

**THE FUNCTIONAL EQUATION OF ZETA DISTRIBUTIONS
ASSOCIATED WITH PREHOMOGENEOUS
VECTOR SPACES $(\tilde{G}, \tilde{\rho}, M(n, C))$**

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Introduction

Let (G, ρ, V) be a triple of a linear algebraic group G and a rational representation ρ on a finite dimensional vector space V , all defined over the complex number field C .

We call the triple (G, ρ, V) a prehomogeneous vector space if G has a Zariski-open orbit. Assume that the triple (G, ρ, V) is a prehomogeneous vector space. Then there exists a proper algebraic subset S of V such that $V - S$ is a single G -orbit. The algebraic set S is called the singular set of (G, ρ, V) . For a rational character of G , a non-zero rational function P on V is called a relative invariant of (G, ρ, V) corresponding to χ if

$$P(\rho(g)x) = \chi(g)P(x) \quad (g \in G, x \in V).$$

Let P_1, \dots, P_n be irreducible polynomials defining the components of S with codimension 1. It is known that P_1, \dots, P_n are relative invariants of (G, ρ, V) (cf. [1]). The set $\{P_1, \dots, P_n\}$ is called a complete set of irreducible relative invariants of (G, ρ, V) .

The purpose of this paper is to give an explicit expression for the Fourier transform of relative invariants on a certain class of prehomogeneous vector spaces.

NOTATION. We denote by Z , R and C the ring of integers, the rational number field and the complex number field, respectively. For $z \in C$, we set $e(z) = \exp(2\pi\sqrt{-1}z)$. We denote by $M(n, C)$ (resp. $M(n, R)$) the complex (resp. real) vector space consisting of all n by n matrices with entries in C (resp. R). For any matrix x , ${}^t x$ denotes the transposed matrix. For

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$x \in M(n, C)$, we set $x^* = {}^t x^{-1}$. For a C^∞ -manifold X , $C_0^\infty(X)$ denotes the space of C^∞ -functions with compact support on X . We denote by $\Gamma(z)$ the usual Gamma function. We denote by $B_n(C)$ (resp. $B_n(\mathbf{R})$) the subgroup of the general linear group $GL(n, C)$ (resp. $GL(n, \mathbf{R})$) consisting of all upper triangular matrices.

§1. Prehomogeneous vector space $(\tilde{G}, \tilde{\rho}, M(n, C))$

1.1. Let G be a linear algebraic group, $\rho: G \rightarrow GL(n, C)$ a rational representation of G both defined over C . We denote by \tilde{G} the direct product group $G \times B_n(C)$. For any $x \in M(n, C)$ and $\tilde{g} = (g, a) \in \tilde{G}$, set $\tilde{\rho}(\tilde{g})x = \rho(g)xa^{-1}$. Then $\tilde{\rho}$ is a rational representation of \tilde{G} . We denote by $\tilde{\rho}^*$ the contragredient representation to $\tilde{\rho}$. It is known that the triple $(\tilde{G}, \tilde{\rho}, M(n, C))$ is a prehomogeneous vector space if and only if the triple $(G, \tilde{\rho}^*, M(n, C))$ is a prehomogeneous vector space. In what follows we assume that the triplet $(\tilde{G}, \tilde{\rho}, M(n, C))$ is a P.V. Let $\{P_0, \dots, P_k\}$ be a complete set of irreducible relative invariants of $(\tilde{G}, \tilde{\rho}, M(n, C))$ and χ_0, \dots, χ_k characters of P_0, \dots, P_k , respectively. Since $\det x$ is an irreducible relative invariant of $(\tilde{G}, \tilde{\rho}, M(n, C))$, we may set $P_0(x) = \det x$. Let $P(x)$ be any relative invariant polynomial of $(\tilde{G}, \tilde{\rho}, M(n, C))$. For any $x \in M(n, C)$, we denote by x^ℓ the ℓ -th column vector of x . Then it is known that $P(x)$ is homogeneous with respect to each column vector x^ℓ ($1 \leq \ell \leq n$). Denoting by λ_ℓ the homogeneous degree of $P(x)$ with respect to x^ℓ , one can show that λ_ℓ 's satisfy

$$\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n, \quad (\text{cf. [6]}).$$

Denoting by λ the n -tuple $(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$, we call λ the partition corresponding to the relative invariant polynomial $P(x)$. Let $\lambda(0), \dots, \lambda(k)$ be partitions corresponding to P_0, \dots, P_k , respectively. We set

$$\begin{aligned} P_0^*(x) &= P_0(x) = \det x, & \chi_0^* &= \chi_0, \\ P_i^*(x) &= P_i(x^*)P_0(x)^{\lambda(i)_1} & \text{and} & \chi_i^* = \chi_i^{-1}\chi_0^{\lambda(i)_1} \quad (1 \leq i \leq k). \end{aligned}$$

Then one sees easily that P_0^*, \dots, P_k^* are relative invariants of $(\tilde{G}, \tilde{\rho}^*, M(n, C))$ and satisfy

$$P_i^*(\tilde{\rho}^*(\tilde{g})x) = \chi_i^*(\tilde{g})^{-1}P_i(x) \quad (0 \leq i \leq k).$$

Moreover the set $\{P_0^*, \dots, P_k^*\}$ is a complete set of irreducible relative invariants of $(\tilde{G}, \tilde{\rho}^*, M(n, C))$ (cf. [6]).

