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# DUAL SPACE AND HYPERDIMENSION OF COMPACT HYPERGROUPS

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**Abstract.** We characterize dual spaces and compute hyperdimensions of irreducible representations for two classes of compact hypergroups namely conjugacy classes of compact groups and compact hypergroups constructed by joining compact and finite hypergroups. Also, studying the representation theory of finite hypergroups, we highlight some interesting differences and similarities between the representation theories of finite hypergroups and finite groups. Finally, we compute the Heisenberg inequality for compact hypergroups.

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Richard Vrem studied representation theory of compact hypergroups [23]. He showed that, similar to the group case, for every irreducible representation  $\pi$  of a compact hypergroup H,  $\pi$  is of a finite dimension  $d_{\pi}$ . Here, we use  $\hat{H}$  to denote the maximal set of all irreducible representations of H which are pairwise inequivalent. The set  $\hat{H}$  equipped with the discrete topology is called the *dual space* of H.

Vrem showed that coefficient functions on compact hypergroups satisfy a hypergroup analogue of Peter–Weyl relation which is as follows [23]. For each pair  $\pi, \sigma \in \widehat{H}$  there exists a constant  $k_{\pi}$  such that for every coefficient functions  $\pi_{i,j}$  and  $\sigma_{k,l}$ ,

$$\int_{H} \pi_{i,j}(x) \overline{\sigma_{k,l}(x)} dx = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{k_{\pi}} & \text{when } i = k, j = l, \text{ and } \pi = \sigma \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(1)

It is proved that  $k_{\pi} \ge d_{\pi}$ . We call  $k_{\pi}$ , the *hyperdimension* of  $\pi$  after [4]. Recall that for a commutative (compact) hypergroup H, every representation  $\pi$  is one dimensional.

In this paper, we study dual spaces and hyperdimensions of irreducible representations for compact hypergroups. First, in Section 1, we present some preliminaries and simple computations on (commutative) compact hypergroups. It is interesting that the Plancherel theorem holds for commutative hypergroups. We show that the Plancherel measure on the dual space of hypergroups is nothing but the map that assigns each element of  $\hat{H}$  to its hyperdimension.

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Second, in Section 2, we characterize dual spaces and find hyperdimensions for two classes of compact hypergroups. For a compact group G, the conjugacy classes form a compact hypergroup. This hypergroup was introduced first by Jewett, in [14], as one of the prominent examples of compact hypergroups constructed on compact groups. Subsection 2.1 is dedicated to this class of commutative compact hypergroup of conjugacy classes and the discrete hypergroup constructed by irreducible representations of a compact group. The majority of the results in this subsection are known for the more general class of orbit hypergroups (look at [19] and [12]). By joining a compact hypergroup and a finite hypergroups first was defined and studied in [24] where the dual space of commutative case was also studied. In Subsection 2.2, we generalize the result of [24] to (not necessarily commutative) compact hypergroup joins and also compute their hyperdimensions.

Finite hypergroups have been of interest due to their many applications in number theory, combinatorics, operator algebras and conformal field theory, [25]. In Section 3, we study the representation theory of finite hypergroups. It is interesting that although this theory is very similar to the representation theory of finite groups, many dramatic differences appear in non-group cases. For an amenable Banach algebra A, there is an associated amenability constant AM(A) (as defined by B. E. Johnson). Vaguely speaking, amenability constant lets us measure amenability of Banach algebras. In this section, we study the amenability constant of hypergroup algebras for finite commutative hypergroups and present a concrete formula to compute it. Interestingly, we show that the lower bounds and boundary properties of the amenability constant of the center of the group algebras of finite groups do not hold for simple examples of finite commutative hypergroups. This study is a generalization of previous studies in [2, 5, 7] on ZL-amenability of finite groups.

We finish the paper with Section 4 on the uncertainty principle of compact hypergroups. The classical (Heisenberg) uncertainty principle states that a function and its Fourier transform cannot both be highly concentrated. In quantum mechanics, this implies that it is impossible to determine a particle's position and momentum simultaneously. We prove that a similar fact holds for compact hypergroups. We see that in the Heisenberg inequality of compact hypergroups, the hyperdimensions play an important role.

**1. Preliminaries.** Let *H* be a compact hypergroup. We assume that the Haar measure of *H*, denoted by  $\lambda_H$ , is normalized unless otherwise is stated. An (irreducible) representation  $\pi$  of *H* is

- (i) an (irreducible) \*-representation from M(H), the Banach \*-algebra of bounded Borel measures on H, into  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}_{\pi})$  for some Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}_{\pi}$ ,
- (ii)  $\pi(e) = I$ ,
- (iii) and for each pair  $\xi, \eta \in \mathcal{H}_{\pi}$ , the coefficient function  $\mu \mapsto \langle \pi(\mu)\xi, \eta \rangle$  forms a continuous function on  $M(H)^+$  with respect to the weak topology.

It is a consequence of this definition that each representation  $\pi$  is norm decreasing. For each irreducible representation  $\pi$  of H and  $x \in H$ ,  $\pi(x)$  is a  $d_{\pi} \times d_{\pi}$  matrix and therefore the *(hypergroup) character*  $x \mapsto \chi_{\pi}(x)$  which is the trace of  $\pi(x)$  as well as  $x \mapsto \pi_{i,j}(x)$ , the *coefficient function* constructed by the (i, j)-th coefficient of the matrix  $\pi(x)$  are continuous functions on H. One may easily apply the orthogonality relation (1) to get the following relation for characters.

$$\int_{H} \chi_{\pi}(x) \overline{\chi_{\sigma}(x)} dx = \begin{cases} \frac{d_{\pi}}{k_{\pi}} & \text{when } \pi = \sigma \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(2)

for  $\pi, \sigma \in \widehat{H}$ . Therefore,  $\|\chi_{\pi}\|_2^2 = d_{\pi}/k_{\pi}$ .

We will use the following lemma in Section 3. Its proof is a straightforward application of (1) and is similar to the group case, so we omit the proof here.

