

## EVALUATION OF TORNHEIM'S TYPE OF DOUBLE SERIES

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ABSTRACT. We examine values of certain Tornheim's type of double series with odd weight. As a result, an affirmative answer to a conjecture about the parity theorem for the zeta function of the root system of the exceptional Lie algebra  $G_2$ , proposed by Komori, Matsumoto and Tsumura, is given.

### 1. Introduction and main theorem

For integers  $a, b, k_1, k_2, k_3 \geq 1$ , let

$$\zeta_{a,b}(k_1, k_2, k_3) := \sum_{m,n>0} \frac{1}{m^{k_1} n^{k_2} (am + bn)^{k_3}},$$

which converges absolutely and gives a real number. Since Tornheim [12] first studied the value  $\zeta_{1,1}(k_1, k_2, k_3)$ , we call the value  $\zeta_{a,b}(k_1, k_2, k_3)$  Tornheim's type of double series (note that the function  $\zeta_{a,b}(s_1, s_2, s_3)$  with  $s_i \in \mathbb{C}$  can be viewed as a special case of the Shintani zeta function, but we will focus on its special values). In [8], the second author examined the values  $\zeta_{a,b}(k_1, k_2, k_3)$  in the study of evaluations of special values of the zeta functions of root systems associated with  $A_2$ ,  $B_2$  and  $G_2$ . The goal was to express the special values of the zeta functions of root systems as  $\mathbb{Q}$ -linear combinations of two products of certain zeta values. As a prototype, we have in mind the analogous story for the parity theorem for multiple zeta values [3, Corollary 8] (see also [15]) and for Tornheim's series [2, Theorem 2] (see also [16]). For example, the identity

$$\zeta_{1,1}(1, 1, 3) = 4\zeta(5) - 2\zeta(2)\zeta(3)$$

is well known. Similar studies have been done in many articles [7], [11], [13], [14], [16], [17], [19] (see also [9]). In this paper, we will generalize the above

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expression to the value  $\zeta_{a,b}(k_1, k_2, k_3)$  with  $k_1 + k_2 + k_3$  odd. As a consequence, we give an affirmative answer to a conjecture about special values of the zeta function of the root system of  $G_2$ , which was proposed by Komori, Matsumoto and Tsumura [5, Eq. (7.1)].

We now state our main result. We use the Clausen-type functions defined for a positive integer  $k \geq 2$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  by

$$(1) \quad \begin{aligned} C_k(x) &:= \operatorname{Re} Li_k(e^{2\pi ix}) = \sum_{m>0} \frac{\cos(2\pi mx)}{m^k}, \\ S_k(x) &:= \operatorname{Im} Li_k(e^{2\pi ix}) = \sum_{m>0} \frac{\sin(2\pi mx)}{m^k}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $Li_k(z)$  is the polylogarithm  $\sum_{m>0} \frac{z^m}{m^k}$ . Note that  $C_k(x)$  equals the Riemann zeta value  $\zeta(k) := \sum_{m>0} \frac{1}{m^k}$  when  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ , and  $S_k(x)$  is 0 when  $x \in \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Z}$ .

**THEOREM 1.** *For positive integers  $N, a, b, k, k_1, k_2, k_3$  with  $N = \operatorname{lcm}(a, b)$  and  $k = k_1 + k_2 + k_3$  odd, the value  $\zeta_{a,b}(k_1, k_2, k_3)$  can be expressed as  $\mathbb{Q}$ -linear combinations of  $\pi^{2n} C_{k-2n}(\frac{d}{N})$  and  $\pi^{2n+1} S_{k-2n-1}(\frac{d}{N})$  for  $0 \leq n \leq \frac{k-3}{2}$  and  $d \in \mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$ .*

Theorem 1 will be proved in Section 4 by using the generating functions. This leads to a recipe for giving a formula for the  $\mathbb{Q}$ -linear combination in Theorem 1. More precisely, one can deduce an explicit formula from Corollary 3 and Propositions 4, 7 and 8, but it might be much complicated (we do not develop the explicit formulas in this paper). As an example of a simple identity, we have

$$(2) \quad \zeta_{1,3}(1, 1, 3) = \frac{1}{81} \left( 367\zeta(5) - 19\pi^2\zeta(3) - 27\pi S_4\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) - 4\pi^3 S_2\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) \right).$$

We apply Theorem 1 to proving the conjecture suggested by Komori, Matsumoto and Tsumura [5, Eq. (7.1)]. This will be described in Section 5.

It is worth mentioning that since the value  $\zeta_{a,b}(k_1, k_2, k_3)$  can be expressed as  $\mathbb{Q}$ -linear combinations of double polylogarithms

$$(3) \quad Li_{k_1, k_2}(z_1, z_2) = \sum_{0 < m < n} \frac{z_1^m z_2^n}{m^{k_1} n^{k_2}},$$

Theorem 1 might be proved by the parity theorem for double polylogarithms obtained by Panzer [10] and Nakamura [7], which is illustrated in Remark 2. In this paper, we however do not use their result to prove Theorem 1, since we want to keep this paper self-contained.

The contents of this paper are as follows. In Section 2, we give an integral representation of the generating function of the values  $\zeta_{a,b}(k_1, k_2, k_3)$  for any integers  $a, b \geq 1$ . In Section 3, the integral is computed. Section 4 gives a

proof of Theorem 1.1. In Section 5, we recall the question [5, Eq. (7.1)] and give an affirmative answer to this.

### 2. Integral representation

In this section, we give an integral representation of the generating function of the values  $\zeta_{a,b}(k_1, k_2, k_3)$  for any integers  $a, b \geq 1$ . The integral representation of the value  $\zeta_{a,b}(k_1, k_2, k_3)$  was first given by the second author [8, Theorem 4.4], following the method used by Zagier (see also [6]). We recall it briefly.

