

# LOCAL SPECTRAL RADIUS FORMULAS ON COMPACT LIE GROUPS

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ABSTRACT. We determine the local spectrum of a central element of the complexified universal enveloping algebra of a compact connected Lie group at a smooth function as an element of  $L^p(G)$ . Based on this result we establish a corresponding local spectral radius formula.

## 1. INTRODUCTION AND STATEMENT OF RESULT

Let  $f$  be a Schwartz function on  $\mathbb{R}^d$  and let  $P(\partial)$  be a constant coefficient differential operator with complex coefficients. If  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ , then it is known that

$$(1.1) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|P(\partial)^n f\|_p^{1/n} = \sup \{ |z| : z \in \{P(i\lambda) : \lambda \in \text{supp } \mathcal{F}f\}^{\text{cl}} \},$$

in the extended positive real numbers, where  $\mathcal{F}f$  is the Fourier transform of  $f$  and  $A^{\text{cl}}$  denotes the closure of a subset  $A$  of the complex plane. This result was first established by Tuan for real coefficients, see [8, Theorem 2], and later by the authors for the general case, see [1, Theorem 2.5].

In [1] we raised the question whether analogues of (1.1) hold for other Lie groups, with  $P(\partial)$  replaced by an element of the center of the universal enveloping algebra, and whether such results could be interpreted as a local spectral radius formula, analogous to the case  $p = 1$  on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ , see [1, Corollary 5.4]. In order to explain this interpretation we recall a few relevant definitions from local spectral theory, see [2], [3] and [9].

Let  $X$  be a Banach space, and  $T : \mathcal{D}_T \rightarrow X$  a closed operator with domain  $\mathcal{D}_T$ . Then  $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$  is said to be in the local resolvent set of  $x \in X$ , denoted by  $\rho_T(x)$ , if there is an open neighborhood  $U$  of  $z_0$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ , and an analytic function  $\phi : U \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_T$ , sending  $z$  to  $\phi_z$ , such that

$$(1.2) \quad (T - z)\phi_z = x \quad (z \in U).$$

The local spectrum  $\sigma_T(x)$  of  $T$  at  $x$  is the complement of  $\rho_T(x)$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ .

The operator  $T$  is said to have the single-valued extension property (SVEP) if, for every non-empty open subset  $U \subset \mathbb{C}$ , the only analytic solution  $\phi : U \rightarrow X$  of the equation  $(T - z)\phi_z = 0$  ( $z \in U$ ) is the zero solution. This is equivalent to requiring that the analytic local resolvent function  $\phi$  in (1.2) is determined uniquely, so that we can speak of "the" analytic local resolvent function on  $\rho_T(x)$ .

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If  $\mathcal{D}_T = X$  and  $T$  has SVEP, then, by [3, Proposition 3.3.13], the local spectral radius formula

$$(1.3) \quad \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|T^n x\|^{1/n} = \max \{|z| : z \in \sigma_T(x)\}$$

holds for all  $x \in X$ . If  $\mathcal{D}_T = X$ , but  $T$  does not necessarily have SVEP, then by [3, Proposition 3.3.14] the set of  $x \in X$  for which (1.3) holds is still always of the second category in  $X$ . If  $\mathcal{D}_T = X$  and  $T$  has Bishop's property  $(\beta)$  (see [3, Definition 1.2.5]; it is immediate that property  $(\beta)$  implies SVEP), then, by [3, Proposition 3.3.17],

$$(1.4) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|T^n x\|^{1/n} = \max \{|z| : z \in \sigma_T(x)\},$$

for all  $x \in X$ .

Thus there exist general results concerning the validity of local spectral radius formulas, such as (1.3) and (1.4), for bounded operators. We are not aware of such a priori guarantees for unbounded operators, and it is one of the main results in [1] that, for  $p = 1$ , the equality in (1.1) can, in fact, be interpreted as a local spectral radius formula for a closed unbounded operator.<sup>1</sup>

To be precise, let  $T_{P(\partial),1} : C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d) \rightarrow L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$  be defined canonically as  $T_{P(\partial),1}f = P(\partial)f$ , for  $f \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$ . It is then easily seen, cf. [5, Section 4.2], that  $T_{P(\partial),1}$  has a closed extension  $\tilde{T}_{P(\partial),1}$  on  $L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ , with domain  $\mathcal{D}_{\tilde{T}_{P(\partial),1}}$  consisting of those  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$  such that  $P(\partial)f$  is in  $L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ , and defined as  $\tilde{T}_{P(\partial),1}f = P(\partial)f$  for  $f \in \mathcal{D}_{\tilde{T}_{P(\partial),1}}$ .

