## Hermitian forms for $Sp(4,\mathbb{R})$

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## 1 Notation for $Sp(4,\mathbb{R})$

Basic references are Vogan's notes on  $Sp(4,\mathbb{R})$ : [3] (branching) and [4] (Hermitian forms). In fact these notes are largely a rewriting of [4] in more explicit atlas terms.

 $G = Sp(4, \mathbb{R})$  with all the usual notation, including atlas stuff.

Write (x, y) for the usual coordinates, in which  $\rho = (2, 1)$ . The *software* coordinates (assuming we define G as sc) are fundamental weight coordinates. Write [a, b] for these coordinates. The changes of coordinates are

(1.1) 
$$(x,y) \to [x-y,y]$$
$$(a+b,b) \leftarrow [a,b]$$

For example  $\rho = (2, 1) = [1, 1]$ .

## 2 Standard Modules

We always write H for the once-and-for-all fixed Cartan of G, and  $X^* = X^*(H), X_* = X_*(H)$ . We may also have use for  $H^{\vee}$ ,  $X^{\vee,*} = X^*(H^{\vee})$  and  $X_*^{\vee} = X_*(H^{\vee})$ . We also fixed once and for all a set of positive roots.

In atlas language a parameter is a triple  $(x, \lambda, \nu)$  where:

- (1) x is a kgb element, set  $\theta = \theta_x$ ;
- (2)  $\lambda \in (X^* + \rho)/(1 \theta)X^*$ ;
- (3)  $\nu \in (X^* \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q})^{-\theta} = \mathfrak{a}(\mathbb{Q})^*$ .

This defines a standard module  $I(x, \lambda, \nu)$ . The infinitesimal character is

(2.1) 
$$\gamma = \frac{1}{2}(1+\theta)\lambda + \frac{1}{2}(1-\theta)\nu \in X^* \otimes \mathbb{Q}.$$

For example  $\lambda = \nu$  gives  $\gamma = \lambda$  (note that  $\gamma$  is integral).

Recall  $\theta$  defines positive imaginary and real roots, and  $\rho_r$ ,  $\rho_i$  and  $\rho_{cx}$ . Some conditions are:

- (a) The parameter is standard if  $\langle \lambda, \alpha^{\vee} \rangle \geq 0$  for all positive imaginary roots.
- (b) The parameter is *final* if for all positive real roots,  $\langle \nu, \alpha^{\vee} \rangle = 0$  implies  $\langle \lambda + \rho_r, \alpha^{\vee} \rangle$  is even. Equivalently:  $\langle \lambda, \alpha^{\vee} \rangle$  is odd for all real-simple roots (simple roots in the subsystem of real roots).
- (c) We say  $(x, \lambda, \nu) \equiv (x, w(\lambda + \rho_r) \rho_r, w\nu)$  for  $w \in W_r$ . Using this we can assume  $\langle \nu, \alpha \rangle \geq 0$  for all positive real roots.
- (d) If  $\alpha$  is simple and  $\theta_x$ -complex we say  $(x, \lambda, \nu) \equiv (s_\alpha \times x, s_\alpha \lambda, s_\alpha \nu)$ . This allows us to move x to any fiber on the same Cartan.
- (e) For a standard parameter,  $I(x, \lambda, \nu)$  is zero if and only if  $\langle \lambda, \alpha^{\vee} \rangle = 0$  for some imaginary-simple root which is compact.

A nonzero final standard module  $I(x, \lambda, \nu)$  has a unique irreducible quotient  $J(x, \lambda, \nu)$ .

We generally write the subscript K to indicate restriction to K; so here we have  $I_K(x, \lambda, \nu)$  and  $J_K(x, \lambda, \nu)$ .

Recall each fiber has a distinguished basepoint, and each conjugacy class of fibers has a canonical fiber. In the output of KGB, the canonical fiber is labelled #, and the basepoints have entry (0,...,0) preceding the #.

Using (c) we can write every final standard parameter in the form  $(x, \lambda, \nu)$  where x is in a canonical fiber.

## **2.1** Standard Modules for $Sp(4, \mathbb{R})$

There are 11 kgb elements numbered 0-10. I'll call them  $x_0, \ldots, x_{10}$ . Here is the output of KGB.

