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# Double Coset Decompositions and Intertwining

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**Abstract.** Let  $F$  be a non-archimedean local field of residual characteristic different from 2. This paper is a first step in the description of the smooth representation theory of a unitary group  $G \subset GL(N, F)$  via *types*. We intersect certain double cosets in  $GL(N, F)$  with  $G$  and hence obtain the intertwining of certain characters  $\psi_{\bar{\beta}}$  of open compact subgroups of  $G$ , for  $\beta \in \text{Lie } G$ . In the case when  $\beta$  is elliptic regular “modulo  $\mathfrak{p}_F$ ”, we will then obtain supercuspidal representations of  $G$ .

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## 1. Introduction

Let  $F$  be a non-archimedean local field of residual characteristic different from 2, with a (possibly trivial) galois involution with fixed field  $F_0$ . Let  $V$  be an  $N$ -dimensional  $F$ -vector space equipped with a nondegenerate  $\epsilon$ -hermitian form  $h$ . Put  $A = \text{End}_F V$  and let  $\bar{\phantom{x}}$  be the adjoint involution on  $A$  associated to  $h$ . We then set  $\tilde{G} = \text{Aut}_F V \simeq GL(N, F)$  and let  $G$  be the subgroup of  $\tilde{G}$  of fixed points of the map  $\sigma : g \mapsto \bar{g}^{-1}$ ; thus  $G$  is a unitary group (symplectic or orthogonal if  $F = F_0$ ) defined over  $F_0$ .

This paper is a step in the attempt to describe the smooth representation theory of  $G$  via the theory of *types* (see [5]). Such types, in particular those associated to supercuspidal representations, are intrinsically difficult to construct so we seek to “transfer” types from  $\tilde{G}$  to  $G$ . (Note that the types for  $\tilde{G}$  have been constructed in [3], [4].) In particular, we obtain new supercuspidal representations of  $G$ , many of which are transferred from types for non-supercuspidal representations of  $\tilde{G}$ .

The types for  $\tilde{G}$  are constructed from pairs  $(J, \theta)$ , where  $J$  is a compact open subgroup of  $\tilde{G}$  and  $\theta$  is a character of  $J$ . The irreducible representations containing  $\theta$  are classified by the simple modules over the Hecke algebra  $\mathcal{H}(\tilde{G}, \theta)$  and this algebra is “recognizable”: that is, it is isomorphic (in a support-preserving way) to a Hecke algebra of standard type in a smaller reductive group. In particular, if the support of the Hecke algebra (which is just the intertwining of  $\theta$ ) is compact modulo centre then any irreducible representation containing  $\theta$  is supercuspidal.

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This philosophy works well for  $\tilde{G}$  and also for  $SL(N)$  (see [6], [7] and the work of Goldberg and Roche [8], in which a complete set of types for  $SL(N)$  is obtained) and this paper is a first step in extending this to the classical group  $G$ , in a manner which is compatible with the situation for  $\tilde{G}$ : that is, we show that the intertwining transfers.

The first result of this paper (2.3) states that, if  $U$  is a pro- $p$  subgroup of  $\tilde{G}$ ,  $H$  is a subgroup of  $\tilde{G}$  such that, for all  $h \in H$ , we have  $U h U \cap H = (U \cap H) h (U \cap H)$ , and  $U, H$  are both fixed by the involution  $\sigma$ , we have

$$U H U \cap G = U \cap G \cdot H \cap G \cdot U \cap G.$$

We may now apply this to computing intertwining of characters for  $G$ .

We consider *skew strata*, that is quadruples  $[A, n, r, \beta]$ , where  $A$  is an  $\mathfrak{o}_F$ -lattice sequence in  $V$  fixed by the duality induced by  $h$ ,  $n > r \geq 0$  are integers and  $\beta \in \text{Lie } G \cap \mathfrak{a}_{-n}(A)$ , where  $\mathfrak{a}_{-n}(A)$  is the level  $-n$  filtration lattice of  $A$  induced by  $A$  (see §3). If  $r \geq [\frac{n}{2}]$  then a skew stratum corresponds to a character  $\psi_\beta$  of  $U_r = 1 + \mathfrak{a}_r(A)$  and to the character  $\psi_\beta^-$  of  $P_r = U_r \cap G$  obtained by restriction.

Now we consider skew strata which are *simple*, that is where  $\beta$  satisfies certain arithmetical properties relative to  $A$  (see §4). When the  $\mathfrak{o}_F$ -lattice sequence  $A$  is strict, [3] (1.5.8) gives the *formal intertwining* of a (skew) simple stratum in the form  $U H U$  and we generalize this (4.5) to arbitrary lattice sequences. If  $r \geq [\frac{n}{2}]$ , this is precisely the intertwining of  $\psi_\beta$  and the intertwining of  $\psi_\beta^-$  is  $U H U \cap G$ . The groups  $U, H$  satisfy the conditions of (2.3) so we obtain the intertwining of  $\psi_\beta^-$  as  $U \cap G \cdot H \cap G \cdot U \cap G$ .

We now combine the notion of a simple skew stratum with that of a *split* stratum from [4] (3.6) to define *semisimple* strata. These are orthogonal direct sums of simple skew strata which are “sufficiently different” (see (4.9)) and generalize the characters considered in [10] (2.17). Then we may adapt the intertwining result of [4] (3.7) to calculate the formal intertwining of such a semisimple stratum in the same form  $U H U$ . Once again, if  $r \geq [\frac{n}{2}]$ , the stratum corresponds to a character  $\psi_\beta^-$  of  $P_r$  and its intertwining is  $U H U \cap G$ , which decomposes as in the simple case.

Finally, suppose that  $[A, n, r, \beta]$  is a semisimple stratum with  $r \geq [\frac{n}{2}]$  and  $F[\beta]$  is maximal in  $A$  (of degree  $N$ ). Then the intertwining of the character  $\psi_\beta^-$  is compact and contained in  $P = \mathfrak{a}_0 \cap G$ , where  $\mathfrak{a}_0 := \mathfrak{a}_0(A)$  (see §3). In particular, if  $\rho$  is an irreducible representation of  $P$  containing the character  $\psi_\beta^-$ , then the (compact) induced representation  $\text{Ind}_P^G \rho$  is irreducible and supercuspidal. If  $r < n - 1$  and  $F[\beta]$  is wildly ramified then this is a new supercuspidal representation. The construction of the representation  $\rho$  (in the more general setting of *simple characters*) is described in [14] and, again, is more general than that in [10].

We now give a brief summary of the contents of each chapter. In §2 we describe the double coset decomposition, in the generality of an  $l$ -group

acting on some group  $G$ ,  $l \neq p$ . In §3 we introduce the notations for our  $p$ -adic groups and recall the definition of a lattice sequence and its associated objects. In §4 we recall the notion of a simple stratum from [3], [4], define semisimple strata and calculate their intertwining, and see that, in the case described above, we obtain supercuspidal representations of  $G$ . Finally, in §5, we give the proof of (4.5).

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## 2. Double cosets

This section is written in much more generality than the remainder of this paper. Indeed, we begin with a group  $G$  and a group  $\Gamma$  of automorphisms of  $G$ ; we denote the fixed points  $G^\Gamma$ .

