

# Moments for $L$ -functions for $GL_r \times GL_{r-1}$

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## 1. Introduction

We exhibit elementary kernels  $\mathfrak{P}$  which produce sums of integral moments for cuspforms  $f$  on  $GL_r$  by

$$\int_{Z_{\mathbb{A}} GL_r(k) \backslash GL_r(\mathbb{A})} \mathfrak{P} \cdot |f|^2 = \sum_{F \text{ on } GL_{r-1}} \int_{\text{Re}(s)=\frac{1}{2}} |\rho_F|^2 \cdot |L(s, \pi_f \times \pi_F)|^2 M(s) ds + (\text{non-cuspidal part})$$

over number fields  $k$ , with certain weights  $M(s)$ , where  $F$  runs over an orthogonal basis for cuspforms on  $GL_{r-1}$ ,  $\rho_F$  is a general analogue of the leading Fourier coefficient of a  $GL_2$  cuspform, and  $\pi_f$  and  $\pi_F$  are the irreducible cuspidal automorphic representations generated by  $f$  and  $F$ , respectively. There are further non-cuspidal spectral terms analogous to the sum over cuspforms, but, presumably, the cuspidal part dominates. The Poincaré series  $\mathfrak{P}$  admits a spectral decomposition, surprisingly consisting of only three parts: a leading term, a sum arising from cuspforms on  $GL_2$ , and a continuous part from  $GL_2$ . That is, no cuspforms on  $GL_\ell$  with  $2 < \ell \leq r$  contribute. This spectral decomposition facilitates the meromorphic continuation of  $\mathfrak{P}$  in auxiliary parameters.

Moments of level-one holomorphic elliptic modular forms were treated in [Good 1983] and [Good 1986], the latter using an idea that is a precursor of part of the present approach. Level-one waveforms over  $\mathbb{Q}$  appear in [Diaconu-Goldfeld 2006a], over  $\mathbb{Q}(i)$  in [Diaconu-Goldfeld 2006b]. Arbitrary level, groundfield, and infinity-type for  $GL_2$  are in [Diaconu-Garrett 2009a] and [Diaconu-Garrett 2009b].

We have in mind application not only to cuspforms, but also to truncated Eisenstein series or wave packets of Eisenstein series, thus applying harmonic analysis on  $GL_r$  to  $L$ -functions attached to  $GL_1$ , touching upon high integral moments of  $\zeta_k(s)$ .

For context, we review the [Diaconu-Goldfeld 2006a] treatment of spherical waveforms  $f$  for  $GL_2(\mathbb{Q})$ . In that case, the sum of moments is a single term

$$\int_{Z_{\mathbb{A}} GL_2(\mathbb{Q}) \backslash GL_2(\mathbb{A})} \mathfrak{P}(g) |f(g)|^2 dg = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\text{Re}(s)=\frac{1}{2}} L(s' + s, f) \cdot \bar{L}(s, f) \cdot \Gamma(s, z, w, f_\infty) ds$$

where  $\Gamma(s, z, w, f_\infty)$  is a ratio of products of gammas, with arguments depending upon the archimedean data of  $f$ . Here the Poincaré series  $\mathfrak{P}(g) = \mathfrak{P}(g, z, w)$  has a *spectral expansion*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{P}(z, w) &= \frac{\pi^{\frac{1-w}{2}} \Gamma(\frac{w-1}{2})}{\pi^{-\frac{w}{2}} \Gamma(\frac{w}{2})} \cdot E_{1+z} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{F \text{ on } GL_2} \rho_{\bar{F}} \cdot L(\frac{1}{2} + z, \bar{F}) \cdot \mathcal{G}(\frac{1}{2} - it_F, z, w) \cdot F \\ &+ \frac{1}{4\pi i} \int_{\text{Re}(s)=\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\zeta(z+s) \zeta(z+1-s)}{\xi(2-2s)} \mathcal{G}(1-s, z, w) \cdot E_s ds \quad (\text{for } \text{Re}(z) \gg \frac{1}{2}, \text{Re}(w) \gg 1) \end{aligned}$$

where  $\xi(s) = \pi^{-s/2} \Gamma(s/2) \zeta(s)$ , where  $\mathcal{G}$  is essentially a product of gamma function values

$$\mathcal{G}(s, z, w) = \pi^{-(z+\frac{w}{2})} \frac{\Gamma(\frac{z+1-s}{2}) \Gamma(\frac{z+s}{2}) \Gamma(\frac{z-s+w}{2}) \Gamma(\frac{z+s-1+w}{2})}{\Gamma(z + \frac{w}{2})}$$

and  $F$  is summed over (an orthogonal basis for) spherical (at finite primes) cuspforms on  $GL_2$  with Laplacian eigenvalues  $\frac{1}{4} + t_F^2$ , and  $E_s$  is the usual spherical Eisenstein series. The continuous part, the *integral* of Eisenstein series, cancels the pole at  $z = 1$  of the leading term, and when evaluated at  $z = 0$  is

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{P}(g, 0, w) &= (\text{holomorphic at } z=0) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{F \text{ on } GL_2} \rho_{\bar{F}} \cdot L(\tfrac{1}{2}, \bar{F}) \cdot \mathcal{G}(\tfrac{1}{2} - it_F, 0, w) \cdot F \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{4\pi i} \int_{\text{Re}(s)=\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\zeta(s) \zeta(1-s)}{\xi(2-2s)} \mathcal{G}(1-s, 0, w) \cdot E_s ds \end{aligned}$$

In this spectral expansion, the coefficient in front of a cuspform  $F$  includes  $\mathcal{G}$  evaluated at  $z = 0$  and  $s = \frac{1}{2} \pm it_F$ , namely

$$\mathcal{G}(\tfrac{1}{2} - it_F, 0, w) = \pi^{-\frac{w}{2}} \frac{\Gamma(\frac{\frac{1}{2}-it_F}{2}) \Gamma(\frac{\frac{1}{2}+it_F}{2}) \Gamma(\frac{w-\frac{1}{2}-it_F}{2}) \Gamma(\frac{w-\frac{1}{2}+it_F}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{w}{2})}$$

The gamma function has poles at  $0, -1, -2, \dots$ , so this coefficient has poles at  $w = \frac{1}{2} \pm it_F, -\frac{3}{2} \pm it_F, \dots$ . Over  $\mathbb{Q}$ , among spherical cuspforms (or for any fixed level) these values have no accumulation point. The continuous part of the spectral side at  $z = 0$  is

$$\frac{1}{4\pi i} \int_{\text{Re}(s)=\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\xi(s) \xi(1-s)}{\xi(2-2s)} \frac{\Gamma(\frac{w-s}{2}) \Gamma(\frac{w-1+s}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{w}{2})} \cdot E_s ds$$

with gamma factors grouped with corresponding zeta functions, to form the completed  $L$ -functions  $\xi$ . Thus, the evident pole of the leading term at  $w = 1$  can be exploited, using the continuation to  $\text{Re}(w) > 1/2$ . A contour-shifting argument shows that the continuous part of this spectral decomposition has a meromorphic continuation to  $\mathbb{C}$  with poles at  $\rho/2$  for zeros  $\rho$  of  $\zeta$ , in addition to the poles from the gamma functions.

Already for  $GL_2$ , over general ground fields  $k$ , infinitely many Hecke characters enter both the spectral decomposition of the Poincaré series and the moment expression. This naturally complicates isolation of literal moments, and complicates analysis of poles via the spectral expansion. Suppressing constants, the moment expansion is a sum of twists by  $\chi$ 's

$$\int_{Z_{\mathbb{A}} GL_2(k) \backslash GL_2(\mathbb{A})} \mathfrak{P} \cdot |f|^2 = \sum_{\chi} \int_{\text{Re}(s)=\frac{1}{2}} L(s' + s, f \otimes \chi) \cdot L(1-s, \bar{f} \otimes \bar{\chi}) \cdot M_{\chi}(s) ds$$

And, suppressing constants, the spectral expansion is

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{P} &= (\infty - \text{part}) \cdot E_{1+z} + \sum_{F \text{ on } GL_2} (\infty - \text{part}) \cdot \rho_{\bar{F}} \cdot L(\tfrac{1}{2} + z, \bar{F}) \cdot F \\ &\quad + \sum_{\chi} \int_{\text{Re}(s)=\frac{1}{2}} \frac{L(z+s, \bar{\chi}) L(z+1-s, \chi)}{L(2-2s, \bar{\chi}^2)} \mathcal{G}_{\chi}(s) \cdot E_{s, \chi} ds \end{aligned}$$

In the simplest case beyond  $GL_2$ , take  $f$  a spherical cuspform for  $GL_3(\mathbb{Q})$ . We construct a weight function  $\Gamma(s, z, w, f_{\infty}, F_{\infty})$  depending upon complex parameters  $s, z$ , and  $w$ , and upon the *archimedean* data for both  $f$  and cuspforms  $F$  on  $GL_2$ , with explicit asymptotic behavior, such that the *moment expansion* is

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{Z_{\mathbb{A}} GL_3(\mathbb{Q}) \backslash GL_3(\mathbb{A})} \mathfrak{P}(z, w) \cdot |f|^2 dg &= \sum_{F \text{ on } GL_2} |\rho_F|^2 \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\text{Re}(s)=\frac{1}{2}} |L(s, \pi_f \times \pi_F)|^2 \cdot \Gamma(s, 0, w, f_{\infty}, F_{\infty}) ds \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{4\pi i} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \int_{\text{Re}(s_1)=\frac{1}{2}} \int_{\text{Re}(s_2)=\frac{1}{2}} \frac{|L(s_1, \pi_f \times \pi_{E_{1-s_2}^{(k)}})|^2}{|\xi(1-2it_2)|^2} \cdot \Gamma(s_1, 0, w, f_{\infty}, E_{1-s_2, \infty}^{(k)}) ds_1 ds_2 \end{aligned}$$

where  $F$  runs over (an orthogonal basis for) all level-one cuspforms on  $GL_2$ , with *no* restriction on the right  $K_\infty$ -type, and  $E_s^{(k)}$  is the usual level-one Eisenstein series of  $K_\infty$ -type  $k$ . Here and throughout, for  $\operatorname{Re}(s) = 1/2$ , write  $1 - s$  in place of  $\bar{s}$ , to maintain holomorphy in complex-conjugated parameters.