LEMMA 1.1. Let  $\pi_{i,j}$  and  $\sigma_{k,\ell}$  be two coefficient functions for representations  $\pi, \sigma \in \widehat{H}$  for a compact hypergroup H. Then,

$$\pi_{i,j} * \sigma_{k,\ell}(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \pi \neq \sigma \\ \frac{1}{k_{\pi}} \pi_{i,\ell}(x) & \text{if } \pi = \sigma \text{ and } j = k \end{cases}$$

Consequently,

$$k_{\pi} \chi_{\pi} * k_{\sigma} \chi_{\sigma}(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \pi \neq \sigma \\ k_{\pi} \chi_{\pi}(x) & \text{if } \pi = \sigma \end{cases}$$

For each  $\pi \in \widehat{H}$ , define  $\widehat{f}(\pi)$  to be the matrix  $[\langle f, \pi_{i,j} \rangle]_{ij=1}^{d_{\pi}}$  where  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  is the inner product of  $L^2(H)$ . For each  $f \in L^2(H)$ , applying the Fourier transform, we have

$$f = \sum_{\pi \in \widehat{H}} k_{\pi} \sum_{i,j=1}^{d_{\pi}} \widehat{f}(\pi)_{i,j} \pi_{i,j},$$
(3)

and the series converges in  $L^2(H)$ . Hence,

$$\|f\|_{2}^{2} = \sum_{\pi \in \widehat{H}} k_{\pi} \sum_{i,j=1}^{d_{\pi}} |\widehat{f}(\pi)_{i,j}|^{2} = \sum_{\pi \in \widehat{H}} k_{\pi} \|\widehat{f}(\pi)\|_{2}^{2},$$
(4)

for every  $f \in L^2(H)$ .

In particular if H is commutative, because every representation is 1 dimensional, (3) is re-written as

$$f = \sum_{\chi \in \widehat{H}} k_{\chi} \widehat{f}(\chi) \chi, \tag{5}$$

for  $\widehat{f}(\chi) = \langle f, \chi \rangle$ . Therefore,  $(\sqrt{k_{\chi}}\chi)$  forms an orthonormal basis for  $L^2(H)$ , by the orthogonality relation (2). Further,  $(k_{\chi}\chi)_{\chi\in\widehat{H}}$  forms the set of all minimal projections of  $L^1(H)$ , by Lemma 1.1. It is known that for every compact commutative hypergroup H, there is a measure  $\varpi$  on  $\widehat{H}$  with respect to that, the restriction of the Fourier transform to  $L^2(H)$  forms an isometry onto  $\ell^2(\widehat{H}, \varpi)$  (see [6, Section 2.2]). The measure  $\varpi$  is called the Plancherel measure on  $\widehat{H}$ .

**PROPOSITION 1.2.** Let H be a commutative compact hypergroup. Then, the Plancherel measure  $\varpi$  on every  $\pi \in \hat{H}$  is equal to  $k_{\pi}$ .

*Proof.* By (2), one easily gets  $k_{\psi}\widehat{\psi} = \delta_{\psi}$  for each  $\psi \in \widehat{H}$  where  $\delta_{\psi}$  is the point-mass function on  $\psi$  whose value is 1 at  $\psi$  and zero everywhere else. Hence, for a fixed  $\psi \in \widehat{H}$ , we get

$$\varpi(\psi) = \sum_{\chi \in \widehat{H}} \delta_{\psi}(\chi) \varpi(\chi) = \sum_{\chi \in \widehat{H}} |\delta_{\psi}(\chi)|^2 \varpi(\chi)$$
$$= k_{\psi}^2 \sum_{\chi \in \widehat{H}} |\widehat{\psi}(\chi)|^2 \varpi(\chi) = k_{\psi}^2 \int_H |\psi(x)|^2 d\lambda_H(x) = k_{\psi}^2 ||\psi||_2^2 = k_{\psi}.$$

Note that the first equation in the second line is based on the definition of the Plancherel measure.  $\hfill \Box$ 

EXAMPLE 1.3. Let G be a compact group. Obviously, G is a compact hypergroup. Readily based on the Peter–Weyl orthogonality relation for compact groups,  $k_{\pi} = d_{\pi}$  for every  $\pi \in \hat{G}$ . Hence, for a commutative compact group G, the Plancherel measure on  $\hat{G}$  is constantly 1.

Let *K* be a compact subhypergroup of a commutative hypergroup *H*. Then *K*/*H*, the set of all cosets of *K* in *H* equipped with the quotient topology through the mapping  $p_K : H \to K/H$ , where  $p_K(x) = xK$ , forms a commutative hypergroup. Further, if *H* is compact, so is *H*/*K*. The first part of the following corollary was proved in [6, Proposition 2.2.46] (for not necessarily compact hypergroups). Here, we let  $\hat{H}_K$  denote the set of all characters of *H*, say  $\chi$ , such that  $\chi(x) = 1$  for all  $x \in K$ .

COROLLARY 1.4. Let K be a closed subhypergroup of a compact commutative hypergroup H. Then, the mapping  $\Phi : \widehat{H}_K \to \widehat{H/K} \ (\chi \mapsto \chi \circ p_K)$  is a bijection such that  $k_{\pi} = k_{\Phi(\chi)}$  for all  $\chi \in \widehat{H}_K$ .

*Proof.* Here we just show the equality of the hyperdimenstions. To do so, by [6, Theorem 1.5.20], we have

$$\frac{1}{k_{\Phi(\chi)}} = \int_{H/K} |\Phi(\chi)(xK)|^2 d\lambda_{H/K}(xK) = \int_H |\chi(x)|^2 d\lambda_H(x) = \frac{1}{k_{\chi}},$$
$$\widehat{H}_{K}.$$

for  $\chi \in \widehat{H}_K$ .

#### 2. Two classes of compact hypergroups.

**2.1.** Conjugacy classes of a compact group. Let G be a compact group and Conj(G) denote the set of all conjugacy classes of G. Here, for each  $x \in G$ , we use  $C_x$  to denote the conjugacy class of x that is  $\{yxy^{-1} : y \in G\}$ . For each pair  $x, y \in G$ , the convolution \* defined by

$$\delta_{C_x} * \delta_{C_y} = \int_G \int_G \delta_{C_{xxs^{-1}tyt^{-1}}} ds dt, \tag{6}$$

forms a hypergroup action on Conj(G) when Conj(G) is equipped with the quotient topology carried through the canonical mapping  $x \mapsto C_x$ . A function  $f \in C(G)$  is called a *class function* if it is invariant on conjugacy classes of G. A class function  $f \in C(G)$ 

can be canonically considered as a continuous function on Conj(G). The Haar measure of Conj(G), denoted by  $\lambda_{\text{Conj}(G)}$ , is characterized as the measure on Conj(G) for that

$$\int_{G} f(x) d\lambda_{G}(x) = \int_{\operatorname{Conj}(G)} f(C_{x}) d\lambda_{\operatorname{Conj}(G)}(C_{x}),$$
(7)

for every class function f on G. Note that  $\operatorname{Conj}(G)$  is a commutative hypergroup, so for each  $\chi \in \widehat{\operatorname{Conj}}(G)$ ,  $d_{\chi} = 1$ .