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $G$  be a group and  $\Gamma$  a group of automorphisms of  $G$ . Let  $U$  be a subgroup of  $G$  fixed by  $\Gamma$  and suppose that, for all  $g \in G^\Gamma$ , we have*

$$H^1(\Gamma, gUg^{-1} \cap U) = 1.$$

*Then, for  $g \in G^\Gamma$ , we have*

$$(UgU)^\Gamma = U^\Gamma gU^\Gamma.$$

*Proof.* We have a  $\Gamma$ -equivariant exact sequence

$$1 \rightarrow gUg^{-1} \cap U \xrightarrow{\delta} U \times U \xrightarrow{\pi} UgU \rightarrow 1,$$

where  $\delta(u) = (u, g^{-1}ug)$  and  $\pi(u, v) = ugv^{-1}$ . By [13] Prop. 36, this gives rise to a long exact sequence of pointed sets

$$\begin{aligned} 1 \rightarrow (gUg^{-1} \cap U)^\Gamma &\rightarrow (U \times U)^\Gamma \xrightarrow{\pi} (UgU)^\Gamma \\ &\rightarrow H^1(\Gamma, gUg^{-1} \cap U) \rightarrow H^1(\Gamma, U \times U). \end{aligned}$$

We have  $(U \times U)^\Gamma = U^\Gamma \times U^\Gamma$  and  $H^1(\Gamma, gUg^{-1} \cap U) = 1$ . Hence the map  $\pi$  is surjective and  $(UgU)^\Gamma = U^\Gamma gU^\Gamma$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 2.2.** *Let  $G$  be a group and  $\Gamma$  an  $l$ -group of automorphisms of  $G$ ,  $l$  prime. Let  $U$  be a pro- $p$  subgroup of  $G$  fixed by  $\Gamma$ ,  $p \neq l$  prime. Let  $g \in G$ . Then  $UgU$  is fixed by  $\Gamma$  if and only if  $(UgU)^\Gamma \neq \emptyset$ .*

*Proof.* The implication “if” is clear so suppose  $UgU$  is fixed by  $\Gamma$ . We can decompose  $UgU$  as a disjoint union of single cosets  $g_iU$  and  $\Gamma$  permutes the cosets in this decomposition. The number of such single cosets is the index of  $gUg^{-1} \cap U$  in  $U$ , which is a power of  $p$ . In particular, since  $l \neq p$ , there is a fixed coset for the action of  $\Gamma$ , say  $kU$ . For all  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ , we have  $k^\gamma \in kU$  so  $\gamma \mapsto k^\gamma k^{-1}$  defines a 1-cocycle of  $\Gamma$  in  $U$ . However,  $H^1(\Gamma, U) = 1$  so there exists  $u \in U$  such that  $k^\gamma k^{-1} = u^\gamma u^{-1}$  for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Then  $ku^{-1} \in (UgU)^\Gamma$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.3.** *Let  $G$  be a group and  $\Gamma$  an  $l$ -group of automorphisms of  $G$ ,  $l$  prime. Let  $U$  be a pro- $p$  subgroup of  $G$  fixed by  $\Gamma$ ,  $p \neq l$  prime. Let  $H$  be a subgroup of  $G$  fixed by  $\Gamma$  such that, for all  $h \in H$ ,*

$$U h U \cap H = (U \cap H) h (U \cap H). \quad (2.4)$$

*Then we have*

$$(U H U)^\Gamma = U^\Gamma H^\Gamma U^\Gamma.$$

We remark that condition (2.4) will be satisfied if  $H$  is the fixed point subgroup in  $G$  of some group of automorphisms of  $G$  satisfying the conditions of Lemma 2.1.

*Proof.* Suppose that  $h \in H$  is such that  $(U h U)^\Gamma \neq \emptyset$ ; hence  $U h U$  is fixed by  $\Gamma$ . In particular, for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $h^\gamma \in U h U \cap H = (U \cap H) h (U \cap H)$ . Thus  $(U \cap H) h (U \cap H)$  is fixed by  $\Gamma$  so, by (2.2), there exists  $h' \in ((U \cap H) h (U \cap H))^\Gamma$ . In particular, we have  $U h U = U h' U$  and  $h' \in H^\Gamma$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} (U H U)^\Gamma &= (U H^\Gamma U)^\Gamma \\ &= U^\Gamma H^\Gamma U^\Gamma \quad \text{by (2.1),} \end{aligned}$$

since  $h U h^{-1} \cap U$  is a pro- $p$  subgroup for all  $h \in H^\Gamma$ .  $\square$

Note that the above results will of course remain valid if  $\Gamma$  is a solvable group of order coprime to  $p$ .

### 3. Preliminaries

Let  $F$  be a non-archimedean local field,  $\mathfrak{o}_F$  its ring of integers,  $\mathfrak{p}_F$  the maximal ideal of  $\mathfrak{o}_F$ ,  $k_F = \mathfrak{o}_F / \mathfrak{p}_F$  the residue class field and  $q_F = p^{f_F} = \text{card } k_F$ . We assume throughout that the residual characteristic  $p$  is not 2.

Suppose that  $F$  comes equipped with a galois involution  $\bar{\phantom{x}}$ , with fixed field  $F_0$ ; we allow the possibility that  $F = F_0$ . Then we denote by  $\mathfrak{o}_0, \mathfrak{p}_0, k_0, q_0 = p^{f_0}$  the objects for  $F_0$  analogous to those above for  $F$ . We also fix a uniformizer  $\varpi_F$  of  $F$  such that  $\overline{\varpi_F} = \pm \varpi_F$  (the sign depending on whether  $F/F_0$  is ramified or not).

Let  $\psi_0$  be a character of the additive group of  $F_0$ , with conductor  $\mathfrak{p}_0$ . Then we put  $\psi_F = \psi_0 \circ \text{tr}_{F/F_0}$ ; since  $p \neq 2$ ,  $F/F_0$  is at worst tamely ramified so  $\psi_F$  is a character of the additive group of  $F$  with conductor  $\mathfrak{p}_F$ .

Let  $V$  be an  $N$ -dimensional  $F$ -vector space and put  $A = \text{End}_F(V)$ ,  $\tilde{G} = \text{Aut}_F(V)$ . Let  $\psi_A$  be the character of  $A$  given by  $\psi_A = \psi_F \circ \text{tr}_{A/F}$ . Let  $h$  be a nondegenerate  $\epsilon$ -hermitian form on  $V$  and let  $\bar{\phantom{x}}$  be the adjoint involution on  $A$  associated to  $h$  so that  $h(av, w) = h(v, \bar{a}w)$  for all  $v, w \in V$ ,  $a \in A$ ; this extends the involution on  $F$  (for  $F$  embedded diagonally in  $A$ ). We also denote by  $\sigma$  the involution on  $\tilde{G}$  given by  $x \mapsto \bar{x}^{-1}$  and by  $\Sigma$  the subgroup of  $\text{Aut } \tilde{G}$  consisting of  $\sigma$  and the identity. Note that the action of  $\sigma$  on  $\text{Lie } \tilde{G} \simeq A$ , via the differential, is given by  $x \mapsto -\bar{x}$ .

We put  $G = \tilde{G}^\Sigma = \{g \in \tilde{G} : h(gv, gw) = h(v, w) \text{ for all } v, w \in V\}$ , a unitary group over  $F_0$  (possibly symplectic or orthogonal). We also put  $A_- = \{x \in A : x + \bar{x} = 0\} \simeq \text{Lie } G$  and  $A_+ = \{x \in A : x = \bar{x}\}$ ; since  $F$  is not of characteristic 2 we have  $A = A_- \oplus A_+$  and, moreover, this decomposition is orthogonal with respect to the pairing induced by  $\text{tr}_0 = \text{tr}_{F/F_0} \circ \text{tr}_{A/F}$  since, for  $x \in A_-$ ,  $y \in A_+$ , we have

$$\text{tr}_0(xy) = \overline{\text{tr}_0(xy)} = \text{tr}_0(\bar{x}\bar{y}) = \text{tr}_0(-yx) = -\text{tr}_0(xy).$$

For  $S$  any subset of  $A$ , we write  $S_-$  (or sometimes  $S^-$ ) for  $S \cap A_-$  and  $S_+$  for  $S \cap A_+$ . If  $S$  is an  $\mathfrak{o}_F$ -lattice fixed by the involution then we have  $S = S_- \oplus S_+$ , since the residual characteristic of  $F$  is not 2.

