

# CUSPIDALITY OF PULLBACKS OF SIEGEL-HILBERT EISENSTEIN SERIES ON HERMITIAN SYMMETRIC DOMAINS

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**ABSTRACT.** Let  $G_N$  be either a symplectic, unitary or Hermitian orthogonal group of rank  $2N = 2m + 2n$  with  $m \leq n$ . We show that the restriction of a Siegel-Hilbert Eisenstein series on  $G_N$  to the diagonally embedded group  $G_m \times G_n$  has a nontrivial cuspidal component in the smaller variable. As a consequence, we explicitly construct classes of Siegel-Hilbert cuspforms with rational-valued Fourier coefficients.

**1. Introduction.** The arithmeticity of Eisenstein series on general reductive groups is well-studied; see [9] for an example. The arithmetic nature of cuspforms is more mysterious. Pullbacks of certain Eisenstein series to smaller groups is a well-established tool for constructing cuspforms that inherit some of the arithmetic properties of the Eisenstein series. This has been a powerful method for proving arithmetic results about cuspforms and values of  $L$ -functions.

Let  $N = m + n$  with  $m \leq n$ . In [3] it is shown that, for a certain Siegel Eisenstein series  $E_N$  on  $Sp(N)$ , the pullback to  $Sp(m) \times Sp(n)$  has nontrivial cuspidal part in the smaller variable  $g \in Sp(m)$ . This was shown by modifying an argument in [7]. In this paper, we generalize this result to a larger class of Eisenstein series on symplectic, unitary and Hermitian orthogonal groups. We investigate the cuspidality of the pullbacks of Siegel-Hilbert Eisenstein series on these groups, give a general decomposition theorem for such pullbacks and present a unified approach for these different groups. Such results have applications to the arithmeticity of cuspforms [1, 7],  $L$ -functions [5, 14] and to the Bloch-Kato conjecture [2].

Let  $k$  be a totally real number field of degree  $\ell$  over  $\mathbf{Q}$ , and let  $F$  be either  $k$ , a complex quadratic extension of  $k$  or a quaternionic extension of  $k$ . Let  $\mathbf{A}$  denote the adeles of  $F$ , and let  $\mathcal{O}_F$  denote the

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integers of  $F$ . In the following,  $G_N(\mathbf{A})$  will be either  $Sp(N)$ ,  $U(N, N)$  or  $O^*(4N)$ . Let  $N > 1$ . We consider only holomorphic automorphic forms. Let  $\chi$  denote a character on the Siegel parabolic  $P_N(\mathbf{A})$ , and let  $I(\chi) = \text{Ind}_{P_N(\mathbf{A})}^{G_N(\mathbf{A})}\chi$  denote the induced representation space. For  $v$  a local place of  $F$  and a character  $\chi_v$  on the local group  $P_N(F_v)$ , let  $I_v(\chi_v) = \text{Ind}_{P_N(F_v)}^{G_N(F_v)}\chi_v$ . For  $\varepsilon \in I(\chi)$  we have the factorization  $\varepsilon = \prod_v \varepsilon_v$  where  $\varepsilon_v \in I_v(\chi_v)$ , and we can define a Siegel-Hilbert Eisenstein series on  $G_N(\mathbf{A})$  by

$$E_N(g; \kappa) = \sum_{\gamma \in P_N(F) \backslash G_N(F)} \varepsilon(\gamma g).$$

We choose  $\varepsilon$  to give an Eisenstein series of a given weight  $\kappa$  and level  $\mathfrak{n}$  where  $\mathfrak{n}$  is an ideal in the integers of  $F$ . Precise definitions of these objects are given in Sections 2 and 3. Let  $\iota : G_m(\mathbf{A}) \times G_n(\mathbf{A}) \hookrightarrow G_N(\mathbf{A})$  be the embedding from Section 3, and let  $E(\iota(g_1, g_2); \kappa)$  be the pullback of the Eisenstein series to  $G_m(\mathbf{A}) \times G_n(\mathbf{A})$ .

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $E_N(g; \kappa)$  be a Siegel-Hilbert Eisenstein series on  $G_N(\mathbf{A})$  of weight  $\kappa > 2N + 1$  and level  $\mathfrak{n}$ . Then we have the following.*

- i) *The pullback decomposes*

$$E_N(\iota(g_1, g_2); \kappa) = \Psi_N(g_1, g_2) + \Phi_N(g_1, g_2)$$

where  $\langle \Psi_N(\cdot, g_2), f_1 \rangle = \langle \Psi_N(g_1, \cdot), f_2 \rangle = 0$  for  $f_1$  a cuspform on  $G_m(\mathbf{A})$ ,  $f_2$  a cuspform on  $G_n(\mathbf{A})$  and  $\Phi_N(g_1, g_2)$  is a cuspform in the variable  $g_1 \in G_m(\mathbf{A})$ .

ii) *The Eisenstein series can be chosen so that  $\Phi_N$  is nontrivial. If  $m = n$ , then  $\Phi_N$  is nontrivial for any choice of  $\varepsilon_v \in I(\chi_v)$  with  $v < \infty$  and  $v \nmid \mathfrak{n}$ .*

iii) *For  $f$  a cuspform on  $G_n(\mathbf{A})$ , we have that  $\langle \Phi_N(g_1, \cdot), f \rangle = 0$  if and only if  $m < n$ .*

Cusps constructed in this way inherit certain arithmetic properties of the Eisenstein series. In particular, we show that their Fourier coefficients are rational-valued.

**Corollary 1.** *Let  $\xi$  be as in Lemma 1, and let  $\chi$  be a character of the Siegel parabolic  $P_N(\mathbf{A})$ . There is some  $\varepsilon \in I(\chi)$  so that*

$$\sum_{\gamma \in G_m(F) \backslash G_m(F) \times G_n(F)} \varepsilon(\xi \iota(g_1, g_2))$$

*is a nontrivial cuspform in  $g_1 \in G_m(\mathbf{A})$  with  $F$ -valued Fourier coefficients.*

In Section 2 we define the groups and automorphic forms used here. In Sections 3 and 4 we study the restriction of a Siegel-Hilbert Eisenstein series on  $G_N(\mathbf{A})$  to embedded copies of smaller groups of the same type. We prove Theorem 1 in Section 3 by first proving the decomposition in (i), then parts (ii) and (iii), and then completing the last part of (i) by showing that  $\Phi_N$  is a cuspform in its smaller variable. In Section 4 we apply these results to prove Corollary 1.

**2. Automorphic forms and Eisenstein series.** Let  $1_N$  denote the  $N \times N$  identity matrix, and let  $0_N$  denote the  $N \times N$  zero matrix. Let  $J_N = \begin{pmatrix} 0_N & \eta 1_N \\ 1_N & 0_N \end{pmatrix}$  where  $\eta = \pm 1$  is fixed for a given type of group. Let  $k$  be a totally real number field of degree  $\ell$  over  $\mathbf{Q}$ , and let  $F$  be a finite dimensional division algebra over  $k$ . Following [6], for the rational representation  $\tau : F \mapsto M_{d \times d}(k)$ , define

$$\tau : GL_N(F) \longrightarrow GL_N(M_{d \times d}(k)) \cong GL_{Nd}(k).$$

Here  $M_{d \times d}(k)$  denotes the set of  $d \times d$  matrices with entries in  $k$ . For a commutative  $\mathbf{C}$ -algebra  $A$  we also define  $\tau : GL_N(F \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}} A) \rightarrow GL_M(A)$ . Let  $\alpha \mapsto \alpha^\sigma$  be an involution of  $F$  and, for  $g \in M_{N \times N}(F)$ , let  $g^\sigma$  denote entry-wise action by  $\sigma$ . Let  $g^T$  denote the usual matrix transpose, and let  $g^*$  denote the convolution  $g^{\sigma T}$ . Let  $\mathcal{O}_F$  be an order in  $F$  so that  $\mathbf{Z} \subseteq \mathcal{O}_F$  and  $\mathcal{O}_F$  is stable under  $\sigma$ . For a commutative  $\mathbf{Z}$ -algebra  $A$  define

$$G_N(A) = \{g \in GL_{2N}(\mathcal{O}_F \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} A) \mid g^* J_N g = J_N, \det(\tau(g)) = 1\}.$$

By the class number  $h_F$  of  $F$  we mean the number of isomorphism classes of locally free left (or right)  $\mathcal{O}_F$ -ideals in  $\mathcal{O}_F \otimes \mathcal{Q}$ .