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[C,r]
6:
     1
                                  * (1,0) 2 2
7:
     2
         [C,n]
                  5
                                 10 (0,0)#2 1,2,1
     2
         [C,n]
                                 10 (0,1)#2 1,2,1
                  6
8:
     2
        [n,C]
                  9
                       4
                                      (0,0)#1 2,1,2
9:
                             10
     3
         [r,r]
                  10
                      10
                                      (0,0)#3 2,1,2,1
10:
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The basepoints in the canonical fibers are  $x_0, x_7, x_9, x_{10}$ .

**Cartan 0** This is the compact Cartan subgroup, so  $\nu = 0$ , and  $\lambda \in X^* \simeq \mathbb{Z}^2$ . The standard modules are  $(a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, a \ge b \ge 0)$ :

$$I(x_0, (a, b))$$
 (large DS)  
 $I(x_1, (a, b))$  (large DS)  
 $I(x_2, (a, b))$  (holomorphic DS)  
 $I(x_3, (a, b))$  (antiholomorphic DS)

These are always final. The standard modules are always nonzero in the first two cases, and if and only if a > b in the last two.

**Cartan 1** This is the  $\mathbb{C}^*$  Cartan subgroup. The canonical fiber has  $\theta = w = 2, 1, 2$ , so  $\theta(x, y) = (-y, -x)$ . Then  $(1 - \theta)X^* = \{(c, c) \mid c \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  so  $\lambda = (a, b) \mod (c, c)$  with  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ . (This is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}$  by the map  $(a, b) \to a - b$ ). On the other hand  $(X^* \otimes \mathbb{Q})^{-\theta} = \{(x, x) \mid x \in \mathbb{Q}\}$ .

The root (1,-1) is imaginary, and (1,1) is real. The standard limit modules are

$$(2.1.2)(a) I(x_9, (a, b) \bmod (c, c), (x, x)) (a \ge b, x \ge 0)$$

with infinitesimal character

$$\gamma = \left(x + \frac{a-b}{2}, x - \frac{a-b}{2}\right)$$

These standard modules are always nonzero.

In this case  $M \simeq GL(2,\mathbb{R})$ . The standard module given by a,b,x is the one associated to the representation on M with restriction to  $SL(2,\mathbb{R})^{\pm}$  the discrete series with infinitesimal character  $a-b=0,1,2,\ldots$ , and such that  $\operatorname{diag}(e^t,e^t)$  acts by the scalar  $e^{2tx}$ . (These may be not quite the inducing data since we are working with the " $\Lambda$ -parameters"; see [2] or [1].)

The final condition is

$$x = 0 \Rightarrow a - b \in 2\mathbb{Z} + 1.$$

Suppose  $r \geq s \geq 0$ . Provided  $r, s \in \mathbb{Z}$  there are two standard modules with infinitesimal character (r, s):

(2.1.2)(b) 
$$I(x_9, (r-s, 0), \frac{1}{2}(r+s, r+s)) \to \gamma = (r, s)$$

(2.1.2)(c) 
$$I(x_9, (r+s, 0), \frac{1}{2}(r-s, r-s)) \to \gamma = (r, -s)$$

In these coordinates, the final condition is:

If 
$$x = 0$$
 then  $I(x_9, (c, 0), (0, 0))$  is final  $\Leftrightarrow c \in 2\mathbb{Z} + 1$ .

In (b)  $\gamma$  is dominant, whereas in (c) it is not if s > 0. Using the cross action of the complex root (0,2) (note that  $\theta_{x_4}(x,y) = (y,x)$ ):

$$(2.1.3) \quad I(x_9, (r+s, 0), \frac{1}{2}(r-s, r-s)) = I(x_4, (r+s, 0), \frac{1}{2}(r-s, -s+r))$$

It is convenient to change variables, and renormalize by  $\frac{1}{2}$  as follows. Define

(2.1.4)(a) 
$$I(x_9, c, x) = I(x_9, (c, 0), \frac{1}{2}(x, x)) \quad (c \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}, x \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}).$$

This has infinitesimal character

(2.1.4)(b) 
$$\gamma = \frac{1}{2}(x+c, x-c).$$

Cartan 2 This is the  $\mathbb{R}^* \times S^1$  Cartan subgroup. The canonical involution is 1, 2, 1, i.e.  $\theta(a, b) = (-a, b)$ . Therefore  $(1 - \theta)X^* = (2\mathbb{Z}, 0)$ , and  $\lambda = (\overline{a}, b) \in \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ . On the other hand  $\nu = (x, 0)$  with  $x \in \mathbb{Q}$ . The root (2, 0) is real, and (0, 2) is imaginary. So the standard modules are

$$I(x_7, (\overline{a}, b), (x, 0))$$
  
 $I(x_8, (\overline{a}, b), (x, 0))$ 

with  $b \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}$  and  $\overline{a} \in \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ . The infinitesimal character is

$$\gamma = (x, b)$$

The final condition is

$$x = 0 \Rightarrow \overline{a} = 1.$$

These standard modules are always nonzero.