For an integer  $k \geq 0$ , the Bernoulli polynomial  $B_k(x)$  of order  $k$  is defined by

$$\sum_{k \geq 0} B_k(x) \frac{t^k}{k!} = \frac{te^{xt}}{e^t - 1}.$$

The polynomial  $B_k(x)$  admits the following expression (see [1, Theorem 4.11]): for  $k \geq 1$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  ( $x \in \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Z}$ , if  $k = 1$ )

$$B_k(x - [x]) = \begin{cases} -2i \frac{k!}{(2\pi i)^k} \sum_{m>0} \frac{\sin(2\pi mx)}{m^k}, & k \geq 1 : \text{odd}, \\ -2 \frac{k!}{(2\pi i)^k} \sum_{m>0} \frac{\cos(2\pi mx)}{m^k}, & k \geq 2 : \text{even}, \end{cases}$$

where  $i = \sqrt{-1}$  and the summation  $\sum_{m>0}$  is regarded as  $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{N>m>0}$  when  $k = 1$  (this ensures convergence). We define the modified (generalized) Clausen function for  $k \geq 1$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  ( $x \in \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Z}$ , if  $k = 1$ ) by

$$Cl_k(x - [x]) = \begin{cases} -\frac{k!}{(2\pi i)^{k-1}} \sum_{m>0} \frac{\cos(2\pi mx)}{m^k}, & k \geq 1 : \text{odd}, \\ -i \frac{k!}{(2\pi i)^{k-1}} \sum_{m>0} \frac{\sin(2\pi mx)}{m^k}, & k \geq 2 : \text{even}. \end{cases}$$

With this, for  $k \geq 1$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  ( $x \in \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Z}$  if  $k = 1$ ), the polylogarithm  $Li_k(e^{2\pi ix})$  can be written in the form

$$(4) \quad Li_k(e^{2\pi ix}) = -\frac{(2\pi i)^{k-1}}{k!} (Cl_k(x - [x]) + \pi i B_k(x - [x])).$$

We introduce formal generating functions. For  $x \in \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Z}$ , let

$$\beta(x; t) := \sum_{k>0} \frac{B_k(x - [x])t^k}{k!} \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma(x; t) := \sum_{k>0} \frac{Cl_k(x - [x])t^k}{k!}.$$

PROPOSITION 2. For integers  $a, b \geq 1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k_1, k_2, k_3 > 0} \zeta_{a,b}(k_1, k_2, k_3) t_1^{k_1} t_2^{k_2} t_3^{k_3} \\ &= -\frac{1}{4\pi i} \int_0^1 (\gamma(ax; 2\pi it_1)\beta(bx; 2\pi it_2) + \beta(ax; 2\pi it_1)\gamma(bx; 2\pi it_2)) \\ & \quad \times \beta(x; -2\pi it_3) dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &+ \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \int_0^1 (\gamma(ax; 2\pi it_1)\gamma(bx; 2\pi it_2) - \pi^2\beta(ax; 2\pi it_1)\beta(bx; 2\pi it_2)) \\
 &\times \beta(x; -2\pi it_3) dx,
 \end{aligned}$$

where the integrals on the right-hand side are defined formally by term-by-term integration.

*Proof.* When  $k_1, k_2, k_3 \geq 2$ , it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\int_0^1 Li_{k_1}(e^{2\pi iax}) Li_{k_2}(e^{2\pi ibx}) \overline{Li_{k_3}(e^{2\pi ix})} dx \\
 &= \int_0^1 \sum_{m,n,l>0} \frac{e^{2\pi imax} e^{2\pi inbx} e^{-2\pi ilx}}{m^{k_1} n^{k_2} l^{k_3}} dx \\
 &= \sum_{m,n,l>0} \frac{1}{m^{k_1} n^{k_2} l^{k_3}} \int_0^1 e^{2\pi ix(am+bn-l)} dx = \zeta_{a,b}(k_1, k_2, k_3),
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\overline{Li_{k_3}(e^{2\pi ix})}$  stands for complex conjugate of  $Li_{k_3}(e^{2\pi ix})$ . For  $k_1, k_2, k_3 \geq 1$ , the above equality is justified by replacing the integral  $\int_0^1$  with

$$(5) \quad \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \sum_{j=1}^{\text{lcm}(a,b)} \int_{\frac{j-1}{\text{lcm}(a,b)} + \varepsilon}^{\frac{j}{\text{lcm}(a,b)} - \varepsilon},$$

where  $\text{lcm}(a, b)$  is the least common multiple of  $a$  and  $b$  (see [8, Theorem 4.4] for the details). Letting  $Li(x; t) := \sum_{k>0} Li_k(e^{2\pi ix})t^k$ , we therefore obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 (6) \quad &\sum_{k_1, k_2, k_3 > 0} \zeta_{a,b}(k_1, k_2, k_3) t_1^{k_1} t_2^{k_2} t_3^{k_3} \\
 &= \int_0^1 Li(ax; t_1) Li(bx; t_2) \overline{Li(x; t_3)} dx.
 \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, the generating function of  $Li_k(e^{2\pi ix})$  with  $x \in \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Z}$  can be written in the form

$$(7) \quad Li(x; t) = -\frac{1}{2\pi i} (\gamma(x; 2\pi it) + \pi i\beta(x; 2\pi it)),$$

and hence, the right-hand side of (6) is equal to

$$\begin{aligned}
 (8) \quad &\frac{1}{(2\pi i)^3} \int_0^1 (\gamma(ax; 2\pi it_1) + \pi i\beta(ax; 2\pi it_1)) \\
 &\times (\gamma(bx; 2\pi it_2) + \pi i\beta(bx; 2\pi it_2)) (\gamma(x; -2\pi it_3) - \pi i\beta(x; -2\pi it_3)) dx.
 \end{aligned}$$

