

THE FUNCTIONAL EQUATION OF ZETA DISTRIBUTIONS
ASSOCIATED WITH FORMALLY REAL
JORDAN ALGEBRAS

Dedicated to Prof. M. Koecher on his sixtieth birthday

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The purpose of this paper is to give an explicit expression for the Fourier transform of the zeta distributions on a certain class of prehomogeneous spaces defined by Jordan algebras.

Let V be a formally real simple Jordan algebra over R . Let $\dim V = n$ and $\text{rk } V = r$ (for definition, see 1.1). We fix a (positive definite) inner product on V defined by

$$(1) \quad \langle x, y \rangle = \frac{r}{n} \text{tr}(T_{xy}) \quad (x, y \in V),$$

where T_x denotes the linear transformation of V defined by $T_x(y) = xy$. The "structure group" of V , $G = \text{Str}(V)$ (see 1.2), is then self-adjoint with respect to $\langle \rangle$, and hence is a reductive algebraic group. It is well-known that the pair (G, V) is a (real) prehomogeneous vector space in the sense of Sato-Shintani [6], i.e. if one denotes by G_c and V_c the complexifications of G and V , respectively, G_c is transitive on the Zariski-open set

$$V_c^\times = \{x \in V_c \mid N(x) \neq 0\}$$

(see [5c]). Here N denotes the "reduced norm" of V , which is an absolutely irreducible homogeneous polynomial function on V of degree r , characterized by the property:

$$(2) \quad N(1) = 1, \quad N(gx) = \det(g)^{r/n} N(x) \quad (g \in G^\circ, x \in V),$$

where G° is the identity connected component of G .

The set of real invertible elements $V^\times = V \cap V_c^\times$ is decomposed into the disjoint union of $r + 1$ (open) G° -orbits:

$$V^\times = \coprod_{i=0}^r \Omega_i,$$

where Ω_i is the set of elements of signature $(r - i, i)$ ([5c]). In particular,

Ω_0 , the G° -orbit of the unit element 1, is a self-dual homogeneous cone. The gamma function associated to Ω_0 is given by

$$(3) \quad \Gamma_{\Omega_0}(s) = \int_{\Omega_0} e^{-\langle u, 1 \rangle} N(u)^{s-n/r} d(u) \\ = (2\pi)^{\frac{1}{2}(n-r)} \prod_{i=1}^r \Gamma\left(s - \frac{d}{2}(i-1)\right) \quad \left(\operatorname{Re} s > \frac{d}{2}(r-1)\right),$$

where $d(u)$ is the Euclidean volume element with respect to $\langle \ \rangle$ and d is a positive integer given by $d = 2(n-r)/r(r-1)$.

Now, for $f \in \mathcal{S}(V)$ (the Schwartz space of V), we set

$$(4) \quad \Phi_i(f, s) = \int_{\Omega_i} f(u) |N(u)|^s d(u) \quad (0 \leq i \leq r).$$

Then, it is known ([6]) that this integral is convergent for $\operatorname{Re} s > 0$, the analytic function $\Phi_i(f, s)$ has a meromorphic continuation with respect to s to the whole plane \mathbb{C} , and the map $f \mapsto \Phi_i(f, s)$ is a tempered distribution on V , called a “zeta distribution”. Moreover, denoting by \hat{f} the Fourier transform of f , one has a functional equation of the following form

$$(5) \quad \Phi_i\left(\hat{f}, s - \frac{n}{r}\right) = (2\pi)^{-rs} e\left(\frac{rs}{4}\right) \Gamma_{\Omega_0}(s) \sum_{j=0}^r u_{ij}(s) \Phi_j(f, -s),$$

where $u_{ij}(s)$ is a polynomial in $e(-s/2)$ of degree at most r .

For the cases $V = \operatorname{Her}_r(\mathbb{C})$ and $\operatorname{Sym}_r(\mathbb{R})$, explicit expressions for $u_{ij}(s)$ were obtained by Sato-Shintani [6] and Shintani [7]. For the case $r = 2$, the functional equations of the corresponding zeta functions were obtained by Siegel [8] (cf. also [2]). Other cases were treated by Muro [4] by using the micro-local analysis (cf. [10]). Here we will give a direct and unified way of computing the Fourier transform based on the theory of Jordan algebras, generalizing the method of [6], [7].

