

ON \mathcal{Q} -STRUCTURES OF QUASISYMMETRIC DOMAINS

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Abstract. We will give a complete classification of \mathcal{Q} -structures of quasisymmetric domains. In the standard case, it will be shown that there are only very natural \mathcal{Q} -structures coming from semisimple \mathcal{Q} -algebras with positive involutions. As is shown in the Appendix, when the domain is symmetric, any \mathcal{Q} -structure of it as a quasisymmetric domain can uniquely be extended to one as a symmetric domain.

The purpose of this note is to determine the \mathcal{Q} -structures of quasisymmetric domains.

The notion of a quasisymmetric domain was introduced in [S3] (cf. also [S6, Ch. V]). It was shown that, among Siegel domains (of the second kind), the symmetric domains were characterized by three conditions (i), (ii), (iii). A Siegel domain is called *quasisymmetric* if it satisfies the conditions (i), (ii). It is known that any symmetric domain \mathcal{D} with a fixed boundary component \mathcal{F} has a natural structure of a fiber space (a Siegel domain of the third kind) over \mathcal{F} , in which the fiber over each point of \mathcal{F} is a quasisymmetric domain. All quasisymmetric domains of “standard” type are obtained in this form (see §4), while there are quasisymmetric domains of non-standard (quadratic) type that are not obtained in this manner.

A quasisymmetric domain \mathcal{S}_I is defined by a data $(U, V, A, \mathcal{C}, I)$, where $U, (V, I)$ are real and complex vector spaces of finite dimension, I denoting a complex structure on V . \mathcal{C} is a self-dual homogeneous cone in U (condition (i)) and A is an alternating bilinear map $V \times V \rightarrow U$ such that $A(v, Iv')$ ($v, v' \in V$) is “ \mathcal{C} -positive” (see 1.1). In §§1, 2 we summarize basic definitions and properties concerning quasisymmetric domains. Here we give the condition (ii) in the form independent of the complex structure I , viewing I as a point in the parameter space $\mathfrak{S} = \mathfrak{S}(V, A, \mathcal{C})$. To give a \mathcal{Q} -structure of \mathcal{S}_I is, roughly speaking, equivalent to giving a \mathcal{Q} -structure of (U, V) such that the affine automorphism group $\text{Aff } \mathcal{S}_I$ is defined over \mathcal{Q} . By virtue of the complete reducibility of quasisymmetric domains (see 2.5), our problem of determining \mathcal{Q} -structures of \mathcal{S}_I is reduced to the \mathcal{Q} -irreducible case. A general method of determining \mathcal{Q} -irreducible \mathcal{Q} -structures of \mathcal{S}_I with $V \neq 0$ is given in §3. In particular, it will be shown that a \mathcal{Q} -structure of \mathcal{S}_I is essentially determined by that of the enveloping algebra of the representation of $\text{Lie Aut } \mathcal{C}$ on V , which is a (\mathcal{Q} -simple) \mathcal{Q} -algebra with positive involution. Applying this method to the standard and non-standard cases, in §§4, 5,

respectively, one can easily classify all possible \mathcal{Q} -structures of \mathcal{S}_I . We also give an explicit expression of A in each case.

In the simplest case, where $\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{P}_{v_1}(\mathbf{R})$, a \mathcal{Q} -structure of \mathcal{S}_I , denoted as $(\text{III}_{v_1;v_2/2}^{(1)})$, is given as follows. One takes a pair of \mathcal{Q} -structures of U and V , for which there exist two \mathcal{Q} -vector spaces V_1 and V_2 such that one has

$$U(\mathcal{Q}) = \mathbf{S}(V_1 \otimes V_1), \quad V(\mathcal{Q}) = V_1 \otimes V_2,$$

\mathbf{S} denoting the symmetrizer and $\dim_{\mathcal{Q}} V_i = v_i$ ($i = 1, 2$). Then the alternating bilinear map A and the complex structure I are given in the form

$$\begin{aligned} A(v_1 \otimes v_2, v'_1 \otimes v'_2) &= \mathbf{S}(v_1 \otimes v'_1) a_2(v_2, v'_2) \\ &(v_i, v'_i \in V_i, i = 1, 2), \\ I &= 1_{V_1} \otimes I_2, \end{aligned}$$

a_2 denoting a non-degenerate alternating \mathcal{Q} -bilinear form on $V_2 \times V_2$ and I_2 denoting a ‘‘rational’’ point in the Siegel space $\mathfrak{S} = \mathfrak{S}(V_2(\mathbf{R}), a_2)$. It will be shown in §4 that, in the standard case, one can obtain all \mathcal{Q} -structures of \mathcal{S}_I , generalizing this construction to vector spaces over a division algebra over \mathcal{Q} with positive involution.

In the Appendix, we will show that, when the domain \mathcal{S}_I is symmetric, any \mathcal{Q} -structure of \mathcal{S}_I as a quasisymmetric domain can be extended (uniquely) to a \mathcal{Q} -structure of it as a symmetric domain.

One of the motivations of this study is to construct a new kind of cusp singularities (cf. [S9]). Cusps of the arithmetic quotients of symmetric tube domains have been studied by many mathematicians. Especially, a generalization of the Hirzebruch conjecture, which relates the zero value of the zeta functions $Z_{\mathcal{C}}$ associated with the cone \mathcal{C} with some geometric invariants of the cusp, was recently established by Ogata [O2] and Ishida [I2] (see also [SO]). In the case of quasisymmetric domains with $V \neq 0$, for which \mathcal{Q} -rank $\text{Aut } \mathcal{C}$ is $= 1$, one can obtain similar cusps, which we propose to call *cusps of the second kind*; in the notation of §4, this occurs only in the following three cases:

$$\begin{aligned} R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{III}_{1;v_2/2}^{(1)})_I, \quad R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{III}_{2;v_2}^{(2)}, D_0, h_2)_I, \\ R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{I}_{\delta_0; (p,q)}^{(\delta_0)}, D_0/Z, h_2)_I \quad (\delta_0 \geq 2). \end{aligned}$$

It is expected that one can further generalize the result of Ogata and Ishida to the case of the cusps of the second kind to obtain a geometric interpretation of the values of the zeta functions $Z_{\mathcal{C}}$ at *negative* integers.

1. Siegel domains.

1.1. *Siegel domains (of the second kind)* (cf. [PS], [S6, Ch. III, §§5–6]). A Siegel domain is defined by the following data $(U, V, A, \mathcal{C}, I)$. U and V are finite-dimensional

real vector spaces and $A : V \times V \rightarrow U$ is an alternating bilinear map. \mathcal{C} is an open convex cone in U , which is “non-degenerate” in the sense that $\mathcal{C} \cap -\mathcal{C} = \{0\}$. I is a complex structure on V satisfying the following condition:

(1) $A(v, Iv')$ is symmetric and “ \mathcal{C} -positive”, i.e. one has

$$A(v, Iv) \in \mathcal{C} - \{0\} \quad \text{for all } v \in V, v \neq 0.$$

This implies that A is non-degenerate, i.e. if $A(v, v') = 0$ for all $v' \in V$, then $v = 0$.

We set

$$V(\mathbf{C}) = V \otimes_{\mathbf{R}} \mathbf{C} = V_+ \oplus V_-$$

with $V_{\pm} = \{v \in V(\mathbf{C}) \mid Iv = \pm iv\}$ and extend A in a natural manner to a \mathbf{C} -bilinear map $V(\mathbf{C}) \times V(\mathbf{C}) \rightarrow U(\mathbf{C})$, denoted again by the same letter. Then one has $A(V_+, V_+) = A(V_-, V_-) = 0$ and

$$2iA(v_-, v'_+) = A(v, Iv') + iA(v, v')$$

for $v, v' \in V$, v_{\pm} denoting the V_{\pm} -part of v .

A Siegel domain $\mathcal{S}_I = \mathcal{S}(U, V, A, \mathcal{C}, I)$ is defined by

$$(2) \quad \mathcal{S}_I = \left\{ (u, w) \in U(\mathbf{C}) \times V_+ \mid \operatorname{Im} u - \frac{i}{2} A(\bar{w}, w) \in \mathcal{C} \right\}.$$

When $V = \{0\}$, one obtains a tube domain $\mathcal{S}_0 = U + i\mathcal{C}$.

We denote by $\mathfrak{S} = \mathfrak{S}(V, A, \mathcal{C})$ the set of all complex structures I on V satisfying the condition (1); by the assumption one has $\mathfrak{S} \neq \emptyset$. In what follows, it will be convenient to consider the complex structure I to be a point in the parameter space \mathfrak{S} , rather than fixing it once and for all. Then the total space $\tilde{\mathcal{S}} = \{(u, w, I) \mid (u, w) \in \mathcal{S}_I, I \in \mathfrak{S}\}$ is a so-called “Siegel domain of the third kind”.

1.2. *Automorphism groups.* We first define the (generalized) Heisenberg group $\tilde{V} = H(U, V, A)$. By definition \tilde{V} is the direct product $U \times V$ endowed with a multiplication

$$(3) \quad (u, v)(u', v') = \left(u + u' - \frac{1}{2} A(v, v'), v + v' \right)$$

for $(u, v), (u', v') \in \tilde{V}$. It is clear that with the natural homomorphisms one has an exact sequence

$$(4) \quad 1 \rightarrow U \rightarrow \tilde{V} \rightarrow V \rightarrow 1,$$

in which U is central. It is known that, conversely, all central extension \tilde{V} of V by U (as Lie groups) is obtained in this manner with a (uniquely determined) alternating bilinear map A . In our case, A being non-degenerate, U coincides with the center of \tilde{V} .

We set

$$(5) \quad \text{Aut}(U, V, A) = \{g = (g_1, g_2) \mid g_1 \in GL(U), g_2 \in GL(V), g_1 \circ A = A \circ g_2 \times g_2\},$$

and write $g_i = \rho_i(g)$ for $g = (g_1, g_2) \in \text{Aut}(U, V, A)$. We are concerned with the following automorphism groups:

$$(6) \quad \begin{aligned} G_1 &= \text{Aut}(U, \mathcal{C}) = \{g_1 \in GL(U) \mid g_1 \mathcal{C} = \mathcal{C}\}, \\ G &= \text{Aut}(U, V, A, \mathcal{C}) = \{g \in \text{Aut}(U, V, A) \mid \rho_1(g) \in G_1\}, \\ G_2 &= Sp(V, A) = \{g_2 \in GL(V) \mid A \circ g_2 \times g_2 = A\}. \end{aligned}$$

Note that one has $\text{Ker } \rho_1 = 1 \times G_2$ and $\mathfrak{S}(V, A, \mathcal{C}) \subset G_2$. It is known that G_2 is a reductive algebraic group of hermitian type and $\mathfrak{S}(V, A, \mathcal{C})$ is the associated symmetric domain (see 2.3 and [S5]). Since $G \subset \text{Aut } \tilde{V}$, one can construct a semidirect product $\tilde{G} = G \cdot \tilde{V}$.

For $v \in V$ and $w \in V_+$, one defines an automorphy factor by

$$\mathcal{J}(v, w) = A \left(w + \frac{1}{2} v_+, v_- \right),$$

which satisfies the relation

$$\mathcal{J}(v + v', w) = \mathcal{J}(v, w + v'_+) + \mathcal{J}(v', w) + \frac{1}{2} A(v, v').$$

Then the Heisenberg group \tilde{V} acts on \mathcal{S}_I by

$$(7) \quad \begin{aligned} (a, b)(u, w) &= (u + a + \mathcal{J}(b, w), w + b_+) \\ &\text{for } (a, b) \in \tilde{V} \text{ and } (u, w) \in \mathcal{S}_I. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, for $I \in \mathfrak{S}(V, A, \mathcal{C})$, one puts

$$\begin{aligned} G_I &= \text{Aut}(U, V, A, \mathcal{C}, I) = \{g \in G \mid \rho_2(g) \in GL(V, I)\}, \\ G_{2I} &= \text{Aut}(V, A, I) = Sp(V, A) \cap GL(V, I). \end{aligned}$$

Then G_I acts linearly on \mathcal{S}_I , and the semidirect product $\tilde{G}_I = G_I \cdot \tilde{V}$ acts affinely on \mathcal{S}_I . G_{2I} is a maximal compact subgroup of G_2 . It is known ([PS], [S6, p. 129, Prop. 6.2]) that the affine automorphism group $\text{Aff } \mathcal{S}_I$ of \mathcal{S}_I coincides with \tilde{G}_I .

2. Quasisymmetric domains.

2.1. *Quasisymmetric case.* A Siegel domain $\mathcal{S}_I = \mathcal{S}(U, V, A, \mathcal{C}, I)$ is called *quasisymmetric* if two conditions (i), (ii) below are satisfied. (For the meaning of these conditions, see [S3, Prop. 1], or [S6, Ch. V, §§3, 4, especially, Prop. 4.1]. Here we state the condition (ii) in the form independent of the complex structure I . For the classification of quasisymmetric domains, see [S2] and [S3], or [S6, Ch. V, §5].)

(i) There exists a (positive definite) inner product $\langle \rangle$ on U such that, defining the dual of \mathcal{C} by

$$\mathcal{C}^* = \{u \in U \mid \langle u, u' \rangle > 0 \text{ for all } u' \in \overline{\mathcal{C}} - \{0\}\},$$

one has $\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{C}^*$. Moreover, the automorphism group $G_1 = \text{Aut}(U, \mathcal{C})$ is transitive on \mathcal{C} .

When this condition is satisfied, \mathcal{C} is called a *self-dual homogeneous cone*. One then has $G_1 = {}^tG_1$, t denoting the transpose with respect to $\langle \ \rangle$. This implies that G_1 is a reductive “algebraic” group (in a weaker sense that the identity connected component G_1° coincides with that of the real points of a linear algebraic group defined over \mathbf{R}). The map $\theta_1 : x \mapsto -{}^t x$ is a Cartan involution of the Lie algebra \mathfrak{g}_1 of G_1 . Let $\mathfrak{g}_1 = \mathfrak{k}_1 + \mathfrak{p}_1$ be the corresponding Cartan decomposition. Then it is known that for a suitable choice of a point e in \mathcal{C} one has

$$\mathfrak{k}_1 = \{x \in \mathfrak{g}_1 \mid xe = 0\}.$$

It follows that, for each $u \in U$, there exists a uniquely determined element T_u in \mathfrak{g}_1 such that ${}^t T_u = T_u$ and $T_u e = u$; in particular, $T_e = 1_U$. The map $u \mapsto T_u$ gives a linear isomorphism $U \simeq \mathfrak{p}_1$.

It is well known that the vector space U endowed with a product $uu' = T_u u'$ ($u, u' \in U$) is a formally real Jordan algebra with unit element e (cf. e.g. [S6, p. 33, Th. 8.5]). In what follows, we will normalize the inner product $\langle \ \rangle$ by setting

$$(8) \quad \langle u, u' \rangle = \text{tr}(\kappa T_{uu'}),$$

where in the notation of 2.5 below $\kappa = \sum (r_i/n_i) 1_{U^{(i)}}$ with $n_i = \dim U^{(i)}$ and $r_i = \mathbf{R}\text{-rank } \mathfrak{g}_1^{(i)}$. By this relation e and $\langle \ \rangle$ determine each other uniquely.

2.2. We now state the second condition:

- (ii) The homomorphism $\rho_1 : G \rightarrow G_1$ is “almost surjective”, i.e. one has $\rho_1(G^\circ) = G_1^\circ$.

In what follows, we assume that the conditions (i), (ii) are satisfied. Then with the natural homomorphisms one has an exact sequence

$$(9) \quad 1 \rightarrow G_2 \rightarrow G \rightarrow G_1 \rightarrow (\text{finite}).$$

Since G_1 and G_2 are reductive “algebraic”, so is G . Hence there exists a connected normal “algebraic” subgroup G'_1 of G such that

$$(10) \quad G^\circ = G'_1 \cdot (1 \times G_2^\circ), \quad G'_1 \cap (1 \times G_2^\circ) = (\text{finite}).$$

Then the restriction of ρ_1 on G'_1 gives an isogeny $G'_1 \rightarrow G_1$. (Such a subgroup G'_1 is uniquely determined, because G'_1 is of cone type and G_2 is of hermitian type.) Note that, since I is contained in G_2° , one has $G'_1 \subset G_I^\circ$ and hence $\rho_1(G_I^\circ) = G_1^\circ$. It follows that the domain \mathcal{S}_I is affinely homogeneous.

