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HOMOGENEOUS SPACES OF SIMPLY  
CONNECTED ALGEBRAIC GROUPS

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32.400	500	600	600	600	26.400	510	600	600
33.600	460	600	600	600	27.600	470	600	600
34.800	420	560	600	600	27.900	460	600	600
36.000	380	520	600	600	28.800	430	570	600
37.200	340	480	600	600	30.000	390	530	600
37.800	320	460	600	600	31.200	350	490	600
38.400	300	440	580	600	32.100	320	460	600
39.600	260	400	540	600	32.400	310	450	590
40.800	220	360	500	600	33.600	270	410	550
42.000	180	320	460	600	34.800	230	370	510
43.200	140	280	420	560	36.000	190	330	470
44.400	100	240	380	520	37.200	150	290	430
45.600	60	200	340	480	38.400	110	250	390
46.200	40	180	320	460	39.600	70	210	350
46.800	—	160	300	440	40.500	40	180	320
48.000	—	120	260	400	40.800	—	170	310
49.200	—	80	220	360	42.000	—	130	270
50.400	—	40	180	320	43.200	—	90	230
51.600	—	—	140	280	44.400	—	50	190
52.800	—	—	100	240	44.700	—	40	180
54.000	—	—	60	200	45.600	—	—	150
54.600	—	—	40	180	46.800	—	—	110
55.200	—	—	—	160	48.000	—	—	70
56.400	—	—	—	120	48.900	—	—	40
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**Introduction.** Let  $K$  be an algebraic number field and let  $S$  be a finite set of its places. An algebraic variety  $X$  over  $K$  is said to satisfy *the condition of weak approximation with respect to  $S$*  if

$$(WA_S) \quad X(K) \text{ is dense in } \overline{\bigcap_{v \in S} X(K_v)},$$

$K_v$  denoting the completion of  $K$  at  $v$ . We say that  $X$  satisfies *the condition of weak approximation* if

$$(WA) \quad X \text{ satisfies } (WA_S) \text{ for any finite } S.$$

Set  $K_S = \overline{\bigcap_{v \in S} K_v}$ ; then  $X(K_S) = \overline{\bigcap_{v \in S} X(K_v)}$ . Let  $\hat{X(K)_S}$  denote the closure of  $X(K)$  in  $X(K_S)$ .

Let  $T$  be an algebraic  $K$ -torus. Set  $A_S(T) = T(K_S)/\hat{T}(K)_S$ . The finite abelian group  $A_S(T)$  is the defect of  $(WA_S)$  for  $T$ ; in other words, it is the measure of failure of  $(WA_S)$  for  $T$ . In particular,  $T$  satisfies  $(WA_S)$  if and only if  $A_S(T) = 0$ . The group  $A_S(T)$  was studied by Voskresenskii (cf. [Vo1], [Vo2]). He related  $A_S(T)$  to a certain group  $H^1(K, \text{Pic } \bar{V}(T))$ . This group is a birational invariant of  $T$ ; as Sansuc later showed, it can be computed in terms of the arithmetic Brauer group  $\text{Br}_a T$  (cf. [Sa]).

For any connected algebraic  $K$ -group  $G$  one can define the set

$A_S(G) := G(K_S)/G(K)$ . As above,  $A_S(G)$  is the defect of  $(WA_S)$  for  $G$ . Sansuc [Sa] has generalized Voskresenskii's results. He proved that the subgroup  $G(K)$  is normal in  $G(K_S)$  and that the quotient group  $A_S(G)$  is finite and abelian. He showed also that it is possible to compute  $A_S(G)$  in terms of the arithmetic Brauer group  $\text{Br}_a G$  (or in terms of  $H^1(K, \text{Pic } V(G))$ , cf. [Sa], Propositions 8.9 and 9.8).

In this paper we consider the case of a homogeneous space. Let  $G$  be a simply connected algebraic  $K$ -group and  $H$  any connected  $K$ -subgroup of  $G$ . Set  $X = H \backslash G$ . We define a finite abelian group which we call the defect of  $(WA_S)$  for  $X$ . This group depends on  $H$  only; we denote it by  $A_S(X) = \Psi_S(H)$ . The group  $\Psi_S(H)$  can be computed from the Picard group  $H$ . We can also compute  $A_S(X)$  from  $\text{Br}_a X$  in the same way as it was done in [Sa] for algebraic groups. Our obstruction to  $(WA_S)$  is related to the Brauer–Manin obstruction that has been constructed by Colliot–Thélène and Sansuc [CT–Sa] (see also [Sa], 8.13).

