

Reduction to radial parts

- $G \equiv G_n = GL(n, \mathbf{R})$, $K \equiv K_n = O(n)$: maximal compact subgroup of G
- $N \equiv N_n = \{(x_{ij}) \in G_n \mid x_{ii} = 1, x_{ij} = 0 \ (i > j)\}$: maximal unipotent subgroup of G
- $G = NAK$: Iwasawa decomposition with $A \equiv A_n = \{y = \text{diag}(y_1 y_2 \cdots y_n, y_2 \cdots y_n, \dots, y_n) \mid y_i > 0\}$
- $\psi_{\mathbf{R}}(t) = \exp(2\pi\sqrt{-1}t)$ ($t \in \mathbf{R}$), $\psi_N(x) = \psi_{\mathbf{R}}(x_{12} + \cdots + x_{n-1,n})$ ($x = (x_{ij}) \in N$)
- (π, H_{π}) : irreducible admissible representation of G
- $C^\infty(N \backslash G, \psi_N) = \{f \in C^\infty(G, \mathbf{C}) \mid f(xg) = \psi_N(x)f(g), \forall (x, g) \in N \times G\}$
- $\mathcal{I}_{\pi, \psi} := \{\Phi \mid \Phi \in \text{Hom}_{(\mathfrak{g}, K)}(H_{\pi, K}, C^\infty(N \backslash G, \psi_N)), \Phi(v) \text{ is of moderate growth } (v \in H_{\pi, K})\}$
- $\mathcal{W}(\pi, \psi_{\mathbf{R}}) = \{\Phi(v) \mid \Phi \in \mathcal{I}_{\pi, \psi}, v \in H_{\pi, K}\}$: Whittaker model of π
- (π, H_{π}) , $(\pi', H_{\pi'})$: irreducible admissible generic representations of G_{n+1} , G_n
- (τ, V_{τ}) , $(\tau', V_{\tau'})$: irreducible representations of K_n with K_n -embeddings $\varphi : V_{\tau} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{W}(\pi, \psi_{\mathbf{R}})$, $\varphi' : V_{\tau'} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{W}(\pi', \psi_{\mathbf{R}}^{-1})$

Lemma 1. For $W \in \mathcal{W}(\pi, \psi_{\mathbf{R}})$ and $W' \in \mathcal{W}(\pi', \psi_{\mathbf{R}}^{-1})$ we set

$$Z(s, W, W') := \int_{N_n \backslash G_n} W \begin{pmatrix} g & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} W'(g) |\det g|^{s-1/2} dg.$$

For $v \in V_{\tau}$ and $v' \in V_{\tau'}$, we have

$$Z(s, \varphi(v), \varphi'(v')) = \frac{\langle v, v' \rangle}{\dim V_{\tau}} \sum_{i=1}^{\dim V_{\tau}} \int_{A_n} \varphi(v_i) \begin{pmatrix} y & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} \varphi'(v'_i)(y) |\det y|^{s-1/2} \delta(y)^{-1} dy$$

if $\tau' = \widehat{\tau}$ (contragredient of τ), and $Z(s, \varphi(v), \varphi'(v')) = 0$ if $\tau' \not\cong \widehat{\tau}$. Here $\{v_i\}$ is a basis of V_{τ} and $\{v'_i\}$ is its dual basis of $V_{\tau'} = V_{\widehat{\tau}}$ and $\delta(y) = \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} y_i^{i(n-i)/2}$.

Explicit formulas for $GL(2, \mathbf{R})$ -Whittaker functions

- $\pi = D_{(\nu, l)}$: discrete series of G_2 ($\nu \in \mathbf{C}, l \in \mathbf{Z}_{>0}$)
- $\lambda \in \mathbf{Z}_{>0}$
- $(\tau_{\lambda}^{(2)}, V_{\lambda}^{(2)}) = \mathbf{C}v_{\lambda} \oplus \mathbf{C}v_{-\lambda} \in \widehat{K_2}$ with K_2 -action $\tau_{\lambda}^{(2)} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} v_q = e^{\sqrt{-1}q\theta} v_q$, $\tau_{\lambda}^{(2)} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} v_q = v_{-q}$ ($q \in \{\pm\lambda\}$)
- $\widehat{K_2} = \{1, \det\} \cup \{\tau_{\lambda}^{(2)} \mid \lambda \in \mathbf{Z}_{>0}\}$
- $D_{(\nu, l)}|_{K_2} \cong \bigoplus_{i=0}^{\infty} \tau_{l+1+2i}^{(2)}$