Let $\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{g}_i$ ($i=1, 2$), and \mathfrak{g}'_1 denote the Lie algebras of G, G_i , and G'_1 , respectively. Then $\rho_1|_{\mathfrak{g}'_1} : \mathfrak{g}'_1 \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}_1$ is an isomorphism; we put $\beta = \rho_2 \circ (\rho_1|_{\mathfrak{g}'_1})^{-1}$. Then β is a representation of \mathfrak{g}_1 on V and one has

$$(11) \quad \mathfrak{g}'_1 = \{(x, \beta(x)) \mid x \in \mathfrak{g}_1\}.$$

Since $G'_1 \subset G_I$, β is actually a representation of \mathfrak{g}_1 in $\mathfrak{gl}(V, I)$.

2.3. *Reformulations.* For $u \in U$ and $v, v' \in V$, we set

$$(12) \quad A_u(v, v') = \langle u, A(v, v') \rangle,$$

$$(13) \quad a(v, v') = A_e(v, v').$$

Clearly a is an alternating bilinear form on $V \times V$ and for $I \in \mathfrak{S}$ the bilinear form $a(v, Iv')$ is symmetric and positive definite; in other words, if one puts

$$h_I(v, v') = a(v, Iv') + ia(v, v'),$$

then h_I is a positive definite hermitian form (which is \mathbb{C} -linear in v') on the complex vector space (V, I) . Let V^* and $\text{Alt}(V)$ denote the dual space of V and the space of all alternating bilinear forms on $V \times V$, respectively. $\text{Alt}(V)$ may be identified with the subspace of $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{R}}(V, V^*)$ formed of all skewsymmetric elements. We define an involution $\iota = \iota(a)$ of $\text{End}_{\mathbb{R}} V$ by

$$(14) \quad \iota : y \mapsto a^{-1} \iota y a \quad (y \in \text{End}_{\mathbb{R}} V).$$

Clearly, for $y \in \text{End}_{\mathbb{R}} V$, one has $y' = y$ if and only if $ay \in \text{Alt}(V)$ and, for $y \in \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(V, I)$, y' is the adjoint of y with respect to the hermitian form h_I . One sets

$$\text{Her}(V, a, I) = \{y \in \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(V, I) \mid y' = y\}$$

and denote by $\mathcal{P}(V, a, I)$ the cone of all positive definite elements in $\text{Her}(V, a, I)$ with respect to h_I .

For $u \in U$ there corresponds uniquely an element $\varphi(u)$ in $\text{End}_{\mathbb{R}} V$ such that

$$(15) \quad A_u(v, v') = a(v, \varphi(u)v') \quad (v, v' \in V);$$

in particular, one has $\varphi(e) = 1_V$. Then the condition (1) is equivalent to

$$(16) \quad \varphi(U) \subset \text{Her}(V, a, I), \quad \varphi(\mathcal{C}) \subset \mathcal{P}(V, a, I).$$

Note also that in this notation one has

$$(17) \quad G_2 = Sp(V, A) = \{g_2 \in Sp(V, a) \mid [g_2, \varphi(U)] = 0\}, \\ \mathfrak{S}(V, A, \mathcal{C}) = \mathfrak{S}(V, a) \cap G_2,$$

$\mathfrak{S}(V, a)$ denoting the ‘‘Siegel space’’ associated with $Sp(V, a)$ (i.e. the space of all complex structures I on V such that $a(v, Iv')$ is symmetric and positive definite). This implies that G_2 is a reductive algebraic group of hermitian type with a Cartan involution

$$\theta_2 : g_2 \mapsto I^{-1} g_2 I,$$

and $\mathfrak{S}(V, A, \mathcal{C})$ is the associated symmetric domain (cf. [S5]).

Now, in the quasisymmetric case, one has for $x \in \mathfrak{g}_1$

$$xA(v, v') = A(\beta(x)v, v') + A(v, \beta(x)v') \quad (v, v' \in V),$$

or equivalently,

$$(\beta 1) \quad \varphi({}^t xu) = \beta(x){}^t \varphi(u) + \varphi(u)\beta(x) \quad (u \in U).$$

LEMMA 1. *The representation $\beta: \mathfrak{g}_1 \rightarrow \mathfrak{gl}(V, I)$ defined by (11) satisfies the relation*

$$(\beta 2) \quad \beta({}^t x) = \beta(x){}^t \quad \text{for } x \in \mathfrak{g}_1,$$

where ${}^t = {}^t(a)$.

PROOF. Putting $u = e$ in $(\beta 1)$ one sees that $x \in \mathfrak{k}_1$ implies $\beta(x) \in i \text{Her}(V, a, I)$. It follows ([S2, p. 127]) that β can be written as a commutative sum of two representations $\beta_0, \beta_1: \mathfrak{g}_1 \rightarrow \mathfrak{gl}(V, I)$ such that

$$(*) \quad \begin{aligned} \beta_0(\mathfrak{g}_1) &\subset i \text{Her}(V, a, I), \\ \beta_1({}^t x) &= \beta_1(x){}^t \quad (x \in \mathfrak{g}_1). \end{aligned}$$

Since G'_1 is "algebraic" and $\rho_i|G'_1$ ($i=1, 2$) are rational, all eigenvalues of $\beta(x)$ ($x \in \mathfrak{p}_1$) are real. On the other hand, $(*)$ implies that for x in \mathfrak{p}_1 all eigenvalues of $\beta_0(x)$, resp. $\beta_1(x)$ are purely imaginary, resp. real. Hence one has $\beta_0(\mathfrak{p}_1) = 0$ and, since \mathfrak{g}_1 is generated by \mathfrak{p}_1 , one has $\beta_0 = 0$. Thus $\beta = \beta_1$ satisfies $(\beta 2)$. q.e.d.

By $(\beta 1)$ and $(\beta 2)$ one has

$$(**) \quad \varphi(T_u u') = \beta(T_u)\varphi(u') + \varphi(u')\beta(T_u).$$

Hence putting $u' = e$, one has

$$(18) \quad \beta(T_u) = \frac{1}{2} \varphi(u) \quad \text{for } u \in U;$$

in particular, $\beta(1_U) = (1/2)1_U$. Since \mathfrak{g}_1 is generated by \mathfrak{p}_1 , the relation (18) shows that β is uniquely determined by φ . (This gives another proof for the uniqueness of G'_1 .)

[Note that the relations $(**)$ and (18) imply

$$(19) \quad \varphi(uu') = \frac{1}{2} \{ \varphi(u)\varphi(u') + \varphi(u')\varphi(u) \} \quad (u, u' \in U),$$

which means that the map φ is a unital Jordan algebra homomorphism of (U, e) into $\text{Her}(V, a, I)$ (cf. [S6, loc. cit.]).

2.4. *Admissible triples.* Let (U, V, A, \mathcal{C}) be a data satisfying the conditions (i), (ii). In general, a triple (e, a, β) formed of $e \in \mathcal{C}$, a non-degenerate alternating bilinear form a on $V \times V$, and a representation $\beta: \mathfrak{g}_1 \rightarrow \mathfrak{gl}(V)$ is called an *admissible triple* belonging to (U, V, \mathcal{C}) , if there exists a linear map $\varphi: U \rightarrow \text{End}_{\mathbf{R}} V$ with $\varphi(e) = 1_V$ such that

the conditions $(\beta 1)$, $(\beta 2)$ are satisfied with $\iota = \iota(a)$. Since these conditions imply (18), β and φ determine each other uniquely. They also imply that $a\varphi(U) \subset \text{Alt}(V)$. For an admissible triple (e, a, β) one sets

$$(20) \quad \mathfrak{S}(V, a, \beta) = \{I \in \mathfrak{S}(V, a) \mid [I, \beta(g_1)] = 0\}.$$

If an admissible triple (e, a, β) comes from the data (U, V, A, \mathcal{C}) as explained in 2.3, then it is said to be belonging to (U, V, A, \mathcal{C}) . In that case, one has by (17)

$$\mathfrak{S}(V, A, \mathcal{C}) = \mathfrak{S}(V, a, \beta).$$

In general, two admissible triples (e, a, β) and (e', a', β') are called *equivalent* if $\beta = \beta'$ and if there exists $g'_1 \in G'_1$ such that one has $e' = \rho_1(g'_1)e$ and $a' = a \circ \beta(g'_1{}^{-1}) \times \beta(g'_1{}^{-1})$. Clearly, two admissible triples belonging to the same (U, V, A, \mathcal{C}) are equivalent.

Conversely, suppose that one has (U, \mathcal{C}) satisfying the condition (i), a real vector space V , and an admissible triple (e, a, β) belonging to (U, V, \mathcal{C}) . Then, it is easy to see that, if $I \in \mathcal{S}(V, a, \beta)$, then the linear map $\varphi : U \rightarrow \text{End}_{\mathbf{R}} V$ associated with β satisfies the condition (16). Hence, if one defines a bilinear map $A : V \times V \rightarrow U$ by (12) and (15), then A is an alternating bilinear map satisfying the condition (1). In this manner, one recovers the data (U, V, A, \mathcal{C}) satisfying (i), (ii), to which the triple (e, a, β) is belonging. Clearly equivalent admissible triples give rise to one and the same data (U, V, A, \mathcal{C}) .

Thus we have shown that *to give a data (U, V, A, \mathcal{C}) (with $\mathfrak{S}(V, A, \mathcal{C}) \neq \emptyset$) satisfying (i), (ii) is equivalent to giving (U, \mathcal{C}) satisfying (i), a real vector space V , and an equivalence class of admissible triples (e, a, β) belonging to (U, V, \mathcal{C}) (for which $\mathfrak{S}(V, a, \beta) \neq \emptyset$).*

2.5. *Complete reducibility.* Let $(U, V, A, \mathcal{C}, I)$ be a data satisfying the conditions (i), (ii), and let (e, a, β) be an admissible triple belonging to it. Let

$$(21) \quad (U, \mathcal{C}) = \prod_{i=1}^l (U^{(i)}, \mathcal{C}^{(i)})$$

be the direct decomposition of (U, \mathcal{C}) into irreducible factors. Then each $\mathcal{C}^{(i)}$ is an irreducible self-dual homogeneous cone in $U^{(i)}$. If one sets

$$G_1^{(i)} = \text{Aut}(U^{(i)}, \mathcal{C}^{(i)}), \quad \mathfrak{g}_1^{(i)} = \text{Lie } G_1^{(i)},$$

then one has

$$(22) \quad \mathfrak{g}_1 = \bigoplus_{i=1}^l \mathfrak{g}_1^{(i)}, \quad \mathfrak{g}_1^{(i)} = \{1_{U^{(i)}}\}_{\mathbf{R}} \oplus \mathfrak{g}_1^{(i)s},$$

where $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(i)s}$ (the semisimple part of $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(i)}$) is simple or reduces to $\{0\}$. One has

$$e = \sum_{i=1}^l e^{(i)}, \quad e^{(i)} \in \mathcal{C}^{(i)}.$$

One also has the following decomposition of the representation space ([S2] or [S6, p. 237, Prop. 5.2]):

$$(23) \quad \begin{aligned} V &= \bigoplus_{i=1}^l V^{(i)}, & \beta &= \bigoplus \beta^{(i)}, \\ a &= \sum a^{(i)}, & I &= \sum I^{(i)}, \end{aligned}$$

where $V^{(i)} = \beta(1_{V^{(i)}})V$, $(e^{(i)}, a^{(i)}, \beta^{(i)})$ is an admissible triple belonging to $(U^{(i)}, V^{(i)}, \mathcal{C}^{(i)})$, and $I^{(i)} \in \mathfrak{S}(V^{(i)}, a^{(i)}, \beta^{(i)})$.

It follows that one has $A = \sum A^{(i)}$ with

$$A^{(i)}: V^{(i)} \times V^{(i)} \rightarrow U^{(i)},$$

each $(U^{(i)}, V^{(i)}, A^{(i)}, \mathcal{C}^{(i)}, I^{(i)})$ ($1 \leq i \leq l$) being a data satisfying the conditions (i), (ii), to which the triple $(e^{(i)}, a^{(i)}, \beta^{(i)})$ is belonging.

Thus one obtains the direct decompositions of the domains:

$$(24) \quad \mathcal{S}(U, V, A, \mathcal{C}, I) = \prod_{i=1}^l \mathcal{S}(U^{(i)}, V^{(i)}, A^{(i)}, \mathcal{C}^{(i)}, I^{(i)}),$$

$$(25) \quad \mathfrak{S}(V, A, \mathcal{C}) = \prod_{i=1}^l \mathfrak{S}(V^{(i)}, A^{(i)}, \mathcal{C}^{(i)}),$$

which are known to be the unique irreducible decompositions of \mathcal{S}_I and \mathfrak{S} (as complex manifolds) ([S6, p. 237, Th. 5.3]).

3. \mathcal{Q} -structures of a quasisymmetric domain.

3.1. *Definition of a \mathcal{Q} -structure.* Let $(U, V, A, \mathcal{C}, I)$ be a data defining a quasisymmetric domain \mathcal{S}_I and (e, a, β) an admissible triple belonging to it. By a \mathcal{Q} -structure of \mathcal{S}_I we mean a pair of \mathcal{Q} -structures of U, V , i.e., a pair of \mathcal{Q} -vector spaces U_0, V_0 such that $U = U_0 \otimes_{\mathcal{Q}} \mathbf{R}, V = V_0 \otimes_{\mathcal{Q}} \mathbf{R}$, satisfying the conditions (Q1), (Q2) below.

(Q1) *The Lie algebra \mathfrak{g}_1 and the bilinear map A are defined over \mathcal{Q} .*

This condition implies that the groups \tilde{V}, G , and G_i ($i = 1, 2$) are defined over \mathcal{Q} ; hence so is the ‘‘algebraic’’ subgroup G'_1 in (10). It follows that the representation $\beta: \mathfrak{g}_1 \rightarrow \mathfrak{gl}(V)$ is also defined over \mathcal{Q} .

Under the condition (Q1), we can always choose e in $U_0 = U(\mathcal{Q})$. Then the corresponding Cartan involution θ_1 of \mathfrak{g}_1 , and hence $\mathfrak{k}_1, \mathfrak{p}_1$, the linear map $u \mapsto T_u$ (hence the normalized inner product $\langle \cdot \cdot \rangle$) are defined over \mathcal{Q} . The bilinear form $a = A_e$ is also defined over \mathcal{Q} . Conversely, if the triple (e, a, β) is defined over \mathcal{Q} , then so is A . Thus we can rephrase the condition (Q1) as

(Q1') *The Lie algebra \mathfrak{g}_1 is defined over \mathcal{Q} , and the triple (e, a, β) can be taken to be defined over \mathcal{Q} .*

Next we state the condition (Q2):

(Q2) *The Cartan involution of \mathfrak{g}_2 defined by I is \mathcal{Q} -rational.*

This means that the point I in the symmetric domain $\mathfrak{S} = \mathfrak{S}(V, A, \mathcal{C})$ is “rational” (with respect to the given \mathcal{Q} -structure) in the sense of [S8]. It follows that G_I and G_{2I} are defined over \mathcal{Q} . [Note that (Q2) does not necessarily imply that $GL(V, I)$ or $\text{Her}(V, a, I)$ are defined over \mathcal{Q} , and that under (Q1) there may be no rational points in \mathfrak{S} .]

3.2. *\mathcal{Q} -irreducible \mathcal{Q} -forms.* We assume that a \mathcal{Q} -structure (U_0, V_0) satisfying the conditions (Q1), (Q2) is given. By virtue of the complete reducibility we may (hence will) further assume, without any loss of generality, that (U, \mathcal{C}) is \mathcal{Q} -irreducible, i.e. no proper partial product in the direct decomposition (21) is defined over \mathcal{Q} . The \mathcal{Q} -structure of \mathcal{S}_I is then called *\mathcal{Q} -irreducible*.