This class of hypergroups fall into a larger class of commutative hypergroups, called orbit hypergroups. Orbit hypergroups are admitted by  $[FIA]^B$  locally compact groups G where B is a relatively compact group of automorphisms of G including all inner automorphism. For a detailed reference on this class of hypergroups look at [14, 8.1]. In [19], it was shown that the dual object of these commutative hypergroups can be identified with the set of all *B*-characters on G defined and studied formerly by Mosak [17]. This generalizes the first part of the following theorem.

THEOREM 2.1. Let G be a compact group and  $\operatorname{Conj}(G)$  denotes the hypergroup of conjugacy classes of G. Then, the mapping  $\pi \mapsto d_{\pi}^{-1}\chi_{\pi}$  is a bijection from  $\widehat{G}$  onto  $\widehat{\operatorname{Conj}}(G)$ . Further, for each  $\psi \in \widehat{\operatorname{Conj}}(G)$ ,  $k_{\psi} = d_{\pi}^2$  for  $\psi = d_{\pi}^{-1}\chi_{\pi}$ .

*Proof.* As we mentioned before, by [19] and [17], the dual object of  $\operatorname{Conj}(G)$  is identified with the set of all characters of G which are invariant under the conjugations of all inner automorphisms. But the former set is the set of all characters constructed by irreducible representations of G. Hence, there is a bijection from  $\widehat{G}$  onto  $\widehat{\operatorname{Conj}}(G)$  through the mapping  $\pi \mapsto \psi_{\pi}$  where  $\psi_{\pi}(C_x) := d_{\pi}^{-1}\chi_{\pi}(x)$  for every conjugacy class  $C_x \in \operatorname{Conj}(G)$ .

Since  $\operatorname{Conj}(G)$  is commutative,  $d_{\psi} = 1$  for all  $\psi \in \operatorname{Conj}(G)$ . Hence, for each  $\pi \in \widehat{G}$  by applying (2), we have

$$\frac{1}{k_{\psi_{\pi}}} = \int_{\text{Conj}(G)} |\psi_{\pi}(C)|^2 d\lambda_{\text{Conj}(G)}(C) = \frac{1}{d_{\pi}^2} \int_G |\chi_{\pi}(x)|^2 dx = \frac{1}{d_{\pi}^2}.$$

EXAMPLE 2.2. Let  $\mathbb{T}$  denote the compact group of  $\{x \in \mathbb{C} : x\overline{x} = 1\}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_2 = \{1, -1\}$ . Therefore, for each  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_2, x \mapsto x^{\alpha}$  forms a group automorphism on  $\mathbb{T}$ . We define *G* to be the semidirect product of  $\mathbb{T} \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_2$  with respect to this action. One simple computation implies that  $\operatorname{Conj}(G)$  is decomposed into three classes of elements, namely,  $C_{(1,1)} = \{(1,1)\}, C_{(x,-1)} = \{(y,-1) : y \in \mathbb{T}\}$ , and  $C_{(x,1)} = \{(x,1), (\overline{x}, 1)\}$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{T}$ . The irreducible representations of *G* are constructed by induction (see [10, Theorem 6.42]). There are two dimensional representations  $\pi_n$  for  $n \neq 0$  induced from  $\mathbb{T}$  into *G* and two linear representations  $\chi_1$  and  $\chi_{-1}$  as extensions of (linear) representations of  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ . Therefore,  $k_{\chi_{\pi}} = 4$  for all non-linear characters  $\chi_{\pi}$  associated to representations  $\pi$  of *G* while  $k_{\chi_{\pm 1}} = 1$  for the linear representations  $\chi_{\pm 1}$ .

EXAMPLE 2.3. Let SU(2) denote the compact group of  $2 \times 2$  special unitary matrices. It is straightforward that each conjugacy class of SU(2) except *I* and -I intersects the maximal tori of SU(2) twice. Therefore, one may represent Conj(SU(2)) by  $[0, \pi]$  (half of the tori). The representation theory of SU(2) is very well known, for example look at [10, Theorem 5.39]. The dual space  $\widehat{SU}(2)$  is represented by

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 $\{\pi_n : n = 0, 1, 2, ...\}$  where for each  $n, \pi_n$  is of dimension n + 1. Also the character  $\chi_n$ , constructed by the trace of  $\pi_n$ , is computed on  $\theta \in [0, \pi]$  by

$$\chi_n(\theta) = \frac{\sin((n+1)\theta)}{\sin(\theta)}.$$

Therefore,  $\{\psi_n := (n+1)^{-1}\chi_n : n = 0, 1, 2, ...\}$  forms the representation theory of Conj(SU(2)) as a commutative compact hypergroup, where for each n,  $k_{\psi_n} = (n+1)^2$ .

A commutative hypergroup H is called a strong hypergroup if its dual space,  $\hat{H}$ , forms a hypergroup whose Haar measure corresponds to the Plancherel measure. For a locally compact abelian group, this is always the case, but this is not true necessarily for many known examples of commutative hypergroups including many classes of polynomial hypergroups, see [6].

The hypergroup structures on the duals of (not necessarily compact) orbit hypergroups have been studied in [12] where a generalized proof for the following proposition is presented. Here, to be self-contained, we present a proof for the compact case which is shorter and relies on the theory of compact (hyper)groups.

**PROPOSITION 2.4.** Let G be a compact group. Then, Conj(G) and  $\widehat{G}$  both form strong hypergroups and they are dual objects of each other.

*Proof.* The fusion rule for compact groups is the key point to define a hypergroup action on the dual space of irreducible representations of compact groups. See [6, Example 1.1.14] or [1, Section 3] for a brief summary. In Theorem 2.1, we showed that the dual object of Conj(G) is isomorphic to  $\hat{G}$  as two discrete sets. Also we showed that for each  $\pi \in \hat{G}$ , the Plancherel measure  $\varpi(\pi) = d_{\pi}^2$ . But this matches exactly with the hypergroup Haar measure defined on  $\hat{G}$  based on its fusion rule.