Let  $\mu(g, z) = \det(cz + d)^{-1}$ , and define  $\mu(g, z)^\kappa = \prod_{j=1}^{\ell} \mu(g_j, z_j)^\kappa$  using a multi-index notation where  $g = (g_j)_j \in G_N(F)$  and  $z = (z_j)_j \in \mathfrak{H}_N^\ell$ . As  $G_N(F)$  acts on  $\mathfrak{H}_N^\ell$ , the space of holomorphic Hilbert modular forms of weight the  $\ell$ -tuple  $\kappa = (\kappa, \dots, \kappa)$ , level  $\mathfrak{n}$ , and character  $\rho$  is the space of holomorphic  $\mathbf{C}$ -valued functions  $f(z)$  on  $\mathfrak{H}_N^\ell$  so that  $f(g(z))\mu(g, z)^\kappa = \rho(g)f(z)$  for all  $z \in \mathfrak{H}_N^\ell$  and  $g \in \Gamma_0^N(\mathfrak{n})$ .

Let  $\mathbf{A}$  denote the adeles of  $F$ , and let  $\mathbf{A}_0$  and  $\mathbf{A}_\infty$  denote the finite and infinite adeles, respectively. Let  $v$  be a local place with norm  $|\cdot|_v$  normalized so that  $|\varpi_v| = q_v^{-1}$ , where  $\varpi_v$  is the uniformizer and  $q_v$  is the cardinality of the residue field. For  $v < \infty$ , set  $K_v = G_n(\mathcal{O}_v)$ , and let  $K_{\mathbf{A}_0} = \prod_{v < \infty} K_v$ . For  $v \mid \infty$ , define

$$K_v = \{g \in G_N(F_v) \mid \mathfrak{r}(g) \in U'(N)\},$$

where  $U'(N) = U(2N) = \{g \in GL_{2N}(F_v) \mid g^*g = 1_{2N}\}$  for  $F = k$  or a quaternionic extension of  $k$ . For  $F$  a complex quadratic extension of  $k$  set  $U'(N) = U(N) \times U(N)$ . Then  $K_v$  is a maximal compact subgroup of  $G_N(F_v)$ , and set  $K_\infty = \prod_{v \mid \infty} K_v$  and note that  $K_\infty$  is the isotropy group in  $G_N(F_\infty)$  of  $i \cdot 1_N \in \mathfrak{H}_N^\ell$ . This gives a diffeomorphism from  $G_N(F_\infty)/K_\infty$  to  $\mathfrak{H}_N^\ell$ . For  $f$  an automorphic form of weight  $\kappa$ , level  $\mathfrak{n}$  and character  $\rho$  on  $\mathfrak{H}_N^\ell$  define  $\tilde{f}(g) = f(g(i \cdot 1_n))\mu(g, i \cdot 1_n)^\kappa$ . Then  $\tilde{f}$  is an automorphic form on  $G_n(F_\infty)$  of weight  $\kappa$ , level  $\mathfrak{n}$  and character  $\rho$ . There is a unique compact open subgroup  $\mathbf{K}_0 \subset G_N(\mathbf{A}_0)$  so that  $\Gamma_0^N(\mathfrak{n}) = G_N(F) \cap G_N(F_\infty)\mathbf{K}_0$ . By Strong approximation there is a diffeomorphism

$$\Gamma_0^N(\mathfrak{n}) \backslash G_N(F_\infty) \longrightarrow G_N(F) \backslash G_N(\mathbf{A}) / \mathbf{K}_0.$$

If  $g = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in K_\infty = \prod_{v \mid \infty} K_v$ , then let  $\rho_\kappa(g) = \det(a + ib)^\kappa$  and let  $K_{\mathbf{A}} = K_\infty \mathbf{K}_0$ . For  $g \in G_N(\mathbf{A})$  and  $z \in \mathfrak{H}_N^\ell$  define  $\mu(g, z) = (\mu(g_v, z_v))_{v \in \mathbf{A}_\infty}$ . For  $\tilde{f}$ , an automorphic form on  $G_N(F_\infty)$  and  $\gamma \in G_N(F)$ ,  $g \in G_N(F_\infty)$  and  $k \in K_{\mathbf{A}}$  we define a function, which we also label  $f$ , on  $G_N(\mathbf{A})$  by  $f(\gamma g k) = \tilde{f}(g)\rho(k)$ . Then  $f$  is a left  $G_N(F)$ -invariant, right  $(K_\infty, \rho_\kappa)$ -equivariant, right  $\mathbf{K}_0$ -invariant function on  $G_N(\mathbf{A})$ . Thus,  $f$  is a holomorphic automorphic form on  $G_N(\mathbf{A})$  of weight  $\kappa$ , level  $\mathfrak{n}$  and character  $\rho$ . In the sequel, by automorphic forms we mean adelic automorphic forms in this sense, and we denote the space of such automorphic forms by  $\mathcal{M}_N(\kappa, \mathfrak{n})$ . Let  $\mathcal{C}_N(\kappa, \mathfrak{n})$  denote

the subspace of cuspforms. Let  $Z_N(\mathbf{A})$  be the center of  $G_N(\mathbf{A})$ . The Petersson inner product on  $\mathcal{C}_N(\kappa, \mathfrak{n})$  is defined to be

$$\langle f_1, f_2 \rangle = \int_{Z_N(\mathbf{A})G_N(F) \backslash G_N(\mathbf{A})} f_1(g) \overline{f_2(g)} dg.$$

The measure chosen is induced from a Haar measure on  $G_N(\mathbf{A})$ . By the Iwasawa decomposition, we have  $G_N(F) = P_N(F)K(F)$  where  $P_N(F) = L_N(F)U_N(F)$  with  $L_N(F) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & A^{*-1} \end{pmatrix} \mid A \in GL_N(F) \right\}$  the Levi component and  $U_N(F) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & B \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mid B \in S_N(F) \right\}$  the unipotent radical, where  $S_N(F) = \{B \in M_{N \times N}(F) \mid B^* = \eta B\}$ . Thus,  $P_N(F)$  is the Siegel parabolic of  $G_N(F)$ . More generally, for  $0 \leq j \leq N$ , we have the unipotent radicals

$$U_j(F) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1_{N-j} & * & * & * \\ 0 & 1_j & * & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1_{N-j} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & * & 1_j \end{pmatrix} \in G_N(F) \right\}$$

and Levi components

$$L_j(F) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a & 0 & b \\ 0 & 0 & A^{*-1} & 0 \\ 0 & c & 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \in G_N(F) \mid \begin{array}{l} A \in GL_{N-j}(F), \quad \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in G_j(F) \end{array} \right\}$$

and the respective parabolics  $P_j(F) = L_j(F)U_j(F)$  of  $G_N(F)$ . The context will be clear as to the group  $G_N(F)$  which contains a given parabolic. Note that, for a cuspform  $f$  on  $G_N(\mathbf{A})$ , we have  $\int_{U_j(F) \backslash U_j(\mathbf{A})} f(ug) du = 0$  for any  $j \leq N$ .

In the sequel, we write  $e(x)$  for  $e^x$ . Also, let  $\det(A)$  denote the usual determinant if  $F = k$ , the usual determinant over  $F$  followed by the norm for  $F$  over  $k$  if  $F$  is a complex quadratic extension of  $k$  and the determinant of the image of the rational representation followed by the reduced norm if  $F$  is a quaternionic extension of  $k$ . For  $w_n = \begin{pmatrix} 0_n & 1_n \\ 1_n & 0_n \end{pmatrix}$  and  $g \in G_N$  let  $g^\natural = w_n g w_n$  and note that  $g \rightarrow g^\natural$  stabilizes the

maximal compact subgroup of  $G_N$ . For an automorphic form  $f$  on  $G_N(\mathbf{A})$ , let  $f^\sharp(g) = \bar{f}(g^\sharp)$  where  $\bar{f}$  is complex conjugation. Note that  $f^\sharp$  is a holomorphic automorphic form on  $G_N(\mathbf{A})$ .

**3. Pullbacks of Eisenstein series and cuspforms.** Let  $N = m + n$  and consider the embedding  $\iota : G_m(\mathbf{A}) \times G_n(\mathbf{A}) \hookrightarrow G_N(\mathbf{A})$  given by

$$\iota : \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} a' & b' \\ c' & d' \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 & b & 0 \\ 0 & a' & 0 & b' \\ c & 0 & d & 0 \\ 0 & c' & 0 & d' \end{pmatrix}.$$

For the case  $F = k = \mathbf{Q}$ , the restriction of Siegel Eisenstein series on  $G_N(\mathbf{A}) = Sp_N(\mathbf{A})$  to  $Sp_m(\mathbf{A}) \times Sp_n(\mathbf{A})$  is well studied; see [4, 8] for a detailed discussion of the doubling method.