More generally, for a cuspform  $f$  on  $GL_r$  with  $r \geq 3$ , whether over  $\mathbb{Q}$  or over a numberfield, the *moment expansion* includes an infinite sum of terms  $|L(s, \pi_f \times \pi'_F)|^2$  over an orthogonal basis for cuspforms  $F$  on  $GL_{r-1}$ , as well as *integrals* of products of  $L$ -functions  $L(s, \pi_f \times \pi_F)$  for  $F$  ranging over cuspforms on  $GL_{r_1} \times \dots \times GL_{r_\ell}$  for all partitions  $(r_1, \dots, r_\ell)$  of  $r$ .

Generally, the spectral expansion for  $GL_r$  is an induced-up version of that for  $GL_2$ . Suppressing constants, using groundfield  $\mathbb{Q}$  to skirt Hecke characters,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{P} &= (\infty - \text{part}) \cdot E_{z+1}^{r-1,1} + \sum_{F \text{ on } GL_2} (\infty - \text{part}) \cdot \rho_{\bar{F}} \cdot L\left(\frac{rz+r-2}{2} + \frac{1}{2}, \bar{F}\right) \cdot E_{\frac{z+1}{2}, F}^{r-2,2} \\ &+ \int_{\operatorname{Re}(s)=\frac{1}{2}} (\infty - \text{part}) \cdot \frac{\zeta\left(\frac{rz+r-2}{2} + \frac{1}{2} - s\right) \cdot \zeta\left(\frac{rz+r-2}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + s\right)}{\zeta(2-2s)} \cdot E_{z+1, s-\frac{z+1}{2}, -s-\frac{z+1}{2}}^{r-2,1,1} ds \end{aligned}$$

where the Eisenstein series are normalized naively.

Again over  $\mathbb{Q}$ , the *most-continuous* part of the moment expansion for  $GL_r$  is of the form

$$\int_{\operatorname{Re}(s)=\frac{1}{2}} \int_{t \in \Lambda} |L(s, \pi_f \times \pi_{E_{\frac{1}{2}+it}}^{\min})|^2 M_t(s) ds dt = \int \int_{\Lambda} \left| \frac{\prod_{1 \leq \ell \leq r-1} L(s+it_\ell, f)}{\prod_{1 \leq j < \ell < n} \zeta(1-it_j+it_\ell)} \right|^2 M_t(s) ds dt$$

where

$$\Lambda = \{t \in \mathbb{R}^{r-1} : t_1 + \dots + t_{r-1} = 0\}$$

and where  $M$  is a weight function depending upon  $f$  and  $F$ . More generally, let  $r-1 = m \cdot b$ . For  $F$  on  $GL_m$ , let

$$F^\Delta = F \otimes \dots \otimes F$$

on  $GL_m \times \dots \times GL_m$ . Inside the moment expansion we have (recall Langlands-Shahidi)

$$\int_{\operatorname{Re}(s)=\frac{1}{2}} \int_{\Lambda} |L(s, \pi_f \times \pi_{E_{F^\Delta, \frac{1}{2}+it}})|^2 M_{F,t}(s) ds dt = \int \int_{\Lambda} \left| \frac{\prod_{1 \leq \ell \leq b} L(s+it_\ell, \pi_f \times \pi_F)}{\prod_{1 \leq j < \ell \leq b} L(1-it_j+it_\ell, \pi_F \times \pi_{F^\vee})} \right|^2 M ds dt$$

Replacing the cuspform  $f$  on  $GL_r(\mathbb{Q})$  by a (truncated) minimal-parabolic Eisenstein series  $E_\alpha$  with  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}^{n-1}$ , the most-continuous part of the moment expansion contains a term

$$\int \int_{\Lambda} \left| \frac{\prod_{1 \leq \mu \leq n, 1 \leq \ell \leq r-1} \zeta(\alpha_\mu + s + it_\ell)}{\prod_{1 \leq j < \ell < r} \zeta(1-it_j+it_\ell)} \right|^2 ds dt$$

Taking  $\alpha = 0 \in \mathbb{C}^{r-1}$  gives

$$\int \int_{\Lambda} \left| \frac{\prod_{1 \leq \ell \leq r-1} \zeta(s+it_\ell)^r}{\prod_{1 \leq j < \ell < r} \zeta(1-it_j+it_\ell)} \right|^2 M ds dt$$

For example, for  $GL_3$ , where  $\Lambda = \{(t, -t)\} \approx \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\int \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left| \frac{\zeta(s+it)^3 \cdot \zeta(s-it)^3}{\zeta(1-2it)} \right|^2 M ds dt$$

and for  $GL_4$

$$\int \int_{(s)} \int_{\Lambda} \left| \frac{\zeta(s+it_1)^4 \cdot \zeta(s+it_2)^4 \cdot \zeta(s+it_3)^4}{\zeta(1-it_1+it_2) \zeta(1-it_1+it_3) \zeta(1-it_2+it_3)} \right|^2 M ds dt$$

## 2. Background and normalizations

We recall some facts concerning Whittaker models and Rankin-Selberg integral representations of  $L$ -functions, and spectral theory for automorphic forms, on  $GL_r$ . To compare zeta local integrals formed from vectors in cuspidal representations to local  $L$ -functions attached to the representations, we specify distinguished vectors in irreducible representations of  $p$ -adic and archimedean groups. Locally at both  $p$ -adic and archimedean places, Whittaker models with spherical vectors have a natural choice of distinguished vector, namely, the spherical vector taking value 1 at the identity element of the group.

Even in general, for the specific purposes here, at finite places the facts are clear. At archimedean places the facts are more complicated, and, further, the situation dictates choices of data, and we are not free to make ideal choices. See [Cogdell 2002], [Cogdell 2003], [Cogdell 2004] for detailed surveys, and references to the literature, mostly papers of Jacquet, Piatetski-Shapiro, and Shalika. The spectral theory is due to [Langlands 1976], [Moeglin-Waldspurger 1995], and proof of conjectures of [Jacquet 1983] in [Moeglin-Waldspurger 1989].

Let  $P$  be the standard maximal proper parabolic

$$P = P^{r-1,1} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} (r-1)\text{-by-}(r-1) & * \\ 0 & 1\text{-by-}1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

Let

$$U = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1_{r-1} & * \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad H = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} (r-1)\text{-by-}(r-1) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} N &= \{ \text{upper-triangular unipotent elements in } H \} \\ &= (\text{unipotent radical of standard minimal parabolic in } H) \end{aligned}$$

and let  $Z$  be the center of  $G$ . Let  $K_v$  be the standard maximal compact in the  $k_v$ -valued points  $G_v$  of  $G$ . Thus, for  $v < \infty$ ,  $K_v = GL_r(\mathfrak{o}_v)$ . For  $v \approx \mathbb{R}$ , take  $K_v = O_r(\mathbb{R})$ . For  $v \approx \mathbb{C}$  take  $K_v = U(r)$ .

A standard choice of non-degenerate character on  $N_k U_k \backslash N_{\mathbb{A}} U_{\mathbb{A}}$  is

$$\psi(n \cdot u) = \psi_0(n_{12} + n_{23} + \dots + n_{r-2,r-1}) \cdot \psi_0(u_{r-1,r})$$

where  $\psi_0$  is a fixed non-trivial character on  $\mathbb{A}/k$ . A cuspform  $f$  has a Fourier-Whittaker expansion along  $NU$

$$f(g) = \sum_{\xi \in N_k \backslash H_k} W_f(\xi g) \quad \text{where} \quad W_f(g) = \int_{N_k U_k \backslash N_{\mathbb{A}} U_{\mathbb{A}}} \bar{\psi}(nu) f(nug) \, dn \, du$$

The Whittaker function  $W_f(g)$  factors over primes, and a careful normalization of this factorization is set up below. Cuspforms  $F$  on  $H$  have corresponding Fourier-Whittaker expansions

$$F(h) = \sum_{\xi \in N'_k \backslash H'_k} W_F(\xi h) \quad \text{where} \quad W_F(g) = \int_{N'_k \backslash N'_{\mathbb{A}}} \bar{\psi}(n) F(nh) \, dn$$

where  $H' \approx GL_{r-2}$  sits inside  $H$  as  $H$  sits inside  $G$ ,  $N' = N \cap H'$ , and  $\psi$  is restricted from  $NU$  to  $N$ . This Whittaker function also factors  $W_F = \bigotimes_v W_{F,v}$ .

At finite places  $v$ , given an irreducible admissible representation  $\pi_v$  of  $G_v$  admitting a Whittaker model, [Jacquet-PS-Shalika 1981] shows that there is an essentially unique *effective vector*  $W_{\pi_v}^{\text{eff}}$ , generalizing the characterization of *newform* in [Casselman 1973], as follows. For  $\pi_v$  spherical,  $W_{\pi_v}^{\text{eff}}$  is the usual unique spherical Whittaker vector taking value 1 at the identity element of the group, as in [Shintani 1976], [Casselman-Shalika 1980]. For non-spherical local representations, define *effective vector* as follows. Let

$$U_v^{\text{opp}}(\ell) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1_{r-1} & 0 \\ x & 1 \end{pmatrix} : x = 0 \pmod{\mathfrak{p}^\ell} \right\}$$

Let  $K_v^H \approx GL_{r-1}(\mathfrak{o}_v)$  be the standard maximal compact of  $H_v$ . Define a congruence subgroup of  $K_v$  by

$$K_v(\ell) = K_v^H \cdot (U_v \cap K_v) \cdot U_v^{\text{opp}}(\ell)$$

For a non-spherical Whittaker model  $\pi_v$  there is a unique positive integer  $\ell_v$ , the *conductor* of  $\pi_v$ , such that  $\pi_v$  has *no* non-zero vectors fixed by  $K_v(\ell')$  for  $\ell' < \ell_v$ , and has a one-dimensional space of vectors fixed by  $K_v(\ell_v)$ . The remaining ambiguous constant is completely specified by requiring that local Rankin-Selberg integrals

$$Z_v(s, W_{\pi_v}^{\text{eff}} \times W_{\pi'_v}^{\text{o}}) = \int_{N_v \backslash H_v} |\det Y|^s W_{\pi_v}^{\text{eff}} \begin{pmatrix} Y & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} W_{\pi'_v}^{\text{o}}(Y) dY$$

produce the correct local factors  $L_v(s, \pi_v \times \pi'_v)$  of  $GL_r \times GL_{r-1}$  Rankin-Selberg  $L$ -functions for every *spherical* representation  $\pi'_v$  of the local  $GL_{r-1}$ , with normalized spherical Whittaker vector  $W_{\pi'_v}$  in  $\pi'_v$ . That is,

$$Z_v(s, W_{\pi_v}^{\text{eff}} \times W_{\pi'_v}^{\text{o}}) = L_v(s, \pi_v \times \pi'_v)$$

with no additional factor on the right-hand side. See Section 4 of [Jacquet-PS-Shalika 1983], and comments below. Cuspidal automorphic representations  $\pi \approx \bigotimes'_v \pi_v$  of  $G_{\mathbb{A}}$  admit local Whittaker models at all finite places, so locally at all finite places have a unique effective vector.