To prove that the dual object of  $\widehat{G}$  is Conj(G), we need to recall that the hypergroup algebra of  $\widehat{G}$  is isometrically isomorphic to a subspace  $ZA(G) := ZL^1(G) \cap A(G)$  of the Fourier algebra of G where  $ZL^1(G)$  denotes the centre of the group algebra of G. (Some properties of ZA(G) have been studied extensively in [3].) It is proved that the maximal ideal space of ZA(G) is homeomorphic to Conj(G). See [13, 34.37] or [3, Proposition 3.1] for a generalized proof. Therefore the dual object of  $\widehat{G}$  is homeomorphic to Conj(G).

To finish the proof, we show that the Haar measure on  $\operatorname{Conj}(G)$ , (7), corresponds to the Plancherel measure of  $\widehat{G}$ , denoted by  $\varpi$ . To do so, we use this fact that the extension of the Fourier transform on  $L^2(\widehat{G})$  is an isometry onto  $L^2(\operatorname{Conj}(G), \varpi)$ . Also, in the proof of [1, Theorem 3.7], it was shown that  $L^2(\widehat{G})$  is isometrically isomorphic to  $ZL^2(G) = ZL^1(G) \cap L^2(G)$ . One simple averaging argument implies that  $ZL^2(G)$  is also isometrically isomorphic to  $L^2(\operatorname{Conj}(G))$ . This finishes the proof.

**2.2. Compact hypergroup joins.** In this subsection, we study compact hypergroups constructed by joining compact hypergroups with finite hypergroups, so called compact hypergroup joins. General hypergroup joins were defined and studied extensively in [24].

DEFINITION 2.5. Suppose  $(K, *_K)$  is a compact hypergroup and  $(J, *_J)$  is a discrete hypergroup with  $K \cap J = \{e\}$  where *e* is the identity of the both hypergroups. Let  $H = K \cup J$  have the unique topology for which *K* and *J* are closed subspaces of *H*. Let  $\lambda_K$  be the normalized Haar measure on *K* and define the operation \* on *H* as

follows:

- If  $s, t \in K$  then  $\delta_t * \delta_s = \delta_t *_K \delta_s$ .
- If s,  $t \in J$  and  $s \neq \tilde{t}$  then  $\delta_s * \delta_t = \delta_s *_J \delta_t$ .
- If  $s \in K$  and  $t \in J \setminus \{e\}$  then  $\delta_s * \delta_t = \delta_t * \delta_s = \delta_t$ .
- If  $s \in J$  and  $\delta_s *_J \delta_{\tilde{s}} = \sum_{t \in J} \alpha_t \delta_t$ ,

$$\delta_s * \delta_{\tilde{s}} = \alpha_e \lambda_K + \sum_{t \in J \setminus \{e\}} \alpha_t \delta_t.$$

We call *H* the *hypergroup join* of *K* and *J* and write  $H = K \lor J$ .

If the discrete hypergroup J is finite, the hypergroup join  $K \vee J$  forms a compact hypergroup. It should be noted that  $K \vee J$  and  $J \vee K$  are not necessarily equal for two non-equal finite hypergroups J and K.

The following lemma is a generalization of [24, Lemma 3.1].

LEMMA 2.6. Suppose  $H = K \vee J$  is a compact hypergroup. Then each  $\pi \in \widehat{K} \setminus \{1\}$  extends to a representation  $\Phi(\pi) \in \widehat{H}$  via

$$\Phi(\pi)(x) = \begin{cases} \pi(x) & x \in K \\ 0 & x \in J \setminus \{e\}. \end{cases}$$

Also for each  $\pi \in \widehat{J}$  there is some  $\Phi(\pi) \in \widehat{H}$  such that

$$\Phi(\pi)(x) = \begin{cases} \pi(x) & x \in J \\ I_{\pi} & x \in K. \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* First, let us consider the case that  $\pi \in \widehat{K} \setminus \{1\}$ . Clearly, for each  $s, t \in K$ ,  $\Phi(\pi)(\delta_x * \delta_y) = \Phi(\pi)(x)\Phi(\pi)(y)$ , since  $\Phi(\pi)|_K = \pi$ . If  $x, y \in J$  and  $x \neq \tilde{y}$  then  $\Phi(\pi)(\delta_s * \delta_t) = \Phi(\pi)(\delta_s *_J \delta_t) = 0 = \Phi(\pi)(s)\Phi(\pi)(t)$ . If  $s \in K$  and  $t \in J \setminus \{e\}$  then  $\Phi(\pi)(\delta_s * \delta_t) = \Phi(\pi)(t) = 0$ . If  $s \in J$  and  $\delta_s *_J \delta_{\tilde{s}} = \sum_{t \in J} \alpha_t \delta_t$ ,

$$\Phi(\pi)(\delta_s * \delta_{\tilde{s}}) = \alpha_e \pi(\lambda_K) + \sum_{t \in J \setminus \{e\}} \alpha_t \pi(t).$$

Here, note that for each  $1 \neq \pi \in \widehat{K}$ ,  $\pi(\lambda_K) = 0$  by (1). Hence,  $\Phi(\pi)(\delta_s * \delta_{\widetilde{s}}) = 0 = \Phi(\pi)(s)\Phi(\pi)(\widetilde{s})$ . Moreover, clearly  $\Phi(\pi)$  is an \*-continuous irreducible representation as is  $\pi$ .

Now let  $\pi \in \widehat{J}$ . If  $s, t \in K$  then  $\Phi(\pi)(\delta_t * \delta_s) = I_{\pi} = \Phi(\pi)(t)\Phi(\pi)(s)$ . If  $s, t \in J$ and  $s \neq \tilde{t}$  then  $\Phi(\pi)(\delta_s * \delta_t) = \Phi(\pi)(s)\Phi(\pi)(t)$  as  $\Phi(\pi)|_J = \pi$ . If  $s \in K$  and  $t \in J \setminus \{e\}$  then  $\Phi(\pi)(\delta_s * \delta_t) = \pi(t) = \Phi(\pi)(s)\Phi(\pi)(t)$ . And eventually, if  $s \in J$  and  $\delta_s *_J \delta_{\tilde{s}} = \sum_{t \in J} \alpha_t \delta_t$ ,

$$\Phi(\pi)(\delta_s * \delta_{\tilde{s}}) = \alpha_e \Phi(\pi)(\lambda_K) + \sum_{t \in J \setminus \{e\}} \alpha_t \pi(t).$$

Note that  $\Phi(\pi)(\lambda_K) = I_{\pi} = \pi(e)$  since  $\lambda_K$  is the normalized Haar measure on K; therefore,  $\Phi(\pi)(\delta_s * \delta_{\tilde{s}}) = \pi(\delta_s * \delta_{\tilde{s}}) = \pi(s)\pi(\tilde{s}) = \Phi(\pi)(s)\Phi(\pi)(\tilde{s})$ . Similarly,  $\Phi(\pi)$  is an \*-continuous irreducible representation as is  $\pi$ .