In the case $V=0$, the domain \mathcal{S}_I is a symmetric tube domain, for which our problem of classifying \mathcal{Q} -structures becomes trivial. Hence, in what follows, *we will always assume that U is \mathcal{Q} -irreducible and $V \neq 0$* . Then the representation β is faithful and φ is injective. Note that, if $\dim U^{(1)}=1$, one has $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}=0$ and our theory becomes also trivial.

The Galois group $\mathcal{G} = \text{Gal } \bar{\mathcal{Q}}/\mathcal{Q}$ acts transitively on the set $\{U^{(i)} \ (1 \leq i \leq l)\}$. Hence, if one puts $\mathcal{G}_1 = \{\sigma \in \mathcal{G} \mid U^{(1)\sigma} = U^{(1)}\}$, then the field $F \subset \bar{\mathcal{Q}}$ corresponding to \mathcal{G}_1 by Galois theory is a totally real number field of degree l . If one sets $\mathcal{G} = \coprod_{i=1}^l \mathcal{G}_1 \sigma_i$ with a set of representatives $\{\sigma_i\}$ ($\sigma_1 = 1$) for $\mathcal{G}_1 \setminus \mathcal{G}$, then one has $U^{(i)} = U^{(1)\sigma_i}$. In the notation of 2.5, $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}$ and $e^{(1)}$ are then defined over F . Moreover, $V^{(1)} = \beta(1_{U^{(1)}})V$ is defined over F and hence so are also $a^{(1)}$, $\beta^{(1)}$, $A^{(1)}$, etc. and the Cartan involution of $\mathfrak{g}_2^{(1)}$ defined by $I^{(1)}$. The corresponding objects $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(i)}$, etc. for $2 \leq i \leq l$ are obtained from these by the conjugation σ_i . By abuse of notation, we sometimes express this situation by writing $\mathfrak{g}_1 = R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)})$, etc. Note that if $\dim U^{(1)} > 1$, \mathfrak{g}_1^s (the semisimple part of \mathfrak{g}_1) is \mathcal{Q} -simple and “pure” (i.e. all \mathbf{R} -simple factors $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(i)s}$ are mutually \mathbf{R} -isomorphic). The representations $\beta^{(i)}$ are also mutually \mathbf{R} -equivalent in an obvious sense.

By the above observation, we see that the problem of determining all \mathcal{Q} -structures of \mathcal{S}_I satisfying the conditions (Q1), (Q2) can be solved in the following steps.

0. Fix a totally real number field F of degree l .

1. Find all F -structures of $(U^{(1)}, V^{(1)})$ such that $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}$ and the faithful representation $\beta^{(1)}$ are defined over F . Such an F -structure of $(U^{(1)}, V^{(1)})$ will be called *admissible*. Then we set $U = R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}U^{(1)}$, $\mathfrak{g}_1 = R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)})$, and $(V, \beta) = R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(V^{(1)}, \beta^{(1)})$. The $(U^{(i)}, V^{(i)})$ ($i \geq 2$) are given the conjugate admissible F^{σ_i} -structures.

2. Choose $e \in \mathcal{C} \cap U(\mathcal{Q})$ and find a non-degenerate alternating bilinear form $a^{(1)}$ on $V^{(1)} \times V^{(1)}$ defined over F such that $(e^{(1)}, a^{(1)}, \beta^{(1)})$ is admissible. Then all the conjugates $(e^{(1)\sigma_i}, a^{(1)\sigma_i}, \beta^{(1)\sigma_i})$ ($2 \leq i \leq l$) are automatically admissible.

In this way one obtains an admissible triple (e, a, β) defined over \mathcal{Q} , which determines an alternating bilinear map A defined over \mathcal{Q} . Thus one has a \mathcal{Q} -structure of \mathcal{S}_I satisfying (Q1).

3. Finally, find all rational points I in the symmetric domain $\mathfrak{S} = \mathfrak{S}(V, A, \mathcal{C})$ with respect to the given \mathcal{Q} -structure.

The solution of the step 3 was already given in [S8]. We give solutions of the steps 1 and 2 in the succeeding sections.

3.3. *The \mathbf{R} -primary case.* For simplicity, in the rest of this section, we assume that the representation $(V^{(1)}, \beta^{(1)})$ is \mathbf{R} -primary, i.e. a direct sum of mutually equivalent \mathbf{R} -irreducible representations. Actually, it is known ([S2]) that this is the case except for the case where $\mathcal{C}^{(1)}$ is a quadratic cone $\mathcal{P}(1, n_1 - 1)$ with $n_1 \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$.

In what follows, a division \mathbf{R} -algebra D_1 is always endowed with its standard involution $\xi \mapsto \bar{\xi}$. We denote by δ_1 and d_1 the degree of D_1 over its center and the degree of the center over \mathbf{R} , respectively; i.e., $\delta_1 = 1$ for $D_1 = \mathbf{R}, \mathbf{C}$ and $\delta_1 = 2$ for $D_1 = \mathbf{H}$, and $d_1 = 1$ for $D_1 = \mathbf{R}, \mathbf{H}$ and $d_1 = 2$ for $D_1 = \mathbf{C}$.

Let $(V_1^{(1)}, \beta_1^{(1)})$ be an \mathbf{R} -irreducible representation of $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}$ contained in $(V^{(1)}, \beta^{(1)})$ and put $V_2^{(1)} = \text{Hom}_{\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}}(V_1^{(1)}, V^{(1)})$. Then there exists a uniquely determined division \mathbf{R} -algebra D_1 such that $V_1^{(1)}$ is a right D_1 -module and the $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}$ -endomorphisms of $V_1^{(1)}$ are given by the right multiplication μ_ξ ($\xi \in D_1$). Then $V_2^{(1)}$ has a natural structure of a left D_1 -module defined by $\xi v_2 = v_2 \circ \mu_{\bar{\xi}}$, and one has a tensor product decomposition:

$$(26a) \quad V^{(1)} = V_1^{(1)} \otimes_{D_1} V_2^{(1)},$$

$$(26b) \quad \beta^{(1)} = \beta_1^{(1)} \otimes 1.$$

Suppose that $(U^{(1)}, V^{(1)})$ is given an admissible F -structure. Then, $(V^{(1)}(F), \beta^{(1)})$ is F -primary. Hence, in a manner similar to the above, one has an F -irreducible representation (V_1, β_1) over F , $V_2 = \text{Hom}_{\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}(F)}(V_1, V^{(1)}(F))$, and a division F -algebra D_0 , such that V_1 and V_2 are right and left D_0 -modules, respectively, and

$$(27a) \quad V^{(1)}(F) = V_1 \otimes_{D_0} V_2,$$

$$(27b) \quad \beta^{(1)}|_{V^{(1)}(F)} = \beta_1 \otimes 1,$$

(cf. [S1, pp. 230–231, Prop. 1, 2], or [S6, Ch. IV, §1]).

Since \mathfrak{g}_1^s is pure, one has decompositions of $V^{(i)} = V^{(1)\sigma_i}$ similar to (26a) with the same D_1 for all $1 \leq i \leq l$. To be more precise, let $c_1^{(i)}$ be a primitive idempotent in $D_0^{\sigma_i}(\mathbf{R}) = D_0^{\sigma_i} \otimes_{F^{\sigma_i}} \mathbf{R}$ and fix an \mathbf{R} -isomorphism

$$\psi_1^{(i)} : D_1 \xrightarrow{\sim} c_1^{(i)} D_0^{\sigma_i}(\mathbf{R}) c_1^{(i)}.$$

Then the D_1 -module $V_1^{(i)} = (V_1^{\sigma_i}(\mathbf{R}) c_1^{(i)}, \psi_1^{(i)})$ gives an \mathbf{R} -irreducible representation of $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(i)}$ contained in $(V^{(i)}, \beta^{(i)})$. (In particular, one may assume that $V_1^{(1)}$ is given in this manner.) Hence, putting $V_2^{(i)} = (c_1^{(i)} V_2^{\sigma_i}(\mathbf{R}), \psi_1^{(i)})$, one has

$$(28a) \quad V^{(i)} = V_1^{(i)} \otimes_{D_1} V_2^{(i)},$$

$$(28b) \quad \beta^{(i)} = \beta_1^{(i)} \otimes 1 \quad (1 \leq i \leq l).$$

One denotes the degree of D_0 over its center Z by δ_0 , and the D_0 -rank of V_j ($j=1, 2$) by v_j . Let $D_0(\mathbf{R}) \simeq M_{s_1}(D_1)$; then one has $\delta_0 = \delta_1 s_1$ and

$$(29) \quad \dim_{\mathbf{R}} V_j^{(i)} = v_j s_1 \delta_1^2 d_1, \quad \dim_{\mathbf{R}} V^{(i)} = v_1 v_2 \delta_0^2 d_1 \quad (1 \leq i \leq l, j=1, 2).$$

Since one has $Z^{\sigma_i}(\mathbf{R}) = \mathbf{R}$ or $\simeq \mathbf{C}$ simultaneously for $1 \leq i \leq l$, according as $d_1 = 1$ or 2 , Z is either $= F$ or a totally imaginary quadratic extension of F .

3.4. *The algebra \mathcal{A}_1 .* Let \mathcal{A}_1 denote the \mathbf{R} -subalgebra of $\text{End}_{\mathbf{R}} V^{(1)}$ generated by $\beta^{(1)}(\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)})$. Then \mathcal{A}_1 is \mathbf{R} -simple and $\mathcal{A}_1 \simeq \text{End}_{D_1}(V_1^{(1)}) \sim D_1$. Moreover, \mathcal{A}_1 is defined over F and $\mathcal{A}_1(F) \simeq \text{End}_{D_0}(V_1) \sim D_0$. \mathcal{A}_1 is of degree $v_1 \delta_0 d_1 = v_1 s_1 \delta_1 d_1$ over \mathbf{R} .

LEMMA 2. *For each Cartan involution θ_1 of $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}$ there exists a uniquely determined involution ι_1 of \mathcal{A}_1 such that one has*

$$(30) \quad \beta^{(1)}(\theta_1 x) = -\beta^{(1)}(x)^{\iota_1}.$$

Such an involution ι_1 is positive.

PROOF. Let θ_1 be a Cartan involution of $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}$. Then θ_1 extends to a Cartan involution θ'_1 of $(\mathcal{A}_1)_{\text{Lie}}$, which is reductive. Then there exists a positive involution ι_1 of \mathcal{A}_1 such that one has $\theta'_1 y = -y^{\iota_1}$ for $y \in \mathcal{A}_1$. This ι_1 satisfies (30). Since \mathcal{A}_1 is generated by $\beta^{(1)}(\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)})$, ι_1 is uniquely determined. q.e.d.

It follows that, if one has an admissible F -structure on $(U^{(1)}, V^{(1)})$ and if $e \in \mathcal{C} \cap U(\mathcal{Q})$, then the involution ι_1 corresponding to θ_1 determined by $e^{(1)}$ is defined over F , and for each i the conjugate $\iota_1^{\sigma_i}$ corresponds to the Cartan involution $\theta_1^{\sigma_i}$ of $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(i)}$ determined by $e^{(i)} = e^{(1)\sigma_i} \in \mathcal{C}^{(i)}$. Thus ι_1 is *totally positive*, i.e., all the conjugates $\iota_1^{\sigma_i}$ are positive. Otherwise expressed, $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\iota_1)$ is a positive involution of the simple \mathcal{Q} -algebra $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\mathcal{A}_1)(\mathcal{Q})$. It follows that D_0 has also a totally positive involution ι_0 such that $\iota_0|_Z = \iota_1|_Z$.

As is well known, for the algebra D_0 with a totally positive involution one has only the following four possibilities:

- (Type 1.1) $D_0 = F$; $\delta_0 = 1, D_1 = \mathbf{R}$,
- (Type 1.2) D_0 is a totally indefinite quaternion algebra over F ; $\delta_0 = 2, D_1 = \mathbf{R}$,
- (Type 2) D_0 is a totally definite quaternion algebra over F ; $\delta_0 = 2, D_1 = \mathbf{H}$,
- (Type 3) D_0 is a central division algebra over a CM-field Z with an involution of the second kind with respect to Z/F ; $\delta_0 \geq 1, D_1 = \mathbf{C}$.

Note that in case $\delta_0 = \delta_1$ the (unique) positive involution ι_0 of D_0 is induced by the canonical involution of D_1 .

We identify $\mathcal{A}_1(F)$ with $\text{End}_{D_0}(V_1)$ and set

$$(31) \quad \varphi_1(u) = 2\beta_1(T_u) \quad \text{for } u \in U^{(1)}.$$

Then φ_1 is a linear map: $U^{(1)} \rightarrow \text{Her}(\mathcal{A}_1, \iota_1)$ and the pair (β_1, φ_1) satisfies the relations similar to $(\beta 1), (\beta 2)$:

$$(32) \quad \begin{aligned} \varphi_1(x(u)) &= \beta_1(x)\varphi_1(u) + \varphi_1(u)\beta_1(x)^{\iota_1}, \\ \beta_1(\theta_1(x)) &= -\beta_1(x)^{\iota_1}, \quad \varphi_1(e^{(1)}) = 1. \end{aligned}$$

One notes that, given a “base point” $e^{(1)} \in \mathcal{C}^{(1)}$, the involution ι_1 and the map φ_1 are uniquely characterized by (32). These relations also imply that φ_1 is a Jordan algebra homomorphism of $U^{(1)}$ into $(\mathcal{A}_1)_{\text{Jordan}}$ and that $\varphi_1(\mathcal{C}^{(1)})$ is contained in the cone of all positive elements in $\text{Her}(\mathcal{A}_1, \iota_1)$.

PROPOSITION 1. *The normalized inner product of $U^{(1)}$ corresponding to $e^{(1)}$ is given by*

$$(33) \quad \langle u, u' \rangle = r_1(v_1\delta_0d_1)^{-1} \text{tr}(\varphi_1(u)\varphi_1(u')) \quad (u, u' \in U^{(1)}),$$

where $r_1 = \mathbf{R}$ -rank $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}$ and tr denotes the reduced trace $\text{tr}_{\mathcal{A}_1/\mathbf{R}}$.

Put $\langle u, u' \rangle' = \text{tr}(\varphi_1(u)\varphi_1(u'))$. Then by (32) one has

$$\langle xu, u' \rangle' = -\langle u, \theta_1(x)u' \rangle' \quad \text{for } x \in \mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}.$$

Hence one has $\langle \cdot \rangle' = c\langle \cdot \rangle$ with a real constant c . Putting $u = u' = e^{(1)}$, one has by (8) $c = r_1^{-1} \text{tr}(1) = r_1^{-1}v_1\delta_0d_1$, as desired.

3.5. We shall now show that, conversely, one can obtain admissible F -structures of $(U^{(1)}, V^{(1)})$ from an F -algebra structure of \mathcal{A}_1 .

THEOREM 1. *Let \mathcal{A}_1 be the subalgebra of $\text{End}_{\mathbf{R}} V^{(1)}$ generated by $\beta^{(1)}(\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)})$. Then an F -algebra structure of \mathcal{A}_1 gives rise to an admissible F -structure of $(U^{(1)}, V^{(1)})$ if and only if the following conditions (a), (b), (c) are satisfied:*

- (a) $\beta^{(1)}(\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)})$ is a linear subspace of \mathcal{A}_1 defined over F .
- (b) There exists a totally positive involution ι_1 of $\mathcal{A}_1(F)$ leaving $\beta^{(1)}(\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)})(F)$ invariant.
- (c) Let $\mathcal{A}_1(F) \sim D_0$, $\mathcal{A}_1 \sim D_1$ and let δ_0 and δ_1 be the degree of D_0 and D_1 over the center. Then the multiplicity of the \mathbf{R} -irreducible representation $\beta_1^{(1)}$ in $\beta^{(1)}$ is divisible by $s_1 = \delta_0/\delta_1$.

PROOF. The “only if” part is clear from what we said in 3.4. To prove the “if” part, we construct an admissible F -structure of $(U^{(1)}, V^{(1)})$, starting from an F -algebra structure of \mathcal{A}_1 satisfying the conditions (a), (b), (c).