Then [1, Corollary 5.4] reads as follows:

**Theorem 1.1.** *The closed operator  $\tilde{T}_{P(\partial),1}$  on  $L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$  has SVEP. Furthermore, if  $f$  is a Schwartz function on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ , then*

$$\sigma_{\tilde{T}_{P(\partial),1}}(f) = \{P(i\lambda) : \lambda \in \text{supp } \mathcal{F}f\}^{\text{cl}}.$$

Combined with (1.1) this implies that the local spectral radius formula

$$(1.5) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\tilde{T}_{P(\partial),1}^n f\|_1^{1/n} = \sup \{|z| : z \in \sigma_{\tilde{T}_{P(\partial),1}}(f)\}$$

holds in the extended positive real numbers.

This paper is concerned with the analogue of Theorem 1.1, for  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ , on a connected compact Lie group  $G$ , with Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$ . We will replace  $P(\partial)$  with an element  $D$  in the center of the complexified universal enveloping algebra  $U(\mathfrak{g})_{\mathbb{C}}$ , viewed as the algebra of left-invariant differential operators on  $G$ . In order to state the results, we need some preliminaries which will also be used in the proofs in the next section.

We let  $\dagger : U(\mathfrak{g})_{\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow U(\mathfrak{g})_{\mathbb{C}}$  be the complex linear anti-homomorphism of  $U(\mathfrak{g})_{\mathbb{C}}$  such that  $X^\dagger = -X$ , for  $X \in \mathfrak{g}$ . If  $S$  is a distribution on  $G$ , and  $D \in U(\mathfrak{g})_{\mathbb{C}}$ , then  $DS$  is the distribution defined by

$$\langle DS, \psi \rangle = \langle S, D^\dagger \psi \rangle \quad (\psi \in C^\infty(G)).$$

Since  $G$  is unimodular, this is compatible with the action of  $G$  on smooth functions.

<sup>1</sup>For other values of  $p$  the problem is still open, although it is conjectured in [1] that the interpretation then holds as well.

For  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ , and  $D \in U(\mathfrak{g})_{\mathbb{C}}$ , we define the operator  $T_{D,p} : C^\infty(G) \rightarrow L^p(G)$  canonically by  $T_{D,p}f = Df$ , for  $f \in C^\infty(G)$ . Then, as in [5, Section 4.2],  $T_{D,p}$  has a closed extension  $\tilde{T}_{D,p}$  on  $L^p(G)$ , with domain  $\mathcal{D}_{\tilde{T}_{D,p}}$  equal to those  $f \in L^p(G)$  such that the distribution  $Df$  is in  $L^p(G)$ , and defined as  $\tilde{T}_{D,p}f = Df$ , for  $f \in \mathcal{D}_{\tilde{T}_{D,p}}$ .

Choose and fix representatives  $(\pi, H_\pi)$  for the unitary dual  $\widehat{G}$  of  $G$ . If  $\pi \in \widehat{G}$  (we will allow ourselves such abuse of notation), we let  $\bar{\pi}$  denote its contragredient representation, and  $\chi_\pi : Z(U(\mathfrak{g})_{\mathbb{C}}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  its infinitesimal character, defined on the center  $Z(U(\mathfrak{g})_{\mathbb{C}})$  of  $U(\mathfrak{g})_{\mathbb{C}}$ .

Let  $dg$  be the normalized Haar measure on  $G$ . If  $f \in L^1(G)$ , and  $\pi \in \widehat{G}$ , define the Fourier transform  $\mathcal{F}f(\pi)$  of  $f$  at  $\pi$  as

$$(1.6) \quad \mathcal{F}f(\pi) = \int_G f(g)\pi(g)dg \in \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(H_\pi).$$

Note that  $L^p(G) \subset L^1(G)$ , for  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ , so that the Fourier transform is defined on  $L^p(G)$ , for all  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ .

Then we have the following result:

**Theorem 1.2.** *Let  $G$  be a connected compact Lie group and  $D \in Z(U(\mathfrak{g})_{\mathbb{C}})$ . Let  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ . Then the closed extension  $\tilde{T}_{D,p}$  of  $T_{D,p}$  has SVEP. If  $f \in C^\infty(G)$ , then the local spectrum of  $\tilde{T}_{D,p}$  at  $f \in \mathcal{D}_{\tilde{T}_{D,p}}$  is given by*

$$(1.7) \quad \sigma_{\tilde{T}_{D,p}}(f) = \{\chi_{\bar{\pi}}(D) : \pi \in \text{supp } \mathcal{F}f\}^{\text{cl}},$$

and the local spectral radius formula

$$(1.8) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\tilde{T}_{D,p}^n f\|_p^{1/n} = \sup \{|z| : z \in \sigma_{\tilde{T}_{D,p}}(f)\}$$

holds in the extended positive real numbers.

**Remark 1.3.** Obviously, Theorem 1.2 is an analogue of Theorem 1.1. It would be premature to state a conjecture, but in view of these two results, the material presented in [1] and the proofs below, it is tempting to consider the possibility that Theorem 1.2 and Theorem 1.1 have a common generalization for Schwartz functions on connected reductive groups – or perhaps even symmetric spaces – including appropriate analogues of (1.7) and (1.8).

## 2. PROOFS

We now turn to the proof of Theorem 1.2, which will occupy the remainder of the paper. It is based on results in [6] on the Fourier transform of smooth functions on a connected compact Lie group, which we will now recall.

Let  $G$  be a connected compact Lie group, with Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Choose and fix a maximal torus  $T$  with Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{t}$ . Then  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{z} \oplus [\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{g}]$ , where  $\mathfrak{z}$  is the center of  $\mathfrak{g}$  and where  $[\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{g}]$  is either zero or semisimple. In the latter case,  $(\mathfrak{t} \cap [\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{g}])_{\mathbb{C}}$  is a Cartan subalgebra of the semisimple complex Lie algebra  $[\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{g}]_{\mathbb{C}}$  and we let  $\Delta$  be the roots of  $[\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{g}]_{\mathbb{C}}$  relative to  $(\mathfrak{t} \cap [\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{g}])_{\mathbb{C}}$ . Fix a choice of positive roots, and hence a set of dominant weights on  $(\mathfrak{t} \cap [\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{g}])_{\mathbb{C}}$ .

Let  $\Gamma_G = \{X \in \mathfrak{t} : \exp X = 1\}$ , so that  $T \cong \mathfrak{t}/\Gamma_G$ . Then, according to [10, Theorem 4.6.12],  $\widehat{G}$  is in bijective correspondence with the set  $\Lambda_{\widehat{G}}$  of complex linear forms  $\lambda$  on  $\mathfrak{t}_{\mathbb{C}}$  such that

$$(1) \quad \lambda(\Gamma_G) \subset 2\pi i\mathbb{Z}.$$

(2)  $\lambda|_{(\mathfrak{t} \cap [\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{g}])_{\mathbb{C}}}$  is dominant integral.

The correspondence is via highest weight modules for  $(\mathfrak{t} \cap [\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{g}])_{\mathbb{C}}$ , but its precise form is not relevant for the present paper. Note that if  $[\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{g}] = 0$ , i.e., if  $G = T$ , then the above result is still valid if one takes condition (2) to be vacuously fulfilled.

As a notation in the sequel, we will let  $\lambda \in \Lambda_{\widehat{G}}$  correspond to  $(\pi_{\lambda}, H_{\lambda}) \in \widehat{G}$ .

The space  $C^{\infty}(G)$  is a Fréchet space when equipped with the seminorms  $p_D(f) = \|Df\|_{\infty}$ ,  $D \in U(\mathfrak{g})_{\mathbb{C}}$ , for  $f \in C^{\infty}(G)$ . As is stated below, its counterpart on the Fourier series side is the space  $\mathcal{S}(\widehat{G})$  of rapidly decreasing operator valued functions on  $\widehat{G}$ , which we now define. Fix a norm on the dual of  $\mathfrak{t}_{\mathbb{C}}$ . Then  $\mathcal{S}(\widehat{G})$  is the space of functions  $\phi : \Lambda_{\widehat{G}} \rightarrow \bigcup_{\pi \in \widehat{G}} \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(H_{\pi})$ , such that

- (a)  $\phi(\lambda) \in \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(H_{\pi_{\lambda}})$  for all  $\lambda \in \Lambda_{\widehat{G}}$ , and
- (b)  $\sup_{\lambda \in \Lambda_{\widehat{G}}} |\lambda|^s \|\phi(\lambda)\| < \infty$ , for all  $s \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ .

Here, and in the sequel, the norm of an element of  $\text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(H_{\pi})$  will always be its Hilbert–Schmidt norm. The space  $\mathcal{S}(\widehat{G})$  becomes a Fréchet space when equipped with the seminorms  $q_s(\phi) = \sup_{\lambda \in \Lambda_{\widehat{G}}} |\lambda|^s \|\phi(\lambda)\|$ , for  $\phi \in \mathcal{S}(\widehat{G})$  and  $s \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ .

Let  $f \in L^1(G)$ . In view of the description of  $\widehat{G}$  above, the Fourier transform  $\mathcal{F}f$  of  $f$ , as defined in (1.6), can be regarded as an operator valued function on  $\Lambda_{\widehat{G}}$  which satisfies (a). With this in mind we can now give the following alternative formulation of some of the results from [6]:

**Theorem 2.1.** *If  $f \in C^{\infty}(G)$ , then  $\mathcal{F}f \in \mathcal{S}(\widehat{G})$ . Moreover, the map  $\mathcal{F} : C^{\infty}(G) \rightarrow \mathcal{S}(\widehat{G})$  is a topological isomorphism of  $C^{\infty}(G)$  onto  $\mathcal{S}(\widehat{G})$ . The inverse map is given as*

$$(2.1) \quad (\mathcal{F}^{-1}\phi)(g) = \sum_{\pi \in \widehat{G}} \dim(\pi) \text{tr}(\phi(\pi)\pi(g^{-1})) \quad (\phi \in \mathcal{S}(\widehat{G}), g \in G),$$

where the series converges absolutely and uniformly on  $G$ .

The part on absolute and uniform convergence also follows from [4, 7]. If  $G$  is a torus, then this result specializes to a well known statement from classical Fourier analysis.

After these preparations, we can now prove Theorem 1.2 in a number of steps. Let  $D \in Z(U(\mathfrak{g})_{\mathbb{C}})$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ , and define  $\widetilde{T}_{D,p}$  as in the introduction. If  $f \in \mathcal{D}_{\widetilde{T}_{D,p}}$ , then  $Df \in L^p(G) \subset L^1(G)$ , so that  $\mathcal{F}(Df)(\pi)$  is defined for all  $\pi \in \widehat{G}$ . Since the matrix coefficients of  $\pi$  are smooth, it is easily seen that

$$\mathcal{F}(\widetilde{T}_{D,p}f)(\pi) = \chi_{\pi}(D^{\dagger})\mathcal{F}f(\pi) \quad (f \in \mathcal{D}_{\widetilde{T}_{D,p}}, \pi \in \widehat{G}),$$

which, since  $\chi_{\pi}(D^{\dagger}) = \chi_{\bar{\pi}}(D)$ , can also be written as

$$\mathcal{F}(\widetilde{T}_{D,p}f)(\pi) = \chi_{\bar{\pi}}(D)\mathcal{F}f(\pi) \quad (f \in \mathcal{D}_{\widetilde{T}_{D,p}}, \pi \in \widehat{G}).$$

**Lemma 2.2.** *If  $D \in Z(U(\mathfrak{g})_{\mathbb{C}})$  and  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ , then  $\widetilde{T}_{D,p}$  has SVEP.*

*Proof.* If  $U \subset \mathbb{C}$  is open and non-empty, and  $\phi : U \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{\widetilde{T}_{D,p}}$  is analytic and such that  $(\widetilde{T}_{D,p} - z)\phi_z = 0$  for  $z \in U$ , then taking Fourier transforms yields  $(\chi_{\bar{\pi}}(D) - z)\mathcal{F}\phi_z(\pi) = 0$ , for all  $z \in U$  and  $\pi \in \widehat{G}$ . If  $\pi \in \widehat{G}$  is fixed, we conclude that  $\mathcal{F}\phi_z(\pi) = 0$  for all  $z \in U$  with at most one exception, which could possibly occur at  $\chi_{\bar{\pi}}(D)$  if  $\chi_{\bar{\pi}}(D) \in U$ . However, since  $\mathcal{F}\phi_z(\pi)$  depends continuously on  $z$ , as a

