# THE HARDY-LITTLEWOOD PROPERTY OF FLAG VARIETIES

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**Abstract.** We study the asymptotic distribution of rational points on a generalized flag variety which are of bounded height and satisfy some congruence conditions in the formulation analogous to a strongly Hardy-Littlewood variety.

Let X be an affine variety in an affine space V over  $\mathbb{Q}$  and  $B_T$  the set of  $x \in X(\mathbb{R})$  with  $||x|| \leq T$  for a Euclidean norm  $||\cdot||$  on  $V(\mathbb{R})$ . The Hardy-Littlewood method allows us to expect that the cardinality of  $B_T \cap X(\mathbb{Z})$  is asymptotically equal to the volume of  $B_T$  with respect to some measure on  $X(\mathbb{R})$ . On the basis of such expectation, Borovoi and Rudnick [BR] introduced the notion of a Hardy-Littlewood variety in the adelic manner. Namely, an affine variety X is called a strongly Hardy-Littlewood variety if the asymptotic behavior

$$|(B_T \times B_f) \cap X(\mathbb{Q})| \sim \omega_{X(\mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{Q}})}(B_T \times B_f)$$
 as  $T \to \infty$ 

holds for any open compact subset  $B_f$  of the finite adele  $X(\mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{Q},f})$ , where  $\omega_{X(\mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{Q}})}$  denotes the measure on  $X(\mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{Q}})$  attached to a gauge form on X. It is known that many affine symmetric spaces have the strongly Hardy-Littlewood property.

In this paper, we study the asymptotic distribution of rational points of bounded height on a generalized flag variety in the formulation analogous to a strongly Hardy-Littlewood variety. Let k be an algebraic number field, G a connected reductive algebraic group defined over k, Q a maximal k-parabolic subgroup of G and  $X = Q \setminus G$  a generalized flag variety over k. The adele group  $G(\mathbb{A})$  of G has the unimodular subgroup  $G(\mathbb{A})^1$  consisting of all elements  $g \in G(\mathbb{A})$  that satisfy  $|\chi(g)|_{\mathbb{A}} = 1$  for any k-rational character  $\chi$  of G. Similarly, the unimodular subgroup  $Q(\mathbb{A})^1$  of  $Q(\mathbb{A})$  is defined, see Notation below for its precise definition. The homogeneous space  $Y = Q(\mathbb{A})^1 \setminus G(\mathbb{A})^1$  is appropriate to our purpose by the reason that the set X(k)

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of k-rational points of X is naturally regarded as a subset of Y and there is a unique right  $G(\mathbb{A})^1$ -invariant measure  $\omega_Y$  on Y matching with Tamagawa measures  $\omega_{G(\mathbb{A})^1}$  and  $\omega_{Q(\mathbb{A})^1}$  of  $G(\mathbb{A})^1$  and  $Q(\mathbb{A})^1$ , respectively. It is observed that Y is decomposed into the direct product of the infinite part  $Y_{\infty}$  and the finite part  $Y_f$ , and  $Y_f$  is naturally identified with the homogeneous space  $Q(\mathbb{A}_f)\backslash G(\mathbb{A}_f)$ . By a strongly k-rational representation  $\pi$  of G, the variety X is embedded into a projective space, and the height  $H_{\pi}$  is defined on X(k). Since  $H_{\pi}$  is extended to a positive real valued function on Y, we can define the "ball"  $B_T$  of radius T as the set of  $y \in Y_{\infty}$  with  $H_{\pi}(y) \leq T$ . Then the main theorem of this paper is stated that the asymptotic behavior

$$(0.1) |(B_T \times B_f) \cap X(k)| \sim \frac{\tau(Q)}{\tau(G)} \omega_Y(B_T \times B_f) \text{ as } T \to \infty$$

holds for any open subset  $B_f$  of  $Y_f$ . Here  $\tau(G)$  and  $\tau(Q)$  stand for the Tamagawa numbers of G and Q, respectively. In view of the equality  $(B_T \times Y_f) \cap X(k) = \{x \in X(k) : H_\pi(x) \leq T\}, (0.1)$  yields the asymptotic distribution of rational points  $x \in X(k)$  which satisfy  $H_\pi(x) \leq T$  together with congruence conditions provided by  $B_f$ . The volume  $\omega_Y(B_T \times B_f)$  is explicitly computed in the following sense. If  $K_f$  is a good maximal compact subgroup of the finite adele group  $G(\mathbb{A}_f)$  and  $B_f$  is the image of an open subgroup  $D_f \subset K_f$  to  $Y_f = Q(\mathbb{A}_f) \setminus G(\mathbb{A}_f)$ , then

$$\omega_Y(B_T \times B_f) = \frac{[D_f(K_f \cap Q(\mathbb{A}_f)) : D_f]C_G d_Q}{[K_f : D_f]C_Q d_G e_Q} T^{e_Q[k:\mathbb{Q}]/e_\pi},$$

where  $d_G$ ,  $d_Q$  and  $e_Q$  are positive integers depending on G and G,  $e_{\pi}$  is a positive rational numbers depending on  $\pi$  and these constants are easily computed. Both  $C_G$  and  $C_Q$  are also positive real constants depending on G and G, however the determination of their explicit values is more complicated than other constants. In some particular cases, e.g., the case that G splits over G is a special orthogonal group, we can describe  $G_G/G_Q$  by using the special values of the Dedekind zeta function of G (cf. Section 7).

Our result gives an affirmative partial answer to a question mentioned in the last paragraph of [MW2, Section 4.3]. The asymptotic formula of rational points of bounded height on any generalized flag variety was first obtained by Franke, Manin and Tschinkel [FMT]. In the case of  $B_f = Y_f$ , Corollary to Theorem 5 in [FMT] deduces the asymptotic behavior of the

form  $|(B_T \times Y_f) \cap X(k)| \sim cT^{e_Q[k:\mathbb{Q}]/e_\pi}$ , where c is a constant. However, it is not clear in [FMT] that the leading term  $cT^{e_Q[k:\mathbb{Q}]/e_\pi}$  is described in terms of the volume of  $B_T \times Y_f$ . In order to explain it more precisely, we mention the difference between the method of [FMT] and that of this paper. A crucial observation in [FMT] is that the height zeta function can be identified with one of the Langlands-Eisenstein series. Then, by using the analytic properties of Langlands-Eisenstein series and a standard Tauberian argument, Franke, Manin and Tschinkel established their asymptotic formula. Thus the volume  $\omega_Y(B_T \times Y_f)$  does not occur in [FMT]. In this paper, we investigate directly the function  $F_T(g) = |(B_T \times B_f) \cap X(k)g|\omega_Y(B_T \times B_f)^{-1}$  on  $G(k)\backslash G(\mathbb{A})^1$ . By using the theory of constant terms of Eisenstein series, we will prove that the inner product  $\langle \theta, F_T \rangle$  of any pseudo-Eisenstein series  $\theta$  on  $G(k)\backslash G(\mathbb{A})^1$  and  $F_T$  satisfies

$$\langle \theta, F_T \rangle \longrightarrow \frac{\tau(Q)}{\tau(G)} \langle \theta, 1 \rangle \text{ as } T \to \infty.$$

This and the argument similar to [DRS] and [MW1] lead us to

$$F_T(g) \longrightarrow \frac{\tau(Q)}{\tau(G)}$$
 as  $T \to \infty$ 

for every  $g \in G(k)\backslash G(\mathbb{A})^1$ , and hence we immediately obtain (0.1). In view of this, the expression of the main term of  $|(B_T \times B_f) \cap X(k)|$  by  $\omega_Y(B_T \times B_f)$  is a significant point of our result.

Notation. As usual,  $\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\mathbb{Q}$ ,  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $\mathbb{C}$  denote the ring of integers, the field of rational, real and complex numbers, respectively. The group of positive real numbers is denoted by  $\mathbb{R}_+^{\times}$ .

Let k be an algebraic number field of finite degree over  $\mathbb{Q}$ ,  $\mathfrak{D}$  the ring of integers in k and  $\mathfrak{V}$  the set of all places of k. We write  $\mathfrak{V}_{\infty}$  and  $\mathfrak{V}_f$  for the sets of all infinite places and all finite places of k, respectively. For  $v \in \mathfrak{V}$ ,  $k_v$  denotes the completion of k at v. If v is finite,  $\mathfrak{D}_v$  denotes the ring of integers in  $k_v$ . We fix, once and for all, a Haar measure  $\mu_v$  on  $k_v$  normalized so that  $\mu_v(\mathfrak{D}_v) = 1$  if  $v \in \mathfrak{V}_f$ ,  $\mu_v([0,1]) = 1$  if v is a real place and  $\mu_v(\{a \in k_v : a\overline{a} \leq 1\}) = 2\pi$  if v is an imaginary place. Then the absolute value  $|\cdot|_v$  on  $k_v$  is defined as  $|a|_v = \mu_v(aC)/\mu_v(C)$ , where C is an arbitrary compact subset of  $k_v$  with nonzero measure. We denote by  $\mathbb{A}$  the adele ring of k, by  $\mathbb{A}_f$  the finite adele ring of k and by  $|\cdot|_{\mathbb{A}} = \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{V}} |\cdot|_v$  the idele norm on the idele group  $\mathbb{A}^{\times}$ .

Let G be a connected affine algebraic group defined over k. For any k-algebra R, G(R) stands for the set of R-rational points of G. Let  $\mathbf{X}^*(G)$  and  $\mathbf{X}_k^*(G)$  be the free  $\mathbb{Z}$ -modules consisting of all rational characters and all k-rational characters of G, respectively. The absolute Galois group  $\operatorname{Gal}(\overline{k}/k)$  acts on  $\mathbf{X}^*(G)$ . The representation of  $\operatorname{Gal}(\overline{k}/k)$  in the space  $\mathbf{X}^*(G) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$  is denoted by  $\sigma_G$  and the corresponding Artin L-function is denoted by  $L(s,\sigma_G) = \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{V}_f} L_v(s,\sigma_G)$ . We set  $\sigma_k(G) = \lim_{s \to 1} (s-1)^n L(s,\sigma_G)$ , where  $n = \operatorname{rank} \mathbf{X}_k^*(G)$ . Let  $\omega^G$  be a nonzero right invariant gauge form on G defined over k. From  $\omega^G$  and the fixed Haar measure  $\mu_v$  on  $k_v$ , one can construct a right invariant Haar measure  $\omega_v^G$  on  $G(k_v)$ . Then, the Tamagawa measure on  $G(\mathbb{A})$  is well defined by  $\omega_{\mathbb{A}}^G = |D_k|^{-\dim G/2} \omega_{\infty}^G \omega_f^G$ , where  $\omega_{\infty}^G = \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{V}_{\infty}} \omega_v^G$ ,  $\omega_f^G = \sigma_k(G)^{-1} \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{V}_f} L_v(1,\sigma_G) \omega_v^G$  and  $|D_k|$  is the absolute value of the discriminant of k. For  $\chi \in \mathbf{X}_k^*(G)$ , let  $|\chi|_{\mathbb{A}}$  be the continuous homomorphism  $G(\mathbb{A}) \to \mathbb{R}_+^\times$  defined by  $|\chi|_{\mathbb{A}}(g) = |\chi(g)|_{\mathbb{A}}$ . We write  $G(\mathbb{A})^1$  for the intersection of kernels of all such  $|\chi|_{\mathbb{A}}$ 's. If  $\chi_1, \ldots, \chi_n$  is a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -basis of  $\mathbf{X}_k^*(G)$ , then the mapping

$$g \longmapsto (|\chi_1(g)|_{\mathbb{A}}, \dots, |\chi_n(g)|_{\mathbb{A}})$$

yields an isomorphism from the quotient group  $G(\mathbb{A})^1 \backslash G(\mathbb{A})$  to  $(\mathbb{R}_+^{\times})^n$ . We put the Lebesgue measure dt on  $\mathbb{R}$  and the invariant measure dt/t on  $\mathbb{R}_+^{\times}$ . Then there exists uniquely a Haar measure  $\omega_{G(\mathbb{A})^1}$  of  $G(\mathbb{A})^1$  such that the Haar measure on  $G(\mathbb{A})^1 \backslash G(\mathbb{A})$  matching with  $\omega_{\mathbb{A}}^G$  and  $\omega_{G(\mathbb{A})^1}$  is equal to the pull-back of the measure  $\prod_{i=1}^n dt_i/t_i$  on  $(\mathbb{R}_+^{\times})^n$  by the above isomorphism. The measure  $\omega_{G(\mathbb{A})^1}$  is independent of the choice of a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -basis of  $\mathbf{X}_k^*(G)$ . Since G(k) is a discrete subgroup of  $G(\mathbb{A})^1$ , we put the counting measure  $\omega_{G(k)}$  on G(k). Then the Tamagawa number  $\tau(G)$  is defined to be the volume of the quotient space  $G(k)\backslash G(\mathbb{A})^1$  with respect to the measure  $\omega_G = \omega_{G(k)}\backslash \omega_{G(\mathbb{A})^1}$ . Here, in general, if  $\mu_A$  and  $\mu_B$  denote Haar measures on a locally compact unimodular group A and its closed unimodular subgroup B, respectively, then  $\mu_B\backslash \mu_A$  (resp.  $\mu_A/\mu_B$ ) denotes a unique right (resp. left) A-invariant measure on the homogeneous space  $B\backslash A$  (resp. A/B) matching with  $\mu_A$  and  $\mu_B$ .