**Remark 1.** The author has recently obtained certain sufficient conditions for *strong* approximation for  $X = H \backslash G$  (cf. [Brv1]).

**Remark 2.** A slightly more general case of  $X = H \backslash G$  with  $G$  not necessarily simply connected (e.g. with  $G$  adjoint) is considered in [Brv3].

**Remark 3.** Some results concerning *the Hasse principle* for homogeneous spaces were obtained by Rapinchuk [Ra]. Note that this problem is more difficult than that of weak approximation.

Our constructions and proofs are based on the results of Kottwitz [Ko1], [Ko2], who generalized the duality theory of Tate and Nakayama from the case of tori to that of all connected reductive  $K$ -groups. We use the weak approximation theorem for simply

connected groups which is due to Kneser [Kn1], [Kn2] in all the cases except  $E_8$  and to Harder [Ha3] in the  $E_8$  case; see Platonov [Pl1], [Pl2] for a uniform proof. We use the Hasse principle for simply connected groups which is due to Kneser [Kn3] (see also [Kn4]) in the classical cases and to Harder [Ha1] (see also [Ha2]) in exceptional ones, except  $E_8$ ; the proof for the  $E_8$  case, initiated by Harder [Ha1] in 1966, has been recently completed by V.I. Chernousov [Ch]. The idea to relate weak approximation to the Brauer group is inspired by the ideas and results of Manin, Voskresenskii, Colliot-Thélène and Sansuc.

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#### Notation.

$K$  is an algebraic number field,  $\bar{K}$  is an algebraic closure of  $K$ .  $\mathcal{V}$  (resp.  $\mathcal{V}_\infty$ ,  $\mathcal{V}_f$ ) is the set of places (resp. of infinite places, of finite places) of  $K$ . For any finite  $S \subset \mathcal{V}$  we set  $K_S = \prod_{v \in S} K_v$ . We let  $A$  denote the adele ring of  $K$ . For an algebraic  $K$ -group  $H$  we set

$$H^1(K_S, H) = \prod_{v \in S} H^1(K_v, H), \quad H^1(A, H) = \bigoplus_{v \in \mathcal{V}} H^1(K_v, H),$$

where  $\oplus$  denotes the subset of the direct product, consisting of the families  $(\xi_v)$  (where  $\xi_v \in H^1(K_v, H)$ ) such that  $\xi_v = 0$  for all  $v$  outside some finite set. We sometimes use the additive notation instead of the multiplicative one and write 0 instead of 1.

For a finite abelian group  $A$  we denote by  $A^\sim$  the dual group  $\text{Hom}(A, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z})$ .

For a connected algebraic  $K$ -group  $H$  let  $H^u$  denote its unipotent radical. Set

$H^{\text{red}} = H/H^{\text{u}}$ ; it is a reductive group. Note that  $H$  is simply connected if and only if  $H^{\text{red}}$  is a simply connected semisimple group. We let  $H^{\text{ss}}$  denote the derived group of  $H^{\text{red}}$ , and set  $H^{\text{tor}} = H^{\text{red}}/H^{\text{ss}}$ . Let  $H^{\text{sc}}$  denote the universal covering of  $H^{\text{ss}}$ . We have a canonical homomorphism  $\rho : H^{\text{sc}} \longrightarrow H^{\text{ss}} \longrightarrow H^{\text{red}}$ .

For any  $K$ -variety we write  $X$  for  $X_{\overline{K}}$ . For a  $K$ -torus  $T$  we denote by  $X_*(T)$  the cocharacter group  $\text{Hom}(\mathbb{G}_{m\overline{K}}, T)$ .

### 1. Main results

We are going to construct the finite abelian group  $\Psi_S(H)$ . Set  $B(H) = (\text{Pic } H)^\sim$ . For  $v \in \mathcal{V}$  set  $B_v(H) = B(H_{K_v})$ . The canonical morphism  $H_{K_v} \longrightarrow H$  induces a homomorphism  $\lambda_v : B_v(H) \longrightarrow B(H)$ . Let  $B^{(S)}(H)$  denote the subgroup of  $B(H)$  generated by the groups  $\text{im } \lambda_v$  for  $v \notin S$ , and set  $B'(H) = B^{(\emptyset)}(H)$ . Now we set  $\Psi_S(H) = B'(H)/B^{(S)}(H)$ .

**Theorem 1.1.** Let  $G$  be a simply connected group over a number field  $K$ , and let  $H$  be a connected  $K$ -subgroup of  $G$ . Set  $X = H \backslash G$ . Then there exists a canonical surjective map  $X(K_S) \longrightarrow \Psi_S(H)$  whose kernel is  $\hat{X(K_S)}$ .