REMARK. In the notation of [6], our $u_{ij}(s)$ and $\Gamma_{\Omega_0}(s)$ are equal to $(2\pi)^{-\frac{1}{2}(n-r)} u_{ij}(s)$ and $(2\pi)^{\frac{1}{2}(n-r)\gamma} \left(s - \frac{n}{r}\right)$, respectively. In our case, using the relation $N(\operatorname{grad})N(u)^s = b(s)N(u)^{s-1}$ ($u \in \Omega_0$) and (3), it is easy to see that the “ b -function” is given by

$$(6) \quad b(s) = \prod_{i=1}^r \left(s + \frac{d}{2}(i-1)\right).$$

NOTATION. \mathbb{R}_+ is the semi-group of positive real numbers. For $z \in \mathbb{C}$, we set $e(z) = \exp(2\pi\sqrt{-1}z)$. For a linear transformation T of a (real) vector space V and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, we set $V(T, \alpha) = \{v \in V \mid Tv = \alpha v\}$. The real

linear subspace of V generated by a subset $\{v_1, \dots, v_m\}$ in V is denoted by $\{v_1, \dots, v_m\}_R$. When V is endowed with an inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$, we write $S[v] = \langle v, Sv \rangle$ ($v \in V$) for any symmetric linear transformation S . For a topological group G , G° stands for the identity connected component of G .

1. Preliminaries on Jordan algebras (cf. [1], [5a], [5c]).

1.1. Let V be a formally real simple Jordan algebra of dimension n . We choose and fix a set of primitive idempotents $\{e_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq r\}$ such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^r e_i = 1, \quad e_i e_j = \delta_{ij} e_i;$$

the cardinality r is uniquely determined and is called the “rank” of V . The linear transformation T_{e_i} has eigen values $0, 1/2, 1$, and one has $V(T_{e_i}, 1) = \{e_i\}_R$. We put

$$V_{ij} = \begin{cases} V(T_{e_i}, 1) & \text{if } i = j, \\ V\left(T_{e_i}, \frac{1}{2}\right) \cap V\left(T_{e_j}, \frac{1}{2}\right) & \text{if } i \neq j. \end{cases}$$

Then, $\dim V_{ij}$ ($i \neq j$) are all equal, and one has the Peirce decomposition:

$$(7) \quad V = \bigoplus_{i \neq j} V_{ij}.$$

Hence, putting $d = \dim V_{ij}$ ($i \neq j$), one has

$$(8) \quad n = r + \frac{d}{2}r(r - 1).$$

It follows that $\langle e_i, e_j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$.

1.2. Following Koecher, we use the notation

$$x \square y = T_{xy} + [T_x, T_y] \quad \text{for } x, y \in V.$$

By definition, the structure group $G = \text{Str}(V)$ is an algebraic group given by

$$G = \{g \in GL(V) \mid g(x \square y)g^{-1} = (gx) \square ({}^t g^{-1}y) \ (x, y \in V)\}.$$

Then G is reductive, and it is known that

$$\mathfrak{g} = \text{Lie } G = \{x \square y \ (x, y \in V)\}_R$$

(see e.g. [5a]). Let $K = \text{Aut}(V)$ be the automorphism group of the Jordan algebra V . Then one has $K^\circ = \{g \in G^\circ \mid {}^t g^{-1} = g\}$ and K° is a maximal compact subgroup of G° . Let $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{k} + \mathfrak{p}$ be the corresponding Cartan

decomposition. Then one has $\mathfrak{p} = \{T_x (x \in V)\}$, and

$$\mathfrak{a} = \{T_{e_i} (1 \leq i \leq r)\}_R$$

is a maximal (abelian) subalgebra in \mathfrak{p} . Thus r coincides with the (real) rank of \mathfrak{g} .

We put $\underline{V} = \sum_{i < j} V_{ij}$ and, for $x = \sum_{i < j} x_{ij} (x_{ij} \in V_{ij})$, put

$$(9) \quad T_x^{(+)} = \sum_{i < j} e_i \square x_{ij}, \quad T_x^{(-)} = \sum_{i < j} e_j \square x_{ij} (= {}^t T_x^{(+)}).$$

Then

$$\mathfrak{n}' = \{T_x^{(+)} (x \in \underline{V})\}, \quad \mathfrak{n} = \{T_x^{(-)} (x \in \underline{V})\}$$

are (mutually opposite) maximal nilpotent subalgebras of \mathfrak{g} normalized by \mathfrak{a} . Let A, N, N' denote the analytic subgroups of G corresponding to $\mathfrak{a}, \mathfrak{n}, \mathfrak{n}'$, respectively. Then one has Iwasawa decompositions $G^\circ = K^\circ \cdot AN = K^\circ \cdot AN'$.