We denote by $X_\rho(\tilde{G})$ the group of all rational characters corresponding to the relative invariants of $(\tilde{G}, \tilde{\rho}, M(n, C))$. It is known that the group $X_\rho(\tilde{G})$ is a free abelian group of rank $k + 1$ generated by χ_0, \dots, χ_k and hence there exists $k + 1$ -tuples $(\delta(\chi_0), \dots, \delta(\chi_k))$ and $(\delta^*(\chi_0), \dots, \delta^*(\chi_k)) \in \mathbf{Z}^{k+1}$ such that

$$\chi = \prod_{i=0}^k \chi_i^{\delta(\chi)_i} = \prod_{i=0}^k \chi_i^{*\delta^*(\chi)_i}, \quad (\text{cf. [6]}).$$

For any $\chi \in X_\rho(\tilde{G})$, we set

$$P_\chi = \prod_{i=0}^k P_i^{\delta(\chi)_i}, \quad P_\chi^* = \prod_{i=0}^k P_i^{*\delta^*(\chi)_i},$$

$$\delta(\chi) = (\delta(\chi)_0, \dots, \delta(\chi)_k) \quad \text{and} \quad \delta^*(\chi) = (\delta^*(\chi)_0, \dots, \delta^*(\chi)_k).$$

Let $\lambda(0), \dots, \lambda(k)$ be partitions of P_0, \dots, P_k , respectively. For any $s = (s_0, \dots, s_k) \in \mathbf{C}^{k+1}$, we write

$$\lambda_\ell(s) = \sum_{i=0}^k s_i \lambda(i)_\ell$$

and

$$\lambda_\ell^*(s) = s_0 + \sum_{i=1}^k s_i (\lambda(i)_1 - \lambda(i)_\ell) \quad (1 \leq \ell \leq n).$$

Furthermore we set

$$\gamma(s) = \prod_{\ell=1}^n \Gamma(\lambda_\ell(s) + n - \ell + 1)$$

and

$$\gamma^*(s) = \prod_{\ell=1}^n \Gamma(\lambda_\ell^*(s) + n - \ell + 1).$$

Then the “ b -function” of $(\tilde{G}, \tilde{\rho}, M(n, C))$ (resp. $(\tilde{G}, \tilde{\rho}, M(n, C))$) is given by

$$b_\chi(s) = \frac{\gamma(s)}{\gamma(s - \delta(\chi))} \quad \left(\text{resp. } b_\chi^*(s) = \frac{\delta^*(s)}{\gamma^*(s - \delta^*(\chi))} \right), \quad (\text{cf. [6]}).$$

For $s = (s_0, s_1, \dots, s_k) \in \mathbf{C}^{k+1}$, we set

$$s^* = (s_0^*, s_1^*, \dots, s_k^*),$$

where $s_0^* = -\lambda_0(s)$ and $s_i^* = s_i$ ($1 \leq i \leq k$).

LEMMA 1. *Notations being as above, one has*

- (i) $\lambda_\ell^*(s^*) = -\lambda_\ell(s)$ ($1 \leq \ell \leq n$),
- (ii) $\delta(\chi)^* = -\delta^*(\chi)$.

Proof. (i) $\lambda_i^*(s^*) = \sum_{i=1}^k s_i(\lambda(i)_1 - \lambda(i)_i) - \sum_{i=0}^k s_i \lambda(i)_1$
 $= - \sum_{i=0}^k s_i \lambda(i)_i$
 $= - \lambda_i(s)$
(ii) $\delta(\lambda)^* = (-\lambda_1(\delta(\lambda)), \delta(\lambda)_1, \dots, \delta(\lambda)_k)$
 $= \left(-\sum_{i=0}^k \delta(\lambda)_i \lambda(i)_1, \delta(\lambda)_1, \dots, \delta(\lambda)_k \right).$

Then one sees immediately

$$\delta^*(\lambda) = \left(\sum_{i=0}^k \delta(\lambda)_i \lambda(i)_1, -\delta(\lambda)_1, \dots, \delta(\lambda)_k \right). \quad \text{Q.E.D.}$$

If x is not contained in the singular set of $(\tilde{G}, \tilde{\rho}, M(n, \mathbb{C}))$, it follows from the definition of $P_x^*(x)$ that

$$(1) \quad P_x^*(x^*) = P_x(x)^{-1}.$$

For $\lambda \in X_\rho(\tilde{G})$, we set

$$d(\lambda) = \sum_{i=0}^k \delta(\lambda)_i \deg P_i \quad \text{and} \quad d^*(\lambda) = \sum_{i=0}^k \delta^*(\lambda)_i \deg P_i^*.$$

1.2. In the following, we assume that G is defined over \mathbf{R} . Denoting by $G_{\mathbf{R}}$ the set of \mathbf{R} -rational points of G , we set

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{G}_{\mathbf{R}} &= G \times B_n(\mathbf{R}), \\ S_{\mathbf{R}} &= S \cap M(n, \mathbf{R}), \\ S_{\mathbf{R}}^* &= S^* \cap M(n, \mathbf{R}), \\ \tilde{\rho}_{\mathbf{R}} &= \tilde{\rho}|_{\tilde{G}_{\mathbf{R}}}. \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore we always assume the following conditions:

(A.1) $G_{\mathbf{R}}$ is a connected subgroup of $GL(n, \mathbf{R})$.

(A.2) the singular set S of $(\tilde{G}, \tilde{\rho}, M(n, \mathbb{C}))$ is the union of irreducible hypersurfaces of the form

$$S_i = \{x \in M(n, \mathbf{R}); P_i(x) = 0\} \quad (0 \leq i \leq k),$$

where, for each i , $P_i(x)$ is a \mathbb{C} -irreducible polynomial with real coefficients.

(A.3) $M(n, \mathbf{R}) - S_{\mathbf{R}}$ is a single $\tilde{\rho}_{\mathbf{R}}(\tilde{G}_{\mathbf{R}})$ -orbit.