By the Iwasawa decomposition, for  $g \in G_N(\mathbf{A})$ , we can write  $g = pk$  with  $p = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ 0_N & A^{*-1} \end{pmatrix} \in P_N(\mathbf{A})$  and  $k \in K$ . For an integer  $\kappa > 2N + 1$ , define a character  $\chi$  on  $P_N(\mathbf{A})$  by  $\chi(p) = |\det(A)|_{\mathbf{J}}^\kappa$ , where  $\mathbf{J}$  denotes the ideles of  $F$ . Recall that the induced representation space  $I(\chi) = \text{Ind}_{P_N(\mathbf{A})}^{G_N(\mathbf{A})}\chi$  consists of smooth complex-valued functions  $\alpha$  on  $G_N(\mathbf{A})$  so that  $\alpha(pg) = \chi(p)\alpha(g)$  for all  $p \in P_N(\mathbf{A})$  and  $g \in G_N(\mathbf{A})$ . For a section  $\varepsilon \in I(\chi)$ , we define the following Siegel-Hilbert Eisenstein series on  $G_N(\mathbf{A})$ ,

$$(3.1) \quad E_N(g; \kappa) = \sum_{\gamma \in P_N(F) \backslash G_N(F)} \varepsilon(g; \kappa).$$

This series converges uniformly in compacta for  $\kappa > 2N + 1$  and is a holomorphic modular form on  $G_N(\mathbf{A})$  of weight  $\kappa$ . The level  $\mathfrak{n}$  depends on the choice of section  $\varepsilon$ . Let  $E_N(\iota(g_1, g_2); \kappa)$  denote the restriction of  $E_N(g; \kappa)$  to  $G_m(\mathbf{A}) \times G_n(\mathbf{A})$ . The following lemma is proved in [6]. Recall that  $\eta = \pm 1$  and is fixed for  $G_N(F)$ .

**Lemma 1** [6, Proposition 3.1]. *Let  $N = m + n$  with  $m \leq n$ . The double coset space*

$$P_N(F) \backslash G_N(F) / \iota(G_m(F) \times G_n(F))$$

has irredundant representatives  $\xi_0, \dots, \xi_m$  where

$$\xi_j = \begin{pmatrix} 1_n & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1_m & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \eta I_j & 1_n & 0 \\ I_j^* & 0 & 0 & 1_m \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad I_j = \begin{pmatrix} 0_{m-j} & 0 \\ 0 & 1_j \end{pmatrix}.$$

The respective isotropy groups of  $\xi_j$  in  $G_m(F) \times G_n(F)$  are

$$H_j(F) \cong \left\{ J_{m,j} \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \times J_{n,j} \begin{pmatrix} d & c \\ b & a \end{pmatrix} \in G_m(F) \times G_n(F) \mid \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in G_j(F) \right\}$$

where

$$J_{m,j} \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & * & * & * \\ 0 & a & * & b \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha^{*-1} & 0 \\ 0 & c & * & d \end{pmatrix} \mid \alpha \in GL_{m-j}(F) \right\}.$$

Note that  $J_{m,j} \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$  contains the unipotent radical  $U_j(F)$  of  $G_m(F)$  for  $0 \leq j < m$ .

For  $G_N(\mathbf{A}) = Sp(N)$ , an Eisenstein kernel  $\varepsilon$  was chosen in [3, 7] so that the contribution of certain cells to the pullback of a given Eisenstein series vanished. In fact, in [3, 7] all of the terms in the pullback of the Eisenstein series vanish except the term contributed by the orbit that is Zariski-open in  $G_N(F)$  (the “big-cell”).

For symplectic groups, for  $F = k$ , a version of the following decomposition result was studied by Böcherer [1], Brown [2] and Garrett [6, 7]. In [14] Shimura studied this decomposition for unitary groups, so for  $F$  a complex quadratic extension of  $k$ .

**Lemma 2.** *Let  $E_N(g; \kappa)$  be as in (3.1). Then*

$$E_N(\iota(g_1, g_2); \kappa) = \Psi_N(g_1, g_2) + \Phi_N(g_1, g_2)$$

where  $\langle \Psi_N(\cdot, g_2), f_1 \rangle = \langle \Psi_N(g_1, \cdot), f_2 \rangle = 0$  for cuspforms  $f_1$  on  $G_m(\mathbf{A})$  and  $f_2$  on  $G_n(\mathbf{A})$ , respectively.

*Proof.* Let  $H_i(F)$  be the isotropy group of the representative  $\xi_i$ , and let  $\xi = \xi_m$  be the representative of the open orbit. Consider

$$\gamma \in P_N(F) \setminus G_N(F) = \bigsqcup_{i=1}^m P_N(F) \setminus P_N(F)\xi_i \iota(G_m(F) \times G_n(F)).$$

For  $\gamma \in P_N(F) \setminus P_N(F)\xi_i \iota(G_m(F) \times G_n(F))$  we have  $\xi_i \gamma \in H_i(F) \setminus \iota(G_m(F) \times G_n(F))$ , and as  $H_i(F)\xi_i = \xi_i H_i(F)$ , we have  $\gamma \in H_i(F) \setminus \iota(G_m(F) \times G_n(F))$ . In the following, to avoid clutter, we abuse notation and leave out the  $\iota$  in the range of the summation indices. Thus, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (3.2) \quad E_N(\iota(g_1, g_2); \kappa) &= \sum_{\gamma \in P_N(F) \setminus G_N(F)} \varepsilon(\gamma \iota(g_1, g_2); \kappa) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{\gamma \in H_i(F) \setminus (G_m(F) \times G_n(F))} \varepsilon(\xi_i \gamma \iota(g_1, g_2); \kappa) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} \sum_{\gamma \in H_i(F) \setminus (G_m(F) \times G_n(F))} \varepsilon(\xi_i \gamma \iota(g_1, g_2); \kappa) \\ &\quad + \sum_{\gamma \in H_m(F) \setminus (G_m(F) \times G_n(F))} \varepsilon(\xi \gamma \iota(g_1, g_2); \kappa) \\ &= \Psi_N(g_1, g_2) + \Phi_N(g_1, g_2) \end{aligned}$$

where  $\Phi_N(g_1, g_2)$  is the contribution of the open orbit to the pullback.

For  $\gamma \in H_j(F) \setminus (G_m(F) \times G_n(F))$  we have  $\gamma = (\gamma_1, \gamma_2)$  where  $\gamma_1 \in J_{m,j} \left( \begin{smallmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{smallmatrix} \right) \setminus G_m(F)$  and  $\gamma_2 \in J_{n,j} \left( \begin{smallmatrix} d & c \\ b & a \end{smallmatrix} \right) \setminus G_n(F)$ . For  $0 \leq j \leq m-1$  and  $f$  a generic cuspform in  $\mathcal{C}_m(\kappa, \mathfrak{n})$  we can unwind the following integral and get

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \Psi_N(*, g_2), f \rangle &= \int_{Z_m(\mathbf{A})G_m(F) \setminus G_m(\mathbf{A})} \sum_{\gamma \in H_j(F) \setminus (G_m(F) \times G_n(F))} \\ &\quad \times \varepsilon(\xi_j \gamma \iota(g_1, g_2); \kappa) \overline{f(g_1)} dg_1 \\ &= \int_{Z_m(\mathbf{A})J_{m,j} \left( \begin{smallmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{smallmatrix} \right) \setminus G_m(\mathbf{A})} \sum_{\gamma_2 \in J_{n,j} \left( \begin{smallmatrix} d & c \\ b & a \end{smallmatrix} \right) \setminus G_n(F)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\times \varepsilon(\xi_j \iota(g_1, \gamma_2 g_2); \kappa) \overline{f(g_1)} dg_1.$$

Writing  $J_{m,j} \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = L_j(F)U_j(F)$  where  $U_j(F)$  is the unipotent radical of the parabolic  $P_j(F)$  in  $G_m(F)$ , the above can be rewritten

$$\int_{Z_m(\mathbf{A})L_j(\mathbf{A})U_j(\mathbf{A})\backslash G_m(\mathbf{A})} \int_{L_j(F)\backslash L_j(\mathbf{A})} \int_{U_j(F)\backslash U_j(\mathbf{A})} \times \sum_{\gamma_2 \in J_{n,j} \begin{pmatrix} d & c \\ b & a \end{pmatrix} \backslash G_n(F)} \varepsilon(\xi_j \iota(ulg, \gamma_2 g_2); \kappa) \overline{f(ulg)} du dl dg.$$

A direct calculation shows that  $\varepsilon(\xi_j \iota(ulg, \gamma_2 g_2); \kappa) = \varepsilon(\xi_j \iota(lg, \gamma_2 g_2); \kappa)$  and so, by the left  $U_j(\mathbf{A})$ -invariance of  $\varepsilon$ , this becomes

$$\int_{Z_m(\mathbf{A})L_j(\mathbf{A})U_j(\mathbf{A})\backslash G_m(\mathbf{A})} \int_{L_j(F)\backslash L_j(\mathbf{A})} \sum_{\gamma_2 \in J_{n,j} \begin{pmatrix} d & c \\ b & a \end{pmatrix} \backslash G_n(F)} \times \varepsilon(\xi_j \iota(lg, \gamma_2 g_2); \kappa) \left( \int_{U_j(F)\backslash U_j(\mathbf{A})} \overline{f(ulg)} du \right) dl dg.$$

For  $j < m$ ,  $U_j(\mathbf{A})$  is the unipotent radical of the parabolic  $P_j(\mathbf{A})$  in  $G_m(\mathbf{A})$ . Thus, as  $f(g)$  is a cuspform, the inner integral is 0. Similarly we get  $\langle \Psi_N(g_1, *), f \rangle = 0$ . It follows that the first of the two terms in (3.2) is orthogonal in each variable to the space of cuspforms.  $\square$

In [2, 7] a specific Siegel Eisenstein series is chosen on  $Sp(n)$  so that  $\Psi_N$  as above is identically zero. It immediately follows that  $\Phi_N$  is nontrivial in that case. We show that an Eisenstein series can be chosen on  $G_N$  so that  $\Phi_N$  is nontrivial, with no condition placed on  $\Psi_N$ . Further, we show that there is somewhat more flexibility in choosing such an Eisenstein series.