1.3. Let \mathcal{E} denote the set of all r -tuples consisting of ± 1 . For $\varepsilon = (\varepsilon_j) \in \mathcal{E}$, we denote the cardinality of $\{j | \varepsilon_j = -1\}$ by $n(\varepsilon)$ and set

$$\mathcal{E}_i = \{\varepsilon \in \mathcal{E} | n(\varepsilon) = i\}.$$

By definition, Ω_i is the G° -orbit of $-\sum_{j=1}^i e_j + \sum_{j=i+1}^r e_j$. For $\varepsilon = (\varepsilon_j) \in \mathcal{E}$, we denote by Ω_ε (resp. Ω'_ε) the AN -orbit (resp. AN' -orbit) of $\sum_{j=1}^r \varepsilon_j e_j$. Clearly, one has $\Omega_\varepsilon, \Omega'_\varepsilon \subset \Omega_i$ if $\varepsilon \in \mathcal{E}_i$.

LEMMA 1. (i) *The $\Omega'_\varepsilon (\varepsilon \in \mathcal{E})$ are mutually disjoint and $\coprod_{\varepsilon \in \mathcal{E}} \Omega'_\varepsilon$ is a Zariski-open subset in Ω_i .*

(ii) *For each $\varepsilon \in \mathcal{E}$, the map*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{R}_+^r \times \underline{V} &\rightarrow \Omega'_\varepsilon \\ (t_1, \dots, t_r) \times x &\mapsto (\exp T_x^{(+)})(\sum_{j=1}^r t_j \varepsilon_j e_j) = v \end{aligned}$$

is a (bijective) homeomorphism.

For a proof, see [5c]. We have also an analogous lemma for Ω_ε . The correspondence in Lemma 1, (ii) is given explicitly as follows:

$$(10) \quad v = \sum_{i=1}^r \left(\varepsilon_i t_i + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k>i} \varepsilon_k t_k \hat{\xi}_{ik}(x)^2 \right) e_i + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i < j} \left(\varepsilon_j t_j \hat{\xi}_{ij}(x) + \sum_{k>j} \varepsilon_k t_k \hat{\xi}_{ik}(x) \hat{\xi}_{jk}(x) \right),$$

where, for $x = \sum_{i < j} x_{ij} \in \underline{V}$, we set

$$\hat{\xi}_{ij}(x) = \sum_{\nu=1}^{j-i} \frac{1}{\nu!} \sum_{i < k_1 < \dots < k_{\nu-1} < j} x_{ik_1} x_{k_1 k_2} \dots x_{k_{\nu-1} j}.$$

It follows that for the corresponding (Euclidean) volume elements one has

$$d(v) = 2^{r-n} \left(\prod_{j=1}^r t_j^{(j-1)d} dt_j \right) \cdot d(x) .$$

Since $N(v) = \prod_{j=1}^r (t_j \varepsilon_j)$, the G -invariant volume element on V^\times is given by

$$(11) \quad |N(v)|^{-n/r} d(v) = 2^{r-n} \left(\prod_{j=1}^r t_j^{(j-1)d-n/r} dt_j \right) \cdot d(x) .$$

1.4. We set

$$V^{(k)} = \sum_{i,j \leq k} V_{ij} , \quad V_k = \sum_{i < k} V_{ik} .$$

Then $V^{(k)} = V(T_{1^{(k)}}, 1)$ is a (simple) Jordan subalgebra with the unit element $1^{(k)} = \sum_{j=1}^k e_j$. We denote the reduced norm of $V^{(k)}$ by $N^{(k)}$. Note that the restriction of the “standard” inner product (1) to $V^{(k)}$ is that of $V^{(k)}$. It is known that $V^{(k)} V_{k+1} \subset V_{k+1}$ and the map

$$\rho_k(v) : V^{(k)} \ni v \mapsto 2T_v | V_{k+1} \in \text{End}(V_{k+1})$$

is a (unital) Jordan algebra representation of $V^{(k)}$. For $v \in V^{(k)}$, $x \in V_{k+1}$, we put

$$v[x] = \frac{1}{2} \rho_k(v)[x] = \langle x, vx \rangle .$$

LEMMA 2. (i) For $v \in V^{(k)}$, one has

$$(12) \quad \det(\rho_k(v)) = N^{(k)}(v)^d .$$

(ii) For $v \in V$, $v = \sum_{i \leq j} v_{ij}$, we write

$$v_{ii} = \xi_i e_i , \quad v^{(k)} = \sum_{i,j \leq k} v_{ij} , \quad v_k = \sum_{i < k} v_{ik} .$$

If $v^{(k-1)}$ is invertible (i.e. if $N^{(k-1)}(v^{(k-1)}) \neq 0$), one has

$$(13) \quad N^{(k)}(v^{(k)}) = N^{(k-1)}(v^{(k-1)}) (\xi_k - v^{(k-1)^{-1}}[v_k]) .$$

(For $k = 1$, we make a convention that $v^{(0)} = 1$, $v_1 = 0$.)