We see that the condition  $(WA_S)$  for  $X$  is equivalent to the condition  $\Psi_S(H) = 0$ . In a sense  $\Psi_S(H)$  is the defect of  $(WA_S)$  for  $X = H \backslash G$ .

**Theorem 1.2.** There is a canonical exact sequence

$$H^1(K, H) \xrightarrow{j_S} \prod_{v \in S} H^1(K_v, H) \xrightarrow{\chi_S} \Psi_S(H) \longrightarrow 0 ,$$

where  $j_S$  is the localization map.

**Remark 1.3.** One can show that the above exact sequence is functorial in  $H$ .

**Theorem 1.4.**  $\Psi_S(H) = \Psi_S(H^{\text{tor}})$ .

Now set  $B^{(\omega)}(H) = \bigcap_S B^{(S)}(H)$ , where  $S$  runs over all the finite subsets of  $\mathcal{V}$ . We set  $\Psi_\omega(H) = B'(H)/B^{(\omega)}(H)$ . It is clear that  $\Psi_\omega(H) = 0$  if and only if  $\Psi_S(H) = 0$  for any finite  $S \subset \mathcal{V}$ .

**Corollary 1.5.**  $H \backslash G$  satisfies (WA) if and only if  $\Psi_\omega(H) = 0$ .

**Corollary 1.6.** Set  $T = H^{\text{tor}}$ . Let  $L/K$  be a Galois extension splitting  $T$ . Let  $S_0 \subset \mathcal{V}$  be the finite set of places (ramified in  $L$ ) with non-cyclic decomposition groups. Then  $\Psi_S(H) = \Psi_{S \cap S_0}(H)$ . In particular, if  $S \cap S_0 = \emptyset$  then  $H \backslash G$  satisfies (WA<sub>S</sub>).

**Corollary 1.7.** If  $H^{\text{tor}}$  splits over a cyclic extension of  $K$  (in particular, if  $H^{\text{tor}} = 1$ , i.e.  $H$  is semisimple), then  $H \backslash G$  satisfies (WA<sub>S</sub>).

**Corollary 1.8.** (Real approximation). If  $S \subset \mathcal{V}_\infty$  then  $H \backslash G$  satisfies (WA<sub>S</sub>) for any connected  $K$ -subgroup  $H \subset G$ .

Corollary 1.5 follows immediately from Theorem 1.1. Corollaries 1.7 and 1.8 follows from Corollary 1.6. To prove Corollary 1.6 note that  $\Psi_S(H) = \Psi_S(T)$  and  $\Psi_{S \cap S_0}(H) = \Psi_{S \cap S_0}(T)$  because of Theorem 1.4. By Theorem 1.2

$$\Psi_S(T) = \text{coker} [j_S : H^1(K, T) \longrightarrow \prod_{v \in S} H^1(K_v, T)] .$$

This cokernel is investigated in [Sa], where the notation  $\Psi_S$  is introduced. By Lemmas 1.5 and 1.8 of [Sa]  $\Psi_S(T) = \Psi_{S \cap S_0}(T)$ . Hence  $\Psi_S(H) = \Psi_{S \cap S_0}(H)$ . q.e.d.

Consider the arithmetic Brauer group  $\text{Br}_a X$  (see [Sa]). Set  $\mathcal{B}_S(X) = \ker [\text{Br}_a X \longrightarrow \prod_{v \notin S} \text{Br}_a(X_{K_v})]$ ,  $\mathcal{B}(X) = \mathcal{B}_\emptyset(X)$ .

**Theorem 1.9.**  $\Psi_S(H) = (\mathcal{B}_S(X)/\mathcal{B}(X))^\sim$ .

**Remark 1.10.** One can show (cf. [Brv3]) that the group  $A_S(X) := (\mathcal{B}_S(X)/\mathcal{B}(X))^\sim$  is the defect of  $(WA_S)$  for  $X = H \backslash G$  for any pair of connected  $K$ -groups  $H \subset G$  such that  $A_S(G) = \text{III}(G) = 0$ , where  $\text{III}$  denotes the Shafarevich–Tate group.

## 2. Results of Kottwitz

The group  $B(H)$  is computed in [Ko1] in terms of a connected Langlands dual group for  $H$ . We prefer to describe  $B(H)$  in terms of the algebraic fundamental group  $\pi_1(H)$  (cf. [Brv2], [Brv3]).

Let temporarily  $K$  be any field of characteristic 0, and let  $H$  be a connected  $K$ -group. Choose a maximal torus  $T \subset H^{\text{red}}$  (defined over  $K$ ). We write  $T^{(\text{sc})}$  for  $\rho^{-1}(T) \subset H^{\text{sc}}$  (see Notation).