**Lemma 3.** *Let  $\Phi_N(g_1, g_2)$  be as in (3.2). We can choose  $\varepsilon \in I(\chi)$  so that  $\Phi_N(g_1, g_2)$  is a nontrivial automorphic form on  $G_m(\mathbf{A}) \times G_n(\mathbf{A})$ .*

*Proof.* It is straightforward that  $\Phi_N(g_1, g_2)$  is an automorphic form on  $G_m(\mathbf{A}) \times G_n(\mathbf{A})$  in the sense of Section 2. For  $a \in \mathbf{Z}_{>0}$  consider

the compact subgroup

$$K_{\mathbf{A}}(a) = \{\iota(g_{1v}, g_{2v}) \in K_{\mathbf{A}} \mid \iota(g_{1v}, g_{2v}) \equiv 1_{2N} \pmod{\varpi_v^a} \text{ for } v < \infty\},$$

and note that for  $a > a'$ , we have  $K_{\mathbf{A}}(a) \subset K_{\mathbf{A}}(a')$ . We similarly define  $K_F(a)$  and  $K_v(a)$  and note that  $\lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} K_F(a) = \{1_{2N}\}$ .

Recall that  $H_m(F)$  is a subgroup of  $G_m(F) \times G_n(F)$ . So, for  $h = \iota(g_1, g_2) \in H_m(F_v)$ , we have  $\xi h \xi^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ 0 & C \end{pmatrix} \in P_N(F_v)$  where  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$  and  $C = \begin{pmatrix} d & -c \\ -b & a \end{pmatrix}$ . Note that  $\det(C) = \det(A)$ . As  $\xi h \xi^{-1} \in P_N(F_v)$  we have  $C = A^{*-1}$ , and this implies  $\det(A) = \det(A)^{-1}$ . It follows that  $|\det(A)|_v = 1$  and as the local character is  $\chi_v \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ 0 & A^{*-1} \end{pmatrix} = |\det(A)|_v^\kappa$  we get  $\chi_v(\xi h \xi^{-1}) = 1$ . So for  $f(*) \in \text{Ind}_{P_N(F_v)}^{P_N(F_v)\xi\iota(G_m(F_v) \times G_n(F_v))} \chi_v$  we have  $f(\xi * \xi^{-1}) \in \text{Ind}_{H_m(F_v)}^{G_m(F_v) \times G_n(F_v)} \mathbf{1}$ .

For any  $f \in \text{Ind}_{P_N(F_v)}^{P_N(F_v)\xi\iota(G_m(F_v) \times G_n(F_v))} \chi_v$  we can associate some  $\tilde{f} \in \text{Ind}_{P_N(F_v)}^{G_N(F_v)} \chi_v$ . Set  $\tilde{f}(g) = f(g)$  for  $g \in P_N(F_v)\xi\iota(G_m(F_v) \times G_n(F_v))$ . As  $P_N(F_v)\xi\iota(G_m(F_v) \times G_n(F_v))$  is Zariski-open in  $G_N(F_v)$ , then for  $g \in G_N(F_v) - P_N(F_v)\xi\iota(G_m(F_v) \times G_n(F_v))$  there is a sequence  $g_i \rightarrow g$  with  $g_i \in P_N(F_v)\xi\iota(G_m(F_v) \times G_n(F_v))$ . As  $f$  is smooth, we have that  $\lim f(g_i)$  exists and we set  $\tilde{f}(g)$  equal to this limit. Therefore, there is a sequence of injections  $\text{Ind}_{H_m(F_v)}^{G_m(F_v) \times G_n(F_v)} \mathbf{1} \hookrightarrow \text{Ind}_{P_N(F_v)}^{P_N(F_v)\xi\iota(G_m(F_v) \times G_n(F_v))} \chi_v \hookrightarrow I_v(\chi_v)$ .

Let  $\text{ch}_{H_m(F_v)K_v(a)}(*) \in \text{Ind}_{H_m(F_v)}^{G_m(F_v) \times G_n(F_v)} \mathbf{1}$  denote the characteristic function of  $H_m(F_v)K_v(a)$ . By the injection above, there exists some  $\varepsilon_v \in I_v(\chi_v)$  so that

$$\varepsilon_v(\xi * \xi^{-1})|_{G_m(F_v) \times G_n(F_v)} = \text{ch}_{H_m(F_v)K_v(a)}(*) .$$

Set  $\varepsilon_{a,v} = \text{ch}_{H_m(F_v)K_v(a)}$ , and let  $\varepsilon_a = \prod_v \varepsilon_{a,v}$ . We can choose  $\varepsilon_v$  so that it is supported on  $P_N(F_v)K'_v$  for some compact open subgroup  $K'_v$  of  $G_N(F_v)$  that contains a principal congruence subgroup of level  $r$ , denoted  $K_v(r)$ . Thus, we can choose  $\varepsilon \in I(\chi)$  so that the local component  $\varepsilon_v$  is supported on  $P_N(F_v)K_v(r)$  and then  $\varepsilon_{a,v}$  is supported on  $H_m(F_v)K_v(a)$  for  $r \geq a$ . Note that as  $K_v(r) \subseteq K_v(a)$  we have  $\varepsilon_{r,v}(g) = \varepsilon_{a,v}(g)$  for  $g \in H_m(F_v)K_v(r)$ .

We have  $\varepsilon_{av}(\gamma\iota(g_1, g_2)) = \text{ch}_{H_m(F_v)K_v(a)}(\gamma\iota(g_1, g_2)) = \varepsilon_v(\xi\gamma\iota(g_1, g_2))$  by the right  $K_v$ -invariance of  $\varepsilon_v$ . Thus,  $\varepsilon_a(\gamma\iota(g_1, g_2)) = \varepsilon(\xi\gamma\iota(g_1, g_2))$ , and let

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_{N,a}(g_1, g_2) &= \sum_{\gamma \in H_m(F) \setminus (G_m(F) \times G_n(F))} \varepsilon(\gamma\iota(g_1, g_2)) \\ &= \sum_{\gamma \in H_m(F) \setminus (G_m(F) \times G_n(F))} \varepsilon(\xi\gamma\iota(g_1, g_2)).\end{aligned}$$

As  $\varepsilon_a$  is supported on  $H_m(\mathbf{A})K_{\mathbf{A}}(r)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \Phi_{N,a}(1_{2m}, 1_{2n}) &= \lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{\gamma \in H_m(F) \setminus (G_m(F) \times G_n(F))} \varepsilon_a(\gamma) \\ &= \lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{\gamma \in H_m(F) \setminus H_m(F)K_F(a)} \varepsilon_a(\gamma).\end{aligned}$$

Now,  $\varepsilon_a(1_{2N}) = \varepsilon(\xi \cdot 1_{2N}) = \text{ch}_{H_m(F)K_F(a)}(1_{2N}) = 1$ , and since  $\lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} H_m(F) \setminus H_m(F)K_F(a) = \{1_{2N}\}$ , it follows that

$$\lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{\gamma \in H_m(F) \setminus H_m(F)K_F(a)} \varepsilon_a(\gamma) = 1.$$

Thus,  $\Phi_{N,a}$  is nontrivial for sufficiently large  $a$ . It follows that we can choose  $a$  and  $r$  sufficiently large and  $\varepsilon \in I(\chi)$  so that the cuspidal part of the restriction of the corresponding Eisenstein series is nontrivial. That is, there exists some  $\varepsilon \in I(\chi)$  so that

$$\Phi_N(g_1, g_2) = \sum_{\gamma \in H_m(F) \setminus (G_m(F) \times G_n(F))} \varepsilon(\xi\gamma\iota(g_1, g_2))$$

is a nontrivial automorphic form on  $G_m(\mathbf{A}) \times G_n(\mathbf{A})$ .  $\square$