We denote by $\tilde{G}_{\mathbf{R}}^0$ the connected components of the identity and consider the $\tilde{\rho}_{\mathbf{R}}(\tilde{G}_{\mathbf{R}}^0)$ -orbital decomposition of $M(n, \mathbf{R}) - S_{\mathbf{R}}$

$$M(n, \mathbf{R}) - S_{\mathbf{R}} = V_1 \cup \dots \cup V_\nu.$$

For $\tilde{\rho}_R(G_R^0)$ -orbit V_i , we set

$$V_i^* = \{x \in M(n, R); x^* \in V_i\}.$$

Then one sees that the set $M(n, R) - S_R^*$ is decomposed into the disjoint union of $\tilde{\rho}_R^*(G_R^0)$ -orbits

$$M(n, R) - S_R^* = V_1^* \cup \dots \cup V_\nu^*.$$

For $s = (s_0, \dots, s_k) \in C^{k+1}$, we set

$$\begin{aligned} |P(x)|^s &= \prod_{i=0}^k |P_i(x)|^{s_i}, & |P^*(x)|^s &= \prod_{i=0}^k |P_i^*(x)|^{s_i}, \\ |\chi(g)|^s &= \prod_{i=0}^k |\chi_i(g)|^{s_i}, & |\chi^*(g)|^s &= \prod_{i=0}^k |\chi_i^*(g)|^{s_i} \end{aligned}$$

§2. Fourier transforms of relative invariants

2.1. We denote by $S(M(n, R))$ the Schwartz space of the vector space $M(n, R)$. We consider the following integrals:

$$(2) \quad \Phi_i(f, s) = \int_{V_i} f(x) |P(x)|^s dx$$

and

$$(3) \quad \Phi_i^*(f, s) = \int_{V_i^*} f(x) |P^*(x)|^s dx \quad (1 \leq i \leq \nu)$$

where dx is the Euclidean measure on V_i . If $\text{Re}(s_0) > 0, \dots, \text{Re}(s_k) > 0$, the above integrals $\Phi_i(f, s), \Phi_i^*(f, s)$ are absolutely convergent.

For $\chi \in X_o(\tilde{G})$, we set

$$\varepsilon_i(\chi) = \text{sgn } P_\chi|_{V_i} \quad \text{and} \quad \varepsilon_i^*(\chi) = \text{sgn } P_\chi^*|_{V_i^*} \quad (1 \leq i \leq \nu).$$

By (1), one has $\varepsilon_i(\chi) = \varepsilon_i^*(\chi)$, $(1 \leq i \leq \nu)$. We also set, for $s = (s_0, \dots, s_k) \in C^{k+1}$,

$$\begin{aligned} d(s) &= \sum_{\ell=0}^k s_\ell \text{deg } P_\ell, & d^*(s) &= \sum_{\ell=0}^k s_\ell \text{deg } P_\ell^* \\ \varepsilon_i(s) &= e\left(\frac{1}{4} \sum_{\ell=0}^k s_\ell (1 - \varepsilon_i(\chi_\ell))\right), & \varepsilon_i^*(s) &= e\left(\frac{1}{4} \sum_{\ell=0}^k s_\ell (1 - \varepsilon_i^*(\chi_\ell^*))\right). \end{aligned}$$

Then, one can easily check:

$$\begin{aligned} d(\chi) &= d(\delta(\chi)), & d^*(\chi) &= d^*(\delta^*(\chi)), \\ \varepsilon_i(\chi) &= \varepsilon_i(\delta(\chi)), & \varepsilon_i^*(\chi) &= \varepsilon_i^*(\delta^*(\chi)), \\ d(s) &= -d^*(s^*) \quad \text{and} \quad d(\chi) &= d^*(\chi). \end{aligned}$$

We set

$$F_i(f, s) = \frac{1}{\gamma(s)} \Phi_i(f, s) \quad \text{and} \quad F_i^*(f, s) = \frac{1}{\gamma^*(s)} \Phi_i^*(f, s).$$

Denoting by \hat{f} the Fourier transform of f , one can easily prove the following

LEMMA 2. *If $\text{Re}(s_0), \dots, \text{Re}(s_k)$ are sufficiently large, one has*

(i) *for any $\chi \in X_\rho(\tilde{G})$, such that $\delta^*(\chi)_0, \dots, \delta^*(\chi)_k \geq 0$,*

$$F_i(\widehat{P_\chi^* f}, s) = (-2\pi\sqrt{-1})^{-d^*(\chi)} \varepsilon_i(\chi) F_i(\hat{f}, s - \delta(\chi))$$

and for any $\chi \in X_\rho(\tilde{G})$ such that $\delta(\chi)_0, \dots, \delta(\chi)_k \geq 0$,

$$F_i^*(\widehat{P_\chi \cdot f}, s) = (2\pi\sqrt{-1})^{-d(\chi)} \varepsilon_i(\chi) F_i^*(\hat{f}, s - \delta^*(\chi))$$

(ii) *for any $\chi \in X_\rho(\tilde{G})$ such that $\delta(\chi)_0, \dots, \delta(\chi)_k \geq 0$,*

$$F_i(\widehat{P_\chi(\text{grad}) \cdot f}, s) = (-2\pi\sqrt{-1})^{d(\chi)} \varepsilon_i(\chi) b_\chi(s + \delta(\chi)) F_i(\hat{f}, s + \delta(\chi))$$

and for any $\chi \in X_\rho(\tilde{G})$ such that $\delta^*(\chi)_0, \dots, \delta^*(\chi)_k \geq 0$,

$$F_i^*(\widehat{P_\chi^*(\text{grad}) f}, s) = (2\pi\sqrt{-1})^{d^*(\chi)} \varepsilon_i^*(\chi) b_\chi^*(s + \delta^*(\chi)) F_i^*(\hat{f}, s + \delta^*(\chi)).$$