Proposition 2. There exists a K_2 -embedding $\varphi : V_{l+1}^{(2)} \rightarrow \mathcal{W}(D_{(\nu, l)}, \psi_{\mathbf{R}}^{\varepsilon})$ ($\varepsilon \in \{\pm 1\}$) whose radial part is given by

$$\varphi(v_{\varepsilon'(l+1)})(\text{diag}(y_1 y_2, y_2)) = \delta_{\varepsilon, \varepsilon'} \cdot y_1^{1/2} y_2^{2\nu} \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{-1}} \int_s \Gamma_{\mathbf{C}}\left(s + \nu + \frac{l}{2}\right) y_1^{-s} ds, \quad (\varepsilon' \in \{\pm 1\}),$$

where $\int_s$ is a vertical line from $\text{Re}(s) - \sqrt{-1}\infty$ to $\text{Re}(s) + \sqrt{-1}\infty$ with the sufficiently large real part to keep the poles of the integrand on its left.

Explicit formulas for $GL(3, \mathbf{R})$ -Whittaker functions

- $\pi = \text{Ind}_{P_{2,1}}(D_{(\nu_1, l)} \boxtimes \chi_{(\nu_2, \delta)})$: generalized principal series of G_3 ($\nu_1, \nu_2 \in \mathbf{C}, l \in \mathbf{Z}_{>0}, \delta \in \{0, 1\}$)
- $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2)$, $\lambda_1 \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}$, $\lambda_2 \in \{0, 1\}$
- $P_{\lambda} = \{\text{degree } \lambda_1 \text{ homogeneous polynomial in } z_1, z_2, z_3\}$
- K_3 acts on P_{λ} by $(T_{\lambda}(k)p)(z_1, z_2, z_3) = (\det k)^{\lambda_2} p((z_1, z_2, z_3) \cdot k)$, $k \in K_3$, $p \in P_{\lambda}$
- $(\tau_{\lambda}^{(3)}, V_{\lambda}^{(3)}) \in \widehat{K_3}$: quotient representation of T_{λ} on $V_{\lambda}^{(3)} = P_{\lambda}/(z_1^2 + z_2^2 + z_3^2)P_{\lambda-(2,0)}$
- $S_{\lambda} = \{\mathbf{m} = (m_1, m_2, m_3) \in (\mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0})^3 \mid m_1 + m_2 + m_3 = \lambda_1\}$
- $\{u_{\mathbf{m}}^{\lambda} = \text{image of } z_1^{m_1} z_2^{m_2} z_3^{m_3} \text{ under } P_{\lambda} \rightarrow V_{\lambda}^{(3)} \mid \mathbf{m} = (m_1, m_2, m_3) \in S_{\lambda}\}$: generator of $V_{\lambda}^{(3)}$
- $\{v_q^{\lambda} := \text{image of } ((\text{sgn } q)z_1 + \sqrt{-1}z_2)^{|q|} z_3^{\lambda_1 - |q|} \mid -\lambda_1 \leq q \leq \lambda_1\}$: basis of $V_{\lambda}^{(3)}$
- $\tau_{\lambda}^{(3)} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} v_q^{\lambda} = e^{\sqrt{-1}q\theta} v_q^{\lambda}$, $\tau_{\lambda}^{(3)}(\text{diag}(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \varepsilon_3))v_q^{\lambda} = \varepsilon_1^{\lambda_2} \varepsilon_2^{\lambda_2+q} \varepsilon_3^{\lambda_1+\lambda_2+q} v_{\varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 q}^{\lambda}$ ($\varepsilon_i \in \{\pm 1\}$)
- $\tau_{\lambda}^{(3)}|_{K_2} \cong \det^{\lambda_2} \oplus \bigoplus_{i=1}^{\lambda_1} \tau_i^{(2)}$, $\tau_i^{(2)} \ni v_{\pm i} \rightarrow v_{\pm i}^{\lambda} \in \tau_{\lambda}^{(3)}$: K_2 -injection
- $\pi|_{K_3} \cong \tau_{(l+1, \delta)}^{(3)} \oplus \tau_{(l+2, 1-\delta)}^{(3)} \oplus \bigoplus_{i=2}^{\infty} m(i) \tau_{(l+1+i, \delta(i))}^{(3)}$ with $\delta(i) \equiv \delta + i + 1 \pmod{2}$ and $m(i) \geq 2$ (multiplicity)