If X is an algebraic variety defined over k, then X(k) denotes the set of k-rational points of X. In addition, if X is affine, then  $X(\mathbb{A})$  and  $X(\mathbb{A}_f)$  stands for the adele and the finite adele of X, respectively. We say that a subset D of  $X(\mathbb{A})$  is decomposable if D is of the form  $D_{\infty} \times D_f$ , where  $D_{\infty}$  and  $D_f$  are subsets of  $\prod_{v \in \mathfrak{V}_{\infty}} X(k_v)$  and  $X(\mathbb{A}_f)$ , respectively.

If X is a locally compact topological space,  $C_0(X)$  denotes the space of all compactly supported continuous functions on X. If X is a finite set, |X| denotes the cardinal number of X. For two non-decreasing functions  $F_1(T)$ ,  $F_2(T)$  of real variable T,  $F_1(T) \sim F_2(T)$  means  $\lim_{T\to\infty} F_1(T)/F_2(T) = 1$  if  $F_2(T) \neq 0$  for T large enough, otherwise,  $F_1(T) \equiv 0$ .

## §1. Preliminaries

In the following, let G be a connected reductive group defined over k. We fix a maximally k-split torus S of G, a maximal k-torus  $S_1$  of G containing S, a minimal k-parabolic subgroup P of G containing S and a Borel subgroup P of P containing P. Then, we denote by P the relative root system of P with respect to P and by P the set of simple roots of P corresponding to P.

Let M be the centralizer of S in G. Then P has a Levi decomposition P = MU, where U is the unipotent radical of P. For every standard k-parabolic subgroup R of G, R has a unique Levi subgroup  $M_R$  containing M. We denote by  $U_R$  the unipotent radical of R. Throughout this paper, we fix a maximal compact subgroup K of  $G(\mathbb{A})$  satisfying the following property; For every standard k-parabolic subgroup R of G,  $K \cap M_R(\mathbb{A})$  is a maximal compact subgroup of  $M_R(\mathbb{A})$  and  $M_R(\mathbb{A})$  possesses an Iwasawa decomposition  $(M_R(\mathbb{A}) \cap U(\mathbb{A}))M(\mathbb{A})(K \cap M_R(\mathbb{A}))$ . It is known that such maximal compact subgroup of  $G(\mathbb{A})$  exists. We set  $K^R = K \cap R(\mathbb{A})$ ,  $K^{M_R} = K \cap M_R(\mathbb{A})$ ,  $P^R = M_R \cap P$  and  $U^R = M_R \cap U$ .

Let R be a standard k-parabolic subgroup of G. We include the case R = G. Let  $Z_R$  be the greatest central k-split torus in  $M_R$ . The restriction map  $\mathbf{X}_k^*(M_R) \to \mathbf{X}^*(Z_R)$  is injective. Since  $\mathbf{X}_k^*(M_R)$  has the same rank as  $\mathbf{X}^*(Z_R)$ , the index

$$(1.1) d_R = [\mathbf{X}^*(Z_R) : \mathbf{X}_k^*(M_R)]$$

is finite. If  $\chi_1, \ldots, \chi_r$  is a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -basis of  $\mathbf{X}^*(Z_R)$ , then the mapping  $z \mapsto (\chi_1(z), \ldots, \chi_r(z))$  yields an isomorphism from  $Z_R(\mathbb{A})$  to  $(\mathbb{A}^\times)^r$ . We regard  $\mathbb{R}_+^\times$  as a subgroup of  $\mathbb{A}^\times$  by identifying  $t \in \mathbb{R}_+^\times$  with the idele  $t_{\mathbb{A}} = (t_v)$  such that  $t_v = t$  if  $v \in \mathfrak{V}_{\infty}$  and  $t_v = 1$  if  $v \in \mathfrak{V}_f$ . Let  $A_R$  denote the inverse image of  $(\mathbb{R}_+^\times)^r$  by the isomorphism  $Z_R(\mathbb{A}) \to (\mathbb{A}^\times)^r$ . Then  $M_R(\mathbb{A})$  has the direct product decomposition:  $M_R(\mathbb{A}) = A_R M_R(\mathbb{A})^1$ . The Haar measure  $\mu_{A_R}$  on  $A_R$  is defined to be the pull-back of the invariant measure  $\prod_{i=1}^r dt_i/t_i$  on  $(\mathbb{R}_+^\times)^r$  with respect to the isomorphism  $z \mapsto (|\chi_1(z)|_{\mathbb{A}}, \ldots, |\chi_r(z)|_{\mathbb{A}})$  from

 $A_R$  onto  $(\mathbb{R}_+^{\times})^r$ . It follows from the definition of  $\omega_{M_R(\mathbb{A})^1}$  that the Tamagawa measure  $\omega_{\mathbb{A}}^{M_R}$  is decomposed into  $d_R\mu_{A_R}\cdot\omega_{M_R(\mathbb{A})^1}$ . Both  $A_R$  and  $\mu_{A_R}$  are independent of the choice of a basis of  $\mathbf{X}^*(Z_R)$ . We set  $A_R^G=A_R/A_G$ .

We define another Haar measure  $\nu_{M_R(\mathbb{A})}$  of  $M_R(\mathbb{A})$  as follows. Let  $\omega_{\mathbb{A}}^M$  and  $\omega_{\mathbb{A}}^{U^R}$  be the Tamagawa measures of  $M(\mathbb{A})$  and  $U^R(\mathbb{A})$ , respectively. There is the function  $\delta_{P^R}$  on  $M(\mathbb{A})$  such that the integration formula

$$\int_{U^R(\mathbb{A})} f(mum^{-1}) d\omega_{\mathbb{A}}^{U^R}(u) = \delta_{P^R}(m)^{-1} \int_{U^R(\mathbb{A})} f(u) d\omega_{\mathbb{A}}^{U^R}(u)$$

holds for  $f \in C_0(U^R(\mathbb{A}))$ . In other words,  $\delta_{PR}^{-1}$  is the modular character of  $P^R(\mathbb{A})$ . Let  $\nu_{K^{M_R}}$  be the Haar measure on  $K^{M_R}$  normalized so that the total volume equals one. Then the mapping

$$f \longmapsto \int_{U^R(\mathbb{A}) \times M(\mathbb{A}) \times K^{M_R}} f(umh) \delta_{P^R}(m)^{-1} d\omega_{\mathbb{A}}^{U^R}(u) d\omega_{\mathbb{A}}^M(m) d\nu_{K^{M_R}}(h) ,$$

$$(f \in C_0(M_R(\mathbb{A})))$$

defines an invariant measure on  $M_R(\mathbb{A})$  and is denoted by  $\nu_{M_R(\mathbb{A})}$ . There exists a positive constant  $C_R$  such that

(1.2) 
$$\omega_{\mathbb{A}}^{M_R} = C_R \nu_{M_R(\mathbb{A})}.$$

We have the following compatibility formula:

$$(1.3) \int_{G(\mathbb{A})} f(g) d\omega_{\mathbb{A}}^{G}(g)$$

$$= \frac{C_{G}}{C_{R}} \int_{U_{R}(\mathbb{A}) \times M_{R}(\mathbb{A}) \times K} f(umh) \delta_{R}(m)^{-1} d\omega_{\mathbb{A}}^{U_{R}}(u) d\omega_{\mathbb{A}}^{M_{R}}(m) d\nu_{K}(h)$$

for  $f \in C_0(G(\mathbb{A}))$ , where  $\delta_R^{-1}$  is the modular character of  $R(\mathbb{A})$ .

On the homogeneous space  $Y_R = R(\mathbb{A})^1 \backslash G(\mathbb{A})^1$ , we define the right  $G(\mathbb{A})^1$ -invariant measure  $\omega_{Y_R}$  by  $\omega_{R(\mathbb{A})^1} \backslash \omega_{G(\mathbb{A})^1}$ . We note that both  $G(\mathbb{A})^1$  and  $R(\mathbb{A})^1$  are unimodular. We identify  $Y_R$  with  $A_G R(\mathbb{A})^1 \backslash G(\mathbb{A})$ . Then the mapping

$$\iota_R: K/K^R \times A_R^G \longrightarrow Y_R: (\overline{h}, \overline{z}) \longmapsto A_G R(\mathbb{A})^1 z^{-1} h^{-1}$$

is a bijection, where  $\overline{h}=hK^R$  and  $\overline{z}=zA_G$  for  $h\in K$  and  $z\in A_R$ . Set  $\nu_{A_R^G}=\mu_{A_R}/\mu_{A_G}$ .

LEMMA 1. Let D be an open subgroup of K and  $\{h_1, \ldots, h_s\}$  be a complete set of coset representatives of K/D. Then, for any right D-invariant function  $f \in C_0(Y_R)$ , one has

$$\int_{Y_R} f(y) \, d\omega_{Y_R}(y) = \frac{C_G d_R}{[K:D] C_R d_G} \sum_{i=1}^s \int_{A_R^G} f(\iota_R(\overline{h}_i^{-1}, \overline{z})) \delta_R(z) \, d\nu_{A_R^G}(\overline{z}) \, .$$

*Proof.* If we set

$$\varphi(y) = \int_{K} f(yh) d\nu_{K}(h) = \frac{1}{[K:D]} \sum_{i=1}^{s} f(yh_{i}),$$

then  $\varphi$  is a right K-invariant function on  $Y_R$ . By [W, Corollary to Lemma 1],

$$\int_{Y_R} \varphi(y) \, d\omega_{Y_R}(y) = \frac{C_G d_R}{C_R d_G} \int_{A_R^G} \varphi(\iota_R(\overline{e}, \overline{z})) \delta_R(z) \, d\nu_{A_R^G}(\overline{z}) \, .$$

Since  $\omega_{Y_R}$  is right  $G(\mathbb{A})^1$ -invariant, the left hand side equals the integral of f(y) over  $Y_R$ .

# §2. Heights on flag varieties

Let  $V_{\pi}$  be a finite dimensional  $\overline{k}$ -vector space endowed with a k-structure  $V_{\pi}(k)$  and  $\pi: G \to GL(V_{\pi})$  be an absolutely irreducible k-rational representation. The highest weight space in  $V_{\pi}$  with respect to B is denoted by  $x_{\pi}$ . Let  $Q_{\pi}$  be the stabilizer of  $x_{\pi}$  in G and  $\lambda_{\pi}$  the  $\overline{k}$ -rational character of  $Q_{\pi}$  by which  $Q_{\pi}$  acts on  $x_{\pi}$ . The representation  $\pi$  is said to be strongly k-rational if  $x_{\pi}$  is defined over k. Then  $Q_{\pi}$  is a standard k-parabolic subgroup of G and  $\lambda_{\pi}$  is a k-rational character of  $Q_{\pi}$ . It is known that  $\lambda_{\pi}|_{S}$  is a non-negative integral linear combination of the fundamental k-weights ([W, Section 1]). We say  $\pi$  is maximal if  $Q_{\pi}$  is a standard maximal k-parabolic subgroup. This is equivalent to the condition that  $\lambda_{\pi}|_{S}$  is a positive integer multiple of a single fundamental k-weight.