**Definition 2.1.**  $\pi_1(H) = X_*(T)/\rho_* X_*(T^{(\text{sc})})$ . If  $T' \subset H^{\text{red}}$  is another maximal torus, then there is a canonical isomorphism

$$X_*(T')/\rho_* X_*(T'^{(\text{sc})}) \xrightarrow{\sim} X_*(T)/\rho_* X_*(T^{(\text{sc})})$$

of Galois modules (cf. [Brv2]). Thus the definition of the algebraic fundamental group  $\pi_1(H)$  is correct.

One can easily see that  $\pi_1$  is an exact functor from the category of connected  $K$ -groups to the category of  $\text{Gal}(K/K)$ -modules finitely generated over  $\mathbb{Z}$ . If  $K = \mathbb{C}$  then  $\pi_1(H)$  is the usual topological fundamental group  $\pi_1^{\text{top}}(G(\mathbb{C}))$  (cf. [Brv2]); this justifies the term. For any  $K$  there is a canonical isomorphism of Galois modules  $\pi_1(H) = X^*(Z(\hat{H}))$ ; where  $Z(\hat{H})$  is the center of a connected Langlands dual group for  $H$  and  $X^*(Z(\hat{H}))$  is the character group of  $Z(\hat{H})$  (cf. [Brv2], [Brv3]).

We write  $\Gamma$  for  $\text{Gal}(K/K)$ . Consider the torsion subgroup  $(\pi_1(H))_{\Gamma}^{\text{tors}}$  of the group of coinvariants  $\pi_1(H)_{\Gamma}$ .

**Proposition 2.2.** ([Ko1] 2.4.1).  $B(H) = (\pi_1(H))_{\Gamma}^{\text{tors}}$ .

**Remark 2.2.1.** Kottwitz states and proves Proposition 2.2 in terms of  $Z(\hat{H})$ .

Hereafter  $K$  is again a number field. Consider the homomorphism

$\lambda_v : B_v(H) \longrightarrow B(H)$ . Set  $M = \pi_1(H)$ . One can show (cf. [Ko2], 2.5, or [Brv2], Sect. 5) that in terms of  $\pi_1(H)$  the homomorphism  $\lambda_v$  is the obvious map  $(M_{\Gamma_v})_{\text{tors}} \longrightarrow (M_{\Gamma})_{\text{tors}}$ , where  $\Gamma_v$  is a decomposition group of  $v$  in  $K$  (defined up to conjugation). Let  $\Delta$  be the image of  $\Gamma$  in  $\text{Aut } \pi_1(H)$ , and let  $L/K$  be the Galois extension of  $K$  in  $K$  corresponding to  $\ker[\Gamma \longrightarrow \Delta]$ . Let  $\Delta_v$  be the image of  $\Gamma_v$  in  $\Delta$ . Then  $\text{Gal}(L/K) = \Delta$ , and  $\Delta_v$  is a decomposition group of  $v$  in  $L$ .

**Lemma 2.3.** The subgroup  $\text{im } \lambda_v \subset B(H)$  depends only on the conjugacy class of a decomposition group of  $v$  in  $L$ .

**Proof.** The homomorphism  $\lambda_v$  is the corestriction (i.e. obvious map)

$$(M_{\Gamma_v})_{\text{tors}} = (M_{\Delta_v})_{\text{tors}} \longrightarrow (M_{\Delta})_{\text{tors}} = (M_{\Gamma})_{\text{tors}}$$

where  $M = \pi_1(H)$ . Thus if  $v, w \in \mathcal{V}$  and the groups  $\Delta_v$  and  $\Delta_w$  are equal (up to conjugation), then  $\text{im } \lambda_v = \text{im } \lambda_w$ . q.e.d.

**Lemma 2.4.** If  $H^{\text{tor}} = 1$ , then  $\lambda_v : B_v(H) \longrightarrow B(H)$  is surjective for any  $v \in \mathcal{V}$ .

**Proof** Set  $M = \pi_1(H)$ . If  $H^{\text{tor}} = 1$ , then  $H^{\text{red}}$  is semisimple and  $M$  is finite. Hence the homomorphism

$$\lambda_v : B_v(H) = (M_{\Gamma_v})_{\text{tors}} = M_{\Gamma_v} \longrightarrow M_{\Gamma} = (M_{\Gamma})_{\text{tors}} = B(H)$$

is surjective. q.e.d.