We note that, similarly to (6), one obtains the relation

$$\int_0^1 Li(ax; t_1) Li(bx; t_2) Li(x; -t_3) dx = 0,$$

and substituting (7) to the above identity, one has

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^1 (\gamma(ax; 2\pi it_1) + \pi i \beta(ax; 2\pi it_1)) (\gamma(bx; 2\pi it_2) + \pi i \beta(bx; 2\pi it_2)) \\ & \quad \times \gamma(x; -2\pi it_3) dx \\ & = -\pi i \int_0^1 (\gamma(ax; 2\pi it_1) \\ & \quad + \pi i \beta(ax; 2\pi it_1)) (\gamma(bx; 2\pi it_2) + \pi i \beta(bx; 2\pi it_2)) \beta(x; -2\pi it_3) dx. \end{aligned}$$

With this, (8) is reduced to

$$\begin{aligned} & -\frac{1}{(2\pi i)^2} \int_0^1 (\gamma(ax; 2\pi it_1) + \pi i \beta(ax; 2\pi it_1)) (\gamma(bx; 2\pi it_2) + \pi i \beta(bx; 2\pi it_2)) \\ & \quad \times \beta(x; -2\pi it_3) dx, \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof. □

The coefficient of  $t^k$  in  $\gamma(x; 2\pi it)$  (resp.  $\beta(x; 2\pi it)$ ) is a real-valued function, if  $k$  is even, and a real-valued function times  $i = \sqrt{-1}$ , if  $k$  is odd. Thus, comparing the coefficient of both sides, we have the following corollary. For simplicity, for integers  $a, b \geq 1$  we let

$$(9) \quad F_{a,b}(t_1, t_2, t_3) := \int_0^1 \gamma(ax; t_1) \beta(bx; t_2) \beta(x; -t_3) dx,$$

where the integral is defined formally by term-by-term integration and by (5).

COROLLARY 3. *One has*

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\substack{k_1, k_2, k_3 > 0 \\ k_1 + k_2 + k_3 : \text{odd}}} \zeta_{a,b}(k_1, k_2, k_3) t_1^{k_1} t_2^{k_2} t_3^{k_3} \\ & = -\frac{1}{4\pi i} F_{a,b}(2\pi it_1, 2\pi it_2, 2\pi it_3) - \frac{1}{4\pi i} F_{b,a}(2\pi it_2, 2\pi it_1, 2\pi it_3). \end{aligned}$$

Remark that, using the same method, one can give an integral expression of the generating function of the Riemann zeta values, which will be used later.

PROPOSITION 4. *For integers  $a, b \geq 1$ , we have*

$$\begin{aligned} (10) \quad & \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_0^1 \gamma(ax; 2\pi it_1) \beta(bx; -2\pi it_2) dx \\ & = \sum_{\substack{r, s > 0 \\ r+s : \text{odd}}} \frac{\gcd(a, b)^{r+s}}{a^s b^r} \zeta(r+s) t_1^r t_2^s. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Let  $d = \gcd(a, b)$  and set  $a = a'd, b = b'd$ . It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^1 Li_r(e^{2\pi i a x}) \overline{Li_s(e^{2\pi i b x})} dx \\ &= \sum_{m, n > 0} \frac{1}{m^r n^s} \int_0^1 e^{2\pi i x(am - bn)} dx \\ &= \sum_{\substack{m, n > 0 \\ m = \frac{b'}{a'} n}} \frac{1}{m^r n^s} = \left(\frac{a'}{b'}\right)^r \sum_{\substack{n > 0 \\ a' | n}} \frac{1}{n^{r+s}} \\ &= \frac{1}{a'^s b'^r} \zeta(r + s). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we have

$$\int_0^1 Li(a x; t_1) \overline{Li(b x; t_2)} dx = \sum_{r, s > 0} \frac{\gcd(a, b)^{r+s}}{a^s b^r} \zeta(r + s) t_1^r t_2^s.$$

By the relation  $\int_0^1 Li(a x; t_1) Li(b x; -t_2) dx = 0$  ( $a, b \geq 1$ ) and (7), the left-hand side of the above equation can be reduced to

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_0^1 (\gamma(a x; 2\pi i t_1) + \pi i \beta(a x; 2\pi i t_1)) \beta(b x; -2\pi i t_2) dx.$$

Comparing the coefficients of  $t_1^r t_2^s$ , we complete the proof. □

### 3. Evaluation of integrals

In this section, we compute the integral  $F_{a,b}(t_1, t_2, t_3)$ .

We denote the generating function of the Bernoulli polynomials by  $\beta_0(x; t)$ :

$$\beta_0(x; t) := \frac{t e^{xt}}{e^t - 1} = \sum_{k \geq 0} B_k(x) \frac{t^k}{k!}.$$

For integers  $b, c \geq 1$ , we set

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_b(t_1, t_2) &:= \beta_0(0; t_1) \beta_0(0; -t_2) \frac{e^{bt_1 - t_2} - 1}{bt_1 - t_2}, \\ \tilde{\alpha}_{b,c}(t_1, t_2) &:= -t_1 e^{-ct_1} \beta_0(0; -t_2) \frac{e^{bt_1 - t_2} - 1}{bt_1 - t_2}, \end{aligned}$$

which are elements in the formal power series ring  $\mathbb{Q}[[t_1, t_2]]$ .