Take a primitive idempotent c_1 in $\mathcal{A}_1(F)$ and fix an F -isomorphism

$$\psi_1 : D_0 \xrightarrow{\sim} c_1\mathcal{A}_1(F)c_1.$$

Then $V_1 = (\mathcal{A}_1(F)c_1, \psi_1)$ is a (right) D_0 -module of rank v_1 and one can make an identification $\mathcal{A}_1(F) = \text{End}_{D_0}(V_1)$. By the condition (a) one has an F -Lie algebra structure on $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}$ such that $\beta_1 = \beta^{(1)}|_{\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}(F)}$ is an F -linear representation of $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}(F)$ in $\mathcal{A}_1(F) = \text{End}_{D_0}(V_1)$. Then, defining $V_j^{(1)}$ ($j = 1, 2$) as explained in 3.3, one obtains the

decomposition (26a), (26b). By the condition (c), the multiplicity of $\beta_1^{(1)}$ in $\beta^{(1)}$ can be written as $v_2 s_1$, and one has the relation (29) for $i=1$.

Now an F -structure of $V^{(1)}$ is defined as follows. Fix an R -isomorphism $D_0(R) \simeq M_{s_1}(D_1)$ and the matrix units $(e_{ij}^{(1)})_{1 \leq i, j \leq s_1}$ in $D_0(R)$ such that $c_1^{(1)} = e_{11}^{(1)}$. Then there exist injective $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}$ -equivariant linear maps

$$\phi_i: V_1(R) = \bigoplus_{k=1}^{s_1} V_1^{(1)} e_{1k}^{(1)} \rightarrow V^{(1)} \quad (1 \leq i \leq v_2)$$

such that one has $V^{(1)} = \bigoplus \phi_i(V_1(R))$. Hence one can define an F -structure on $V^{(1)}$ so that

$$V^{(1)}(F) = \bigoplus_{i=1}^{v_1} \phi_i(V_1).$$

Then, in the manner explained in 3.3, one obtains the decomposition (27a), (27b).

An F -structure of $U^{(1)}$ is defined as follows. Take a totally positive involution ι_1 of $\mathcal{A}_1(F)$ leaving $\beta_1(\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}(F))$ invariant. Let θ_1 be a Cartan involution of $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}$ defined by (30) and let $e^{(1)}$ be the corresponding point in $U^{(1)}$ (determined up to a scalar multiplication). One defines an F -structure of $U^{(1)}$ so that

$$U^{(1)}(F) = \{u \in U^{(1)} \mid T_u \in \mathfrak{p}_1^{(1)}(F)\}.$$

Then, clearly, $U^{(1)}(F)$ is invariant under $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}(F)$, and one has $e^{(1)} \in U^{(1)}(F)$, $\varphi_1(U^{(1)}(F)) \subset \text{Her}(\mathcal{A}_1(F), \iota_1)$. Thus one obtains an admissible F -structure of $(U^{(1)}, V^{(1)})$.
q.e.d.

In the above notation, since $\theta_1^{(i)} = \theta_1^{\sigma_i}$ is a Cartan involution of $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(i)}$, one may, replacing $e^{(1)}$ by $\alpha e^{(1)}$ with $\alpha \in F^\times$ if necessary, assume that $e^{(i)} = e^{(1)\sigma_i} \in \mathcal{C}^{(i)}$ for all $1 \leq i \leq l$, i.e. $e = \sum e^{(i)} \in \mathcal{C}$.

REMARK. The F -algebra structure of \mathcal{A}_1 satisfying (a) is uniquely determined by that of $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}$. The admissible F -structure of $(U^{(1)}, V^{(1)})$ compatible with a given F -structure of $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}$ is uniquely determined up to $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}$ -automorphisms of $(U^{(1)}, V^{(1)})$.

3.6. *Determination of $a^{(1)}$.* Let $\varepsilon \in \{\pm 1\}$. In general, by a (D_0, ι_0) - ε -hermitian form h_1 on a right D_0 -module V_1 we mean an F -bilinear map $h_1: V_1 \times V_1 \rightarrow D_0$ satisfying the following conditions:

$$h_1(v_1, v'_1 \xi) = h_1(v_1, v'_1) \xi, \quad h_1(v'_1, v_1) = \varepsilon h_1(v_1, v'_1)^{\circ}$$

for $v_1, v'_1 \in V_1, \xi \in D_0$.

The dual V_1^* of V_1 (as an F -vector space) is viewed as a left D_0 -module in a natural manner. Then the hermitian form h_1 may be identified with an ε -symmetric (D_0, ι_0) -semilinear map $h_1: V_1 \rightarrow V_1^*$ by the relation

$$(34) \quad \text{tr}_{D_0/F}(h_1(v_1, v'_1)) = \langle v_1, h_1(v'_1) \rangle.$$

Similarly, a (D_0, ι_0) - ε' -hermitian form h_2 on a left D_0 -module V_2 (satisfying this time $h_2(\xi v_2, v'_2) = \xi h_2(v_2, v'_2)$, etc.) is identified with an ε' -symmetric (D_0, ι_0) -semilinear map $h_2: V_2 \rightarrow V_2^*$ by a relation similar to (34), V_2^* being viewed as a right D_0 -module.

Now suppose one has an admissible F -structure on $(U^{(1)}, V^{(1)})$ and $e \in \mathcal{C} \cap U^{(1)}(\mathcal{Q})$. Let ι_1 be the totally positive involution of $\mathcal{A}_1(F) = \text{End}_{D_0}(V_1)$ corresponding to $e^{(1)}$ in the sense of Lemma 2. Then ι_1 can be written in the form

$$(35) \quad \iota_1 = \iota_1(h_1): y \mapsto h_1^{-1} \iota y h_1$$

with a (D_0, ι_0) - η -hermitian form h_1 on V_1 ($\eta = \pm 1$) uniquely determined up to a scalar multiplication of F^\times . (In the case of Type 3, one may, hence will, assume that $\eta = 1$.)

The hermitian form h_1 can be taken to be “totally positive (definite)”. To be more precise, let $c_1^{(i)}, \psi_1^{(i)}, V_1^{(i)}$ be as defined in 3.3 and extend $\iota_0^{\sigma_i}$ to an \mathbf{R} -linear involution of $D_0^{\sigma_i}(\mathbf{R})$. Then as is easily seen, there exist $b_1^{(i)} \in D_0^{\sigma_i}(\mathbf{R})^\times$ ($1 \leq i \leq l$) such that one has

$$(36) \quad \psi_1^{(i)}(\xi)^{\sigma_i} = b_1^{(i)-1} \psi_1^{(i)}(\bar{\xi}) b_1^{(i)} \quad (\xi \in D_1);$$

in particular, one has

$$c_1^{(i)\sigma_i} = b_1^{(i)-1} c_1^{(i)} b_1^{(i)}.$$

The elements $c_1^{(i)} b_1^{(i)} = b_1^{(i)} c_1^{(i)\sigma_i}$ are uniquely determined by the $c_1^{(i)}$ up to scalar multiplications of $Z(\mathbf{R})^\times$. In particular, one has

$$(37) \quad b_1^{(i)\sigma_i} c_1^{(i)\sigma_i} = \eta_i c_1^{(i)} b_1^{(i)} \quad \text{with } \eta_i = \pm 1.$$

(In the case of Type 3, one chooses $b_1^{(i)}$ so that $\eta_i = 1$.) Then there exist D_1 - $\eta\eta_i$ -hermitian forms $h_1^{(i)}$ on $V_1^{(i)}$ determined by the relation

$$(38) \quad \psi_1^{(i)}(h_1^{(i)}(v_1 c_1^{(i)}, v'_1 c_1^{(i)})) = c_1^{(i)} b_1^{(i)} h_1^{\sigma_i}(v_1, v'_1) c_1^{(i)} \quad \text{for } v_1, v'_1 \in V_1^{\sigma_i}.$$

Since ι_1 is totally positive, one has $\eta\eta_i = 1$ ($1 \leq i \leq l$) and the $h_1^{(i)}$'s are definite. Hence one has $\eta = -1$ for Type 1.2 and $\eta = 1$ for all other cases. For the given choice of $b_1^{(i)}$'s one may choose h_1 in such a way that all the $h_1^{(i)}$ are positive definite.

REMARK. The above definition of the “positivity” of h_1 depends on the choice of the $b_1^{(i)}$'s, which is usually made in the following manner. Fix isomorphisms $M^{(i)}: D_0^{\sigma_i}(\mathbf{R}) \xrightarrow{\sim} M_{s_1}(D_1)$ and the matrix units $(\varepsilon_{jk}^{(i)})_{1 \leq j, k \leq s_1}$ in $D_0^{\sigma_i}(\mathbf{R})$ in such a way that

$$M^{(i)}(\psi_1^{(i)}(\xi)) = \xi M^{(i)}(\varepsilon_{11}^{(i)}) \quad \text{for } \xi \in D_1;$$

in particular, $\varepsilon_{11}^{(i)} = c_1^{(i)}$. Then one chooses $b_1^{(i)}$ so that

$$\varepsilon_{kj}^{(i)\sigma_i} = b_1^{(i)-1} \varepsilon_{jk}^{(i)} b_1^{(i)};$$

then by (37) one has $b_1^{(i)\sigma_i} = \eta_1 b_1^{(i)}$. By these conditions the $b_1^{(i)}$ are uniquely determined up to scalar multiplications of \mathbf{R}^\times . Now, for Type 1.1 and 2 one has $s_1 = 1$, $c_1^{(i)} = 1$, so that one may put $b_1^{(i)} = 1$. For Type 1.2, one has $s_1 = 2$, $\eta_i = -1$, and one takes $b_1^{(i)}$ so that

$$M^{(i)}(b_1^{(i)}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

For Type 3, one chooses $b_1^{(i)}$ so that $M^{(i)}(b_1^{(i)})$ is positive definite. We also note that in this notation (38) is equivalent to saying that

$$(38') \quad M^{(i)}(b_1^{(i)} h_1^{\sigma_i}(v_1, v'_1)) = (h_1^{(i)}(v_1 \varepsilon_{j1}^{(i)}, v'_1 \varepsilon_{k1}^{(i)}))_{1 \leq j, k \leq s_1} \quad \text{for } v_1, v'_1 \in V_1^{\sigma_i}$$

(cf. [S6, Ch. IV, §3]).

THEOREM 2. *Suppose that $(U^{(1)}, V^{(1)})$ is given an admissible F -structure, $e \in \mathcal{C} \cap U^{(1)}(\mathbf{Q})$, and h_1 is a totally positive (D_0, ι_0) - η -hermitian form on V_1 such that $\iota_1 = \iota_1(h_1)$ is the involution corresponding to $e^{(1)}$. Then $(e^{(1)}, a^{(1)}, \beta^{(1)})$ is an admissible triple belonging to $(U^{(1)}, V^{(1)}, \mathcal{C}^{(1)})$ defined over F if and only if $a^{(1)}$ is of the form*

$$(39) \quad a^{(1)}(v_1 \otimes_{D_0} v_2, v'_1 \otimes_{D_0} v'_2) = \text{tr}_{D_0/F}(h_1(v_1, v'_1)^{\circ} h_2(v_2, v'_2)) \quad \text{for } v_j, v'_j \in V_j, j=1, 2,$$

where h_2 is a (D_0, ι_0) - $(-\eta)$ -hermitian form on V_2 .

(Cf. [S1, p. 234, Prop. 3], or [S6, Ch. IV, §2].)

PROOF. Assume that $(e^{(1)}, a^{(1)}, \beta^{(1)})$ is an admissible triple defined over F . Then by (β2) and (30) the involution $\iota = \iota(a^{(1)})$ leaves \mathcal{A}_1 invariant and $\iota|_{\mathcal{A}_1} = \iota_1$. Since one has

$$\text{End}_F(V^{(1)}(F)) = \text{End}_{D_0}(V_1) \otimes_Z \text{End}_{D_0}(V_2),$$

there exists an involution ι_2 of $\text{End}_{D_0}(V_2)$ such that $\iota_2|_Z = \iota_0|_Z$ and

$$(y_1 \otimes_Z y_2)^{\iota} = y_1^{\iota_1} \otimes_Z y_2^{\iota_2} \quad (y_j \in \text{End}_{D_0}(V_j), j=1, 2).$$

Hence, making the natural identification $V^{(1)}(F)^* = V_2^* \otimes_{D_0} V_1^*$, one has a (D_0, ι_0) - $(-\eta)$ -hermitian map $h_2: V_2 \rightarrow V_2^*$ such that

$$a^{(1)}(v_1 \otimes_{D_0} v_2) = h_1(v_1) \otimes_{D_0} h_2(v_2),$$

which is equivalent to (39). The converse is clear.

q.e.d.

With the same notation as in Theorem 2, let $(e^{(i)}, a^{(i)}, \beta^{(i)}) = (e^{(1)}, a^{(1)}, \beta^{(1)})^{\sigma_i}$ ($1 \leq i \leq l$); then they are admissible triples belonging to $(U^{(i)}, V^{(i)}, \mathcal{C}^{(i)})$ defined over F^{σ_i} . Let $c_1^{(i)}, \psi_1^{(i)}, b_1^{(i)}$ be as above. Then for each $1 \leq i \leq l$ there is D_1 -skew-hermitian form $h_2^{(i)}$ on the left D_1 -module $V_2^{(i)}$ determined by the relation

$$(40) \quad \psi_1^{(i)}(h_2^{(i)}(c_1^{(i)} v_2, c_1^{(i)} v'_2)) = c_1^{(i)} h_2^{\sigma_i}(v_2, v'_2) b_1^{(i)-1} c_1^{(i)} \quad \text{for } v_2, v'_2 \in V_2^{\sigma_i},$$

and one has

$$(41) \quad a^{(i)}(v_1 \otimes_{D_1} v_2, v'_1 \otimes_{D_1} v'_2) = \text{tr}_{D_1/\mathbf{R}}(\overline{h_1^{(i)}(v_1, v'_1)} h_2^{(i)}(v_2, v'_2))$$

for $v_j, v'_j \in V_j^{(i)}, j=1, 2$

(cf. [S6, Ch. IV, §3]).

3.7. *The description of \mathfrak{S} .* Let

$$I \in \mathfrak{S} = \mathfrak{S}(V, a, \beta), \quad I = \sum_{i=1}^l I^{(i)},$$

$$I^{(i)} \in \mathfrak{S}^{(i)} = \mathfrak{S}(V^{(i)}, a^{(i)}, \beta^{(i)}).$$

Then, since $I^{(i)}$ is $\beta^{(i)}(g_1^{(i)})$ -invariant, one has

$$(42) \quad I^{(i)} = 1 \otimes_{D_1} I_2^{(i)} \quad (1 \leq i \leq l),$$

with a complex structure $I_2^{(i)} \in \text{End}_{D_1}(V_2^{(i)})$, which by (41) satisfies the condition

$$(43) \quad h_2^{(i)}(v_2, I^{(i)}v_2) \quad (v_2, v_2' \in V_2^{(i)}) \quad \text{is } D_1\text{-hermitian and positive definite.}$$

Let $\mathfrak{S}(V_2^{(i)}, h_2^{(i)})$ denote the space of D_1 -linear complex structures on $V_2^{(i)}$ satisfying the condition (43). Then one has

$$(44) \quad \mathfrak{S}(V^{(i)}, a^{(i)}, \beta^{(i)}) \simeq \mathfrak{S}(V_2^{(i)}, h_2^{(i)}).$$

This implies, in particular, that for any \mathcal{Q} -rational admissible triple (e, a, β) one has

$$\mathfrak{S}(V, a, \beta) \simeq \prod_{i=1}^l \mathfrak{S}(V_2^{(i)}, h_2^{(i)}) \neq \emptyset.$$

The symmetric domain \mathfrak{S} (with the given \mathcal{Q} -structure) is denoted as $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}\mathfrak{S}(V_2, D_0, h_2)$. In the case where D_0 is of Type 1.1, Type 1.2, and Type 2, \mathfrak{S} is also written as $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{III}_{v_2/2}^{(1)})$, $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{III}_{v_2}^{(2)}, D_0, h_2)$, and $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{II}_{v_2}^{(2)}, D_0, h_2)$, respectively.

