

On a Theorem of Shintani

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Let χ be an irreducible character of $G_d = \mathbf{GL}_n(\mathbb{F}_{q^d})$ invariant under the automorphism ϕ of G_d induced by the field automorphism $\mathbb{F}_{q^d} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_{q^d}$, $x \mapsto x^q$, and let e be a divisor of d . By a theorem of Shintani, there exists an extension $\tilde{\chi}_e$ of χ to $G_d \rtimes \langle \phi^e \rangle$ whose Shintani descent to G_e is, up to a sign ε , an irreducible character of G_e . It is shown in this paper that $\tilde{\chi}_e$ may always be chosen such that $\varepsilon = 1$. With this particular choice, $\tilde{\chi}_e$ is the restriction of $\tilde{\chi}_1$. Our methods rely on the work of Digne and Michel on Deligne–Lusztig theory for nonconnected reductive groups. © 1999 Academic Press

Let $\mathbf{G}^\circ = \mathbf{GL}_n(\mathbb{F})^d$, where \mathbb{F} is an algebraic closure of a finite field and where n and d are natural numbers. The symmetric group \mathfrak{S}_d acts on \mathbf{G}° by permutations of the components of \mathbf{G}° . We denote by \mathbf{G} the semidirect product $\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{G}^\circ \rtimes \mathfrak{S}_d$. It is a nonconnected reductive group, with neutral component \mathbf{G}° . We denote by $F_0: \mathbf{G} \rightarrow \mathbf{G}$ the natural split Frobenius endomorphism on \mathbf{G} (acting trivially on \mathfrak{S}_d), and we choose an element $\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_d$. Let $F: \mathbf{G} \rightarrow \mathbf{G}$ denote the Frobenius endomorphism defined by $F(g) = {}^\sigma F_0(g)$.

In this paper we discuss the irreducible characters of \mathbf{G}^F (the unipotent characters of \mathbf{G}^F were described in [B]). We first prove that there exists a Jordan decomposition of characters (this result is well-known for \mathbf{G}°); moreover, this decomposition commutes with Lusztig generalized induction (cf. (3.2.1)). We also prove that all the irreducible characters of \mathbf{G}^F are linear combinations of generalized Deligne–Lusztig characters (this gener-

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alizes the well-known result of G. Lusztig and B. Srinivasan [LS, Theorem 3.2)] about irreducible characters of the general linear group over a finite field).

As an application of these results, we obtain new results about Shintani descent in the case of the general linear group. In [S], Shintani proved that any irreducible characters of the finite group $G_d = \mathbf{GL}_n(\mathbb{F}_{q^d})$ stable under the automorphism ϕ induced by the field automorphism $\mathbb{F}_{q^d} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_{q^d}, x \mapsto x^q$ can be extended to $G_d \langle \phi \rangle$ in such a way that its Shintani descent is, up to sign, an irreducible character of $G_1 = \mathbf{GL}_n(\mathbb{F}_q)$. In Theorem 4.3.1 we prove that this sign can always be chosen to be equal to 1 and get precise formulas for the corresponding extension. As a consequence, we obtain that the Shintani descent of this particular extension to G_e is an irreducible character of G_e (where e divides d).

0. NOTATION

0.1. General Notation

Let \mathbb{F} be an algebraic closure of a finite field. We denote by p its characteristic. We also fix a power q of p , and we denote by \mathbb{F}_q the subfield of \mathbb{F} with q elements. All algebraic varieties and all algebraic groups will be considered over \mathbb{F} . If \mathbf{H} is an algebraic group (over \mathbb{F}), we will denote by \mathbf{H}° its connected component containing 1. If \mathbf{H} is endowed with an \mathbb{F}_q -structure, we also define

$$\varepsilon_{\mathbf{H}^\circ} = (-1)^{\mathbb{F}_q\text{-rank}(\mathbf{H}^\circ)}.$$

Let ℓ be a prime number different from p . We denote by $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell$ an algebraic closure of the ℓ -adic field \mathbb{Q}_ℓ . If G is a finite group, all representations and all characters of G will be considered over $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell$. For instance, a G -module is a $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell G$ -module of finite dimension. We will denote by $\text{Irr } G$ the set of irreducible characters of G .

If n is a positive integer, we denote by \mathbf{GL}_n the group of invertible matrices with coefficients in \mathbb{F} , and if $g \in \mathbf{GL}_n$, we will denote by $g^{(q)}$ the matrix obtained from g by raising all coefficients to the q th power. We will denote by \mathbf{T}_n the split maximal torus of \mathbf{GL}_n consisting of diagonal matrices and by \mathbf{B}_n the rational Borel subgroup of \mathbf{GL}_n consisting of upper triangular matrices.

0.2. The Problem

Let r be a positive integer and let d_1, \dots, d_r and n_1, \dots, n_r also be positive integers. Throughout this paper \mathbf{G}° will denote the following

connected reductive group:

$$\mathbf{G}^\circ = \prod_{i=1}^r \underbrace{(\mathbf{GL}_{n_i} \times \cdots \times \mathbf{GL}_{n_i})}_{d_i \text{ times}}.$$

We endow \mathbf{G}° with the split Frobenius endomorphism

$$F_0: \quad \mathbf{G}^\circ \quad \rightarrow \quad \mathbf{G}^\circ$$

$$(g_{i1}, \dots, g_{id_i})_{1 \leq i \leq r} \mapsto (g_{i1}^{(q)}, \dots, g_{id_i}^{(q)})_{1 \leq i \leq r}.$$

We will denote by \mathbf{T}_0° and \mathbf{B}_0° the maximal torus and the Borel subgroup of \mathbf{G}° , defined, respectively, by

$$\mathbf{T}_0^\circ = \prod_{i=1}^r \underbrace{(\mathbf{T}_{n_i} \times \cdots \times \mathbf{T}_{n_i})}_{d_i \text{ times}}$$

and

$$\mathbf{B}_0^\circ = \prod_{i=1}^r \underbrace{(\mathbf{B}_{n_i} \times \cdots \times \mathbf{B}_{n_i})}_{d_i \text{ times}}.$$

The group $\mathfrak{S} = \mathfrak{S}_{d_1} \times \cdots \times \mathfrak{S}_{d_r}$ acts on \mathbf{G}° in the natural way. More explicitly, if $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_r) \in \mathfrak{S}$ and if $(g_{i1}, \dots, g_{id_i})_{1 \leq i \leq r} \in \mathbf{G}^\circ$, we put

$${}^\sigma(g_{i1}, \dots, g_{id_i})_{1 \leq i \leq r} = (g_{i\sigma_i^{-1}(1)}, \dots, g_{i\sigma_i^{-1}(d_i)})_{1 \leq i \leq r}.$$

The elements of \mathfrak{S} induce automorphisms of \mathbf{G}° , which stabilize \mathbf{T}_0° and \mathbf{B}_0° , so they are quasi-semisimple (cf. [DM2, Definition 1.1(i)]). In fact, they are all quasi-central (cf. [DM2, Definition-Theorem 1.15] and [B, Lemma 7.1.1]).