LEMMA 5. *For any integers  $b, d \geq 1$ , we have*

$$e^{-dt_1} \alpha_b(t_1, t_2) = \alpha_b(t_1, t_2) + \sum_{c=1}^d \tilde{\alpha}_{b,c}(t_1, t_2).$$

*Proof.* By the relation  $B_k(x) = B_k(x + 1) - kx^{k-1}$  for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  (see [1, Proposition 4.9 (2)]), we have  $\beta_0(x; t) = \beta_0(x + 1; t) - te^{xt}$ . Using this formula with  $x = -d, -d + 1, \dots, 1$  repeatedly, one gets

$$\beta_0(-d; t) = \beta_0(-d + 1; t) - te^{-dt} = \dots = \beta_0(0; t) - t \sum_{c=1}^d e^{-ct}.$$

Hence, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} e^{-dt_1} \alpha_b(t_1, t_2) &= \beta_0(-d; t_1) \beta_0(0; -t_2) \frac{e^{bt_1-t_2} - 1}{bt_1 - t_2} \\ &= \alpha_b(t_1, t_2) - t_1 \sum_{c=1}^d e^{-ct_1} \beta_0(0; -t_2) \frac{e^{bt_1-t_2} - 1}{bt_1 - t_2} \\ &= \alpha_b(t_1, t_2) + \sum_{c=1}^d \tilde{\alpha}_{b,c}(t_1, t_2), \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof. □

REMARK 1. Let us denote by  $A_b(r, s)$  (resp.  $\tilde{A}_{b,c}(r, s)$ ) the coefficient of  $t_1^r t_2^s$  in  $\alpha_b(t_1, t_2)$  (resp. in  $\tilde{\alpha}_{b,c}(t_1, t_2)$ ). Then, we have

$$A_b(r, s) = \sum_{\substack{p_1+q_1=r \\ p_2+q_2=s \\ p_1, p_2, q_1, q_2 \geq 0}} \frac{(-1)^{q_2+p_2} b^{p_1} B_{q_1} B_{q_2}}{p_1! p_2! q_1! q_2! (p_1 + p_2 + 1)}$$

and

$$\tilde{A}_{b,c}(r, s) = \sum_{\substack{p_1+q_1=r \\ p_2+q_2=s \\ p_1, p_2, q_2 \geq 0 \\ q_1 \geq 1}} \frac{(-1)^{q_1+q_2+p_2} c^{q_1-1} b^{p_1} B_{q_2}}{p_1! (q_1 - 1)! p_2! q_2! (p_1 + p_2 + 1)},$$

where  $B_k = B_k(1) = (-1)^k B_k(0)$  is the  $k$ th Bernoulli number. We note that since  $\tilde{\alpha}_{b,c}(t_1, t_2) \in t_1 \mathbb{Q}[[t_1, t_2]]$ , we have  $\tilde{A}_{b,c}(0, s) = 0$  for any  $s \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ .

LEMMA 6. *Let  $b, d$  be positive integers with  $d \in \{0, 1, \dots, b - 1\}$ . Then, for  $x \in (\frac{d}{b}, \frac{d+1}{b})$ , we have*

$$\beta(bx; t_1) \beta(x; -t_2) = e^{-dt_1} \alpha_b(t_1, t_2) \beta_0(x; bt_1 - t_2) - \beta(bx; t_1) - \beta(x; -t_2) - 1,$$

where we recall  $\beta(x; t) = \sum_{k>0} \frac{B_k(x - [x])}{k!} t^k$ .

*Proof.* Since  $bx - [bx] = bx - d$  when  $x \in (\frac{d}{b}, \frac{d+1}{b})$ , one has

$$\begin{aligned} &(\beta(bx; t_1) + 1)(\beta(x; -t_2) + 1) \\ &= \frac{t_1 e^{(bx-d)t_1} - t_2 e^{-xt_2}}{e^{t_1} - 1} \frac{-t_2 e^{-xt_2}}{e^{-t_2} - 1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= e^{-dt_1} \frac{t_1}{e^{t_1} - 1} \frac{-t_2}{e^{-t_2} - 1} e^{(bt_1 - t_2)x} \\
 &= e^{-dt_1} \beta_0(0; t_1) \beta_0(0; -t_2) \frac{e^{bt_1 - t_2} - 1}{bt_1 - t_2} \frac{(bt_1 - t_2)e^{(bt_1 - t_2)x}}{e^{bt_1 - t_2} - 1} \\
 &= e^{-dt_1} \alpha_b(t_1, t_2) \beta_0(x; bt_1 - t_2),
 \end{aligned}$$

from which the statement follows. □

PROPOSITION 7. *For any integers  $a, b \geq 1$ , we have*

$$\begin{aligned}
 (11) \quad F_{a,b}(t_1, t_2, t_3) &= \alpha_b(t_2, t_3) \int_0^1 \gamma(ax; t_1) \beta_0(x; bt_2 - t_3) dx \\
 &\quad + \sum_{c=1}^{b-1} \tilde{\alpha}_{b,c}(t_2, t_3) \int_{\frac{c}{b}}^1 \gamma(ax; t_1) \beta_0(x; bt_2 - t_3) dx \\
 &\quad - \int_0^1 \gamma(ax; t_1) (\beta(bx; t_2) + \beta(x; -t_3)) dx.
 \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Splitting the integral  $\int_0^1 = \sum_{d=0}^{b-1} \int_{\frac{d}{b}}^{\frac{d+1}{b}}$  in the definition of  $F_{a,b}$  (see (9)) and then using Lemma 6, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 &F_{a,b}(t_1, t_2, t_3) \\
 &= \sum_{d=0}^{b-1} \int_{\frac{d}{b}}^{\frac{d+1}{b}} \gamma(ax; t_1) \beta(bx; t_2) \beta(x; -t_3) dx \\
 &= \sum_{d=0}^{b-1} e^{-dt_2} \alpha_b(t_2, t_3) \int_{\frac{d}{b}}^{\frac{d+1}{b}} \gamma(ax; t_1) \beta_0(x; bt_2 - t_3) dx \\
 &\quad - \sum_{d=0}^{b-1} \int_{\frac{d}{b}}^{\frac{d+1}{b}} \gamma(ax; t_1) (\beta(bx; t_2) + \beta(x; -t_3) + 1) dx \\
 &= \sum_{d=0}^{b-1} \left( \alpha_b(t_2, t_3) + \sum_{c=1}^d \tilde{\alpha}_{b,c}(t_2, t_3) \right) \int_{\frac{d}{b}}^{\frac{d+1}{b}} \gamma(ax; t_1) \beta_0(x; bt_2 - t_3) dx \\
 &\quad - \int_0^1 \gamma(ax; t_1) (\beta(bx; t_2) + \beta(x; -t_3) + 1) dx,
 \end{aligned}$$