Facts concerning archimedean local Rankin-Selberg integrals for  $GL_m \times GL_n$  for general  $m, n$  are more complicated than the non-archimedean cases. See [Stade 2001], [Stade 2002], [Cogdell-PS 2003], as well as the surveys [Cogdell 2002], [Cogdell 2003], [Cogdell 2004]. The *spherical* case for  $GL_r \times GL_{r-1}$  admits fairly explicit treatment, but this is insufficient for our purposes. Fortunately, for us there is no compulsion to attempt to specify the archimedean local data for Rankin-Selberg integrals. Indeed, the local archimedean Rankin-Selberg integrals will be *deformed* into shapes essentially unrelated to the corresponding  $L$ -factor, in any case. Thus, in the *moment expansion* in the theorem below we can use *any* systematic specification of distinguished vectors  $e_{\pi_v}$  in irreducible representations  $\pi_v$  of  $G_v$ , and  $e_{\pi'_v}$  in  $\pi'_v$  of  $H_v$ , for  $v$  archimedean. For  $v|\infty$  and  $\pi_v$  a Whittaker model representation of  $G_v$  with a spherical vector, let the distinguished vector  $e_{\pi_v}$  be the spherical vector normalized to take value 1 at the identity element of the group. Similarly, for  $\pi'_v$  a Whittaker model representation of  $H_v$  with a spherical vector, let the distinguished vector  $e_{\pi'_v}$  be the normalized spherical vector. Anticipating that cuspforms generating spherical representations at archimedean places make up the bulk of the space of automorphic forms, we do not give an explicit choice of distinguished vector in other archimedean representations. Rather, we formulate the normalizations below, and the moment expansion, in a fashion applicable to *any* choice of distinguished vectors in archimedean representations.

Let  $\pi$  be an automorphic representation of  $G_{\mathbb{A}}$ , factoring over primes as  $\pi \approx \bigotimes'_v \pi_v$  admitting a global Whittaker model. Each local representation  $\pi_v$  has a Whittaker model, since  $\pi$  has a global Whittaker model. At each finite place  $v$ , let  $W_{\pi_v}^{\text{eff}}$  be the normalized effective vector, and  $e_{\pi_v}$  the distinguished vector at  $v|\infty$ . Let  $f \in \pi$  be a moderate-growth automorphic form on  $G_{\mathbb{A}}$  corresponding to a monomial tensor in  $\pi$ , consisting of the effective vector at all finite primes, and the distinguished vector  $e_{\pi_v}$  at  $v|\infty$ . Then the global Whittaker function of  $f$  is a globally-determined constant multiple of the product of the local functions:

$$W_f = \rho_f \cdot \bigotimes_{v|\infty} e_{\pi_v} \otimes \bigotimes_{v<\infty} W_{\pi_v}^{\text{eff}}$$

where  $\rho_f$  is a general analogue of the leading Fourier coefficient  $\rho_f(1)$  in the  $GL_2(\mathbb{Q})$  theory.

Let  $\pi'$  be an automorphic representation of  $H_{\mathbb{A}}$  *spherical* at all finite primes, admitting a global Whittaker model. Let  $\pi'$  factor as  $j : \bigotimes'_v \pi'_v \rightarrow \pi'$ . Certainly each  $\pi'_v$  admits a Whittaker model. At each finite  $v$ , let  $W_{\pi'_v}^{\text{o}}$  be the normalized spherical vector in  $\pi'_v$ , and at archimedean  $v$  let  $e_{\pi'_v}$  be the distinguished vector. For a moderate-growth automorphic form  $F \in \pi'$  corresponding to a monomial vector in the factorization of  $\pi'$ , at all finite places corresponding to the spherical Whittaker function  $W_{\pi'_v}^{\text{o}}$ , and to the distinguished vector  $e_{\pi'_v}$  at archimedean places, again specify a constant  $\rho_F$  by

$$W_F = \rho_F \cdot \bigotimes_{v|\infty} e_{\pi'_v} \otimes \bigotimes_{v<\infty} W_{\pi'_v}^{\text{o}}$$

When  $\pi'$  occurs discretely in the space of  $L^2$  automorphic forms on  $H$ , each of the local factors of  $\pi'$  is unitarizable, and uniquely so up to a constant, by irreducibility. For an arbitrary vector  $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_\infty$  in  $\pi'_\infty$ , let  $F^\varepsilon$  be the automorphic form corresponding to  $\bigotimes_{v < \infty} W_{\pi'_v}^o \otimes \varepsilon$  by the isomorphism  $j$ . Define  $\rho_{F^\varepsilon}$  by

$$W_{F^\varepsilon} = \rho_{F^\varepsilon} \cdot \bigotimes_{v < \infty} W_{\pi'_v}^o \otimes \varepsilon$$

By Schur's Lemma, the comparison of  $\rho_F$  and  $\rho_{F^\varepsilon}$  depends only upon the comparison of archimedean data, namely,

$$\frac{\rho_{F^\varepsilon}}{\rho_F} = \frac{|\varepsilon|_{\pi'_\infty}}{|\bigotimes_{v|\infty} e_{\pi'_v}|_{\pi'_\infty}}$$

with Hilbert space norms on the representation  $\pi'_\infty$  at archimedean places. The ambiguity of these norms by a constant disappears in taking ratios.

Indeed, the global constants  $\rho_F$  and  $\rho_{F^\varepsilon}$  can be compared by a similar device (and induction) for  $F$  and  $F_\varepsilon$  in any irreducible  $\pi'$  occurring in the  $L^2$  automorphic spectral expansion for  $H$ . We do not do carry this out explicitly, since this would require setting up normalizations for the full spectral decomposition, while our main interest is in the cuspidal (hence, discrete) part.

With  $f$  cuspidal and  $F$  moderate growth, corresponding to distinguished vectors, as above, the Rankin-Selberg zeta integral is the finite-prime Rankin-Selberg  $L$ -function, with global constants  $\rho_f$  and  $\rho_F$ , and with archimedean local Rankin-Selberg zeta integrals depending upon the distinguished vectors at archimedean places:

$$\int_{H_k \backslash H_\mathbb{A}} |\det Y|^{s-\frac{1}{2}} F(Y) f \left( \begin{matrix} Y & \\ & 1 \end{matrix} \right) dY = \rho_f \cdot \rho_F \cdot L(s, \pi \times \pi') \cdot \prod_{v|\infty} Z_v(s, e_{\pi_v} \times e_{\pi'_v})$$

The finite-prime part of the Rankin-Selberg  $L$ -function appears regardless of the archimedean local data. The global constants  $\rho_f$  and  $\rho_F$  do depend partly upon the local archimedean choices, but are global objects.

We need a spectral decomposition of part of  $L^2(H_k \backslash H_\mathbb{A})$ , as follows. Let  $K_{\text{fin}}^H$  be the standard maximal compact  $GL_{r-1}(\widehat{\mathfrak{o}})$  of  $H_{\text{fin}}$ , where as usual  $\widehat{\mathfrak{o}}$  is  $\prod_{v < \infty} \mathfrak{o}_v$ , with  $\mathfrak{o}_v$  the local integers at the finite place  $v$  of  $k$ . First, there is the Hilbert direct-integral decomposition by characters  $\omega$  on the *central archimedean split component*  $Z^+$  of  $H$ : let

$$i : y \longrightarrow (y^{\frac{1}{d}}, \dots, y^{\frac{1}{d}}, 1, 1, \dots) \quad (\text{for } y > 0, \text{ with } d = [k : \mathbb{Q}])$$

be the diagonal imbedding of the positive real numbers in the archimedean factors of the ideles of  $k$ . The central archimedean split component is

$$Z^+ = \left\{ j(y) = \begin{pmatrix} i(y)^{1/(r-1)} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & i(y)^{1/(r-1)} \end{pmatrix} \in H_\mathbb{A} : y > 0 \right\}$$

The point of our parametrization is that (with idele norms)

$$|\det j(y)| = |i(y)| = y \quad (\text{with } y > 0)$$

The corresponding spectral decomposition is

$$L^2(H_k \backslash H_\mathbb{A}) \approx \int_{\mathbb{R}}^{\oplus} L^2(Z^+ H_k \backslash H_\mathbb{A}, \omega_{it}) dt$$

where  $L^2(Z^+ H_k \backslash H_\mathbb{A}, \omega_{it})$  is the isotypic component of functions  $\Phi$  with  $|\Phi|$  in  $L^2(Z^+ H_k \backslash H_\mathbb{A})$  transforming by

$$\Phi(j(y) \cdot h) = y^{it} \cdot \Phi(h) \quad (\text{for } y > 0 \text{ and } h \in H_\mathbb{A})$$

under  $Z^+$ . The projections and spectral synthesis along  $Z^+$  can be written as

$$F(h) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left( \int_0^\infty F(j(y) \cdot h) y^{-it} \frac{dy}{y} \right) dt$$

Each isotypic component  $L^2(Z^+H_k \backslash H_{\mathbb{A}}, \omega_{it})$  has a direct integral decomposition as a representation of  $H_{\mathbb{A}}$ , of the form

$$L^2(Z^+H_k \backslash H_{\mathbb{A}}, \omega_{it}) \approx \int_{\Xi}^{\oplus} \pi' \otimes |\det|^{it} d\pi'$$

where  $\Xi$  is the set of irreducibles  $\pi'$  occurring in  $L^2(Z^+H_k \backslash H_{\mathbb{A}}, \omega_0)$ . That is, the irreducibles for general archimedean split-component character  $\omega_{it}$  differ merely by a determinant twist from the trivial split-component character case. The measure is not described explicitly here, apart from the observation that the discrete part of the decomposition, including the cuspidal part, has counting measure.