We extend the Frobenius endomorphism F_0 to $\mathbf{G}^\circ \rtimes \mathfrak{S}$ by letting F_0 act trivially on \mathfrak{S} . We fix once and for all an element $\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}$, and we denote by F the Frobenius endomorphism on $\mathbf{G}^\circ \rtimes \mathfrak{S}$ given by

$$F(g) = \sigma F_0(g) \sigma^{-1} = {}^\sigma F_0(g)$$

for all $g \in \mathbf{G}^\circ \rtimes \mathfrak{S}$.

We will denote by \mathbf{G} an F -stable subgroup of $\mathbf{G}^\circ \rtimes \mathfrak{S}$ containing \mathbf{G}° . Hence \mathbf{G} is a reductive group with neutral component \mathbf{G}° . Moreover, there exists an F -stable (that is, a σ -stable) subgroup A of \mathfrak{S} such that

$$\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{G}^\circ \rtimes A.$$

Thus we have $\mathbf{G}^F = \mathbf{G}^{\circ F} \rtimes A^F = \mathbf{G}^{\circ F} \rtimes A^\sigma$.

Problem. Parametrize the irreducible characters of \mathbf{G}^F .

For this purpose we can make the following hypothesis without loss of generality:

HYPOTHESIS. *The Frobenius endomorphism F acts trivially on $\mathbf{G}/\mathbf{G}^\circ$, that is, A is contained in the centralizer of σ in \mathfrak{S} . Consequently,*

$$\mathbf{G}^F = \mathbf{G}^{\circ F} \rtimes A.$$

Remark 0. Let $N = d_1 n_1 + \dots + d_r n_r$. Then \mathbf{G}° is isomorphic to a rational Levi subgroup \mathbf{H}° of a parabolic subgroup of \mathbf{GL}_N (endowed with the split Frobenius endomorphism $g \mapsto g^{(q)}$), and \mathbf{G} is isomorphic to a rational subgroup \mathbf{H} of the normalizer of \mathbf{H}° in \mathbf{GL}_N , containing \mathbf{H}° and such that all elements of $\mathbf{H}/\mathbf{H}^\circ$ are rational. Conversely, if \mathbf{H} is such a rational subgroup of \mathbf{GL}_N , then there exist positive integers $r, d_1, \dots, d_r, n_1, \dots, n_r$; an element σ of $\mathfrak{S}_{d_1} \times \dots \times \mathfrak{S}_{d_r}$; and a subgroup A of \mathfrak{S}^σ such that \mathbf{H} is isomorphic to the group \mathbf{G} constructed as above. In particular, if \mathbf{L} is an F -stable Levi subgroup of a parabolic subgroup of \mathbf{G} (cf. [B, Definitions 6.1.1 and 6.1.2] for the definitions of parabolic subgroups and Levi subgroups of nonconnected reductive groups), then all of the results proved for \mathbf{G} hold in \mathbf{L} .

1. JORDAN DECOMPOSITION OF CHARACTERS OF \mathbf{G}^F

1.1. Dual of \mathbf{G}

Let $(\mathbf{G}^{\circ*}, \mathbf{T}_0^{\circ*}, F^*)$ be a dual triple of $(\mathbf{G}^\circ, \mathbf{T}_0^\circ, F)$. The elements α of \mathfrak{S} induce automorphisms α^* of $\mathbf{G}^{\circ*}$. The group \mathfrak{S}^* of automorphisms of $\mathbf{G}^{\circ*}$ induced by \mathfrak{S} is isomorphic to the opposite group of \mathfrak{S} . We extend the action of F^* to $\mathbf{G}^{\circ*} \rtimes \mathfrak{S}^*$ so that it acts on \mathfrak{S}^* by conjugation by σ^{*-1} . We denote by \mathbf{G}^* the semidirect product $\mathbf{G}^{\circ*} \rtimes A^*$, where A^* is the image of A under the preceding anti-isomorphism. In particular, $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ} = \mathbf{G}^{\circ*}$!

1.2. Lusztig Series of \mathbf{G}^F

Let s be a semisimple element of $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ F^*}$. We denote by (s) (or $(s)_{\mathbf{G}^{*F^*}}$ if confusion is possible) the \mathbf{G}^{*F^*} -conjugacy class of s and by $(s)^\circ$ (or $(s)_{\mathbf{G}^{*\circ F^*}}^\circ$) the $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ F^*}$ -conjugacy class of s .

DEFINITION 1.2.1. The *Lusztig series* $\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^F, (s))$ of \mathbf{G}^F associated with s (or (s)) is the set of irreducible characters of \mathbf{G}^F occurring in some $\text{Ind}_{\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}}^{\mathbf{G}^F} \gamma^\circ$, where γ° is an element of a usual Lusztig series $\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}, (s')^\circ)$ with $s' \in (s)$.

The characters of the Lusztig series $\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^F, 1)$ are called *unipotent*; this definition agrees with definitions given in [DM2, Section 5] or [B, Definition 6.4.1] (cf. [B, Lemma 6.4.2]).

The following lemma follows immediately from the definitions:

LEMMA 1.2.2. *Let s be a semisimple element of $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ F^*}$, γ° be an element of $\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}, (s)^\circ)$, and $\alpha \in A$. Then ${}^\alpha\gamma^\circ \in \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}, (\alpha^{*-1}s)^\circ)$.*

COROLLARY 1.2.3.

$$\text{Irr } \mathbf{G}^F = \bigcup_{(s)} \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^F, (s)),$$

where (s) runs over the set of \mathbf{G}^{*F^*} -classes of semisimple elements of $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ F^*}$. Moreover, this union is disjoint.

Proof. The equality follows easily from the corresponding fact for $\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}$. Let us prove now that the union is disjoint. Let s and t be two semisimple elements of $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ F^*}$ and let γ be an irreducible character of \mathbf{G}^F belonging to both $\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^F, (s))$ and $\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^F, (t))$. Then by definition there exist irreducible characters γ_1° and γ_2° of $\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}$ occurring in the restriction of γ to $\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}$ such that $\gamma_1^\circ \in \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}, (s')^\circ)$ and $\gamma_2^\circ \in \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}, (t')^\circ)$, where $s' \in (s)$ and $t' \in (t)$.