(iii) *for any $\chi \in X_\rho(\tilde{G})$ such that $\delta^*(\chi)_0, \dots, \delta^*(\chi)_k \geq 0$,*

$$F_i(P_\chi^*(\text{grad})f, s) = \varepsilon_i(\chi)(-1)^{d^*(\chi)} F_i(f, s - \delta(\chi))$$

and for any $\chi \in X_\rho(\tilde{G})$ such that $\delta(\chi)_0, \dots, \delta(\chi)_k \geq 0$,

$$F_i^*(P_\chi(\text{grad})f, s) = \varepsilon_i^*(\chi)(-1)^{d(\chi)} F_i^*(f, s - \delta^*(\chi)).$$

Let D be the domain in C^{k+1} defined by

$$D = \{(s_0, \dots, s_k) \in C^{k+1}; \text{Re}(s_0) > 0, \dots, \text{Re}(s_k) > 0\}.$$

Then one sees that s^* is contained in D when s is contained in D . By Lemma 2 (iii), one has, for any i ($1 \leq i \leq \nu$),

$$F_i(P_0^m(\text{grad})f, s) = \varepsilon_i(\chi_0)^m (-1)^{nm} F_i(f, s - m\delta(\chi_0))$$

and

$$F_i^*(P_0^m(\text{grad})f, s) = \varepsilon_i(\chi_0)^m (-1)^{nm} F_i^*(f, s - m\delta^*(\chi_0))$$

if $\text{Re}(s_0), \dots, \text{Re}(s_k)$ are sufficiently large. Hence we can continue analytically $F_i(f, s)$ and $F_i^*(f, s)$ to holomorphic functions on D . Again, by Lemma 2 (iii), one can easily show that the mapping $f \rightarrow F_i(f, s)$ (resp.

$F_i^*(f, s)$ defines a tempered distribution on the vector space $M(n, \mathbf{R})$ when s is contained in D (cf. Proposition 1.3 in [3]). We call this tempered distribution a zeta distribution associated with the prehomogeneous vector space $(\tilde{G}, \tilde{\rho}, M(n, C))$.

Putting

$$\Phi(f, s) = {}^t(\Phi_1(f, s), \dots, \Phi_\nu(f, s))$$

and

$$\Phi^*(f, s) = {}^t(\Phi_1^*(f, s), \dots, \Phi_\nu(f, s)),$$

one has the following proposition.

PROPOSITION 1. *The vector valued functions $\Phi(f, s)$ and $\Phi^*(f, s)$ satisfy a functional equation of the following form*

$$\Phi(\hat{f}, s - n\delta(\chi_0)) = \gamma(s - \delta(\chi_0))C(s)\Phi^*(f, s^*),$$

where s varies in the domain D and $C(s)$ is a $\nu \times \nu$ matrix whose entries $C_{ij}(s)$ are holomorphic in D .

This proposition can be proved by the similar argument to Theorem 1.1 in [3]. For the sake of completeness, we shall give a proof.

Proof of Proposition 1. For $f \in S(M(n, \mathbf{R}))$, set $g \cdot f(x) = f(\tilde{\rho}^*(g)^{-1} \cdot x)$ ($g \in \tilde{G}_R^0$). Then one has $\widehat{g \cdot f}(x) = \chi_0^{-n}(g)\widehat{f}(g^{-1}x)$ and hence it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} F_i(\widehat{g \cdot f}, s - n\chi_0) &= |\chi_0(g)|^{-n} |\chi(g)^s| F_i(\widehat{f}, s - n\chi_0), \\ F_i(g \cdot f, s^*) &= |\chi_0(g)|^{-n} |\chi^*(g)|^{-s^*} F_i(f, s^*). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, one can easily check that $|\chi(g)|^s = |\chi^*(g)|^{-s^*}$. Then by a theorem of Bruhat (Theorem 3.1 in [7]), there exist holomorphic functions $C_{ij}(s)$ ($1 \leq i, j \leq \nu$) such that

$$F_i(\hat{f}, s - n\chi_0) = \gamma^*(s^*) \sum_{j=1}^{\nu} C_{ij}(s) F_j^*(f, s^*)$$

for all $f \in C_0^\infty(M(n, \mathbf{R}) - S_R^*)$. We denote by T_s a tempered distribution on $M(n, \mathbf{R})$ defined as

$$T_s(f) = F_i(\hat{f}, s - n\chi_0) - \gamma^*(s^*) \sum_{j=1}^{\nu} C_{ij}(s) F_j^*(f, s^*) \quad (s \in D).$$

One can find a non-negative integer M such that the order of the tempered distribution T_s does not exceed M for all s contained in the set $D_0 = \{s \in D; -1 \leq \text{Re } s_0 \leq 0\}$. If $\delta^*(\chi)_0, \dots, \delta^*(\chi)_k \geq M$, it follows from Lemma

1.3 in [3] that $T_s(P_\lambda^* f) = 0$ ($s \in D$, $-1 \leq s_0 \leq 0$ and $f \in C_0^\infty(M(n, \mathbf{R}))$). Take a $\lambda \in X_\rho(\tilde{G})$ such that $\delta^*(\lambda)_0, \dots, \delta^*(\lambda)_k \geq 0$. From Lemma 2, it follows that, for every $f \in C_0^\infty(M(n, \mathbf{R}) - S_R)$,

$$F_i(\widehat{P_x^* \cdot f}, s - n\lambda_0) = (-2\pi\sqrt{-1})^{-d^*(\lambda)} \varepsilon_i(\lambda) \sum_{j=1}^\nu C_{ij}(s - \delta(\lambda)) \gamma^*((s - \delta(\lambda))^*) F_j^*(f^*, (s - \delta(\lambda))^*)$$

and

$$F_i(\widehat{P_\lambda^* \cdot f}, s - n\lambda_0) = \sum C_{ij}(s) \varepsilon_j^*(\lambda) \gamma^*(s^* + \delta^*(\lambda)) F_j^*(f^*, s^* + \delta^*(\lambda)).$$