REMARK 2.7. The proof of Lemma 2.6 implies that [24, Lemma 3.1] cannot be accurate since Vrem has not excluded the trivial representation of  $\hat{H}$ . One may note that in the proof of Lemma 3.1, he assumed that  $\int_L \chi(x) dx = 0$  which is not precise regarding the trivial character  $\chi \equiv 1$ . Consequently, [24, Theorem 3.2] should be slightly modified correspondingly. Ironically, Vrem has considered the redundant of the identity for the dual case in Theorem 3.3 in [24].

For the rest of this subsection, let us assume that the Haar measure of H,  $\lambda_H$ , is normalized and the Haar measure of J,  $\lambda_J$ , is so that  $\lambda_J(e) = 1$ . Recall that since J is finite  $\lambda_J(J) < \infty$ . The following theorem is the main result of this subsection.

THEOREM 2.8. Let  $H = K \vee J$  be a compact hypergroup and  $J \neq \{e\}$ . Then, there is a bijection  $\Phi$  from  $(\widehat{K} \setminus \{1\}) \cup \widehat{J}$  onto  $\widehat{H}$ . Moreover, for each  $\pi \in (\widehat{K} \setminus \{1\}) \cup \widehat{J}$ ,  $d_{\Phi(\pi)} = d_{\pi}$  and

$$k_{\Phi(\pi)} = \begin{cases} k_{\pi} \lambda_J(J) & \pi \in \widehat{K} \setminus \{1\} \\ k_{\pi} & \pi \in \widehat{J} \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* In Lemma 2.6, we showed that  $\Phi$  is an injective mapping into  $\widehat{H}$ . Let  $\sigma \in \widehat{H}$ , we find some  $\pi \in (\widehat{K} \setminus \{1\}) \cup \widehat{J}$  such that  $\Phi(\pi) = \sigma$ . By [24, Theorem 2.3], there is a subset  $P \subseteq \widehat{H}$  such that  $\rho|_{J \setminus \{e\}} = 0$  for all  $\rho \in \widehat{H} \setminus P$  while  $\rho|_K = I_{\pi}$  for all  $\rho \in P$ . If  $\sigma$  belongs to P, we need to show  $\pi := \sigma|_J$  is an irreducible representation of  $(J, *_J)$ . Note that  $\pi$  is a hypergroup homomorphism, since  $\pi(e) = \sigma(\lambda_K) = I$ . Moreover,  $\sigma|_K = I$  guarantees that  $\pi$  is irreducible if and only if  $\sigma$  is irreducible. Therefore,  $\pi \in \widehat{J}$  and  $\sigma = \Phi(\pi)$ .

If  $\sigma \in \widehat{H} \setminus P$ , we show that  $\pi := \sigma|_K$  belongs to  $\widehat{K} \setminus \{1\}$ . To do so, first note that,  $\pi$  is clearly a homomorphism with respect to  $*_K$  and it is also irreducible. Further, since  $\sigma|_{J \setminus \{e\}} = 0$  and the topology on K is corresponding to the topology inherited from H into K,  $\pi$  is continuous with respect to the topology of K. We should show that  $\pi$  cannot be the trivial representation 1 on K. Towards a contradiction assume that  $\pi \equiv 1$ . If  $J \neq \{e\}$ , there is some  $s \neq e$  such that  $\delta_s *_J \delta_s = \sum_{t \in J} \alpha_t \delta_t$ , therefore,

$$0 = \pi'(s)\pi'(\tilde{s}) = \pi'(\delta_s * \delta_{\tilde{s}}) = \alpha_e \pi'(\lambda_K) + \sum_{t \in J \setminus \{e\}} \alpha_t \pi'(t) = \alpha_e \pi(\lambda_K) = \alpha_e \neq 0.$$

Therefore,  $\pi \neq 1$ .

The fact that  $d_{\pi} = d_{\Phi(\pi)}$  is immediate based on the first part of the proof. To study hyperdimensions, we need to apply the decomposition of the Haar measure of *H* obtained in [24], that is,  $\lambda_H = \lambda_K + \lambda'_J$  where  $\lambda_K$  is the normalized Haar measure of *K* and  $\lambda'_J(x) = \lambda_J(x)$  for every  $x \in J \setminus \{e\}$  and  $\lambda'_J(x) = 0$ . Furthermore,

$$\|\chi_{\Phi(\pi)}\|_2^2 = \frac{d_{\Phi(\pi)}}{k_{\Phi(\pi)}}\lambda_H(H) = \frac{d_\pi}{k_{\Phi(\pi)}}\lambda_J(J),$$

as an immediate consequence of (2). Hence,

$$\frac{d_{\pi}}{k_{\Phi(\pi)}}\lambda_J(J) = \int_H |\chi_{\Phi(\pi)}(x)|^2 d\lambda(x) = \int_K |\chi_{\Phi(\pi)}(x)|^2 d\lambda_K(x) + \sum_{x \in J \setminus \{e\}} |\chi_{\Phi(\pi)}(x)|^2 \lambda_J(x).$$
(8)

First let  $\pi \in \widehat{K} \setminus \{1\}$ . Therefore,  $\chi_{\Phi(\pi)}(x) = 0$  for all  $x \in J \setminus \{e\}$ ; hence,

$$\lambda_J(J)\frac{d_\pi}{k_{\Phi(\pi)}} = \int_K |\chi_\pi(x)|^2 d\lambda_K(x) = \frac{d_\pi}{k_\pi}.$$

Thus  $k_{\Phi(\pi)}$  has to be  $k_{\pi}\lambda_J(J)$ .