But by Clifford theory there exists $\alpha \in A$ such that $\gamma_2^\circ = {}^\alpha\gamma_1^\circ$. It follows from Lemma 1.2.2 and from the fact that Corollary 1.2.3 holds in \mathbf{G}° that $t' \in (\alpha^{*-1}s')^\circ$, so $t \in (s)$. ■

COROLLARY 1.2.4. *Let s be a semisimple element in $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ F^*}$, and let $\gamma \in \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^F, (s))$.*

(a) *Let γ° be an irreducible component of the restriction of γ to $\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}$, and let t be a semisimple element of $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ F^*}$ such that $\gamma^\circ \in \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}, (t)^\circ)$. Then $t \in (s)$.*

(b) *There exists an irreducible component of the restriction of γ to $\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}$ belonging to $\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}, (s)^\circ)$.*

Proof. (a) is a reformulation of Corollary 1.2.3, and (b) is an easy consequence of (a) and of Lemma 1.2.2. ■

1.3. Nice Elements

Let s be a semisimple element of $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ F^*}$. The centralizer of s in $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ}$ is connected and is a Levi subgroup of a parabolic subgroup of $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ}$. The image of $C_{\mathbf{G}^*}(s)$ by the morphism

$$C_{\mathbf{G}^*}(s) \rightarrow \mathbf{G}^* \rightarrow A^*$$

is denoted by $A^*(s)$. Then the $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ}$ -conjugacy class of s is stable under $A^*(s)$. If we denote by $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ A^*(s)}$ the group of fixed points of $A^*(s)$ on $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ}$, then the $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ}$ -conjugacy class of s in $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ}$ meets $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ A^*(s)}$ in a single $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ A^*(s)}$ -conjugacy class because $A^*(s)$ acts by permutations on the components of $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ}$. This conjugacy class is F^* -stable and $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ A^*(s)}$ is connected, so there exists an F^* -stable element t in the $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ}$ -conjugacy class of s centralized by $A^*(s)$. Moreover, $C_{\mathbf{G}^{*\circ}}(s)$ is connected, so $t \in (s)^\circ$. It also implies that $A^*(t)$ contains $A^*(s)$. Because they are conjugate under A^* , they are equal.

DEFINITION 1.3.1. The element s is said to be *nice* (or \mathbf{G}^* -*nice*) if $A^*(s)$ centralizes s .

The preceding discussion shows that there exists a nice element in every semisimple $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ F^*}$ -conjugacy class. If s is a nice element of $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ F^*}$ and if $\alpha^* \in A^*$ is such that $\alpha^*(s)^\circ = (s)^\circ$, then $\alpha^* \in A^*(s)$.

1.4. The Group $\mathbf{G}(s)$

Until the end of this section, we fix a nice semisimple element s in $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ F^*}$. Let $A(s)$ be the subgroup of A corresponding to $A^*(s)$. The group $C_{\mathbf{G}^{*\circ}}(s) = C_{\mathbf{G}^*}(s)^\circ$ if an F^* -stable Levi subgroup of a parabolic subgroup of $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ}$. Let $\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)$ be an F -stable Levi subgroup of a parabolic subgroup of \mathbf{G}° dual to $C_{\mathbf{G}^{*\circ}}(s)$; we can assume that $A(s)$ normalizes $\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)$. We define $\mathbf{G}(s)$ to be the semidirect product

$$\mathbf{G}(s) = \mathbf{G}^\circ(s) \rtimes A(s). \tag{1.4.1}$$

Because $A(s)$ acts on \mathbf{G}° by permutations of the components, there exists a parabolic subgroup of \mathbf{G}° that has $\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)$ as a Levi subgroup and is stable under $A(s)$. Hence, $\mathbf{G}(s)$ is a Levi subgroup of a parabolic subgroup of \mathbf{G} . Moreover, $\mathbf{G}(s)^\circ = \mathbf{G}^\circ(s)$.

With the semisimple element s is associated a linear character \hat{s}° of $\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)^F$ (cf. [DM1, Proposition 13.30]). Since s is centralized by $A^*(s)$, the character \hat{s}° is invariant by $A(s)$, so it extends to a character \hat{s} of $\mathbf{G}(s)^F$, where $\hat{s}(\alpha) = 1$ for $\alpha \in A(s)$.

1.5. A Lemma

Let $\gamma^\circ(s)$ be a unipotent character of $\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)^F$. By [B, Theorem 7.3.2 and Definition 7.3.3], there exists a canonical extension $\tilde{\gamma}(s)$ of $\gamma^\circ(s)$ to $\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)^F \rtimes A(s, \gamma^\circ(s))$, where $A(s, \gamma^\circ(s))$ is the stabilizer of $\gamma^\circ(s)$ in $A(s)$.

LEMMA 1.5.1. $\varepsilon_{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)} \varepsilon_{\mathbf{G}^\circ} R_{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s) \rtimes A(s, \gamma^\circ(s))}^{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s) \rtimes A(s, \gamma^\circ(s))}(\tilde{\gamma}(s) \otimes \hat{s})$ is an irreducible character of the group $\mathbf{G}^\circ_F \rtimes A(s, \gamma^\circ(s))$. Its restriction to \mathbf{G}°_F is the irreducible character $\varepsilon_{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)} \varepsilon_{\mathbf{G}^\circ} R_{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)}^{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)}(\gamma^\circ(s) \otimes \hat{s}^\circ)$ which belongs to $\mathcal{Z}(\mathbf{G}^\circ_F, (s)^\circ)$.

Remark. By [B, Theorem 7.3.2], the unipotent character $\tilde{\gamma}(s)$ of $\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)^F \rtimes A(s, \gamma^\circ(s))$ is a uniform function, that is, a linear combination of generalized Deligne-Lusztig characters. Hence the class function $\varepsilon_{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)} \varepsilon_{\mathbf{G}^\circ} R_{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s) \rtimes A(s, \gamma^\circ(s))}^{\mathbf{G}^\circ \rtimes A(s, \gamma^\circ(s))}(\tilde{\gamma}(s) \otimes \hat{s})$ is independent of the choice of a parabolic subgroup of \mathbf{G} having $\mathbf{G}^\circ(s) \rtimes A(s, \gamma^\circ(s))$ as Levi subgroup. That is why the Lusztig functor is denoted without reference to the parabolic subgroup (the notion of a Lusztig functor for disconnected reductive groups has been defined in [DM2], and slightly generalized for the purpose of this article in [B]).

Proof of Lemma 1.5.1. To simplify notation, we can assume that $A = A(s, \gamma^\circ(s))$. Let

$$\tilde{\gamma} = \varepsilon_{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)} \varepsilon_{\mathbf{G}^\circ} R_{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)}^{\mathbf{G}^\circ}(\tilde{\gamma}(s) \otimes \hat{s})$$

and

$$\gamma^\circ = \varepsilon_{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)} \varepsilon_{\mathbf{G}^\circ} R_{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)}^{\mathbf{G}^\circ}(\gamma^\circ(s) \otimes \hat{s}^\circ).$$

It follows from [DM2, Corollary 2.4] that the restriction of $\tilde{\gamma}$ to $\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}$ is equal to γ° . Moreover, by [LS, Theorem 3.2], γ° is irreducible and lies in $\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}, (s)^\circ)$. So we need only prove that $\tilde{\gamma}$ is a character of \mathbf{G}^F .