For our applications, we are concerned with the subspaces  $L^2(Z^+H_k \backslash H_{\mathbb{A}}/K_{\text{fin}}^H, \omega)$  of right  $K_{\text{fin}}^H$ -invariant functions. Since each  $\pi'$  factors over primes as a restricted tensor product  $\pi' \approx \bigotimes'_v \pi'_v$  of irreducibles  $\pi'_v$  of the local points  $H_v$ , the decomposition of  $L^2(Z^+H_k \backslash H_{\mathbb{A}}/K_{\text{fin}}^H, \omega)$  only involves the subset  $\Xi^o$  consisting of irreducibles  $\pi' \in \Xi$  such that for every *finite* place  $v$  the local representation  $\pi'_v$  is *spherical*. Let  $\pi'_\infty$  be the archimedean factor of  $\pi'$ , and  $\pi'_{\text{fin}}$  the finite-place factor, so  $\pi' \approx \pi'_\infty \otimes \pi'_{\text{fin}}$ . Let  $\pi'_{\text{fin}}^o$  be the one-dimensional space of  $K_{\text{fin}}^H$ -fixed vectors in  $\pi'_{\text{fin}}$ . As a representation of the archimedean part  $H_\infty$  of  $H_{\mathbb{A}}$ ,

$$L^2(Z^+H_k \backslash H_{\mathbb{A}}/K_{\text{fin}}^H, \omega_{it}) \approx \int_{\Xi^o}^{\oplus} (\pi'_\infty \otimes \pi'_{\text{fin}}^o) \otimes |\det|^{it} d\pi'$$

An automorphic spectral decomposition for  $F$  in  $L^2(Z^+H_k \backslash H_{\mathbb{A}}/K_{\text{fin}}^H, \omega_{it})$  can be written in the form

$$F = \int_{\Xi^o} \sum_j \langle F, \Phi_{\pi'_j} \otimes |\det|^{it} \rangle \cdot \Phi_{\pi'_j} \otimes |\det|^{it} d\pi'$$

where  $\Xi^o$  indexes spherical automorphic representations  $\pi'$  with trivial archimedean split-component character entering the spectral expansion, for each of these  $j$  indexes an orthonormal basis in the archimedean component  $\pi'_\infty$ , and  $\Phi_{\pi'_j}$  is the corresponding moderate-growth spherical automorphic form in the global  $\pi'$ . The pairing is the natural one, namely,

$$\langle F, \Phi_{\pi'_j} \otimes |\det|^{it} \rangle = \int_{H_k \backslash H_{\mathbb{A}}} F(h) \overline{\Phi_{\pi'_j}(h)} |\det h|^{-it} dh$$

### 3. Moment expansion

We define a Poincaré series  $\mathfrak{P} = \mathfrak{P}_{\varphi_\infty, z, w}$  depending on archimedean data  $\varphi_\infty$  and two complex parameters  $z, w$ , such that, for a cuspform  $f$  of conductor  $\ell$  on  $G = GL_r$  over a number field  $k$ , the integral

$$\int_{Z_{\mathbb{A}} G_k \backslash G_{\mathbb{A}}} |f|^2 \cdot \mathfrak{P}$$

is an *integral moment* of  $L$ -functions attached to  $f$ , in the sense that it is a sum and integral over a spectral family, namely, a weighted average over spectral components with respect to  $L^2(GL_{r-1}(k) \backslash GL_{r-1}(\mathbb{A}))$ . Subsequently, we will obtain a spectral expansion of the Poincaré series, giving the meromorphic continuation of this integral in the complex parameters.

For  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ , let

$$\varphi = \bigotimes_v \varphi_v$$

where for  $v$  finite

$$\varphi_v(g) = \begin{cases} |(\det A)/d^{r-1}|_v^z & (\text{for } g = mk \text{ with } m = \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \text{ in } Z_v H_v \text{ and } k \in K_v) \\ 0 & (\text{otherwise}) \end{cases}$$

For  $v$  archimedean require right  $K_v$ -invariance and left equivariance

$$\varphi_v(mg) = \left| \frac{\det A}{d^{r-1}} \right|_v^z \cdot \varphi_v(g) \quad (\text{for } g \in G_v, \text{ for } m = \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \in Z_v H_v)$$

Thus, for  $v|\infty$ , the further data determining  $\varphi_v$  consists of its values on  $U_v$ . A simple useful choice of archimedean data is

$$\varphi_v \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1_{r-1} & x \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) = (1 + |x_1|^2 + \dots + |x_{r-1}|^2)^{-[k_v:\mathbb{R}]w/2} \quad (\text{where } x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_{r-1} \end{pmatrix}, \text{ and } w \in \mathbb{C})$$

The norm  $|x_1|^2 + \dots + |x_{r-1}|^2$  is normalized to be invariant under  $K_v$ . Thus,  $\varphi$  is left  $Z_{\mathbb{A}}H_k$ -invariant. We attach to  $\varphi$  a *Poincaré series*

$$\mathfrak{P}(g) = \sum_{\gamma \in Z_k H_k \backslash G_k} \varphi(\gamma g)$$

With subscripts  $\infty$  denoting the archimedean parts of various objects, for  $h, m \in H_{\infty}$ , define

$$\mathcal{K}(h, m) = \int_{U_{\infty}} \varphi_{\infty}(u) \psi_{\infty}(huh^{-1}) \bar{\psi}_{\infty}(mum^{-1}) du$$

Let  $\pi \approx \otimes' \pi_v$  be a cuspidal automorphic representation of  $G$ , with finite set  $S$  of finite primes such that  $\pi_v$  is spherical for finite  $v \notin S$ , and  $\pi_v$  has conductor  $\ell_v$  for  $v \in S$ . We say a cuspform  $f$  in  $\pi$  is a *newform* if it is spherical at finite  $v \notin S$  and is right  $K_v(\ell_v)$ -fixed for  $v \in S$ . As above, the global Whittaker function  $W_f$  of  $f$  factors as

$$W_f = \rho_f \cdot \bigotimes_{v < \infty} W_{\pi_v}^{\text{eff}} \otimes \bigotimes_{v|\infty} e_{\pi_v}$$

Let  $e_{\pi_{\infty}} = \bigotimes_{v|\infty} e_{\pi_v}$ . Let  $\pi'$  be an automorphic representation of  $H$  admitting a global Whittaker model, with unitarizable archimedean factor  $\pi'_{\infty}$ , with orthonormal basis  $\varepsilon_{\pi'j}$  for  $\pi'_{\infty}$ . The gamma factors appearing in the moment expansion below are

$$\begin{aligned} & \Gamma(e_{\pi_{\infty}}, \pi'_{\infty}, s, z) \\ &= \sum_j \int_{N_{\infty} \backslash H_{\infty}} \int_{N_{\infty} \backslash H_{\infty}} \int_{K_{\infty}} e_{\pi_{\infty}}(hk) \varepsilon_{\pi'j}(h) |\det h|^{z+s-\frac{1}{2}} \bar{e}_{\pi_{\infty}}(mk) \bar{\varepsilon}_{\pi'j}(m) |\det m|^{\frac{1}{2}-s} \mathcal{K}(h, m) dm dh dk \end{aligned}$$

The sum over the orthonormal basis for  $\pi'_{\infty}$  is simply an expression for a projection operator, so is necessarily independent of the orthonormal basis indexed by  $j$ . Thus, the sum indeed depends only on the archimedean Whittaker model  $\pi'_{\infty}$ .

For each automorphic representation  $\pi'$  of  $H$  occurring (continuously or discretely) in the automorphic spectral expansion for  $H$ , and admitting a global Whittaker model, and *spherical* at all finite primes, let  $F_{\pi'}$  be an automorphic form in  $\pi'$  corresponding to the spherical vector at all finite places and to the *distinguished vector*  $e_{\pi'_{\infty}}$  in the archimedean part.

**3.1 Theorem:** Let  $f$  be a cuspform, as just above. For  $\text{Re}(z) \gg 1$  and  $\text{Re}(w) \gg 1$ , we have the moment expansion

$$\int_{Z_{\mathbb{A}} G_k \backslash G_{\mathbb{A}}} |f|^2 \cdot \mathfrak{P} = |\rho_f|^2 \int_{\Xi^{\circ}} |\rho_{F_{\pi'}}|^2 \int_{\mathbb{R}} L(\frac{1}{2} + it + z, \pi \otimes \pi') L(\frac{1}{2} - it, \bar{\pi} \otimes \bar{\pi}') \Gamma(e_{\pi_{\infty}}, \pi'_{\infty}, \frac{1}{2} + it, z) dt d\pi'$$



*Proof:* The typical first unwinding is

$$\int_{Z_{\mathbb{A}} G_k \backslash G_{\mathbb{A}}} \mathfrak{P}(g) |f(g)|^2 dg = \int_{Z_{\mathbb{A}} H_k \backslash G_{\mathbb{A}}} \varphi(g) |f(g)|^2 dg$$

Express  $f$  in its Fourier-Whittaker expansion, and unwind further:

$$\int_{Z_{\mathbb{A}} H_k \backslash G_{\mathbb{A}}} \varphi(g) \sum_{\eta \in N_k \backslash H_k} W_f(\eta g) \bar{f}(g) dg = \int_{Z_{\mathbb{A}} N_k \backslash G_{\mathbb{A}}} \varphi(g) W_f(g) \bar{f}(g) dg$$