In [Ko2], Theorem 1.2, Kottwitz constructs canonical maps  $\beta_v : H^1(K_v, H) \longrightarrow B_v(H)$  for  $v \in \mathcal{V}$ . He proves

**Proposition 2.5.** (Local non-archimedean Kottwitz theorem, [Ko1], 6.4, [Ko2], 1.2). If  $v \in \mathcal{V}_f$  then  $\beta_v$  is bijective.

Set  $\mu_v = \lambda_v \circ \beta_v : H^1(K_v, H) \longrightarrow B_v(H) \longrightarrow B(H)$ . Define

$$\mu = \sum \mu_v : H^1(A, H) = \bigoplus H^1(K_v, H) \longrightarrow B(H)$$

$$\mu((\xi_v)) = \sum_v \mu_v(\xi_v) .$$

Consider the localization map  $H^1(K, H) \longrightarrow \prod_{v \in \mathcal{V}} H^1(K_v, H)$ . Since  $H$  is connected, one can easily show that the image of this map lies in  $H^1(A, H) = \bigoplus H^1(K_v, H)$  (one can use Lang's theorem and Hensel's lemma). We denote the map  $H^1(K, H) \longrightarrow H^1(A, H)$  by  $j$ .

**Proposition 2.6.** (Global Kottwitz theorem, [Ko2], 2.5, 2.6).  $\ker \mu = \text{im } j$ .

For future needs we set  $\mu_S = \sum \mu_v : H^1(K_S, H) \longrightarrow B(H)$ . The image of  $\mu_S$  is contained in  $B'(H)$ . Set

$$\chi_S = \mu_S \bmod B^{(S)} : H^1(K_S, H) \longrightarrow \Psi_S(H) .$$

### 3. The group $\Psi_S(H)$ and the Brauer group.

**Proof of Theorem 1.4.** First suppose that  $H^{\text{tor}} = 1$ . Then by Lemma 2.4 the homomorphism  $\lambda_v : B_v(H) \longrightarrow B(H)$  is surjective for any  $v \in \mathcal{V}$ . Hence  $B(H) = B'(H) = B^{(S)}(H)$ , and therefore  $\Psi_S(H) = 0$ .

In the general case let  $H^{\text{nt}}$  be the kernel of  $H \longrightarrow H^{\text{tor}}$ . We have the exact sequence

$$X(H^{nt}) \longrightarrow \text{Pic } H^{\text{tor}} \longrightarrow \text{Pic } H \longrightarrow \text{Pic } H^{nt}$$

(cf. [Sa], 6.11), where the character group  $X(H^{nt})$  is trivial. We obtain the exact sequence

$$B(H^{nt}) \longrightarrow B(H) \longrightarrow B(H^{\text{tor}}) \longrightarrow 0$$

and similar exact sequences for the groups  $B_v$ . We see that in the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} B(H^{nt}) & = & B^{(S)}(H^{nt}) & \longrightarrow & B^{(S)}(H) & \longrightarrow & B^{(S)}(H^{\text{tor}}) \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \parallel & & \cap & & \cap \\ B(H^{nt}) & = & B'(H^{nt}) & \longrightarrow & B'(H) & \longrightarrow & B'(H^{\text{tor}}) \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

the rows are exact, whence we derive the desired assertion.

To prove Theorem 1.9. we need to recall the definition of the arithmetic Brauer group (cf. [Sa]). Let  $\text{Br } X$  denote the Brauer group of  $X$ , formed of the equivalence classes of Azumaya algebras on  $X$ . Set  $\text{Br}_1 X = \ker [\text{Br } X \longrightarrow \text{Br } \bar{X}]$ ,  $\text{Br}_a X = \text{Br}_1 X / \text{im} [\text{Br } K \longrightarrow \text{Br } X]$ , where  $\bar{X} = X_{\bar{K}}$ . For  $x \in X(K)$  set  $\text{Br}_x X = \ker [x^* : \text{Br}_1 X \longrightarrow \text{Br } K]$ . We have the canonical splitting  $\text{Br}_1 X = \text{Br}_x X \oplus \text{Br } K$ , whence  $\text{Br}_x X \cong \text{Br}_a X$ . Now let  $\text{Br}' X$  be the cohomological Brauer group, i.e.  $\text{Br}' X = H_{\text{et}}^2(X, \mathbb{G}_{\text{m}})$ . Set  $\text{Br}'_1 X = \ker [\text{Br}' X \longrightarrow \text{Br}' \bar{X}]$ . Then  $\text{Br}'_1 X = \text{Br}_1 X$  (cf. [Sa], (6.1.1)).