Let $\mathbf{P}(s)$ be a parabolic subgroup of $\mathbf{G}(s)$ that has $\mathbf{G}(s)$ as Levi subgroup, and let \mathbf{U} be its unipotent radical. We define

$$\mathbf{Y}_{\mathbf{U}} = \{g \in \mathbf{G} \mid g^{-1}F(g) \in \mathbf{U}\}$$

and

$$\mathbf{Y}_{\mathbf{U}}^\circ = \{g \in \mathbf{G}^\circ \mid g^{-1}F(g) \in \mathbf{U}\}.$$

Let $H_c^i(\mathbf{Y}_{\mathbf{U}})$ be the i th cohomology group with compact support with coefficients in the constant sheaf \mathbb{Q}_ℓ (where $i \in \mathbb{N}$). The group \mathbf{G}^F (respectively, $\mathbf{G}(s)^F$) acts on $\mathbf{Y}_{\mathbf{U}}$ by left (respectively, right) translation. Hence $H_c^i(\mathbf{Y}_{\mathbf{U}})$ inherits the structure of a \mathbf{G}^F -module- $\mathbf{G}(s)^F$. Let V be an irreducible $\mathbf{G}(s)^F$ -module affording $\tilde{\gamma}(s)$ as character. Then the virtual \mathbf{G}^F -module

$$\sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} (-1)^i H_c^i(\mathbf{Y}_{\mathbf{U}}) \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}_\ell \mathbf{G}(s)^F} V$$

affords $\tilde{\gamma}$ as (virtual) character. We have similar results for $\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}$. We denote by V° the restriction of V to $\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}$.

By [DM1, Theorem 13.25(i)] there exists j in \mathbb{N} such that

$$H_c^i(\mathbf{Y}_{\mathbf{U}}^\circ) \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}_\ell \mathbf{G}^\circ(s)^F} V^\circ = 0$$

if $i \neq j$ and such that

$$H_c^j(\mathbf{Y}_U^\circ) \otimes_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell \mathbf{G}^\circ(s)^F} V^\circ$$

is irreducible (in [DM1], the statement and the proof of Theorem 13.25 are not entirely correct; a precise value for j is given, and it is not clear that this value is correct. However, the existence of j satisfying the above conditions has been established in a revised version of their book). Moreover, $(-1)^j = \varepsilon_{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)} \varepsilon_{\mathbf{G}^\circ}$. But by [DM2, Proof of Proposition 2.3] we have

$$H_c^i(\mathbf{Y}_U) = \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell \mathbf{G}^F \otimes_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell \mathbf{G}^\circ F} H_c^i(\mathbf{Y}_U^\circ)$$

as a \mathbf{G}^F -module. Hence we have

$$H_c^i(\mathbf{Y}_U) \otimes_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell \mathbf{G}^\circ(s)^F} V^\circ = 0$$

for all $i \neq j$. But

$$\begin{aligned} H_c^i(\mathbf{Y}_U) \otimes_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell \mathbf{G}^\circ(s)^F} V^\circ &= \left(H_c^i(\mathbf{Y}_U) \otimes_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell \mathbf{G}(s)^F} \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell \mathbf{G}(s)^F \right) \otimes_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell \mathbf{G}^\circ(s)^F} V^\circ \\ &= H_c^i(\mathbf{Y}_U) \otimes_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell \mathbf{G}(s)^F} \left(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell \mathbf{G}(s)^F \otimes_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell \mathbf{G}^\circ(s)^F} V^\circ \right) \\ &= H_c^i(\mathbf{Y}_U) \otimes_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell \mathbf{G}(s)^F} \text{Ind}_{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)^F}^{\mathbf{G}(s)^F} V^\circ. \end{aligned}$$

Since V is a direct summand of the $\mathbf{G}(s)^F$ -module $\text{Ind}_{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)^F}^{\mathbf{G}(s)^F} V^\circ$, it follows that

$$H_c^i(\mathbf{Y}_U) \otimes_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell \mathbf{G}(s)^F} V = 0$$

if $i \neq j$ and that $\tilde{\gamma}$ is the character of the module

$$H_c^j(\mathbf{Y}_U) \otimes_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell \mathbf{G}(s)^F} V.$$

■

1.6. Clifford Theory

Let $\gamma^\circ \in \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^\circ F, (s)^\circ)$. By [LS, Theorem 3.2] there exists a unique unipotent character $\gamma^\circ(s)$ of $\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)^F$ such that

$$\gamma^\circ = \varepsilon_{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)} \varepsilon_{\mathbf{G}^\circ} R_{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)}^{\mathbf{G}^\circ}(\gamma^\circ(s) \otimes \tilde{s}^\circ). \quad (1.6.1)$$

Let $A(\gamma^\circ)$ be the stabilizer of γ° in A . Its dual $A^*(\gamma^\circ)$ stabilizes the $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ F^*}$ -conjugacy class of s and hence is contained in $A^*(s)$. By duality $A(\gamma^\circ)$ is contained in $A(s)$. The uniqueness of $\gamma^\circ(s)$ implies that $A(\gamma^\circ)$ is the stabilizer $A(s, \gamma^\circ(s))$ of $\gamma^\circ(s)$ in $A(s)$.

We denote by $\tilde{\gamma}(s)$ the canonical extension of $\gamma^\circ(s)$ to $\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)^F \rtimes A(\gamma^\circ)$ (as defined in [B, Definition 7.3.3]). We put

$$\tilde{\gamma} = \varepsilon_{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)} \varepsilon_{\mathbf{G}^\circ} R_{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)^F \rtimes A(\gamma^\circ)}^{\mathbf{G}^\circ \rtimes A(\gamma^\circ)}(\tilde{\gamma}(s) \otimes \hat{s}). \tag{1.6.2}$$

Then, by Lemma 1.5.1, $\tilde{\gamma}$ is an irreducible character of $\mathbf{G}^{\circ F} \rtimes A(\gamma^\circ)$ extending γ° .

DEFINITION 1.6.3. The irreducible character $\tilde{\gamma}$ of $\mathbf{G}^{\circ F} \rtimes A(\gamma^\circ)$ will be called the *canonical extension* of γ° .