where for the last equality we have used Lemma 5. Since  $\int_0^1 Li(ax; t) dx = 0$  holds, we have

$$(12) \quad \int_0^1 \gamma(ax; t_1) dx = 0.$$

Hence, the statement follows from and the interchange of order of summation  $\sum_{d=1}^{b-1} \sum_{c=1}^d = \sum_{c=1}^{b-1} \sum_{d=c}^{b-1}$ . □

We now deal with the integral of the second term of the right-hand side of (11).

PROPOSITION 8. For any integers  $a, b \geq 1$  and  $c \in \{0, 1, \dots, b-1\}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\frac{c}{b}}^1 \gamma(ax; 2\pi i t_1) \beta_0(x; 2\pi i(bt_2 - t_3)) dx \\ &= -i \sum_{\substack{s \geq 1 \\ p, q \geq 0 \\ p+s: \text{odd}}} \frac{(-1)^s (2\pi i)^{q-1}}{q! a^s} S_{p+s+1} \left( \frac{ac}{b} \right) B_q \left( \frac{c}{b} \right) t_1^{p+1} (bt_2 - t_3)^{q+s-1} \\ &+ \sum_{\substack{s \geq 1 \\ p, q \geq 0 \\ p+s: \text{even}}} \frac{(-1)^s (2\pi i)^{q-1}}{q! a^s} \left( \zeta(p+s+1) B_q - C_{p+s+1} \left( \frac{ac}{b} \right) B_q \left( \frac{c}{b} \right) \right) \\ &\times t_1^{p+1} (bt_2 - t_3)^{q+s-1}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $S_n(x)$  and  $C_n(x)$  are defined in (1).

*Proof.* For an integer  $s \geq 1$ , we let

$$\gamma_s(x; t) = \sum_{k \geq s} \frac{Cl_k(x - [x])}{k!} t^k.$$

It is easily seen that for any integer  $s \geq 2$  we have

$$\frac{d}{dx} \gamma_s(ax; t) = at \gamma_{s-1}(ax; t) \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{d}{dx} \beta_0(x; t) = t \beta_0(x; t).$$

By repeated use of the integration by parts and noting that  $\gamma_1(x; t) = \gamma(x; t)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\frac{c}{b}}^1 \gamma(ax; 2\pi i t_1) \beta_0(x; 2\pi i(bt_2 - t_3)) dx \\ &= \sum_{s \geq 2} \frac{(-2\pi i(bt_2 - t_3))^{s-2}}{(2\pi i a t_1)^{s-1}} [\gamma_s(ax; 2\pi i t_1) \beta_0(x; 2\pi i(bt_2 - t_3))]_{\frac{c}{b}}^1 \\ &= \sum_{\substack{s \geq 2 \\ p \geq s \\ q \geq 0}} \frac{(-1)^s (2\pi i)^{p+q-1}}{p! q! a^{s-1}} \\ &\quad \times [Cl_p(ax - [ax]) B_q(x)]_{\frac{c}{b}}^1 t_1^{p-s+1} (bt_2 - t_3)^{q+s-2} \\ &= \sum_{\substack{s \geq 1 \\ p, q \geq 0}} \frac{(-1)^{s+1} (2\pi i)^{p+q+s}}{(p+s+1)! q! a^s} \\ &\quad \times [Cl_{p+s+1}(ax - [ax]) B_q(x)]_{\frac{c}{b}}^1 t_1^{p+1} (bt_2 - t_3)^{q+s-1}. \end{aligned}$$

By definition, for any  $x \in \mathbb{Q}$  and  $k \geq 2$  we have

$$Cl_k(x - [x]) = \begin{cases} -\frac{k!}{(2\pi i)^{k-1}} C_k(x), & k : \text{odd}, \\ -i \frac{k!}{(2\pi i)^{k-1}} S_k(x), & k : \text{even}, \end{cases}$$

and hence, the above last line is computed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} & i \sum_{\substack{s \geq 1 \\ p, q \geq 0 \\ p+s: \text{odd}}} \frac{(-1)^s (2\pi i)^q}{q! a^s} \left( S_{p+s+1}(a) B_q(1) - S_{p+s+1}\left(\frac{ac}{b}\right) B_q\left(\frac{c}{b}\right) \right) \\ & \quad \times t_1^{p+1} (bt_2 - t_3)^{q+s-1} \\ & + \sum_{\substack{s \geq 1 \\ p, q \geq 0 \\ p+s: \text{even}}} \frac{(-1)^s (2\pi i)^q}{q! a^s} \left( C_{p+s+1}(a) B_q(1) - C_{p+s+1}\left(\frac{ac}{b}\right) B_q\left(\frac{c}{b}\right) \right) \\ & \quad \times t_1^{p+1} (bt_2 - t_3)^{q+s-1}, \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof. □

#### 4. Proof of Theorem 1

We can now complete the proof of Theorem 1 as follows.