Note that the corresponding group G_2 has no compact factors (and hence determined uniquely by \mathfrak{S}) except for the following two cases. The group G_2 corresponding to $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{II}_1^{(2)}, D_0, h_2)$ is compact, so that the corresponding domain \mathfrak{S} reduces to a point. The group G_2 corresponding to $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{II}_2^{(2)}, D_0, h_2)$ (under the assumption that \mathfrak{S} has rational points) is isogenous to the direct product of two \mathcal{Q} -simple groups G_2', G_2'' , one of which is compact and the other is isomorphic to the group corresponding to $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{III}_1^{(1)})$. (These cases are usually excluded from the classification.)

3.8. In the case where D_0 is of Type 3, one has to determine furthermore the signature of $h_2^{(i)}$. For that purpose, let σ_i' and σ_i'' denote two imbeddings of the center Z of D_0 into \mathbb{C} extending $\sigma_i: F \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$; then one has $\sigma_i'' = \sigma_0 \circ \sigma_i'$, σ_0 denoting the complex conjugation of \mathbb{C} . We determine $\psi_1^{(i)}$ and (σ_i', σ_i'') in such a way that

$$(45) \quad \psi_1^{(i)}(\alpha^{\sigma_i'}) = \bar{\psi}_1^{(i)}(\alpha^{\sigma_i''}) = \alpha^{\sigma_i' c_1^{(i)}} \quad (\alpha \in Z).$$

Then we say that the $\psi_1^{(i)}$ are *compatible with* the ‘‘CM-type’’ (σ_i') of the CM-field Z .

In this case, since $D_1 = \mathbb{C}$ is commutative, we don't distinguish left and right \mathbb{C} -vector spaces. Then, the $(V_j^{(i)}, \psi_j^{(i)})$ being \mathbb{C} -vector spaces, one has direct decompositions

$$(46) \quad V_j^{(i)} \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C} = V_j^{(i)'} \oplus V_j^{(i)''}, \quad V_j^{(i)''} = V_j^{(i)'\sigma_0}, \quad (1 \leq i \leq l, j = 1, 2),$$

where

$$V_j^{(i')} = \{v \in V_j^{(i)} \otimes_{\mathbf{R}} \mathbf{C} \mid v\psi_1^{(i)}(\xi) = \xi v \text{ for } \xi \in \mathbf{C}\},$$

$$V_j^{(i)''} = \{v \in V_j^{(i)} \otimes_{\mathbf{R}} \mathbf{C} \mid v\psi_1^{(i)}(\xi) = \bar{\xi}v \text{ for } \xi \in \mathbf{C}\},$$

and $\dim_{\mathbf{C}} V_j^{(i')} = \dim_{\mathbf{C}} V_j^{(i)''} = v_j \delta_0$.

Let $\beta_1^{(i')}$ and $\beta_1^{(i)''} = \beta_1^{(i)'\sigma_0}$ denote the restrictions to $V_1^{(i')}$ and $V_1^{(i)''}$ of the natural extension of the representation $\beta_1^{(i)}$ to $V_1^{(i)} \otimes_{\mathbf{R}} \mathbf{C}$. Then they are absolutely irreducible and the primary decomposition of $(V^{(i)} \otimes_{\mathbf{R}} \mathbf{C}, \beta^{(i)})$ is given by

$$(47) \quad V^{(i)} \otimes_{\mathbf{R}} \mathbf{C} = V_1^{(i')} \otimes_{\mathbf{C}} V_2^{(i')} \oplus V_1^{(i)''} \otimes_{\mathbf{C}} V_2^{(i)''}.$$

Now, for the given complex structure $I^{(i)}$ on $V^{(i)}$, set

$$V_+^{(i)} = \{v \in V^{(i)} \otimes_{\mathbf{R}} \mathbf{C} \mid I^{(i)}v = \sqrt{-1}v\}.$$

Then $V_+^{(i)}$ is $\beta^{(i)}(\mathfrak{g}_1^{(i)})$ -invariant, and the primary decomposition of it is of the form

$$(48) \quad V_+^{(i)} = V_1^{(i')} \otimes_{\mathbf{C}} W_2^{(i')} \oplus V_1^{(i)''} \otimes_{\mathbf{C}} W_2^{(i)''},$$

where $W_2^{(i')}$ and $W_2^{(i)''}$ are complex subspaces of $V_2^{(i')}$ and $V_2^{(i)''}$ of dimension p_i and q_i , respectively. Since one has

$$V^{(i)} \otimes_{\mathbf{R}} \mathbf{C} = V_+^{(i)} \oplus V_+^{(i)\sigma_0},$$

one has

$$(49) \quad V_2^{(i')} = W_2^{(i')} \oplus W_2^{(i)''\sigma_0};$$

in particular, $p_i + q_i = v_2 \delta_0$ ($1 \leq i \leq l$). Thus one has

$$(50) \quad (V^{(i)}, I^{(i)}, \beta^{(i)}) \simeq (V_+^{(i)}, p_i \beta_1^{(i')} \oplus q_i \beta_1^{(i)''}).$$

Otherwise expressed, one has

$$(51) \quad V^{(i)} = R_{\mathbf{C}/\mathbf{R}}(V_1^{(i')} \otimes_{\mathbf{C}} V_2^{(i')}),$$

$$I^{(i)} = R_{\mathbf{C}/\mathbf{R}}(1 \otimes_{\mathbf{C}} I_2^{(i')}),$$

where $I_2^{(i')}$ is a complex structure on $V_2^{(i')}$, defined by

$$(51a) \quad I_2^{(i')} = \begin{cases} \sqrt{-1} & \text{on } W_2^{(i')}, \\ -\sqrt{-1} & \text{on } W_2^{(i)''\sigma_0}. \end{cases}$$

Let $h_j^{(i')}$ denote the $(-1)^{j-1}$ -hermitian forms on $V_j^{(i')}$ obtained from $h_j^{(i)}$ by the \mathbf{C} -isomorphism $(V_j^{(i)}, \psi_1^{(i)}) \simeq V_j^{(i)'}$; then $h_2^{(i)'}(w_2, w_2')$ ($w_2, w_2' \in V_2^{(i)}$) is \mathbf{C} -linear in w_2 . For the sake of consistency, we set

$$\tilde{h}_2^{(i)'}(w_2, w_2') = \overline{h_2^{(i)'}(w_2, w_2')},$$

to obtain a skew-hermitian form which is \mathbf{C} -linear in w'_2 . Then by (41) one has

$$(52) \quad a^{(i)}(v_1 \otimes_{\mathbf{C}} v_2, v'_1 \otimes_{\mathbf{C}} v'_2) = 2 \operatorname{Re}(h_1^{(i)'}(w_1, w'_1) \tilde{h}_2^{(i)'}(w_2, w'_2)),$$

where

$$v_j = w_j + \bar{w}_j, \quad v'_j = w'_j + \bar{w}'_j, \quad v_j, v'_j \in V_j^{(i)}, \quad w_j, w'_j \in V_j^{(i)'} \quad (1 \leq i \leq l, j = 1, 2),$$

and the symbol $\otimes_{\mathbf{C}}$ in (52) stands for the tensor product over $\psi_1^{(i)}(\mathbf{C})$. Since $a^{(i)I^{(i)}}$ and the hermitian form $h_1^{(i)'}$ are positive definite, one has by (51), (51a) and (52) that the hermitian form $\sqrt{-1} \tilde{h}_2^{(i)'}$ on $V_2^{(i)'}$ is of signature (p_i, q_i) . In this sense, we say that h_2 (or I_2) is of signature $(p_i, q_i)_{1 \leq i \leq l}$ with respect to the given “CM-type” (σ'_i) . In this case \mathfrak{S} is written as

$$(53) \quad \mathfrak{S} = \prod \mathfrak{S}(V_2^{(i)'}, \tilde{h}_2^{(i)'}) = R_{F/\mathcal{Q}} \mathfrak{S}(V_2, D_0/Z, h_2).$$

For the given skew-hermitian form h_2 , the CM-type $(\sigma'_i)_{1 \leq i \leq l}$ can be so chosen that one has $p_i \geq q_i$ for $1 \leq i \leq l$. When \mathfrak{S} has rational points, the reductive group G_2 is (strictly) pure, so that there exist integers p, q such that $p_i = p, q_i = q$ ($1 \leq i \leq l$). Then the symmetric domain \mathfrak{S} in (53) is denoted as

$$R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\mathbf{I}_{p,q}^{(\delta_0)}, D_0/Z, h_2).$$

The corresponding group G_2 has no compact factors, except for the case $q = 0$, in which case the group G_2 itself is compact. Note also that the group corresponding to $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\mathbf{I}_{3,1}^{(1)}, Z, h_2)$ is \mathcal{Q} -isogenous to the one corresponding to $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\mathbf{II}_3^{(2)}, D_0, h'_2)$ for a suitable totally definite quaternion algebra D_0 over F and a D_0 -skew-hermitian form h'_2 of 3 variables.

REMARK. When $p > q$, there exist rational points in \mathfrak{S} if and only if one has $\delta_0 | q$ and \mathcal{Q} -rank $G_2 = q/\delta_0$. If this is the case, I is rational, if and only if there exists a D_0 -submodule W_2 of V_2 of rank q/δ_0 such that

$$W_2^{(i)'} = (W_2^\perp)^{\sigma'_i}(\mathbf{C}) \cap V_2^{(i)'}, \quad W_2^{(i)''} = W_2^{\sigma''_i}(\mathbf{C}) \cap V_2^{(i)''}.$$

$^\perp$ denoting the orthogonal complement with respect to h_2 . When $p = q$, the situation is a little more complicated ([S8]).

4. The standard case.

4.1. *Admissible F-structures of $(U^{(1)}, V^{(1)})$.* According to the classification theory of irreducible self-dual homogeneous cones, $\mathcal{C}^{(1)}$ is isomorphic to one of the following cones:

$$\mathcal{P}_{r_1}(\mathbf{R}) (r_1 \geq 1), \quad \mathcal{P}_{r_1}(\mathbf{C}) (r_1 \geq 2), \quad \mathcal{P}_{r_1}(\mathbf{H}) (r_1 \geq 3), \quad \mathcal{P}(1, n_1 - 1) (n_1 \geq 3).$$

We call the first three cases *standard* and the fourth *non-standard* or *quadratic*. Note that $\mathcal{P}_1(\mathbf{R})$ is the unique case for which $r_1 = n_1 = 1$ and that the quadratic case is characterized by $r_1 = 2$; in particular, one has the isomorphisms $\mathcal{P}_2(\mathbf{R}) \simeq \mathcal{P}(1, 2)$,

$\mathcal{P}_2(\mathbf{C}) \simeq \mathcal{P}(1, 3)$. (For convenience, we exclude $\mathcal{P}_2(\mathbf{H}) \simeq \mathcal{P}(1, 5)$ from the standard case. Because of the assumption $V \neq 0$, the exceptional case $\mathcal{P}_3(\mathbf{O})$ is also excluded.)

In the standard case, one has

$$(54) \quad \begin{aligned} \mathfrak{g}_1 &\simeq (\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)})^l, & \mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)} &= \{1_{U^{(1)}}\}_{\mathbf{R}} \oplus \mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)s}, \\ \mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)s} &\simeq \mathfrak{sl}_{r_1}(D_1), & D_1 &= \mathbf{R}, \mathbf{C}, \mathbf{H}. \end{aligned}$$

We know ([S2]) that the representation $(V^{(1)}, \beta^{(1)})$ is \mathbf{R} -primary. In (26a, b) $V_1^{(1)}$ is a D_1 -module of rank r_1 and $\beta_1^{(1)}$ is a Lie algebra isomorphism

$$(55) \quad \beta_1^{(1)} : \mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)} \xrightarrow{\sim} \{y \in \text{End}_{D_1}(V_1^{(1)}) \mid \text{tr } y \in \mathbf{R}\},$$

tr denoting here the reduced trace of $\text{End}_{D_1}(V_1^{(1)})$ over its center. Thus one has $\mathcal{A}_1 \simeq \text{End}_{D_1}(V_1^{(1)}) \simeq M_{r_1}(D_1)$ and $r_1 = v_1 \delta_0 / \delta_1$.

It follows that, if one has an F -algebra structure on \mathcal{A}_1 with a totally positive involution ι_1 , then the conditions (a), (b) in Proposition 2 are automatically satisfied. Hence, *in the standard case, an F -algebra structure of \mathcal{A}_1 gives rise to an admissible F -structure of $(U^{(1)}, V^{(1)})$ if and only if there exists a totally positive involution ι_1 of $\mathcal{A}_1(F)$ and the condition (c) in Proposition 2 is satisfied.*

Now, suppose one has an F -algebra structure on \mathcal{A}_1 satisfying these conditions and fix an admissible F -structure of $(U^{(1)}, V^{(1)})$ compatible with it. Then one has (27a, b) with

$$(56) \quad \begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_1(F) &= \text{End}_{D_0} V_1, \\ \beta_1 : \mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)s}(F) &\xrightarrow{\sim} \mathfrak{sl}(V_1/D_0). \end{aligned}$$

Hence in this case one has F -rank $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)} = v_1$.

REMARK. Our argument shows that, in our case, the F -forms of $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}$ corresponding to the unitary groups do not occur. (In fact, for such an F -form the representation $\beta^{(1)}$ is not defined over F .)

On the other hand, one has

$$(57) \quad U^{(1)} = \mathbf{S}(V_1^{(1)} \otimes_{D_1} V_1^{(1)}),$$

where \mathbf{S} denotes the symmetrizer and the second factor $V_1^{(1)}$ in the right hand side is viewed as a left D_1 -space by $\xi v_1 = v_1 \bar{\xi}$ ($v_1 \in V_1^{(1)}, \xi \in D_1$). $U^{(1)}$ is also identified with the space of all symmetric D_1 -semilinear maps: $V_1^{(1)*} \rightarrow V_1^{(1)}$. Then the action of $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}$ on $U^{(1)}$ is given by

$$(58) \quad x(u) = \beta_1^{(1)}(x) \circ u + u \circ {}^t \beta_1^{(1)}(x)$$

for $x \in \mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}$ and $u \in U^{(1)}$.

From (57) one also has an F -structure of $U^{(1)}$ such that

$$(59) \quad U^{(1)}(F) = S_\eta(V_1 \otimes_{D_0} V_1),$$

S_η denoting the η -symmetrizer $S_\eta = (1/2)(1 + \eta\tau)$, where τ is the transposition and $\eta = -1$ if D_0 is of Type 1.2 and $\eta = 1$ otherwise. Thus $U^{(1)}(F)$ is identified with the space of all η -symmetric (D_0, ι_0) -semilinear maps: $V_1^* \rightarrow V_1$. Then the action of $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}(F)$ on $U^{(1)}(F)$ is given by a formula similar to (58).

4.2. Now let $e \in \mathcal{C} \cap U(\mathcal{Q})$, $e = (e^{(i)})$, and consider $e^{(1)}$ as a (D_0, ι_0) -semilinear isomorphism $V_1^* \xrightarrow{\sim} V_1$. Then its inverse $e^{(1)^{-1}}: V_1 \rightarrow V_1^*$ may be viewed as a (D_0, ι_0) - η -hermitian form on V_1 , which we denote by h_1 , i.e.,

$$(60) \quad \text{tr}_{D_0/F}(h_1(v_1, v'_1)) = \langle v_1, e^{(1)^{-1}}v'_1 \rangle \quad (v_1, v'_1 \in V_1).$$

PROPOSITION 2. Let φ_1 and ι_1 be as defined in 3.4. Then, for $u \in U^{(1)}(F)$ and $y \in \mathcal{A}_1(F)$, one has

$$(61) \quad \varphi_1(u) = u \circ e^{(1)^{-1}},$$

$$(62) \quad y^{i_1} = e^{(1)} \circ {}^t y \circ e^{(1)^{-1}}.$$

(Thus one has $\iota_1 = \iota_1(h_1)$, i.e., our notation is consistent.)

