we have

(2.4.2) 
$$L_m = \sum_{\substack{f = f^* \\ \deg f \mid m}} \deg f \, \eta(f)^{\frac{m}{\deg f}} + \sum_{\substack{\{g, g^*\} \\ 2 \deg g \mid m}} 2 \deg g \, \eta(gg^*)^{\frac{m}{2 \deg g}}.$$

Assume that m is even. If  $f \in \mathsf{F}_2[x]$  is an irreducible polynomial satisfying  $f = f^*$  and d|m, where  $d = \deg f$ , then 2d divides m, since d is odd by (2.4.1). So if  $\gamma$  is a root of  $f(x) = \sum_{i=0}^d (-1)^{d-i} c_{d-i} x^i$ , then  $\gamma \in \mathsf{F}_m$  and  $c_1 = Tr_{2d,2}(\gamma)$ ,  $c_{d-1} c_d^{-1} = Tr_{2d,2}(\gamma^{-1})$  and  $c_d = N_{2d,2}(\gamma) \in C$ . Therefore we have

$$\eta(f)^{\frac{m}{d}} = \chi(\frac{m}{d}Tr_{2d,2}(\gamma + \gamma^{-1}))\varphi(N_{2d,2}(\gamma^{\frac{m}{d}})) 
= \chi(Tr_{2m,2}(\gamma + \gamma^{-1}))\varphi(N_{2m,2}(\gamma)) 
= \chi(Tr_{m,1}(\gamma + \gamma^{-1}))\varphi(N_{m,2}(\gamma^{1-q})),$$

where to get the third equation we have used the fact that  $\gamma \in F_m$  and  $\gamma$  is conjugate to  $\gamma^{-q}$  over  $F_2$ .

Similarly if  $g \in F_2[x]$  is an irreducible polynomial satisfying  $g \neq g^*$  and  $2 \deg g | m$ , and if  $\gamma$  is a root of g or  $g^*$ , we have

$$\eta(gg^*)^{\frac{m}{2\deg g}} = \chi(Tr_{m,1}(\gamma + \gamma^{-1}))\varphi(N_{m,2}(\gamma^{1-q})).$$

Since such f and g have distinct roots, we have by (2.4.2)

$$\begin{split} L_{m} &= \sum_{\substack{f=f^{*} \\ \deg f \mid m}} \sum_{\substack{\gamma \in \mathbb{F}_{m} \\ (\gamma)=0}} \chi(Tr_{m,1}(\gamma+\gamma^{-1})) \varphi(N_{m,2}(\gamma^{1-q})) \\ &+ \sum_{\substack{\{g,g^{*}\} \\ 2 \deg g \mid m}} \sum_{\substack{\gamma \in \mathbb{F}_{m} \\ g(\gamma)g^{*}(\gamma)=0}} \chi(Tr_{m,1}(\gamma+\gamma^{-1})) \varphi(N_{m,2}(\gamma^{1-q})) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{\gamma \in \mathbb{F}_{m}^{\times} \\ }} \chi(Tr_{m,1}(\gamma+\gamma^{-1})) \varphi(N_{m,2}(\gamma^{1-q})). \end{split}$$

When m is odd, the second sum in the right hand side of (2.4.2) vanishes. Moreover if  $f \in \Psi_d$  is irreducible with d|m and if  $\gamma$  is a root of f, then  $\gamma^{q^d+1} = 1$  by (2.4.1) and hence  $\gamma \in C_m$ , since both m and d are odd and d|m. The rest of the proof for this case

holds as in the case when m is even.

**2.5.** When m is even, define the multiplicative character  $\varphi_m$  of  $\mathsf{F}_m^{\times}$  by

$$\varphi_m(\gamma) = \varphi(N_{m,2}(\gamma^{1-q})) = \varphi(\gamma^{\frac{1-q^m}{1+q}}),$$

and  $\chi_m = \chi \circ Tr_{m,1}$ . Then, as introduced in §1, the generalized Kloosterman sum associated with  $\chi_m$  and  $\varphi_m$  is

$$K(\chi_m, \varphi_m) = \sum_{\gamma \in \mathsf{F}_m^{\times}} \chi_m(\gamma + \gamma^{-1}) \varphi_m(\gamma),$$