The standard modules are those given by the holomorphic discrete series of  $SL(2,\mathbb{R})$  with infinitesimal character  $b=0,1,2,\ldots$ , and the character of  $\mathbb{R}^*$   $t \to |t|^x \operatorname{sgn}(x)^a$ . The standard modules  $I(x_8,(\overline{a},b),(x,0))$  are the same, with antiholomorphic in place of holomorphic.

If  $x \geq b$  then  $\gamma$  is dominant. If x < b it makes sense to apply (d) of Section 2. Using the fact that for  $x_5, x_6, \theta(x, y) = (x, -y)$ , with the obvious notation we have

$$I(x_7, (\overline{a}, b), (x, 0)) = I(x_5, (b, \overline{a}), (0, x))$$
  
 $I(x_8, (\overline{a}, b), (x, 0)) = I(x_6, (b, \overline{a}), (0, x))$ 

Cartan 3 This is the split Cartan subgroup, with  $x = x_{10}$ ,  $\theta = -1$ ,  $(1 - \theta)X^* = 2\mathbb{Z} \times 2\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\lambda = (\overline{a}, \overline{b}) \in \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\nu = (x, y) \in \mathbb{Q}^2$ . The standard modules are

$$I(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, y)) \quad (x \ge y \ge 0)$$

with infinitesimal character (x, y). The final condition is

$$y = 0 \Rightarrow \overline{b} = 1$$
  
 $x - y = 0 \Rightarrow \overline{a} - \overline{b} = 1$ 

These standard modules are always nonzero.

## 3 nblock

The nblock command is essential to these computations. The translation between nblock coordinates and human ones is tricky. The main point of this section is to explain the nblock command, and give a translation for  $Sp(4,\mathbb{R})$  between nblock and human coordinates.

Here is an overview of the nblock command, which (among other things) allows the user to input a general standard module. Recall a standard module is determined by a parameter  $(x, \lambda, \nu)$ . See Section 2.

The user first inputs a Cartan, from the atlas list 0..n. The software then gives a list of kgb elements x in the distinguished fiber for this Cartan. In particular this specifies a specific Cartan involution  $\theta$  of H.

The user chooses one of the elements x.

Next the user defines  $\lambda$ . The user inputs  $(\lambda - \rho)_{in} \in X^*$  in the "software" coordinates. Suppose G is semisimple. If it is entered as sc these are fundamental weight coordinates, while ad gives simple root coordinates. The

software computes

$$\lambda = (\lambda - \rho)_{in} + \rho.$$

Only the image of  $\lambda$  in  $\rho + X^*/(1-\theta)X^*$  matters.

Next the user defines  $\nu \in (X^* \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q})^{-\theta} = \mathfrak{a}(\mathbb{Q})^*$ . The user inputs an arbitrary element  $\nu_{in} \in X^* \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$  (in software coordinates), and the software defines

$$\nu = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \theta)\nu_{in} \in \mathfrak{a}(\mathbb{Q})^*$$

Let

$$\lambda_0 = \frac{1}{2}(1+\theta)\lambda.$$

Then (cf. (2.1)) the infinitesimal character is computed as

$$\gamma = \lambda_0 + \nu = \frac{1}{2}(1+\theta)\lambda + \frac{1}{2}(1-\theta)\nu_{in}.$$

**NB:** Only  $\nu = (1 - \theta)\nu_{in}$  matters, and for the infinitesimal character only  $\lambda_0 = (1 + \theta)\lambda$  matters. However,  $\lambda$  has extra (torsion) information not contained in  $\lambda_0$ . For example, if the Cartan is split  $\lambda_0 = 0$  but  $\lambda$  is an element of  $\rho + X^*/2X^*$ .

If  $\gamma$  is dominant the triple  $(x, \lambda, \nu)$  defines a standard module. If the infinitesimal character is singular it may be reducible or 0. If  $\gamma$  is not dominant on the integral roots, the software uses complex cross actions to replace this triple with  $(x', \lambda', \nu')$  such that  $\gamma' = \lambda'_0 + \nu'$  is dominant, and conjugate to  $\gamma$ .