Second, let  $\pi \in \widehat{J}$ . Therefore,  $\chi_{\Phi(\pi)}|_K \equiv d_{\pi}$ . Hence,

$$\lambda_J(J)\frac{d_{\pi}}{k_{\Phi(\pi)}} = d_{\pi}^2 + \sum_{x \in J \setminus \{e\}} |\chi_{\pi}(x)|^2 \lambda_J(x) = \sum_{x \in J} |\chi_{\pi}(x)|^2 \lambda_J(x) = \lambda_J(J)\frac{d_{\pi}}{k_{\pi}}.$$

And this implies that  $k_{\Phi(\pi)} = k_{\pi}$ .

In the following example, using compact hypergroup joins, for each positive integer n, we construct a (commutative) hypergroup that has representations of hyperdimension p for a given 1 .

EXAMPLE 2.9. Let  $\mathbb{T}$  be the torus as a compact group and  $H_p$  the hypergroup defined in Example 3.6 for  $1 . Then, the compact hypergroup <math>\mathbb{T} \vee H_p$  is an (infinite) compact hypergroup join whose representations are either of hyperdimension *p* or p + 1.

**3. Finite hypergroups.** Let H be a discrete hypergroup. For each  $x \in H$ , it is known that function  $\lambda$  defined by  $\lambda(x) = (\delta_{\tilde{x}} * \delta_x)(e)^{-1}$  forms a Haar measure on *H*. Therefore,  $\lambda(x) \geq 1$  and the equality holds if and only if x is invertible in H. Thus, if  $\lambda(x) = 1$  for every  $x \in H$ , H is a group. In this section H is a finite hypergroup and  $\lambda_H$ (or simply  $\lambda$  if there is no risk of confusion) is the aforementioned Haar measure on H. We use  $\ell^1(H, \lambda)$  to denote the hypergroup algebra. Note that  $\lambda$  is not normalized unless H is a trivial hypergroup. So, we adjust some constants when we use results proved in the previous sections as there we assumed that the Haar measure is normalized.

Here by |A| we mean the (finite) cardinal of a set A.

**PROPOSITION 3.1.** Let H be a finite hypergroup.

- (i) Then,  $\sum_{\pi \in \widehat{H}} d_{\pi}^2 = |H|$ . In particular if H is commutative,  $|H| = |\widehat{H}|$ . (ii) Then.  $\sum_{\pi \in \widehat{H}} k_{\pi} d_{\pi} = \lambda(H)$ . In particular if H is commutative,  $\lambda(H) = \varpi(\widehat{H})$ .

*Proof.* The proof of (i) is simply based on this fact that  $\ell^2(H, \lambda)$  is a finite dimensional Hilbert space with  $\{\pi_{i,j} : \pi \in \widehat{H}, i, j = 1, ..., d_{\pi}\}$  and  $\{\delta_x : x \in H\}$  as two of its basis.

To prove (ii), note that for  $f = \delta_e \in \ell^2(H, \lambda)$ , by (4) and adjusting the normalization,

$$||f||_2^2 = \frac{1}{\lambda(H)} \sum_{\pi \in \widehat{H}} k_\pi ||\widehat{f}(\pi)||_2^2.$$

But, on one hand  $||f||_2^2 = 1$  and on the other hand,  $\hat{f}(\pi) = I_{d_{\pi}}$ .

COROLLARY 3.2. Let H be a finite hypergroup. Then, H is a group if and only if  $k_{\pi} = d_{\pi}$  for all  $\pi \in \widehat{H}$ .

 $\square$ 

*Proof.* If *H* is a group, it is known that  $k_{\pi} = d_{\pi}$  for every  $\pi \in \hat{H}$ , by Example 1.3. Conversely, let  $k_{\pi} = d_{\pi}$  for every  $\pi \in \hat{H}$ . Therefore, by Proposition 3.1 we have

$$|H| = \sum_{\pi \in \widehat{H}} k_{\pi} d_{\pi} = \lambda(H).$$

And this implies that for every  $x \in H$ ,  $\lambda(x) = 1$  which imposes H to become a group.

**PROPOSITION 3.3.** Let *H* be a finite commutative hypergroup. Then the following orthogonality relations hold on *H*.

$$\sum_{\alpha \in H} \chi_{\pi}(x) \overline{\chi_{\sigma}(x)} \lambda(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \pi \neq \sigma, \\ \frac{\lambda(H)}{k_{\pi}} & \text{if } \pi = \sigma. \end{cases}$$
(9)

and

$$\sum_{\pi \in \widehat{H}} \chi_{\pi}(x) \overline{\chi_{\pi}(y)} k_{\pi} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \neq y \\ \frac{\lambda(H)}{\lambda(x)} & \text{if } x = y \end{cases}$$
(10)

*Proof.* Note that the first orthogonality relation is nothing but (2). To prove the second one, let A be a  $|H| \times |H|$  matrix whose rows are labelled by elements of  $\hat{H}$  and whose columns are labelled by elements of H with entries  $a_{x,\pi} = \chi_{\pi}(x)\sqrt{\lambda(x)k_{\pi}}/\sqrt{\lambda(H)}$ . Thus by the first part of this proposition, the rows of the matrix A are orthonormal. This means that A is unitary and hence its columns are also orthonormal, which finishes the proof.

REMARK 3.4. Note that in Proposition 3.1 and especially in Proposition 3.3 we did not assume that  $\hat{H}$  is a hypergroup with respect to the Plancherel measure.

EXAMPLE 3.5. Let  $H = \{e, a, b\}$  the hypergroup presented in [14, Example 9.1C]. It is shown that  $\hat{H}$  does not form a hypergroup for  $\hat{H} = \{1, \chi, \psi\}$ . The convolution formulas computed in [14] imply that the Haar measure  $\lambda$  on H takes values 1, 4, 4 for e, a, b respectively. One also may compute the hyperdimensions based on their presence in (1) and gets  $k_1 = 1$ ,  $k_{\chi} = 36/17$ , and  $k_{\psi} = 100/17$ . Note that regarding these hyperdimensions and the character table of H, the orthogonality relation (10) holds, although  $\hat{H}$  is not a hypergroup.

As we observed in Example 3.5 unlike dimensions, the hyperdimensions of a compact hypergroup are not necessarily positive integers. Even more, in the following example we observe that for every real number  $1 \le p < \infty$ , there is a (commutative) hypergroup  $H_p$  of order 2 which has p as a hyperdimension.