Use an Iwasawa decomposition  $G = (HZ)UK$  everywhere locally to rewrite the whole integral as

$$\int_{N_k \backslash H_{\mathbb{A}} \times U_{\mathbb{A}} \times K_{\mathbb{A}}} \varphi(huk) W_f(huk) \bar{f}(huk) dh du dk$$

At finite primes  $v \notin S$ , the right integral over  $K_v$  can be dropped, since all the functions in the integrand are right  $K_v$ -invariant. At finite primes  $v \in S$ , using the newform assumption on  $f$ , the one-dimensionality of the  $K_v(\ell_v)$ -fixed vectors in  $\pi_v$  implies that the  $K_v$ -type in which the effective vector lies is *irreducible*. Thus, by Schur orthogonality and inner product formulas, a diagonal integral of  $f(xk_v) \cdot \bar{f}(yk_v)$  over  $k_v \in K_v$  is a positive constant multiple of  $f(x)\bar{f}(y)$ , for all  $x, y \in G_{\mathbb{A}}$ . Thus, the integrals over  $K_v$  for  $v$  finite can be dropped entirely, and, up to a positive constant depending only upon the right  $K_v$ -type of  $f$  at  $v \in S$ , the whole integral is

$$\int_{N_k \backslash H_{\mathbb{A}} \times U_{\mathbb{A}} \times K_{\infty}} \varphi(huk) W_f(huk) \bar{f}(huk) dh du dk$$

Since  $\bar{f}$  is left  $H_k$ -invariant, it decomposes along  $H_k \backslash H_{\mathbb{A}}$ . The function  $h \rightarrow f(huk)$  with  $u \in U_{\mathbb{A}}$  and  $k \in K_{\infty}$  is right  $K_{\text{fin}}^H$ -invariant. Thus,  $\bar{f}$  decomposes as

$$\bar{f}(huk) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{\Xi^{\circ}} \sum_j \Phi_{\pi'_j}(h) |\det h|^{it} \int_{H_k \backslash H_{\mathbb{A}}} \bar{\Phi}_{\pi'_j}(m) |\det m|^{-it} \bar{f}(muk) dm d\pi' dt$$

Unwind the Fourier-Whittaker expansion of  $\bar{f}$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{f}(huk) &= \int_{\Xi^{\circ}} \sum_j \Phi_{\pi'_j}(h) |\det h|^{it} \int_{H_k \backslash H_{\mathbb{A}}} \bar{\Phi}_{\pi'_j}(m) |\det m|^{-it} \sum_{\eta \in N_k \backslash H_k} \bar{W}_f(\eta muk) dm dk d\pi' \\ &= \int_{\Xi^{\circ}} \Phi_{\pi'_j}(h) |\det h|^{it} \int_{N_k \backslash H_{\mathbb{A}}} \bar{\Phi}_{\pi'_j}(m) |\det m|^{-it} \bar{W}_f(muk) dm dk d\pi' \end{aligned}$$

Then the whole integral is

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{Z_{\mathbb{A}} G_k \backslash G_{\mathbb{A}}} \mathfrak{P}(g) |f(g)|^2 dg \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{\Xi^{\circ}} \sum_j \int_{N_k \backslash H_{\mathbb{A}}} \int_{U_{\mathbb{A}}} \int_{K_{\infty}} \varphi(huk) \Phi_{\pi'_j}(h) |\det h|^{it} W_f(huk) \int_{N_k \backslash H_{\mathbb{A}}} \bar{W}_f(muk) \bar{\Phi}_{\pi'_j}(m) |\det m|^{-it} dm dh du dk d\pi' dt \end{aligned}$$

The part of the integrand that depends upon  $u \in U$  is

$$\int_{U_{\mathbb{A}}} \varphi(huk) W_f(huk) \bar{W}_f(muk) du = \varphi(h) W_f(hk) \bar{W}_f(mk) \cdot \int_{U_{\mathbb{A}}} \varphi(u) \psi(huh^{-1}) \bar{\psi}(mum^{-1}) du$$

The latter integrand and integral visibly factor over primes. We need the following:

3.2 Lemma: Let  $v$  be a finite prime. For  $h, m \in H_v$  such that  $W_{\pi_v}^{\text{eff}}(h) \neq 0$  and  $W_{\pi_v}^{\text{eff}}(m) \neq 0$ ,

$$\int_{U_v} \varphi_v(h) \psi_v(huh^{-1}) \bar{\psi}_v(mum^{-1}) du = \int_{U_v \cap K_v} 1 du$$

*Proof:* At a finite place  $v$ ,  $\varphi_v(u) \neq 0$  if and only if  $u \in U_v \cap K_v$ , and for such  $u$

$$\psi_v(huh^{-1}) \cdot W_{\pi_v}(h) = W_{\pi_v}^{\text{eff}}(huh^{-1} \cdot h) = W_{\pi_v}^{\text{eff}}(hu) = W_{\pi_v}^{\text{eff}}(h) \cdot 1$$

by the right  $U_v \cap K_v$ -invariance, since  $f$  is a *newform*, in our present sense. Thus, for  $W_{\pi_v}^{\text{eff}}(h) \neq 0$ ,  $\psi_v(huh^{-1}) = 1$ , and similarly for  $\psi_v(mum^{-1})$ . Thus, the finite-prime part of the integral over  $U_v$  is just the integral of 1 over  $U_v \cap K_v$ , as indicated. ///

Returning to the proof of the theorem, the archimedean part of the integral does not behave as the previous lemma indicates the finite-prime components do, because of its non-trivial deformation by  $\varphi_\infty$ . Thus, with subscripts  $\infty$  denoting the infinite-adele part of various objects, for  $h, m \in H_\infty$ , as above, let

$$\mathcal{K}(h, m) = \int_{U_\infty} \varphi_\infty(u) \psi_\infty(huh^{-1}) \bar{\psi}_\infty(mum^{-1}) du$$

The whole integral is

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{Z_\mathbb{A} G_k \backslash G_\mathbb{A}} \mathfrak{P}(g) |f(g)|^2 dg \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{\Xi^\circ} \sum_j \int_{K_\infty} \int_{N_k \backslash H_\mathbb{A}} \int_{N_k \backslash H_\mathbb{A}} \mathcal{K}(h, m) \varphi(h) W_f(hk) \Phi_{\pi'_j}(h) |\det h|^{it} \bar{W}_f(mk) \bar{\Phi}_{\pi'_j}(m) |\det m|^{-it} dm dh d\pi' dk dt \end{aligned}$$

Normalize the volume of  $N_k \backslash N_\mathbb{A}$  to 1. For a left  $N_k$ -invariant function  $\Phi$  on  $H_\mathbb{A}$ , using the left  $N_\mathbb{A}$ -equivariance of  $W$  by  $\psi$ , and the left  $N_\mathbb{A}$ -invariance of  $\varphi$ ,

$$\int_{N_k \backslash N_\mathbb{A}} \varphi(nh) \Phi(nh) W_f(nhk) dn = \varphi(h) W_f(h) \int_{N_k \backslash N_\mathbb{A}} \psi(n) \Phi(nh) dn = \varphi(h) W_f(hk) W_\Phi(h)$$

where

$$W_\Phi(h) = \int_{N_k \backslash N_\mathbb{A}} \psi(n) \Phi(nh) dn$$

(The integral is not against  $\bar{\psi}(n)$ , but  $\psi(n)$ .) That is, the integral over  $N_k \backslash H_\mathbb{A}$  is equal to an integral against (up to an alteration of the character) the Whittaker function  $W_\Phi$  of  $\Phi$ , which factors over primes for suitable  $\Phi$ . Thus, the whole integral is

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{Z_\mathbb{A} G_k \backslash G_\mathbb{A}} \mathfrak{P}(g) |f(g)|^2 dg \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{\Xi^\circ} \sum_j \int_{N_\mathbb{A} \backslash H_\mathbb{A}} \int_{N_\mathbb{A} \backslash H_\mathbb{A}} \int_{K_\infty} \mathcal{K}(h, m) W_f(hk) W_{\Phi_{\pi'_j}}(h) |\det h|^{it} \bar{W}_f(mk) \bar{W}_{\Phi_{\pi'_j}}(m) |\det m|^{-it} dm dh d\pi' dk dt \end{aligned}$$

For fixed  $\pi', j, t$ , the integral over  $m, h, k$  is a product of two Euler products, since the Whittaker functions factor over primes, normalized by global constants  $\rho_f$  and  $\rho_{\Phi_{\pi'_j}}$ . The functions  $\{\Phi_{\pi'_j} : j\}$  correspond to an orthonormal basis  $\{\varepsilon_{\pi'_j}\}$  in the local archimedean part  $\pi'_\infty$  of  $\pi'$ , so, as noted earlier, by Schur's lemma the global constant  $\rho_{\Phi_{\pi'_j}}$  is independent of  $j$ . For each  $\pi'$ , let  $F_{\pi'}$  be the finite-prime spherical automorphic form corresponding to distinguished vectors at archimedean places. The  $\Phi_{\pi'_j}$ 's are normalized spherical at all finite places. Thus, for each  $\pi'$  and  $j$ ,

$$\int_{N_\mathbb{A} \backslash H_\mathbb{A}} \int_{N_\mathbb{A} \backslash H_\mathbb{A}} \int_{K_\infty} \varphi(h) W_f(hk) W_{\Phi_{\pi'_j}}(h) |\det h|^{it} \bar{W}_f(mk) \bar{W}_{\Phi_{\pi'_j}}(m) |\det m|^{-it} dm dh dk$$

$$= |\rho_f|^2 \cdot |\bar{\rho}_{F_\pi}|^2 \cdot L\left(\frac{1}{2} + it + z, \pi \times \pi'\right) L\left(\frac{1}{2} - it, \pi \times \pi'\right) \\ \times \int_{N_\infty \backslash H_\infty} \int_{N_\infty \backslash H_\infty} \int_{K_\infty} \int_{K_\infty} e_{\pi_\infty}(huk) \varepsilon_{\pi'_j}(h) |\det h|^{it} \bar{\varepsilon}_{\pi'_j}(m) \bar{e}_{\pi_\infty}(muk) |\det m|^{-it} dm dh dk$$

This gives the assertion of the theorem. ///

**3.3 Remark:** With or without detailed knowledge of the *residual* part of  $L^2$  (meaning square-integrable residues of cuspidal-data Eisenstein series), automorphic forms not admitting Whittaker models do not enter in this expansion.