If ξ is an irreducible character of $A(\gamma^\circ)$, then by Clifford theory $\tilde{\gamma} \otimes \xi$ is an irreducible character of $\mathbf{G}^{\circ F} \rtimes A(\gamma^\circ)$, and $\text{Ind}_{\mathbf{G}^{\circ F} \rtimes A(\gamma^\circ)}^{\mathbf{G}^F}(\tilde{\gamma} \otimes \xi)$ is an irreducible character of \mathbf{G}^F (where ξ is lifted to $\mathbf{G}^{\circ F} \rtimes A(\gamma^\circ)$ in the natural way). Moreover,

$$\text{Ind}_{\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}}^{\mathbf{G}^F} \gamma^\circ = \sum_{\xi \in \text{Irr } A(\gamma^\circ)} \xi(1) \text{Ind}_{\mathbf{G}^{\circ F} \rtimes A(\gamma^\circ)}^{\mathbf{G}^F}(\tilde{\gamma} \otimes \xi). \tag{1.6.4}$$

1.7. Jordan Decomposition

Let γ be an irreducible character in $\mathcal{Z}(\mathbf{G}^F, (s))$. By Corollary 1.2.4 there exists an irreducible character $\gamma^\circ \in \mathcal{Z}(\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}, (s)^\circ)$ occurring in the restriction of γ to $\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}$. Let $\tilde{\gamma}$ be the canonical extension of γ° to $\mathbf{G}^{\circ F} \rtimes A(\gamma^\circ)$ defined in Definition 1.6.3. Then by Clifford theory there exists a unique irreducible character ξ of $A(\gamma^\circ)$ such that

$$\gamma = \text{Ind}_{\mathbf{G}^{\circ F} \rtimes A(\gamma^\circ)}^{\mathbf{G}^F}(\tilde{\gamma} \otimes \xi).$$

Let $\gamma^\circ(s)$ be the unipotent character of $\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)^F$ satisfying (1.6.1), and let $\tilde{\gamma}(s)$ be its canonical extension to $\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)^F \rtimes A(\gamma^\circ)$ (recall that $A(\gamma^\circ)$ is the stabilizer of $\gamma^\circ(s)$ in $A(s)$). Then

$$\gamma(s) = \text{Ind}_{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)^F \rtimes A(\gamma^\circ)}^{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)^F}(\tilde{\gamma}(s) \otimes \xi)$$

is an irreducible character of $\mathbf{G}(s)^F$ and is unipotent by definition. It follows from [B, Propositions 6.3.2 and 6.3.3] that

$$\gamma = \varepsilon_{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)} \varepsilon_{\mathbf{G}^\circ} R_{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)}^{\mathbf{G}^\circ}(\gamma(s) \otimes \hat{s}). \tag{1.7.1}$$

Remark. The remark following Lemma 1.5.1 shows that the Lusztig functor $R_{\mathbf{G}(s)}^{\mathbf{G}^\circ}$ does not depend on the choice of a parabolic subgroup of \mathbf{G} that has $\mathbf{G}(s)$ as Levi subgroup.

THEOREM 1.7.2 (Jordan Decomposition). *With the above notation the map*

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{\mathbf{G}, s}: \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^F, (s)) &\rightarrow \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}(s)^F, 1) \\ \gamma &\mapsto \gamma(s) \end{aligned}$$

is well-defined and bijective. The inverse map is given by Formula (1.7.1).

Proof. First we have to prove that $\nabla_{\mathbf{G}, s}$ is well defined. There is one ambiguity in the construction of $\gamma(s)$: in the first step, we chose an irreducible character $\gamma^\circ \in \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}, (s)^\circ)$ occurring in the restriction of γ to $\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}$. If δ° is another element of the Lusztig series $\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}, (s)^\circ)$ occurring in the restriction of γ to $\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}$, then there exists $\alpha \in A$ such that $\delta^\circ = {}^\alpha\gamma^\circ$. But both lie in $\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}, (s)^\circ)$, so we have $\alpha \in A(s)$. If we construct $\delta^\circ(s)$, $\tilde{\delta}(s)$, and $\delta(s)$ in the same way as $\gamma^\circ(s)$, $\tilde{\gamma}(s)$, and $\gamma(s)$, respectively, then $\delta^\circ(s) = {}^\alpha\gamma^\circ(s)$ (by uniqueness), so $\tilde{\delta}(s) = {}^\alpha\tilde{\gamma}(s)$, and so $\delta(s) = {}^\alpha\delta(s) = \delta(s)$ because $\alpha \in A(s)$. Thus $\nabla_{\mathbf{G}, s}$ is well defined.

$\nabla_{\mathbf{G}, s}$ is injective by Formula (1.7.1) and surjective by Lemma 1.5.1, which proves that Formula (1.7.1) always defines an element of $\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^F, (s))$. ■

2. UNIFORM FUNCTIONS

In [B, Formula 7.3.1 and Theorem 7.3.2] the unipotent characters of \mathbf{G}^F are described as linear combinations of generalized Deligne–Lusztig characters. It is possible using Formula (1.7.1) to describe all of the irreducible characters of \mathbf{G}^F as linear combinations of generalized Deligne–Lusztig characters.

2.1. Notation

Let s be a nice semisimple element of $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ F^*}$.

We fix an F -stable and $A(s)$ -stable Borel subgroup $\mathbf{B}_1^\circ(s)$ of $\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)$ and an F -stable and $A(s)$ -stable maximal torus $\mathbf{T}_1^\circ(s)$ of $\mathbf{B}_1^\circ(s)$. We denote by $W(s)$ (respectively, $W^\circ(s)$) the Weyl group of $\mathbf{G}(s)$ (respectively, $\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)$) to $\mathbf{T}_1^\circ(s)$.

For each $\alpha \in A(s)$, we define $\mathbf{T}_1^\circ(s, \alpha)$ to be the semidirect product $\mathbf{T}_1^\circ(s) \rtimes \langle \alpha \rangle$. For each $w \in W^\circ(s)^\alpha$ (that is, the subgroup of $W^\circ(s)$ consisting of elements centralized by α), we denote by $\mathbf{T}_w(s, \alpha)$ the quasi-maximal torus of $\mathbf{G}^\circ(s) \rtimes \langle \alpha \rangle$ associated with w as in [DM2, Proposition 1.40] (for the definition of a quasi-maximal torus, cf. [B, Definition 6.1.3]). $\mathbf{T}_w(s, \alpha)$ is defined by the following property: $(\mathbf{T}_w(s, \alpha)^\alpha)^\circ$ is an F -stable maximal torus of $\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)^\alpha$ of type w with respect to $\mathbf{T}_1^\circ(s)^\alpha$.