EXAMPLE 3.6. Let  $1 be a fixed real number. Define <math>H_p := \{0, a\}$  where  $\delta_a * \delta_a = (1/p)\delta_0 + (1 - 1/p)\delta_a$ . Note that this implies that  $\lambda(a) = p$ . One can easily observe that the dual object of H is nothing but  $\hat{H} = \{1, \chi\}$  where  $\chi(a) = -1/p$ . But this implies that  $\|\chi\|_2^2 = (p+1)/p$  and therefore,  $k_{\chi} = p$ .

If A is a Banach algebra, we let  $A \otimes_{\gamma} A$  denote the projective tensor product of A with itself. We say A is *amenable* if it admits a *bounded approximate diagonal* (b.a.d.)

that is a bounded net  $(m_{\alpha}) \subseteq A \otimes_{\gamma} A$  which satisfies

$$\mathbf{m}(m_{\alpha})a \to a, \quad a \mathbf{m}(m_{\alpha}) \to a, \quad \text{and} \quad a \cdot m_{\alpha} - m_{\alpha} \cdot a \to 0,$$

for a in A, where  $\mathbf{m} : A \otimes_{\gamma} A \to A$  is the multiplication map, and the module actions of A on  $A \otimes_{\gamma} A$  are given on elementary tensors by  $a \cdot (b \otimes c) = (ab) \otimes c$  and  $(b \otimes c) \cdot a = b \otimes (ca)$ . This is not the original definition of amenability but it is equivalent to the cohomological one.

Note that if A is a finite dimensional commutative amenable Banach algebra, there is a unique ([11]) element  $\Delta \in A \otimes_{\gamma} A$  so that  $\mathbf{m}(\Delta) = e_A$  and  $a \cdot \Delta = \Delta \cdot a$  for every  $a \in A$  and the identity  $e_A$ .  $\Delta$  is called the *diagonal* of A. We can quantify amenability of A via the *amenability constant*, denoted by AM(A), which was defined in [15]. Let

$$AM(A) = \inf \{ \sup_{\alpha} \|m_{\alpha}\| : (m_{\alpha}) \text{ is a b.a.d. for } A \}$$

where we allow the infimum of an empty set to be  $\infty$ . Again for a finite dimensional amenable commutative Banach algebra *A*, AM(*A*) =  $\|\Delta\|$ .

For a locally compact group it is known that the group algebra is amenable if and only if its amenability constant is 1 (see [21, Corollary 1.11]). For a finite group G, the amenability constant of the center of the group algebra, denoted by  $Z\ell^1(G)$  has been studied before in [2, 5, 7]. Note that  $Z\ell^1(G)$  is nothing but the hypergroup algebra of Conj(G). In the following, we generalize these studies by computing the amenability constant for finite commutative hypergroups and observe that how different the results could be in comparison to the ones for  $Z\ell^1(G)$ .

The following theorem and its proof are a hypergroup adaptation of [5, Theorem 1.8].

THEOREM 3.7. Let *H* be a finite commutative hypergroup with the Haar measure  $\lambda$ . *Then,* 

$$\operatorname{AM}(\ell^{1}(H,\lambda)) = \frac{1}{\lambda(H)^{2}} \sum_{x,y \in H} \left| \sum_{\chi \in \widehat{H}} k_{\chi}^{2} \chi(x) \overline{\chi(y)} \right| \lambda(x) \lambda(y).$$

Also  $AM(\ell^1(H, \lambda)) \ge 1$  and the equality  $AM(\ell^1(H, \lambda)) = 1$  holds if and only if H is a group.

*Proof.* Using Lemma 1.1 one can check that for

$$\Delta = \frac{1}{\lambda(H)^2} \sum_{\chi \in \widehat{H}} k_{\chi}^2 \chi \otimes \chi, \qquad (11)$$

we have  $\psi \cdot \Delta = \Delta \cdot \psi$  and even more,  $\psi * \mathbf{m}(\Delta) = \mathbf{m}(\Delta) * \psi = \psi$  for every character  $\psi \in \widehat{H}$ . But note that the set of characters is a basis for  $\ell^1(H, \lambda)$ . Thus,  $\Delta$  is the unique diagonal of  $\ell^1(H, \lambda)$ .

So to compute the amenability constant of  $\ell^1(H, \lambda)$  it is enough to compute the 1-norm of  $\Delta$  as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{AM}(\ell^{1}(H,\lambda)) &= \frac{1}{\lambda(H)^{2}} \sum_{x,y \in H} \left| \sum_{\chi \in \widehat{H}} k_{\chi}^{2} \chi(x) \overline{\chi(y)} \right| \lambda(x) \lambda(y) \\ &\geq \frac{1}{\lambda(H)^{2}} \sum_{x \in H} \sum_{\chi \in \widehat{H}} k_{\chi}^{2} |\chi(x)|^{2} \lambda(x)^{2} \\ &\geq \frac{1}{\lambda(H)^{2}} \sum_{\chi \in \widehat{H}} k_{\chi}^{2} \sum_{x \in H} |\chi(x)|^{2} \lambda(x) \qquad (\dagger) \\ &\geq \frac{1}{\lambda(H)^{2}} \sum_{\chi \in \widehat{H}} k_{\chi}^{2} \frac{\lambda(H)}{k_{\chi}} \\ &\geq \frac{1}{\lambda(H)} \sum_{\chi \in \widehat{H}} k_{\chi} = 1. \end{aligned}$$

It is known that for an amenable locally compact group H, the amenability constant of the group algebra is 1 (see [21, Corollary 1.11]). Conversely, if H is not a group there should be at least one  $x \in H$  so that  $\lambda(x) > 1$ . Meanwhile there is some character  $\chi$  so that  $\chi(x) \neq 0$ . Therefore, the inequality (†) has to be strict. Hence,  $AM(\ell^1(H, \lambda)) > 1$ .

EXAMPLE 3.8. Let  $H_p$  be the commutative hypergroup introduced in Example 3.6 for 1 . By Theorem 3.7, we have

$$AM(\ell^{1}(H_{p},h)) = \frac{5p^{2} - 2p + 1}{(p+1)^{2}}.$$

Note that  $p \mapsto AM(\ell^1(H_p, \lambda))$  is an increasing function whose range is the interval (1, 5).