Hence, by using the relation $(s - \delta(\lambda))^* = s^* + \delta^*(\lambda)$, one obtains

$$C_{ij}(s) = (-2\pi\sqrt{-1})^{-d^*(\lambda)} \varepsilon_i(\lambda) \varepsilon_j^*(\lambda) C_{ij}(s - \delta(\lambda)).$$

Therefore, for any $f \in C_0^\infty(M(n, \mathbf{R}))$ and $\delta^*(\lambda)_0, \dots, \delta^*(\lambda)_k \geq M$, one has

$$T_s(P_\lambda^* f) = (-2\pi\sqrt{-1})^{-d(\lambda)} \varepsilon_i(\lambda) T_{s - \delta(\lambda)}(f).$$

This implies that, for any $s \in D_0$,

$$T_{s - \delta(\lambda)}(f) = 0 \quad (f \in C_0^\infty(M), \delta^*(\lambda)_0, \dots, \delta^*(\lambda)_k \geq M).$$

Since T_s is a tempered distribution and $T_s(f)$ is a holomorphic function of s in D , we can conclude $T_s(f) = 0$ ($s \in D, f \in S(M(n, \mathbf{R}))$) which proves our proposition.

Remark. It is known that the integrals $\Phi_1(f, s), \dots, \Phi_\nu(f, s), \Phi_1^*(f, s), \dots, \Phi_\nu^*(f, s)$ have analytic continuation to meromorphic functions of s in \mathbf{C}^{k+1} (cf. [3], [5]) and hence Proposition 1 holds in \mathbf{C}^{k+1} .

We denote by $\varepsilon(s)$ the ν by ν matrix whose entries are given by

$$\varepsilon_{ij}(s) = (2\pi)^{-d(s)} e\left(\frac{d(s)}{4}\right) \varepsilon_i(s) \varepsilon_j^*(s^*), \quad 1 \leq i, j \leq \nu.$$

Then it is easy to verify the following relation, for any $\lambda \in X_\rho(\tilde{G})_R$,

$$\varepsilon_{ij}(s) = (-2\pi\sqrt{-1})^{-d(\lambda)} \varepsilon_i(\lambda) \varepsilon_j^*(\lambda) \varepsilon_{ij}(s - \delta(\lambda)).$$

We set $t_{ij}(s) = C_{ij}(s) \varepsilon_{ij}(s)^{-1}$ ($1 \leq i, j \leq \nu$). Then one sees

$$t_{ij}(s) = t_{ij}(s - \delta(\lambda)) \quad (\lambda \in X_\rho(\tilde{G})_R).$$

2.2. In this paragraph, we shall give an explicit expression for the functions $t_{ij}(s)$. We denote by D the group consisting of n by n diagonal matrices whose diagonal entries are 1 or -1 . For two subsets A and B

of $GL(n, \mathbf{R})$, we write $A \sim_D B$ if there exists a matrix g in D such that $A = B \cdot g$. We set, for any integer i ($1 \leq i \leq \nu$),

$$K_i = \{k \in SO(n, \mathbf{R}); \exists a \in B_n^0(\mathbf{R}) \text{ such that } k \cdot a \in V_i e_i\}$$

and

$$K_i^* = \{k \in SO(n, \mathbf{R}); \exists a \in B_n^0(\mathbf{R}) \text{ such that } k \cdot a^* \in V_i^* e_i\},$$

where

$$e_i = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & & a_i \end{bmatrix} \quad (a_i = \varepsilon_i(\chi_0)).$$

From (A.3), it follows that $V_i \sim_D V_j$ ($1 \leq i, j \leq \nu$). On the other hand, the Iwasawa decomposition for the group $GL(n, \mathbf{R})^0$ shows that, for any i ($1 \leq i \leq \nu$),

$$(4) \quad V_i = K_i \cdot B_n(\mathbf{R})^0 \cdot e_i,$$

$$(5) \quad V_i^* = K_i^* \cdot B_n(\mathbf{R})_-^0 \cdot e_i,$$

where $B_n(\mathbf{R})_-$ stands for the subgroup of $GL(n, \mathbf{R})$ consisting of lower triangular matrices. Since the mapping $x \rightarrow x^*$ gives a one-to-one correspondence between V_i and V_i^* , one has $K_i = K_i^*$ ($1 \leq i \leq \nu$).

Using the Iwasawa decomposition

$$(x_{ij}) = g \cdot (t_{ij}), \quad ((x_{ij}) \in GL(n, \mathbf{R})^0, (t_{ij}) \in B_n(\mathbf{R})^0, g \in SO(n, \mathbf{R})),$$

we normalize a Haar measure dg on $SO(n, \mathbf{R})$ by setting

$$\prod_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} dx_{ij} = \prod_{i=1}^n t_{ij}^{n-i} \prod_{i < j} dt_{ij} \cdot dg.$$

Then, one has

$$\int_{K_i} |P(g)|^s dg = \int_{K_i^*} |P^*(g)|^s dg, \quad (1 \leq i, j \leq \nu).$$

Let $f(s)$ be a function on C^{k+1} . For a character $\chi \in X_r(\tilde{G})$, we set:

$$(6) \quad \sigma_i(\chi)f(s) = \varepsilon_i(\chi)f(s + \delta(\chi)), \quad (1 \leq i \leq \nu).$$

We also set

$$E_i(s) = (-2)^n (2\pi)^{n(n-1)/2} e\left(-\frac{d(s)}{4}\right) \varepsilon_i(-s) \prod_{i=1}^n \sin \frac{\pi}{2} (\lambda_i(s) - \ell).$$

We set

$$\varepsilon_j^* = (\varepsilon_j(x_0^*), \dots, \varepsilon_j(\chi_r^*)), \quad 1 \leq j \leq n.$$

