

60. Confluent Hypergeometric Functions on an Exceptional Domain

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In [3], G. Shimura studied the generalized confluent hypergeometric functions on tube domains of several types. A motive of his study can be seen in the application to the Eisenstein series as developed in his recent paper [4]. In this paper, we shall describe analogous results in the case of tube domains constructed from Cayley's octonion (which includes the case of exceptional simple tube domain).

We denote by \mathfrak{C}_R the real Cayley algebra, and we fix the standard basis (e.g. cf. [2]). For each integer m ($1 \leq m \leq 3$), we put $\kappa(m) = 4m - 3$. We define a vector space $\mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}$ over R by $\mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)} = \{x \in M_m(\mathfrak{C}_R) \mid \bar{x} = x\}$, where the bar denotes the Cayley conjugation. We supply $\mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}$ with a product by $x \circ y = (1/2)(xy + yx)$, with this product, $\mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}$ becomes a real Jordan algebra. When $m=3$, $\mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}$ is called the exceptional Jordan algebra (cf. [1]). If $x = (x_{ij}) \in \mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}$, we define $\text{tr}(x) = \sum x_{ii} \in R$ and define an inner product $(,)$ on $\mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}$ by $(x, y) = \text{tr}(x \circ y)$. Moreover, we define a polynomial function \det on $\mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}$ as follows. When $m=3$,

$$\det(x) = \prod_{i=1}^3 x_{ii} - x_{11}N(x_{23}) - x_{22}N(x_{13}) - x_{33}N(x_{12}) + T((x_{12}x_{23})\bar{x}_{13}),$$

where $N(a) = a\bar{a} = \bar{a}a$, $T(a) = a + \bar{a}$ ($a \in \mathfrak{C}_R$). In the case $m=2$, we define as $\det(x) = x_{11}x_{22} - N(x_{12})$. We denote by \mathfrak{R}_m the set of squares $x \circ x$ of elements of $\mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}$, and by \mathfrak{R}_m^+ , the interior of \mathfrak{R}_m ; then \mathfrak{R}_m^+ is a convex open cone in $\mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}$. \mathfrak{R}_3^+ is called the exceptional cone. Identifying $C^{m\kappa(m)}$ with $\mathfrak{S}_C^{(m)} = \mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)} \otimes_R C$, we define a tube domain H_m by $H_m = \{x + iy \mid x \in \mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}, y \in \mathfrak{R}_m^+\}$. Then H_3 is the exceptional tube domain of type E_7 (cf. [1]) and H_1 is the complex upper-half plane. We define a Euclidean measure dx on $\mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}$ by viewing $\mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}$ as $R^{m\kappa(m)}$. Now we define the generalized gamma function $\Gamma_m(s)$ associated with the cone \mathfrak{R}_m^+ by

$$\Gamma_m(s) = \int_{\mathfrak{R}_m^+} e^{-\text{tr}(x)} \det(x)^{s-\kappa(m)} dx,$$

then the integral converges for $\text{Re}(s) > \kappa(m) - 1$ and satisfies the following identity:

$$\Gamma_m(s) = \pi^{2m(m-1)} \prod_{n=0}^{m-1} \Gamma(s - 4n),$$

where $\Gamma(s)$ is the ordinary gamma function (e.g. cf. [1]). Put, for $g \in \mathfrak{R}_m^+$, $h \in \mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}$, and $(\alpha, \beta) \in C^2$,

$$\eta_m(g, h; \alpha, \beta) = \int_{x \pm h \in \mathfrak{R}_m^+} e^{-(g, x)} \det(x+h)^{\alpha-\kappa(m)} \det(x-h)^{\beta-\kappa(m)} dx,$$

$$\eta_m^*(g, h; \alpha, \beta) = \det(g)^{\alpha+\beta-\kappa(m)} \eta_m(g, h; \alpha, \beta).$$

We note that the function η_m represents by the generalized confluent hypergeometric function

$$\zeta_m(g; \alpha, \beta) = \int_{\mathfrak{R}_m^+} e^{-(g, x)} \det(\varepsilon_m + x)^{\alpha-\kappa(m)} \det(x)^{\beta-\kappa(m)} dx,$$

where $g \in \mathfrak{R}_m^+$ and ε_m is the identity matrix of degree m . We denote by $\mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}(p, q, r)$ the subset of $\mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}$ consisting of the elements with p positive, q negative, and r zero eigenvalues ($p+q+r=m$). The precise definition of eigenvalue is as follows. When $m=3$, the eigenvalues of an element h of $\mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}$ are defined as the roots of a cubic equation $t^3 - \text{tr}(h)t^2 + \text{tr}(h \times h)t - \det(h) = 0$, where $x \times y$ denotes the crossed product of $x, y \in \mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}$. In the case $m=2$, we define the eigenvalues of an element $h \in \mathfrak{S}_R^{(2)}$ to be the roots of a quadratic equation $t^2 - \text{tr}(h)t + \det(h) = 0$. Moreover, by similar way in [3], we shall introduce the notion of the eigenvalues of h relative to g for $h \in \mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}$ and $g \in \mathfrak{R}_m^+$. In the case of degree 3, we define them to be the roots of an equation $t^3 - (g, h)t^2 + (g \times g, h \times h)t - \det(g) \det(h) = 0$. When $m=2$, they are defined as the roots of an equation $t^2 - (g, h)t + \det(g) \det(h) = 0$. Now we denote by $\delta_+(hg)$ (resp. $\tau_+(hg)$) the product (resp. the sum) of all positive eigenvalues of h relative to g . Moreover, we put $\delta_-(hg) = \delta_+((-h)g)$, $\tau_-(hg) = \tau_+((-h)g)$ and $\tau(hg) = \tau_+(hg) + \tau_-(hg)$. We also denote by $\mu(hg)$ the smallest absolute value of non zero eigenvalues of h relative to g if $h \neq 0$; $\mu(hg) = 1$ if $h = 0$. Now we define, for $g \in \mathfrak{R}_m^+$, $h \in \mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}(p, q, r)$, $(\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{C}^2$,