We now show that, for  $m = n$ , we can choose any  $\varepsilon_v \in I_v(\chi_v)$  where  $v < \infty$  and  $v \nmid \mathfrak{n}$  so that  $\Phi_N$  is nontrivial. Let  $m = n$ , and let  $f$  be a cuspform on  $G_n(\mathbf{A})$  that is a Hecke eigenfunction. Unwinding the following integral, we get

$$(3.3) \quad \langle \Phi_N(\cdot, g_2), f \rangle = \int_{Z_n(\mathbf{A})G_n(F) \setminus G_n(\mathbf{A})}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \times \sum_{\gamma \in H_n(F) \setminus (G_n(F) \times G_n(F))} \varepsilon(\xi \gamma \iota(g_1, g_2); \kappa) \overline{f(g_1)} dg_1 \\ &= \int_{Z_n(\mathbf{A}) \setminus G_n(\mathbf{A})} \varepsilon(\xi \iota(g_1, g_2); \kappa) \overline{f(g_1)} dg_1. \end{aligned}$$

Note that, for  $g_1 \in G_n(\mathbf{A})$ , we have  $\xi \iota(g_1, g_1^\natural) \xi^{-1} \in P_n(\mathbf{A})$ , and so  $\varepsilon(\xi \iota(g_1, g_1^\natural) \xi^{-1} g; \kappa) = \varepsilon(g; \kappa)$  from the equivariance properties of  $\varepsilon$ . Thus,

$$\varepsilon(\xi \iota(g_1, g_2); \kappa) = \varepsilon(\xi \iota(g_2^{\natural-1}, g_2^{-1}) \xi^{-1} \xi \iota(g_1, g_2); \kappa) = \varepsilon(\xi \iota(g_2^{\natural-1} g_1, 1_{2n}); \kappa)$$

and so (3.3) is

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{Z_n(\mathbf{A}) \setminus G_n(\mathbf{A})} \varepsilon(\xi \iota(g_1, g_2); \kappa) \overline{f(g_1)} dg_1 \\ &= \int_{Z_n(\mathbf{A}) \setminus G_n(\mathbf{A})} \varepsilon(\xi \iota(g_2^{\natural-1} g_1, 1_{2n}); \kappa) \overline{f(g_1)} dg_1 \\ &= \int_{Z_n(\mathbf{A}) \setminus G_n(\mathbf{A})} \varepsilon(\xi \iota(g_1, 1_{2n}); \kappa) \overline{f(g_2^\natural g_1)} dg_1 \\ &= \int_{Z_n(\mathbf{A}) \setminus G_n(\mathbf{A})} \varepsilon(\xi \iota(g_1^{-1}, 1_{2n}); \kappa) \overline{f(g_2^\natural g_1^{-1})} dg_1. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $T_v$  be the convolution operator

$$(3.4) \quad (T_v f_v)(g) = \int_{G_n(F_v)} \varepsilon_v(\xi \iota(g_1^{-1}, 1_{2n}); \kappa) \overline{f_v(g g_1^{-1})} dg_1,$$

and note that the  $T_v$ 's commute for varying  $v$ . These integrals are absolutely convergent since integral (3.3) is absolutely convergent. As  $\varepsilon(g)$  factors over  $v$ , we can factor the global integral in (3.3) as a product of the operators  $T_v$ ,

$$\langle \Phi_N(\cdot, g), f \rangle = \left( \prod_v T_v \right) f^\natural(g) = \prod_v (T_v f_v^\natural)(g).$$

Let  $\tilde{\varepsilon}_v(g) = \varepsilon_v(\xi \iota(g, 1_{2n}); \kappa)$ , so we write  $T_v f_v^\natural = f_v^\natural * \tilde{\varepsilon}_v$  where  $f_v * \eta_v(g) = \int_{G_n(F_v)} \eta_v(g_1) f_v(g g_1^{-1}) dg_1$ . For  $k_1, k_2 \in K_v$ ,

$$\tilde{\varepsilon}_v(k_1 g k_2) = \varepsilon_v(\xi \iota(k_1 g k_2, 1_{2n}); \kappa) = \varepsilon_v(\xi \iota(g k_2, k_1^{\natural-1}); \kappa).$$

This last term is  $\varepsilon_v(\xi\iota(g, 1_{2n}); \kappa)$  by the right  $K_v$ -invariance of  $\varepsilon_v$ . Following [7], let  $\{K\}$  be a nested collection of compact open sets in  $G_n(F_v)$  so that  $\bigcup K = G_n(F_v)$ , and we can take each set  $K$  to be stable under the involution  $g \rightarrow g^\natural$ . Let  $\tilde{\varepsilon}_K = \tilde{\varepsilon}_v \text{ch}_K \in H_v(G, K)$ . Then  $\tilde{\varepsilon}_K$  is  $\mathbf{Q}$ -valued as  $\tilde{\varepsilon}_v$  is, and  $\lim_K \tilde{\varepsilon}_K = \tilde{\varepsilon}_v$ . As  $f$  is an eigenfunction of the spherical Hecke algebra at  $v$ , then  $f_v * \tilde{\varepsilon}_K = c_K f_v$  for some number  $c_K$ , and the absolute convergence of  $(T_v f_v)(g)$  implies the absolute convergence of  $f_v * \tilde{\varepsilon}_v$ . Therefore,  $(\lim_K c_K) f_v = \lim_K (c_K f_v) = \lim_K (f_v * \tilde{\varepsilon}_K) = f_v * \tilde{\varepsilon}_v$ , and so  $\lim_K c_K$  exists and we denote it by  $\bar{c}_v(f)$ . Since  $\tilde{\varepsilon}_v$  and  $\tilde{\varepsilon}_K$  are  $\mathbf{Q}$ -valued we have

$$\begin{aligned} (T_v f_v^\natural)(g) &= (f_v^\natural * \tilde{\varepsilon}_v)(g) = \lim_K (f_v^\natural * \tilde{\varepsilon}_K)(g) \\ &= \left( \lim_K (f_v * \tilde{\varepsilon}_K)(g) \right)^\natural = \left( (\lim_K c_K) f_v(g) \right)^\natural \\ &= (\bar{c}_v(f) f_v(g))^\natural = c_v(f) f_v^\natural(g). \end{aligned}$$

This implies that  $c_v(f)$  depends only on the local data of  $f$  and the homomorphism  $T_v$  of the Hecke algebra at  $v$ . So we have

$$\langle \Phi(\cdot, g_2), f \rangle = \prod_v (T_v f_v^\natural)(g) = \prod_v c_v(f) f_v^\natural(g) = c(f) f^\natural(g)$$

where  $c(f) = \prod_v c_v(f)$ . As (3.3) is absolutely convergent, then the infinite product is absolutely convergent.

It follows that the integral  $\langle \langle \Phi_N, f_1 \rangle, f_2 \rangle$  factors into a product of local integrals of the form

$$(3.5) \quad \int_{G_n(F_v) \times G_n(F_v)} \varepsilon_v(\xi\iota(g_1, g_2); \kappa) \overline{f_{1v}(g_1) f_{2v}(g_2)} dg_1 dg_2.$$

We have  $\varepsilon_v(\xi * \xi^{-1}; \kappa) = \text{Ind}_{H_n(F_v)}^{G_n(F_v) \times G_n(F_v)} \chi_v^\xi$  because  $\varepsilon_v$  is right  $K_v$ -invariant. Consider automorphic representations  $\pi_{j, \mathbf{A}}$  on  $G_n(\mathbf{A})$  so that  $f_j \in \pi_{j, \mathbf{A}}$  and  $\pi_{j, \mathbf{A}} \cong \otimes'_v \pi_{j, v}$  where the product is the restricted tensor product. For  $v < \infty$  and  $v \nmid \mathfrak{n}$ , the automorphic representations  $\pi_{j, v}$  are spherical. For  $f_j \in \pi_{j, \mathbf{A}}$ , as above, the local integral (3.5) defines an element in the space of intertwining operators on local representation spaces,

$$(3.6) \quad \text{Hom}_{G_n(F_v) \times G_n(F_v)}(\text{Ind}_{H_n(F_v)}^{G_n(F_v) \times G_n(F_v)} \chi_v^\xi \otimes (\pi_{1,v} \otimes \pi_{2,v}), \mathbf{1}).$$

By dualization (see [8]) this is isomorphic to

$$(3.7) \quad \text{Hom}_{G_n(F_v) \times G_n(F_v)}(\pi_{1,v} \otimes \pi_{2,v}, \text{Ind}_{H_n(F_v)}^{G_n(F_v) \times G_n(F_v)} \widehat{\chi}_v^\xi \delta_H)$$

where  $\widehat{\chi}_v$  is the smooth dual of  $\chi_v$  and  $\delta_H$  is the modular function of  $H_n$ . By definition, the isomorphism from (3.6) to (3.7) is given by  $\phi \mapsto I_\phi$  where  $I_\phi(v_1, v_2)(w) = \phi(w \otimes (v_1, v_2))$  with  $v_i \in \pi_{i,v}$  and  $w \in \text{Ind}_{H_n(F_v)}^{G_n(F_v) \times G_n(F_v)} \widehat{\chi}_v^\xi \delta_\Theta$ . It follows that, if  $\phi(w \otimes (v_1, v_2)) \neq 0$  for some vectors  $v_1, v_2$  and  $w$  as above, then  $I_\phi$  is also a nontrivial intertwining operator.