For a morphism  $f : X \longrightarrow Y$  let

$$\text{Br}_1 f : \text{Br}_1 Y \longrightarrow \text{Br}_1 X, \quad \text{Br}_x f : \text{Br}_{f(x)} Y \longrightarrow \text{Br}_x X$$

be the canonical homomorphisms. Then

$$\text{Br}_1 f = \text{Br}_X f \oplus 1 : \text{Br}_{f(X)} Y \oplus \text{Br} K \longrightarrow \text{Br}_X X \oplus \text{Br} K .$$

We set  $\text{Pic}_1 X = \ker [\text{Pic } X \longrightarrow \text{Pic } \bar{X}]$ . For a connected  $K$ -group  $H$  set  $B_1(H) = (\text{Pic}_1 H)^\sim$  and define  $B_{1v}(H)$ ,  $B_{1v}^{(S)}(H)$ ,  $B'_1(H)$  and  $\Psi_{1S}(H)$  like  $B_v(H) \dots \Psi_S(H)$  but with  $B_1(H)$  instead of  $B(H)$ . Let  $\bar{\lambda} : B(\bar{H}) \longrightarrow B(H)$  be the homomorphism induced by the canonical morphism  $\bar{H} \longrightarrow H$ .

**Lemma 3.1.**  $\Psi_{1S}(H) = \Psi_S(H)$ .

**Proof.** Consider the morphisms  $\bar{H} \longrightarrow H_{K_v} \longrightarrow H$ . We see that  $\text{im}[\lambda_v : B_v(H) \longrightarrow B(H)] \supset \text{im} \bar{\lambda}$ . Hence  $B^{(S)}(H) \supset \text{im} \bar{\lambda}$  and  $B'(H) \supset \text{im} \bar{\lambda}$ . We have  $B_1(H) = B(H)/\text{im} \bar{\lambda}$ . Hence  $\Psi_{1S}(H) = B'_1(H)/B_1^{(S)}(H) \cong B'(H)/B^{(S)}(H) = \Psi_S(H)$ . q.e.d.

**Proof of Theorem 1.9.** The torsor  $f : G \longrightarrow X$  under  $H$  gives rise to the exact sequence

$$\text{Pic } G \longrightarrow \text{Pic } H \longrightarrow \text{Br}' X \longrightarrow \text{Br}' G$$

(cf. [Sa], (6.10.1)). Since  $G$  is simply connected,  $\text{Pic } G = 0$  (cf. [Sa], 6.9). From the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & \text{Pic } H & \longrightarrow & \text{Br}' X & \longrightarrow & \text{Br}' G \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & \text{Pic } \bar{H} & \longrightarrow & \text{Br}' \bar{X} & \longrightarrow & \text{Br}' \bar{G} \end{array}$$

with exact rows, we get the exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \text{Pic}_1 H \longrightarrow \text{Br}'_1 X \xrightarrow{\text{Br}'_1 f} \text{Br}_1 G .$$

Let  $x \in X(K)$  be the image of the neutral element  $e \in G(K)$ . Then

$$\text{Br}'_1 f = \text{Br}_e f \oplus 1 : \text{Br}_x X \oplus \text{Br}_K K \longrightarrow \text{Br}_e G \oplus \text{Br}_K K .$$

Thus the sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \text{Pic}_1 H \longrightarrow \text{Br}_x X \xrightarrow{\text{Br}_e f} \text{Br}_e G$$

is exact. But  $\text{Br}_e G = \text{Br}_a G = 0$  (cf. [Sa], 6.9), hence  $\text{Br}_a X = \text{Br}_x X = \text{Pic}_1 H$ .

Now we see that

$$\begin{aligned} B_1^{(S)}(H) &= \text{coker} [\bigoplus_{v \notin S} B_{1v}(H) \longrightarrow B_1(H)] \\ &= \text{coker} [\bigoplus_{v \notin S} (\text{Pic}_1 H_{K_v})^\sim \longrightarrow (\text{Pic}_1 H)^\sim] \\ &= \ker [\text{Pic}_1 H \longrightarrow \prod_{v \notin S} \text{Pic}_1 H_{K_v}]^\sim \\ &= \ker [\text{Br}_a X \longrightarrow \prod_{v \notin S} \text{Br}_a X_{K_v}]^\sim \\ &= \mathcal{B}_S(X)^\sim \end{aligned}$$

Since  $B'_1(H) = B_1^{(\emptyset)}(H)$  and  $\mathcal{B}(X) = \mathcal{B}_{\emptyset}(X)$ , we have  $B'(H) = \mathcal{B}(X)^\sim$ . By definition  $\mathcal{U}_{1S}(H) = B'_1(H)/B_1^{(S)}(H)$ , hence

$$\Psi_{1S}(H) = \mathcal{B}(X)^{\sim} / \mathcal{B}_S(X)^{\sim} = (\mathcal{B}_S(X) / \mathcal{B}(X))^{\sim} .$$

By Lemma 3.1  $\Psi_{1S}(H) = \Psi_S(H)$ . Thus  $\Psi_S(H) = (\mathcal{B}_S(X) / \mathcal{B}(X))^{\sim}$ .

q.e.d.