PROOF. To prove (12), we may assume $k = r - 1$. Then, for any $v \in V^{(r-1)}$, there exists $g \in K$ such that

$$ge_r = e_r , \quad gv = \sum_{i=1}^{r-1} t_i e_i \quad \text{with } t_i \in \mathbf{R}$$

([5c]). Then g leaves V_r invariant, and one has

$$\rho_{r-1}(v) = (g | V_r)^{-1} \rho_{r-1} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{r-1} t_i e_i \right) (g | V_r) .$$

Hence

$$\det(\rho_{r-1}(v)) = \det \left(\rho_{r-1} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{r-1} t_i e_i \right) \right) = \left(\prod_{i=1}^{r-1} t_i \right)^d = N^{(r-1)}(v)^d ,$$

which proves our assertion.

To prove (13), we may again assume $k = r - 1$. Then, in our notation, one has

$$\begin{aligned} v &= v^{(r-1)} + v_r + \xi_r e_r \\ &= \exp(e_r \square x)(v^{(r-1)} + \xi'_r e_r), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{cases} x = 2\rho_{r-1}(v^{(r-1)})^{-1}v_r, \\ \xi'_r = \xi_r - v^{(r-1)-1}[v_r] \end{cases}$$

(see [5c]). It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} N(v) &= N(v^{(r-1)} + \xi'_r e_r) \\ &= N^{(r-1)}(v^{(r-1)})\xi'_r, \end{aligned} \qquad \text{q.e.d.}$$

We denote the projection map $v \mapsto v^{(k)}$ by P_k and, when $P_{k-1}(v) = v^{(k-1)}$ is invertible, set

$$(14) \quad \begin{aligned} \chi_k(v) &= N^{(k)}(P_k(v))/N^{(k-1)}(P_{k-1}(v)) \\ &= \xi_k - v^{(k-1)-1}[v_k]. \end{aligned}$$

(We set $\chi_1(v) = \xi_1$ for any v .) Then, when all $P_k(v) = v^{(k)}$ ($1 \leq k \leq r$) are invertible, one has

$$(15) \quad N(v) = \prod_{k=1}^r \chi_k(v).$$

Similarly, the projection map onto $V(T_1^{(k)}, 0)$ is denoted by P'_k , i.e. $P'_k(v) = \sum_{i,j \geq k+1} v_{ij}$. We denote the reduced norm of $P'_k(V) = V(T_1^{(k)}, 0)$ by $N^{(k)'}$ and, when $P'_k(v)$ is invertible, set

$$\chi'_k(v) = N^{(k-1)'}(P_{k-1}'(v))/N^{(k)'}(P'_k(v)).$$

Then, in the notation of Lemma 1, (ii), it is clear that, for $v \in \Omega'_i$, one has

$$P'_k(v) = \exp(T_{P'_k(x)}^{(+)} \left(\sum_{i=k+1}^r t_i \varepsilon_i e_i \right)),$$

whence follows that

$$N^{(k)'}(P'_k(v)) = \prod_{i=k+1}^r (t_i \varepsilon_i) \quad \text{and} \quad \chi'_k(v) = t_k \varepsilon_k.$$

Thus one has $v \in \Omega'_i$, if and only if all $P'_k(v)$ ($1 \leq k \leq r$) are invertible and the sign of $\chi'_k(v)$ is ε_k ([5c]). One has also an analogous result for Ω_ε , P_k , and χ_k .

1.5. For $\sigma = (\sigma_k) \in C^r$, one defines the gamma function of r variables associated to Ω_0 by

$$\Gamma_{\Omega_0}(\sigma) = \int_{\Omega_0} e^{-\langle u, 1 \rangle} \left(\prod_{k=1}^r \chi'_k(u)^{\sigma_k} \right) N(u)^{-n/r} d(u).$$

Then, by changing variables as in Lemma 1, (ii), it can be shown that this integral is convergent for $\text{Re } \sigma_k > \frac{d}{2}(r - k)$ and

$$(16) \quad \Gamma_{\Omega_0}(\sigma) = (2\pi)^{\frac{1}{2}(n-r)} \prod_{k=1}^r \Gamma\left(\sigma_k - \frac{d}{2}(r - k)\right)$$

(cf. [3], [5b]). If we identify $s \in C$ with the r -tuple (s, s, \dots, s) , then (3) becomes a special case of (16).