and is equal to  $L_m$  by the proof of Lemma 2.4. When m is odd, define the character  $\varphi_m$  of  $C_m$  by  $\varphi_m(\gamma) = \varphi(N_{2m,2}(\gamma))$ , noting that  $N_{2m,2}(\gamma) \in C$  if  $\gamma \in C_m$ , because m is odd,  $\gamma^{q^m} = \gamma^{-1}$ , and  $N_{2m,2}(\gamma) = \gamma^{\frac{1+q^m}{1+q}}$ . We also have, for  $\gamma \in C_m$ ,  $Tr_{2m,2}(\gamma + \gamma^{-1}) = Tr_{m,1}(\gamma + \gamma^{-1})$ . In this case,  $L_m$  is equal to the unitary Kloosterman sum

$$J(\chi_m, \varphi_m) = \sum_{\gamma \in C_m} \chi_m(\gamma + \gamma^{-1}) \varphi_m(\gamma).$$

Combining these remarks with (2.3.2) and (2.4), we have:

**Theorem 2.** Let  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  be the complex numbers determined by

$$(1 - \omega_1 z)(1 - \omega_2 z) = 1 + J(\chi, \varphi)z + \varphi(-1)qz^2.$$

Then for every positive integer m, we have

$$-\omega_1^m - \omega_2^m = \begin{cases} K(\chi_m, \varphi_m), & \text{if } m \text{ is even,} \\ J(\chi_m, \varphi_m), & \text{if } m \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

**2.6.** Let  $\varphi'$  be a multiplicative character of  $F_2$  and a be a fixed element in  $F^{\times}$ . We shall extend the results obtained in (2.5) to the unitary Kloosterman sum introduced in (2.1).

We start by defining an involutive mapping \*a on the set of monic polynomials over  $\mathsf{F}_2$  with nonzero constant term. For  $f(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^{n-i} c_{n-i} x^i \in \mathsf{F}_2[x]$  with  $c_0 = 1$  and  $c_n \neq 0$ , define the polynomial  $f^{*a}$  by

$$f^{*a}(x) = \overline{f}(\frac{a}{x})x^n(-1)^n\overline{c}_n^{-1}.$$

Then it can be easily checked that  $(f^{*a})^{*a} = f$  and that  $f^{*a} = f$  if and only if

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} c_i = \overline{c}_{n-i}\overline{c_n}^{-1}a^i, & 0 < i \leq \left[\frac{n}{2}\right], \\ N_{2,1}(c_n) = a^n. \end{array} \right.$$

Let  $\Psi^a = \{f(x) \in \mathsf{F}_2[x] : f(x) \text{ is monic, } f(0) \neq 0 \text{ and } f^{*a} = f\}$  and  $\Psi^a_n$  be the subset of  $\Psi^a$  consisting of polynomials of degree n. Defining a complex valued function  $\eta_a(f)$  on  $\Psi^a$  for

$$f(x) = x^n - c_1 x^{n-1} + \dots + (-1)^n c_n \in \Psi_n^a$$

by the formula

$$\eta_a(f) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } n = \deg f = 0, \\ \chi(c_1 + ac_{n-1}c_n^{-1})\varphi'(c_n), & \text{if } n = \deg f > 0, \end{cases}$$

we can proceed with the same manner as in (2.3) and (2.4) and, omitting the details, we can prove the following theorem.

**Theorem 3.** Let  $\varphi'$  be a character of  $\mathsf{F}_2^{\times}$  and  $\omega_i$  (i=1,2) be the complex numbers determined by

$$(1 - \omega_1 z)(1 - \omega_2 z) = 1 + J(\chi, \varphi', a)z + \varphi'(-a)qz^2.$$

Then for every positive integer m, we have

$$-\omega_1^m - \omega_2^m = \begin{cases} \varphi'(a^{\frac{m}{2}})K(\chi_m, \varphi_m'^{1-q}, a), & \text{if } m \text{ is even,} \\ J(\chi_m, \varphi_{2m}', a), & \text{if } m \text{ is odd,} \end{cases}$$

where  $\chi_m = \chi \circ Tr_{m,1}$ ,  $\varphi'_{2m} = \varphi' \circ N_{2m,2}$  and  $\varphi'_m = \varphi' \circ N_{m,2}$ .

