

# Ext-vanishing phenomenon in branching laws

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# Cuspidal case

We view  $GL_n$  as subgroup of  $GL_{n+1}$  via the embedding:

$$g \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} g & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Remark

$GL_n$  does not have finite center. For cuspidal  $\pi$  of  $GL_{n+1}$ , we still have:

$$\pi|_{GL_n} \cong \text{ind}_{U_n}^{GL_n} \psi \text{ is projective}$$

In general, when  $\pi|_{GL_n}$  is projective? With Savin, we show that for sq. int. repr.  $\pi$  of  $GL_{n+1}$ ,  $\pi|_{GL_n}$  is also projective.

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- Jacquet–Piatetski-Shapiro–Shalika established an element in the Hom via Rankin-Selberg integral
- Also show for Archimedean  $F$  for Hom part of FJ case
- The proof is based on the use of Left-Right BZ derivatives!
- Results also hold for other Bessel models and Fourier-Jacobi models using GGP type reduction (C.20+)

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## Theorem (C.)

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$$\text{Ext}_{\text{GL}_n}^d(\pi, \pi') = 0,$$

where  $d$  is the cohomological dimension of the  $G_n$ -Bernstein block of  $\pi'$ .

Proof: Apply cohomological duality of Nori-Prasad,

$$\text{Ext}_{\text{GL}_n}^d(\pi, \pi') \cong \text{Hom}_{\text{GL}_n}(\mathbb{D}(\pi'), \pi)^\vee = 0,$$

where  $\mathbb{D}$  is the Aubert-Schneider-Stuhler-Zelevinsky involute. The proof of last equality is based on a use of Left-Right Bernstein-Zelevinsky filtration and proved in C.21!

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# Thank you!