Recall from [4] (2.1) that an  $\mathfrak{o}_F$ -lattice sequence in  $V$  is a function  $\Lambda$  from  $\mathbb{Z}$  to the set of  $\mathfrak{o}_F$ -lattices in  $V$  such that

- (i)  $n \geq m$  implies  $\Lambda(n) \subset \Lambda(m)$ ;
- (ii) there exists a positive integer  $e = e(\Lambda)$  (the  $\mathfrak{o}_F$ -period of  $\Lambda$ ) such that  $\Lambda(n+e) = \mathfrak{p}_F \Lambda(n)$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

A lattice sequence  $\Lambda$  gives rise to a filtration on  $A$  by

$$\mathfrak{a}_n = \mathfrak{a}_n(\Lambda) = \{x \in A : x\Lambda(m) \subset \Lambda(m+n), m \in \mathbb{Z}\}, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

This then gives rise to a “valuation”  $\nu_\Lambda$  on  $A$  by

$$\nu_\Lambda(x) = \sup\{n \in \mathbb{Z} : x \in \mathfrak{a}_n\}, \quad \text{for } x \in A,$$

with the understanding that  $\nu_\Lambda(0) = \infty$ .

From a lattice sequence  $\Lambda$  we obtain a compact open subgroup  $U = U(\Lambda) = \mathfrak{a}_0(\Lambda)^\times$  of  $\tilde{G}$ , equipped with a filtration

$$U_n = U_n(\Lambda) = 1 + \mathfrak{a}_n(\Lambda), \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}, n > 0.$$

This is also the Moy-Prasad filtration associated to a certain rational point in the building of  $GL(N, F)$  (see [12], [2]). We define the normalizer of the filtration to be

$$\mathfrak{K}(\Lambda) = \bigcap_{r \geq 0} N_{\tilde{G}}(U_r),$$

where  $N_{\tilde{G}}$  denotes normalizer.

For  $L$  an  $\mathfrak{o}_F$ -lattice in  $V$ , we define the dual lattice  $L^\#$  by

$$L^\# = \{v \in V : h(v, L) \subset \mathfrak{p}_F\}.$$

Then  $L^\#$  can be identified with  $\text{Hom}_{\mathfrak{o}_F}(L, \mathfrak{p}_F)$  by the non-degeneracy of  $h$  and we have  $L^{\#\#} = L$ . For  $\Lambda$  an  $\mathfrak{o}_F$ -lattice sequence, define the dual sequence  $\Lambda^\#$  by

$$\Lambda^\#(n) = \Lambda(-n)^\#, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

We say that  $\Lambda$  is self-dual if there exists  $d \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $\Lambda^\#(n) = \Lambda(n+d)$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . In this case, the filtration  $\mathfrak{a}_n$  on  $A$  induced by  $\Lambda$  satisfies  $\bar{\mathfrak{a}}_n = \mathfrak{a}_n$ , for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . In particular, the groups  $U, U_n, n \geq 1$ , are fixed by  $\Sigma$  and we put  $P = U^\Sigma$ , a compact open subgroup of  $G$ , and  $P_n = U_n^\Sigma$ , for  $n \geq 1$ , a filtration on  $P$ . Further, by [11] (2.13)(c) we have a bijection  $\mathfrak{a}_n^- \rightarrow P_n$  given by the Cayley map  $x \mapsto (1 + \frac{x}{2})(1 - \frac{x}{2})^{-1}$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** *Let  $\Lambda$  be an  $\mathfrak{o}_F$ -lattice sequence in  $V$  and let  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$  satisfy  $2n \geq m > n \geq 1$ .*

- (i) *The map  $x \mapsto 1 + x$  induces an isomorphism of abelian groups  $\mathfrak{a}_n/\mathfrak{a}_m \xrightarrow{\sim} U_n/U_m$ .*
- (ii) *If  $\Lambda$  is self-dual then the map  $x \mapsto 1 + x$  induces an isomorphism of abelian groups  $\mathfrak{a}_n^-/\mathfrak{a}_m^- \xrightarrow{\sim} P_n/P_m$ .*

Let  $S$  be an  $\mathfrak{o}_F$ -lattice in  $A$ , hence an  $\mathfrak{o}_0$ -lattice in  $A$ . We define the  $\mathfrak{o}_F$ -lattice

$$\begin{aligned} S^* &= \{a \in A : \text{tr}_0(aS) \subset \mathfrak{p}_0\} \\ &= \{a \in A : \text{tr}_{A/F}(aS) \subset \mathfrak{p}_F\}, \end{aligned}$$

since  $F$  is at worst tamely ramified over  $F_0$ . If  $S$  is also stable under the involution, we can define

$$(S_-)^* = \{a \in A_- : \text{tr}_0(aS_-) \subset \mathfrak{p}_0\} = (S^*)_-$$

since the direct sum  $S = S_- \oplus S_+$  is orthogonal with respect to  $\text{tr}_0$ .

We recall from [4] (2.10) that, if  $\Lambda$  is an  $\mathfrak{o}_F$ -lattice sequence in  $V$  with associated filtration  $\mathfrak{a}_n$ , then we have  $\mathfrak{a}_n^* = \mathfrak{a}_{1-n}$ .

Let “hat”  $\hat{\phantom{x}}$  denote the Pontrjagin dual. Then we have the following:

**Lemma 3.2.** *Let  $\Lambda$  be an  $\mathfrak{o}_F$ -lattice sequence in  $V$  and let  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$  satisfy  $2n \geq m > n \geq 1$ .*

- (i) *There is a  $\mathfrak{K}(\Lambda)$ -equivariant isomorphism of abelian groups*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{a}_{1-m}/\mathfrak{a}_{1-n} &\xrightarrow{\sim} (U_n/U_m)^\wedge \\ \mathfrak{b} + \mathfrak{a}_{1-n} &\mapsto \psi_b \end{aligned}$$

where  $\psi_b(u) = \psi_F(\text{tr}_{A/F}(b(u-1)))$ , for  $u \in U_n$ .

(ii) If  $A$  is self-dual then there is a  $P$ -equivariant isomorphism of abelian groups

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathfrak{a}_{1-m}^-)/(\mathfrak{a}_{1-n}^-) &\xrightarrow{\sim} (P_n/P_m)^\wedge \\ b + (\mathfrak{a}_{1-n}^-) &\mapsto \psi_b^- \end{aligned}$$

where  $\psi_b^-(p) = \psi_0(\text{tr}_0(b(p-1)))$ , for  $p \in P_n$ . Moreover, for  $b \in (\mathfrak{a}_{1-m}^-)$ ,  $\psi_b^-$  is the restriction to  $P_n$  of  $\psi_b$ .

#### 4. Strata and supercuspidal representations

We now give two applications of theorem (2.3) to the intertwining of certain characters involved in representation theory. The language used will be that of [3] and [4], as in the previous section.

##### 4.1. Simple strata

**Definition 4.1** (cf. [3] (1.5), [4] (3.1)). A *stratum* in  $A$  is a 4-tuple  $[A, n, r, \beta]$  consisting of a lattice sequence  $A$  in  $V$ ,  $n, r \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $r < n$ , and an element  $\beta \in \mathfrak{a}_{-n}(A)$ . We say that two strata  $[A, n, r, \beta_i]$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , are *equivalent* if  $\beta_1 \equiv \beta_2 \pmod{\mathfrak{a}_{-r}(A)}$ .

Let  $[A, n, r, \beta]$  be a stratum in  $A$  and suppose that the integers  $r, n$  satisfy

$$n > r \geq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor \geq 0, \quad (4.2)$$

where  $\lfloor x \rfloor$  is the greatest integer less than or equal to  $x$ . By (3.2)(i), an equivalence class of strata  $[A, n, r, \beta]$  corresponds to the character  $\psi_\beta$  of  $U_{r+1}(A)/U_{n+1}(A)$ .

**Definition 4.3** ([3] (1.5.5)). Let  $[A, n, r, \beta]$  be a stratum in  $A$ . It is *pure* if

- (i) the algebra  $E = F[\beta]$  is a field;
- (ii)  $A$  is an  $\mathfrak{o}_E$ -lattice sequence;
- (iii)  $\nu_A(\beta) = -n$ .