REMARK 3.9. Note that for a commutative finite hypergroup H, the diagonal  $\Delta \in \ell^1(H \times H, \lambda \times \lambda)$  is an idempotent. Example 3.8 implies that for every r > 1, we may find a commutative hypergroup which has an idempotent whose 1-norm is r. Compare this observation with Saeki's result, in [20], that says for an abelian locally compact group G and for every non-contractive idempotent  $\mu \in M(G)$ ,  $\|\mu\|_{M(G)} \ge (1 + \sqrt{2})/2$ .

EXAMPLE 3.10. Let *G* be a finite group. For the finite hypergroup Conj(G) with the Haar measure  $\lambda_{\text{Conj}}(C) = |C|$ , the formula of  $\text{AM}(\ell^1(\text{Conj}(G), \lambda_{\text{Conj}}))$  corresponds to the one in [5, Theorem 1.8] computed for  $Z\ell^1(G)$ . Also, for the finite hypergroup  $\widehat{G}$  with the Haar measure  $\lambda_{\widehat{G}}(\pi) = d_{\pi}^2$ , the formula obtained for  $\text{AM}(\ell^1(\widehat{G}, \lambda_{\widehat{G}}))$  corresponds to the one in [3, Proposition 4.2] computed for ZA(G).

4. Uncertainty principle for compact hypergroups. The uncertainty principle has been studied in special settings such as  $\mathbb{R}^n$  as well as in more general settings such as locally compact groups and in particular for compact groups, and a variety of results concerning lower bounds for the product of the measures of the support of a function and the support of its Fourier transform have been derived.

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The uncertainty principle on commutative hypergroups has been studied before. Many researchers considered different variations of the uncertainty inequality for a variety of commutative hypergroups. To name a few, Sturm-Liouville hypergroups, [9], commutative hypergroups with 1 not in the support of the Plancherel measure, [22], finite and  $\sigma$ -compact hypergroups, [16], and ultraspherical expansions, [18], were studied for this property. In this section, we focus on (not necessarily commutative) compact hypergroups and prove a Heisenberg inequality for them.

The main observation for the proof of the following theorem is inspired by [8]. In the following, tr(A) denotes the trace of a matrix A.

THEOREM 4.1. Let H be a compact hypergroup with the Haar measure  $\lambda$ . Then, for each  $f \in L^2(H)$ ,

$$\lambda(H) \leq \lambda(\operatorname{supp}(f)) \sum_{\pi \in \operatorname{supp}(\widehat{f})} k_{\pi} d_{\pi}.$$

*Proof.* Without loss of generality assume that  $\lambda(H) = 1$ . Let  $f \in L^2(H)$ . If  $\operatorname{supp}(\widehat{f})$  is infinite there is nothing left to be proved. So assume that  $\operatorname{supp}(\widehat{f})$  is finite. In this case, f is continuous and therefore for an arbitrary  $x \in H$ , applying (3) we get

$$\begin{split} |f(x)| &\leq \sum_{\pi \in \text{supp}(\widehat{f})} k_{\pi} |\widehat{f}(\pi)_{i,j} \pi_{i,j}(x)| \\ &= \sum_{\pi \in \text{supp}(\widehat{f})} k_{\pi} |\widehat{f}(\pi)_{i,j} \overline{\pi}_{j,i}(\widehat{x})| \\ &= \sum_{\pi \in \text{supp}(\widehat{f})} k_{\pi} |\operatorname{tr}(\widehat{f}(\pi) \overline{\pi}(\widehat{x}))|. \end{split}$$

Note that by properties of the Hilbert-Schmidt norm on matrices and since  $\overline{\pi}$  is a contractive representation on M(H),

$$|\operatorname{tr}(\widehat{f}(\pi)\overline{\pi}(\widetilde{x}))| \le \|\widehat{f}(\pi)\|_2 \|\overline{\pi}(\widetilde{x})\|_2 \le \|\widehat{f}(\pi)\|_2 \sqrt{d_\pi} \|\overline{\pi}(\widetilde{x})\| \le \sqrt{d_\pi} \|\widehat{f}(\pi)\|_2$$

Therefore, by Hölder's inequality, one gets

$$|f(x)|^{2} \leq \left(\sum_{\pi \in \operatorname{supp}(\widehat{f})} k_{\pi} \|\widehat{f}(\pi)\|_{2}^{2}\right) \left(\sum_{\pi \in \operatorname{supp}(\widehat{f})} k_{\pi} d_{\pi}\right)$$
$$= \|f\|_{2}^{2} \sum_{\pi \in \operatorname{supp}(\widehat{f})} k_{\pi} d_{\pi}$$
$$\leq \|f\|_{\infty}^{2} \lambda(\operatorname{supp}(f)) \sum_{\pi \in \operatorname{supp}(\widehat{f})} k_{\pi} d_{\pi}.$$

EXAMPLE 4.2. For a compact group G, for a function  $f \in L^2(G)$ , Theorem 4.1 implies the classical Heisenberg inequality

$$\lambda(G) \le \lambda_G(\operatorname{supp}(f)) \sum_{\pi \in \operatorname{supp}(\widehat{f})} d_{\pi}^2.$$
(12)

If f is a central function, i.e.  $f \in ZL^2(G)$ . Then, f can be considered as a function in  $L^2(\text{Conj}(G))$ . Note that in this case, for each  $\pi \in \widehat{G}$ ,  $\psi := d_{\pi}^{-1}\chi_{\pi} \in \widehat{\text{Conj}}(G)$  is linear while  $k_{\psi} = d_{\pi}^2$ . Therefore, Theorem 4.1 still implies the same inequality (12).

If G is a finite group, then for each  $f \in Z\ell^2(G) (= \ell^2(\operatorname{Conj}(G)))$ , the Fourier transform  $\widehat{f}$  is indeed a function in  $\ell^2(\widehat{G})$ . Note that  $\widehat{\widehat{f}} = f$  and its support is nothing but the set all conjugacy classes  $C \in \operatorname{Conj}(G)$ , for them  $f(C) \neq 0$ . Note that for each  $C \in \operatorname{Conj}(G)$ ,  $k_C = |C|$  which is a direct corollary of Proposition 1.2. Also  $|\widehat{G}| = \sum_{\pi \in \widehat{G}} d_{\pi}^2$  which is nothing but  $\lambda(G)$ . Now applying Theorem 4.1 for the finite hypergroup  $\widehat{G}$  we get the inequality (12) again.

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