#### 4. Cohomological results

To prove Theorem 1.2 we need

**Lemma 4.1.** (i) For  $v \in \mathcal{V}_f$  we have  $\text{im } \lambda_v = \text{im } \mu_v$ .

(ii) For any finite  $S \subset \mathcal{V}$  and any  $v \in \mathcal{V}_\infty$  there exists  $w \in \mathcal{V}_f - S$  such that

$$\text{im } \mu_w = \text{im } \lambda_w = \text{im } \lambda_v \supset \text{im } \mu_v .$$

(iii)  $B^{(S)}(H) = B^{(S \cap \mathcal{V}_f)}(H) = B^{(\text{SU } \mathcal{V}_\infty)}(H)$ ; in particular  $B'(H) = B^{(\mathcal{V}_\infty)}(H)$ .

$$(iv) \quad \Psi_S(H) = \Psi_{S \cap \mathcal{V}_f}(H) .$$

**Proof.** By proposition 2.5 the map  $\beta_v$  is bijective for  $v \in \mathcal{V}_f$ , whence (i). By Lemma 2.3 the group  $\text{im } \lambda_v$  depends only on the conjugacy class of a decomposition group  $\Delta_v$  of  $v$  in  $L$ , where  $L$  is defined in Section 2. For  $v \in \mathcal{V}_\infty$  the group  $\Delta_v$  is cyclic. Chebotarev's density theorem implies the existence of  $w \in \mathcal{V}_f - S$  such that  $\Delta_w = \Delta_v$  up to conjugation. Then  $\text{im } \lambda_w = \text{im } \lambda_v$  by Lemma 2.3. We have  $\text{im } \lambda_v \supset \text{im } \mu_v$ ; by the assertion (i)  $\text{im } \lambda_w = \text{im } \mu_w$ . The assertion (ii) is proved. It is clear that (ii) implies (iii) and (iv).

**Proof of Theorem 1.2.** Consider the sequence

$$H^1(K, H) \xrightarrow{j_S} H^1(K_S, H) \xrightarrow{\chi_S} \mathfrak{U}_S(H) \longrightarrow 0$$

where  $\chi_S$  is defined at the end of Section 2. First we prove that  $\chi_S$  is surjective. By definition the group  $B'(H)$  is generated by the groups  $\lambda_v(B_v(H))$  for all  $v \in \mathcal{V}$ . However, by Lemma 4.1 (iii)  $B'(H) = B^{(\mathcal{V}_\infty)}(H)$ , i.e.  $B'(H)$  is generated by the groups  $\text{im } \lambda_v = \text{im } \mu_v$  for  $v \in \mathcal{V}_f = (S \cap \mathcal{V}_f) \cup (\mathcal{V}_f - S)$ . We see that

$$\text{im } [\mu_S : H^1(K_S, H) \longrightarrow B(H)] + B^{(S)}(H) \supseteq \text{im } \mu_{S \cap \mathcal{V}_f} + B^{(S)}(H) = B'(H),$$

and the desired surjectivity follows.

Proposition 2.6 implies that  $\text{im}(\mu_S \circ j_S) \subseteq B^{(S)}(H)$ , hence  $\chi_S \circ j_S = 0$ . We must show that  $\ker \chi_S = \text{im } j_S$ . Suppose that  $\xi_S \in H^1(K_S, H)$ ,  $\chi_S(\xi_S) = 0$ . Then  $\mu_S(\xi_S) \in B^{(S)}(H)$ . By Lemma 4.1 (iii)  $\mu_S(\xi_S) \in B^{(S \cup \mathcal{V}_\infty)}(H)$ . Hence there are a finite set  $\Sigma \subseteq \mathcal{V}_f - S$  and an element  $\xi_\Sigma \in H^1(K_\Sigma, H)$  such that  $\mu_S(\xi_S) + \mu_\Sigma(\xi_\Sigma) = 0$ . Set  $\xi_A = \xi_S \times \xi_\Sigma \times 0 \in H^1(A, H)$ . Then  $\mu(\xi_A) = 0$ . By Proposition 2.6  $\xi_A = j(\xi)$  for some  $\xi \in H^1(K, H)$ . Clearly  $\xi_S = j_S(\xi)$ . q.e.d.