2. Computation of the Fourier transforms.

2.1. In the following computation, f is a function in $\mathcal{S}(V)$ whose support is compact and contained in the union of the sets Ω_ε ($\varepsilon \in \mathcal{E}$). For $\sigma = (\sigma_k) \in C^r$ and $\varepsilon = (\varepsilon_k) \in \mathcal{E}$, we put

$$(17) \quad \Psi_\varepsilon(f, \sigma) = \int_{\Omega_\varepsilon} f(v) \prod_{k=1}^r |\chi_k(v)|^{\sigma_k} d(v),$$

$$(18) \quad \Psi'_\varepsilon(\hat{f}, \sigma) = \int_{\Omega'_\varepsilon} \hat{f}(v) \prod_{k=1}^r |\chi'_k(v)|^{\sigma_k} d(v) \quad \left(\text{Re } \sigma_k > \frac{d}{2}(r - k) - \frac{n}{r} \right).$$

Then, if one identifies $s \in C$ with the r -tuple (s, \dots, s) , one has by Lemma 1, (i)

$$(19) \quad \Phi_i(f, s) = \sum_{\varepsilon \in \mathcal{E}_i} \Psi_\varepsilon(f, s), \quad \Phi_i(\hat{f}, s) = \sum_{\varepsilon \in \mathcal{E}_i} \Psi'_\varepsilon(\hat{f}, s).$$

Hence, by computing the integral $\Psi'_\varepsilon(\hat{f}, s - \frac{n}{r})$ and using Theorem 1 in [6], we will obtain the functional equation of the zeta distributions.

2.2. By Lemma 1 and (11), writing $v \in \Omega'_\varepsilon$ in the form $v = (\exp T_x^{(+)})(\sum t_k \varepsilon_k e_k)$, one has for $\text{Re } \sigma_k > \frac{d}{2}(r - k)$

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi'_\varepsilon\left(\hat{f}, \sigma - \frac{n}{r}\right) &= \int_{\Omega'_\varepsilon} \hat{f}(v) \prod_{k=1}^r |\chi'_k(v)|^{\sigma_k} |N(v)|^{-n/r} d(v) \\ &= 2^{r-n} \int \left[\int f(u) e\left(\langle u, (\exp T_x^{(+)})(\sum_{k=1}^r t_k \varepsilon_k e_k) \rangle\right) d(u) \right] \\ &\quad \times \prod_{k=1}^r (t_k^{\sigma_k + (k-1)d - n/r} dt_k) d(x), \end{aligned}$$

where the integral is taken over $t_k \in \mathbf{R}_+$ ($1 \leq k \leq r$), $x \in \underline{V}$ and $u \in V$. We write

$$\begin{aligned}
 u &= \sum_{k=1}^r \xi_k e_k + \sum_{k < l} u_{kl}, \quad \xi_k \in \mathbf{R}, \quad u_{kl} \in V_{kl}, \\
 \xi_{kl}(x) &= x'_{kl}, \quad x' = \sum_{k < l} x'_{kl}, \\
 u_k &= \sum_{i < k} u_{ik}, \quad x'_k = \sum_{i < k} x'_{ik}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Then, by (10), one has $d(x) = d(x') = \prod_{k=1}^r d(x'_k)$. Also, one has

$$\langle u, v \rangle = \sum_{k=1}^r \varepsilon_k t_k \left(\xi_k + \frac{1}{2} \langle u_k, x'_k \rangle + \frac{1}{4} P_{k-1}(u)[x'_k] \right).$$

Following the method in [6], we define $Q_k = Q_k(u, \delta, \varepsilon_k) \in \text{End}(V_k)$ with $\delta > 0$ by

$$Q_k = \delta \mathbf{1} - \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{4} \varepsilon_k \rho_{k-1}(P_{k-1}(u)) \quad (2 \leq k \leq r).$$

Then one has

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle u, v \rangle &= \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2} \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \delta \sum_{k=1}^r t_k (1 + \langle x'_k, x'_k \rangle) - 2\sqrt{-1} \langle u, v \rangle \right\} \\
 &= \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2} \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \sum_{k=1}^r t_k (\delta - 2\sqrt{-1} \varepsilon_k \xi_k + Q_k[x'_k] - \sqrt{-1} \varepsilon_k \langle u_k, x'_k \rangle),
 \end{aligned}$$

where we make a convention that $Q_1 = 1, u_1 = x'_1 = 0$. Therefore, one obtains