PROOF. For the proof, we denote the right hand sides of (61) and (62) by $\varphi'_1(u)$ and $y^{i'_1}$, respectively. Then it is clear that one has $\varphi'_1(u) \in \text{Her}(\mathcal{A}_1, \iota'_1)$ and, for $x \in \mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}(F)$,

$$\varphi'_1(x(u)) = (\beta_1(x) \circ u + u \circ {}^t \beta_1(x)) \circ e^{(1)^{-1}} = \beta_1(x) \circ \varphi'_1(u) + \varphi'_1(u) \circ \beta_1(x)^{i'_1}.$$

Hence φ'_1 is an F -isomorphism $U^{(1)} \simeq \text{Her}(\mathcal{A}_1, \iota'_1)$ satisfying the first and the third equations in (32). In particular, one has

$$x(e^{(1)}) = 0 \iff \beta_1(x) + \beta_1(x)^{i'_1} = 0,$$

which shows that the map $y \mapsto -y^{i'_1}$ ($y \in \mathcal{A}_1$) induces the Cartan involution θ_1 of $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}$ corresponding to $e^{(1)}$. Thus the second equation in (32) is also satisfied. Hence by the uniqueness of ι_1 and φ_1 one has $\varphi'_1 = \varphi_1$, $\iota'_1 = \iota_1$. q.e.d.

By (19) and (61) the Jordan product in $U^{(1)}$ is given by

$$uu' = \frac{1}{2}(u \circ e^{(1)^{-1}} \circ u' + u' \circ e^{(1)^{-1}} \circ u),$$

and by (33) the normalized inner product on $U^{(1)}$ corresponding to $e^{(1)}$ is given by

$$(63) \quad \langle u, u' \rangle = (\delta_1 d_1)^{-1} \text{tr}_{\mathcal{A}_1/\mathbb{R}}(ue^{(1)^{-1}}u'e^{(1)^{-1}}).$$

Finally one obtains the following

PROPOSITION 3. Suppose we are in the standard case. Let $(e^{(1)}, a^{(1)}, \beta^{(1)})$ be an admissible triple defined over F belonging to $(U^{(1)}, V^{(1)}, \mathcal{C}^{(1)})$, $h_1 = e^{(1)^{-1}}$, and let h_2 be a

(D_0, ι_0) - $(-\eta)$ -hermitian form on V_2 satisfying (39). Then the corresponding alternating bilinear map $A^{(1)}: V^{(1)} \times V^{(1)} \rightarrow U^{(1)}$ is given as follows:

$$(64) \quad A^{(1)}(v_1 \otimes_{D_0} v_2, v'_1 \otimes_{D_0} v'_2) = \eta \delta_1 d_1 S_\eta(v_1 h_2(v_2, v'_2) \otimes_{D_0} v'_1) \\ \text{for } v_1, v'_1 \in V_1 \text{ and } v_2, v'_2 \in V_2.$$

PROOF. For $u \in U^{(1)}(F)$ one has

$$\begin{aligned} \langle u, A^{(1)}(v_1 \otimes_{D_0} v_2, v'_1 \otimes_{D_0} v'_2) \rangle &= A_u(v_1 \otimes_{D_0} v_2, v'_1 \otimes_{D_0} v'_2) \\ &= a^{(1)}(v_1 \otimes_{D_0} v_2, (ue^{(1)^{-1}})v'_1 \otimes_{D_0} v'_2) \\ &= \text{tr}_{D_0/F}(h_1(v_1, (ue^{(1)^{-1}})v'_1) \circ h_2(v_2, v'_2)) \\ &= \text{tr}_{D_0/F}(h_1(v_1 h_2(v_2, v'_2), (ue^{(1)^{-1}})v'_1)) \\ &= \langle v_1 h_2(v_2, v'_2), (e^{(1)^{-1}} u e^{(1)^{-1}})v'_1 \rangle \\ &= \eta \text{tr}_{\mathcal{A}(F)/F}((v_1 h_2(v_2, v'_2) \otimes_{D_0} v'_1) e^{(1)^{-1}} u e^{(1)^{-1}}) \\ &= \eta \delta_1 d_1 \langle u, S_\eta(v_1 h_2(v_2, v'_2) \otimes_{D_0} v'_1) \rangle, \end{aligned}$$

whence follows (64).

q.e.d.

4.3. *Classification.* In the classification theory, the quasisymmetric domain \mathcal{S} with a \mathcal{Q} -structure described above is expressed by the following symbols, according as D_0 is of Type 1.1, 1.2, 2, or 3.

$$\begin{aligned} R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{III}_{v_1; v_2/2}^{(1)})_I, \quad R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{III}_{2v_1; v_2}^{(2)}, D_0, h_2)_I, \\ R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{II}_{v_1; v_2}^{(2)}, D_0, h_2)_I \quad (v_1 \geq 3), \\ R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{I}_{v_1 \delta_0; (p, q)}^{(\delta_0)}, D_0/Z, h_2)_I \quad (v_1 \delta_0 \geq 2). \end{aligned}$$

In the standard case, the total space $\tilde{\mathcal{S}}$ is always symmetric. For $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{III}_{v_1; v_2/2}^{(1)})_I$, the space $\tilde{\mathcal{S}}$ may be identified with the Siegel domain (of the third kind) expression of $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{III}_{v_1 + v_2/2}^{(1)})$ over the v_1 -th rational boundary component $\mathfrak{S} = R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{III}_{v_2/2}^{(1)})$. In the case of $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{III}_{2v_1; v_2}^{(2)}, D_0, h_2)_I$, resp. $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{II}_{v_1; v_2}^{(2)}, D_0, h_2)_I$ ($v_1 \geq 3$), let h'_2 denote a D_0 -hermitian, resp. D_0 -skew-hermitian, form of $2v_1 + v_2$ variables in the same Witt class as h_2 . Then $\tilde{\mathcal{S}}$ may be identified with the Siegel domain expression of $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{III}_{2v_1 + v_2}^{(2)}, D_0, h'_2)$, resp. $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{II}_{2v_1 + v_2}^{(2)}, D_0, h'_2)$ over the v_1 -th rational boundary component $\mathfrak{S} = R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{III}_{v_2}^{(2)}, D_0, h_2)$, resp. $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{II}_{v_2}^{(2)}, D_0, h_2)$. In particular, $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{II}_{v_1; 1}^{(2)}, D_0, h_2)_I$ ($v_1 \geq 3$) is identified with the symmetric domain $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{II}_{2v_1 + 1}^{(2)}, D_0, h'_2)$. In the case $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{I}_{v_1 \delta_0; (p, q)}^{(\delta_0)}, D_0/Z, h_2)_I$ ($v_1 \delta_0 \geq 2$, $p + q = v_2 \delta_0$), let h'_2 denote a (D_0, ι_0) -skew-hermitian form of $2v_1 + v_2$ variables in the same Witt class as h_2 . Then the total space $\tilde{\mathcal{S}}$ may be identified with the Siegel domain expression of $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{I}_{v_1 \delta_0 + p, v_1 \delta_0 + q}^{(\delta_0)}, D_0/Z, h'_2)$ over the v_1 -th rational boundary component $\mathfrak{S} = R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{I}_{p, q}^{(\delta_0)}, D_0/Z, h_2)$. In particular, $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{I}_{v_1 \delta_0; (v_2 \delta_0, 0)}^{(\delta_0)}, D_0/Z, h_2)_I$ is identified with the symmetric domain $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{I}_{(v_1 + v_2) \delta_0, v_1 \delta_0}^{(\delta_0)})$.

$D_0/Z, h'_2$).

In general, it is known that, for any boundary point p of an irreducible symmetric domain \mathcal{D} , the “fiber” over p , i.e., the union of all geodesic lines in \mathcal{D} tending to p , is an irreducible quasisymmetric domain and, if p belongs to the *first* boundary component, it is of type $(\text{III}_{1;v_2/2}^{(1)})_I$. For instance, for the symmetric domain $\tilde{\mathcal{D}} = R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{II}_{2+v'_2}^{(2)}, D_0, h'_2)$, resp. $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{I}_{1+p,1+q}^{(1)}, Z, h'_2)$ ($p+q=v'_2$), the fiber over a rational point I in the first rational boundary component $\mathfrak{S} = R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{II}_{v'_2}^{(2)}, D_0, h_2)$, resp. $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{I}_{p,q}^{(1)}, Z, h_2)$ is of type $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{III}_{1;v_2/2}^{(1)})_I$ ($v_2 = 2v'_2$). [But, because of the existence of compact factors in $GL_1(\mathbf{H})$ and $GL_1(\mathbf{C})$, the automorphism group of the fiber induced by the parabolic subgroup is, in general, smaller than $\text{Aff}(R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{III}_{1;v_2/2}^{(1)})_I)$.] In particular, *the domain $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{III}_{1;v_2/2}^{(1)})_I$ can be identified with the symmetric domain $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{I}_{1+v'_2,1}^{(1)}, Z, h'_2)$* (along with the automorphism group), where Z, h'_2 are determined as follows. Let a_2 be a non-degenerate alternating bilinear form on $V_2 = V^{(1)}(F)$, $I \in R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}\mathcal{S}(V_2, a_2)$, and let Z be the CM-field attached to I , i.e., $Z = F(\sqrt{-\alpha_1})$, where α_1 is a totally positive element in F such that $\sum \sqrt{\alpha_1^{\sigma_i}} I^{(\theta)}$ is \mathcal{Q} -rational. Then h_2 is a Z -skew-hermitian form on V_2 given by

$$h_2(v, v') = a_2(v, v') - \sqrt{-1} a_2(v, I^{(1)}v'),$$

which is totally positive with respect to the CM-type (σ'_i) determined by $\sqrt{-\alpha_1}^{\sigma'_i} = \sqrt{-1} \sqrt{\alpha_1^{\sigma_i}}$, and h'_2 is a Z -skew-hermitian form of $2+v'_2$ variables in the same Witt class as h_2 .

5. The quadratic case.

5.1. *F-structures of $(U^{(1)}, \mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)})$.* We keep the notation of §3. In the quadratic case, one has

$$(65) \quad \mathcal{C}^{(1)} \simeq \mathcal{P}(1, n_1 - 1) = \left\{ (\xi_i) \in \mathbf{R}^{n_1} \mid \xi_1^2 - \sum_{i=2}^{n_1} \xi_i^2 > 0 \right\},$$

$$\mathfrak{g}_1 \simeq (\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)})^l, \quad \mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)s} \simeq \mathfrak{so}(1, n_1 - 1),$$

where $n_1 = \dim U^{(1)} \geq 3$. In this case, $r_1 = \mathbf{R}\text{-rank } \mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)} = 2$.

One obtains all F -forms of $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}$ in the following manner. F is a totally real number field of degree l . Suppose that $U^{(1)}$ is given an F -structure and $S^{(1)}$ is a symmetric bilinear form on $U^{(1)} \times U^{(1)}$ defined over F . Put $(U, S) = R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(U^{(1)}, S^{(1)})$. We assume that all $S^{(\theta)} = S^{(1)\sigma_i}$ ($1 \leq i \leq l$) are of signature $(1, n_1 - 1)$. Then one has an F -structure of $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}$ given by

$$\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)s}(F) = \mathfrak{so}(U^{(1)}(F), S^{(1)}) = \{x \in \mathfrak{gl}(U^{(1)}(F)) \mid {}^t x S^{(1)} + S^{(1)} x = 0\}.$$

For convenience, one fixes an F -rational orthogonal basis $\{e_i\}$ of $U^{(1)}$ such that

$$S^{(1)} \sim \text{diag}(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{n_1}),$$

where α_1 is totally positive and $\alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_{n_1}$ are totally negative.

REMARK. When n_1 is even, there is a possibility of F -forms of $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}$ defined by a quaternion skew-hermitian form h of $n_1/2$ variables with respect to a totally indefinite quaternion algebra over F . However, since h should give rise to a symmetric bilinear form of signature $(1, n_1 - 1)$ at every real place, an easy observation of the root diagrams shows that $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}$ is F -anisotropic. By a theorem of Kneser ([Sc, Lem. 10.3.5, Th. 10.4.1]), this can happen only for $n_1 \leq 6$. For $n_1 = 4$, by virtue of the isomorphism $\mathcal{P}(1, 3) \simeq \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{C})$, the F -forms of this type were already treated in §4, so that we may exclude them from the general discussion of the quadratic case. For $n_1 = 6$, such F -forms come from a central division algebra of degree 4, which can not have positive involutions. Hence F -forms of this type do not occur. For $n_1 = 8$, there is also a possibility of F -forms of $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}$ coming from the triality. But, for the reason similar to the one given in [S1, p. 270], such F -forms do not occur either.

5.2. *The Clifford algebras.* Let $C = C(U^{(1)}, S^{(1)})$ denote the Clifford algebra of $S^{(1)}$ and let C^+ denote its even part. C and C^+ are semisimple \mathbf{R} -algebra defined over F . Put

$$(66) \quad \begin{aligned} \tilde{e} &= e_1 \cdots e_{n_1} \in C(F), \\ \Delta &= \tilde{e}^2 = (-1)^{n_1(n_1-1)/2} \alpha_1 \cdots \alpha_{n_1} \in F^\times \\ &\text{(the discriminant of } S^{(1)} \text{).} \end{aligned}$$

By our assumption, Δ is totally positive (resp. totally negative) for $n_1 \equiv 1, 2$ (resp. $\equiv 0, 3 \pmod{4}$).

When n_1 is odd, C^+ is a central simple \mathbf{R} -algebra of degree $2^{(n_1-1)/2}$ defined over F . When n_1 is even, the center of C^+ is $\{1, \tilde{e}\}_{\mathbf{R}}$. Hence, if $n_1 \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$, the center Z of $C^+(F)$ is a totally imaginary quadratic extension of F , isomorphic to $F(\sqrt{\Delta})$ with $\Delta \ll 0$ (totally negative). Thus C^+ is simple and of degree $2^{n_1/2-1}$ over its center $Z(\mathbf{R}) \simeq C$. If $n_1 \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$, one has $\Delta \gg 0$ (totally positive) and

$$(67) \quad C^+ = C_1^+ \oplus C_2^+, \quad \frac{1}{2}(1 + (-1)^{i-1} \sqrt{\Delta}^{-1} \tilde{e}) \in C_1^+$$

with central simple \mathbf{R} -algebras C_i^+ ($i = 1, 2$) of degree $2^{n_1/2-1}$. (The ordering of C_1^+, C_2^+ may be determined by the orientation of $U^{(1)}$.) If, moreover, $\Delta \sim 1$ over F (i.e., $\Delta \in (F^\times)^2$), then each C_i^+ is defined over F and one has $C_1^+(F) \simeq C_2^+(F)$ (by the map $x \mapsto e_1^{-1} x e_1$). If $n_1 \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ and $\Delta \sim 1$, $C^+(F)$ is simple with center $Z \simeq F(\sqrt{\Delta})$, which is a totally real quadratic extension of F . In this case, one has $C^+(F) \simeq C_i^+(F(\sqrt{\Delta}))$ ($i = 1, 2$).

Let ρ denote the canonical involution of C^+ (i.e., one has $(e_{i_1} \cdots e_{i_k})^\rho = e_{i_k} \cdots e_{i_1}$). Then it is easy to see that

$$(68) \quad \rho': x \mapsto e_1 x^\rho e_1^{-1}$$

is a totally positive involution of C^+ ; when n_1 is even and $\Delta \sim 1$, we mean by this that ρ' induces a totally positive involution on each simple factor C_i^+ ($i=1, 2$) ([S6, p. 282, Prop. 5.1]).

Let D_0 be a division algebra over F such that $C^+(F)$ (or $C_i^+(F)$) $\sim D_0$. Then the degree δ_0 of D_0 (over its center) is ≤ 2 . One has F -rank $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)} = 1$ if $\delta_0 = 2$ and $n_1 \leq 4$, and F -rank $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)} = 2$ otherwise. One has

$$(69) \quad D_0(\mathbf{R}) \sim D_1 = \begin{cases} \mathbf{R} & \text{if } n_1 \equiv 1, 2, 3 \pmod{8}, \\ \mathbf{C} & \text{if } n_1 \equiv 0, 4 \pmod{8}, \\ \mathbf{H} & \text{if } n_1 \equiv 5, 6, 7 \pmod{8}. \end{cases}$$

Thus D_0 is of Type 1, if $n_1 \equiv 1, 3 \pmod{8}$ or $\equiv 2 \pmod{8}$ and $\Delta \sim 1$, of Type 2, if $n_1 \equiv 5, 7 \pmod{8}$ or $\equiv 6 \pmod{8}$ and $\Delta \sim 1$, and of Type 3, if $n_1 \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$. When $n_1 \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ and $\Delta \not\sim 1$, D_0 is of Type 1 or 2 over $F(\sqrt{\Delta})$ according as $n_1 \equiv 2$ or $6 \pmod{8}$.

