## ON A THETA PRODUCT FORMULA FOR THE SYMMETRIC A-TYPE CONNECTION FUNCTION

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## 1. Introduction

In this note we are concerned about a formula which gives a product expression for a sum of theta rational functions. This sum has already appeared in the connection formulae among symmetric A-type Jackson integrals (See [1], [2]).

Let  $q \in C$ , |q| < 1 be the elliptic modulus. We shall use frequently the Jacobi elliptic theta function  $\theta(u) = (u)_{\infty}(q/u)_{\infty}(q)_{\infty}$ , where  $(u)_{\infty} = \prod_{\nu=0}^{\infty} (1 - q^{\nu}u)$ . Let  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \cdots, \alpha_n, \beta, \gamma$  and  $\gamma'$  be complex numbers such that  $\alpha_j = \alpha_1 + (j-1)(\gamma' - \gamma)$  and  $\gamma + \gamma' = 1$ . The symmetric group of *n*-th degree  $\mathscr{G}_n$  acts on a function f(t) on the *n* dimensional algebraic torus  $(C^*)^n$  as  $\sigma f(t) = f(\sigma^{-1}(t)) = f(t_{\sigma(1)}, \cdots, t_{\sigma(n)})$  for  $t = (t_1, \cdots, t_n) \in (C^*)^n$ .

Let  $\{U_{\sigma}(t)\}_{\sigma \in \mathscr{G}_n}$  be the theta rational functions on  $(C^*)^n$  defined as follows,

(1.1) 
$$U_{\sigma}(t) = \prod_{\substack{1 \le i < j \le n \\ \sigma^{-1}(i) > \sigma^{-1}(j)}} (\frac{t_{j}}{t_{i}})^{\gamma - \gamma} \frac{\theta(q^{\gamma}t_{j}/t_{i})}{\theta(q^{\gamma'}t_{j}/t_{i})}$$

These are pseudo-constants and define one-cocycle of  $\mathscr{G}_n$  with values in  $C^*$ ,

(1.2) 
$$U_{\sigma\sigma'}(t) = U_{\sigma'}(t) \cdot \sigma U_{\sigma}(t) \quad \text{and} \quad U_e(t) = 1$$

for all  $\sigma, \sigma' \in \mathscr{G}_n$  (e denotes the identity).

Let  $\varphi(x), x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in (\mathbb{C}^*)^n$ , be the theta rational function

(1.3) 
$$\varphi(x) = \prod_{j=1}^{n} x_{j}^{\alpha_{j}} \frac{\theta(q^{\alpha_{j}+\cdots+\alpha_{n}+\gamma+1}x_{j}/x_{j-1})}{\theta(q^{\gamma+1}x_{j}/x_{j-1})}$$

for  $x_0 = q^{\gamma}$ . Consider the generalized alternating sum with the weight  $\{U_{\sigma}^{-1}(x)\}_{\sigma \in \mathscr{G}_n}$  as follows,

(1.4) 
$$\tilde{\varphi}(x) = \sum_{\sigma \in \mathscr{G}_n} \sigma \varphi(x) \cdot \operatorname{sgn}(\sigma) \cdot U_{\sigma}(x)^{-1}.$$

It has the equivariant property