*Proof of Theorem 1.* We compute the real part of the coefficient of  $t_1^{k_1} t_2^{k_2} t_3^{k_3}$  in the generating function  $\frac{1}{2\pi i} F_{a,b}(2\pi i t_1, 2\pi i t_2, 2\pi i t_3)$  for positive integers  $k, k_1, k_2, k_3$  with  $k = k_1 + k_2 + k_3$  odd. By (11) with  $t_j \rightarrow 2\pi i t_j$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2\pi i} F_{a,b}(2\pi i t_1, 2\pi i t_2, 2\pi i t_3) \\ (13) \quad & = \alpha_b(2\pi i t_2, 2\pi i t_3) \\ & \quad \times \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_0^1 \gamma(ax; 2\pi i t_1) \beta_0(x; -2\pi i(t_3 - bt_2)) dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (14) \quad & + \sum_{c=1}^{b-1} \tilde{\alpha}_{b,c}(2\pi i t_2, 2\pi i t_3) \\ & \quad \times \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\frac{c}{b}}^1 \gamma(ax; 2\pi i t_1) \beta_0(x; 2\pi i(bt_2 - t_3)) dx \end{aligned}$$

$$(15) \quad - \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_0^1 \gamma(ax; 2\pi i t_1) (\beta(bx; -2\pi i(-t_2)) + \beta(x; -2\pi i t_3)) dx.$$

By (10), the coefficient of  $t_1^{k_1} t_2^{k_2} t_3^{k_3}$  in the last term (15) is a rational multiple

of  $\zeta(k)$ . For the first term (13), using (10) and (12), we have

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_0^1 \gamma(ax; 2\pi i t_1) \beta_0(x; -2\pi i(t_3 - bt_2)) dx$$

$$\in \sum_{\substack{k_1, k_2, k_3 > 0 \\ k_1 + k_2 + k_3: \text{odd}}} \mathbb{Q} \zeta(k_1 + k_2 + k_3) t_1^{k_1} t_2^{k_2} t_3^{k_3},$$

where  $\sum a_r t^r \in \sum V_r t^r$  means  $a_r \in V_r$  for all  $r$ . We also have

$$\alpha_b(2\pi i t_1, 2\pi i t_2) \in \sum_{r, s \geq 0} \mathbb{Q} (2\pi i)^{r+s} t_1^r t_2^s.$$

Hence the real part of the coefficient of  $t_1^{k_1} t_2^{k_2} t_3^{k_3}$  in (13) can be expressed as  $\mathbb{Q}$ -linear combinations of  $\pi^{2n} \zeta(k - 2n)$  with  $0 \leq n \leq \frac{k-3}{2}$ . For the second term (14), using Proposition 8 (see also Remark 1), we have

$$(16) \quad \tilde{\alpha}_{b,c}(2\pi i t_2, 2\pi i t_3)$$

$$\times \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\frac{\varepsilon}{b}}^1 \gamma(ax; 2\pi i t_1) \beta_0(x; 2\pi i(bt_2 - t_3)) dx$$

$$= -i \sum_{\substack{n_2 \geq 1 \\ n_3 \geq 0}} \sum_{\substack{s \geq 1 \\ p, q \geq 0 \\ p+s: \text{odd}}} \frac{(-1)^s \tilde{A}_{b,c}(n_2, n_3)}{q! a^s}$$

$$\times (2\pi i)^{n_2 + n_3 + q - 1} S_{p+s+1} \left( \frac{ac}{b} \right) B_q \left( \frac{c}{b} \right)$$

$$\times t_1^{p+1} (bt_2 - t_3)^{q+s-1} t_2^{n_2} t_3^{n_3}$$

$$+ \sum_{\substack{n_2 \geq 1 \\ n_3 \geq 0}} \sum_{\substack{s \geq 1 \\ p, q \geq 0 \\ p+s: \text{even}}} \frac{(-1)^s \tilde{A}_{b,c}(n_2, n_3)}{q! a^s} (2\pi i)^{n_2 + n_3 + q - 1}$$

$$\times \left( \zeta(p + s + 1) B_q \right.$$

$$\left. - C_{p+s+1} \left( \frac{ac}{b} \right) B_q \left( \frac{c}{b} \right) \right) t_1^{p+1} (bt_2 - t_3)^{q+s-1} t_2^{n_2} t_3^{n_3},$$

where we note that in the above both summations,  $p + s + 1$  runs over integers greater than 1. Since for any  $x \in \mathbb{Q}$  and  $k \geq 0$  we have  $B_k(x) \in \mathbb{Q}$ , the real part of the coefficient of  $t_1^{k_1} t_2^{k_2} t_3^{k_3}$  in the first term (resp. the second term) of the right-hand side of (16) is a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -linear combination of  $\pi^{2n+1} S_{k-2n-1}(\frac{ac}{b})$  with  $0 \leq n \leq \frac{k-3}{2}$  (resp.  $\pi^{2n} C_{k-2n}(\frac{ac}{b})$  and  $\pi^{2n} \zeta(k - 2n)$  with  $0 \leq n \leq \frac{k-3}{2}$ ). We therefore find that the real part of the coefficient of  $t_1^{k_1} t_2^{k_2} t_3^{k_3}$  in the generating function  $\frac{1}{2\pi i} F_{a,b}(2\pi i t_1, 2\pi i t_2, 2\pi i t_3)$  can be expressed as  $\mathbb{Q}$ -linear combinations

of  $\pi^{2n+1}S_{k-2n-1}(\frac{ac}{b})$  and  $\pi^{2n}C_{k-2n}(\frac{ac}{b})$  with  $0 \leq n \leq \frac{k-3}{2}$  and  $c \in \mathbb{Z}/b\mathbb{Z}$ . Thus by Corollary 3, we complete the proof.  $\square$