5.3. *F-structures of $(V^{(1)}, \beta^{(1)})$: the case $n_1 \not\equiv 2 \pmod{4}$.* In this case $\beta^{(1)}$ is \mathbf{R} -primary and the \mathbf{R} -irreducible factor is given by the spin representation. As is well known, there exists a canonical F -isomorphism

$$\beta_1 : \mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)} \xrightarrow{\sim} \beta_1(\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}) \subset (C^+)_{\text{Lie}}$$

such that one has

$$(70) \quad x(u) = [\beta_1(x), u] \quad \text{for } x \in \mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)} \text{ and } u \in U^{(1)},$$

$$(71) \quad \beta_1(\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}) = \{y \in C^+ \mid y + y^\rho \in \mathbf{R}, [y, U^{(1)}] \subset U^{(1)}\}.$$

If one denotes by κ the unique \mathbf{R} -irreducible representation of the simple \mathbf{R} -algebra C^+ , then the spin representation of $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}$ is given by $\kappa \circ \beta_1$. Therefore, identifying $\beta^{(1)}(x)$ ($x \in \mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}$) with $\beta_1(x)$, one may make an identification $\mathcal{A}_1 = C^+$. It is then clear that the natural F -algebra structure of $\mathcal{A}_1 = C^+$ (which is the unique F -algebra structure making $\beta^{(1)}$ and β_1 defined over F) satisfies the conditions (a), (b) in Proposition 2 with $\iota_1 = \rho'$. Hence the natural F -algebra structure of \mathcal{A}_1 gives rise to an admissible F -structure of $(U^{(1)}, V^{(1)})$, if and only if the condition (c) in Proposition 2 is satisfied. For simplicity, one puts $e^{(1)} = e_1$; then one recovers the same F -structure of $U^{(1)}$ given in 5.1.

In the notation of §3, one has

$$v_1 \delta_0 = \begin{cases} 2^{(n_1 - 1)/2} \\ 2^{n_1/2 - 1} \end{cases} \quad d_1 = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n_1 \text{ is odd,} \\ 2 & \text{if } n_1 \equiv 0 \pmod{4}. \end{cases}$$

5.4. Now, fix $e^{(1)} = e_1 \in U^{(1)}(F)$ with $\alpha_1 = S^{(1)}(e_1, e_1) \gg 0$. Then one has

PROPOSITION 4. For $u \in U^{(1)}(F)$ and $y \in C^+(F)$, one has

$$(72) \quad \varphi_1(u) = ue_1^{-1},$$

$$(73) \quad y^{\iota_1} = e_1 y^\rho e_1^{-1}.$$

PROOF. We know (73) already ([S6, Prop. 5.1]). To prove (72), define φ_1 by (72) for a moment. Then it is enough to show that $\varphi_1(u) \in \text{Her}(C^+, \rho')$, $\varphi_1(e_1) = 1$, and that φ_1 satisfies the first relation in (32), because these properties characterize φ_1 . The first two properties of φ_1 are obvious. From (70) one has

$$\varphi_1(xu) = (\beta_1(x)u - u\beta_1(x))e_1^{-1} = \beta_1(x)\varphi_1(u) + \varphi_1(x)e_1\beta_1(x)e_1^{-1},$$

which proves the first relation in (32). q.e.d.

By an easy computation, one has

$$\frac{1}{2}(\varphi_1(u)\varphi_1(u') + \varphi_1(u')\varphi_1(u)) = S(e_1, e_1)^{-1}(S(u, e_1)\varphi_1(u') + S(u', e_1)\varphi_1(u) - S(u, u')).$$

This shows that the Jordan product in $U^{(1)}$ is given by

$$u \circ u' = S(e_1, e_1)^{-1}(S(u, e_1)u' + S(u', e_1)u - S(u, u')e_1).$$

It follows that the normalized inner product on $U^{(1)}$ is given by

$$(74) \quad \langle u, u' \rangle = 2S(u, e_1)S(u', e_1) - S(u, u')S(e_1, e_1).$$

On the other hand, let c_1 be a primitive idempotent of $C^+(F)$ and ψ_1 an F -isomorphism: $D_0 \xrightarrow{\sim} c_1C^+(F)c_1$. Then the (D_0, ι_0) - η -hermitian form h_1 on $V_1 = (C^+(F)c_1, \psi_1)$ is given by

$$(75) \quad h_1(v_1, v'_1) = \psi_1^{-1}(b_1e_1v_1e_1^{-1}v'_1) \quad (v_1, v'_1 \in V_1),$$

where b_1 is an element of $C^+(F)^\times$ such that

$$\psi_1(\xi_1)^{\iota_1} = b_1^{-1}\psi_1(\xi_1^{\iota_0})b_1, \quad b_1^{\iota_1} = \eta b_1.$$

Finally to obtain an explicit form of $A^{(1)}$, let $\langle \cdot \cdot \rangle_{C^+}$ denote the inner product on C^+ defined by

$$\langle x, y \rangle_{C^+} = \text{tr}_{C^+/\mathbb{R}}(x^{\iota_1}y).$$

For $x \in C^+$, let $[x]_U$ denote the element of $U^{(1)}$ such that $\varphi_1([x]_U)$ coincides with the $\varphi_1(U^{(1)})$ -component of x with respect to the inner product $\langle \cdot \cdot \rangle_{C^+}$.

PROPOSITION 5. Suppose we are in the quadratic case with $n_1 \not\equiv 2 \pmod{4}$. Let $(e^{(1)}, a^{(1)}, \beta^{(1)})$ be an admissible triple with $e^{(1)} = e_1$ defined over F belonging to $(U^{(1)}, V^{(1)}, \mathcal{C}^{(1)})$ and let h_1 and h_2 be as given in (75) and (39). Then the corresponding alternating bilinear map $A^{(1)}: V^{(1)} \times V^{(1)} \rightarrow U^{(1)}$ is given as follows:

$$(76) \quad A^{(1)}(v_1 \otimes_{D_0} v_2, v'_1 \otimes_{D_0} v'_2) = \frac{1}{2} \eta v_1 \delta_0 d_1 [v_1 \psi_1(h_2(v_2, v'_2)) b_1 v_1^{\iota_1}]_U.$$

PROOF. For $u \in U^{(1)}(F)$, $v_1, v'_1 \in V_1 = C^+(F)c_1$, $v_2, v'_2 \in V_2$, one has

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_u(v_1 \otimes_{D_0} v_2, v'_1 \otimes_{D_0} v'_2) &= a^{(1)}(v_1 \otimes_{D_0} v_2, (ue_1^{-1})v'_1 \otimes_{D_0} v'_2) \\
 &= \text{tr}_{D_0/F}(h_1(v_1, (ue_1^{-1})v'_1) \circ h_2(v_2, v'_2)) \\
 &= \text{tr}_{D_0/F}(h_1(v_1 h_2(v_2, v'_2), (ue_1^{-1})v'_1)) \\
 &= \text{tr}_{C^+/R}(b_1 \psi_1(h_2(v_2, v'_2))^{t_1} v_1^{t_1} u e_1^{-1} v'_1) \\
 &= \langle u e_1^{-1}, \eta v_1 \psi_1(h_2(v_2, v'_2)) b_1 v_1^{t_1} \rangle_{C^+} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \eta v_1 \delta_0 d_1 \langle u, [v_1 \psi_1(h_2(v_2, v'_2)) b_1 v_1^{t_1}]_u \rangle,
 \end{aligned}$$

which proves our assertion.

q.e.d.

5.5. *Classification.* In the classification theory, the domains \mathcal{S}_I and \mathfrak{S} in the present case are denoted as

$$R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{IV}_{n_1; v_2}, S^{(1)}, h_2)_I \quad (n_1 \geq 3, \not\equiv 2 \pmod{4}), \quad R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}\mathfrak{S}(V_2, D_0, h_2).$$

(When D_0 is of Type 1.1, i.e., when $D_0 = F$, one omits h_2 .)

The total space $\tilde{\mathcal{S}}$ is symmetric for the following three cases. For $n_1 = 3$, by virtue of the isomorphism $\mathcal{P}(1, 2) \simeq \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbf{R})$, the domain $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{IV}_{3; v_2}, S^{(1)}, h_2)_I$ is identified with $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{III}_{2; (p, q)}^{(1)})_I$ or $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{III}_{2; v_2}^{(2)}, D_0, h_2)_I$ ($D_0 = C^+(F)$) according as $D_0 = F$ or not. Hence the corresponding $\tilde{\mathcal{S}}$ is the Siegel domain expression of $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{III}_{2+ v_2 \delta_0/2}^{(\delta_0)})$ over the $2/\delta_0$ -th rational boundary component $\mathfrak{S} = R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{III}_{v_2 \delta_0/2}^{(\delta_0)})$. For $n_1 = 4$, by virtue of the isomorphism $\mathcal{P}(1, 3) \simeq \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbf{C})$, the domain $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{IV}_{4; v_2}, S^{(1)}, h_2)_I$ is identified with $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{I}_{2; (p, q)}^{(\delta_0)}, D_0/Z, h_2)_I$ ($D_0 = C^+(F)$, $Z = F(\sqrt{\Delta})$, $p + q = \delta_0 v_2$), so that the corresponding $\tilde{\mathcal{S}}$ is the Siegel domain expression of $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{I}_{2+ p, 2+ q}^{(\delta_0)}, D_0/Z, h'_2)$ over the $2/\delta_0$ -th boundary component $\mathfrak{S} = R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{I}_{p, q}^{(\delta_0)}, D_0/Z, h_2)$. In particular, $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{IV}_{4; v_2}, S^{(1)}, h_2)_I$ with $q = 0$ is identified with the symmetric domain $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{I}_{2+ v_2 \delta_0, 2}, D_0/Z, h'_2)$. In the case $R_{F/\mathcal{Q}}(\text{IV}_{8; 1}, S^{(1)}, h_2)_I$, the domain \mathfrak{S} reduces to a point $I (I = \sum |\Delta^{\sigma_i}|^{-1/2} \tilde{e}^{(i)})$ and $\tilde{\mathcal{S}} = \mathcal{S}_I$ is a symmetric domain of the exceptional type (V)^l with a \mathcal{Q} -structure of \mathcal{Q} -rank 2.

5.6. *The case $n_1 \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$.* In this case, there exist two \mathbf{R} -irreducible (spin) representations of $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}$. Let π_i denote the projection $C^+ \rightarrow C_i^+$ and κ_i the \mathbf{R} -irreducible representation of C_i^+ ($i = 1, 2$). Define the injective homomorphism $\beta_1 : \mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)} \rightarrow C^+$ as in 5.3. Then the two spin representations of $\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)}$ are given by $\kappa_i \circ \pi_i \circ \beta_1$ ($i = 1, 2$). In general, the representation $(V^{(1)}, \beta^{(1)})$ has two \mathbf{R} -primary components corresponding to these \mathbf{R} -irreducible representations.

Let \mathcal{A}_1 denote the enveloping algebra of $\beta^{(1)}(\mathfrak{g}_1^{(1)})$ in $\text{End}_{\mathbf{R}} V^{(1)}$. Then there exists a uniquely determined (algebra) homomorphism $\lambda : C^+ \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_1$ such that one has $\beta^{(1)} = \lambda \circ \beta_1$. Suppose that the F -structure of $(U^{(1)}, S^{(1)})$ is extended to an admissible F -structure of $(U^{(1)}, V^{(1)})$ (under the condition similar to the condition (c) in Theorem 1). Then C^+ and \mathcal{A}_1 have natural F -algebra structures such that β_1 and λ are defined over F .

When $\Delta \sim 1$ over F , the F -algebra $C^+(F)$ is F -simple, and λ gives an F -isomorphism $C^+(F) \simeq \mathcal{A}_1(F)$. The center Z of $\mathcal{A}_1(F)$ is a totally real quadratic extension of F , isomorphic to $F(\sqrt{\Delta})$. Hence $\beta^{(1)}$ is F -primary, but *not* \mathbf{R} -primary, and we obtain a result similar to the one given in §3 with some modifications. For instance, (27a), (26a) must be modified in the form:

$$V^{(1)}(F) = R_{Z/F}(V_1 \otimes_{D_0} V_2),$$

$$V^{(1)} = V_1^{(1)'} \otimes_{D_1} V_2^{(1)'} \oplus V_1^{(1)''} \otimes_{D_1} V_2^{(1)''},$$

where $V_1, V_1^{(1)'}$, and $V_1^{(1)''}$ are simple left ideals of $C^+(F), C_1^+$, and C_2^+ , respectively. In this case, $v_1 \delta_0 = 2^{n_1/2-1}$, and one has

$$\dim_{\mathbf{R}} V_j^{(i)'} = \dim_{\mathbf{R}} V_j^{(i)''} = v_j s_1 \delta_1^2,$$

$$\dim_{\mathbf{R}} V^{(i)} = 2v_1 v_2 \delta_0^2.$$

In the classification theory, the domains \mathcal{S}_I and \mathfrak{S} are denoted as

$$R_{F(\sqrt{\Delta})/\mathbf{Q}}(\mathbf{IV}_{n_1; v_2, v_2}, S^{(1)}, h_2)_I \quad (n_1 \geq 6, \equiv 2(4)),$$

$$R_{F(\sqrt{\Delta})/\mathbf{Q}} \mathfrak{S}(V_2, D_0, h_2).$$

When $\Delta \sim 1$ over F , $C^+(F)$ is décomposé as (67), in which each simple component $C_i^+(F)$ is invariant under ρ' . Hence one has either $\mathcal{A}_1(F) \simeq C^+(F)$ or $C_i^+(F)$ ($i=1, 2$), according as $\beta^{(1)}$ has two or one F -primary component(s). For each F -primary component (which is also \mathbf{R} -primary) one has formulas similar to the ones given in the F -primary case, replacing β_1, φ_1 by $\pi_i \circ \beta_1, \pi_i \circ \varphi_1$. Thus in this case, (27a), (26a) should be modified as follows:

$$V^{(1)}(F) = V_1' \otimes_{D_0} V_2' \oplus V_1'' \otimes_{D_0} V_2'',$$

$$V^{(1)} = V_1^{(1)'} \otimes_{D_1} V_2^{(1)'} \oplus V_1^{(1)''} \otimes_{D_1} V_2^{(1)''},$$

$V_1', V_1'', V_1^{(1)'}$, and $V_1^{(1)''}$ being simple left ideals of $C_1^+(F), C_2^+(F), C_1^+$, and C_2^+ , respectively. Denoting the ranks of D_0 -modules V_j' and V_j'' ($i=1, 2$) by v_j' and v_j'' , one has

$$v_1' = v_1'' = 2^{n_1/2-1} \delta_0^{-1}, \quad v_2', v_2'' \geq 0,$$

and

$$\dim_{\mathbf{R}} V_j^{(i)'} = v_j' s_1 \delta_1^2, \quad \dim_{\mathbf{R}} V_j^{(i)''} = v_j'' s_1 \delta_1^2,$$

$$\dim_{\mathbf{R}} V^{(i)} = v_1'(v_2' + v_2'') \delta_0^2.$$

In this case, the domains \mathcal{S}_I and \mathfrak{S} are denoted as

$$R_{F/\mathbf{Q}}(\mathbf{IV}_{n_1; v_2', v_2''}, S^{(1)}, h_2', h_2'')_I \quad (n_1 \geq 6, \equiv 2(4)),$$

$$R_{F/\mathbf{Q}} \mathfrak{S}(V_2', D_0, h_2') \times R_{F/\mathbf{Q}} \mathfrak{S}(V_2'', D_0, h_2'').$$

[One may choose the orientation of $U^{(1)}$ so that $v'_2 \geq v''_2$ and, when $v''_2=0$, one omits the second factor $R_{F/\mathbb{Q}} \mathfrak{S}(V''_2, D_0, h''_2)$.]