Recall from the proof of Lemma 3 that  $\chi_v^\xi(h) = 1$  for  $h \in H_n(F_v)$ . As  $H_n(F_v)$  is unimodular, we have that  $\delta_H = 1$  and therefore  $\widehat{\chi}_v^\xi \delta_H \equiv \mathbf{1}$ . From this, and as we are in the category of smooth representations, we can apply Frobenius reciprocity to (3.7). Therefore the space of intertwinings (3.7) is isomorphic to

$$(3.8) \quad \text{Hom}_{H_n(F_v)}(\text{Res}_{H_n(F_v)}^{G_n(F_v) \times G_n(F_v)}(\pi_{1,v} \otimes \pi_{2,v}), \mathbf{1}),$$

and thus we have that the local intertwining operator defined by integral (3.3) is in a space of intertwinings isomorphic to

$$(3.9) \quad \text{Hom}_{H_n(F_v)}(\pi_{1,v} \otimes \pi_{2,v}, \mathbf{1}).$$

Note that the Frobenius reciprocity mapping from (3.7) to (3.8) is  $\psi \mapsto \phi_\psi$ , where  $\phi_\psi(v_1, v_2) = \psi(v_1, v_2)(1_{4n})$  with  $v_i \in \pi_{i,v}$ . Thus, if  $\psi(v_1, v_2)(1_{4n}) \neq 0$ , it follows that  $\phi_\psi$  is a nontrivial intertwining operator. By the irreducibility of  $\pi_{1,v}$  and  $\pi_{2,v}$ , we have that (3.9) has dimension 1 if  $\pi_{2,v} \cong \widehat{\pi}_{1,v}$  and the dimension is 0 otherwise, where  $\widehat{\pi}_{1,v}$  is the contragredient of  $\pi_{1,v}$ . See [8] for a detailed discussion of this.

More generally, let  $\alpha_v \in \text{Hom}_{H_n(F_v)}(\pi_v \otimes \widehat{\pi}_v, \mathbf{1})$  for  $\pi_v$  a spherical automorphic representation of  $H_n(F_v)$ . From [8] this space has dimension 1, and the nonvanishing of the nontrivial intertwining operator in this space is independent of the exact value of the Satake parameters of  $\pi_v$ . That is, if  $\alpha_v(e_v, \widehat{e}_v) \neq 0$  for some spherical vector  $e_v \in \pi_v$ , then  $\alpha_v$  is (a multiple of) a nontrivial normalized intertwining in that space. It follows that, for  $\sigma_v$ , any spherical automorphic representation of  $H_n(F_v)$  with spherical vector  $e'_v$  we must also have  $\alpha_v(e'_v, \widehat{e}'_v) \neq 0$ .

If  $\alpha_v$  is a nontrivial intertwining operator in (3.9), then the preimage of  $\alpha_v$  of the isomorphism from (3.6) to (3.9) is also a nontrivial intertwining operator. Now, the nonvanishing of an intertwining in (3.9) is independent of the vector  $\varepsilon_v \in I_v(\chi_v)$ . Therefore, the nonvanishing of an intertwining in (3.6) is also independent of the particular vector  $\varepsilon_v \in I_v(\chi_v)$ , and it follows that the nonvanishing of integral (3.5) is independent of the particular  $\varepsilon_v$  for  $v < \infty$  and  $v \nmid n$ . This proves (ii) of Theorem 1. Part (iii) follows from an argument similar to that of Lemma 2.

To show that  $\Phi_N$  is a cuspform in the smaller variable we need a preliminary lemma. For  $v|\infty$ , let  $\Omega_m(F_v)$  denote the cone of positive definite  $m \times m$  matrices with entries in  $F_v$ .

**Lemma 4.** *Let  $v|\infty$  and  $\alpha \in \Omega_m(F_v)$ . Then*

$$\int_{S_m(F_v)} e^{-i\text{Tr}(\beta y)} (\det(\alpha - i\beta))^{-s} d\beta = 0$$

*if  $y$  is not positive definite.*

*Proof.* Let  $r$  denote the dimension of  $F_v$  over  $\mathbf{R}$  and  $h$  the dimension of  $S_m(F_v)$ . Thus  $h = m + (1/2)rm(m-1)$ . The gamma function attached to  $\Omega_m(F_v)$  is

$$(3.10) \quad \begin{aligned} \Gamma_{\Omega_m}(s) &= \int_{\Omega_m(F_v)} e^{-\text{Tr}(x)} (\det(x))^s \frac{dx}{(\det(x))^{h/m}} \\ &= \pi^{\frac{rm(m-1)}{4}} \prod_{j=0}^{m-1} \Gamma\left(s - \frac{rj}{2}\right), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\Gamma(s) = \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^{s-1} dt$  is the usual gamma function and  $\text{Tr}(\alpha)$  is the usual matrix trace. Let  $\alpha \in \Omega_m(F_v)$ , and then  $\alpha$  has a unique square root in  $\Omega_m(F_v)$  which we denote  $\sqrt{\alpha}$ . As  $\text{Tr}(\alpha x) = \text{Tr}(\sqrt{\alpha}x\sqrt{\alpha})$  we can replace  $x$  with  $\sqrt{\alpha}x\sqrt{\alpha}$  in (3.10) and

$$\Gamma_{\Omega_m}(s) = (\det(\alpha))^s \int_{\Omega_m(F_v)} e^{-\text{Tr}(\alpha x)} (\det(x))^s \frac{dx}{(\det(x))^{h/m}}.$$

Using the analytic continuation of  $\Gamma_{\Omega_m(F_v)}$  we have, for  $\beta \in S_m(F_v)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.11) \quad \Gamma_{\Omega_m}(s) &= (\det(\alpha - i\beta))^s \\
 &\times \int_{\Omega_m(F_v)} e^{-\text{Tr}((\alpha - i\beta)x)} (\det(x))^s \frac{dx}{(\det(x))^{h/m}} \\
 &= (\det(\alpha - i\beta))^s \\
 &\times \int_{\Omega_m(F_v)} e^{-\text{Tr}(\alpha x)} e^{i\text{Tr}(\beta x)} (\det(x))^{s-h/m} dx.
 \end{aligned}$$

Let  $f(\alpha) = e^{-\text{Tr}(\alpha x)} (\det(x))^{s-h/n}$  for  $\alpha \in \Omega_m(F_v)$  and 0 otherwise. The Fourier transform and the inverse Fourier transform on  $S_m(F_v)$  are defined by

$$f^\wedge(y) = \int_{S_m(F_v)} e^{-i\text{Tr}(xy)} f(x) dx$$

and

$$f^\vee(y) = \int_{S_m(F_v)} e^{i\text{Tr}(xy)} f(x) dx,$$

respectively. The Fourier inversion formula gives  $(f^\wedge)^\vee(y) = (f^\vee)^\wedge(y) = (2\pi)^{-m} \pi^{-rm(m-1)/2} f(y)$ . Now, (3.11) can be rewritten  $\Gamma_{\Omega_m}(s) = (\det(\alpha - i\beta))^s f^\vee(\beta)$  and so Fourier inversion gives

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Gamma_{\Omega_m}(s) \int_{S_m(F_v)} e^{-i\text{Tr}(\beta y)} (\det(\alpha - i\beta))^{-s} d\beta \\
 = \left( \frac{\Gamma_{\Omega_m}(s)}{(\det(\alpha - \beta))^s} \right)^\wedge(y) = (f^\vee)^\wedge(y) = (2\pi)^{-m} \pi^{-rm(m-1)/2} f(y).
 \end{aligned}$$

It follows that the integral

$$\int_{S_m(F_v)} e^{-i\text{Tr}(\beta y)} (\det(\alpha - i\beta))^{-s} d\beta = 0$$

if  $y$  is not positive definite.  $\square$

The following result completes the proof of (i) of Theorem 1.