The group $W^\circ(s)$ is a product of symmetric groups, and $A(s)$ and F act on $W^\circ(s)$ by permutations of the components (F acts on $W^\circ(s)$ as σ). By the argument used in [B, Sect. 7.3] we can associate canonically with each irreducible character χ° of $W^\circ(s)^F$ and each α in the stabilizer $A(s, \chi^\circ)$ of χ° in $A(s)$ an irreducible character $\tilde{\chi}_\alpha$ of $W^\circ(s)^\alpha \rtimes \langle \sigma \rangle$.

2.2. Irreducible Characters in $\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}, (s)^\circ)$ as Uniform Functions

Let χ° be an irreducible character of $W^\circ(s)^F$. We define

$$R_{\chi^\circ}^{\circ}(s) = R_{\chi^\circ}^{\mathbf{G}^\circ}(s) = \frac{\mathcal{E}_{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)} \mathcal{E}_{\mathbf{G}^\circ}}{|W^\circ(s)|} \sum_{w \in W^\circ(s)} \tilde{\chi}_1(w\sigma) R_{\mathbf{T}_w(s, 1)}^{\mathbf{G}^\circ}(\hat{s}^\circ). \quad (2.2.1)$$

PROPOSITION 2.2.2 (Lusztig–Srinivasan [LS, Theorem 3.2]). (a) For all $\chi^\circ \in \text{Irr } W^\circ(s)^F$, $R_{\chi^\circ}^{\circ}(s)$ is an irreducible character of $\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}$ in $\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}, (s)^\circ)$.

(b) The map

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Irr } W^\circ(s)^F &\rightarrow \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}, (s)^\circ) \\ \chi^\circ &\mapsto R_{\chi^\circ}^{\circ}(s) \end{aligned}$$

is bijective.

COROLLARY 2.2.3. (a) If $\chi^\circ \in \text{Irr } W^\circ(s)^F$ and $\alpha \in A(s)$, then ${}^\alpha R_{\chi^\circ}^{\circ}(s) = R_{\alpha\chi^\circ}^{\circ}(s)$.

(b) If $\chi^\circ \in \text{Irr } W^\circ(s)^F$, then $A(R_{\chi^\circ}^{\circ}(s)) = A(s, \chi^\circ)$.

2.3. Canonical Extensions as Uniform Functions

Let χ° be an irreducible character of $W^\circ(s)^F$. We define a function $\tilde{R}_{\chi^\circ}(s)$ on $G^{\circ F} \rtimes A(s, \chi^\circ)$ by

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Res}_{\mathbf{G}_\alpha^{\circ F} \rtimes A(s, \chi^\circ)}^{\mathbf{G}_\alpha^{\circ F} \rtimes A(s, \chi^\circ)} \tilde{R}_{\chi^\circ}(s) \\ = \frac{\mathcal{E}_{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)} \mathcal{E}_{\mathbf{G}^\circ}}{|W^\circ(s)^\alpha|} \sum_{w \in W^\circ(s)^\alpha} \tilde{\chi}_\alpha(w\sigma) \text{Res}_{\mathbf{G}_\alpha^{\circ F} \rtimes \langle \alpha \rangle}^{\mathbf{G}_\alpha^{\circ F} \rtimes \langle \alpha \rangle} R_{\mathbf{T}_w(s, \alpha)}^{\mathbf{G}_\alpha^{\circ F} \rtimes \langle \alpha \rangle}(\hat{s}) \end{aligned} \quad (2.3.1)$$

for all $\alpha \in A(s, \chi^\circ)$.

PROPOSITION 2.3.2. $\tilde{R}_{\chi^\circ}(s)$ is an irreducible character of $\mathbf{G}^{\circ F} \rtimes A(s, \chi^\circ)$ and is in fact the canonical extension of $R_{\chi^\circ}^{\circ}(s)$ (cf. Definition 1.6.3).

Proof. This follows immediately from Formula (1.6.2), from [B, Theorem 7.3.2], and from [DM2, Proposition 2.3]. \blacksquare

2.4. Parameterization of $\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^F, (s))$

We denote by $\mathcal{S}(s)$ the set of pairs (χ°, ξ) where χ° is an irreducible character of $W^\circ(s)^F$ and ξ is an irreducible character of $A(s, \chi^\circ)$. The group $A(s)$ acts by conjugation on $\mathcal{S}(s)$, and we denote by $\bar{\mathcal{S}}(s)$ the set of orbits of $A(s)$ in $\mathcal{S}(s)$. Moreover, if $(\chi^\circ, \xi) \in \mathcal{S}(s)$, we denote by $\chi^\circ * \xi$ its orbit under $A(s)$.

For all $\chi^\circ * \xi \in \bar{\mathcal{S}}(s)$, we define

$$R_{\chi^\circ * \xi}^{\mathbf{G}}(s) = R_{\chi^\circ * \xi}(s) = \text{Ind}_{\mathbf{G}^{\circ F} \rtimes A(s, \chi^\circ)}^{\mathbf{G}^F}(\tilde{R}_{\chi^\circ}(s) \otimes \xi). \quad (2.4.1)$$

It follows from Corollary 2.2.2(a) that $R_{\chi^\circ * \xi}(s)$ only depends on the orbit of (χ°, ξ) under $A(s)$. Moreover, it follows from Clifford theory and from Corollary 2.2.2(b) that we have

LEMMA 2.4.2. *The map*

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\mathcal{S}}(s) &\rightarrow \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^F, (s)) \\ \chi^\circ * \xi &\mapsto R_{\chi^\circ * \xi}(s) \end{aligned}$$

is bijective.

By [B, Proposition 2.3.1], χ° has a canonical extension $\tilde{\chi}$ to the semidirect product $W^\circ(s) \rtimes A(s, \chi^\circ)$. By Clifford theory again we have

LEMMA 2.4.3. *The map*

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\mathcal{S}}(s) &\rightarrow \text{Irr } W(s)^F \\ \chi^\circ * \xi &\mapsto \text{Ind}_{W^\circ(s)^F \rtimes A(s, \chi^\circ)}^{W(s)^F}(\tilde{\chi} \otimes \xi) \end{aligned}$$

is bijective.