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Psi'_i(\hat{f}, \sigma - \frac{n}{r}) &= 2^{r-n} \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \int f(u) e \left(\frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2} \sum_{k=1}^r t_k (\delta - 2\sqrt{-1} \varepsilon_k \xi_k + Q_k[x'_k] \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \sqrt{-1} \varepsilon_k \langle u_k, x'_k \rangle) \right) \prod_{k=1}^r (t_k^{\sigma_k + (k-1)d - n/r} dt_k) d(x) d(u) \\
 &= 2^{r-n} \int_V f(u) \left(\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \prod_{k=1}^r \int_0^\infty F_k(t_k, u, \delta) dt_k \right) d(u),
 \end{aligned}$$

where one puts

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_k(t_k, u, \delta) &= e \left(\frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2} t_k \left(\delta - 2\sqrt{-1} \varepsilon_k \xi_k + \frac{1}{4} Q_k^{-1}[u_k] \right) \right) \\
 &\quad \times t_k^{\sigma_k + (k-1)d - n/r} \int_{V_k} e \left(\frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2} t_k Q_k \left[x'_k - \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2} \varepsilon_k Q_k^{-1} u_k \right] \right) d(x'_k).
 \end{aligned}$$

Since the last integral over V_k is equal to $\det(t_k Q_k)^{-1/2}$, one has

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_0^\infty F_k(t_k, u, \delta) dt_k &= \det(Q_k)^{-1/2} \Gamma \left(\sigma_k - \frac{d}{2} (r - k) \right) \\
 &\quad \times \left(\pi \left(\delta - 2\sqrt{-1} \varepsilon_k \xi_k + \frac{1}{4} Q_k^{-1}[u_k] \right) \right)^{-\sigma_k + \frac{d}{2} (r - k)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Now assume that $u \in \Omega_\eta$, $\eta = (\eta_k)$. Then, when δ tends to zero, one has by Lemma 2 and (14), (15).

$$\begin{aligned} \det(Q_k)^{-1/2} &= N^{(k)} \left(\delta 1^{(k)} - \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{4} \varepsilon_k P_{k-1}(u) \right)^{-d/2} \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} \left(\delta - \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{4} \varepsilon_k \eta_i |\chi_i(u)| \right)^{-d/2} \\ &\rightarrow 4^{\frac{d}{2}(k-1)} \left(\prod_{i=1}^{k-1} e \left(\frac{d}{8} \varepsilon_k \eta_i \right) \right) |N^{(k-1)}(P_{k-1}(u))|^{-d/2} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} &\left(\delta - 2\sqrt{-1} \varepsilon_k \xi_k + \frac{1}{4} Q_k^{-1}[u_k] \right)^{-\sigma_k + \frac{d}{2}(r-k)} \\ &\rightarrow 2^{-\sigma_k + \frac{d}{2}(r-k)} e \left(\frac{1}{4} \varepsilon_k \eta_k \left(\sigma_k - \frac{d}{2}(r-k) \right) |\chi_k(u)| \right)^{-\sigma_k + \frac{d}{2}(r-k)}. \end{aligned}$$

By (15) one has

$$\prod_{k=1}^r (|\chi_k(u)|^{r-k} |N^{(k-1)}(P_{k-1}(u))|^{-1}) = 1.$$

Hence one has

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \prod_{k=1}^r \int_0^\infty F_k(t_k, u, \delta) dt_k \\ = (8\pi)^{\frac{d}{4}r(r-1)} u_{\varepsilon\eta}(\sigma) \prod_{k=1}^r \left((2\pi)^{-\sigma_k} e \left(\frac{1}{4} \sigma_k \right) \Gamma \left(\sigma_k - \frac{d}{2}(r-k) \right) |\chi_k(u)|^{-\sigma_k} \right), \end{aligned}$$

where one puts

$$(20) \quad u_{\varepsilon\eta}(\sigma) = e \left(\frac{d}{8} \left(\sum_{i < k} \varepsilon_k \eta_i - \sum_{k=1}^r \varepsilon_k \eta_k (r-k) \right) + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=1}^r (\varepsilon_k \eta_k - 1) \sigma_k \right).$$

Thus one has by (16)

$$(21) \quad \Psi'_\varepsilon \left(\hat{f}, \sigma - \frac{n}{r} \right) = (2\pi)^{-\sum \sigma_k} e \left(\frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=1}^r \sigma_k \right) \Gamma_{\Omega_0}(\sigma) \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{E}} u_{\varepsilon\eta}(\sigma) \Psi_\eta(f, -\sigma).$$