Let  $\pi$  be a strongly k-rational representation. For convenience, we use a right action of G on  $V_{\pi}$  defined by  $a \cdot g = \pi(g^{-1})a$  for  $g \in G$  and  $a \in V_{\pi}$ . Then the mapping  $g \mapsto x_{\pi} \cdot g$  gives rise to a k-rational embedding of  $Q_{\pi} \setminus G$  into the projective space  $\mathbb{P}V_{\pi}$ .

We write  $X_{Q_{\pi}}$  for  $Q_{\pi}\backslash G$ . Since  $Q_{\pi}$  is a k-parabolic subgroup,  $X_{Q_{\pi}}(k)$  is naturally identified with  $Q_{\pi}(k)\backslash G(k)$  ([B, Proposition 20.5]). Let us define

a height on  $X_{Q_{\pi}}(k)$ . We fix a k-basis  $\mathbf{e}_1, \dots, \mathbf{e}_n$  of the k-vector space  $V_{\pi}(k)$  and define a local height  $H_v$  on  $V_{\pi}(k_v)$  for each  $v \in \mathfrak{V}$  as follows:

$$H_{v}(a_{1}\mathbf{e}_{1} + \dots + a_{n}\mathbf{e}_{n}) = \begin{cases} (|a_{1}|_{v}^{2} + \dots + |a_{n}|_{v}^{2})^{1/(2[k:\mathbb{Q}])} & \text{(if } v \text{ is real)} \\ (|a_{1}|_{v} + \dots + |a_{n}|_{v})^{1/[k:\mathbb{Q}]} & \text{(if } v \text{ is imaginary)} \\ \sup(|a_{1}|_{v}, \dots, |a_{n}|_{v})^{1/[k:\mathbb{Q}]} & \text{(if } v \in \mathfrak{V}_{f}) \end{cases}$$

The global height  $H_{\pi}$  on  $V_{\pi}(k)$  is defined to be the product of all  $H_v$ , that is,  $H_{\pi}(a) = \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{V}} H_v(a)$ . By the product formula,  $H_{\pi}$  is invariant by scalar multiplications. Thus,  $H_{\pi}$  defines a height on  $\mathbb{P}V_{\pi}(k)$ , and on  $X_{Q_{\pi}}(k)$  by restriction. The height  $H_{\pi}$  is extended to  $GL(V_{\pi}, \mathbb{A})\mathbb{P}V_{\pi}(k)$  by

$$H_{\pi}(\xi \overline{a}) = \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{V}} H_{v}(\xi_{v} a)$$

for  $\xi = (\xi_v) \in GL(V_\pi, \mathbb{A})$  and  $\overline{a} = ka \in \mathbb{P}V_\pi(k), \ a \in V_\pi(k) - \{0\}$ . We set

$$\Phi_{\pi,\xi}(g) = H_{\pi}(\xi(x_{\pi} \cdot g)) / H_{\pi}(\xi x_{\pi})$$

for  $g \in G(\mathbb{A})$ . Obviously,  $\Phi_{\pi,\xi}$  is a continuous function on  $G(\mathbb{A})$  and satisfies

$$\Phi_{\pi,\xi}(qg) = |\lambda_{\pi}(q)^{-1}|_{\mathbb{A}}^{1/[k:\mathbb{Q}]} \Phi_{\pi,\xi}(g)$$

for any  $q \in Q_{\pi}(\mathbb{A})$  and  $g \in G(\mathbb{A})$ . Thus  $\Phi_{\pi,\xi}$  defines a function on  $Y_{Q_{\pi}} = Q_{\pi}(\mathbb{A})^{1} \backslash G(\mathbb{A})^{1}$ . It is always possible that one choose an element  $\xi \in GL(V_{\pi}, \mathbb{A})$  so that  $\Phi_{\pi,\xi}$  is right K-invariant. In many examples, one can take the identity as such  $\xi$ .

## §3. The Hardy-Littlewood property of flag varieties

In the following, we assume  $\pi$  is maximal and strongly k-rational. We fix, once and for all, an element  $\xi \in GL(V_{\pi}, \mathbb{A})$  such that  $\Phi_{\pi,\xi}$  is right K-invariant. We simply write Q for  $Q_{\pi}$  and  $\Phi_{\pi}$  for  $\Phi_{\pi,\xi}$ . Let  $\Delta_Q$  be the set of nonzero roots  $\beta|_{Z_Q}$ ,  $\beta \in \Delta_k$ . Since Q is maximal,  $\Delta_Q$  consists of a single element  $\alpha|_{Z_Q}$ . Let  $n_Q$  be the positive integer such that  $n_Q^{-1}\alpha|_{Z_Q}$  is a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -base of  $\mathbf{X}^*(Z_G\backslash Z_Q)$ . We set  $\alpha_Q=n_Q^{-1}\alpha|_{Z_Q}$ . Then the Haar measure  $\nu_{A_Q}$  equals the pull-back of the measure dt/t by the isomorphism  $|\alpha_Q|_{\mathbb{A}}:A_Q^G\to\mathbb{R}_+^\times$ . If we set  $e_Q=n_Q\dim U_Q$ , we have

(3.1) 
$$\delta_Q(z) = |\alpha_Q(z)|_{\mathbb{A}}^{e_Q}, \quad (z \in Z_Q(\mathbb{A})).$$

The quotient morphism  $Z_Q \to Z_G \backslash Z_Q$  induces an isomorphism  $\mathbf{X}^*(Z_G \backslash Z_Q) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q} \to \mathbf{X}^*(Z_Q \cap G^{ss}) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$ , where  $G^{ss}$  denotes the derived group of G. Under the identification  $\mathbf{X}^*(Z_Q \cap G^{ss}) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q} \cong \mathbf{X}^*(Z_G \backslash Z_Q) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$ , there exists the positive rational number  $e_{\pi}$  such that

$$(3.2) \lambda_{\pi}|_{Z_Q \cap G^{ss}} = e_{\pi}\alpha_Q.$$

Then  $\Phi_{\pi}(\iota_Q(\overline{h},\overline{z})) = |\alpha_Q(z)|_{\mathbb{A}}^{e_{\pi}/[k:\mathbb{Q}]}$  holds for any  $(\overline{h},\overline{z}) \in K/K^Q \times A_Q^G$ . For an open subset D of K and 0 < T, we set

$$E_{\pi}(D,T) = \left\{ \iota_{Q}(\overline{h},\overline{z}) : \overline{h} \in DK^{Q}/K^{Q}, \ \overline{z} \in A_{Q}^{G}, \ |\alpha_{Q}(\overline{z})|_{\mathbb{A}} \le T^{[k:\mathbb{Q}]/e_{\pi}} \right\}.$$

Obviously,  $E_{\pi}(D,T)$  is contained in  $\{y \in Y_Q : \Phi_{\pi}(y) \leq T\}$ , and in particular, the set  $E_{\pi}(K,T) \cap X_Q(k)$  coincides with the set  $\{x \in X_Q(k) : H_{\pi}(\xi x) \leq H_{\pi}(\xi x_{\pi})T\}$ . The next is the main theorem of this paper.

Theorem 1. Let  $\pi$  and Q be as above and  $D=D_{\infty}\times D_f$  a decomposable open subset of K such that  $D_{\infty}$  equals the infinite part  $K_{\infty}$  of K. Then one has

(3.3) 
$$|E_{\pi}(D,T) \cap X_Q(k)g| \sim \frac{\tau(Q)}{\tau(G)} \omega_{Y_Q}(E_{\pi}(D,T)) \quad as \ T \to \infty$$

for any  $g \in G(\mathbb{A})^1$ .

We fix a decomposable open subset D of K with  $D_{\infty} = K_{\infty}$ . Since the finite part of K is totally disconnected, there is a decomposable open normal subgroup  $D_1$  of K and  $b_0 \in D$  such that  $D_1b_0^{-1}D = b_0^{-1}D$  and  $D_{1,\infty} = K_{\infty}$ . If  $b_1, \ldots, b_s \in D$  is a complete set of coset representatives of  $D_1K^Q\backslash b_0^{-1}DK^Q$ , then  $E_{\pi}(b_0^{-1}D,T) = E_{\pi}(D,T)b_0$  decomposes into a disjoint union of  $E_{\pi}(D_1,T)b_i$ ,  $i=1,2,\ldots,s$ . It is easy to see that the truth of (3.3) for  $D_1$  implies the truth of (3.3) for D. Hence, we may assume without loss of generality that D is an open normal subgroup of K to begin with. Then, by Lemma 1,  $\omega_{Y_Q}(E_{\pi}(D,T))$  equals

$$\frac{[DK^Q:D]C_G d_Q}{[K:D]C_Q d_G} \int_0^{T^{[k:\mathbb{Q}]/e_{\pi}}} t^{e_Q} \frac{dt}{t} = \frac{[DK^Q:D]C_G d_Q}{[K:D]C_Q d_G e_Q} T^{e_Q[k:\mathbb{Q}]/e_{\pi}}.$$

Let  $\chi_T$  be the characteristic function of  $E_{\pi}(D,T)$ . Define the function  $F_T$  on  $G(k)\backslash G(\mathbb{A})^1$  as

$$F_T(g) = \frac{1}{\omega_{Y_Q}(E_{\pi}(D, T))} \sum_{x \in X_Q(k)} \chi_T(xg) = \frac{|E_{\pi}(D, T) \cap X_Q(k)g|}{\omega_{Y_Q}(E_{\pi}(D, T))}.$$

(3.3) is equivalent to the assertion that

$$\lim_{T \to \infty} F_T(g) = \frac{\tau(Q)}{\tau(G)}$$

holds for every  $g \in G(\mathbb{A})^1$ . For a pair of functions  $\psi_1, \psi_2$  on  $G(k) \setminus G(\mathbb{A})^1$ , we set

$$\langle \psi_1, \psi_2 \rangle = \int_{G(k) \backslash G(\mathbb{A})^1} \psi_1(g) \overline{\psi_2(g)} \, d\omega_G(g)$$

if the integral has the meaning.