Theorem 3. [1] There exists a K_3 -embedding $\varphi : V_{(l+1, \delta)}^{(3)} \rightarrow \mathcal{W}(\pi, \psi_{\mathbf{R}})$ whose radial part is given by

$$\varphi(u_{\mathbf{m}}^{\lambda})(\text{diag}(y_1 y_2 y_3, y_2 y_3, y_3)) = (\sqrt{-1})^{m_1 - m_3} y_1 y_2 (y_2 y_3)^{2\nu_1 + \nu_2} \cdot \frac{1}{(2\pi\sqrt{-1})^2} \int_{s_2} \int_{s_1} \Gamma_{\mathbf{m}}(s_1, s_2) y_1^{-s_1} y_2^{-s_2} ds_1 ds_2,$$

where

$$\Gamma_{\mathbf{m}}(s_1, s_2) = \frac{\Gamma_{\mathbf{C}}(s_1 + \nu_1 + \frac{l}{2}) \Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(s_1 + \nu_2 + m_1) \Gamma_{\mathbf{C}}(s_2 - \nu_1 + \frac{l}{2}) \Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(s_2 - \nu_2 + m_3)}{\Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(s_1 + s_2 + m_1 + m_3)}.$$

- $\pi = \text{Ind}_{P_{2,1}}(D_{(\nu_1, l)} \boxtimes \chi_{(\nu_2, \delta)}), \pi' = D_{(\nu', l')}$ with $l \geq l'$
- $V_\tau = V_{l'+1}^{(2)} = \mathbf{C}v_{l'+1} \oplus \mathbf{C}v_{-(l'+1)}$
- $\varphi : V_{l'+1}^{(2)} \hookrightarrow V_{(l+1, \delta)}^{(3)} \rightarrow \mathcal{W}(\pi, \psi_{\mathbf{R}})$
- $\varphi' : V_{l'+1}^{(2)} \rightarrow \mathcal{W}(\pi', \psi_{\mathbf{R}}^{-1})$

Theorem 4. [2] For $v, v' \in V_{l'+1}^{(2)}$, we have

$$Z(s, \varphi(v), \varphi(v')) = \langle v, v' \rangle (\sqrt{-1})^{2l'-l+1} \Gamma_{\mathbf{C}}(s + \nu_1 + \nu' + \frac{l+l'}{2}) \Gamma_{\mathbf{C}}(s + \nu_1 + \nu' + \frac{l-l'}{2}) \Gamma_{\mathbf{C}}(s + \nu_2 + \nu' + \frac{l'}{2}).$$

(outline of proof) We have

$$Z(s) \equiv Z(s, \varphi(v), \varphi'(v')) = \frac{\langle v, v' \rangle}{2} \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \varphi(v_{l'+1})(\text{diag}(y_1 y_2, y_2, 1)) \varphi'(v_{-(l'+1)})(\text{diag}(y_1 y_2, y_2)) y_1^{s-3/2} y_2^{2s-1} \frac{dy_1}{y_1} \frac{dy_2}{y_2}$$