Lemmas 2.4.2 and 2.4.3 imply the following:

THEOREM 2.4.4. *There is a well-defined bijection*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Irr } W(s)^F &\rightarrow \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^F, (s)) \\ \chi &\mapsto \mathbf{R}_\chi(s). \end{aligned}$$

Remark. If necessary, we will write $\mathbf{R}_\chi^{\mathbf{G}}(s)$ for the irreducible character $\mathbf{R}_\chi(s)$ of \mathbf{G}^F . By applying Theorem 2.4.4 in the case where $\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{G}(s)$ and $s = 1$, we obtain a bijection,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Irr } W(s)^F &\rightarrow \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}(s)^F, 1) \\ \chi &\mapsto \mathbf{R}_\chi^{\mathbf{G}(s)}(1), \end{aligned}$$

and it is easy to check that the following diagram is commutative:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & \text{Irr } W(s)^F & \\
 \swarrow \sim & & \searrow \sim \\
 \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^F, (s)) & \xrightarrow{\nabla_{\mathbf{G},s}} & \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}(s)^F, 1).
 \end{array} \tag{2.4.5}$$

2.5. Induction from a Particular Subgroup of \mathbf{G}

Let \mathbf{G}' be a subgroup of \mathbf{G} containing \mathbf{G}° . It is F -stable because F acts trivially on A . There exists a subgroup A' of A such that

$$\mathbf{G}' = \mathbf{G}^\circ \rtimes A'.$$

If we construct \mathbf{G}'^* in the way we construct \mathbf{G} , then \mathbf{G}'^* may be identified with a subgroup of \mathbf{G}^* . We can also construct $\mathbf{G}'(s)$ so that it is contained in $\mathbf{G}(s)$, and we denote by $W'(s)$ the Weyl group of $\mathbf{G}'(s)$ relative to $\mathbf{T}_1^\circ(s)$ so that $W'(s)$ is a subgroup of $W(s)$.

PROPOSITION 2.5.1. *Let χ' be an irreducible character of $W'(s)^F$. Suppose*

$$\text{Ind}_{W'(s)^F}^{W(s)^F} \chi' = \sum_{\chi \in \text{Irr } W(s)^F} n_\chi \chi.$$

Then

$$\text{Ind}_{\mathbf{G}'^F}^{\mathbf{G}^F} \mathbf{R}_{\chi'}^{\mathbf{G}'}(s) = \sum_{\chi \in \text{Irr } W(s)^F} n_\chi \mathbf{R}_\chi^{\mathbf{G}}(s).$$

3. LUSZTIG FUNCTORS

HYPOTHESIS. *Throughout this section, and only in this section, A will be assumed abelian.*

3.1. Notation

Let \mathbf{L} be an F -stable Levi subgroup of a parabolic subgroup \mathbf{P} of \mathbf{G} . Let $A_{\mathbf{L}}$ be the image of \mathbf{L} through the composite morphism

$$\mathbf{L} \rightarrow \mathbf{G} \rightarrow \mathbf{G}/\mathbf{G}^\circ \rightarrow A$$

($A_{\mathbf{L}}$ is a subgroup of A). Because A is abelian, we can use the same argument as in [B, 7.6] to assume that \mathbf{L} contains $A_{\mathbf{L}}$. Let $A_{\mathbf{L}}^*$ be the image of $A_{\mathbf{L}}$ under the anti-isomorphism $A \rightarrow A^*$.

Let $\mathbf{L}^{\circ*}$ be an F^* -stable Levi subgroup of a parabolic subgroup of $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ}$ that is a dual of \mathbf{L}° . We can choose $\mathbf{L}^{\circ*}$ to be $A_{\mathbf{L}^{\circ}}^*$ -stable, and we define

$$\mathbf{L}^* = \mathbf{L}^{\circ*} \rtimes A_{\mathbf{L}^{\circ}}^*.$$

then \mathbf{L}^* is an F^* -stable Levi subgroup of a parabolic subgroup of \mathbf{G}^* and $\mathbf{L}^{*\circ} = \mathbf{L}^{\circ*}$.

3.2. Jordan Decomposition and Lusztig Functors

Let s be a semisimple element in $\mathbf{L}^{*\circ F^*}$. We may assume that s is nice in \mathbf{G}^* . Then the subgroup $\mathbf{L}(s)$ of \mathbf{L} following the construction of Section 1.4 can be chosen as a subgroup of $\mathbf{G}(s)$. The linear character of $\mathbf{L}(s)^F$ associated with s as defined in Section 1.4 is then the restriction of \hat{s} to $\mathbf{L}(s)^F$. It results from this remark and from the transitivity of Lusztig induction functors (cf. [B, Proposition 6.3.3]) that the following diagram is commutative:

$$\begin{CD} \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{L}^F, (s)_{\mathbf{L}^{*F^*}}) @>{\nabla_{\mathbf{L},s}}>> \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{L}(s)^F, 1) \\ @V{\varepsilon_{\mathbf{L}^{\circ}} \varepsilon_{\mathbf{G}^{\circ}} R_{\mathbf{L}^{\circ}}^{\mathbf{G}^{\circ}}}VV @VV{\varepsilon_{\mathbf{L}^{\circ}(s)} \varepsilon_{\mathbf{G}^{\circ}(s)} R_{\mathbf{L}^{\circ}(s)}^{\mathbf{G}^{\circ}(s)}}V \\ \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^F, (s)_{\mathbf{G}^{*F^*}}) @>{\nabla_{\mathbf{G},s}}>> \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}(s)^F, 1) \end{CD} \tag{3.2.1}$$

The description of the functor $R_{\mathbf{L}(s)}^{\mathbf{G}(s)}$ in [B, Theorem 7.6.1] thus provides a description of the functor $R_{\mathbf{L}^{\circ}}^{\mathbf{G}^{\circ}}$ via the commutative diagram (3.2.1).

4. SHINTANI DESCENT IN THE GENERAL LINEAR GROUP

In this section, we explain the link between the theory of irreducible characters of \mathbf{G}^F and the theory of Shintani descent for the general linear group. For this purpose, we need to consider a particular case:

HYPOTHESIS AND NOTATIONS. *Throughout this section, we assume that $r = 1$. We will denote $d = d_1$ and $n = n_1$ for simplicity. We also assume that $\sigma = (1, \dots, d)$ and that A is generated by σ .*

4.1. The Group \mathbf{G}^F

We denote by \mathbf{G}_1 the general linear group \mathbf{GL}_n , and we endow it with the split Frobenius endomorphism:

$$\begin{aligned} F_0: \mathbf{G}_1 &\rightarrow \mathbf{G}_1 \\ g &\mapsto g^{(q)}. \end{aligned}$$

We denote by ϕ_0 the automorphism of $\mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d}$ induced by F_0 . Then the map

$$\begin{aligned} \theta: \mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d} &\rightarrow \mathbf{G}^{\circ F} \\ g &\mapsto (g, F_0(g), \dots, F_0^{d-1}(g)) \end{aligned}$$

is an isomorphism of groups and the following diagram is commutative:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d} & \xrightarrow{\theta} & \mathbf{G}^{\circ F} \\ \phi_0 \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma^{-1} \\ \mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d} & \xrightarrow{\theta} & \mathbf{G}^{\circ F}. \end{array}$$

This implies that θ can be extended to an isomorphism denoted by

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\theta}: \mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d} \rtimes \langle \phi_0 \rangle &\rightarrow \mathbf{G}^F \\ g\phi_0^k &\mapsto \theta(g)\sigma^{-k} \end{aligned}$$

for all $g \in \mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d}$ and $k \in \mathbb{Z}$.