**Remark.** A proof of the Davenport-Hasse relation based on étale cohomology has been given by Deligne ([6], p. 177). The same approach can be applied to the relations considered in Theorem 1-3. For example, Theorem 3, in case  $\varphi'$  is trivial, will follow from ([6], Exemple 3.7, p. 193) by taking the Frobenius map defined on the projective line  $\mathbf{P}^1$  by  $[x:y] \mapsto [y^q:ax^q]$ , for  $a \in \mathsf{F}^\times$ .

## 3. Connections with the Gelfand-Graev representation of $GL_2$

The fact that the formula for  $K(\chi_m, \pi_m)$  in terms of  $K(\chi, \pi)$ , and for  $J(\chi_m, \varphi_m)$  or  $K(\chi_m, \pi_m)$  in terms of  $J(\chi, \varphi)$ , are both obtained as the coefficient of  $z^m$  in the expansion of the rational function

$$\frac{uz + 2vz^2}{1 + uz + vz^2}$$

is explained by the norm map  $\Delta$  from the Hecke algebra  $\mathcal{H}_m$  of a Gelfand-Graev representation of  $GL_2(\mathsf{F}_m)$  to the Hecke algebra  $\mathcal{H}$  of a Gelfand-Graev representation of  $GL_2(\mathsf{F})$  ([5]).

To make this connection, let G be the connected reductive group  $GL_2$ , with its usual BN-pair,  $\mathbb{F}_q$ -structure, and Frobenius map  $\sigma$ , so that  $G^{\sigma} = GL_2(\mathbb{F})$  and  $G^{\sigma^m} = GL_2(\mathbb{F}_m)$ , for a fixed  $m \geq 1$ . The definition of  $\Delta$  involves representatives of the two

 $G^{\sigma}$ -classes of  $\sigma$ -stable maximal tori in G, and their norm maps. The classes of tori are parametrized by the elements  $\{1, w\}$  of the Weyl group of G. The split torus  $T_1$  consists of the diagonal matrices in G, with the norm map  $N_1 = N_{T_1^{\sigma^m}/T_1^{\sigma}}$  from  $T_1^{\sigma^m}$  to  $T_1^{\sigma}$ , given by

$$N_1 = 1 + \sigma + \cdots + \sigma^{m-1}$$

For the other class of tori, we have

$$T_w^{\sigma} \cong T^{\sigma \operatorname{ad} \dot{w}} \cong \left\{ \left( egin{array}{cc} \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha^q \end{array} \right) : \alpha \in \mathsf{F}_2^{\times} \right\},$$

with  $\dot{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , and  $\mathrm{ad}\,\dot{w}(t) = \dot{w}t\dot{w}^{-1}$ , for  $t \in T_1$ . The norm map  $N_w$  from  $T_w^{\sigma^m}$  to  $T_w^{\sigma}$ , after these identifications, is given by

$$N_w = 1 + \sigma \operatorname{ad} \dot{w} + \dots + (\sigma \operatorname{ad} \dot{w})^{m-1}.$$

Let  $\chi$  be a nontrivial additive character of F, and  $\Gamma = \operatorname{ind}_{U_0^{\sigma}}^{G^{\sigma}} \psi$  the Gelfand-Graev character defined by the linear character  $\psi$  of  $U_0^{\sigma}$ , with

$$\psi\left(\begin{array}{cc} 1 & a \\ 0 & 1 \end{array}\right) = \chi(a), \ a \in \mathsf{F}.$$

Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be the Hecke algebra associated with  $\Gamma$ , as in ([4], §5). For fixed  $m \geq 1$ ,  $\chi_m = \chi \circ Tr_{m,1}$  is a nontrivial additive character of  $F_m$ , and defines a Gelfand-Graev character  $\Gamma_m$  of  $G^{\sigma^m}$ , whose Hecke algebra is denoted by  $\mathcal{H}_m$ .