If  $[A, n, r, \beta]$  is a pure stratum, we put, for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,

$$\mathfrak{n}_k(\beta, A) = \{x \in \mathfrak{a}_0(A) : \beta x - x\beta \in \mathfrak{a}_k\},$$

an  $\mathfrak{o}_F$ -lattice in  $A$ . Then we define  $k_0(\beta, A)$  to be the least integer  $k$  such that  $\mathfrak{n}_{k+1}(\beta, A)$  is contained in  $B \cap \mathfrak{a}_0 + \mathfrak{a}_1$ , where  $B$  is the  $A$ -centralizer of  $\beta$ ; we understand that if  $F[\beta] = F$  then  $k_0(\beta, A) = \infty$ . Note that this is the same definition as in [4] (5.1), though this is not clear *a priori* (see §5 for further discussion). If  $F[\beta] \neq F$  then  $k_0(\beta, A)$  is an integer greater than or equal to  $-n$ .

**Definition 4.4 ([3] (1.5.5)).** A pure stratum  $[A, n, r, \beta]$  is called *simple* if  $r < -k_0(\beta, A)$ .

We now define the formal intertwining of a stratum  $[A, n, r, \beta]$  to be

$$\mathcal{I}_{\tilde{G}}[A, n, r, \beta] = \left\{ x \in \tilde{G} : x^{-1}(\beta + \mathfrak{a}_{-r})x \cap (\beta + \mathfrak{a}_{-r}) \neq \emptyset \right\}.$$

If (4.2) is satisfied, then this is nothing other than the intertwining in  $\tilde{G}$  of the character  $\psi_\beta$ :

$$\mathcal{I}_{\tilde{G}}(\psi_\beta) := \left\{ x \in \tilde{G} : \psi_\beta(u) = \psi_\beta^x(u) \text{ for any } u \in U_n^x \cap U_n \right\},$$

where  $U_n^x = x^{-1}U_n x$  and  $\psi_\beta^x(u) = \psi_\beta(xu x^{-1})$ , for  $u \in U_n^x$  (see, e.g. [9] pp.484–485). Then we have the following result, which is a generalization of [3] (1.5.8).

**Theorem 4.5.** *Let  $[A, n, r, \beta]$  be a simple stratum in  $A$ . Let  $B$  denote the  $A$ -centralizer of  $\beta$ ,  $\mathfrak{b}_n = \mathfrak{a}_n \cap B$ , for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Write  $k = k_0(\beta, A)$  and put  $\mathfrak{m}_i = \mathfrak{n}_{k+i}(\beta, A) \cap \mathfrak{a}_i$ , for  $i \geq 0$ . Then*

$$\mathcal{I}_{\tilde{G}}[A, n, r, \beta] = (1 + \mathfrak{m}_{-(k+r)})B^\times(1 + \mathfrak{m}_{-(k+r)}).$$

Essentially, the proof is identical to [3] (1.5.8), once we have proved a few preliminary lemmas. We postpone the proof until §5.

We now consider the situation in our group  $G$ .

**Definition 4.6.** A stratum  $[A, n, r, \beta]$  in  $A$  is called *skew* if  $\beta + \bar{\beta} = 0$  and  $A$  is self-dual.

Again, if (4.2) is satisfied then, by (3.2)(ii), an equivalence class of skew strata  $[A, n, r, \beta]$  corresponds to the character  $\psi_\beta^-$  of  $P_{r+1}(A)/P_{n+1}(A)$ .

We define the formal intertwining in  $G$  of a skew stratum  $[A, n, r, \beta]$  to be

$$\mathcal{I}_G[A, n, r, \beta] = \{x \in G : x^{-1}(\beta + \mathfrak{a}_{-r}^-)x \cap (\beta + \mathfrak{a}_{-r}^-) \neq \emptyset\}.$$

If (4.2) is satisfied, then this is precisely the intertwining in  $G$  of the character  $\psi_\beta^-$ .

**Theorem 4.7.** *Let  $[A, n, r, \beta]$  be a skew simple stratum in  $A$ . Let  $B$  denote the  $A$ -centralizer of  $\beta$ ,  $\mathfrak{b}_n = \mathfrak{a}_n \cap B$ , for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Write  $k = k_0(\beta, A)$  and put  $\mathfrak{m}_i = \mathfrak{n}_{k+i}(\beta, A) \cap \mathfrak{a}_i$ , for  $i \geq 0$ . Then  $\mathfrak{m}_i$  is fixed by the involution and we define the group  $Q_i = (1 + \mathfrak{m}_i) \cap G$ , for  $i > 0$ . Then*

$$\mathcal{I}_G[A, n, r, \beta] = Q_{-(k+r)}(B \cap G)Q_{-(k+r)}.$$



*Proof.* We write  $\mathcal{I}_G$  for  $\mathcal{I}_G[A, n, r, \beta]$  and  $\mathcal{I}_{\tilde{G}}$  for  $\mathcal{I}_{\tilde{G}}[A, n, r, \beta]$ . We begin with a lemma which will also prove useful later:

**Lemma 4.8.**  $\mathcal{I}_G = \mathcal{I}_{\tilde{G}} \cap G$ .

*Proof.* We clearly have  $\mathcal{I}_G \subset \mathcal{I}_{\tilde{G}} \cap G$ . Suppose, on the other hand,  $x \in \mathcal{I}_{\tilde{G}} \cap G$ ; then there exist  $b_i \in \mathfrak{a}_{-r}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$  such that

$$x(\beta + b_1)x^{-1} = \beta + b_2.$$

We now write  $b_i = u_i + v_i$ ,  $u_i \in \mathfrak{a}_{-r}^+$ ,  $v_i \in \mathfrak{a}_{-r}^-$ , for  $i = 1, 2$  so

$$x(\beta + v_1)x^{-1} + xu_1x^{-1} = (\beta + v_2) + u_2.$$

Now  $x\mathfrak{a}_-x^{-1} \subset \mathfrak{a}_-$  and  $x\mathfrak{a}_+x^{-1} \subset \mathfrak{a}_+$  so  $A = \mathfrak{a}_- \perp \mathfrak{a}_+$  implies that

$$x(\beta + v_1)x^{-1} = \beta + v_2,$$

i.e.  $x \in \mathcal{I}_G$ .  $\square$

Returning to the proof of the Theorem, we see that  $\mathcal{I}_G = \mathcal{I}_{\tilde{G}} \cap G = (1 + \mathfrak{m}_d)B^\times(1 + \mathfrak{m}_d) \cap G$  by (4.5), where  $d = -r - k > 0$ .

Now  $1 + \mathfrak{m}_d$  is a pro- $p$  subgroup of  $\tilde{G}$  fixed by  $\Sigma$  and, since  $\mathfrak{b}_d \subset \mathfrak{m}_d \subset \mathfrak{a}_d$  we have, for  $b \in B^\times$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} (1 + \mathfrak{b}_d)b(1 + \mathfrak{b}_d) &\subset (1 + \mathfrak{m}_d)b(1 + \mathfrak{m}_d) \cap B \\ &\subset (1 + \mathfrak{a}_d)b(1 + \mathfrak{a}_d) \cap B = (1 + \mathfrak{b}_d)b(1 + \mathfrak{b}_d), \end{aligned}$$

by [3] (1.6.1). Hence all the conditions of (2.3) are satisfied and the result follows.  $\square$

#### 4.2. Semisimple strata

In this section we use the techniques and results of [4] (in particular §3) to generalize the above result to the case where the element  $\beta$  does not generate a field extension over  $F$ . We first recall some notions, in particular that of the characteristic polynomial of a stratum (see e.g. [3] (2.3)).

Let  $[A, n, r, \beta]$  be a stratum in  $A$  and put  $e = e(A)$ , the  $\mathfrak{o}_F$ -period of  $A$ . Set  $g = (n, e)$  and consider the element

$$y_\beta = \varpi_F^{n/g} \beta^{e/g}.$$

This is an element of  $\mathfrak{a}_0(A)$  so its characteristic polynomial as an  $F$ -endomorphism of  $V$  lies in  $\mathfrak{o}_F[X]$ . We define  $\varphi_\beta(X)$  to be the reduction modulo  $\mathfrak{p}_F$  of this characteristic polynomial; this depends only on the equivalence class of the stratum.