## 4 Standard Modules for $Sp(4,\mathbb{R})$ using nblock

We show how to construct the standard modules of Section 2.1 using nblock. This is primarily just a change of coordinates.

In each case the user will enter a Cartan, kgb element,  $(\lambda - \rho)_{in} = [\widetilde{a}, \widetilde{b}]$ , and  $\nu_{in} = [\widetilde{x}, \widetilde{y}]$ .

#### (a) Cartan #0

This case is clear. If  $0 \le k \le 3$ :

$$I(x_k, (a, b)) = I(x_k, [\widetilde{a}, \widetilde{b}], [\widetilde{x}, \widetilde{y}])$$

provided  $a = \widetilde{a} + \widetilde{b} + 2, b = \widetilde{b} + 1$  ( $\widetilde{x}, \widetilde{y}$  are irrelevant).

#### (b) Cartan #1

This is the  $\mathbb{C}^*$  Cartan, with  $M \simeq GL(2, \mathbb{R})$ .

As in Section 2.1, there is only one kgb element x9 in the distinguished fiber,  $\theta = 2, 1, 2, \ \theta(x, y) = (-y, -x)$ . In fundamental weight coordinates  $\theta[x, y] = [x, -x - y]$ .

The coroot [1,0]=(1,-1) is imaginary, so the software requires  $\widetilde{a} \geq -1$ . Since  $(1-\theta)X^*=[0,\mathbb{Z}],\ \widetilde{b}$  has no effect (the Cartan is connected).

If  $\nu = [\widetilde{x}, \widetilde{y}]$  then  $\frac{1}{2}(1-\theta)\nu = [0, \widetilde{y} + \frac{\widetilde{x}}{2}]$ . It is convenient to take  $\widetilde{x} = 0$ , so  $\frac{1}{2}(1-\theta)\nu = \nu$ .

So the module

$$I(x_9, (a, b) \bmod (c, c), (x, x)) \quad (a - b \ge 0, x \ge 0)$$

of Section 2.1 is given in these coordinates by

$$I(x_9, [\widetilde{a}, 0] \mod(0, \mathbb{Z})), [0, \widetilde{x}]) \quad (\widetilde{a} \ge -1, \widetilde{x} \ge 0)$$

with  $\widetilde{a} = a - b - 1 \ge -1$  and  $\widetilde{x} = x$ . In particular the infinitesimal characters match up:

$$(x + \frac{a-b}{2}, x - \frac{a-b}{2}) = (\widetilde{x} + \frac{\widetilde{a}+1}{2}, \widetilde{x} - \frac{\widetilde{a}+1}{2}).$$

In terms of the **nblock** interaction, here is what happens (dropping the tildes). Choose  $x_9$ ,

$$(\lambda - \rho)_{in} = [a, b] = (a + b, b)$$
  
 $\nu = \nu_{in} = [0, x] = (x, x)$ 

If  $x \ge \frac{a+1}{2}$  then the software computes:

$$\lambda = [a+1, b+1] = (a+b+2, b+1)$$

$$\lambda_0 = [a+1, -\frac{a+1}{2}] = (\frac{a+1}{2}, -\frac{a+1}{2})$$

$$\gamma = [a+1, x-\frac{a+1}{2}] = (x+\frac{a+1}{2}, x-\frac{a+1}{2})$$

and  $\gamma$  is dominant.

If  $x < \frac{a+1}{2}$ ,  $\gamma$  is not dominant, so (provided that  $x - \frac{a+1}{2}$  is an integer) the software conjugates  $\lambda, \nu$  by  $s_2$ . The new Cartan involution is  $\theta(x, y) = (y, x)$ ,

and we get:

$$\lambda = [a+2b+3, -b-1] = (a+b+2, -b-1)$$

$$\lambda_0 = [0, \frac{a+1}{2}] = (\frac{a+1}{2}, \frac{a+1}{2})$$

$$\nu = [2x, -x] = (x, -x)$$

$$\gamma = [2x, -x + \frac{a+1}{2}] = (x + \frac{a+1}{2}, -x + \frac{a+1}{2})$$

#### (c) Cartan #2

This is the Cartan  $S^1 \times \mathbb{R}^*$ , with  $M = SL(2,\mathbb{R}) \times \mathbb{R}^*$ . As in Section 2.1 the distinguished fiber has  $\theta = 1, 2, 1$ , so  $\theta(x, y) = (-x, y)$ . In fundamental weight coordinates  $\theta[a, b] = [-a - 2b, b]$ . The coroot [0, 1] = (0, 1) is imaginary, so we have the condition  $\tilde{b} \geq -1$ . Since  $(1 - \theta)X^* = [2\mathbb{Z}, 0]$ , only the image of  $a \in \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$  matters, so we could take  $\tilde{a} = 0, 1$ .