For an  $\sigma$ -stable maximal torus T of G, let  $f_T: \mathcal{H} \to \mathbb{C}T^{\sigma}$ , and  $f_T^{(m)}: \mathcal{H}_m \to \mathbb{C}T^{\sigma^m}$  be the homomorphisms defined in ([4], Theorem 4.2). By Theorem 1 and Theorem 2 of [5], there exists a surjective homomorphism of algebras

$$\Delta: \mathcal{H}_m \to \mathcal{H},$$

which is characterized as the unique linear map such that

$$\tilde{N}_1 \circ f_{T_1}^{(m)} = f_{T_1} \circ \Delta$$

and

$$\tilde{N}_w \circ f_{T_w}^{(m)} = f_{T_w} \circ \Delta,$$

with  $\tilde{N}_1: \mathbb{C}T^{\sigma^m} \to \mathbb{C}T^{\sigma}$  the extension of  $N_1: T^{\sigma^m} \to T^{\sigma}$ , etc. We shall prove that these two intertwining formulas correspond exactly to the identities for  $K(\chi_m, \pi_m)$  in terms of  $K(\chi, \pi)$  and  $J(\chi_m, \varphi_m)$  or  $K(\chi_m, \varphi_m)$  in terms of  $J(\chi, \varphi)$ , in the calculation of  $\Delta$  at the standard basis element of  $\mathcal{H}_m$  corresponding to  $\dot{w} \in G^{\sigma^m}$ .

**3.1.** Lemma. Let  $c_{\dot{w}}$  be the standard basis element of  $\mathcal{H}$  indexed by  $\dot{w}$  (as in [4], §5, for the case of  $SL_2$ ). Then  $f_{T_1}(c_{\dot{w}}) \in \mathbb{C}T_1^{\sigma}$ , and can be identified with the element in the group algebra of  $\mathsf{F}^{\times}$  whose coefficient at  $a \in \mathsf{F}^{\times}$  is  $\chi(a+a^{-1})$ . The image  $f_{T_w}(c_{\dot{w}})$ 

of  $c_{ii}$  in  $\mathbb{C}T^{\sigma a d \cdot ii}$  can be identified with the element of the group algebra of C whose coefficient at  $\alpha \in C$  is  $-\chi(\alpha + \alpha^{-1})$ .

The proof of the Lemma is straightforward, using the formula

$$f_T(c_{\dot{w}})(t) = \langle Q_T^G, \Gamma \rangle \operatorname{ind} \dot{w} |U_0^{\sigma}|^{-1} |C_G(t)^{0\sigma}|^{-1} \sum_{\substack{g \in G^{\sigma}, u \in U_0^{\sigma} \\ (gu\dot{w}g^{-1})_{ss} = t}} \psi(u^{-1}) Q_T^{C_G(t)^0} ((gu\dot{w}g^{-1})_{uni}),$$

for  $t \in T^{\sigma}$ , as in the proof of Theorem 5.2 of [4].

By the Lemma, the image of the standard basis element  $c_{\dot{w},m}$  of  $\mathcal{H}_m$  corresponding to  $\dot{w}$ , under the homomorphism  $f_{T_1}^{(m)}:\mathcal{H}_m\to\mathbb{C}T_1^{\sigma^m}$ , is the element of the group algebra of  $\mathsf{F}_m^\times$  whose coefficient at  $\alpha\in\mathsf{F}_m^\times$  is  $\chi_m(\alpha+\alpha^{-1})$ . Noting that  $T_w^{\sigma^m}\cong T_1^{(\sigma\mathrm{ad}\dot{w})^m}\cong T_1^{\sigma^m\mathrm{ad}\dot{w}}$  if m is odd, and  $T_w^{\sigma^m}\cong T_1^{\sigma^m}$  if m is even, the image of  $c_{\dot{w},m}$  by the homomorphism  $f_{T_w}$  can be identified with the element of the group algebra of  $C_m$  whose coefficient at  $\alpha\in C_m$  is  $-\chi_m(\alpha+\alpha^{-1})$  for  $\alpha\in C_m$  if m is odd, and with the element of the group algebra of  $\mathsf{F}_m^\times$  whose coefficient at  $\alpha\in\mathsf{F}_m^\times$  is  $\chi_m(\alpha+\alpha^{-1})$ , if m is even.

The irreducible representations of the group algebra of  $F^{\times}$  are the extensions  $\tilde{\pi}$  of multiplicative characters  $\pi$  of  $F^{\times}$ . For each such representation, we have

$$\tilde{\pi} \circ f_{T_1}(c_{\dot{w}}) = \sum_{a \in \mathsf{F}^{\times}} \pi(a) \chi(a + a^{-1}) = K(\chi, \pi)$$

and, as is easily verified,

$$\tilde{\pi} \circ \tilde{N}_1 \circ f_{T_1}^{(m)}(c_{\dot{w},m}) = K(\chi_m, \pi_m),$$

where  $\tilde{N}_1$  denotes the extension of the norm map  $N_1: T^{\sigma^m} \to T^{\sigma}$  to a homomorphism of group algebras.