Proposition 1. If

$$\lim_{T \to \infty} \langle \psi, F_T \rangle = \frac{\tau(Q)}{\tau(G)} \langle \psi, 1 \rangle$$

holds for any  $\psi \in C_0(G(k)\backslash G(\mathbb{A})^1)$ , then

$$\lim_{T \to \infty} F_T(g) = \frac{\tau(Q)}{\tau(G)}$$

for every  $g \in G(\mathbb{A})^1$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\{U_m\}_{m=1,2,3,\dots}$  be a descending family of neighborhoods of the identity e in  $G(\mathbb{A})^1$  such that  $U_m$  is decomposable, i.e.,  $U_m = (U_m)_{\infty} \times (U_m)_f$ ,  $U_m^{-1} = U_m$ ,  $(U_m)_f = D_f$ ,  $(U_m)_{\infty}$  is compact and  $\bigcap_{m=1}^{\infty} (U_m)_{\infty} = \{e\}$ . Since  $\Phi_{\pi}$  is continuous and  $KU_m$  is compact, there exists the maximum

$$\beta_m = \max_{g \in KU_m} \Phi_{\pi}(g) = \max_{g_{\infty} \in K_{\infty}(U_m)_{\infty}} \Phi_{\pi}(g_{\infty}).$$

From the right K-invariance of  $\Phi_{\pi}$  and  $\Phi_{\pi}(e) = 1$ , it follows that  $\beta_m \downarrow 1$  as  $m \to \infty$ . By  $D_{\infty} = K_{\infty}$  and the definition of  $E_{\pi}(D, T)$ , it is evident that

$$E_{\pi}(D,T)U_m \subset E_{\pi}(D,\beta_m T)$$

for every m. Therefore,

$$E_{\pi}(D, \beta_m^{-1}T)g^{-1}g_0^{-1} \subset E_{\pi}(D, T)g_0^{-1} \subset E_{\pi}(D, \beta_m T)g^{-1}g_0^{-1}$$

holds for every  $g \in U_m = U_m^{-1}$  and a fixed  $g_0 \in G(\mathbb{A})^1$ . This implies the inequality

$$\omega_{Y_Q}(E_{\pi}(D, \beta_m^{-1}T))F_{\beta_m^{-1}T}(g_0g) \le \omega_{Y_Q}(E_{\pi}(D, T))F_T(g_0)$$

$$\le \omega_{Y_Q}(E_{\pi}(D, \beta_mT))F_{\beta_mT}(g_0g)$$

for  $g \in U_m$ . Let  $U'_m$  be the image of  $g_0U_m$  to the quotient  $G(k)\backslash G(\mathbb{A})^1$ . We choose a real-valued and non-negative function  $\psi_m \in C_0(G(k)\backslash G(\mathbb{A})^1)$  such that the support of  $\psi_m$  is contained in  $U'_m$  and  $\langle \psi_m, 1 \rangle = 1$ . Then the above inequality yields

$$\frac{\omega_{Y_Q}(E_{\pi}(D, \beta_m^{-1}T))}{\omega_{Y_Q}(E_{\pi}(D, T))} \langle \psi_m, F_{\beta_m^{-1}T} \rangle \leq F_T(g_0)$$

$$\leq \frac{\omega_{Y_Q}(E_{\pi}(D, \beta_m T))}{\omega_{Y_Q}(E_{\pi}(D, \beta_m T))} \langle \psi_m, F_{\beta_m T} \rangle.$$

By  $\omega_{Y_Q}(E_{\pi}(D,\beta_m T))/\omega_{Y_Q}(E_{\pi}(D,T)) = \beta_m^{e_Q[k:\mathbb{Q}]/e_{\pi}}$  and the assumption on  $F_T$ , one has

$$\beta_m^{-e_Q[k:\mathbb{Q}]/e_\pi} \frac{\tau(Q)}{\tau(G)} \le \liminf_{T \to \infty} F_T(g_0) \le \limsup_{T \to \infty} F_T(g_0) \le \beta_m^{e_Q[k:\mathbb{Q}]/e_\pi} \frac{\tau(Q)}{\tau(G)}.$$

Hence, letting  $m \to \infty$ , we get the assertion.

For every function  $\psi$  on  $G(k)\backslash G(\mathbb{A})^1$ , we set

$$\begin{split} \Pi_Q^1(\psi)(g) &= \int_{U_Q(k)\backslash U_Q(\mathbb{A})} \psi(ug) \, d\omega_{U_Q}(u) \,, \\ \Pi_Q(\psi)(g) &= \int_{Q(k)\backslash Q(\mathbb{A})^1} \psi(qg) \, d\omega_Q(q) \\ &= \int_{M_Q(k)\backslash M_Q(\mathbb{A})^1} \Pi_Q^1(\psi)(mg) \, d\omega_{M_Q}(m) \end{split}$$

when the integrals have the meaning. By the unfolding argument and Lemma 1, we have

$$(3.4) \qquad \langle \psi, F_T \rangle = \int_{G(k) \backslash G(\mathbb{A})^1} \psi(g) F_T(g) \, d\omega_G(g)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\omega_{Y_Q}(E_\pi(D, T))} \int_{Y_Q} \Pi_Q(\psi)(y) \chi_T(y) \, d\omega_{Y_Q}(y)$$

$$= \frac{e_Q}{T^{e_Q[k:\mathbb{Q}]/e_\pi}} \int_0^{T^{[k:\mathbb{Q}]/e_\pi}} t^{e_Q} \Pi_Q(\psi) (\iota_Q(\overline{e}, |\alpha_Q|_{\mathbb{A}}^{-1}(t))) \frac{dt}{t}$$

for every right *D*-invariant  $\psi \in C_0(G(k)\backslash G(\mathbb{A})^1)$ , where  $|\alpha_Q|_{\mathbb{A}}^{-1}$  stands for the inverse map of  $|\alpha_Q|_{\mathbb{A}}: A_Q^G \to \mathbb{R}_+^{\times}$ .

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## §4. Preliminaries on Eisenstein series

We recall the theory of Eisenstein series following [H], [MW]. Let R be a standard k-parabolic subgroup of G. We set

$$\operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_R = X^*(Z_G \setminus Z_R) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{R}, \quad \mathfrak{a}_R = \operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_R \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C} = \operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_R + \sqrt{-1} \operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_R.$$

Every  $\Lambda \in \mathfrak{a}_R$  of the form  $\chi_1 \otimes s_1 + \cdots + \chi_r \otimes s_r$ ,  $\chi_i \in X^*(Z_G \backslash Z_R)$ ,  $s_i \in \mathbb{C}$  gives rise to a quasi-character of  $A_R^G$  by

$$z \longmapsto z^{\Lambda} = |\chi_1(z)|_{\mathbb{A}}^{s_1} \cdots |\chi_r(z)|_{\mathbb{A}}^{s_r}$$

for  $z \in A_R^G$ . By this way,  $\mathfrak{a}_R$  is identified with the group of quasi-characters of  $A_R^G$ . There is a unique  $\rho_R \in \operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_R$  such that  $z^{2\rho_R} = \delta_R(z)$ . If R' is a standard k-parabolic subgroup of G such that  $R' \subset R$ , then  $Z_G \setminus Z_R$  (resp.  $A_R^G$ ) is a subgroup of  $Z_G \setminus Z_{R'}$  (resp.  $A_{R'}^G$ ) and hence there is a natural surjection from  $\mathfrak{a}_{R'}$  onto  $\mathfrak{a}_R$ . The kernel of this surjection is denoted by  $\mathfrak{a}_{R'}^R$ . Since the quasi-characters of  $M_R(\mathbb{A})^1\backslash M_R(\mathbb{A})$  is restricted to  $M_{R'}(\mathbb{A})^1\backslash M_{R'}(\mathbb{A})$ ([MW, I.1.4.(2)]), there is a splitting  $\mathfrak{a}_R \to \mathfrak{a}_{R'}$ , and hence a direct product decomposition:  $\mathfrak{a}_{R'} = \mathfrak{a}_R \oplus \mathfrak{a}_{R'}^R$ . The subspace  $\mathfrak{a}_{R'}^R$  is identified with the group of quasi-characters of  $A_{R'}^{R} = A_{R'}/A_{R}$  by the similar way as above. If  $(\delta_{R'}^R)^{-1}$  denotes the modular character of  $(M_R \cap R')(\mathbb{A})$ , there is a unique  $\rho_{R'}^R \in \operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_{R'}^R$  such that  $z^{2\rho_{R'}^R} = \delta_{R'}^R(z)$  for  $z \in A_{R'}^R$ . One has  $\rho_{R'} = \rho_R + \rho_{R'}^R$ . We always consider  $\mathfrak{a}_R$  as a subspace of  $\mathfrak{a}_P$  and fix an admissible inner product  $(\cdot, \cdot)$  on  $\operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_P$ . Then  $\operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_{R'} = \operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_R \oplus \operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_{R'}^R$  is an orthogonal decomposition. For each root  $\beta \in \Phi_k$ ,  $\beta^{\vee}$  denotes the coroot  $2(\beta,\beta)^{-1}\beta$ . Let  $\Delta_R$  denote the set consisting of nonzero roots  $\beta|_{Z_R}$ ,  $\beta \in \Delta_k$ . It is obvious that  $\Delta_R$  is contained in Re  $\mathfrak{a}_R$  and spans  $\mathfrak{a}_R$  as a  $\mathbb{C}$ -vector space. We set

$$\mathfrak{c}_R = \{ \Lambda \in \mathfrak{a}_R : (\operatorname{Re} \Lambda - \rho_R, \beta^{\vee}|_{Z_R}) > 0 \text{ for all } \beta|_{Z_R} \in \Delta_R \}$$

and

$$\mathbf{c}_{R'}^R = \left\{ \Lambda \in \mathbf{\mathfrak{a}}_{R'}^R : (\operatorname{Re} \Lambda - \rho_{R'}^R, \beta^{\vee}|_{Z_{R'}}) > 0 \text{ for all } \beta|_{Z_{R'}} \in \Delta_{R'} \right.$$
 with  $\beta|_{Z_R} = 0$ .

A map  $z_R: G(\mathbb{A}) \to A_R^G = A_G M_R(\mathbb{A})^1 \backslash M_R(\mathbb{A})$  is defined by  $z_R(g) = A_G M_R(\mathbb{A})^1 m$  if g = umh,  $u \in U_R(\mathbb{A})$ ,  $m \in M_R(\mathbb{A})$  and  $h \in K$ .

For a smooth function  $\eta \in C_0^{\infty}(A_R^G)$ , its Mellin transform is defined to be

$$\widehat{\eta}(\Lambda) = \int_{A_R^G} \eta(z) z^{-(\Lambda + \rho_R)} d\nu_{A_R^G}(z).$$

We choose the measure  $d\Lambda$  on  $\mathfrak{a}_R$  so that the following inversion formula holds for any  $\eta \in C_0^{\infty}(A_R^G)$ :

$$\eta(z) = \int_{\Lambda \in \Lambda_0 + \sqrt{-1} \operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_R} \widehat{\eta}(\Lambda) z^{\Lambda + \rho_R} \, d\Lambda \,,$$

where  $\Lambda_0 \in \operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_R$  is a base point.

Let  $\mathcal{A}_{0,R} = \mathcal{A}_0(A_R^G U_R(\mathbb{A}) M_R(k) \backslash G(\mathbb{A})^1)$  be the space of cuspidal automorphic forms on  $A_R^G U_R(\mathbb{A}) M_R(k) \backslash G(\mathbb{A})^1$ . For an open subgroup  $D \subset K$ ,  $\mathcal{A}_{0,R}^D$  denotes the set of right D-invariant cusp forms in  $\mathcal{A}_{0,R}$ . For  $\varphi \in \mathcal{A}_{0,R}$ ,  $\eta \in C_0^\infty(A_R^G)$  and  $\Lambda \in \mathfrak{c}_R$ , the pseudo-Eisenstein series  $\theta_{\varphi,\eta}$  and the Eisenstein series  $E(\varphi,\Lambda)$  on  $G(k)\backslash G(\mathbb{A})^1$  are defined as follows:

$$\begin{split} \theta_{\varphi,\eta}(g) &= \sum_{\gamma \in R(k) \backslash G(k)} \varphi(\gamma g) \eta(z_R(\gamma g)) \,, \\ E(\varphi,\Lambda)(g) &= \sum_{\gamma \in R(k) \backslash G(k)} z_R(\gamma g)^{\Lambda + \rho_R} \varphi(\gamma g) \,. \end{split}$$

It is known that both series are absolutely convergent,  $\theta_{\varphi,\eta}$  is a rapidly decreasing function on  $G(k)\backslash G(\mathbb{A})^1$  and  $E(\varphi,\Lambda)$  is meromorphically continued on the whole  $\mathfrak{a}_R$ . If  $\Lambda_0 \in \operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_R \cap \mathfrak{c}_R$  is fixed, then  $\theta_{\varphi,\eta}$  is expressed as

$$\theta_{\varphi,\eta}(g) = \int_{\Lambda \in \Lambda_0 + \sqrt{-1} \operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_R} \widehat{\eta}(\Lambda) E(\varphi,\Lambda)(g) \, d\Lambda \, .$$

We need intertwining operators to describe constant terms of pseudo-Eisenstein series. Let  $W_G$  be the relative Weyl groups of (G, S). We take a pair of a standard k-parabolic subgroup R' and an element  $w \in W_G$  such that  $wM_Rw^{-1} = M_{R'}$ . Then, for  $\Lambda \in \mathfrak{c}_R$  and  $\varphi \in \mathcal{A}_{0,R}$ , we consider

$$(M(w,\Lambda)\varphi)(g) = z_{R'}(g)^{-(w\Lambda + \rho_{R'})}$$

$$\times \int_{(U_{R'}(\mathbb{A}) \cap wU_R(\mathbb{A})w^{-1}) \setminus U_{R'}(\mathbb{A})} \varphi(w^{-1}ug) z_R(w^{-1}ug)^{\Lambda + \rho_R} d\omega_{\mathbb{A}}^{U_{R'}}(u) .$$

The integral of the right-hand side converges absolutely and  $M(w, \Lambda)\varphi$  is contained in  $\mathcal{A}_{0,R'}$ . Moreover, the operator  $M(w, \Lambda)$  is meromorphically continued to the whole  $\mathfrak{a}_R$ . The adjoint operator  $M(w, \Lambda)^*$  of  $M(w, \Lambda)$  with respect to the  $L^2$ -inner product on  $\mathcal{A}_{0,R}$  equals  $M(w^{-1}, -w\overline{\Lambda})$ .