Since  $\nu_{in} = [\widetilde{x}, \widetilde{y}]$  gives  $\nu = \frac{1}{2}(1-\theta)\nu_{in} = [\widetilde{x} + \widetilde{y}, 0]$ , we may as well take

$$\nu_{in} = [\widetilde{x}, 0] = (\widetilde{x}, 0)$$

in which case  $\nu = \nu_{in}$ .

The translation is, with k = 7, 8,

$$I(x_k, (\overline{a}, b), (x, 0)) \quad (b, x \ge 0)$$

is given in the new coordinates by

$$I(x_k, [\widetilde{a}, \widetilde{b}], [\widetilde{x}, 0]) \quad (\widetilde{b} \ge -1, \widetilde{x} \ge 0)$$

provided  $\widetilde{a} + \widetilde{b} \equiv \overline{a} \pmod{2}$ ,  $\widetilde{b} + 1 = b$  and  $\widetilde{x} = x$ .

In terms of the software interaction (dropping the tildes), if  $x \ge b + 1$ :

$$\nu = [x, 0] = (x, 0)$$

$$\lambda = [a + 1, b + 1] = (a + b + 2, b + 1)$$

$$\lambda_0 = [-b - 1, b + 1] = (0, b + 1)$$

$$\gamma = [x - b - 1, b + 1] = (x, b + 1)$$

and  $\gamma$  is dominant.

If x < b + 1  $\gamma$  is not dominant, so we conjugate everything by  $s_1$ . The new Cartan involution is  $s_2 : (x, y) = (x, -y)$ .

$$\lambda = [-a - 1, a + b + 2] = (b + 1, a + b + 2)$$

$$\lambda_0 = [b + 1, 0] = (b + 1, 0)$$

$$\nu = [-x, x] = (0, x)$$

$$\gamma = [b + 1 - x, x] = (b + 1, x)$$

#### (d) Split Cartan

$$I(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, y))$$

is the same as

$$I(x_{10}, [\widetilde{a}, \widetilde{b}], [\widetilde{x}, \widetilde{y}])$$

provided  $\overline{a} = \widetilde{a} + \widetilde{b} \pmod{2}$ ,  $\overline{b} = \widetilde{b} + 1 \pmod{2}$ , and  $\widetilde{x} + \widetilde{y} = x$ ,  $\widetilde{y} = y$ .

## 5 Standard K-Representations

Suppose  $I(x, \lambda, 0)$  is a nonzero, final standard limit representation, with  $\nu = 0$ . As in Section 2 its restriction to K is  $I_K(x, \lambda, 0)$ . This is an important object so we give it a name:

**Definition 5.1**  $I_K(x,\lambda)$  is the restriction of the nonzero, final standard limit module  $I(x,\lambda,0)$  to K.

These are a basis of the Grothendieck group of K. Here is a list of these modules for  $Sp(4,\mathbb{R})$ . The last column gives the highest weight of the lowest K-types.

$$I_{K}(x_{0},(a,b)) \quad a \geq b \geq 0 \qquad (a+1,-b)$$

$$I_{K}(x_{1},(a,b)) \quad a \geq b \geq 0 \qquad (b,-a-1)$$

$$I_{K}(x_{2},(a,b)) \quad a > b \geq 0 \qquad (a+1,b+2)$$

$$I_{K}(x_{3},(a,b)) \quad a > b \geq 0 \quad (-b-2,-a-1)$$

$$I_{K}(x_{9},(c,0)) \quad c > 0 \text{ odd} \qquad (\frac{c+1}{2},-\frac{c+1}{2})$$

$$I_{K}(x_{7},(\overline{1},b)) \quad b \geq 0 \qquad (b+1,1)$$

$$I_{K}(x_{8},(\overline{1},b)) \quad b \geq 0 \qquad (-1,-b-1)$$

$$I_{K}(x_{10},(\overline{0},\overline{1})) \qquad (0,0)$$

We will need some Hecht-Schmid identities for some non-final parameters. For example  $I(x_9, (c, 0), (0, 0))$  is not final if c is even. To see this using

the software, use the Ktypeform command. In this example  $\lambda = (2,0)$ ,  $\lambda - \rho = (0,-1)$  which equals [1,-1] in fundamental weight coordinates.

real: Ktypeform

Choose KGB element: 9

2rho = [2, 2]

Give lambda-rho: 1 -1

Representation [4, 4]@(0,0)#1 is not final, as witnessed by coroot [1,2].