Since $(z_1 + \sqrt{-1}z_2)^{l'+1} z_3^{l-l'} = \sum_{j=0}^{l'+1} \binom{l'+1}{j} \sqrt{-1}^{l'+1-j} z_1^j z_2^{l'+1-j} z_3^{l-l'}$, Mellin-inversion implies that

$$\begin{aligned} Z(s) &= \frac{\langle v, v' \rangle}{2} \sqrt{-1}^{2l'-l+1} \Gamma_{\mathbf{C}}(2s + \nu_1 + \nu_2 + 2\nu' + \frac{l}{2}) \Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(2s + 2\nu_1 + 2\nu' + l - l') \sum_{j=0}^{l'+1} \binom{l'+1}{j} \\ &\quad \times \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{-1}} \int_t \frac{\Gamma_{\mathbf{C}}(s - t + \nu_1 + \frac{l}{2}) \Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(s - t + \nu_2 + j)}{\Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(3s - t + 2\nu_1 + \nu_2 + 2\nu' + j + l - l')} \cdot \Gamma_{\mathbf{C}}(t + \nu' + \frac{l'}{2}) dt. \end{aligned}$$

Substituting $t \rightarrow t + j$ and using the formula

$$\sum_{j=0}^m \binom{m}{j} \Gamma_{\mathbf{C}}(a + j) \Gamma_{\mathbf{C}}(b - j) = \frac{\Gamma_{\mathbf{C}}(a) \Gamma_{\mathbf{C}}(b - m) \Gamma_{\mathbf{C}}(a + b)}{\Gamma_{\mathbf{C}}(a + b - m)},$$

we know that

$$\begin{aligned} Z(s) &= \frac{\langle v, v' \rangle}{2} \sqrt{-1}^{2l'-l+1} \Gamma_{\mathbf{C}}(2s + \nu_1 + \nu_2 + 2\nu' + \frac{l}{2}) \Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(2s + 2\nu_1 + 2\nu' + l - l') \cdot \frac{\Gamma_{\mathbf{C}}(s + \nu_1 + \nu' + \frac{l+l'}{2})}{\Gamma_{\mathbf{C}}(s + \nu_1 + \nu' + \frac{l-l'}{2} - 1)} \\ &\quad \times \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{-1}} \int_t \frac{\Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(s - t + \nu_2) \Gamma_{\mathbf{C}}(t + \nu' + \frac{l'}{2}) \Gamma_{\mathbf{C}}(s - t + \nu_1 + \frac{l}{2} - l' - 1)}{\Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(3s - t + 2\nu_1 + \nu_2 + 2\nu' + l - l')} dt. \end{aligned}$$

From the formulas $\Gamma_{\mathbf{C}}(s) = \Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(s) \Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(s + 1)$ (duplation formula) and

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{4\pi\sqrt{-1}} \int_t \frac{\Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(t + a) \Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(t + b) \Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(t + c) \Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(-t + d) \Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(-t + e)}{\Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(t + a + b + c + d + e)} dt \\ &= \frac{\Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(a + d) \Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(b + d) \Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(c + d) \Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(a + e) \Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(b + e) \Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(c + e)}{\Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(a + b + d + e) \Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(a + c + d + e) \Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(b + c + d + e)} \end{aligned}$$

(Barnes' second lemma), we can get the assertion. $\square$

- Barnes' first lemma:

$$\frac{1}{4\pi\sqrt{-1}} \int_t \Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(t + a) \Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(t + b) \Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(-t + c) \Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(-t + d) dt = \frac{\Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(a + c) \Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(a + d) \Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(b + c) \Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(b + d)}{\Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}(a + b + c + d)}$$

Remark 1. The case $l' > l$:

- $E_{ij} \in \mathfrak{gl}(3, \mathbf{R})$: matrix unit
- $\lambda \in \mathbf{Z}_{>0}$, $\mathcal{D}_\lambda := \mathbf{C}\text{-span}\{E_\lambda = (E_{23} - \sqrt{-1}E_{13})^\lambda, E_{-\lambda} = (E_{23} + \sqrt{-1}E_{13})^\lambda\} \subset U(\mathfrak{gl}(3, \mathbf{C}))$
- $\mathcal{D}_\lambda \cong V_\lambda^{(2)}$ as K_2 -module (adjoint action on $\mathcal{D}_\lambda$) via $E_{\pm\lambda} \leftrightarrow v_{\pm\lambda}$
- $\varphi : V_{l'+1}^{(2)} \hookrightarrow V_{l'+1}^{(2)} \otimes V_{l+1}^{(2)} \rightarrow \mathcal{W}(\pi, \psi_{\mathbf{R}})$, $\varphi' : V_{l'+1}^{(2)} \rightarrow \mathcal{W}(\pi', \psi_{\mathbf{R}}^{-1})$

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