PROPOSITION 2. Assume that, for all p, q ($p \neq q$), $\varepsilon_p^* \neq \varepsilon_q^*$. Then $t_{ij}(s)$ is given by

$$t_{ij}(s) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{k+1} \varepsilon_j^*(-s^*) \prod_{\ell=0}^k (1 + \sigma_j(\chi_\ell) E_\ell(s)).$$

Proof. Let f be a function on the vector space $M(n, \mathbf{R})$ defined by $f(x) = \exp(-\pi(x, x))$. Then $f = \hat{f}$. We make change of variables (4) and (5). Then, using an well known formula:

$$\frac{1}{2} \pi^{-(1+z)/2} \Gamma\left(\frac{1+z}{2}\right) = \int_0^\infty t^z e^{-\pi t^2} dt,$$

one has

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_i(f, s) &= \int_{K_i} |P(g)|^s dg \cdot \int_{0 < t_\ell < \infty} \exp\left(-\pi \sum_{\ell=1}^n t_\ell^2\right) \prod_{\ell=1}^n t_\ell^{\lambda_\ell(s) + n - \ell} \prod_{\ell=1}^n dt_\ell \\ &= \int_{K_i} |P(g)|^s dg \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n \pi^{-\frac{1}{2}n(n+1)} \pi^{-\frac{1}{2}d(s)} \sum_{\ell=1}^n \Gamma\left(\frac{\lambda_\ell(s) + n - \ell + 1}{2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_i^*(f, s^*) &= \int_{K_i^*} |P^*(g)|^{s^*} \cdot \int_{0 < t_\ell < \infty} \exp\left(-\pi \sum_{\ell=1}^n t_\ell^2\right) \prod_{\ell=1}^n t_\ell^{\lambda_\ell^*(s^*) + \ell - 1} \prod_{\ell=1}^n dt_\ell \\ &= \int_{K_i^*} |P(g)|^s dg \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n \pi^{-\frac{1}{2}n(n+1)} \pi^{\frac{1}{2}d(s)} \prod_{\ell=1}^n \Gamma\left(\frac{-\lambda_\ell(s) + \ell}{2}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, from Proposition 1, one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} (7) \quad &\frac{1}{\gamma(s - n\chi_0)} \prod_{\ell=1}^n \Gamma\left(\frac{\gamma_\ell(s) - \ell + 1}{2}\right) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{\nu} \varepsilon_{ij}(s) t_{ij}(s) \prod_{\ell=1}^n \left(\frac{-\lambda_\ell(s) + \ell}{2}\right), \quad (1 \leq i \leq \nu). \end{aligned}$$

Using well known formulas of Γ -function:

$$\Gamma(z)\Gamma(1 - z) = \frac{\pi}{\sin \pi z}$$

and

$$\Gamma(2z) = \frac{2^{z-1}}{\sqrt{\pi}} \Gamma(z)\Gamma\left(z + \frac{1}{2}\right),$$

we can rewrite (7) as

$$(8) \quad \sum_{j=1}^{\nu} \varepsilon_{ij}(s) t_{ij}(s) = (-2)^n (2\pi)^{-d(s) + \frac{1}{2}n(n-1)} \prod_{\ell=1}^n \sin \pi \left(\frac{\lambda_{\ell}(s) - \ell}{2} \right), \quad (1 \leq i \leq \nu).$$

Hence one has

$$E_i(s) = \sum_{\ell=1}^{\nu} \varepsilon_{\ell}^*(s^*) t_{i\ell}(s).$$

From (6), it follows that

$$(9) \quad \begin{aligned} \sigma_j(\chi) E_i(s) &= \varepsilon_j^*(\chi) \sum_{\ell=1}^{\nu} \varepsilon_{\ell}^*((s + \delta(\chi))^*) t_{i\ell}(s) \\ &= \sum_{\ell=1}^{\nu} \varepsilon_j^*(\chi) \varepsilon_{\ell}^*(\chi) \varepsilon_{\ell}^*(s^*) t_{i\ell}(s). \end{aligned}$$

Putting $L_j(\chi) = \{\ell; \varepsilon_j^*(\chi) = \varepsilon_{\ell}^*(\chi)\}$, one can rewrite (9) as

$$\frac{1}{2}(1 + \sigma_j(\chi)) E_i(s) = \sum_{\ell \in L_j(\chi)} \varepsilon_{\ell}^*(s^*) t_{i\ell}(s).$$

Then, by our assumption of Proposition 2, one obtains

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{k+1} \sum_{\ell=0}^k (1 + \sigma_j(\chi_{\ell})) E_i(s) = \varepsilon_j^*(s^*) t_{ij}(s),$$

which proves our assertion.

By Proposition 1 and Proposition 2, we have the following theorem.

THEOREM 1. *Assume that, for all p, q ($p \neq q, 1 \leq p, q \leq \nu$), $\varepsilon_p^* \neq \varepsilon_q^*$. Then the tempered distributions $\Phi_1(f, s), \dots, \Phi_{\nu}(f, s), \Phi_1^*(f, s), \dots, \Phi_{\nu}^*(f, s)$ defined by (2) and (3) satisfy a system of functional equations of the following form.*

$$\Phi(f, s - n\delta(\chi_0)) = \gamma(s - n\delta(\chi_0)) C(s) \Phi^*(f, s^*),$$

where $C(s)$ is the ν by ν matrix whose entries are given by

$$(10) \quad \begin{aligned} C_{ij}(s) &= (-2)^n \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{k+1} (2\pi)^{n(n-1)/2 - d(s)} e\left(\frac{d(s)}{4}\right) \varepsilon_i(s) \\ &\times \prod_{r=0}^k (1 + \sigma_j(\chi_r)) e\left(-\frac{d(s)}{4}\right) \varepsilon_i(-s) \prod_{\ell=1}^n \sin \frac{\pi}{2} (\lambda_{\ell}(s) - \ell), \\ &\quad (1 \leq i, j \leq n). \end{aligned}$$

§ 3. Examples

Let G be a connected semi-simple linear algebraic group and ρ an n -dimensional irreducible representation both defined over \mathbf{C} . Assume that the triple $(\tilde{G}, \tilde{\rho}, M(n, \mathbf{C}))$ is a prehomogeneous vector space. Then the group G must be one of the following subgroups of $SL(n, \mathbf{C})$ and ρ the identity representation of G ;

$$G = SL(n, \mathbf{C}), \quad SO(n, \mathbf{C}) \text{ or } Sp(m, \mathbf{C}) \text{ with } n = 2m, \quad (\text{cf. [6]}).$$

Case 1. (cf. [2], [6]) $G = SL(n, \mathbf{C})$.