#### §5. Proof of Theorem 1

Let  $\pi$ , Q, D and  $F_T$  be the same as in Section 3. On account of Proposition 1, we must prove

$$\lim_{T \to \infty} \langle \psi, F_T \rangle = \frac{\tau(Q)}{\tau(G)} \langle \psi, 1 \rangle$$

for every  $\psi \in C_0(G(k)\backslash G(\mathbb{A}))$ . By [DRS, Lemma 2.4], it is enough to prove

$$\lim_{T \to \infty} \langle \theta_{\varphi,\eta}, F_T \rangle = \frac{\tau(Q)}{\tau(G)} \langle \theta_{\varphi,\eta}, 1 \rangle$$

for all pseudo-Eisenstein series  $\theta_{\varphi,\eta}$ .

PROPOSITION 2. Let R be a standard k-parabolic subgroup of G,  $\varphi \in \mathcal{A}_{0,R}$  and  $\eta \in C_0^{\infty}(A_R^G)$ . If  $R \neq P$ , i.e., R is not a minimal k-parabolic subgroup, then

$$\langle \theta_{\varphi,\eta}, F_T \rangle = \langle \theta_{\varphi,\eta}, 1 \rangle = 0$$

*Proof.* First, by (1.3) and  $\omega_{G(\mathbb{A})^1} = (d_G \mu_{A_G}) \backslash \omega_{\mathbb{A}}^G$ , one has

$$\begin{split} \langle \theta_{\varphi,\eta}, 1 \rangle &= \int_{R(k) \backslash G(\mathbb{A})^1} \varphi(g) \eta(z_R(g)) \, d(\omega_{R(k)} \backslash \omega_{G(\mathbb{A})^1})(g) \\ &= \frac{C_G}{C_R d_G} \int_{U_R(k) \backslash U_R(\mathbb{A}) \times A_G M_R(k) \backslash M_R(\mathbb{A}) \times K} \varphi(mh) \eta(z_R(m)) \\ &\qquad \times \delta_R(m)^{-1} \, d\omega_{U_R}(u) d(\mu_{A_G} \omega_{G(k)} \backslash \omega_{\mathbb{A}}^{M_R})(m) d\nu_K(h) \\ &= \frac{C_G d_R}{C_R d_G} \int_{M_R(k) \backslash M_R(\mathbb{A})^1 \times K} \varphi(mh) \left\{ \int_{A_R^G} \eta(z) z^{-2\rho_R} \, d\nu_{A_R^G}(z) \right\} \\ &\qquad \times d\omega_{M_R}(m) d\nu_K(h) \\ &= \frac{C_G d_R}{C_R d_G} \widehat{\eta}(\rho_R) \langle \varphi, 1 \rangle_R \,, \end{split}$$

where we set

$$\langle \varphi, 1 \rangle_R = \int_{M_R(k) \backslash M_R(\mathbb{A})^1 \times K} \varphi(mh) \, d\omega_{M_R}(m) d\nu_K(h) \, .$$

From the cuspidality of  $\varphi$ , it follows  $\langle \varphi, 1 \rangle_R = 0$ , and hence  $\langle \theta_{\varphi,\eta}, 1 \rangle = 0$ .

Next we compute  $\Pi_Q(\theta_{\varphi,\eta})$ . Since Q is maximal, there is an only one simple root  $\alpha \in \Delta_k$  such that  $\alpha|_{Z_Q} \neq 0$ . We define a subset  $W(M_R, M_Q)$  of the Weyl group  $W_G$  by

$$W(M_R, M_Q) = \{ w \in W_G : w^{-1}(\beta) > 0 \text{ for all } \beta \in \Delta_k - \{\alpha\}$$
  
and  $wRw^{-1} \subset Q \}$ .

Then the constant term of the Eisenstein series  $E(\varphi, \Lambda)$  along  $U_Q$  is given by the formula

$$\Pi_{Q}^{1}(E(\varphi,\Lambda))(g) = \sum_{w \in W(M_{R},M_{Q})} \sum_{\gamma \in M_{Q}(k) \cap R^{w}(k) \backslash M_{Q}(k)} (M(w,\Lambda)\varphi)(\gamma g) z_{R^{w}} (\gamma g)^{w\Lambda + \rho_{R^{w}}},$$

where  $R^w$  denotes  $wRw^{-1}$  ([MW, Proposition II.1.7]). If  $W(M_R, M_Q)$  is empty, this constant term is zero. Thus  $\Pi^1_Q(\theta_{\varphi,\eta})(g)$  equals

$$(5.2) \sum_{w \in W(M_R, M_Q)} \int_{\Lambda \in \Lambda_0 + \sqrt{-1} \operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_R} \widehat{\eta}(\Lambda)$$

$$\times \sum_{\gamma \in M_Q(k) \cap R^w(k) \setminus M_Q(k)} (M(w, \Lambda)\varphi)(\gamma g) z_{R^w} (\gamma g)^{w\Lambda + \rho_{R^w}} d\Lambda$$

$$= \sum_{w \in W(M_R, M_Q)} \int_{\Lambda \in w \Lambda_0 + \sqrt{-1} \operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_{R^w}} \widehat{\eta}(w^{-1}\Lambda)$$

$$\times \sum_{\gamma \in M_Q(k) \cap R^w(k) \setminus M_Q(k)} (M(w, w^{-1}\Lambda)\varphi)(\gamma g) z_{R^w} (\gamma g)^{\Lambda + \rho_{R^w}} d\Lambda .$$

We take  $m \in A_G \backslash M_Q(\mathbb{A})$  and  $m_1 \in M_Q(\mathbb{A})^1$  so that  $m = m_1 z_Q(m)$ . Then one has  $z_{R^w}(\gamma m) = z_Q(m) z_{R^w}(\gamma m_1)$  and  $z_{R^w}(\gamma m)^{\Lambda} = z_Q(m)^{\Lambda_1} z_{R^w}(\gamma m_1)^{\Lambda_2}$  for  $\Lambda = \Lambda_1 + \Lambda_2$ ,  $\Lambda_1 \in \mathfrak{a}_Q$  and  $\Lambda_2 \in \mathfrak{a}_{R^w}^Q$  because of  $\gamma m_1 \in M_Q(\mathbb{A})^1$ . We choose a base point  $\Lambda_{1,0} \in \operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_Q$  and  $\Lambda_{w,0} \in \operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_{R^w}^Q$  as follows:  $(-\Lambda_{1,0}, \alpha^{\vee}|_{Z_Q})$  is sufficiently large, and  $(\Lambda_{w,0} - \rho_{R^w}^Q, \beta^{\vee}|_{Z_{R^w}}) > 0$  for all  $\beta|_{Z_{R^w}} \in \Delta_{R^w}$  with  $\beta|_{Z_Q} = 0$ . Then we can shift the integral domain of (5.2) from  $w\Lambda_0 + \sqrt{-1}\operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_{R^w}$  to  $\Lambda_{1,0} + \Lambda_{w,0} + \sqrt{-1}\operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_{R^w}$  ([MW, Lemma II.2.2]).

Summing up, (5.2) at g = m is equal to

$$\begin{split} \sum_{w \in W(M_R, M_Q)} \int_{\Lambda_1 \in \Lambda_{1,0} + \sqrt{-1} \operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_Q} z_Q(m)^{\Lambda_1 + \rho_Q} \\ & \times \sum_{\gamma \in M_Q(k) \cap R^w(k) \backslash M_Q(k)} \Psi_w(\Lambda_1, \gamma m_1) \, d\Lambda_1 \, , \end{split}$$

where

$$\Psi_w(\Lambda_1, m_1) = \int_{\Lambda_2 \in \Lambda_{w,0} + \sqrt{-1} \operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_{R^w}^Q} \widehat{\eta}(w^{-1}(\Lambda_1 + \Lambda_2)) \times (M(w, w^{-1}(\Lambda_1 + \Lambda_2))\varphi)(m_1) z_{R^w}(m_1)^{\Lambda_2 + \rho_{R^w}^Q} d\Lambda_2.$$

Therefore, for  $z \in A_Q^G$ ,

$$\begin{split} &\Pi_Q(\theta_{\varphi,\eta})(z) \\ &= \int_{M_Q(k)\backslash M_Q(\mathbb{A})^1} \Pi_Q^1(\theta_{\varphi,\eta})(m_1 z) \, d\omega_{M_Q}(m_1) \\ &= \sum_{w \in W(M_R,M_Q)} \int_{\Lambda_1 \in \Lambda_{1,0} + \sqrt{-1} \operatorname{Re} \, \mathfrak{a}_Q} z^{\Lambda_1 + \rho_Q} \\ &\quad \times \left\{ \int_{M_Q(k)\backslash M_Q(\mathbb{A})^1} \sum_{\gamma \in M_Q(k) \cap R^w(k)\backslash M_Q(k)} \Psi_w(\Lambda_1,\gamma m_1) d\omega_{M_Q}(m_1) \right\} d\Lambda_1 \, . \end{split}$$

By the calculation similar to (5.1), the inner integral equals

$$\begin{split} \frac{C_Q d_{R^w}}{C_{R^w} d_Q} \int_{A_{R^w}^Q} \left\{ \int_{M_{R^w}(k) \backslash M_{R^w}(\mathbb{A})^1 \times K^{M_Q}} \Psi_w(\Lambda_1, z_2 m_2 h) \right. \\ & \times d\omega_{M_{R^w}}(m_2) d\nu_{K^{M_Q}}(h) \right\} (\delta_{R^w}^Q)^{-1}(z_2) \, d(\mu_{A_Q} \backslash \mu_{A_{R^w}})(z_2) \\ &= \frac{C_Q d_{R^w}}{C_{R^w} d_Q} \int_{A_{R^w}^Q} \int_{\Lambda_2 \in \Lambda_{w,0} + \sqrt{-1} \operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_{R^w}^Q} \widehat{\eta}(w^{-1}(\Lambda_1 + \Lambda_2)) \\ & \times \left\{ \int_{M_{R^w}(k) \backslash M_{R^w}(\mathbb{A})^1 \times K^{M_Q}} (M(w, w^{-1}(\Lambda_1 + \Lambda_2))\varphi)(m_2 h) \right. \\ & \times d\omega_{M_{R^w}}(m_2) d\nu_{K^{M_Q}}(h) \right\} z_2^{\Lambda_2 - \rho_{R^w}^Q} \, d\Lambda_2 d(\mu_{A_Q} \backslash \mu_{A_{R^w}})(z_2) \end{split}$$

The cuspidality of  $M(w, w^{-1}\Lambda)\varphi$  implies

$$\int_{M_{R^w}(k)\backslash M_{R^w}(\mathbb{A})^1\times K^{M_Q}}(M(w,w^{-1}\Lambda)\varphi)(m_2h)\,d\omega_{M_{R^w}}(m_2)d\nu_{K^{M_Q}}(h)=0\,.$$

Hence 
$$\Pi_Q(\theta_{\varphi,\eta})|_{M_Q(\mathbb{A})} \equiv 0$$
. This implies  $\langle \theta_{\varphi,\eta}, F_T \rangle = 0$  by (3.4).