REMARK 2. As mentioned in the introduction, the value  $\zeta_{a,b}(k_1, k_2, k_3)$  is expressible as  $\mathbb{Q}$ -linear combinations of double polylogarithms  $Li_{r,s}(z_1, z_2)$  defined in (3), where the expression is obtained from the partial fractional decomposition

$$\frac{1}{x^r y^s} = \sum_{\substack{p+q=r+s \\ p, q \geq 1}} \frac{1}{(x+y)^p} \left( \binom{p-1}{s-1} \frac{1}{x^q} + \binom{p-1}{r-1} \frac{1}{y^q} \right) \quad (r, s \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1})$$

and the orthogonality relation

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}} \mu_N^{dn} = \begin{cases} 1, & N \mid d, \\ 0, & N \nmid d, \end{cases}$$

where  $\mu_N = e^{2\pi i/N}$  and  $d \in \mathbb{Z}$ . For example, one can check

$$(17) \quad \zeta_{1,3}(1, 1, 3) = \sum_{u \in \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}} Li_{1,4}(\mu_3^{-u}, \mu_3^u) + \sum_{u \in \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}} Li_{1,4}(\mu_3^u, 1).$$

From this, Theorem 1 might be proved by the parity theorem for double polylogarithms examined in [10, Eq. (3.2)]. Although we do not proceed with this in general, let us illustrate an example. As a special case of [10, Eq. (3.2)], one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} & Li_{1,4}(z_1, z_2) + Li_{1,4}(z_1^{-1}, z_2^{-1}) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^5 (-1)^{n+1} Li_n(z_1) \mathcal{B}_{5-n}(z_1 z_2) - Li_1(z_1) \mathcal{B}_4(z_2) \\ & \quad + \sum_{n=4}^5 \binom{n-1}{3} Li_n(z_2^{-1}) \mathcal{B}_{5-n}(z_1 z_2) - Li_5(z_1 z_2), \end{aligned}$$

where for each integer  $k \geq 0$  we set  $\mathcal{B}_k(z) = \frac{(2\pi i)^k}{k!} B_k(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\log(-z)}{2\pi i})$ . We note that  $Li_k(\mu_3^u) = C_k(\frac{u}{3}) + iS_k(\frac{u}{3})$  and  $\mathcal{B}_k(\mu_3) = \frac{(2\pi i)^k}{k!} B_k(\frac{1}{3})$  since  $\log(-\mu_3) = -\frac{\pi i}{3}$ . With this, the above formula gives

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Re}(Li_{1,4}(\mu_3^{-1}, \mu_3) + Li_{1,4}(\mu_3^{-2}, \mu_3^2)) \\ &= \frac{1}{243} (-843\zeta(5) + 36\pi^2\zeta(3) + 4\pi^4 \log 3), \\ & \text{Re}(Li_{1,4}(\mu_3, 1) + Li_{1,4}(\mu_3^2, 1)) \\ &= \frac{1}{243} \left( 972\zeta(5) - 12\pi^2\zeta(3) - 4\pi^4 \log 3 - 81\pi S_4\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) - 12\pi^3 S_2\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) \right), \\ & 2Li_{1,4}(1, 1) = 4\zeta(5) - \frac{1}{3}\pi^2\zeta(3), \end{aligned}$$

where we have used  $C_k(\frac{1}{3}) = C_k(\frac{2}{3}) = \frac{1-3^{k-1}}{2 \cdot 3^{k-1}} \zeta(k)$  for  $k \geq 2$  and  $C_1(\frac{1}{3}) = C_1(\frac{2}{3}) = -\frac{1}{2} \log 3$ . Substituting the above formulas to (17), one gets (2). We have checked Theorem 1 for  $(a, b) = (1, 3)$  and  $(2, 3)$  in this direction.

### 5. The zeta function of the root system $G_2$

In this section, we give an affirmative answer to the question posed by Komori, Matsumoto and Tsumura [5, Eq. (7.1)].

The zeta-function associated with the exceptional Lie algebra  $G_2$  is defined for complex variables  $\mathbf{s} = (s_1, s_2, \dots, s_6) \in \mathbb{C}^6$  by

$$\zeta(\mathbf{s}; G_2) := \sum_{m, n > 0} \frac{1}{m^{s_1} n^{s_2} (m+n)^{s_3} (m+2n)^{s_4} (m+3n)^{s_5} (2m+3n)^{s_6}}.$$

The function  $\zeta(\mathbf{s}; G_2)$  was first introduced by Komori, Matsumoto and Tsumura (see [4], [5]), where they developed its analytic properties and functional relations. They also examined explicit evaluations of the special values of  $\zeta(\mathbf{k}; G_2)$  at  $\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}^6$  (see [18] for  $\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^6$ ), where we note that the series  $\zeta(\mathbf{k}; G_2)$  converges absolutely for  $\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}^6$ . For example, they showed

$$\zeta(2, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1; G_2) = -\frac{109}{1296} \zeta(7) + \frac{1}{18} \zeta(2) \zeta(5).$$

Komori, Matsumoto and Tsumura [5, Eq. (7.1)] suggested a conjecture that the value  $\zeta(k_1, \dots, k_6; G_2)$  with  $k_1 + \dots + k_6$  odd lies in the polynomial ring over  $\mathbb{Q}$  generated by  $\zeta(k)$  ( $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{>2}$ ) and  $L(k, \chi_3)$  ( $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{>1}$ ), where  $L(s, \chi_3)$  is the Dirichlet  $L$ -function associated with the character  $\chi_3$  defined by

$$L(s, \chi_3) = \sum_{m > 0} \frac{\chi_3(m)}{m^s}$$

and the character  $\chi_3$  is determined by  $\chi_3(n) = 1$  if  $n \equiv 1 \pmod 3$ ,  $\chi_3(n) = -1$  if  $n \equiv 2 \pmod 3$  and  $\chi_3(n) = 0$  if  $n \equiv 0 \pmod 3$ . We remark that the second author [8] showed that the value  $\zeta(k_1, \dots, k_6; G_2)$  with  $k_1 + \dots + k_6$  odd can be written in terms of  $\zeta(s), L(s, \chi_3), S_r(\frac{d}{N}), C_r(\frac{d}{N})$  for  $N = 4, 12$  and  $0 < d < N, (d, N) = 1$  (see also [5, §7]). The following theorem gives an affirmative answer to the question.