For  $i = 1, 2$ , let  $V_i$  be subspaces of  $V$  such that  $V = V_1 \perp V_2$ . In particular,  $h_i$ , the restriction of  $h$  to  $V_i \times V_i$ , is a nondegenerate  $\epsilon$ -hermitian

form on  $V_i$ , for  $i = 1, 2$ . We put  $A^{ij} = \text{Hom}_F(V^j, V^i)$ , for  $i, j = 1, 2$ , and abbreviate  $A^{ii} = A^i$ . We use the notation

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A^{11} & A^{12} \\ A^{21} & A^{22} \end{pmatrix}.$$

For  $i = 1, 2$ , let  $\Lambda^i$  be a self-dual lattice sequence in  $V_i$ ,  $e_i = e(\Lambda^i |_{\mathfrak{o}_F})$  the  $\mathfrak{o}_F$ -period of  $\Lambda^i$  and let  $d_i$  be the (unique) integer such that  $\Lambda^i(k)^\# = \Lambda^i(d_i - k)$ , for all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . After renumbering, we may assume that  $d_i = 0$  or  $-1$ . If  $d_i = 0$  then we replace  $\Lambda^i$  by the self-dual lattice sequence  $\Lambda'^i$  given by

$$\Lambda'^i(k) = \Lambda^i\left(\left[\frac{k+1}{2}\right]\right) \quad \text{for } k \in \mathbb{Z};$$

that is, every lattice is taken with double the multiplicity. Note that the filtration on  $\Lambda^i$  determined by  $\Lambda'^i$  is the same as that determined by  $\Lambda^i$ , upto a factor in the index. We have  $\Lambda'^i(k)^\# = \Lambda'^i(-1 - k)$ , for all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , so we may assume  $d_i = -1$ , for  $i = 1, 2$ .

We set  $\Lambda = \Lambda^1 \perp \Lambda^2$ , a self-dual lattice sequence in  $V$  of  $\mathfrak{o}_F$ -period  $e = \text{lcm}(e_1, e_2)$  (see [4] (2.8) for the definition of direct sum of lattice sequences). Let  $\beta_i \in \Lambda^i$  be skew elements and put  $n_i = -\nu_{\Lambda^i}(\beta_i)$ . Put  $\beta = \beta_1 \oplus \beta_2$  and  $n = e \cdot \max\{n_1/e_1, n_2/e_2\}$ . Then we obtain a skew stratum  $[\Lambda, n, r, \beta]$  in  $A$ , with  $\nu_\Lambda(\beta) = -n$ , for any  $0 \leq r \leq n - 1$ .

**Definition 4.9 (cf. [4] (3.6)).** A skew stratum  $[\Lambda, n, r, \beta]$  as above is called *split* if

- (i)  $\beta_1 \in \mathfrak{K}(\Lambda^1)$ ;
- (ii) either  $n_1/e_1 > n_2/e_2$  or else all the following conditions hold:
  - (a)  $n_1/e_1 = n_2/e_2$ ,
  - (b)  $\beta_2 \in \mathfrak{K}(\Lambda^2)$ ,
  - (c)  $\text{gcd}(\varphi_{\beta_1}, \varphi_{\beta_2}) = 1$ .

It is called *semisimple* if (inductive definition, on the dimension)

- (iii) either  $V_2 = 0$  and  $[\Lambda, n, r, \beta]$  is a simple stratum or it is split and each  $[\Lambda^i, n_i, r_i, \beta_i]$  is a semisimple stratum,  $i = 1, 2$ , where  $r_i = \lceil r e_i / e \rceil$ .

We remark that the characters considered in [10] arise from semisimple strata of the form  $[\Lambda, n, n - 1, \beta]$  with  $\Lambda$  a strict lattice sequence.

**Theorem 4.10 (cf. [4] (3.7)).** *Let  $[\Lambda, n, r, \beta]$  as above be split, with  $r \geq 0$ . Put  $M = \text{Aut}_F(V^1) \times \text{Aut}_F(V^2)$ , considered as a Levi subgroup of  $\tilde{G}$ . Then*

$$\mathcal{I}_{\tilde{G}}[\Lambda, n, r, \beta] \subset U_{n-r} M U_{n-r},$$

where  $U_s = U_s(\Lambda) = 1 + \mathfrak{a}_s(\Lambda)$ , for  $s > 0$ .

*Proof.* We proceed as in the proof of [4] Theorem 3.7.

**Proposition 4.11.** *Under the hypotheses of (4.10), let  $c \in \mathfrak{a}_{-r} \cap A^{21}$  and define a map  $\delta_c : A^{12} \rightarrow A^{12}$  by*

$$\delta_c(x) = \beta_1 x - x\beta_2 + xc x, \quad x \in A^{12}.$$

*Then  $\delta_c(\mathfrak{a}_{n-r} \cap A^{12}) = \mathfrak{a}_{-r} \cap A^{12}$ .*

*Proof.* We need some lemmas.

**Lemma 4.12.** *The map  $\delta = \delta_0$  maps  $\mathfrak{a}_s \cap A^{12}$  onto  $\mathfrak{a}_{s-n} \cap A^{12}$  for all  $s$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose first that  $n_1/e_1 > n_2/e_2$ . The  $A^1$ -invertibility of  $\beta_1$  implies that  $\mathfrak{a}_{s-n} \cap A^{12} = \beta_1(\mathfrak{a}_s \cap A^{12})$ , while  $(\mathfrak{a}_s \cap A^{12})\beta_2 \subset \mathfrak{a}_{s-n+1} \cap A^{12}$ . Hence

$$\mathfrak{a}_{s-n} \cap A^{12} = \delta_0(\mathfrak{a}_s \cap A^{12}) + \mathfrak{a}_{s-n+1} \cap A^{12}$$

and the lemma follows immediately in this case. For the other case, see [4] (3.7) Lemma 1.  $\square$

**Lemma 4.13.** *We have*

$$\delta_c(\mathfrak{a}_{n-r} \cap A^{12}) + \mathfrak{a}_{k-r} \cap A^{12} = \mathfrak{a}_{-r} \cap A^{12},$$

*for all integers  $k \geq 0$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $c \in \mathfrak{a}_{-r}$  we have, for  $x \in \mathfrak{a}_{n-r} \cap A^{12}$ ,  $xcx \in \mathfrak{a}_{2n-3r} \subset \mathfrak{a}_{-r}$ , as  $n-r > 0$ , so the lemma holds if  $k = 0$ . The proof then follows by induction exactly as [4] (3.7) Lemma 2.  $\square$

The proposition now follows as in [4] (3.7).  $\square$

Write  $\mathcal{M}$  for the algebra  $A^{11} \oplus A^{22} \subset A$ , so that  $M = \mathcal{M}^\times$ . We first need:

**Lemma 4.14.** *Let  $x = \beta + y$ ,  $y \in \mathfrak{a}_{-r}$ . Then there exists  $u \in U_{n-r}$  such that  $uxu^{-1} \in \beta + \mathfrak{a}_{-r} \cap \mathcal{M}$ .*