In general, if p is a point in the *second* boundary component of an irreducible symmetric domain, then the fiber over p is an irreducible quasisymmetric domain of type $(IV_{n_1; v_2})$ or $(IV_{n_1; v_2, 0})$. Thus, for $n_1=6$, by virtue of the isomorphism $\mathcal{P}(1, 5) \simeq \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbf{H})$, the domain $R_{F/\mathbb{Q}}(IV_{6; v_2, 0}, S^{(1)}, h_2)_I$ ($\Delta \sim 1$) is identified (through the first spin representation) with the fiber over a rational point I in the second rational boundary component $\mathfrak{S} = R_{F/\mathbb{Q}}(\Pi_{v_2}^{(2)}, D_0, h_2)$ in the Siegel domain expression of $\mathcal{S} = R_{F/\mathbb{Q}}(\Pi_{4+v_2}^{(2)}, D_0, h_2)$, where $D_0 = C_1^+(F)$ is a totally definite quaternion algebra over F . In particular, $R_{F/\mathbb{Q}}(IV_{6; 1, 0}, S^{(1)}, h_2)$ is identified with the symmetric domain $R_{F/\mathbb{Q}}(\Pi_5^{(2)}, D_0, h_2)$. For $n_1=10$, the domain $R_{F/\mathbb{Q}}(IV_{10; 2/\delta_0, 0}, S^{(1)}, h_2)_I$ ($\Delta \sim 1$) is identified with the fiber over a rational point I in the second rational boundary component $\mathfrak{S} = R_{F/\mathbb{Q}}(\text{III}_1^{(\delta_0)}, D_0, h_2)$ in the Siegel domain expression of a symmetric domain of the *exceptional* type (VI)' with a \mathbb{Q} -structure of \mathbb{Q} -rank $1+2/\delta_0$.

Appendix: The symmetric case.

A.1. *The condition (iii).* First we introduce some notation. For $v, v' \in V$, set

$$(76) \quad \varphi H_I(v, v') = \varphi(A(v, v'))I + \varphi(A(v, Iv')) .$$

Then one has

$$I \cdot \varphi H_I(v, v') = -\varphi H_I(Iv, v') = \varphi H_I(v, Iv') = \varphi H_I(v, v')I .$$

Thus $\varphi H_I(v, v')$ is \mathbb{C} -linear in v' and \mathbb{C} -semilinear in v with respect to the complex structure of V defined by I . It follows that one has

$$(77) \quad \varphi H_I(v, v')v'' = 2i(\varphi(A(v_-, v'_+))v''_+ - \varphi(A(v_+, v'_-))v''_-) .$$

Moreover, for $g_2 \in G_2$, one has

$$(78) \quad g_2^{-1} \varphi H_I(g_2 v, g_2 v') g_2 = \varphi H_{g_2^{-1} I g_2}(v, v') .$$

The following result is known (cf. [S6, p. 223–224, Th. 3.5]).

PROPOSITION 6. *A quasisymmetric domain \mathcal{S}_I is symmetric if and only if the following condition is satisfied:*

$$(iii) \quad A(v, \varphi H_I(v', v'')v'') = A(\varphi H_I(v'', v)v', v'') \quad \text{for } v, v', v'' \in V ,$$

or equivalently,

$$(iii') \quad A(\bar{w}, \varphi(A(\bar{w}', w''))w'') = A(\varphi(A(\bar{w}, w''))\bar{w}', w'') \quad \text{for } w, w', w'' \in V_+ .$$

COROLLARY. *If \mathcal{S}_I is symmetric for one $I \in \mathfrak{S}$, then \mathcal{S}_I is symmetric for all $I \in \mathfrak{S}$.*

This follows from Proposition 9 and (78).

REMARK. It is known ([S6, p. 228, Lem. 4.6]) that (iii) is equivalent to any one of the following conditions.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii)}_1 \quad & \varphi H_I(v, \varphi(u)v')v' = \varphi(u)\varphi H_I(v, v')v' , \\ \text{(iii)}'_1 \quad & \varphi H_I(\varphi(u)v, v')v' = \varphi H_I(v, v')\varphi(u)v' \\ & (v, v' \in V, u \in U) . \end{aligned}$$

By the classification, we see that an irreducible domain \mathcal{S}_I is symmetric if and only if either one has $\mathfrak{g}_1 = \{1_U\}_{\mathbf{R}}$ or \mathfrak{g}_2 is compact. Note that there are some discrepancy of the notation between this paper and [S6, Ch. V]. In the latter, the complex structure I on V is fixed, so that (V, I) is identified with V_+ . One has the following dictionary (on the left hand side is the notation in [S6]):

$$\begin{aligned} 4H(v, v') &= A(v, Iv') + iA(v, v') , & 2R_u &= \varphi(u) , \\ 8R(H(v, v'))(\text{on } V_+) &= \varphi H_I(v, v')(\text{on } V_+) = 2i\varphi(A(v_-, v'_+)) . \end{aligned}$$

A.2. *Infinitesimal automorphisms of \mathcal{S}_I .* Let $\text{Aut } \mathcal{S}_I$ denote the group of biholomorphic automorphisms of \mathcal{S}_I and let $\mathfrak{G} = \text{Lie Aut } \mathcal{S}_I$. Then $X \in \mathfrak{G}$ can be expressed by the corresponding ‘‘infinitesimal automorphism’’ of \mathcal{S}_I , i.e. the differential operator \tilde{X} on $C^\infty(\mathcal{S}_I)$ defined by

$$(\tilde{X}f)(u, w) = \frac{d}{dt} f(\exp(tX)^{-1}(u, w))|_{t=0} ;$$

in notation, we write $X \leftrightarrow \tilde{X}$. Let (e_α) and (e'_λ) be bases of U_C and V_+ over \mathbf{C} , respectively, and let (u_α) and (w_λ) the corresponding complex coordinates of U_C and V_+ . Then \tilde{X} is expressed in the form

$$(79) \quad \tilde{X} = \sum_{\alpha=1}^n p_\alpha(u, w) \frac{\partial}{\partial u_\alpha} + \sum_{\lambda=1}^m q_\lambda(u, w) \frac{\partial}{\partial w_\lambda} .$$

Setting $p(u, w) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^n p_\alpha(u, w)e_\alpha$, $q(u, w) = \sum_{\lambda=1}^m q_\lambda(u, w)e'_\lambda$, we write

$$\tilde{X} = p(u, w) \frac{\partial}{\partial u} + q(u, w) \frac{\partial}{\partial w} .$$

First, for the Heisenberg group \tilde{V} , the Lie algebra $\text{Lie } \tilde{V}$ is naturally identified with $U \oplus V$ (as a vector space). Viewing $\text{Lie } \tilde{V}$ as a subalgebra of \mathfrak{G} , one has by (7)

$$(80) \quad a + b \leftrightarrow -(a - A(b_-, w)) \frac{\partial}{\partial u} - b_+ \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \quad (a \in U, b \in V) .$$

Clearly one has

$$(81) \quad [a + b, a' + b'] = -A(b, b') \quad (a, a' \in U, b, b' \in V) .$$

For the linear group G_I , one embeds $\text{Lie } G_I = \mathfrak{g}_1 \oplus \mathfrak{k}_2$ into $\mathfrak{gl}(U) \times \mathfrak{gl}(V)$. Then, for $(X_1, Y_1) \in \text{Lie } G_I$, one has

$$(82) \quad (X_1, Y_1) \leftrightarrow -X_1 u \frac{\partial}{\partial u} - Y_1 w \frac{\partial}{\partial w}.$$

Clearly one has

$$\begin{aligned} [(X_1, Y_1), a + b] &= X_1 a + Y_1 b, \\ [(X_1, Y_1), (X_2, Y_2)] &= ([X_1, X_2], [Y_1, Y_2]). \end{aligned}$$

When \mathcal{S}_I is symmetric, let θ be the Cartan involution of \mathfrak{G} at $(ie, 0) \in \mathcal{S}_I$. Then one has a gradation of \mathfrak{G} according to $\text{ad}(-1_U, (-1/2)1_V)$ of the following form:

$$(83) \quad \mathfrak{G} = \sum_{\nu=-2}^2 \mathfrak{G}_{\nu/2}, \quad \theta \mathfrak{G}_{\nu/2} = \mathfrak{G}_{-\nu/2}.$$

$$\mathfrak{G}_{-1} = U, \quad \mathfrak{G}_{-1/2} = V, \quad \mathfrak{G}_0 = \text{Lie } G_I = \mathfrak{g}_1 \oplus \mathfrak{k}_2,$$

and θ induces the Cartan involution $\theta_1 \oplus \theta_2$ on \mathfrak{G}_0 (cf. [M], [S6, p. 211, (A), p. 220, Prop. 3.3]). In order to describe the action of θ on U, V , it is convenient to use the following notation:

$$\begin{aligned} (u \square u') u'' &= \{u, u', u''\} = (uu')u'' + u(u'u'') - u'(uu''), \\ u \square u' &= T_{uu'} + [T_u, T_{u'}]. \end{aligned}$$

By (18) and (19) one has

$$(84) \quad \varphi(\{u, u', u''\}) = \frac{1}{2} (\varphi(u)\varphi(u')\varphi(u'') + \varphi(u'')\varphi(u')\varphi(u)),$$

$$(85) \quad \{u, A(v, v'), u'\} = \frac{1}{2} (A(\varphi(u)v, \varphi(u')v') + A(\varphi(u')v, \varphi(u)v')).$$

PROPOSITION 7. *One has*

$$(86) \quad \theta a \leftrightarrow -\{u, a, u\} \frac{\partial}{\partial u} - \varphi(u)\varphi(a)w \frac{\partial}{\partial w},$$

$$(87) \quad \theta b \leftrightarrow -iA(\varphi(u)b_-, w) \frac{\partial}{\partial u} - i(\varphi(u)b_+ + \varphi(A(b_-, w))w) \frac{\partial}{\partial w}.$$

This was given in [S6, p. 224, Th. 3.6]. A more direct proof can be given as follows. The symmetry at $(ie, 0)$, denoted also by θ , is given by

$$\theta: (u, w) \mapsto (-u^{-1}, -i\varphi(u)^{-1}w),$$

where u^{-1} denotes the inverse of u in the Jordan algebra (U, e) and one has

$\varphi(u^{-1}) = \varphi(u)^{-1}$ (cf. [S6, p. 139, Exc. 3]). Hence, for $a \in U$, one has

$$\begin{aligned} (\exp \theta a)(u, w) &= (\theta \circ (\exp a) \circ \theta)(u, w) = \theta(-u^{-1} + a, -i\varphi(u)^{-1}w) \\ &= ((u^{-1} - a)^{-1}, \varphi(u^{-1} - a)^{-1}\varphi(u)^{-1}w). \end{aligned}$$

Here one has

$$\begin{aligned} (u^{-1} - a)^{-1} &= (1 - u\Box a)^{-1}u = u - \{u, a, u\} + \cdots \\ \varphi(u^{-1} - a)^{-1}\varphi(u)^{-1} &= 1 - \varphi(u)\varphi(a) + \cdots \end{aligned}$$

([S6, p. 26, Exc. 6] and (84)). Hence one obtains (86). The relation (87) is obtained similarly by using (iii₁), (77), (85).

By direct computations from (80), (86) and (87) one obtains

$$(88) \quad [a, \theta a'] = (-2a\Box a', -\varphi(a)\varphi(a')),$$

$$(89) \quad [a, \theta b] = -\varphi(a)Ib,$$

$$(90) \quad [b, \theta b'] = (-4\Phi_{b,b'}, -4\Psi_{b,b'}),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} 4\Phi_{b,b'} &: u \mapsto A(b, \varphi(u)Ib'), \\ 4\Psi_{b,b'} &: v \mapsto \frac{1}{2}(\varphi H_I(b', v)b - \varphi H_I(b, v)b' + \varphi H_I(b', b)v). \end{aligned}$$

(For (90) one uses (iii'). Cf. [S6, p. 231–233, Exc. 5 and Rem.]

A.3. ***Q*-structures of \mathfrak{G} .** Now we assume that there is given a ***Q***-structure of the quasisymmetric domain \mathcal{S}_I in the sense of 3.1. This means that one has a ***Q***-structure of $\mathfrak{G}_{\text{Aff}} = \mathfrak{G}_{-1} + \mathfrak{G}_{-1/2} + \mathfrak{G}_0$ such that $(1_U, (1/2)1_V) \in \mathfrak{g}_1$ is ***Q***-rational. Then, since $I \in \mathfrak{S}$ is “rational”, there exists a totally positive element $\alpha_1 \in F$ such that $\sum_{i=1}^l \sqrt{\alpha_1^{\sigma_i}} I^{(i)}$ is ***Q***-rational. [We say that I is a rational point with CM-field $F(\sqrt{-\alpha_1})$, endowed with the standard CM-type (σ_i) defined by $\sqrt{-\alpha_1}^{\sigma_i} = \sqrt{-1} \sqrt{\alpha_1^{\sigma_i}}$.] In what follows, for $\lambda_i \in \mathbf{R}$ ($1 \leq i \leq l$) and $x = \sum x^{(i)}$, we write

$$(\lambda_i) \cdot x = \sum_{i=1}^l \lambda_i x^{(i)}.$$

In this section, we don't assume that e is ***Q***-rational. e is called *semirational* if there exists a totally positive element $\alpha \in F$ such that $(\sqrt{\alpha}^{\sigma_i}) \cdot e$ is ***Q***-rational. We say that e or θ is *compatible with the complex structure I* if $(\sqrt{\alpha}^{\sigma_i}) \cdot e$ is ***Q***-rational.

LEMMA. Let $e, e' \in U, e' = (\lambda_i) \cdot e$ and denote the symbols relative to e' by the corresponding symbols relative to e with a prime. Then one has

$$\begin{aligned} T'_a &= (\lambda_i)^{-1} \cdot T_a, & \varphi'(a) &= (\lambda_i)^{-1} \cdot \varphi(a), \\ \{u, u', u''\}' &= (\lambda_i)^{-2} \cdot \{u, u', u''\}, \\ \theta'a &= (\lambda_i)^{-2} \cdot \theta a, & \theta'b &= (\lambda_i)^{-1} \cdot \theta b \end{aligned}$$

for $a, u, u', u'' \in U, b \in V$.

The proof is straightforward.

THEOREM 3. *Assume that \mathcal{S}_I is symmetric and let θ be the Cartan involution of \mathfrak{G} at $(ie, 0) \in \mathcal{S}_I$. Then, there exists a unique \mathcal{Q} -structure of \mathfrak{G} satisfying the following conditions:*

- (α) *It extends the given \mathcal{Q} -structure of $\mathfrak{G}_{\text{Aff}}$.*
- (β) *Whenever e is semirational, the restriction $\theta|U$ is \mathcal{Q} -rational.*

The Cartan involution θ is \mathcal{Q} -rational with respect to this \mathcal{Q} -structure of \mathfrak{G} if and only if θ is compatible with I .

PROOF. First we prove the uniqueness in the first statement. Suppose one has a \mathcal{Q} -structure of \mathfrak{G} satisfying the conditions (α), (β). (Note that, by the above lemma, the condition (β) is satisfied if $\theta|U$ is \mathcal{Q} -rational for one semirational e .) Then the \mathcal{Q} -structures on the vector spaces $\mathfrak{G}_{v/2}$ are uniquely determined except for $v=1$. As for $\mathfrak{G}_{1/2} = \theta V$, one has by (89)

$$\theta Ib = -[\theta e, b] \quad (b \in V).$$

Hence, if $(\sqrt{\alpha^{\sigma_i}}) \cdot e$ is \mathcal{Q} -rational, then the map $b \mapsto (\sqrt{\alpha^{\sigma_i}}) \cdot \theta Ib$ is \mathcal{Q} -rational. By this condition, which is independent of the choice of the semirational e by the above lemma, the \mathcal{Q} -structure of $\mathfrak{G}_{1/2}$ is also uniquely determined. Conversely, by virtue of (88), (89), (90) and the above lemma, one sees that, defining the \mathcal{Q} -structure of $\mathfrak{G}_{1/2}$ and \mathfrak{G}_1 as indicated above, one obtains a \mathcal{Q} -structure of \mathfrak{G} satisfying the conditions (α), (β). From this and the definition the second statement is clear. q.e.d.

REMARK. The above theorem remains valid for the case $V=0$. In that case, any Cartan involution with semirational e is \mathcal{Q} -rational.

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