**THEOREM 9.** *For any integers  $k, k_1, \dots, k_6 \geq 1$  with  $k = k_1 + \dots + k_6$  odd, the value  $\zeta(k_1, \dots, k_6; G_2)$  can be expressed as  $\mathbb{Q}$ -linear combinations of  $\zeta(2n)\zeta(k - 2n)$  ( $0 \leq n \leq \frac{k-3}{2}$ ) and  $L(2n + 1, \chi_3)L(k - 2n - 1, \chi_3)$  ( $0 \leq n \leq \frac{k-3}{2}$ ), where  $\zeta(0) = -\frac{1}{2}$ .*

*Proof.* In [8, Theorem 2.3], the second author proved that for any integers  $l_1, \dots, l_6 \geq 1$ , the value  $\zeta(l_1, \dots, l_6; G_2)$  can be expressed as  $\mathbb{Q}$ -linear combinations of  $\zeta_{a,b}(n_1, n_2, n_3)$  with  $(a, b) = (1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 3)$ ,  $n_1 + n_2 + n_3 =$

$l_1 + \dots + l_6$  and  $n_1, n_2, n_3 \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ . As a consequence, it follows from Theorem 1 that the value  $\zeta(k_1, \dots, k_6; G_2)$  can be written as  $\mathbb{Q}$ -linear combinations of  $\pi^{2n} C_{k-2n}(\frac{d}{6})$  and  $\pi^{2n+1} S_{k-2n-1}(\frac{d}{6})$  with  $0 \leq n \leq \frac{k-3}{2}$  and  $d \in \mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}$ . Now consider the values  $C_k(\frac{d}{6})$  and  $S_k(\frac{d}{6})$ . They are expressible as  $\mathbb{Q}$ -linear combinations of

$$\zeta_l^{(d)}(k) = \sum_{\substack{m>0 \\ m \equiv d \pmod{l}}} \frac{1}{m^k} \quad (d \in \mathbb{Z}/l\mathbb{Z}).$$

For  $k \geq 2$ , using the identities  $\zeta(k) = \sum_{d \in \mathbb{Z}/l\mathbb{Z}} \zeta_l^{(d)}(k)$  and  $\zeta_l^{(0)}(k) \in \mathbb{Q}\zeta(k)$ , we have  $C_k(\frac{1}{2}) = \zeta_2^{(0)}(k) - \zeta_2^{(1)}(k) \in \mathbb{Q}\zeta(k)$  and  $C_k(\frac{1}{3}) = C_k(\frac{2}{3}) = \zeta_3^{(0)}(k) - \frac{1}{2}(\zeta_3^{(1)}(k) + \zeta_3^{(2)}(k)) \in \mathbb{Q}\zeta(k)$ . Furthermore, using the identity  $\zeta_{al}^{(ad)}(k) = a^{-k} \zeta_l^{(d)}(k)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} C_k\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) &= C_k\left(\frac{5}{6}\right) \\ &= \zeta_6^{(0)}(k) - \zeta_6^{(3)}(k) + \frac{1}{2}(\zeta_6^{(1)}(k) + \zeta_6^{(5)}(k)) - \frac{1}{2}(\zeta_6^{(2)}(k) + \zeta_6^{(4)}(k)) \\ &\in \mathbb{Q}\zeta(k). \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $C_k(\frac{d}{6}) \in \mathbb{Q}\zeta(k)$  holds for any  $d \in \mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}$  and  $k \geq 2$ . Likewise, it is easily seen that  $S_k(\frac{d}{6}) \in \mathbb{Q}\sqrt{3}L(k, \chi_3)$  holds. Then the result follows from the well-known formula:  $\zeta(2n) \in \mathbb{Q}\pi^{2n}$ ,  $L(2n+1, \chi_3) \in \mathbb{Q}\sqrt{3}\pi^{2n+1}$  for any  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  (see [1, Theorem 9.6]). □

Let us illustrate an example of the formula for  $\zeta(k_1, \dots, k_6; G_2)$ . Applying the partial fractional decomposition repeatedly to the form  $(m+n)^{-k_3}(m+2n)^{-k_4}(m+3n)^{-k_5}(2m+3n)^{-k_6}$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} &\zeta(1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2; G_2) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\zeta_{1,1}(5, 1, 1) - 16\zeta_{1,2}(5, 1, 1) + \frac{9}{2}\zeta_{1,3}(5, 1, 1) + 9\zeta_{2,3}(4, 1, 2) + 18\zeta_{2,3}(5, 1, 1). \end{aligned}$$

Then, by Theorem 1 (actually we use Corollary 3 together with Propositions 4, 7 and 8), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta(1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2; G_2) &= \frac{2507}{1296}\zeta(7) - \frac{505}{648}\pi^2\zeta(5) + \frac{9}{4}\pi S_6\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) \\ &= \frac{2507}{1296}\zeta(7) - \frac{505}{108}\zeta(2)\zeta(5) + \frac{3}{8}L(1, \chi_3)L(6, \chi_3), \end{aligned}$$

where  $L(1, \chi_3) = \frac{\pi}{3\sqrt{3}}$ .

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