*Proof.* This is essentially identical to [4] (3.7) Lemma 3.  $\square$

We now prove the theorem. Let  $g \in \mathcal{I}_{\tilde{G}}[A, n, r, \beta]$ ; thus there exist  $x, y \in \mathfrak{a}_{-r}$  such that  $g^{-1}(\beta + x)g = \beta + y$ . By (4.14), we may replace  $g$  by  $u_1 g u_2$ ,  $u_i \in U_{n-r}$ , and assume that  $x, y \in \mathfrak{a}_{-r} \cap \mathcal{M}$ . We put

$$\beta + x = \begin{pmatrix} \beta'_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \beta'_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \beta + y = \begin{pmatrix} \beta''_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \beta''_2 \end{pmatrix},$$

and write out the equation  $(\beta + x)g = g(\beta + y)$ . Comparing (1, 2)-entries, we have  $\beta'_1 g_{12} = g_{12} \beta''_2$ . But the map  $A^{12} \rightarrow A^{12}$  given by  $z \mapsto \beta'_1 z - z \beta''_2$  is injective, as in [4] (3.7) Lemma 4, so  $g_{12} = 0$ . Likewise  $g_{21} = 0$ , whence  $g \in M$  as required.  $\square$

In fact, we even have

$$\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{I}_{\tilde{G}}[A, n, r, \beta] = U_{n-r} \mathcal{I}_M[A, n, r, \beta] U_{n-r}, \quad (4.15)$$

where  $\mathcal{I}_M$  is the intertwining in  $M$ . For suppose  $x \in \mathcal{I}$ , so that

$$\beta x \equiv x \beta \pmod{\mathfrak{a}_{-r}x + x\mathfrak{a}_{-r}},$$

and let  $y \in \mathfrak{a}_{n-r}$ . Then  $a_\beta(y) \in \mathfrak{a}_{-r}$  so  $(1+y)\beta(1+y)^{-1} = \beta - a_\beta(y)(1+y)^{-1} \equiv \beta \pmod{\mathfrak{a}_{-r}}$ . Then  $\beta x \equiv x \beta \equiv x(1+y)\beta(1+y)^{-1} \pmod{\mathfrak{a}_{-r}x + x\mathfrak{a}_{-r}}$  so  $x(1+y) \in \mathcal{I}$ , since  $(1+y) \in \mathfrak{a}_0^\times$ . By symmetry, we have  $\mathcal{I} = U_{n-r} \mathcal{I} U_{n-r}$  and (4.15) follows.

Now suppose  $[A, n, r, \beta]$  is a skew stratum in  $A$ ; by (4.8), we have that the formal intertwining of the stratum in  $G$  is  $\mathcal{I}_G[A, n, r, \beta] = \mathcal{I}_{\tilde{G}}[A, n, r, \beta] \cap G$ . Hence, applying (2.3) with  $H = M$  we have:

**Corollary 4.16.** *Let  $[A, n, r, \beta]$  as above be a skew split stratum, with  $r \geq 0$ . Then, with notation as above, we have*

$$\mathcal{I}_G[A, n, r, \beta] \subset P_{n-r}(M \cap G)P_{n-r},$$

where  $P_s = U_s \cap G$ , for  $s > 0$ .

*Proof.* We need only show that  $M, U_{n-r}$  satisfy the condition (2.4). But  $M$  is the fixed point subgroup in  $\tilde{G}$  of the subgroup  $\Gamma = \{1\} \times \{\pm 1\}$  of  $M$  acting by inner automorphisms and  $U_{n-r}$  is fixed by  $\Gamma$  so (2.4) is satisfied, by (2.1).  $\square$

Indeed, as above for (4.15) but using the Cayley map, we have

$$\mathcal{I}_G[A, n, r, \beta] = P_{n-r} \mathcal{I}_{M \cap G}[A, n, r, \beta] P_{n-r}. \quad (4.17)$$

For  $[A, n, r, \beta]$  a skew semisimple stratum as above, with  $r \geq 0$ , we define a compact open subgroup  $K = K(\beta, A)$  of  $G$  inductively as follows: if the stratum is simple then  $K = Q_{-(k+r)}$  (see (4.7)); otherwise

$$K = K(\beta_1, \Lambda^1) \times K(\beta_2, \Lambda^2) \cdot P_{n-r}. \quad (4.18)$$

Then, putting together (4.16) with (4.7), we have the following result.

**Theorem 4.19.** *Let  $[A, n, r, \beta]$  as above be a skew semisimple stratum, with  $r \geq 0$ . Then we have*

$$\mathcal{I}_G[A, n, r, \beta] = KZK,$$

where  $K = K(\beta, A)$  and  $Z = Z_G(\beta)$  is the centralizer in  $G$  of  $\beta$ .

### 4.3. Supercuspidal representations

Let  $[A, n, r, \beta]$  be a skew semisimple stratum. We will call it *maximal* if the centralizer  $B = Z_A(\beta)$  in  $A$  of  $\beta$  has dimension  $N$ . In this case, we have that  $B = \sum_{i=1}^r E_i$  is a sum of fields, each of which is stable under the involution but not fixed pointwise. Moreover, the  $G$ -centralizer of  $\beta$  is the compact maximal torus  $Z = \prod_{i=1}^r N_1(E_i)$ , where  $N_1(E_i) = \{e \in E_i : e\bar{e} = 1\}$  is the group of norm 1 elements of  $E_i$ .

In particular, we have in this situation that  $Z \subset P$ ; moreover, the group  $K = K(\beta, A)$  defined in (4.18) satisfies  $K \subset P_1$ . Hence, (4.19) gives us

$$\mathcal{I}_G[A, n, r, \beta] \subset P, \quad (4.20)$$

and we deduce the following:

**Theorem 4.21.** *Let  $[A, n, r, \beta]$  be a maximal skew semisimple stratum such that (4.2) is satisfied. Let  $\rho$  be an irreducible representation of  $P$  containing the character  $\psi_\beta^-$ . Then the (compactly) induced representation  $\pi = \text{Ind}_P^G \rho$  is irreducible and supercuspidal.*

*Proof.* Since  $P$  normalizes  $P_n$ , the restriction of  $\rho$  to  $P_n$  is a sum of  $P$ -conjugates of  $\psi_\beta^-$ . Then, if  $g \in G$  intertwines  $\rho$ , there exist  $p, p' \in P$  such that  $g$  intertwines  ${}^p\psi_\beta^-$  with  ${}^{p'}\psi_\beta^-$ . Hence  $p^{-1}gp' \in I_G(\psi_\beta^-)$  and this is contained in  $P$ , by (4.20). We have shown that  $I_G(\rho) = P$  and the result now follows.  $\square$

## 5. Proof of Theorem 4.5

Let  $[A, n, r, \beta]$  be a pure stratum in  $A$ . Let  $\mathfrak{a}_n = \mathfrak{a}_n(A)$  be the associated filtration on  $A$ ,  $E = F[\beta]$ ,  $B = Z_A(\beta)$ , the  $A$ -centralizer of  $\beta$ , and  $\mathfrak{b}_n = \mathfrak{a}_n \cap B$ , for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Note that  $\mathfrak{a}_1$  is the Jacobson radical of the  $\mathfrak{o}_F$ -hereditary order  $\mathfrak{a}_0$  and, likewise, that  $\mathfrak{b}_1$  is the Jacobson radical of the  $\mathfrak{o}_E$ -hereditary order  $\mathfrak{b}_0$ .

Let  $a_\beta : A \rightarrow A$  be the map  $x \mapsto \beta x - x\beta$ . Recall from §4.1 that, for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we put  $\mathfrak{n}_k = \mathfrak{n}_k(\beta, A) = \{x \in \mathfrak{a}_0(A) : a_\beta(x) \in \mathfrak{a}_k\}$ , an  $\mathfrak{o}_E$ -lattice in  $A$ . Then, for  $i \geq 0$ , we define

$$h_i = h_i(\beta, A) = \inf\{k \in \mathbb{Z} : \mathfrak{n}_{k+e+i}(\beta, A) \subset \mathfrak{b}_0 + \mathfrak{p}_E \mathfrak{a}_i\}.$$

with the understanding that if  $E = F$  then  $h_i(\beta, A) = \infty$ ,

Suppose first that  $\Lambda$  is a strict lattice sequence (that is  $\Lambda(n) \supsetneq \Lambda(n+1)$  for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ). Then the filtration induced by  $\Lambda$  on  $A$  is given by

$$\mathfrak{a}_n = (\mathfrak{a}_1)^n,$$

with  $(\mathfrak{a}_1)^0 := \mathfrak{a}_0$  and likewise for the filtration  $\mathfrak{b}_n$ . We now show that  $h_i(\beta, A)$  coincides with  $k_0(\beta, A)$  as defined in [3] (1.4.5).