## 5. Weak approximation

To prove Theorem 1.1 consider the orbit spaces: the set of orbits  $\mathfrak{O}(X, G, K)$  of  $G(K)$  in  $X(K)$  and the set of orbits  $\mathfrak{O}(X, G, K_S)$  of  $G(K_S)$  in  $X(K_S) = \prod_{v \in S} X(K_v)$ . Any orbit of  $G(K_S)$  in  $X(K_S)$  is open, hence any orbit is closed. Since  $G$  is simply connected,  $G$  satisfies  $(WA_S)$  for any finite  $S$  (cf. [Pl1], or [Pl2], § 4). Thus  $(x \cdot G(K))^{\hat{}}_S = x \cdot G(K)^{\hat{}}_S = x \cdot G(K_S)$  for any  $x \in X(K)$ . Consider the map

$i_S : \Omega(X, G, K) \longrightarrow \Omega(X, G, K_S)$  induced by the embedding  $X(K) \longrightarrow X(K_S)$ . We see that  $X(K)_S = U \circ$  where  $\circ$  runs over  $\text{im } i_S$ . Thus  $(WA_S)$  for  $X$  is equivalent to the surjectivity of  $i_S$ .

The orbit spaces can be described in cohomological terms. Set

$$\begin{aligned} k &= \ker [H^1(K, H) \longrightarrow H^1(K, G)] , \\ k_S &= \ker [H^1(K_S, H) \longrightarrow H^1(K_S, G)] . \end{aligned}$$

Using the exact cohomology sequences associated with the subgroup  $H$  of  $G$  (see [Se], Ch.1, § 5.4, Cor. 1 of Prop. 36), we can identify

$$\Omega(X, G, K) = k , \quad \Omega(X, G, K_S) = k_S .$$

In these terms the map  $i_S : k \longrightarrow k_S$  is the restriction of the localization map  $j_S : H^1(K, H) \longrightarrow H^1(K_S, H)$  to  $k$ . Now it is clear that Theorem 1.1 follows from

**Proposition 5.1.** Let  $\nu_S$  be the restriction of  $\chi_S : H^1(K_S, H) \longrightarrow S(H)$  to  $k_S \subset H^1(K_S, H)$ . Then the sequence

$$k \xrightarrow{i_S} k_S \xrightarrow{\nu_S} S(H) \longrightarrow 0$$

is exact.

**Proof of Proposition 5.1.** First we prove the surjectivity of  $\nu_S$ . Set  $\Sigma = S \cap Y_f$ . By Theorem 1.2  $\chi_\Sigma$  is surjective, i.e.  $B^{(\Sigma)}(H) + \text{im } \mu_\Sigma = B'(H)$ . Since  $H^1(K_\Sigma, G) = 0$  by Kneser's theorem,  $k_\Sigma = H^1(K_\Sigma, H)$ . Hence  $\mu_\Sigma(k_\Sigma) + B^{(\Sigma)}(H) = B'(H)$ . By Lemma 4.1

(iii)  $B^{(\Sigma)}(H) = B^{(S)}(H)$ . Since  $\mu_{\Sigma}(k_{\Sigma}) \subset \mu_S(k_S)$ , we see that  $\mu_S(k_S) + B^{(S)}(H) = B'(H)$ , i.e.  $\nu_S(k_S) = j_S(H)$ .

By Theorem 1.2  $\chi_S \circ j_S = 0$ , hence  $\nu_S \circ i_S = 0$ . We must show that  $\ker \nu_S = \text{im } i_S$ . Assume that  $\xi_S \in k_S$  and  $\nu_S(\xi_S) = 0$  (i.e.  $\chi_S(\xi_S) = 0$ ). We construct an element  $\xi \in H^1(K, H)$  as in the proof of Theorem 1.2. Then  $j_S(\xi) = \xi_S$ . We wish to prove that  $\xi \in k$ . By construction we have  $j_S(\xi) = \xi_A = (\xi_v^*)_v \in H^1(A, H)$ , where  $\xi_v^* = \xi_v$  for  $v \in S$  and  $\xi_v^* = 0$  for  $v \in V_{\infty} - S$ . Hence  $\xi_v^* \in k_v = \ker[H^1(K_v, H) \longrightarrow H^1(K_v, G)]$  for any  $v \in V_{\infty}$ . By the Hasse principle for  $G$ , we have  $\xi \in k$ . Proposition 5.1 is proved, and so is Theorem 1.1.

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