## 4. Spectral expansion of Poincaré series

The Poincaré series admits a spectral expansion facilitating its meromorphic continuation. The only cuspidal data appearing in this expansion is from  $GL_2$ , right  $K_v$ -invariant everywhere locally.

In the Poincaré series  $\mathfrak{P}$ , let  $\varphi_\infty$  be the archimedean data, and  $z, w$  the two complex parameters. For a spherical  $GL_2$  cuspform  $F$ , let

$$\Phi_{s,F}\left(\begin{pmatrix} A & * \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix} \cdot \theta\right) |\det A|^{2s} \cdot |\det D|^{-(r-2)s} \cdot F(D) \quad (\text{where } \theta \in K_{\mathbb{A}})$$

and define an Eisenstein series

$$E_{s,F}^{r-2,2}(g) = \sum_{\gamma \in P_k^{r-2,2} \backslash G_k} \Phi_{s,F}(\gamma \cdot g)$$

Also, with

$$\Phi_{s_1, s_2, s_3, \chi}\left(\begin{pmatrix} A & * & * \\ 0 & m_2 & * \\ 0 & 0 & m_3 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \theta\right) = |\det A|^{s_1} \cdot |m_2|^{s_2} \chi(m_2) \cdot |m_3|^{s_3} \bar{\chi}(m_3) \quad (\text{for } \theta \in K_{\mathbb{A}}, A \in GL_{r-2})$$

define an Eisenstein series

$$E_{s_1, s_2, s_3, \chi}^{r-2,1,1}(g) = \sum_{\gamma \in P_k^{r-2,1,1} \backslash G_k} \Phi_{s_1, s_2, s_3, \chi}(\gamma g)$$

**4.1 Theorem:** The Poincaré series  $\mathfrak{P}$  has a spectral expansion

$$\mathfrak{P} = \left( \int_{N_\infty} \varphi_\infty \right) E_{z+1}^{r-1,1} + \sum_F \left( \int_{PGL_2(k_\infty)} \tilde{\varphi}_\infty W_{\bar{F}, \infty} \right) \cdot \rho_{\bar{F}} \cdot L\left(\frac{rz+r-2}{2} + \frac{1}{2}, \pi_{\bar{F}}\right) \cdot E_{z+1, F}^{r-2,2} \\ + \sum_{\chi} \frac{\chi(\mathfrak{d})}{4\pi i \kappa} \int_{\text{Re}(s)=\frac{1}{2}} \left( \int_{PGL_2(k_\infty)} \tilde{\varphi}_\infty \cdot W_{E_{1-s, \bar{\chi}}, \infty} \right) \\ \times \frac{L\left(\frac{rz+r-2}{2} + 1 - s, \bar{\chi}\right) \cdot L\left(\frac{rz+r-2}{2} + s, \chi\right)}{\Lambda(2-2s, \bar{\chi}^2)} \cdot |\mathfrak{d}|^{-\left(\frac{rz+r-2}{2} + s - \frac{1}{2}\right)} \cdot E_{z+1, s - \frac{(r-2)(z+1)}{2}, -s - \frac{(r-2)(z+1)}{2}, \chi}^{r-2,1,1} ds$$

where  $F$  runs over an orthonormal basis for everywhere-spherical cuspforms for  $GL_2$ ,  $\bar{\rho}_F$  is the  $GL_2$  leading Fourier coefficient of  $\bar{F}$ ,  $\chi$  runs over unramified grossencharacters,  $\mathfrak{d}$  is the differential ideal of  $k$ ,  $\kappa$  is the residue of  $\zeta_k(s)$  at  $s = 1$ ,  $W_{F, \infty}$  and  $W_{E_{s, \chi}}$  are the normalized archimedean Whittaker functions for  $GL_2$ ,  $\pi_{\bar{F}}$  is the representation generated by  $\bar{F}$ ,  $L(s, \chi)$  is the usual grossencharacter  $L$ -function, and  $\Lambda(s, \chi)$  is the grossencharacter  $L$ -function with its gamma factor.

**4.2 Remark:** Notably, the spectral expansion of  $\mathfrak{P}$  contains nothing beyond the main term, the cuspidal  $GL_2$  part induced up to  $GL_r$ , and the continuous  $GL_2$  part induced up to  $GL_r$ .

*Proof:* Rewrite the Poincaré series as summed in two stages, and apply Poisson summation, namely

$$\mathfrak{P}(g) = \sum_{Z_k H_k \backslash G_k} \varphi(\gamma g) = \sum_{Z_k H_k U_k \backslash G_k} \sum_{\beta \in U_k} \varphi(\beta \gamma g) = \sum_{Z_k H_k U_k \backslash G_k} \sum_{\psi \in (U_k \backslash U_{\mathbb{A}})^{\vee}} \widehat{\varphi}_{\gamma g}(\psi)$$

where

$$\widehat{\varphi}_g(\psi) = \int_{U_{\mathbb{A}}} \overline{\psi}(u) \varphi(ug) du \quad (\text{for } g \in G_{\mathbb{A}})$$

The inner summand for  $\psi$  *trivial* gives the leading term in the spectral expansion of the Poincaré series. Specifically, it gives a vector from which a degenerate Eisenstein series for the  $(r-1, 1)$  parabolic  $P^{r-1,1} = ZHU$  is formed by the outer sum. That is,

$$g \rightarrow \int_{U_{\mathbb{A}}} \varphi(ug) du$$

is left equivariant by a character on  $P_{\mathbb{A}}^{r-1,1}$ , and is left invariant by  $P_k^{r-1,1}$ , namely,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{U_{\mathbb{A}}} \varphi(upg) du &= \int_{U_{\mathbb{A}}} \varphi(p \cdot p^{-1}up \cdot g) du = \delta_{P^{r-1,1}}(m) \cdot \int_{U_{\mathbb{A}}} \varphi(m \cdot u \cdot g) du \\ &= \left| \frac{\det A}{d^{r-1}} \right|^{z+1} \int_{U_{\mathbb{A}}} \varphi(ug) du \quad (\text{where } p = \begin{pmatrix} A & * \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}, m = \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}, A \in GL_{r-1}) \end{aligned}$$

The normalization is explicated by setting  $g = 1$ :

$$\int_{U_{\mathbb{A}}} \varphi(u) du = \int_{U_{\infty}} \varphi_{\infty} \cdot \int_{U_{\text{fin}}} \varphi_{\text{fin}} = \int_{U_{\infty}} \varphi_{\infty} \cdot \text{meas}(U_{\text{fin}} \cap K_{\text{fin}}) = \int_{U_{\infty}} \varphi_{\infty}$$

A natural normalization is that this be 1, so the Eisenstein series includes the archimedean integral and finite-prime measure constant as factors:

$$\int_{U_{\infty}} \varphi_{\infty} \cdot E_{z+1}^{r-1,1}(g) = \sum_{\gamma \in P_k^{r-1,1} \backslash G_k} \left( \int_{U_{\mathbb{A}}} \varphi(u\gamma g) du \right)$$

The group  $H_k$  is transitive on non-trivial characters of  $U_k \backslash U_{\mathbb{A}}$ . For fixed non-trivial character  $\psi_0$  on  $k \backslash \mathbb{A}$ , let

$$\psi^{\xi}(u) = \psi_0(\xi \cdot u_{r-1,r}) \quad (\text{for } \xi \in k^{\times})$$

The spectral expansion of  $\mathfrak{P}$  with its leading term removed is

$$\sum_{\gamma \in P_k^{r-1,1} \backslash G_k} \sum_{\alpha \in P_k^{r-2,1} \backslash H_k} \left( \sum_{\xi \in k^{\times}} \widehat{\varphi}_{\alpha \gamma g}(\psi^{\xi}) \right)$$

where  $P^{r-2,1}$  is the corresponding parabolic subgroup of  $H \approx GL_{r-1}$ . Let

$$U' = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1_{r-2} & & * \\ & 1 & \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad U'' = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1_{r-2} & & * \\ & 1 & \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

Let

$$\Theta = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1_{r-2} & & \\ & * & * \\ & * & * \end{pmatrix} \right\} \approx GL_2$$

Regrouping the sums, the expansion of the Poincaré series with its leading term removed is

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\gamma \in P_k^{r-2,1,1} \backslash G_k} \left( \sum_{\xi \in k^\times} \int_{U''_{\mathbb{A}}} \bar{\psi}^\xi(u'') \int_{U'_{\mathbb{A}}} \varphi(u'u''\gamma g) du' du'' \right) \\ = & \sum_{\gamma \in P_k^{r-2,2} \backslash G_k} \sum_{\alpha \in P^{1,1} \backslash \Theta_k} \left( \sum_{\xi \in k^\times} \int_{U''_{\mathbb{A}}} \bar{\psi}^\xi(u'') \int_{U'_{\mathbb{A}}} \varphi(u'u''\alpha\gamma g) du' du'' \right) \end{aligned}$$

Letting

$$\tilde{\varphi}(g) = \int_{U'_{\mathbb{A}}} \varphi(u'g) du'$$

the expansion becomes

$$\sum_{\gamma \in P_k^{r-2,2} \backslash G_k} \sum_{\alpha \in P^{1,1} \backslash \Theta_k} \sum_{\xi \in k^\times} \int_{U''_{\mathbb{A}}} \bar{\psi}^\xi(u'') \tilde{\varphi}(u''\alpha\gamma g) du''$$

We claim the equivariance

$$\tilde{\varphi}(pg) = |\det A|^{z+1} \cdot |a|^z \cdot |d|^{-(r-1)z-(r-2)} \cdot \tilde{\varphi}(g) \quad \left( \text{for } p = \begin{pmatrix} A & * & * \\ & a & \\ & & d \end{pmatrix} \in G_{\mathbb{A}}, \text{ with } A \in GL_{r-2} \right)$$

This is verified by changing variables in the defining integral: let  $x \in \mathbb{A}^{r-2}$  and compute