2.3. When $\sigma = s = (s, \dots, s)$, it is clear that $\sum_{\varepsilon \in \mathcal{E}_i} u_{\varepsilon\eta}(s)$ depends only on the sign of η . Hence we set

$$(22) \quad u_{ij}(s) = \sum_{\varepsilon \in \mathcal{E}_i} u_{\varepsilon\eta}(s) \quad \text{for } \eta \in \mathcal{E}_j.$$

Then one has

$$\Phi_i \left(\hat{f}, s - \frac{n}{r} \right) = \sum_{\varepsilon \in \mathcal{E}_i} \Psi'_\varepsilon \left(\hat{f}, s - \frac{n}{r} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (2\pi)^{-rs} e\left(\frac{r}{4}s\right) \Gamma_{\rho_0}(s) \sum_{j=0}^r \left(u_{ij}(s) \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{E}'_j} \Psi_{\eta}(f, -s) \right) \\
 &= (2\pi)^{-rs} e\left(\frac{r}{4}s\right) \Gamma_{\rho_0}(s) \sum_{j=0}^r u_{ij}(s) \Phi_j(f, -s).
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have shown that, if one defines $u_{ij}(s)$ by (20) and (22), the formula (5) holds for any function f in $\mathcal{S}(V)$ whose support is compact and contained in $\mathbf{U}\Omega_{\varepsilon}$. Hence, by Theorem 1 in [6], the same formula holds for all f in $\mathcal{S}(V)$.

Taking $\eta = (-1, \dots, -1, 1, \dots, 1)$ (-1 repeated j times), one has

$$\begin{aligned}
 (23) \quad u_{ij}(s) &= \sum_{\varepsilon \in \mathcal{E}'_j} e\left(\frac{d}{8} \left(\sum_{k=1}^j \varepsilon_k (r - 2k + 1) - \sum_{k=j+1}^r \varepsilon_k (r - 2k + 2j + 1) \right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{4} \left(-\sum_{k=1}^j \varepsilon_k + \sum_{k=j+1}^r \varepsilon_k - r \right) s \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have proved the following

THEOREM 1. *Let V be a formally real simple Jordan algebra. Then the tempered distribution $f \mapsto \Phi_i(f, s)$ defined by (4) satisfies a system of functional equations*

$$\Phi_i\left(\hat{f}, s - \frac{n}{r}\right) = (2\pi)^{-rs} e\left(\frac{r}{4}s\right) \Gamma_{\rho_0}(s) \sum_{j=0}^r u_{ij}(s) \Phi_j(f, -s) \quad (0 \leq i \leq r),$$

where Γ_{ρ_0} and u_{ij} are given by (3) and (23).

REMARK. It can be shown that

$$(24) \quad \underline{V} \in x \mapsto \exp(e_r \square x_r) \cdots \exp(e_2 \square x_2) \in N$$

is a bijection of \underline{V} onto N (cf. [3], [9]). One can give an alternate proof of Theorem 1 by using this parametrization instead of Lemma 1, (ii) and by proceeding by induction on r .

3. Properties of the matrix $U^{(r)}(x)$. In what follows, we put $x = e(-s/2)$ and write $u_{ij}(x)$ for $u_{ij}(s)$. Then $u_{ij}(x)$ is a polynomial in x of degree at most r . We consider the matrix $U(x) = U^{(r)}(x) = (u_{ij}(x))$.

From (23) one has

$$\begin{aligned}
 u_{ij}(x) &= \sum_{\varepsilon \in \mathcal{E}'_j} e\left(\frac{d}{4} \left(\sum_{k=1}^j \frac{1 + \varepsilon_k}{2} (r - 2k + 1) - \sum_{k=j+1}^r \frac{1 + \varepsilon_k}{2} (r - 2k + 2j + 1) \right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \frac{s}{2} \left(\sum_{k=1}^j \frac{1 + \varepsilon_k}{2} + \sum_{k=j+1}^r \frac{1 - \varepsilon_k}{2} \right) \right) \\
 &= \sum_{\varepsilon \in \mathcal{E}'_j} \left(\prod_{k=1}^j ((-1)^{d_k} \sqrt{-1}^{d(r+1)} x)^{\frac{1}{2}(1+\varepsilon_k)} \prod_{k=j+1}^r ((-1)^{d(k-j)} \sqrt{-1}^{-d(r+1)})^{\frac{1}{2}(1+\varepsilon_k)} x^{\frac{1}{2}(1-\varepsilon_k)} \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, putting $\zeta = \sqrt{-1}^{d(r+1)}$, one has

$$(25) \quad \sum_{i=0}^r y^i u_{ij}(x) = \prod_{k=1}^j ((-1)^{dk} \zeta x + y) \prod_{k=j+1}^r ((-1)^{d(k-j)} \zeta^{-1} + xy),$$

which can also be written as

$$(25') \quad \sum_{i=0}^r y^i u_{ij}(x) = \zeta^{-(r-j)} P_j(\zeta x, y) P_{r-j}(1, \zeta xy),$$

where

$$P_j(x, y) = \prod_{k=1}^j ((-1)^{dk} x + y) = \begin{cases} (x + y)^j & \text{for } d \text{ even,} \\ (x + y)^{\lfloor \frac{j}{2} \rfloor} (y - x)^{j - \lfloor \frac{j}{2} \rfloor} & \text{for } d \text{ odd.} \end{cases}$$