Similarly, the irreducible representations of the group algebra of C are the extensions  $\tilde{\varphi}$  of characters  $\varphi$  of C, and one has

$$\tilde{\varphi} \circ f_{T_w}(c_{\dot{w},m}) = -\sum_{\alpha \in C} \varphi(\alpha) \chi(\alpha + \alpha^{-1}) = -J(\chi, \varphi).$$

Using the twisted norm map  $N_w = 1 + \sigma \operatorname{ad} \dot{w} + \dots + (\sigma \operatorname{ad} \dot{w})^{m-1}$  from  $T_1^{(\sigma \operatorname{ad} \dot{w})^m}$  to  $T_1^{\sigma \operatorname{ad} \dot{w}}$ , one has

$$\tilde{\varphi} \circ \tilde{N}_w \circ f_{T_w}^{(m)}(c_{\dot{w},m}) = -J(\chi_m, \varphi_m)$$

if m is odd, and when m is even,

$$\tilde{\varphi} \circ \tilde{N}_w \circ f_{T_w}^{(m)}(c_{\dot{w},m}) = K(\chi_m, \varphi_m),$$

where  $J(\chi_m, \varphi_m)$  and  $K(\chi_m, \varphi_m)$  are defined as in §2.5.

Let  $P_m(u,v)$  be the coefficient of  $z^m$  in the expansion of the rational function

$$\frac{uz + 2vz^2}{1 + uz + vz^2}$$

with u, v viewed as indeterminates over  $\mathbb{C}(z)$ . The formulas for  $K(\chi_m, \pi_m)$  in terms of  $K(\chi, \pi)$ , and for  $J(\chi_m, \varphi_m)$  or  $K(\chi_m, \varphi_m)$  in terms of  $J(\chi, \varphi)$  are both given in terms of the polynomial  $P_m(u, v)$ , by Theorems 1 and 2. It is shown here that the value of the norm map  $\Delta: \mathcal{H}_m \to \mathcal{H}$  at the standard basis element  $c_{w,m}$  is also given by the polynomial  $P_m(u, v)$ . Other values of  $\Delta$  can be obtained from the result (see the remarks following the Proposition). The polynomial  $(-1)^{m-1}P_m(u, v)$ , called the  $Dickson\ polynomial\ in\ [10]$ , is given by

$$P_m(u,v) = \sum_{j=0}^{\left[\frac{m}{2}\right]} (-1)^{m-j-1} \frac{m}{m-j} {m-j \choose j} u^{m-2j} v^j$$

([10] p. 228 and p. 355).

Let  $P_m(c_{\dot{w}}, qc_{-I})$  be the element of  $\mathcal{H}$  obtained by substituting for u and v the standard basis elements  $c_{\dot{w}}$  and  $c_{-I}$ , where I is the identity matrix in G. It is easily verified that  $\tilde{\pi} \circ f_{T_1}(c_{-I}) = \pi(-1)$ , for each multiplicative character  $\pi$  of  $\mathsf{F}^{\times}$ , and  $\tilde{\varphi} \circ f_{T_w}(c_{-I}) = \varphi(-1)$  for an arbitrary character  $\varphi$  of C.

We now have

**Proposition.** The element  $P_m(c_w, qc_{-I}) \in \mathcal{H}$  satisfies the intertwining relations

$$\tilde{N}_1 \circ f_{T_1}^{(m)}(c_{\dot{w},m}) = f_{T_1}(P_m(c_{\dot{w}}, qc_{-I}))$$

and

$$\tilde{N}_w \circ f_{T_w}^{(m)}(c_{\dot{w},m}) = f_{T_w}(P_m(c_{\dot{w}}, qc_{-I})).$$