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1_{r-2} & & x \\ & 1 & \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A & b & c \\ & a & \\ & & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A & b & c + xd \\ & a & \\ & & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A & b & c \\ & a & \\ & & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1_{r-2} & & A^{-1}xd \\ & 1 & \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus,  $|\det A|^z \cdot |a|^z \cdot |d|^{-(r-1)z}$  comes out of the definition of  $\varphi$ , and another  $|\det A| \cdot |d|^{2-r}$  from the change-of-measure in the change of variables replacing  $x$  by  $Ax/d$  in the integral defining  $\tilde{\varphi}$  from  $\varphi$ . Note that

$$|a|^z \cdot |d|^{-(r-1)z-(r-2)} = \left| \det \begin{pmatrix} a & \\ & d \end{pmatrix} \right|^{-\frac{(r-2)}{2} \cdot (z+1)} \cdot |a/d|^{\frac{rz+(r-2)}{2}}$$

Thus, letting

$$\Phi(g) = \sum_{\alpha \in P_k^{1,1} \backslash \Theta_k} \left( \sum_{\xi \in k^\times} \int_{U''_{\mathbb{A}}} \bar{\psi}^\xi(u'') \tilde{\varphi}(u''\alpha g) du'' \right)$$

we can write

$$\mathfrak{P}(g) = \sum_{\gamma \in P_k^{r-1,1} \backslash G_k} \int_{U_{\mathbb{A}}} \varphi(u\gamma g) du = \sum_{\gamma \in P_k^{r-2,2} \backslash G_k} \Phi(\gamma g)$$

The right-hand side of the latter equality is not an Eisenstein series for  $P^{r-2,2}$  in the strictest sense.

Define a  $GL_2$  kernel  $\varphi^{(2)}$  for a Poincaré series as follows. As in the general case, we require right invariance by the maximal compact subgroups locally everywhere, and left equivariance

$$\varphi^{(2)}\left(\begin{pmatrix} a & * \\ & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot D\right) = |a/d|^\beta \cdot \varphi^{(2)}(D)$$

The remaining ambiguity is the archimedean data  $\varphi_\infty^{(2)}$ , completely specified by giving its values on the archimedean part of the standard unipotent radical, namely,

$$\varphi_\infty^{(2)}\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \tilde{\varphi}\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1_{r-2} & & \\ & 1 & x \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix}\right) \quad (\tilde{\varphi} \text{ as above})$$

Let  $U^{1,1}$  be the unipotent radical of the standard parabolic  $P^{1,1}$  in  $GL_2$ . Express  $\varphi^{(2)}$  in its Fourier expansion along  $U^{1,1}$ , and remove the constant term: let

$$\varphi^*(\beta, D) = \varphi^{(2)}(\beta, D) - \int_{U_{\mathbb{A}}^{1,1}} \varphi^{(2)}(\beta, uD) du = \sum_{\xi \in k^\times} \int_{U_{\mathbb{A}}^{1,1}} \bar{\psi}^\xi(u) \varphi^{(2)}(\beta, uD) du$$

The corresponding  $GL_2$  Poincaré series with leading term removed is

$$\Omega(\beta, D) = \sum_{\alpha \in P_k^{1,1} \backslash GL_2(k)} \varphi^*(\beta, \alpha D)$$

Thus, for

$$g = \begin{pmatrix} A & * \\ & D \end{pmatrix} \quad (\text{with } A \in GL_{r-2}(\mathbb{A}) \text{ and } D \in GL_2(\mathbb{A}))$$

the inner integral

$$g \rightarrow \int_{U''_{\mathbb{A}}} \bar{\psi}(u'') \tilde{\varphi}(u''g) du''$$

is expressible in terms of the kernel  $\varphi^*$  for  $\Omega$ , namely,

$$\sum_{\xi \in k^\times} \int_{U''_{\mathbb{A}}} \bar{\psi}^\xi(u'') \tilde{\varphi}(u''g) du'' = |\det A|^{z+1} \cdot |\det D|^{-\frac{(r-2)}{2} \cdot (z+1)} \cdot \varphi^*\left(\frac{rz+r-2}{2}, D\right)$$

Thus,

$$\sum_{\alpha \in P_k^{1,1} \backslash \Theta_k} \sum_{\xi \in k^\times} \int_{U''_{\mathbb{A}}} \bar{\psi}^\xi(u'') \tilde{\varphi}(u''\alpha g) du'' = |\det A|^{z+1} \cdot |\det D|^{-\frac{(r-2)}{2} \cdot (z+1)} \cdot \Omega\left(\frac{rz+r-2}{2}, D\right)$$

Thus, letting

$$\Phi\left(\begin{pmatrix} A & * \\ & D \end{pmatrix}\right) = |\det A|^{z+1} \cdot |\det D|^{-(r-2) \cdot \frac{z+1}{2}} \cdot \Omega\left(\frac{rz+r-2}{2}, D\right) \quad (\text{with } A \in GL_{r-2} \text{ and } D \in GL_2)$$

we have

$$\mathfrak{P}(g) = \left( \int_{U_\infty} \varphi_\infty \right) \cdot E_{z+1}^{r,1}(g) + \sum_{\gamma \in P_k^{r-2,2} \backslash G_k} \Phi(\gamma g)$$

To obtain a spectral decomposition of the Poincaré series  $\mathfrak{P}$  for  $GL_r$ , we first recall from [Diaconu-Garrett 2009a] the spectral decomposition of  $\Omega$  for  $r = 2$ , and then form  $P^{r-2,2}$  Eisenstein series from the spectral fragments.

As in [Diaconu-Garrett 2009a], a direct computation shows that the spectral expansion of the  $GL_2$  Poincaré series with constant term removed is

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega(\beta, D) &= \sum_F \left( \int_{PGL_2(k_\infty)} \tilde{\varphi}_\infty \cdot W_{\bar{F}, \infty} \right) \cdot \bar{\rho}_F \cdot L(\beta + \frac{1}{2}, \pi_{\bar{F}}) \cdot F \\ &+ \sum_\chi \frac{\chi(\mathfrak{d})}{4\pi i k} \int_{\text{Re}(s)=\frac{1}{2}} \left( \int_{PGL_2(k_\infty)} \tilde{\varphi}_\infty \cdot W_{E_{1-s, \bar{\chi}, \infty}} \right) \frac{L(\beta + 1 - s, \bar{\chi}) \cdot L(\beta + s, \chi)}{L(2 - 2s, \bar{\chi}^2)} \cdot |\mathfrak{d}|^{-(\beta+s-1/2)} \cdot E_{s, \chi}(D) ds \end{aligned}$$

where  $F$  runs over an orthonormal basis of everywhere-spherical cuspforms,  $\bar{\rho}_F$  is the general  $GL_2$  analogue of the leading Fourier coefficient,  $\pi_{\bar{F}}$  is the cuspidal automorphic representation generated by  $\bar{F}$ ,  $W_{\bar{F}, \infty}$  and  $W_{E_{s, \chi}, \infty}$  are the normalized spherical vectors in the corresponding archimedean Whittaker models,  $\Lambda(s, \chi)$

is the standard  $L$ -function completed by adding the archimedean factors, and  $\mathfrak{d}$  is the differential idele. Thus, the individual spectral components of  $\Phi$  are of the form

$$\Phi_{\frac{z+1}{2}, \Psi} \left( \begin{matrix} A & * \\ 0 & D \end{matrix} \cdot \theta \right) (\text{constant}) \cdot |\det A|^{z+1} \cdot |\det D|^{-(r-2)\frac{z+1}{2}} \cdot \Psi(D) \quad (\text{where } \theta \in K_{\mathbb{A}})$$

where  $\Psi$  is either a spherical  $GL_2$  cuspform or a spherical  $GL_2$  Eisenstein series, in either case with trivial central character.

For  $\Psi$  a spherical  $GL_2$  cuspform  $F$  averaging over  $P_k^{r-2,2} \backslash G_k$  produces a half-degenerate Eisenstein series

$$E_{\frac{z+1}{2}, F}^{r-2,2}(g) = \sum_{\gamma \in P_k^{r-2,2} \backslash G_k} \Phi_{\frac{z+1}{2}, F}(\gamma \cdot g)$$

As in the appendix, the half-degenerate Eisenstein series  $E_{s,F}^{r-2,2}$  has *no poles* in  $\text{Re}(s) \geq 1/2$ . With  $s = (z+1)/2$  this assures absence of poles in  $\text{Re}(z) \geq 0$ .

The continuous spectrum part of  $\Omega$  produces degenerate Eisenstein series on  $G$ , as follows. With  $\Psi = E_{s,\chi}$  the usual spherical, trivial central character, Eisenstein series for  $GL_2$ , define an Eisenstein series

$$E_{\frac{z+1}{2}, E_{s,\chi}}^{r-2,2}(g) = \sum_{\gamma \in P_k^{r-2,2} \backslash G_k} \Phi_{\frac{z+1}{2}, E_{s,\chi}}(\gamma g)$$

As usual, for  $\text{Re}(s) \gg 0$  and  $\text{Re}(z) \gg 0$ , this iterated formation of Eisenstein series is equal to a single-step Eisenstein series. That is, let

$$\Phi_{s_1, s_2, s_3, \chi} \left( \begin{pmatrix} A & * & * \\ 0 & m_2 & * \\ 0 & 0 & m_3 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \theta \right) = |\det A|^{s_1} \cdot |m_2|^{s_2} \chi(m_2) \cdot |m_3|^{s_3} \bar{\chi}(m_3) \quad (\text{for } \theta \in K_{\mathbb{A}}, A \in GL_{r-2})$$

and

$$E_{s_1, s_2, s_3, \chi}^{r-2,1,1}(g) = \sum_{\gamma \in P_k^{r-2,1,1} \backslash G_k} \Phi_{s_1, s_2, s_3, \chi}(\gamma g)$$

Taking  $s_1 = 2 \cdot \frac{z+1}{2}$ ,  $s_2 = s - \frac{(r-2)(z+1)}{2}$ , and  $s_3 = -s - \frac{(r-2)(z+1)}{2}$ ,

$$E_{\frac{z+1}{2}, E_{s,\chi}}^{r-2,2} = E_{z+1, s - \frac{(r-2)(z+1)}{2}, -s - \frac{(r-2)(z+1)}{2}, \chi}^{r-2,1,1}$$