Next, we consider the case R = P. Since P is a minimal k-parabolic subgroup, the constant function  $\varphi_0 \equiv 1$  is contained in  $\mathcal{A}_{0,P}$ . We define the inner product on  $\mathcal{A}_{0,P}^K = \mathcal{A}_0(M(k)\backslash M(\mathbb{A})^1)^{K^M}$  by

$$\langle \psi_1, \psi_2 \rangle_M = \int_{M(k) \backslash M(\mathbb{A})^1} \psi_1(m) \overline{\psi_2(m)} \, d\omega_M(m) \quad (\psi_1, \psi_2 \in \mathcal{A}_{0,P}^K).$$

Let  $W_{M_Q}$  be the relative Weyl group of  $(M_Q, S)$ . As a subgroup of  $W_G$ ,  $W_{M_Q}$  is identified with the point wise stabilizer of  $\mathfrak{a}_Q$  in  $W_G$ . For  $w \in W_G$  and a generic  $\Lambda \in \mathfrak{a}_P$ , the operator  $M(w,\Lambda)$  maps  $\mathcal{A}_{0,P}^{DK^Q}$  into itself. If  $w \in W_{M_Q}$ , then the equality  $M(w,\Lambda_1+\Lambda_2)=M(w,\Lambda_2)$  holds for  $\Lambda_1 \in \mathfrak{a}_Q$ ,  $\Lambda_2 \in \mathfrak{a}_P^Q$ , and  $M(w,\Lambda_2)$  is regarded as an operator on  $\mathcal{A}_0(A_P^QU(\mathbb{A})M(k)\backslash Q(\mathbb{A})^1)$ . We denote by  $w_0$  (resp.  $w_1$ ) the longest element of  $W_G$  (resp.  $W_{M_Q}$ ). It is known from the theory of local intertwining operators and the Langlands classification theorem that the residue

$$M(w_0) = \lim_{\substack{\Lambda \in \mathfrak{c}_P \\ \Lambda \to \rho_P}} \left( \prod_{\beta \in \Delta_k} (\Lambda - \rho_P, \beta^{\vee}) \right) M(w_0, \Lambda)$$

exists and yields a projection from  $\mathcal{A}_{0,P}$  onto the trivial representation  $\mathbb{C}\varphi_0$  of  $G(\mathbb{A})^1$  ([FMT, Section 10 (b)]). By the argument of [L] or [Lai], one has

$$M(w_0)\varphi_0 = \frac{C_G d_P \tau(P)}{d_G \tau(G)} \varphi_0.$$

In a similar fashion, the residue

$$M(w_1) = \lim_{\substack{\Lambda_2 \in \mathfrak{c}_P^Q \\ \Lambda_2 \to \rho_P^Q}} \left( \prod_{\beta \in \Delta_k - \{\alpha\}} (\Lambda_2 - \rho_P^Q, \beta^{\vee}) \right) M(w_1, \Lambda_2)$$

yields a projection from  $\mathcal{A}_0(A_P^QU(\mathbb{A})M(k)\backslash Q(\mathbb{A})^1)$  onto  $\mathbb{C}\varphi_0$  and one has

$$M(w_1)\varphi_0 = \frac{C_Q d_P \tau(P)}{d_Q \tau(Q)} \varphi_0.$$

LEMMA 2. For any  $\varphi \in \mathcal{A}_{0,P}$ ,

$$M(w_0)\varphi = \frac{C_G d_P}{d_G \tau(G)} \langle \varphi, 1 \rangle_P \varphi_0.$$

*Proof.* If  $M(w_0)\varphi = c\varphi_0$ , then

$$c = \frac{1}{\tau(P)} \langle M(w_0)\varphi, \varphi_0 \rangle_P = \frac{1}{\tau(P)} \langle \varphi, M(w_0)^* \varphi_0 \rangle_P = \frac{C_G d_P}{d_G \tau(G)} \langle \varphi, \varphi_0 \rangle_P.$$

Here note that the constant  $C_G d_P/(d_G \tau(G))$  is a positive real value.

LEMMA 3. Let  $\tau \in W(M, M_Q)$ ,  $\sigma = \tau^{-1}w_1 \in W_G$  and  $\varphi \in \mathcal{A}_{0,P}^{DK^Q}$ . If we fix a  $\Lambda_1 \in \mathfrak{a}_Q$  with  $(-\operatorname{Re}\Lambda_1, \alpha^{\vee}|_{Z_Q}) \gg 0$ , then the function

$$\Lambda_2 \longmapsto \langle (M(\tau, \tau^{-1}(\Lambda_1 + \Lambda_2))\varphi)|_{M(\mathbb{A})^1}, \varphi_0 \rangle_M$$

is holomorphic at  $\Lambda_2 = \rho_P^Q$ . Moreover, one has

$$\langle (M(\tau, \tau^{-1}(\Lambda_1 + \rho_P^Q))\varphi)|_{M(\mathbb{A})^1}, \varphi_0 \rangle_M$$

$$= \frac{d_Q \tau(Q)}{C_Q d_P \tau(P)} \langle (M_1(\sigma^{-1}, \sigma(\Lambda_1 - \rho_P^Q))\varphi)|_{M(\mathbb{A})^1}, \varphi_0 \rangle_M,$$

where  $M_1(\sigma^{-1}, \sigma(\Lambda_1 - \rho_P^Q))$  is defined by

$$\lim_{\substack{\Lambda_2 \in \mathfrak{c}_P^Q \\ \Lambda_2 \to \rho_P^Q}} \left( \prod_{\beta \in \Delta_k - \{\alpha\}} (\Lambda_2 - \rho_P^Q, \beta^{\vee}) \right) M(\sigma^{-1}, \sigma(\Lambda_1 - \Lambda_2)).$$

*Proof.* By [MW, Lemma II.2.2], the function  $M(\tau, \tau^{-1}(\Lambda_1 + \Lambda_2))\varphi$  in  $\Lambda_2$  is holomorphic on the tube domain of the form  $\{\Lambda_2 \in \mathfrak{a}_P^Q : (\operatorname{Re}\Lambda_2, \operatorname{Re}\Lambda_2) < c_0^2\}$ , where  $c_0$  is a positive real constant with  $c_0^2 > (\rho_P, \rho_P)$ . By the functional equations of  $M(w, \Lambda)$ ,

$$\begin{split} &\langle (M(\tau,\tau^{-1}\Lambda)\varphi)|_{M(\mathbb{A})^1}, \varphi_0 \rangle_M \\ &= \langle (M(w_1,w_1^{-1}\Lambda)M(\sigma^{-1},\sigma w_1^{-1}\Lambda)\varphi)|_{M(\mathbb{A})^1}, \varphi_0 \rangle_M \\ &= \langle (M(\sigma^{-1},\sigma w_1^{-1}\Lambda)\varphi)|_{M(\mathbb{A})^1}, M(w_1,w_1^{-1}\Lambda)^*\varphi_0 \rangle_M \\ &= \langle (M(\sigma^{-1},\sigma w_1^{-1}\Lambda)\varphi)|_{M(\mathbb{A})^1}, M(w_1^{-1},-\overline{\Lambda})\varphi_0 \rangle_M \,. \end{split}$$

Here we identify  $\mathcal{A}_{0,P}^K$  with  $\mathcal{A}_0(A_P^QU(\mathbb{A})M(k)\backslash Q(\mathbb{A})^1)^{K^{M_Q}}$  and regard  $M(w_1, w_1^{-1}\Lambda)$  as an operator on it. Therefore,

$$\langle (M(\tau, \tau^{-1}(\Lambda_1 + \rho_P^Q))\varphi)|_{M(\mathbb{A})^1}, \varphi_0 \rangle_M$$

equals

$$\left\langle (M_1(\sigma^{-1}, \sigma(\Lambda_1 - \rho_P^Q))\varphi)|_{M(\mathbb{A})^1}, \\ \lim_{\substack{\Lambda_2 \in \mathfrak{c}_P^Q \\ \Lambda_2 \to \rho_P^Q}} \overline{\left(\prod_{\beta \in \Delta_k - \{\alpha\}} (\Lambda_2 - \rho_P^Q, \beta^\vee)\right)^{-1}} M(w_1^{-1}, -\overline{\Lambda}_2)\varphi_0 \right\rangle_M.$$

If we regard  $\overline{M(w_1^{-1}, -\overline{\Lambda}_2)}$  acting on  $\mathbb{C}\varphi_0$  as a scalar valued function, then

$$\begin{split} &\lim_{\substack{\Lambda_2 \in \mathfrak{c}_P^Q \\ \Lambda_2 \to \rho_P^Q}} \left( \prod_{\beta \in \Delta_k - \{\alpha\}} (\Lambda_2 - \rho_P^Q, \beta^\vee) \right)^{-1} \overline{M(w_1^{-1}, -\overline{\Lambda}_2)} \\ &= \lim_{\substack{\Lambda_2 \in \mathfrak{c}_P^Q \\ \Lambda_2 \to \rho_P^Q}} \left( \prod_{\beta \in \Delta_k - \{\alpha\}} (\Lambda_2 - \rho_P^Q, \beta^\vee) \right)^{-1} \overline{M(w_1, -w_1^{-1}\overline{\Lambda}_2)}^{-1} \\ &= \overline{M(w_1)}^{-1} \; . \end{split}$$

This implies the assertion.

Lemma 4. Being the notation as above, one has

$$\lim_{\substack{\Lambda_1 \in -\mathfrak{c}_Q \\ \Lambda_1 \to -\rho_O}} (\Lambda_1 + \rho_Q, \alpha^{\vee}) M_1(\sigma^{-1}, \sigma(\Lambda_1 - \rho_P^Q)) \varphi = \begin{cases} M(w_0) \varphi & (\sigma = w_0) \\ 0 & (\sigma \neq w_0) \end{cases}$$

If  $0 < \varepsilon$  is sufficiently small, then the function

$$\Lambda_1 \longmapsto \langle (M_1(\sigma^{-1}, \sigma(\Lambda_1 - \rho_P^Q))\varphi)|_{M(\mathbb{A})^1}, \varphi_0 \rangle_M$$

is holomorphic on  $\{\Lambda_1 \in \mathfrak{a}_Q : 1 - \epsilon < (\operatorname{Re}\Lambda_1, \rho_Q)/(\rho_Q, \rho_Q) < 1\}$  with polynomial growth as  $|\Im \Lambda_1| \to \infty$ .

Proof. For any  $\psi \in \mathcal{A}_{0,P}^{DK^Q}$ ,

$$\begin{split} & \left\langle \lim_{\substack{\Lambda_1 \in -\mathfrak{c}_Q \\ \Lambda_1 \to -\rho_Q}} (\Lambda_1 + \rho_Q, \alpha^\vee) M_1(\sigma^{-1}, \sigma(\Lambda_1 - \rho_P^Q)) \varphi, \psi \right\rangle_P \\ & = \left\langle \varphi, \lim_{\substack{\Lambda_1 \in -\mathfrak{c}_Q \\ \Lambda_1 \to -\rho_Q}} \overline{(\Lambda_1 + \rho_Q, \alpha^\vee)} M_1(\sigma^{-1}, \sigma(\Lambda_1 - \rho_P^Q))^* \psi \right\rangle_P \\ & = \left\langle \varphi, \lim_{\substack{\Lambda_1 \in -\mathfrak{c}_Q \\ \Lambda_1 \to -\rho_Q}} \overline{(\Lambda_1 + \rho_Q, \alpha^\vee)} M_1(\sigma, -\overline{\Lambda}_1 + \rho_P^Q) \psi \right\rangle_P \\ & = \left\langle \varphi, \lim_{\substack{\Lambda_1 \in -\mathfrak{c}_Q \\ \Lambda_1 \to -\rho_Q}} \overline{(\Lambda_1 + \rho_Q, \alpha^\vee)} M(\sigma, \overline{\Lambda}) \psi \right\rangle_P. \end{split}$$

It is known that

$$\lim_{\substack{\Lambda \in \mathfrak{c}_P \\ \Lambda \to a_P}} \left( \prod_{\beta \in \Delta_k} (\Lambda - \rho_P, \beta^{\vee}) \right) M(\sigma, \Lambda) = \begin{cases} M(w_0) & (\sigma = w_0) \\ 0 & (\sigma \neq w_0) \end{cases}$$

(cf. [FMT, Lemma 7]). By this and Lemma 2, the equalities

$$\langle M(w_0)\varphi,\psi\rangle_P = \langle \varphi, M(w_0)\psi\rangle_P$$

$$= \left\langle \lim_{\substack{\Lambda_1 \in -\mathfrak{c}_Q \\ \Lambda_1 \to -\varrho_Q}} (\Lambda_1 + \varrho_Q, \alpha^{\vee}) M_1(\sigma^{-1}, \sigma(\Lambda_1 - \varrho_P^Q))\varphi, \psi \right\rangle_P$$

hold for all  $\psi \in \mathcal{A}_{0,P}^{DK^Q}$ . The remains of the assertion follows from [H, Lemma 118].