This is because

(5.3)(a) 
$$I(x_9, c, 0) = J(x_0, \frac{1}{2}(c, c)) + J(x_1, \frac{1}{2}(c, c))$$

and so

(5.3)(b) 
$$I_K(x_9, (c, 0)) = I_K(x_0, \frac{1}{2}(c, c)) + I_K(x_1, \frac{1}{2}(c, c))$$

with lowest K-types

(5.3)(c) 
$$\left(\frac{c}{2}+1, -\frac{c}{2}\right), \left(\frac{c}{2}, -\frac{c}{2}-1\right)$$

Similarly if  $b \ge 0$ :

(5.4)(a) 
$$I_K(x_7, \overline{0}, b) = I_K(x_0, (b, 0)) + I_K(x_2, (b, 0))$$
$$I_K(x_8, \overline{0}, b) = I_K(x_1, (b, 0)) + I_K(x_3, (b, 0))$$

with lowest K-types

(5.4)(b) 
$$I_K(x_7, (\overline{0}, b)) \quad (b+1, 0), (b+1, 2) \\ I_K(x_8, (\overline{0}, b)) \quad (0, -b-1), (-2, -b-1)$$

without the second term if b = 0.

Question: What is the best way to see this using the software?

## 6 Reducibility: Real Roots (parity condition)

Suppose  $I(x, \lambda, \nu)$  is a standard module. A real root  $\alpha$  satisfies the parity condition if

(6.1)(a) 
$$\lambda(m_{\alpha}) = -(-1)^{\langle \nu + \rho_r, \alpha^{\vee} \rangle}$$

or equivalently

(6.1)(b) 
$$\langle \lambda + \nu + \rho_r, \alpha^{\vee} \rangle \in 2\mathbb{Z} + 1.$$

This holds if and only  $I(x, \lambda, \nu)$  has some reducibility accounted for by  $SL(2, \mathbb{R})_{\alpha}$ .

**Note** Here is a mnemonic for remembering this condition. The trivial representation of  $SL(2,\mathbb{R})$  is given by the holomorphic character  $\rho$ :  $\rho(z)=z$   $(z\in\mathbb{C}^*)$ . The character  $\rho$  is given by  $(\lambda,\nu)=(\rho,\rho)$ , and note that  $\rho=\rho_r$ . So (b) says  $\langle 3\rho,\alpha^\vee\rangle\in 2\mathbb{Z}+1$  which is true; this standard module is reducible.

Note that no real root satisfies the parity condition if and only if

$$(6.1)(c) \langle \lambda + \nu, \alpha^{\vee} \rangle \in 2\mathbb{Z} + 1 \text{ for all real-simple roots } \alpha.$$

In particular

(6.1)(d) 
$$I(x, \lambda, \nu)$$
 irreducible  $\Rightarrow$  (6.1)(c) holds.

An important special case is  $\nu = 0$ :

(6.1)(e)

$$I(x,\lambda,0)$$
 irreducible  $\Rightarrow \langle \lambda,\alpha^{\vee} \rangle \in 2\mathbb{Z}+1$  for all real-simple roots  $\alpha$ .

This is the *final* condition of Section 2. Also see the help file for the Ktypeform command.

**Cartan 1** There is a single real root  $\alpha = (1, 1)$ , and the parity condition for  $I(x_9, (a, b) \pmod{(c, c)}, (x, x))$  is:

$$a + b + 2x + 1 \in 2\mathbb{Z} + 1$$

**Cartan 2** The real root is (2,0), and the parity condition for  $I(x_k, (\overline{a}, b), (x, 0))$ , k = 7, 8, is

$$\overline{a} + x + 1 \in 2\mathbb{Z} + 1$$

Cartan 3 All roots are real. The parity conditions on  $I(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, y))$  are

(6.2) 
$$\langle \lambda + \nu + \rho_r, \alpha^{\vee} \rangle \in 2\mathbb{Z} + 1.$$

$$\alpha_1 = (1, -1) : \quad \overline{a} - \overline{b} + x - y + 1 \in 2\mathbb{Z} + 1$$

$$\alpha_2 = (0, 2) : \quad \overline{b} + y + 1 \in 2\mathbb{Z} + 1$$

$$(1, 1) : \quad \overline{a} + \overline{b} + x + y + 3 \in 2\mathbb{Z} + 1$$

$$(2, 0) : \quad \overline{a} + x + 2 \in 2\mathbb{Z} + 1$$

For example for  $I(x_{10}, (2, 1), (2, 1))$ ,  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2$  satisfy the parity condition. On the other hand for  $I(x_{10}, (0, 0), (2, 1))$ , no root satisfies the parity condition.