**Lemma 5.** *Let  $\Phi_N(g_1, g_2)$  be as in Lemma 2. Then  $\Phi_N(g_1, g_2)$  is a cuspform in the variable  $g_1 \in G_m(\mathbf{A})$ .*

*Proof.* Since

$$H_m(F) \setminus (G_m(F) \times G_n(F)) \cong G_m(F) \times P_j(F) \setminus G_n(F),$$

then any  $\gamma \in H_m(F) \setminus (G_m(F) \times G_n(F))$  can be written  $\gamma = (\gamma_1, \gamma_2)$  for  $\gamma_1 \in G_m(F)$  and  $\gamma_2 \in P_j(F) \setminus G_n(F)$ . Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\gamma \in H_m(F) \setminus (G_m(F) \times G_n(F))} \varepsilon(\xi \gamma \iota(g_1, g_2); \kappa) \\ &= \sum_{(\gamma_1, \gamma_2) \in G_m(F) \times P_j(F) \setminus G_n(F)} \varepsilon(\xi \iota(\gamma_1 g_1, \gamma_2 g_2); \kappa) \\ &= \sum_{\gamma_2 \in P_j(F) \setminus G_n(F)} \sum_{\gamma_1 \in G_m(F)/U_0(F)} \sum_{u \in U_0(F)} \varepsilon(\xi \iota(\gamma_1 u g_1, \gamma_2 g_2); \kappa) \\ &= \sum_{\gamma_2 \in P_j(F) \setminus G_n(F)} \sum_{\gamma_1 \in G_m(F)/U_0(F)} \sum_{u \in U_0(F)} \varepsilon(\xi \iota(u g_1, \gamma_1^{\natural-1} \gamma_2 g_2); \kappa). \end{aligned}$$

For  $\psi_0$  the standard additive character on  $\mathbf{A}_{\mathcal{Q}}$ , let  $\psi = \psi_0 \circ \text{Tr}_{F/\mathcal{Q}}$  be the corresponding additive character on  $\mathbf{A}_F$ . The  $\alpha$ th-Fourier coefficient of the inner sum is, for  $\begin{pmatrix} 1_m & B \\ 0_m & 1_m \end{pmatrix} \in U_0(\mathbf{A})$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{U_0(F) \setminus U_0(\mathbf{A})} \sum_{u \in U_0(F)} \varepsilon(\xi \iota \left( u \begin{pmatrix} 1_m & B \\ 0_m & 1_m \end{pmatrix} g_1, g_2 \right); \kappa) \overline{\psi(\alpha B)} dB \\ &= \int_{U_0(\mathbf{A})} \varepsilon(\xi \iota \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1_m & B \\ 0_m & 1_m \end{pmatrix} g_1, g_2 \right); \kappa) \overline{\psi(\alpha B)} dB. \end{aligned}$$

For  $v \mid \infty$ , the  $v$ th factor of the above integral is  $\int_{U_0(F_v)} \varepsilon_v(\xi \iota(\begin{pmatrix} 1_m & B \\ 0_m & 1_m \end{pmatrix} g_1, g_2); \kappa) \overline{\psi_v(\alpha B)} dB$ . By the Iwasawa decomposition and change of variables we set  $g_1 = \begin{pmatrix} A & 0_m \\ 0_m & A^{*-1} \end{pmatrix}$  and  $g_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1_m & B' \\ 0_m & 1_m \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A' & 0_m \\ 0_m & A'^{* -1} \end{pmatrix}$ . There-

fore,

$$\begin{aligned}\xi \left( \iota \begin{pmatrix} 1_m & B \\ 0_m & 1_m \end{pmatrix} g_1, g_2 \right) &= \begin{pmatrix} 1_{2m} & 0_{2m} \\ w_m & 1_{2m} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1_{2m} & C \\ 0_{2m} & 1_{2m} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} D & 0_{2m} \\ 0_{2m} & D^{*-1} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} D & CD^{*-1} \\ w_m D & w_m C D^{*-1} + D^{*-1} \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

where  $C = \begin{pmatrix} B & 0_m \\ 0_m & B' \end{pmatrix}$  and  $D = \begin{pmatrix} A & 0_m \\ 0_m & A' \end{pmatrix}$ . By the Iwasawa decomposition of  $G_v$ , we can write  $\xi \iota \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1_m & B \\ 0_m & 1_m \end{pmatrix} g_1, g_2 \right) = ulk$  for  $u \in U_v$ ,  $l \in L_v$ ,  $k \in K_v$  and

$$ulk = \begin{pmatrix} 1_{2m} & C' \\ 0_{2m} & 1_{2m} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} D' & 0_{2m} \\ 0_{2m} & D'^{* -1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X & Y \\ -Y & X \end{pmatrix}.$$

Equating the terms gives  $D'(X + iY) = D - C'w_m D + i(C - C'w_m C - C')D^{*-1}$ . By the left  $U_v$ -invariance of  $\varepsilon_v$  for  $v|\infty$ , we have  $\varepsilon_v(ulk; \kappa, \mathfrak{n}, \omega) = |\det(D'(X + iY))|^\kappa = |\det(D + iCD^{*-1})|^\kappa$ . Therefore, we get

$$\begin{aligned}(3.12) \quad & \int_{S_m(F_v)} \varepsilon_v \left( \xi \iota \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1_m & B \\ 0_m & 1_m \end{pmatrix} g_1, g_2 \right); \kappa, \mathfrak{n}, \omega \right) \overline{\psi_v(\alpha B)} dB \\ &= \int_{S_m(F_v)} \left| \det \left( \begin{pmatrix} A & 0_m \\ 0_m & A' \end{pmatrix} + i \begin{pmatrix} B & 0_m \\ 0_m & B' \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A^{*-1} & 0_m \\ 0_m & A'^{* -1} \end{pmatrix} \right) \right|^\kappa \overline{\psi_v(\alpha B)} dB \\ &= |\det(A' + iB'A'^{* -1})|^\kappa \\ &\quad \times \int_{S_m(F_v)} |\det(A + iBA^{*-1})|^\kappa \overline{\psi_v(\alpha B)} dB.\end{aligned}$$

Note that  $\psi_v(\alpha iABA^*) = \psi_v(Ai\alpha A^*B)$  and  $Ai\alpha A^*$  is positive definite if and only if  $\alpha$  is positive definite.

We have  $A \in \Omega_m(F_v)$  and  $\psi_v(x) = e^{-i\text{Tr}(x)}$  so for  $\alpha$  not positive definite we have from Lemma 4 that the integral of (3.12) becomes

$$\begin{aligned}& \int_{S_m(F_v)} |\det(A + iBA^{*-1})|^\kappa \overline{\psi_v(\alpha B)} dB \\ &= \int_{S_m(F_v)} e^{-i\text{Tr}(\alpha B)} |\det(A - iB)|^\kappa dB = 0.\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, for such an  $\alpha$  we have that the  $\alpha$ th-Fourier coefficient of  $\Phi_N(g_1, g_2)$  in the first variable is 0, and so this is a cuspform in the variable  $g_1$ .  $\square$

Lemmas 2, 3 and 5 and the discussion following Lemma 3 give Theorem 1.

**4. Cuspforms with rational Fourier coefficients** For  $N = n_1 + \dots + n_r$ , we have an embedding  $\iota : G_{n_1}(F) \times \dots \times G_{n_r}(F) \hookrightarrow G_N(F)$  given by

$$(4.1) \quad \iota \left( \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ c_1 & d_1 \end{pmatrix}, \dots, \begin{pmatrix} a_r & b_r \\ c_r & d_r \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & & & b_1 & & \\ & \ddots & & & \ddots & \\ c_1 & & a_r & & d_1 & b_r \\ & \ddots & & & \ddots & \\ & & c_r & & & d_r \end{pmatrix}.$$

Let  $f(\iota(g_1, \dots, g_n))$  denote the restriction of  $f$  on  $G_N(F)$  to  $\iota(G_{n_1}(F) \times \dots \times G_{n_r}(F))$ .