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_m(g, h; \alpha, \beta) = & 2^{-p\alpha - q\beta} \Gamma_p(\beta - 4(m-p))^{-1} \Gamma_q(\alpha - 4(m-q))^{-1} \\ & \cdot \Gamma_r(\alpha + \beta - \kappa(m))^{-1} \delta_+(hg)^{\kappa(m) - \alpha - 2q} \\ & \cdot \delta_-(hg)^{\kappa(m) - \beta - 2p} \eta_m^*(g, h; \alpha, \beta), \end{aligned}$$

where we understand that Γ_0 is the constant function 1. The first main theorem can be stated as follows.

Theorem 1. *Function ω_m can be continued as a holomorphic function in (α, β) to the whole \mathbb{C}^2 and satisfies*

$$(1) \quad \omega_m(g, h; \alpha, \beta) = \omega_m(g, h; \kappa(m) + 4r - \beta, \kappa(m) + 4r - \alpha),$$

where r is the number of zero eigenvalues of h . Moreover, for every compact set T of \mathbb{C}^2 , there exist two positive constants A and B depending only on T such that

$$(2) \quad |\omega_m(g, h; \alpha, \beta)| \leq A e^{-\tau(hg)/2} (1 + \mu(hg))^{-B}$$

for every $(g, h) \in \mathfrak{R}_m^+ \times \mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}$ and every $(\alpha, \beta) \in T$.

This result is in analogy to Theorem 4.2 in [3].

Now consider a series

$$S_m(z, L_m; \alpha, \beta) = \sum_{a \in L_m} \det(z+a)^{-\alpha} \det(\bar{z}+a)^{-\beta}.$$

Here z is a variable on H_m , L_m is a lattice in the space $\mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}$ and (α, β)

$\in \mathbf{C}^2$. We see that this series is locally uniformly convergent on $H_m \times \{(\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbf{C}^2 \mid \operatorname{Re}(\alpha + \beta) > 2\kappa(m) - 1\}$. Following to [3], we introduce the notion of an algebraic lattice L in $\mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}$, which means a lattice whose elements have algebraic components when we identify $\mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}$ with $\mathbf{R}^{m\kappa(m)}$. Using Theorem 1, we can prove the following theorem

Theorem 2. *Let L be an algebraic lattice in $\mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}$. Then*

$$\Gamma_m(\alpha + \beta - \kappa(m))^{-1} S_m(z, L; \alpha, \beta)$$

can be continued as a holomorphic function in (α, β) to the whole \mathbf{C}^2 .

Now we put

$$S_m(z, L; \alpha) = \sum_{a \in L} \det(z + a)^{-\alpha},$$

$$S_m^*(z, L; \alpha) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} S_m(z, L; \alpha + s, s).$$

Then the series $S_m(z, L; \alpha)$ is convergent if $\operatorname{Re}(\alpha) > 2\kappa(m) - 1$ and defines a holomorphic function in (z, α) . Obviously, $S_m^*(z, L; \alpha)$ is equal to $S_m(z, L; \alpha)$ if $\operatorname{Re}(\alpha) > 2\kappa(m) - 1$. Furthermore we have the following results.

Theorem 3. *Suppose L is an algebraic lattice in $\mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}$. Then $S_m^*(z, L; \alpha)$ coincides with $S_m(z, L; \alpha)$ for $\operatorname{Re}(\alpha) > \kappa(m)$. Moreover we have*

$$\mu(\mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}/L) S_m^*(z, L; \kappa(m)) = 2^{-4m(m-1)} i^{-m\kappa(m)} \Gamma_m(\kappa(m))^{-1} \sum 2^{-r(h)} e^{2\pi i(h, z)}$$

where the sum extends over all the elements in $L' \cap \mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}(p, 0, r)$ (L' is the dual lattice of L and $r(h) = r$) and $\mu(\mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}/L)$ is the measure of $\mathfrak{S}_R^{(m)}/L$.

Finally we shall remark on an application of the above results.

W. L. Baily, Jr. studied the Eisenstein series of the exceptional modular group Γ ([1]). Following his paper [1], we consider a series

$$E(s, z) = \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma/\Gamma_0} |j(z, \gamma)|^s, \quad (s \in \mathbf{C}, z \in H_s),$$

where $j(z, \gamma)$ is the functional determinant of the transformation γ at the point z and Γ_0 is a subset of Γ (cf. [1]). Now we put

$$\gamma_m(s) = \pi^{-ms} \Gamma_m(s) \quad \text{and} \quad \zeta_m(s) = \prod_{n=0}^{m-1} \zeta(s - 4n),$$

where $\zeta(s)$ is the Riemann zeta function. Moreover we put

$$\xi(s) = \gamma_3(s/2) \zeta_3(s) \det(\operatorname{Im}(z))^{s/2} E(s, z).$$

The Fourier coefficient of $E(s, z)$ can be essentially expressed as a product of the ‘‘singular series’’ and the above-defined function ω_s . Therefore it is conjectured that the function $\xi(s)$ can be continued as a meromorphic function in s and satisfies a functional equation of the form

$$\xi(s) = \xi(18 - s).$$

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