We collect these conditions in a table, using the alternate parametrization of (2.1.2)(b) for Cartan 1.

Parity for  $Sp(4, \mathbb{R})$ 

Cartan	Module	root	parity condition
0	no real roots		
1	$I(x_9, (r \pm s, 0), \frac{1}{2}(r \mp s, r \mp s))$	(1, 1)	$2r+1 \in 2\mathbb{Z}+1$
2	$I(x_k, (\overline{a}, b), (x, 0))$	(2,0)	$\overline{a} + x + 1 \in 2\mathbb{Z} + 1$
3	$I(x_{10},(\overline{a},\overline{b}),(x,y))$	(1, -1)	$\overline{a} - \overline{b} + x - y + 1 \in 2\mathbb{Z} + 1$
3		(0, 2)	$\overline{b} + y + 1 \in 2\mathbb{Z} + 1$
3		(2,0)	$\overline{a} + x + 2 \in 2\mathbb{Z} + 1$
3		(1, 1)	$\overline{a} + \overline{b} + x + y + 3 \in 2\mathbb{Z} + 1$

On Cartan 1 recall  $\alpha$  is integral if  $2r \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

It might be better to write the conditions on the split Cartan (the last four entries) as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ll} (1,-1) & (\overline{a}+x)-(\overline{b}+y) \in 2\mathbb{Z} \\ (0,2) & \overline{b}+y \in 2\mathbb{Z} \\ (2,0) & (\overline{a}+x) \in 2\mathbb{Z}+1 \\ (1,1) & (\overline{a}+x)+(\overline{b}+y) \in 2\mathbb{Z} \end{array}$$

## 7 Reducibility: Complex Roots

Suppose  $I(x, \lambda, \nu)$  is standard, with regular infinitesimal character. An integral complex root  $\alpha$  contributes to reducibility of  $I(x, \lambda, \nu)$  if and only if  $\theta_x(\alpha) < 0$ ; equivalently  $\alpha \in \tau(I)$ , or  $\alpha$  is of type C-.

For  $Sp(4,\mathbb{R})$  only Cartans 1, 2 have complex roots.

Cartan 1 Consider  $I(x_9, (r \pm s, 0), \frac{1}{2}(r \mp s, r \mp s))$  with  $r, s \ge 0, r \pm s \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Assume  $\gamma = (r, \mp s)$  is regular, i.e. r > s > 0.

Consider the positive complex root  $\alpha = (2,0)$ . Assume this is integral, i.e.  $r \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then  $\theta(\alpha) = (0,-2)$ , and this is positive or negative depending on the sign. Thus:

$$I(x_9, (r-s, 0), \frac{1}{2}(r+s, r+s)) \to \alpha \text{ is type C}-I(x_9, (r+s, 0), \frac{1}{2}(r-s, r-s)) \to \alpha \text{ is type C}+$$

**Cartan 2** Consider  $I(x_k, (\overline{a}, b), (x, 0))$  with k = 7, 8, and  $x, b \ge 0$ . so  $\gamma = (x, b)$ .

Assume  $\gamma$  is regular, i.e.  $x \neq b$ , and  $x, b \neq 0$ , and  $\alpha = (1,1)$  is integral, i.e.  $x + b \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Recall  $\theta(a,b) = (-a,b)$ . Thus  $\alpha > 0$  is complex, and  $\theta(\alpha) = (-1,1) > 0$  if x < b, and < 0 otherwise. Therefore

$$\alpha$$
 is type  $C-\Leftrightarrow x>b$ .