Adding up these spectral components yields the spectral expansion of the Poincaré series. ///

## 5. Appendix: half-degenerate Eisenstein series

Take  $q > 1$ , and let  $f$  be a cuspform on  $GL_q(\mathbb{A})$ , in the strong sense that  $f$  is in  $L^2(GL_q(k) \backslash GL_q(\mathbb{A})^1)$ , and  $f$  meets the Gelfand-Fomin-Graev conditions

$$\int_{N_k \backslash N_{\mathbb{A}}} f(n g) dn = 0 \quad (\text{for almost all } g)$$

and  $f$  generates an irreducible representation of  $GL_q(k_v)$  locally at all places  $v$  of  $k$ . For a Schwartz function  $\Phi$  on  $\mathbb{A}^{q \times r}$  and Hecke character  $\chi$ , let

$$\varphi(g) = \varphi_{\chi, f, \Phi}(g) = \chi(\det g)^q \int_{GL_q(\mathbb{A})} f(h^{-1}) \chi(\det h)^r \Phi(h \cdot [0_{q \times (r-q)} \ 1_q] \cdot g) dh$$

This function  $\varphi$  has the same central character as  $f$ . It is left invariant by the adèle points of the unipotent radical

$$N = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1_{r-q} & * \\ & 1_r \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad (\text{unipotent radical of } P = P^{r-q, q})$$

The function  $\varphi$  is left invariant under the  $k$ -rational points  $M_k$  of the standard Levi component of  $P$ ,

$$M = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & \\ & d \end{pmatrix} : a \in GL_{r-q}, d \in GL_r \right\}$$

To understand the normalization, observe that

$$\xi(\chi^r, f, \Phi(0, *)) = \varphi(1) = \int_{GL_q(\mathbb{A})} f(h^{-1}) \chi(\det h)^r \Phi(h \cdot [0_{q \times (r-q)} \ 1_q]) dh$$

is a zeta integral as in [Godement-Jacquet 1972] for the standard  $L$ -function attached to the cuspform  $f$ . Thus, the Eisenstein series formed from  $\varphi$  includes this zeta integral as a factor, so write

$$\xi(\chi^r, f, \Phi(0, *)) \cdot E_{\chi, f, \Phi}^P(g) = \sum_{\gamma \in P_k \backslash GL_r(k)} \varphi(\gamma g) \quad (\text{convergent for } \text{Re}(\chi) \gg 1)$$

The meromorphic continuation follows by Poisson summation:

$$\begin{aligned} & \xi(\chi^r, f, \Phi(0, *)) \cdot E_{\chi, f, \Phi}^P(g) \\ &= \chi(\det g)^q \sum_{\gamma \in P_k \backslash GL_r(k)} \int_{GL_q(k) \backslash GL_q(\mathbb{A})} f(h) \chi(\det h)^{-r} \sum_{\alpha \in GL_q(k)} \Phi(h^{-1} \cdot [0 \ \alpha] \cdot g) dh \\ &= \chi(\det g)^q \int_{GL_q(k) \backslash GL_q(\mathbb{A})} f(h) \chi(\det h)^{-r} \sum_{y \in k^{q \times r}, \text{ full rank}} \Phi(h^{-1} \cdot y \cdot g) dh \end{aligned}$$

The Gelfand-Fomin-Graev condition on  $f$  fits the full-rank constraint. Anticipating that we can drop the rank condition suggests that we define

$$\Theta_\Phi(h, g) = \sum_{y \in k^{q \times r}} \Phi(h^{-1} \cdot y \cdot g)$$

As in [Godement-Jacquet 1972], the non-full-rank terms integrate to 0:

**5.1 Proposition:** For  $f$  a cuspform, less-than-full-rank terms integrate to 0, that is,

$$\int_{GL_q(k) \backslash GL_q(\mathbb{A})} f(h) \chi(\det h)^{-r} \sum_{y \in k^{q \times r}, \text{ rank} < q} \Phi(h^{-1} \cdot y \cdot g) dh = 0$$

*Proof:* Since this is asserted for arbitrary Schwartz functions  $\Phi$ , we can take  $g = 1$ . By linear algebra, given  $y_0 \in k^{q \times r}$  of rank  $\ell$ , there is  $\alpha \in GL_q(k)$  such that

$$\alpha \cdot y_0 = \begin{pmatrix} y_{\ell \times r} \\ 0_{(q-\ell) \times r} \end{pmatrix} \quad (\text{with } \ell\text{-by-}r \text{ block } y_{\ell \times r} \text{ of rank } \ell)$$

Thus, without loss of generality fix  $y_0$  of the latter shape. Let  $Y$  be the orbit of  $y_0$  under left multiplication by the rational points of the parabolic

$$P^{\ell, q-\ell} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \ell\text{-by-}\ell & * \\ 0 & (q-\ell)\text{-by-}(q-\ell) \end{pmatrix} \right\} \subset GL_q$$

This is some set of matrices of the same shape as  $y_0$ . Then the subsum over  $GL_q(k) \cdot y_0$  is

$$\int_{GL_q(k) \backslash GL_q(\mathbb{A})} f(h) \chi(\det h)^{-r} \sum_{y \in GL_q(k) \cdot y_0} \Phi(h^{-1} \cdot y) dh = \int_{P_k^{\ell, q-\ell} \backslash GL_q(\mathbb{A})} f(h) \chi(\det h)^{-r} \sum_{y \in Y} \Phi(h^{-1} \cdot y) dh$$



Let  $N$  and  $M$  be the unipotent radical and standard Levi component of  $P^{\ell, q-\ell}$ ,

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} 1_\ell & * \\ 0 & 1_{q-\ell} \end{pmatrix} \quad M = \begin{pmatrix} \ell\text{-by-}\ell & 0 \\ 0 & (q-\ell)\text{-by-}(q-\ell) \end{pmatrix}$$

Then the integral can be rewritten as an iterated integral

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{N_k M_k \backslash GL_q(\mathbb{A})} f(h) \chi(\det h)^{-r} \sum_{y \in Y} \Phi(h^{-1} \cdot y) dh \\ &= \int_{N_{\mathbb{A}} M_k \backslash GL_q(\mathbb{A})} \sum_{y \in Y} \int_{N_k \backslash N_{\mathbb{A}}} f(nh) \chi(\det nh)^{-r} \Phi((nh)^{-1} \cdot y) dn dh \\ &= \int_{N_{\mathbb{A}} M_k \backslash GL_q(\mathbb{A})} \sum_{y \in Y} \chi(\det h)^{-r} \Phi(h^{-1} \cdot y) \left( \int_{N_k \backslash N_{\mathbb{A}}} f(nh) dn \right) dh \end{aligned}$$

since all fragments but  $f(nh)$  in the integrand are left invariant by  $N_{\mathbb{A}}$ . The inner integral of  $f(nh)$  is 0, by the Gelfand-Fomin-Graev condition, so the whole is 0. ///

Let  $\iota$  denote the transpose-inverse involution. Poisson summation gives

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta_{\Phi}(h, g) &= \sum_{y \in k^q \times r} \Phi(h^{-1} \cdot y \cdot g) \\ &= |\det(h^{-1})^\iota|^r |\det g^\iota|^q \sum_{y \in k^q \times r} \widehat{\Phi}((h^\iota)^{-1} \cdot y \cdot g^\iota) = |\det(h^{-1})^\iota|^r |\det g^\iota|^q \Theta_{\widehat{\Phi}}(h^\iota, g^\iota) \end{aligned}$$

As with  $\Theta_{\Phi}$ , the lower-rank summands in  $\Theta_{\widehat{\Phi}}$  integrate to 0 against cuspforms. Thus, letting

$$GL_q^+ = \{h \in GL_q(\mathbb{A}) : |\det h| \geq 1\} \quad GL_q^- = \{h \in GL_q(\mathbb{A}) : |\det h| \leq 1\}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \xi(\chi^r, f, \Phi(0, *)) \cdot E_{\chi, f, \Phi}^P(g) = \chi(\det g)^q \int_{GL_q(k) \backslash GL_q(\mathbb{A})} f(h) \chi(\det h)^{-r} \Theta_{\Phi}(h, g) dh \\ &= \chi(\det g)^q \int_{GL_q(k) \backslash GL_q^+} f(h) \chi(\det h)^{-r} \Theta_{\Phi}(h, g) dh + \chi(\det g)^q \int_{GL_q(k) \backslash GL_q^-} f(h) \chi(\det h)^{-r} \Theta_{\Phi}(h, g) dh \\ &= \chi(\det g)^q \int_{GL_q(k) \backslash GL_q^+} f(h) \chi(\det h)^{-r} \Theta_{\Phi}(h, g) dh \\ &\quad + \chi(\det g)^q \int_{GL_q(k) \backslash GL_q^-} |\det(h^{-1})^\iota|^r |\det g^\iota|^q f(h) \chi(\det h)^{-r} \Theta_{\widehat{\Phi}}(h^\iota, g^\iota) dh \end{aligned}$$

By replacing  $h$  by  $h^\iota$  in the second integral, convert it to an integral over  $GL_q(k) \backslash GL_q^+$ , and the whole is

$$\begin{aligned} & \xi(\chi^r, f, \Phi(0, *)) \cdot E_{\chi, f, \Phi}^P(g) = \chi(\det g)^q \int_{GL_q(k) \backslash GL_q^+} f(h) \chi(\det h)^{-r} \Theta_{\Phi}(h, g) dh \\ &\quad + \chi^{-1}(\det g^\iota)^q \int_{GL_q(k) \backslash GL_q^+} f(h^\iota) \nu \chi^{-1}(\det h^\iota)^{-r} \Theta_{\widehat{\Phi}}(h, g^\iota) dh \end{aligned}$$

Since  $f \circ \iota$  is a cuspform, the second integral is entire in  $\chi$ . Thus, we have proven

$$\xi(\chi^r, f, \Phi(0, *)) \cdot E_{\chi, f, \Phi}^P \text{ is entire}$$

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