**Lemma 5.1.** *Let  $[A, n, r, \beta]$  be a pure stratum in  $A$ , with  $A$  a strict lattice sequence of  $\mathfrak{o}_E$ -period  $e$  and let  $i \geq 0$ . Then*

$$h_i(\beta, A) = \inf\{k \in \mathbb{Z} : \mathfrak{n}_{k+1}(\beta, A) \subset \mathfrak{b}_0 + \mathfrak{a}_1\}.$$

*Proof.* Put  $l = \inf\{k \in \mathbb{Z} : \mathfrak{n}_{k+1}(\beta, A) \subset \mathfrak{b}_0 + \mathfrak{a}_1\}$  and  $h = h_i(\beta, A)$ . By [3] (1.4.8)(i), we have  $\mathfrak{n}_{l+e+i} = \mathfrak{b}_0 + (\mathfrak{b}_1)^{e+i} \mathfrak{n}_l \subset \mathfrak{b}_0 + (\mathfrak{b}_1)^{e+i} \mathfrak{a}_0 = \mathfrak{b}_0 + (\mathfrak{a}_1)^{e+i} = \mathfrak{b}_0 + \mathfrak{p}_E \mathfrak{a}_i$ . Hence  $h \leq l$ .

However, by definition  $\mathfrak{n}_{h+e+i} \subset \mathfrak{b}_0 + \mathfrak{p}_E \mathfrak{a}_i$  so, by [3] (1.4.8)(i), we have  $\mathfrak{n}_{h+1} = (\mathfrak{b}_1)^{1-e-i} \mathfrak{n}_{h+e+i} \cap \mathfrak{a}_0 \subset (\mathfrak{b}_1)^{1-e-i} (\mathfrak{b}_0 + (\mathfrak{a}_1)^{e+i}) \cap \mathfrak{a}_0 = \mathfrak{b}_0 + \mathfrak{a}_1$ . Hence  $l \leq h$  also, so we have equality.  $\square$

The main ingredients in proving the intertwining theorem 4.5 are the exact sequences analogous to those in [3] (1.4) so we proceed by proving these. We start with some preliminary lemmas, where  $A$  is no longer assumed to be strict and  $e$  is the  $\mathfrak{o}_E$ -period of  $A$ .

**Lemma 5.2 (cf. [3] (1.4.8)).**

- (i) *We have  $\mathfrak{p}_E \mathfrak{n}_k = \mathfrak{n}_{k+e} \cap \mathfrak{p}_E \mathfrak{a}_0$  and  $\mathfrak{n}_k = \mathfrak{p}_E^{-1} \mathfrak{n}_{k+e} \cap \mathfrak{a}_0$ , for all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ .*
- (ii) *For  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , the following are equivalent:*
  - (a)  $k \geq h_i(\beta, A)$ ;
  - (b)  $\mathfrak{n}_{k+e+i} = \mathfrak{b}_0 + \mathfrak{p}_E(\mathfrak{n}_{k+i} \cap \mathfrak{a}_i)$ .

*Proof.* This is identical to [3] (1.4.8), since  $\mathfrak{p}_E \mathfrak{p}_E^{-1} = \mathfrak{o}_E$ .  $\square$

In particular, we have that for  $k \geq h_i(\beta, A)$ ,

$$\mathfrak{n}_{k+e+i} \cap \mathfrak{a}_i = \mathfrak{b}_i + \mathfrak{p}_E(\mathfrak{n}_{k+i} \cap \mathfrak{a}_i).$$

Also observe that the lemma implies that the application  $i \mapsto h_i$  is periodic, with period dividing  $e$ .

Recall ([3] (1.3.3)) that a *tame corestriction* on  $A$  relative to  $E/F$  is a  $(B, B)$ -bimodule homomorphism  $s : A \rightarrow B$  such that  $s(\mathfrak{A}) = \mathfrak{A} \cap B$  for any hereditary  $\mathfrak{o}_F$ -order  $\mathfrak{A}$  in  $A$  which is normalized by  $E^\times$ . Such a homomorphism exists and is uniquely determined upto multiplication by an element of  $\mathfrak{o}_E^\times$ . We also have  $\ker s = \text{im } a_\beta$  and  $\ker a_\beta = \text{im } s$ .

**Lemma 5.3 (cf. [3] (1.3.4)(ii)).** *Let  $A$  be any  $\mathfrak{o}_E$ -lattice sequence in  $V$  and let  $s$  be a tame corestriction on  $A$  relative to  $E/F$ . Then we have  $s(\mathfrak{a}_n) = \mathfrak{b}_n$ , for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .*

*Proof.* This is identical to [3] (1.3.4)(ii), having observed that, from [4] (2.10), we have  $\mathfrak{a}_n^* = \mathfrak{a}_{1-n}$ .  $\square$

Now we have all the tools necessary to prove (and the proof is *mutatis mutandis* that of [3] (1.4.7)):

**Proposition 5.4** (cf. [3] (1.4.7), (1.4.10), [1] (5.2)). *Let  $i, k, r \in \mathbb{Z}$  and suppose  $i \geq 0$ ,  $k \geq h_i(\beta, \Lambda)$ ,  $r \geq 1$ . Then the following sequences are exact:*

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \rightarrow \mathfrak{n}_{k+i} \cap \mathfrak{a}_i / \mathfrak{n}_{k+r+i} \cap \mathfrak{a}_i \xrightarrow{a_\beta} \mathfrak{a}_{k+i} / \mathfrak{a}_{k+r+i} \xrightarrow{s} \mathfrak{b}_{k+i} / \mathfrak{b}_{k+r+i} \rightarrow 0, \\ 0 \rightarrow \mathfrak{n}_{k+i} \cap \mathfrak{a}_i / \mathfrak{b}_i \xrightarrow{a_\beta} \mathfrak{a}_{k+i} \xrightarrow{s} \mathfrak{b}_{k+i} \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

We now give another characterization of the integers  $h_i$  (cf. [3] (1.4.11)).

**Lemma 5.5.** *For  $i \geq 0$  we have  $h_i(\beta, \Lambda) = \inf\{k \in \mathbb{Z} : a_\beta(\mathfrak{a}_i) \supset \mathfrak{a}_{k+i} \cap \text{im } a_\beta\}$ .*

*Proof.* We have  $a_\beta(\mathfrak{a}_i) \supset a_\beta(\mathfrak{n}_{h_i+i} \cap \mathfrak{a}_i) = \ker(s|_{\mathfrak{a}_{h_i+i}})$  by (5.4) and this is precisely  $\mathfrak{a}_{h_i+i} \cap \text{im } a_\beta$ . Conversely, suppose  $k < h_i$  and  $a_\beta(\mathfrak{a}_i) \supset \mathfrak{a}_{k+i} \cap \text{im } a_\beta$ . Then

$$a_\beta(\mathfrak{p}_E \mathfrak{a}_i) \supset \mathfrak{a}_{k+e+i} \cap \text{im } a_\beta \supset \mathfrak{a}_{h_i+e+i} \cap \text{im } a_\beta = a_\beta(\mathfrak{n}_{h_i-1+e+i} \cap \mathfrak{a}_i)$$

by (5.4) (and since  $e-1 \geq 0$ ). Hence we have  $\mathfrak{n}_{h_i-1+e+i} \cap \mathfrak{a}_i \subset \mathfrak{b}_0 + \mathfrak{p}_E \mathfrak{a}_i$ . Now by (5.2) we have

$$\mathfrak{n}_{h_i-1+2e+i} = \mathfrak{b}_0 + \mathfrak{p}_E(\mathfrak{n}_{h_i-1+e+i} \cap \mathfrak{a}_i) \subset \mathfrak{b}_0 + \mathfrak{p}_E(\mathfrak{b}_0 + \mathfrak{p}_E \mathfrak{a}_i) = \mathfrak{b}_0 + \mathfrak{p}_E^2 \mathfrak{a}_i$$