PROPOSITION 3. Let  $\varphi \in \mathcal{A}_{0,P}$  and  $\eta \in C_0^{\infty}(A_P^G)$ . Then one has

$$\lim_{T \to \infty} \langle \theta_{\varphi,\eta}, F_T \rangle = \frac{\tau(Q)}{\tau(P)} \langle \theta_{\varphi,\eta}, 1 \rangle.$$

*Proof.* It is sufficient to prove the assertion for right  $DK^Q$ -invariant  $\varphi \in \mathcal{A}_{0,P}$ . The calculations of  $\langle \theta_{\varphi,\eta}, 1 \rangle$  and  $\Pi_Q(\theta_{\varphi,\eta})$  are the same as in the proof of Proposition 2. We have

$$\langle \theta_{\varphi,\eta}, 1 \rangle = \frac{C_G d_P}{C_P d_G} \widehat{\eta}(\rho_P) \langle \varphi, 1 \rangle_P.$$

We need a further calculation of  $\Pi_Q(\theta_{\varphi,\eta})$ . Since  $\varphi$  is right  $DK^Q$ -invariant,  $\Pi_Q(\theta_{\varphi,\eta})(z)$  equals

(5.3) 
$$\frac{C_Q d_P}{C_P d_Q} \sum_{\tau \in W(M, M_Q)} \int_{\Lambda_1 \in \Lambda_{1,0} + \sqrt{-1} \operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_Q} z^{\Lambda_1 + \rho_Q} \widehat{f_\tau}(\Lambda_1) d\Lambda_1,$$

where

$$\begin{split} \widehat{f}_{\tau}(\Lambda_1) &= \int_{A_P^Q} \int_{\Lambda_2 \in \Lambda_{\tau,0} + \sqrt{-1} \operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_P^Q} \widehat{\eta}(\tau^{-1}(\Lambda_1 + \Lambda_2)) \\ & \times \langle (M(\tau, \tau^{-1}(\Lambda_1 + \Lambda_2))\varphi)|_{M(\mathbb{A})^1}, \varphi_0 \rangle_M z_2^{\Lambda_2 - \rho_P^Q} \\ & \times d\Lambda_2 d(\mu_{A_O} \backslash \mu_{A_P})(z_2) \,. \end{split}$$

If  $\Lambda_1 \in \Lambda_{1,0} + \sqrt{-1} \operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_Q$  is fixed, the function

$$\Lambda_2 \longmapsto \widehat{\eta}(\tau^{-1}(\Lambda_1 + \Lambda_2))\langle (M(\tau, \tau^{-1}(\Lambda_1 + \Lambda_2))\varphi)|_{M(\mathbb{A})^1}, \varphi_0 \rangle_M$$

is holomorphic on the tube domain  $\{\Lambda_2 \in \mathfrak{a}_P^Q : (\operatorname{Re}\Lambda_2, \operatorname{Re}\Lambda_2) < c_0^2\}$  as mentioned in the proof of Lemma 3. We can take  $\Lambda_{\tau,0}$  in this domain. Then, from the inversion formula, it follows

$$\widehat{f}_{\tau}(\Lambda_1) = \widehat{\eta}(\tau^{-1}(\Lambda_1 + \rho_P^Q)) \langle (M(\tau, \tau^{-1}(\Lambda_1 + \rho_P^Q))\varphi)_{M(\mathbb{A})^1}, \varphi_0 \rangle_M.$$

We shift the integral domain in (5.3) from  $\Lambda_{1,0} + \sqrt{-1} \operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_Q$  to  $(\epsilon - 1)\rho_Q + \sqrt{-1} \operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_Q$ , where  $\epsilon$  is a sufficiently small positive number so that all  $\widehat{f}_{\tau}$  are holomorphic on the domain  $B_{\epsilon} = \{\Lambda_1 \in \mathfrak{a}_Q : 1 - 2\epsilon < (-\operatorname{Re} \Lambda_1, \rho_Q)/(\rho_Q, \rho_Q) < 1\}$ . Taking account the residue at  $-\rho_Q$ , we obtain

$$\begin{split} \int_{\Lambda_1 \in \Lambda_{1,0} + \sqrt{-1} \operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_Q} z^{\Lambda_1 + \rho_Q} \widehat{f}_\tau(\Lambda_1) \, d\Lambda_1 \\ &= \int_{\Lambda_1 \in (\epsilon - 1)\rho_Q + \sqrt{-1} \operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_Q} z^{\Lambda_1 + \rho_Q} \widehat{f}_\tau(\Lambda_1) \, d\Lambda_1 + \operatorname{Res}_{\Lambda_1 = -\rho_Q} \widehat{f}_\tau(\Lambda_1) \, . \end{split}$$

We write  $f_{\tau}(z)$  for the first term. By Lemmas 2, 3 and 4,  $\Pi_Q(\theta_{\varphi,\eta})(z)$  equals

$$\frac{C_Q d_P}{C_P d_Q} \sum_{\tau \in W(M, M_Q)} f_{\tau}(z) + \frac{C_Q d_P}{C_P d_Q} \cdot \frac{d_Q \tau(Q)}{C_Q d_P \tau(P)} \widehat{\eta}(\rho_P) \langle M(w_0) \varphi |_{M(\mathbb{A})^1}, \phi_0 \rangle_M$$

$$= \frac{C_Q d_P}{C_P d_Q} \sum_{\tau \in W(M, M_Q)} f_{\tau}(z) + \frac{C_G d_P \tau(Q)}{C_P d_G \tau(G)} \widehat{\eta}(\rho_P) \langle \varphi, 1 \rangle_P.$$

Here note that  $\langle \varphi_0, \varphi_0 \rangle_M = \tau(M) = \tau(P)$ . Since  $\hat{\eta}$  is a function of Paley – Wiener type and  $\hat{f}_{\tau}(\Lambda_1)/\hat{\eta}(\tau^{-1}(\Lambda_1 + \rho_P^Q))$  is of polynomial growth on  $B_{\epsilon}$  as  $|\Im \Lambda_1| \to \infty$  by Lemma 4, we have an estimate of the formula

$$(5.4) |f_{\tau}(z)| \le z^{\epsilon \rho_Q} \int_{\sqrt{-1} \operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_Q} |z^{\Lambda}| |\widehat{f}_{\tau}((\epsilon - 1)\rho_Q + \Lambda)| d\Lambda \le c_1 z^{\epsilon \rho_Q},$$

where  $c_1$  is a constant depending on  $\widehat{f}_{\tau}$ . This implies

$$\limsup_{T \to \infty} \frac{e_Q}{T^{e_Q[k:\mathbb{Q}]/e_{\pi}}} \int_0^{T^{[k:\mathbb{Q}]/e_{\pi}}} t^{e_Q} |f_{\tau}(\iota_Q(\overline{e}, |\alpha_Q|_{\mathbb{A}}^{-1}(t)))| \frac{dt}{t}$$

$$\leq \limsup_{T \to \infty} \frac{e_Q}{T^{e_Q[k:\mathbb{Q}]/e_{\pi}}} \int_0^{T^{[k:\mathbb{Q}]/e_{\pi}}} c_1 t^{(1-\epsilon/2)e_Q} \frac{dt}{t} = 0.$$

As a consequence, we have

$$\lim_{T\to\infty}\langle\theta_{\varphi,\eta},F_T\rangle = \frac{C_G d_P \tau(Q)}{C_P d_G \tau(G)} \widehat{\eta}(\rho_P) \langle \varphi,1\rangle_P = \frac{\tau(Q)}{\tau(G)} \langle \theta_{\varphi,\eta},1\rangle \,.$$

This completes the proof of Proposition 3, and therefore we are led to Theorem 1.  $\square$ 

## §6. Error terms

We give some estimates of error terms of (3.3).

Lemma 5. Let a > 0 be a constant. If

$$\lim_{T \to \infty} \left\langle \psi, \frac{F_T - \tau(Q)/\tau(G)}{T^a} \right\rangle = 0$$

holds for any  $\psi \in C_0(G(k)\backslash G(\mathbb{A})^1)$ , then one has

(6.1) 
$$\lim_{T \to \infty} \frac{F_T(g) - \tau(Q)/\tau(G)}{T^a} = 0$$

for every  $g \in G(\mathbb{A})^1$ .

*Proof.* Using the same notations as in the proof of Proposition 1, we have

$$\beta_{m}^{-a-e_{Q}[k:\mathbb{Q}]/e_{\pi}} \frac{\langle \psi_{m}, F_{\beta_{m}^{-1}T} - \tau(Q)/\tau(G) \rangle}{(\beta_{m}^{-1}T)^{a}} + \frac{(\beta_{m}^{-e_{Q}[k:\mathbb{Q}]/e_{\pi}} - 1)\tau(Q)/\tau(G)}{T^{a}}$$

$$\leq \frac{F_{T}(g_{0}) - \tau(Q)/\tau(G)}{T^{a}}$$

$$\leq \beta_{m}^{a+e_{Q}[k:\mathbb{Q}]/e_{\pi}} \frac{\langle \psi_{m}, F_{\beta_{m}T} - \tau(Q)/\tau(G) \rangle}{(\beta_{m}T)^{a}} + \frac{(\beta_{m}^{e_{Q}[k:\mathbb{Q}]/e_{\pi}} - 1)\tau(Q)/\tau(G)}{T^{a}}$$

The assertion follows immediately from this.

By [DRS, Lemma 2.4] and Proposition 2, if

$$\lim_{T \to \infty} \left\langle \theta_{\varphi,\eta}, \frac{F_T - \tau(Q)/\tau(G)}{T^a} \right\rangle = 0$$

holds for all  $\theta_{\varphi,\eta}$ ,  $\varphi \in \mathcal{A}_{0,P}^{DK^Q}$ ,  $\eta \in C_0^{\infty}(A_P^G)$ , then we get (6.1). Let  $\epsilon_0$  be the superior of  $\epsilon \in (0,1/2)$  such that all  $M(\tau,\tau^{-1}(\Lambda_1+\delta_P^Q))$ ,  $\tau \in W(M,M_Q)$  are holomorphic on  $B_{\epsilon}$ , where  $B_{\epsilon}$  is the same as in the proof of Proposition 3. Then, for any  $0 < a < \epsilon_0$ , we can shift the integral domain of (5.3) from  $\Lambda_{1,0} + \sqrt{-1}\operatorname{Re}\mathfrak{a}_Q$  to  $(2a-1)\rho_Q + \sqrt{-1}\operatorname{Re}\mathfrak{a}_Q$  and the estimate similar to (5.4) leads to

$$\lim_{T \to \infty} \frac{\langle F_T, f_\tau \rangle}{T^{(1-a)e_Q[k:\mathbb{Q}]/e_\pi}} = 0.$$

Thus we proved the following.