First, we consider the case where d is even. We distinguish two cases:

Case (a): $d \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ or $d \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ and r odd,

Case (a'): $d \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ and r even.

Then one has

$$\zeta = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{in Case (a),} \\ -1 & \text{in Case (a').} \end{cases}$$

THEOREM 2. *Let ρ_r denote the symmetric tensor representation of GL_2 of degree $r + 1$. Then, when d is even, one has*

$$(26) \quad U^{(r)}(x) = \begin{cases} \rho_r \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ x & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) & \text{in Case (a),} \\ \rho_r \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ -x & -1 \end{pmatrix} \right) & \text{in Case (a').} \end{cases}$$

PROOF. In Case (a), (25) can be written as

$$(1, y, \dots, y^r) U^{(r)}(x) = ((1 + xy)^r, (x + y)(1 + xy)^{r-1}, \dots, (x + y)^r).$$

For $r = 1$, one has $U^{(1)}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ x & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. Hence one obtains (26). The proof for Case (a') is similar. (Note that in this case r is even.) q.e.d.

COROLLARY 1. *When d is even, the matrix $U(x)$ is diagonalizable.*

In fact, one has

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ x & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 + x & 0 \\ 0 & 1 - x \end{pmatrix}, \\ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ -x & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 - x \\ 1 + x & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\Phi'_i(f, s) = \sum_{j=0}^r a_{ij} \Phi_j(f, s) \quad (0 \leq i \leq r),$$

then one has

$$\begin{aligned} (30) \quad \Phi'_i\left(\hat{f}, s - \frac{n}{r}\right) &= (2\pi)^{-rs} \Gamma_{\rho_0}(s) \left(e\left(\frac{r}{2}s\right) + e\left(-\frac{r}{2}s\right) \right)^{r-i} \left(\left(\frac{r}{2}s\right) - e\left(-\frac{r}{2}s\right) \right)^i \\ &\times \begin{cases} \Phi'_i(f, -s) & \text{in Case (a),} \\ \Phi'_{r-i}(f, -s) & \text{in Case (a').} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Next, we consider the case where d is odd. According to the classification theory, we have the following two possibilities:

Case (b): $r = 2$ and d odd ($n = 2 + d$),

Case (c): r arbitrary and $d = 1$ ($n = \frac{1}{2}r(r + 1)$).

In Case (b), one has by (25)

$$\sum y^i u_{ij}(x) = \begin{cases} (-\zeta^{-1} + xy)(\zeta^{-1} + xy) = 1 + x^2 y^2 & (j = 0), \\ (-\zeta x + y)(-\zeta^{-1} + xy) = x + \zeta(1 - x^2)y + xy^2 & (j = 1), \\ (-\zeta x + y)(\zeta x + y) = x^2 + y^2 & (j = 2), \end{cases}$$

where $\zeta = \sqrt{-1}^n$. Hence $U^{(2)}(x)$ is given by

$$(31) \quad U^{(2)}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 \\ 0 & \sqrt{-1}^n(1 - x^2) & 0 \\ x^2 & x & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus one see that $U^{(2)}(x)$ is again diagonalizable with simple eigen values $1 + x^2, 1 - x^2, \sqrt{-1}^n(1 - x^2)$. This case was treated in [8].

The Case (c) is the one treated in [7]. The case $r = 2$ is contained in Case (b), while the case $r = 1$ may be included in Case (a), because for $r = 1$ the number d is actually undetermined. Hence $U^{(r)}(x)$ is diagonalizable for $r = 1, 2$. But, in general, it is not known whether $U^{(r)}(x)$ is diagonalizable or not.

It can be shown by (5) that, when d is odd, $U^{(r)}(x)$ satisfies the following functional equation

$$(32) \quad U^{(r)}(x)U^{(r)}(\zeta^{-1}x^{-1}) = (x + x^{-1})\left[\frac{r}{2}\right](x - x^{-1})^{r-\left[\frac{r}{2}\right]}J^{(r)}.$$

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