so, also by (5.2),

$$\mathfrak{n}_{h_i-1+e+i} = \mathfrak{p}_E^{-1} \mathfrak{n}_{h_i-1+2e+i} \cap \mathfrak{a}_0 \subset \mathfrak{p}_E^{-1}(\mathfrak{b}_0 + \mathfrak{p}_E^2 \mathfrak{a}_i) \cap \mathfrak{a}_0 = \mathfrak{b}_0 + \mathfrak{p}_E \mathfrak{a}_i,$$

contradicting the minimality of  $h_i$ .  $\square$

In order to compare the integers  $h_i$  with the value  $k_0(\beta, \Lambda)$  as defined in [4] (5.1), we must introduce the notion of a  $(W, E)$ -decomposition (see [3] (1.2)). Let  $W$  be the  $F$ -span of an  $E$ -basis of  $V$  so the canonical map  $E \otimes_F W \rightarrow V$  is an isomorphism. This induces an algebra isomorphism  $A(E) \otimes_F \text{End}_F(W) \simeq A$ , where  $A(E) := \text{End}_F(E)$ , which in turn induces an isomorphism of  $(A(E), B)$ -bimodules

$$A(E) \otimes_E B \simeq A. \quad (5.6)$$

In the space  $A(E)$  there is a unique hereditary  $\mathfrak{o}_F$ -order normalized by  $E^\times$ ; we denote it  $\mathfrak{A}(E)$  and write  $\Lambda(E)$  for the associated (strict) lattice sequence in  $E$ . Then, for a suitable choice of  $W$ , the isomorphism (5.6) restricts to an isomorphism

$$\mathfrak{A}(E) \otimes_{\mathfrak{o}_E} \mathfrak{b}_r \simeq \mathfrak{a}_r,$$

for each  $r \in \mathbb{Z}$  (see [4] (5.3)).

We may also consider the lattices  $\mathfrak{n}_k(\beta, \Lambda(E))$ . Then we also have

$$\mathfrak{n}_{ek}(\beta, \Lambda) = \mathfrak{n}_k(\beta, \Lambda(E)) \otimes_{\mathfrak{o}_E} \mathfrak{b}_0,$$

for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . This is [3] (1.4.13)(i) in the case of a strict lattice sequence and the general case follows since  $\mathfrak{a}_{ek} = \mathfrak{p}_E^k \mathfrak{a}_0$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

We put  $k_F(\beta) = \inf\{k \in \mathbb{Z} : \mathfrak{n}_{k+1}(\beta, \Lambda(E)) \subset \mathfrak{o}_E + \mathfrak{P}(E)\}$ , where  $\mathfrak{P}(E) = \mathfrak{p}_E \mathfrak{A}(E)$  is the Jacobson radical of  $\mathfrak{A}(E)$ . (Note that  $k_F(\beta)$  is denoted  $k_0(\beta, \mathfrak{A}(E))$  in [3].) We also have  $k_F(\beta) = \inf\{k \in \mathbb{Z} : \mathfrak{a}_\beta(\mathfrak{A}(E)) \supset \mathfrak{P}(E)^k \cap \text{im } \mathfrak{a}_\beta\}$ . Then we define, as in [4] (5.1),

$$k_0(\beta, \Lambda) = e \cdot k_F(\beta).$$

**Lemma 5.7 (cf. [3] (1.4.13)(ii)).** *With notation as above,  $k_0(\beta, \Lambda) \geq h_i(\beta, \Lambda)$ , for all  $i \geq 0$ , and  $h_1(\beta, \Lambda) = k_0(\beta, \Lambda)$ .*

*Proof.* Writing  $\otimes$  for  $\otimes_{\mathfrak{o}_E}$  and  $k = k_F(\beta)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{a}_\beta(\mathfrak{a}_i) &= \mathfrak{a}_\beta(\mathfrak{A}(E) \otimes \mathfrak{b}_i) \supset (\mathfrak{P}(E)^k \cap \text{im } \mathfrak{a}_\beta) \otimes \mathfrak{b}_i \\ &= \mathfrak{A}(E) \mathfrak{p}_E^k \otimes \mathfrak{b}_i \cap \text{im } \mathfrak{a}_\beta = \mathfrak{a}_{ek+i} \cap \text{im } \mathfrak{a}_\beta, \end{aligned}$$

so certainly  $h_i(\beta, \Lambda) \leq ek = k_0(\beta, \Lambda)$ .

Now suppose  $ek > h_1(\beta, \Lambda)$ ; then  $\mathfrak{n}_{ek+e} \subset \mathfrak{b}_0 + \mathfrak{p}_E \mathfrak{a}_1$  so we have  $\mathfrak{n}_{ek} = \mathfrak{p}_E^{-1} \mathfrak{n}_{ek+e} \cap \mathfrak{a}_0 \subset \mathfrak{b}_0 + \mathfrak{a}_1$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{n}_k(\beta, \Lambda(E)) &\subset (\mathfrak{n}_k(\beta, \Lambda(E)) \otimes \mathfrak{b}_0) \cap A(E) \\ &= \mathfrak{n}_{ek} \cap A(E) \subset (\mathfrak{b}_0 + \mathfrak{a}_1) \cap A(E) \subset \mathfrak{o}_E + \mathfrak{P}(E) \end{aligned}$$

contrary to the definition of  $k = k_F(\beta)$ .  $\square$

Observe that the proof also shows that  $k_0(\beta, \Lambda) = \inf\{k \in \mathbb{Z} : \mathfrak{n}_{k+1} \subset \mathfrak{b}_0 + \mathfrak{a}_1\}$ , which is the definition given in §4.

In order to prove (4.5), we need one more exact sequence (cf. [3] (1.4.16)). Let  $i, j, m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $b_1, b_2 \in B^\times$ ,  $k = k_0(\beta, \Lambda)$  and put

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \mathfrak{a}_{i+k} \cap (b_1 \mathfrak{a}_{j+k} + \mathfrak{a}_{m+k} b_2 + \mathfrak{a}_{n+k}), \\ M &= (\mathfrak{a}_i \cap \mathfrak{n}_{i+k}) \cap (b_1 (\mathfrak{a}_j \cap \mathfrak{n}_{j+k}) + (\mathfrak{a}_m \cap \mathfrak{n}_{m+k}) b_2 + (\mathfrak{a}_n \cap \mathfrak{n}_{n+k})). \end{aligned}$$

Then we require that the sequence

$$M \xrightarrow{\mathfrak{a}_\beta} L \xrightarrow{s} A \tag{5.8}$$

be exact. This will follow exactly as in [3] (1.4.16) if we can show that  $s(L) = L \cap B$ . ( $L$  is  $E$ -exact, in the language of [3] (1.3).) But this holds as in [3] (1.3.16) so (5.8) is indeed an exact sequence.

We now have all the tools necessary to prove that

$$\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{I}_{\bar{G}}[A, n, r, \beta] = (1 + \mathfrak{m}_d) B^\times (1 + \mathfrak{m}_d),$$

for  $[A, n, r, \beta]$  a simple stratum and where  $\mathfrak{m}_d = \mathfrak{a}_{-r-k_0} \cap \mathfrak{n}_r$ . We have  $(1 + \mathfrak{m}_d) \mathcal{I} (1 + \mathfrak{m}_d) = \mathcal{I}$  as in [3] (1.5.8) and  $B^\times \subset \mathcal{I}$ . Furthermore,  $x \in \mathcal{I}$  if and only if  $\varpi_F x \in \mathcal{I}$  so we only need show that  $\mathcal{I} \cap \mathfrak{a}_0 \subset (1 + \mathfrak{m}_d) B^\times (1 + \mathfrak{m}_d)$ . The remainder of the proof is then *mutatis mutandis* that of [3] (1.5.8).  $\square$

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