consequence of the continuity of the inclusion  $L^p(G) \subset L^1(G)$ , such an exception does, in fact, not occur. Hence  $\mathcal{F}\phi_z(\pi) = 0$ , for all  $z \in U$  and  $\pi \in \widehat{G}$ , so that  $\phi_z = 0$  for all  $z \in U$  by the injectivity of the Fourier transform on  $L^1(G)$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 2.3.** *If  $f \in C^\infty(G)$ ,  $D \in Z(U(\mathfrak{g})_{\mathbb{C}})$  and  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ , then the local spectrum of  $\widetilde{T}_{D,p}$  at  $f$ , as an element of  $D_{\widetilde{T}_{D,p}}$ , is given by*

$$\sigma_{\widetilde{T}_{D,p}}(f) = \{\chi_{\bar{\pi}}(D) : \pi \in \text{supp } \mathcal{F}f\}^{\text{cl}}.$$

*Proof.* We first establish that

$$(2.2) \quad \rho_{\widetilde{T}_{D,p}}(f) \subset \mathbb{C} \setminus \{\chi_{\bar{\pi}}(D) : \pi \in \text{supp } \mathcal{F}f\}^{\text{cl}}.$$

To this end, suppose that  $\chi_{\bar{\pi}}(D) \in \rho_{\widetilde{T}_{D,p}}(f)$ , for some  $\pi \in \widehat{G}$ . Then there exist a neighborhood  $U$  of  $\chi_{\bar{\pi}}(D)$ , and an analytic function  $\phi : U \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{\widetilde{T}_{D,p}}$  such that  $(\widetilde{T}_{D,p} - z)\phi_z = f$ , for  $z \in U$ . Taking the Fourier transform at this particular  $\pi$  gives

$$(\chi_{\bar{\pi}}(D) - z)\mathcal{F}\phi_z(\pi) = \mathcal{F}f(\pi) \quad (z \in U).$$

Since  $\chi_{\bar{\pi}}(D)$  is in  $U$ , we can specify  $z$  at this value and conclude that  $\mathcal{F}f(\pi) = 0$  whenever  $\chi_{\bar{\pi}}(D) \in \rho_{\widetilde{T}_{D,p}}(f)$ . In other words, if  $\chi_{\cdot}(D) : \widehat{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  denotes the function which sends  $\pi \in \widehat{G}$  to  $\chi_{\bar{\pi}}(D)$ , then

$$\chi_{\cdot}(D)^{-1} \left[ \rho_{\widetilde{T}_{D,p}}(f) \right] \subset \widehat{G} \setminus \text{supp } \mathcal{F}f,$$

hence

$$\chi_{\cdot}(D)[\text{supp } \mathcal{F}f] \subset \mathbb{C} \setminus \rho_{\widetilde{T}_{D,p}}(f).$$

Since the right hand side is closed, we conclude that

$$(\chi_{\cdot}(D)[\text{supp } \mathcal{F}f])^{\text{cl}} \subset \mathbb{C} \setminus \rho_{\widetilde{T}_{D,p}}(f),$$

which is equivalent to (2.2).

Next, we show the reverse inclusion

$$(2.3) \quad \rho_{\widetilde{T}_{D,p}}(f) \supset \mathbb{C} \setminus \{\chi_{\bar{\pi}}(D) : \pi \in \text{supp } \mathcal{F}f\}^{\text{cl}},$$

which will complete the proof. Suppose  $z_0 \notin \{\chi_{\bar{\pi}}(D) : \pi \in \text{supp } \mathcal{F}f\}^{\text{cl}}$ , and let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be such that  $|\chi_{\bar{\pi}}(D) - z_0| > \varepsilon$ , for all  $\pi \in \text{supp } \mathcal{F}f$ . Let  $U = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - z_0| < \varepsilon/2\}$ , so that, for  $z \in U$  and  $\pi \in \text{supp } \mathcal{F}f$ , one has  $|\chi_{\bar{\pi}}(D) - z| > \varepsilon/2$ .