4.2. Shintani Descent

Let $g \in \mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d}$. By Lang's theorem, there exists $x \in \mathbf{G}_1$ such that $g = x^{-1}F_0^d(x)$. Then $g' = F_0(x)x^{-1}$ belongs to $\mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d}$, and the map that sends the conjugacy class of g in $\mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d}$ to the ϕ_0 -conjugacy class of g' in $\mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d}$ is well-defined and is bijective. We denote it by

$$N_{F_0^d/F_0}: \text{Cl}(\mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d}) \rightarrow H^1(\phi_0, \mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d}),$$

where $H^1(\phi_0, \mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d})$ denotes the set of ϕ_0 -conjugacy classes of $\mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d}$ and $\text{Cl}(\mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d})$ denotes the set of conjugacy classes of $\mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d}$. If we denote by $\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d} \cdot \phi_0)$ (respectively, $\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d})$) the space of class functions on $\mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d} \cdot \phi_0$ obtained by restrictions from class functions on the group $\mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d} \langle \phi_0 \rangle$ (respectively, $\mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d}$), then $N_{F_0^d/F_0}$ induces an isomorphism

$$\text{Sh}_{F_0^d/F_0}: \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d} \cdot \phi_0) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d}),$$

called the *Shintani descent* from F_0^d to F_0 .

We recall the following theorem:

THEOREM 4.2.1 (Shintani). *Let γ_1 be an irreducible character of $\mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d}$ stable under ϕ_0 . Then there exists an extension $\tilde{\gamma}_1$ of γ_1 to $\mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d} \rtimes \langle \phi_0 \rangle$ such that $\text{Sh}_{F_0^d/F_0} \tilde{\gamma}_1$ is, up to a sign, an irreducible character of $\mathbf{G}_1^{F_0}$.*

4.3. *Shintani Descent and Characters of \mathbf{G}^F*

We denote by θ^* and $\tilde{\theta}^*$ the isomorphisms of $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_l$ -vector spaces:

$$\theta^*: \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d})$$

and

$$\tilde{\theta}^*: \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^F) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d} \rtimes \langle \phi_0 \rangle),$$

induced by θ and $\tilde{\theta}$, respectively.

Let γ° be an irreducible character of $\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}$, and let $\gamma_1 = \theta^*(\gamma^\circ)$. Then γ_1 is ϕ_0 -stable if and only if γ° is σ -stable.

HYPOTHESIS. *From now on, we assume that γ_1 is ϕ_0 -stable.*

Let s be a nice semisimple element of $\mathbf{G}^{*\circ F^*}$ such that $\gamma^\circ \in \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{G}^{\circ F}, (s)^\circ)$. Then $A(s) = A$ because γ_1 is ϕ_0 -stable. Let χ° be the irreducible character of $W^\circ(s)$ (stable under F) such that $\gamma^\circ = R_{\chi^\circ}^\circ(s)$. Then $A(s, \chi^\circ) = A$.

THEOREM 4.3.1. *With the above notations, we have*

(a) *There exists a unique extension $\tilde{\gamma}_1$ of γ_1 to $\mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d} \rtimes \langle \phi_0 \rangle$ such that $\text{Sh}_{F_0^d/F_0} \tilde{\gamma}_1$ is an irreducible character of $\mathbf{G}_1^{F_0}$. We call it the Shintani extension of γ_1 .*

(b) *We have $\tilde{\gamma}_1 = \tilde{\theta}^*(\tilde{R}_{\chi^\circ}(s))$.*

(c) *Let e be a divisor of d , and let $\tilde{\gamma}_1^{(e)}$ be the Shintani extension of γ_1 to $\mathbf{G}_1^{F_0^d} \rtimes \langle \phi_0^e \rangle$. Then $\tilde{\gamma}_1^{(e)}$ is the restriction of $\tilde{\gamma}_1$.*

Remark. The result stated in (a) of Theorem 4.3.1 is slightly stronger than Shintani's. It was already known for characters of the principal series [DM3].

Proof. By Theorem 4.2.1, (a), (b), and (c) are immediate consequences of the following:

LEMMA 4.3.2. $\tilde{R}_{\chi^\circ}^{\mathbf{G}^\circ}(s)(\sigma^e)$ is a positive integer for all $e \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Proof of Lemma 4.3.2. Let $e \in \mathbb{Z}$. We first prove that

$$\varepsilon_{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)\sigma^e} = \varepsilon_{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)} \quad \text{and} \quad \varepsilon_{(\mathbf{G}^\circ)^\sigma} = \varepsilon_{\mathbf{G}^\circ}. \quad (\star)$$

Because $\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)$ is a direct product of groups of the same type as \mathbf{G}° , it is sufficient to prove the result for \mathbf{G}° . But $(\mathbf{T}_0^\circ)^\sigma$ is a maximal split subtorus of \mathbf{G}° , so it is a maximal split subtorus of $(\mathbf{G}^\circ)^\sigma$. That proves (\star) .

Let $\tilde{\chi}_e$ be the irreducible character of $W^\circ(s)^{\sigma^e} \rtimes \langle \sigma \rangle$ associated with χ° as in Section 2.1 (it was denoted $\tilde{\chi}_{\sigma^e}$, but we just want to have simpler notations).

Then, by formulas (2.3.1) and (★), we have

$$\tilde{R}_{\chi^\circ}^{\mathbf{G}^\circ}(s)(\sigma^e) = \frac{\mathcal{E}_{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)^{\sigma^e}} \mathcal{E}_{(\mathbf{G}^\circ)^{\sigma^e}}}{|W^\circ(s)^{\sigma^e}|} \sum_{w \in W^\circ(s)^{\sigma^e}} \tilde{\chi}_e(w\sigma) R_{\mathbf{T}_w(s, \sigma^e)}^{\mathbf{G}^\circ \rtimes \langle \sigma^e \rangle}(\hat{s})(\sigma^e).$$

Using [DM2, Theorem 4.13], we get

$$\tilde{R}_{\chi^\circ}^{\mathbf{G}^\circ}(s)(\sigma^e) = \frac{\mathcal{E}_{\mathbf{G}^\circ(s)^{\sigma^e}} \mathcal{E}_{(\mathbf{G}^\circ)^{\sigma^e}}}{|W^\circ(s)^{\sigma^e}|} \sum_{w \in W^\circ(s)^{\sigma^e}} \tilde{\chi}_e(w\sigma) \dim R_{(\mathbf{T}_w(s, \sigma^e)^{\sigma^e})}^{\mathbf{G}^\circ}. \quad (1)$$

But this last formula gives the degree of an irreducible character of $((\mathbf{G}^\circ)^{\sigma^e})^F$ (cf. [LS, Theorem 3.2]). ■

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