It follows that

$$\Delta(c_{\dot{w},m}) = P_m(c_{\dot{w}}, qc_{-I}).$$

*Proof.* By Theorem 1, it follows that, for each character  $\pi$  of  $\mathsf{F}^{\times}$ ,

$$K(\chi_m, \pi_m) = P_m(K(\chi, \pi), q\pi(-1)).$$

By the remarks preceding the statement of the proposition, this formula implies that

$$\tilde{\pi} \circ \tilde{N}_{1} \circ f_{T_{1}}^{(m)}(c_{\dot{w},m}) = P_{m}(\tilde{\pi} \circ f_{T_{1}}(c_{\dot{w}}), q\tilde{\pi} \circ f_{T_{1}}(c_{-I})) 
= \tilde{\pi}(P_{m}(f_{T_{1}}(c_{\dot{w}}), qf_{T_{1}}(c_{-I})) 
= \tilde{\pi} \circ f_{T_{1}}(P_{m}(c_{\dot{w}}, qc_{-I}))$$

using the facts that  $\tilde{\pi}$  and  $f_{T_1}$  are homomorphisms of algebras. As the maps  $\{\tilde{\pi}\}$  are a complete set of irreducible representations of the group algebra of  $\mathsf{F}^{\times}$ , it follows that

$$\tilde{N}_1 \circ f_{T_1}^{(m)}(c_{\dot{w},m}) = f_{T_1}(P_m(c_{\dot{w}}, qc_{-I})),$$

proving the first relation.

Now let  $\varphi$  be a character of C, and let m be odd. Then, by Theorem 2,

$$-J(\chi_m, \varphi_m) = P_m(-J(\chi, \varphi), q\varphi(-1)).$$

This implies

$$\tilde{\varphi} \circ \tilde{N}_w \circ f_{T_w}^{(m)}(c_{\dot{w},m}) = P_m(\tilde{\varphi} \circ f_{T_w}(c_{\dot{w}}), q\tilde{\varphi} \circ f_{T_w}(c_{-I}))$$

and the relation

$$\tilde{N}_w \circ f_{T_w}^{(m)}(c_{\dot{w},m}) = f_{T_w}(P_m(c_{\dot{w}}, qc_{-I}))$$

follows as in the first case.

If m is even, Theorem 2 implies that

$$K(\chi_m, \varphi_m) = P_m(-J(\chi, \varphi), q\varphi(-1)),$$

and hence

$$\tilde{\varphi} \circ \tilde{N}_w \circ f_{T_w}^{(m)}(c_{\dot{w},m}) = P_m(\tilde{\varphi} \circ f_{T_w}(c_{\dot{w}}), q\tilde{\varphi} \circ f_{T_w}(c_{-I})).$$

The relation

$$\tilde{N}_w \circ f_{T_w}^{(m)}(c_{\dot{w},m}) = f_{T_w}(P_m(c_{\dot{w}}, qc_{-I}))$$

follows as before.

The fact that  $\Delta(c_{\dot{w},m}) = P_m(c_{\dot{w}}, qc_{-I})$  now follows from Theorem 1 of [5].

The preceding result also gives the value of  $\Delta$  at standard basis elements  $c_{t\dot{w},m}$ , with t in the center of  $GL_2(\mathsf{F}_m)$ . If  $t = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \lambda \in \mathsf{F}_m^{\times}$ , then  $f_{T_1}^{(m)}(c_{t\dot{w},m})$  can be identified with the element of the group algebra of  $\mathsf{F}_m^{\times}$  whose coefficient at  $\alpha \in \mathsf{F}_m^{\times}$  is  $\chi_m(\alpha\lambda^{-1} + \alpha^{-1}\lambda)$ . For a character  $\pi$  of  $\mathsf{F}^{\times}$ , one has

$$\tilde{\pi} \circ \tilde{N}_1 \circ f_{T_1}^{(m)}(c_{t \dot{w},m}) = \sum_{a \in \mathsf{F}^\times} \bigg( \sum_{\substack{\alpha \in \mathsf{F}_m^\times \\ N \alpha = a}} \chi_m(\alpha \lambda^{-1} + \alpha^{-1} \lambda) \bigg) \pi(a) = K(\chi_m, \pi_m) \pi_m(\lambda).$$

A similar result holds for the torus  $T_w$ , using the formula for  $f_{T_w}^{(m)}(c_{t\dot{w},m})$  from ([2], §2). By the Proposition above, and the facts that  $f_{T_1}(c_s)$  and  $f_{T_w}(c_s)$  can both be identified with the element s in the group algebra of the torus for a central element  $s \in GL_2(\mathsf{F})$ , it follows that

$$\Delta(c_{t\dot{w},m}) = c_{N_1(t)}\Delta(c_{\dot{w},m}) = c_{N_1(t)}P_m(c_{\dot{w}}, qc_{-I}).$$

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