Proposition 4. For any  $0 < a < \epsilon_0$ , one has

$$|E_{\pi}(D,T) \cap X_{Q}(k)g| = \frac{\tau(Q)}{\tau(G)} \omega_{Y_{Q}}(E_{\pi}(D,T)) + o(T^{(1-a)e_{Q}[k:\mathbb{Q}]/e_{\pi}}).$$

We note that, in some cases, the holomorphic domain of  $M(\tau, \tau^{-1}(\Lambda_1 + \rho_O^Q))$  is extendable to the right side of the imaginary axis  $\sqrt{-1} \operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{a}_Q$ , however we do not know in general the asymptotic behavior of  $f_{\tau}$  as  $|\Im \Lambda_1| \to \infty$  in this region.

## §7. Examples

EXAMPLE 1. Let V be an n-dimensional vector space defined over k, G a group of linear automorphisms of V and  $\pi: G \to G$  the natural representation. We fix a free  $\mathfrak{D}$ -lattice L in V(k) and its  $\mathfrak{D}$ -basis  $\mathbf{e}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{e}_n$ . Then V(k) and G are identified with the column vector space  $k^n$  and the general linear group  $GL_n$ , respectively. Let P be the subgroup of upper triangular matrices and Q the stabilizer in G of the line spanned by  $\mathbf{e}_1$ . Then the map  $g \mapsto \mathbf{e}_1 \cdot g = g^{-1}\mathbf{e}_1$  yields an isomorphism from  $X_Q = Q \setminus G$  to the projective space  $\mathbb{P}V = \mathbb{P}^{n-1}$ . Let  $H_{\pi}$  be a height on  $X_Q(k)$  defined as in Section 2. We take a maximal compact subgroup  $K = \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{V}} K_v$  as follows:

$$K_v = \begin{cases} GL_n(\mathfrak{O}_v) & (v \in \mathfrak{V}_f) \\ O(n) & (v \text{ is a real place}) \\ U(n) & (v \text{ is an imaginary place}) \end{cases}$$

For each  $v \in \mathfrak{V}_f$ ,  $\mathfrak{p}_v$  and  $\mathfrak{f}_v$  stand for the maximal ideal of  $\mathfrak{O}_v$  and the residual field  $\mathfrak{O}_v/\mathfrak{p}_v$ , respectively. If we set

$$D_v = \left\{ g \in K_v : g \equiv \begin{pmatrix} * & * & * \\ 0 & & \\ \vdots & & * \\ 0 & & \end{pmatrix} \mod \mathfrak{p}_v \right\},$$

then  $D_v \setminus K_v$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{P}^{n-1}(\mathfrak{f}_v)$  by the reduction homomorphism. For every  $x \in \mathbb{P}^{n-1}(k_v)$ , there is an  $h_x \in K_v$  such that  $x = k_v(\mathbf{e}_1 \cdot h_x)$ . We denote by  $[x]_v$  the reduction of x modulo  $\mathfrak{p}_v$ , i.e.,  $[x]_v = \mathfrak{f}_v(\mathbf{e}_1 \cdot h_x \mod \mathfrak{p}_v)$ . Let  $\mathfrak{S}$  be a finite subset of  $\mathfrak{V}_f$ . We fix a point  $(a_v)_{v \in \mathfrak{S}}$  in  $\prod_{v \in \mathfrak{S}} \mathbb{P}^{n-1}(k_v)$  and set

$$N(\mathbb{P}^{n-1}(k), T, (a_v)_{v \in \mathfrak{S}})$$
  
=  $|\{x \in \mathbb{P}^{n-1}(k) : H_{\pi}(x) \le T \text{ and } [x]_v = [a_v]_v \text{ for all } v \in \mathfrak{S}\}|.$ 

It is obvious that

$$N(\mathbb{P}^{n-1}(k), T, (a_v)_{v \in \mathfrak{S}}) = |E_{\pi}(D, T) \cdot h \cap X(k)|,$$

where  $D = K_{\infty} \times \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{G}} D_v \times \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{V}_f - \mathfrak{G}} K_v$  and  $h = (h_{a_v})_{v \in \mathfrak{G}} \times (e)_{v \in \mathfrak{V} - \mathfrak{G}} \in K$ . By Theorem 1 and the calculation of [W, Example 2], we have

$$N(\mathbb{P}^{n-1}(k), T, (a_v)_{v \in \mathfrak{S}}) \sim \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{S}} \frac{|\mathfrak{f}_v| - 1}{|\mathfrak{f}_v|^n - 1} \cdot \frac{\operatorname{Res}_{s=1} \zeta_k(s)}{|D_k|^{(n-1)/2} n Z_k(n)} \cdot T^{n[k:\mathbb{Q}]}$$
as  $T \to \infty$ .

Here  $\zeta_k(s)$  is the Dedekind zeta function of k,

$$Z_k(s) = (\pi^{-s/2}\Gamma(s/2))^{r_1}((2\pi)^{1-s}\Gamma(s))^{r_2}\zeta_k(s)$$

and  $r_1$  (resp.  $r_2$ ) denotes a number of real (resp. imaginary) places of k. If  $k = \mathbb{Q}$ , this formula was proved in [S].

EXAMPLE 2. Let V, L and  $\mathbf{e}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{e}_n$  be the same as in Example 1. Let  $\Phi$  be a non-degenerate isotropic quadratic form on V(k),  $G = SO_{\Phi}$  the special orthogonal group of  $\Phi$  and  $\pi: G \to GL(V)$  the natural representation. The height  $H_{\pi}$  is the same as Example 1. We assume  $n \geq 4$  and  $\Phi$  has the following matrix form with respect to the basis  $\mathbf{e}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{e}_n$ :

$$\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} & & 1 \\ & \Phi_0 & \\ 1 & & \end{pmatrix} \,,$$

where  $\Phi_0$  is a non-degenerate  $(n-2) \times (n-2)$  symmetric matrix. Thus  $\mathbf{e}_1$  is an isotropic vector of  $\Phi$ . Let Q be the stabilizer in G of the isotropic line spanned by  $\mathbf{e}_1$ . The map  $g \mapsto \mathbf{e}_1 \cdot g = g^{-1}\mathbf{e}_1$  gives rise to a k-rational embedding from  $X_{\Phi} = Q \setminus G$  into  $\mathbb{P}^{n-1}$ . The image of  $X_{\Phi}(k)$  is the set of all  $\Phi$ -isotropic lines  $x \in \mathbb{P}^{n-1}(k)$ . We put

$$N(X_{\Phi}(k), T) = |\{x \in X_{\Phi}(k) : H_{\pi}(x) \le T\}|.$$

Since the Levi-subgroup  $M_Q$  is isomorphic to  $GL_1 \times SO_{\Phi_0}$ , we have  $\tau(G) = \tau(Q) = 2$  and  $d_G = d_Q = 1$ , and furthermore,  $e_Q = \dim U_Q = n - 2$  and  $e_{\pi} = 1$ . Therefore, Theorem 1 implies

$$N(X_{\Phi}(k),T) \sim \frac{C_G}{(n-2)C_O} T^{(n-2)[k:\mathbb{Q}]}$$
 as  $T \to \infty$ .

Here we supposed that  $H_{\pi}$  is invariant by a good maximal compact subgroup K of  $G(\mathbb{A})$ . The formula due to Ikeda [I, Theorems 9.6 and 9.7] deduces an explicit value of  $C_G/C_Q$  for some choice of K. In the following, we state this formula. Let  $\mathfrak{V}'_{\infty}$  be the set of all real places of k. For every  $v \in \mathfrak{V}$ ,  $\mathbb{H}(k_v)$  denotes the hyperbolic plane  $k_v^2$  endowed with the quadratic form  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . Then  $V(k_v)$  is decomposed into the following form on  $k_v$ :

$$V(k_v) = \mathbb{H}(k_v)^{m_v} \oplus V_v^0,$$

where  $V_v^0$  is a  $\Phi$ -anisotropic subspace. We put  $\ell_v = \dim V_v^0$ . In other words,  $(n-\ell_v)/2$  is the Witt index of  $\Phi$  on  $V(k_v)$ . If  $v \in \mathfrak{V}_f$ , then  $\ell_v$  is at most 4. If  $v \in \mathfrak{V}_f$  and  $\ell_v = 3$ , then  $V_v^0$  is identified with the space of pure quaternions of the division quaternion algebra  $\mathbb{D}_v$  over  $k_v$ .

First, let n be odd. We may assume without loss of generality that  $\det \Phi_0 \equiv 2(-1)^{(n-3)/2}$  module  $(k^{\times})^2$  ([I, p. 207]). For every  $v \in \mathfrak{V}_f$  with  $\ell_v = 3$ , we take a maximal compact subgroup  $K_v$  as the stabilizer in  $G(k_v)$  of the lattice  $\mathbb{H}(\mathfrak{O}_v)^{(n-3)/2} \oplus (\mathfrak{O}_{\mathbb{D}_v} \cap V_v^0)$ . Here  $\mathfrak{O}_{\mathbb{D}_v}$  denotes the maximal order of  $\mathbb{D}_v$ . In other places v, we take  $K_v$  as in [I, pp. 209–210]. Then

$$\frac{C_G}{C_Q} = \frac{\operatorname{Res}_{s=1} \zeta_k(s)}{|D_k|^{(n-2)/2} Z_k(n-1)} \prod_{\substack{v \in \mathfrak{V}_f \\ \ell_v = 3}} \frac{1 - |\mathfrak{f}_v|^{-n+3}}{|\mathfrak{f}_v|(1 - |\mathfrak{f}_v|^{-n+1})} \times \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{V}_{\infty}'} \prod_{i=1}^{[(\ell_v - 1)/4]} \frac{n - \ell_v + 4i - 2}{n + \ell_v - 4i - 2}.$$

Next, let n be even. We take a maximal compact subgroup  $K_v$  as in [I, pp. 209–210] for every  $v \in \mathfrak{V}$ . Let  $k' = k(\sqrt{(-1)^{n/2} \det \Phi})$  be an extension of degree at most 2 over k and let  $\mathfrak{V}'_f$  (resp.  $\mathfrak{V}''_f$ ) be the set of  $v \in \mathfrak{V}_f$  such that  $\ell_v = 2$  (resp.  $\ell_v = 4$ ), v is unramified (resp. split) over k'/k and  $\Phi|_{V_v^0}$  is equivalent to the form  $2\varpi_v \cdot \operatorname{Norm}_{k'_v/k_v}$ , where  $\varpi_v$  is a prime element of  $k_v$  and  $\operatorname{Norm}_{k'_v/k_v}$  the norm form of the unramified quadratic extension  $k'_v/k_v$ . Then

$$\frac{C_G}{C_Q} = \frac{1}{|\mathfrak{f}_{\chi_{\Phi}}|^{1/2} |D_k|^{(n-2)/2}} \frac{\operatorname{Res}_{s=1} \zeta_k(s)}{Z_k(n-2)} \frac{L(-1+n/2, \chi_{\Phi})}{L(n/2, \chi_{\Phi})} 
\times \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{V}_f'} |\mathfrak{f}_v|^{1-n/2} \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{V}_f''} \frac{1 - |\mathfrak{f}_v|^{2-n/2}}{|\mathfrak{f}_v|(1-|\mathfrak{f}_v|^{-n/2})} 
\times \prod_{\substack{v \in \mathfrak{V}_{\infty}' \\ \ell_v \equiv 0 \text{ (4)}}} \prod_{i=1}^{\ell_v/4} \frac{n-4i}{n+4i-4} \prod_{\substack{v \in \mathfrak{V}_{\infty}' \\ \ell_v \equiv 2 \text{ (4)}}} \prod_{i=1}^{(\ell_v-2)/4} \frac{n-4i-2}{n+4i-2}.$$

Here  $\chi_{\Phi}$  is the quadratic character of  $\mathbb{A}^{\times}$  associated with  $\Phi$ , i.e.,

$$\chi_{\Phi}(a) = \langle (-1)^{n/2} \det \Phi, a \rangle$$

for  $a \in \mathbb{A}^{\times}$ , where  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  is the Hilbert symbol, and  $\mathfrak{f}_{\chi_{\Phi}}$  denotes the conductor of  $\chi_{\Phi}$  and  $L(s, \chi_{\Phi})$  the Hecke *L*-function of  $\chi_{\Phi}$ .

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