Define, for each  $z \in U$ , the function  $\psi_z : \widehat{G} \rightarrow \bigcup_{\pi \in \widehat{G}} \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(H_{\pi})$  by

$$\psi_z(\pi) = \begin{cases} \frac{\mathcal{F}f(\pi)}{\chi_{\bar{\pi}}(D) - z} & \text{if } \pi \in \text{supp } \mathcal{F}f; \\ 0 & \text{if } \pi \notin \text{supp } \mathcal{F}f. \end{cases}$$

Obviously  $\psi_z \in \mathcal{S}(\widehat{G})$ , since  $\mathcal{F}f \in \mathcal{S}(\widehat{G})$ . It is easy to verify that the map  $z \mapsto \psi_z$  is an analytic function from  $U$  to  $\mathcal{S}(\widehat{G})$ , hence, as a consequence of Theorem 2.1, the map  $z \mapsto \mathcal{F}^{-1}\psi_z$  is an analytic function from  $U$  to  $C^\infty(G)$ . Composing it with the continuous inclusion of  $C^\infty(G)$  in  $L^p(G)$ , we obtain an analytic map  $\phi : U \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{\widetilde{T}_{D,p}}$  defined as  $\phi_z = \mathcal{F}^{-1}\psi_z$ , for  $z \in U$ . Since  $\mathcal{F}[(\widetilde{T}_{D,p} - z)\phi_z] = \mathcal{F}f$  by construction, we conclude that  $(\widetilde{T}_{D,p} - z)\phi_z = f$ , for  $z \in U$ . Hence  $z_0 \in \rho_{\widetilde{T}_{D,p}}(f)$  as requested.  $\square$

The proof of Theorem 1.2 is now completed by the following result:

**Lemma 2.4.** *If  $D \in Z(U(\mathfrak{g})_C)$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$  and  $f \in C^\infty(G)$ , then in the extended positive real numbers*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\tilde{T}_{D,p}^n f\|_p^{1/n} = \sup \{ |\chi_{\bar{\pi}}(D)| : \pi \in \text{supp } \mathcal{F}f \}.$$

*Proof.* Suppose  $\pi \in \text{supp } \mathcal{F}f$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} |\chi_{\bar{\pi}}(D)|^n \|\mathcal{F}f(\pi)\| &= \|\mathcal{F}(\tilde{T}_{D,p}^n f)(\pi)\| \\ &\leq \int_G |\tilde{T}_{D,p}^n f(g)| \|\pi(g)\| dg \\ &= \dim(\pi)^{1/2} \|\tilde{T}_{D,p}^n f(g)\|_1 \\ &\leq \dim(\pi)^{1/2} \|\tilde{T}_{D,p}^n f(g)\|_p. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\|\mathcal{F}f(\pi)\| \neq 0$ , we conclude that

$$|\chi_{\bar{\pi}}(D)| \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\tilde{T}_{D,p}^n f(g)\|_p^{1/n},$$

hence

$$\sup \{ |\chi_{\bar{\pi}}(D)| : \pi \in \text{supp } \mathcal{F}f \} \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\tilde{T}_{D,p}^n f\|_p.$$

We will now proceed to show that

$$(2.4) \quad \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\tilde{T}_{D,p}^n f\|_p \leq \sup \{ |\chi_{\bar{\pi}}(D)| : \pi \in \text{supp } \mathcal{F}f \},$$

which will conclude the proof of the lemma. We may assume that the right hand side is finite. Let  $g \in G$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{T}_{D,p}^n f(g) &= (\mathcal{F}^{-1} \mathcal{F} \tilde{T}_{D,p}^n f)(g) \\ &= \sum_{\pi \in \hat{G}} \dim(\pi) \text{tr} [\mathcal{F} \tilde{T}_{D,p}^n f(\pi) \pi(g^{-1})] \\ &= \sum_{\pi \in \hat{G}} \dim(\pi) \chi_{\bar{\pi}}(D)^n \text{tr} [\mathcal{F}f(\pi) \pi(g^{-1})]. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$|\tilde{T}_{D,p}^n f(g)| \leq \sup \{ |\chi_{\bar{\pi}}(D)|^n : \pi \in \text{supp } \mathcal{F}f \} \cdot \sum_{\pi \in \hat{G}} \dim(\pi) |\text{tr} [\mathcal{F}(\pi) \pi(g^{-1})]|.$$

By Theorem 2.1, the series is bounded by a constant  $M$ , uniformly in  $g$ , so that

$$\|\tilde{T}_{D,p}^n f\|_p \leq M [\sup \{ |\chi_{\bar{\pi}}(D)| : \pi \in \text{supp } \mathcal{F}f \}]^n,$$

and (2.4) follows.  $\square$

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