**Lemma 6.** *Let  $f$  be an automorphic form on  $G_N(\mathbf{A})$  with Fourier coefficients in a field  $\tilde{F}$ , and let  $\iota$  be the embedding (4.1). Then  $f(\iota(g_1, \dots, g_r))$  has Fourier coefficients in  $\tilde{F}$ .*

*Proof.* It suffices to show the result holds for  $r = 2$  as induction then gives the result for general  $r$ . The Fourier expansion of  $f$  is given by

$$f(g) = \sum_{\substack{T \in \Lambda \\ T \geq 0}} W_{f,T}(g),$$

where  $\Lambda \subseteq S_n(F)$  and

$$W_{f,T}(g) = \int_{U_0(F) \backslash U_0(\mathbf{A})} \overline{\psi(TB)} f(ug) dB$$

for  $u = \begin{pmatrix} 1_N & B \\ 0_N & 1_N \end{pmatrix}$ . Restricting the Fourier expansion to  $(g_1, g_2) \in G_{n_1}(\mathbf{A}) \times G_{n_2}(\mathbf{A})$  we get

$$f(\iota(g_1, g_2)) = \sum_{\substack{T \in \Lambda \\ T \geq 0}} W_{f,T}(\iota(g_1, g_2)).$$

Let  $\Lambda(t_1, t_2) = \left\{ T \in \Lambda \mid T = \begin{pmatrix} t_1 & * \\ * & t_2 \end{pmatrix} \geq 0 \right\}$ , and note that  $|\Lambda(t_1, t_2)| < \infty$  for fixed  $t_1, t_2$ . For  $T \in \Lambda(t_1, t_2)$ , we have

$$\psi(T\iota(g_1, g_2)) = \psi\left(\begin{pmatrix} t_1 & * \\ * & t_2 \end{pmatrix}\iota(g_1, g_2)\right) = \psi(t_1 g_1)\psi(t_2 g_2),$$

and therefore the Fourier indices of  $f(\iota(g_1, g_2))$  are  $t_1$  and  $t_2$ . We have

$$f(\iota(g_1, g_2)) = \sum_{\substack{t_1, t_2 \in \Lambda \\ T \geq 0}} \left( \sum_{T \in \Lambda(t_1, t_2)} W_{f,T}(\iota(g_1, g_2)) \right).$$

As the inner sum is finite and  $W_{f,T}(\iota(g_1, g_2)) \in \tilde{F}$ , we have  $\sum_{T \in \Lambda(t_1, t_2)} W_{f,T}(\iota(g_1, g_2)) \in \tilde{F}$ . The result follows.  $\square$

From the arithmeticity of Eisenstein series from [9], we have that the series  $E_N(g; \kappa)$ , normalized by a constant, has  $F$ -valued Fourier coefficients. It follows from Lemma 6 that  $E_N(\iota(g_1, g_2); \kappa)$  has  $F$ -valued Fourier coefficients. Let  $S_m$  denote the vector space over  $\mathbf{Q}$  of modular forms in  $\mathcal{M}_m(\kappa, \mathfrak{n})$  generated by modular forms with Fourier coefficients in  $F$  and modular forms orthogonal to the space of cuspforms. Then, for fixed  $g_2$ , we have  $E_N(\iota(g_1, g_2); \kappa) \in S_m$  from the above discussion, and  $\Psi_N(g_1, g_2) \in S_m$  from Lemma 2. Thus, from the decomposition of Lemma 2, we have  $\Phi_N(g_1, g_2) \in S_m$ . As  $\Phi_N(g_1, g_2)$  is a cuspform in the smaller variable  $g_1$  by Theorem 1, then it must have  $F$ -valued Fourier coefficients. This proves Corollary 1.

We illustrate these results with some examples. Let  $P_n(F)$  be the Siegel parabolic of  $Sp_n(F)$ . By [13], the double coset space

$$\frac{P_n(F) \backslash Sp_n(F)}{\iota(Sp_{n_1}(F) \times Sp_{n_2}(F) \times Sp_{n_1+n_2-1}(F))}$$

is finite, where  $n = 2n_1 + 2n_2 - 1$ . Further, there is a unique nonnegligible, nondegenerate orbit, and all of the other orbits are negligible in the sense of [8]. It follows that one of the orbits is Zariski-open, and let  $\xi$  denote a representative of this open orbit. The isotropy group of  $\xi$  is

$$H_n(F) = \xi P_n(F)\xi^{-1} \cap \iota(Sp_{n_1}(F) \times Sp_{n_2}(F) \times Sp_{n_3}(F)).$$

The representatives  $\xi$  and  $H_n(F)$  are given explicitly in [13]. Thus, we have the following.

**Proposition 1.** *Let  $\chi$  denote a character on  $P_n(\mathbf{A})$ , and let  $\varepsilon \in I(\chi)$ . Then*

$$(4.2) \quad \Phi_n(g_1, g_2, g_3) = \sum_{\gamma \in H_n(F) \setminus Sp_{n_1}(F) \times Sp_{n_2}(F) \times Sp_{n_1+n_2-1}(F)} \varepsilon(\xi \gamma \iota(g_1, g_2, g_3))$$

*is a cuspform with  $F$ -valued Fourier coefficients in each variable.*

*Proof.* From Lemma 6, we have that  $\Phi_n(g_1, g_2, g_3)$  is an automorphic form with  $F$ -valued Fourier coefficients in each variable, where  $n = 2n_1 + 2n_2 - 1$ . We can restrict a Siegel Eisenstein series on  $Sp_n(\mathbf{A})$  to  $Sp_{n_1}(\mathbf{A}) \times Sp_{n_1+2n_2-1}(\mathbf{A})$  and, by Theorem 1, we have that the restriction is a cuspform in the smaller variable  $g_1 \in Sp_{n_1}(\mathbf{A})$ . Further restricting to  $Sp_{n_1}(\mathbf{A}) \times Sp_{n_2}(\mathbf{A}) \times Sp_{n_1+n_2-1}(\mathbf{A})$ , we have that (4.2) is a cuspform in  $g_1 \in Sp_{n_1}(\mathbf{A})$ . We can apply a symmetric argument to show that (4.2) is a cuspform in each variable. More precisely, we can restrict a Siegel Eisenstein series on  $Sp_n(\mathbf{A})$  to  $Sp_{n_2}(\mathbf{A}) \times Sp_{2n_1+n_2-1}(\mathbf{A})$  or to  $Sp_{n_1+n_2-1}(\mathbf{A}) \times Sp_{n_1+n_2}(\mathbf{A})$ . The smaller variable is  $g_2 \in Sp_{n_2}(\mathbf{A})$  in the former case and  $g_3 \in Sp_{n_1+n_2-1}(\mathbf{A})$  in the latter case, and, by Theorem 1, the restriction is a cuspform in the smaller variable. In both cases, we further restrict to  $Sp_{n_1}(\mathbf{A}) \times Sp_{n_2}(\mathbf{A}) \times Sp_{n_1+n_2-1}(\mathbf{A})$  to obtain  $\Phi_n(g_1, g_2, g_3)$ , which gives the result.  $\square$

Consider the case  $n_1 = n_2 = 1$  and  $F = \mathbf{Q}$ . From Lemma 3 of [12], the double coset  $P_3(\mathbf{Q}) \backslash Sp_3(\mathbf{Q}) / SL_2(\mathbf{Q})^3$  has five irredundant

representatives, and the representative of the big-cell is given by

$$(4.3) \quad \xi = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The isotropy group is

$$H_3(\mathcal{Q}) = \left\{ \left( \begin{matrix} a & b_1 \\ 0 & a^{-1} \end{matrix} \right) \times \left( \begin{matrix} a & b_2 \\ 0 & a^{-1} \end{matrix} \right) \times \left( \begin{matrix} a & b_3 \\ 0 & a^{-1} \end{matrix} \right) \mid a \in \mathbf{Q}^\times, \quad b_1, b_2, b_3 \in \mathbf{Q}, \quad b_1 + b_2 + b_3 = 0 \right\}.$$

For  $\chi$  a character on  $P_3(\mathbf{A})$ ,  $\varepsilon \in I(\chi)$  and  $\xi$  the representative (4.3), we have from Proposition 1 that

$$\Phi_3(g_1, g_2, g_3) = \sum_{\gamma \in H_3(\mathbf{Q}) \backslash SL_2(\mathbf{Q})^3} \varepsilon(\xi \gamma \iota(g_1, g_2, g_3))$$

is a holomorphic cuspform with rational-valued Fourier coefficients in each variable  $g_i \in SL_2(\mathbf{A})$ . Note that this is the cuspidal part of the well-known decomposition of the pullback of a Siegel Eisenstein series on  $Sp_3$ . From Proposition 1, for some cuspforms  $f_1, f_2, f_3$  on  $SL_2(\mathbf{A})$ , we have  $\langle \langle \langle \Phi_3, f_1 \rangle, f_2 \rangle, f_3 \rangle \neq 0$ . This integral gives the well-known triple product  $L$ -function from [5].

The cases  $n_1 = 1$ ,  $n_2 = 2$  and  $F = \mathbf{Q}$  were studied in [10]. Proposition 1 gives  $\langle \langle \langle \Phi_5, f_1 \rangle, F_2 \rangle, F_3 \rangle \neq 0$  for some cuspforms  $f_1$  on  $SL_2(\mathbf{A})$  and  $F_2, F_3$  on  $Sp_2(\mathbf{A})$ . For  $F_3$  in the Maass Spezialschar [10], we have that  $F_3$  is in the image of the Saito-Kurakawa lift of some elliptic cuspform  $f_3$ . In that case the integral gives the degree-8 spinor  $L$ -function of  $F_2$  twisted by  $f_3$  [10].

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