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*Explicit Plancherel Measure for  $PGL_2$  over a  $p$ -adic field.*

Computing an explicit Plancherel measure for a reductive group over the  $p$ -adic field has been a difficult task. A general theory has been developed in a joint paper by G.Henniart, C.Bushnell and P.Kutzko on computation of the Plancherel measure. The main ideas are to decompose  $\hat{G}$  into a union  $G = \cup_{\mathfrak{s} \in \mathfrak{B}(G)} G(\mathfrak{s})$  where elements in  $\mathfrak{B}(G)$  correspond to Bernstein components. We then know that we can identify each set  $G(\mathfrak{s})$  with the unitary dual of a Hecke algebra  $\mathcal{H}(G, \lambda)$  where  $(J, \lambda)$  is an  $\mathfrak{s}$ -type in the sense of Bushnell and Kutzko. Then the Hecke algebras can be seen as Hilbert algebras and they have a corresponding Plancherel measure that is related to the Plancherel measure in  $\hat{G}$  in a very explicit way. I will approach the problem of computing the Plancherel measure for  $PGL_2(F)$  using the method described above. (Received September 22, 2011)