In this case, $\{\det x\}$ is a complete set of irreducible relative invariants and the b -function is given by

$$\gamma(s) = \Gamma(s + n) \cdots \Gamma(s + 1), \quad s \in \mathbf{C}.$$

Since the singular set is given by

$$S = S^* = \{x \in M(n, \mathbf{C}), \det x = 0\}.$$

We have the orbit decomposition

$$M(n, \mathbf{R}) - S_{\mathbf{R}} = V_1 \cup V_2,$$

where

$$V_1 = \{x \in M(n, \mathbf{R}), \det x > 0\} \quad \text{and} \quad V_2 = \{x \in M(n, \mathbf{R}), \det x < 0\}.$$

Then one has

$$(11) \quad C_{ij}(s) = 2^{n-1} (2\pi)^{n(n-1)/2 - ns} \cdot \left\{ \prod_{\ell=1}^n \cos \frac{\pi}{2} (s - \ell + 1) + (\sqrt{-1})^n (-1)^{i+j} \prod_{\ell=1}^n \sin \frac{\pi}{2} (s - \ell + 1) \right\},$$

$$(1 \leq i, j \leq 2).$$

By Theorem 1, one has a system of functional equations.

PROPOSITION 3. *The zeta distributions for $G = SL(n, \mathbf{C})$ have the following system of functional equations:*

$$\Psi_i(\hat{f}, s - n) = \Gamma(s)\Gamma(s - 1) \cdots \Gamma(s - n + 1) \sum_{j=1}^2 C_{ij}(s) \Phi_j(f, -s),$$

where $C_{ij}(s)$ is given by (11), $(i = 1, 2)$.

Case 2. $G = SO(n, \mathbf{C})$.

For $x \in M(n, \mathbf{R})$, we denote by x^i the i -th column vector of x . Put

$$P_0(x) = \det x$$

and

$$P_i(x) = \det \begin{bmatrix} (x^1, x^1), \dots, (x^1, x^i) \\ \vdots \\ (x^i, x^1), \dots, (x^i, x^i) \end{bmatrix} \quad (1 \leq i \leq n - 1),$$

where (x^j, x^k) denotes the usual inner product,

$$\left(\text{i.e. } (x^j, x^k) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^n x_\alpha^j x_\alpha^k \right).$$

Then $\{P_0, \dots, P_{n-1}\}$ is a complete set of irreducible relative invariants of this prehomogeneous vector space, and the singular set S is given by

$$S = \cup S_i, \\ S_i = \{x \in M(n, \mathbf{R}); P_i(x) = 0\} \quad (0 \leq i \leq n - 1).$$

The orbit decomposition of $M(n, \mathbf{R}) - S_R$ is given by

$$M(n, \mathbf{R}) - S_R = V_1 \cup V_2,$$

where

$$V_1 = \{x \in M(n, \mathbf{R}) - S_R; \det x > 0\}$$

and

$$V_2 = \{x \in M(n, \mathbf{R}) - S_R; \det x < 0\}.$$

For $s = (s_0, s_1, \dots, s_{n-1}) \in \mathbf{C}^n$, one sees

$$d(s) = ns_0 + \sum_{\ell=1}^{n-1} 2\ell s_\ell \\ \lambda_\ell(s) = s_0 + \sum_{m=\ell}^n 2ms_m, \quad (1 \leq \ell \leq n),$$

and

$$\varepsilon_i(s) = e\left(\frac{1 - (-1)^{i-1}}{4} s_0\right), \quad (i = 1, 2).$$

Thus one has:

$$(12) \quad C_{i,j}(s) = 2^{n-1} (2\pi)^{n(n-1)/2} \left(\prod_{\ell=1}^n \cos \frac{\pi}{2} (\lambda_\ell(s) - \ell + 1) \right. \\ \left. + (-1)^{i+j} (\sqrt{-1})^n \prod_{\ell=1}^n \sin \frac{\pi}{2} (\lambda_\ell(s) - \ell + 1) \right), \quad (1 \leq i, j \leq 2).$$

From Theorem 1, we obtain the following proposition.

PROPOSITION 4. *The zeta distributions for $G = SO(n, \mathbb{C})$ have the following system of functional equation: for $i = 1, 2,$*

$$\Phi_i(\hat{f}, s - n\delta(\chi_0)) = \prod_{\ell=1}^n \Gamma\left(s_0 + \sum_{m=\ell}^n 2ms_m - \ell + 1\right) \sum_{j=1}^2 C_{i,j}(s)\Phi_j(f, s^*),$$

where $C_{i,j}(s)$ is given by (12) and

$$s = (s_0, s_1, \dots, s_{n-1}), \quad s^* = \left(-s_0 - \sum_{m=1}^n 2ms_m, s_2, \dots, s_{n-1}\right).$$

Case 3. $G = Sp(m, \mathbb{C}), (n = 2m).$

Denoting by $[x, y]$ the skew symmetric bilinear form on $\mathbb{C}^n \times \mathbb{C}^n$ defined as

$$[x, y] = \sum_{i=1}^m (x_i y'_i - x'_i y_i)$$

with $x = {}^t(x_1, x'_1, \dots, x_m, x'_m)$ and $y = {}^t(y_1, y'_1, \dots, y_m, y'_m)$, we set

$$P_0(x) = \det x$$

and, for $i = 1, 2, \dots, m - 1,$

$$P_i(x) = \text{Pff} \begin{bmatrix} [x^1, x^1], \dots, [x^1, x^{2i}] \\ \vdots \\ [x^{2i}, x^1], \dots, [x^{2i}, x^{2i}] \end{bmatrix},$$

where Pff denotes the Pfaffian.

