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## Admissibility for Monomial Representations of Exponential Lie Groups

Let G be a simply connected exponential solvable Lie group, H a closed connected subgroup, and let  $\tau$  be a representation of G induced from a unitary character  $\chi_f$  of H. The spectrum of  $\tau$  corresponds via the orbit method to the set  $G \cdot A_{\tau}/G$  of coadjoint orbits that meet the spectral variety  $A_{\tau} = f + \mathfrak{h}^{\perp}$ . We prove that the spectral measure of  $\tau$  is absolutely continuous with respect to the Plancherel measure if and only if H acts freely on some point of  $A_{\tau}$ . As a corollary we show that if G is nonunimodular, then  $\tau$  has admissible vectors if and only if the preceding orbital condition holds.

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