Then $\{P_0, \dots, P_{m-1}\}$ is a complete set of the irreducible relative invariants of this prehomogeneous vector space, and the orbit decompositions are given as follows:

$$M(n, \mathbb{R}) - S_{\mathbb{R}} = \bigcup_{i \in I} V_i \text{ and } M(n, \mathbb{R}) - S_{\mathbb{R}}^* = \bigcup_{i \in I} V_i^*,$$

where I denotes a set consisting of all m -tuples (i_0, \dots, i_{m-1}) with each i_j is equal to 1 or -1 , and V_i is described as

$$V_i = \{x \in M(n, \mathbb{R}) - S_{\mathbb{R}}; \text{sgn } P_\ell = i_\ell\}, \quad (0 \leq \ell \leq m).$$

In this case, one has:

$$d(s) = 2ms_0 + \sum_{\ell=1}^{m-1} 2\ell s_\ell,$$

$$\lambda_\ell(s) = s_0 + \sum_{2i \geq \ell} s_i,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(\mathbf{s}) &= \prod_{\ell=1}^n \Gamma(s_0 + \sum_{2i \geq \ell} s_i + n - \ell + 1), \\ \varepsilon_i(\mathbf{s}) &= e\left(\frac{1}{4} \sum_{\ell=0}^{m-1} s_\ell (1 - i_\ell)\right). \end{aligned}$$

Thus one has

$$\begin{aligned} C_{i,j}(\mathbf{s}) &= 2^m (2\pi)^{m(2m-1) - d(\mathbf{s})} e\left(\frac{d(\mathbf{s})}{4}\right) \varepsilon_i(\mathbf{s}) \prod_{r=0}^k (1 + \sigma_j(\lambda_r)) \\ &\quad \times e\left(-\frac{d(\mathbf{s})}{4}\right) \varepsilon_i(-\mathbf{s}) \prod_{\ell=1}^n \sin \frac{\pi}{2} (s_0 + \sum_{2i \geq \ell} s_i - \ell). \end{aligned}$$

From Theorem 1, we obtain the following proposition.

PROPOSITION 5. *The zeta distributions for $G = Sp(m, \mathbb{C})$ have the following system of functional equations,*

$$\Phi_i(\hat{f}, \mathbf{s} - n\delta(\chi_0)) = \prod_{i=1}^n (s_0 + \sum_{2i \geq \ell} s_i + n - \ell + 1) \cdot \sum_{j \in I} C_{i,j}(\mathbf{s}) \Phi_i(f, \mathbf{s}^*).$$

Now, we shall give an example such that G is not reductive. Let G be a subgroup of $SL(n, \mathbb{C})$ consisting of all lower triangular matrices whose diagonal entries are all equal to 1 and ρ a representation of G defined by

$$\rho(g)x = g \cdot x, \quad x \in M(n, \mathbb{C}).$$

Then the triplet $(\tilde{G}, \tilde{\rho}, M(n, \mathbb{C}))$ is a prehomogeneous vector space. For $x = (x_{\alpha\beta}) \in M(n, \mathbb{C})$, we set

$$P_0(x) = \det x$$

and

$$P_i(x) = \det \begin{bmatrix} x_{11}, \dots, x_{1i} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_{i1}, \dots, x_{ii} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (1 \leq i \leq n - 1).$$

One sees that $\{P_0, \dots, P_{n-1}\}$ is a complete set of irreducible relative invariants of this space and the orbit decomposition is given by

$$M(n, \mathbb{R}) - S_{\mathbb{R}} = \bigcup_{i \in I} V_i$$

where I denotes the set of all n -tuples (i_0, \dots, i_{n-1}) with $i_\ell = 1$ or -1 , and

$$V_i = \{x \in M(n, \mathbb{R}) - S_{\mathbb{R}}; \operatorname{sgn} P_\ell = i_\ell, 0 \leq \ell \leq n - 1\}.$$

In this case, one has

$$d(s) = ns_0 + \sum_{\ell=1}^{n-1} \ell s_\ell$$

$$\lambda_\ell(s) = s_0 + \sum_{i \geq \ell} s_i, \quad (1 \leq \ell \leq n),$$

and

$$\varepsilon_i(s) = e\left(\frac{1}{4} \sum_{\ell=0}^{n-1} s_\ell (1 - i_\ell)\right), \quad (i \in I).$$

Thus, one obtains

$$(13) \quad C_{i,j}(s) = (-1)^n (2\pi)^{n(n-1)/2-d(s)} e\left(\frac{d(s)}{4}\right) \varepsilon_i(s)$$

$$\times \prod_{r=0}^k (1 + \sigma_j(\chi_r)) e\left(-\frac{d(s)}{4}\right) \varepsilon_i(-s) \prod_{\ell=1}^n \sin \frac{\pi}{2} (s_0 + \sum_{i \geq \ell} s_i - \ell).$$

By Theorem 1, we have the following proposition

PROPOSITION 6. *The zeta distributions for this group have the following system of functional equations, for any $i \in I$*

$$\Phi_i(\hat{f}, s - n\delta(\chi_0)) = \prod_{\ell=1}^n \Gamma(s_0 + \sum_{i \geq \ell} s_i + n - \ell + 1) \cdot \sum_{j \in I} C_{i,j}(s) \phi_j(f, s^*),$$

where $C_{i,j}(s)$ is given by (13).

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