## 8 Integral blocks of $Sp(4,\mathbb{R})$

Here is the big block:

```
0(0,6):
              [i1,i1]
                                 (4, *)
                                          (5, *)
                                 (4, *) (6, *)
              [i1,i1]
 1(1,6):
           0
                                                      0
                                                         е
                         2
                                 (*,*)(5,*)
 2(2,6):
              [ic, i1]
                                                      0
           0
                                                         е
              [ic,i1]
                                         (6,*)
 3(3,6):
                                                      0
                                                         е
                                 (0, 1)
                                         (*, *)
 4(4,5):
              [r1,C+]
                                                      1
                                                         1
           1
                                         (0, 2)
                                                         2
              [C+,r1]
                                                      2
 5(5,4):
                                 (*, *)
                                         (1, 3)
 6(6,4):
              [C+,r1]
                         8
                                                      2
                                                         2
           1
                                 ( *, *)
                                         (10, *)
 7(7,3):
              [C-,i1]
                                                         1,2,1
                                 ( *, *)
 8(8,3):
           2
              [C-,i1]
                             7
                                         (10, *)
                                                      2
                                                        1,2,1
              [i2,C-]
                         9
                                 (10,11)
                                          (*, *)
 9(9,2):
                                                         2,1,2
10(10,0):
           3
              [r2,r1]
                        11
                            10
                                 (9, *)
                                          (7, 8)
                                                      3
                                                         2,1,2,1
11(10,1):
           3
              [r2,rn]
                            11
                                 (9, *)
                                           (*, *)
                                                         2,1,2,1
```

Fix an integral regular infinitesimal character (a, b) with a > b > 0. Here are the parameters realized using only one fiber on each Cartan, using the cross action to replace  $x_4$  with  $x_9$ , and  $x_{4,5}$  with  $x_{7,8}$ :

```
number
              Cartan
                            length
                                               \lambda
                                                                      \nu
0
              0
                            0
                                         0
                                               (a,b)
1
                            0
              0
                                         1
                                               (a,b)
2
              0
                            0
                                         2
                                               (a,b)
3
                                         3
              0
                            0
                                               (a,b)
                                                                      (\frac{1}{2}(a-b), \frac{1}{2}(a-b))
4
                                         9
               1
                            1
                                               (a + b, 0)
                                                                      (b,0)
              2
                                         7
5
                            1
                                               (b,a)
6
              2
                                         8
                            1
                                               (b,a)
                                                                      (b, 0)
              2
                            2
7
                                         7
                                               (\overline{a},b)
                                                                      (a, 0)
                                                                     (a, 0)
8
              2
                            2
                                         8
                                               (\overline{a},b)
                                                                      (\frac{1}{2}(a+b), \frac{1}{2}(a+b))
9
              1
                            2
                                         9
                                               (a - b, 0)
                                               (\overline{a}, \overline{b})
              3
                            3
10
                                         10
                                                                      (a,b)
11
              3
                            3
                                         10
                                               (\overline{a}+1,\overline{b}+1)
                                                                     (a,b)
```

Note that 10 is the trivial representation, given by  $\lambda = \nu = \rho$ .

Alternatively, using all  $x_i$ , so the x-values match up with the output of block:

number	Cartan	length	X	$\lambda$	ν
0	0	0	0	(a,b)	*
1	0	0	1	(a,b)	*
2	0	0	2	(a,b)	*
3	0	0	3	(a,b)	*
4	1	1	4	(a + b, 0)	$(\frac{1}{2}(a-b), -\frac{1}{2}(a-b))$
5	2	1	5	$(a, \overline{b})$	(0,b)
6	2	1	6	$(a, \overline{b})$	(0,b)
7	2	2	7	$(\overline{a},b)$	(a,0)
8	2	2	8	$(\overline{a},b)$	(a,0)
9	1	2	9	(a - b, 0)	$(\frac{1}{2}(a+b), \frac{1}{2}(a+b))$
10	3	3	10	$(\overline{a},\overline{b})$	(a,b)
11	3	3	10	$(\overline{a}+1,\overline{b}+1)$	(a,b)

Here is the block dual to SO(4,1):

```
[C+,rn]
                          0
                               (*,*)
                                       (*,*)
                                                    2
0(5,2):
                       2
           1
              [C+,rn]
                                       (*,*)
                       3 1
                               (*,*)
                                                 2
1(6,2):
          1
                                                    2
              [C-,i1]
                       0
                          3
                               (*,*)
                                       (4,*)
                                                 2
2(7,1):
          2
                                                   1,2,1
              [C-,i1]
3(8,1):
          2
                        1
                           2
                               (*,*)
                                       (4,*)
                                                 2
                                                    1,2,1
4(10,0):
          3
              [rn,r1]
                       4
                          4
                               (*,*)
                                       (2,3)
                                                 3
                                                   2,1,2,1
```

number	Cartan	length	X	$\lambda$	$\nu$
0	2	1	7	$(\overline{b}+1,a)$	(b, 0)
1	2	1	8	$(\overline{b}+1,a)$	(b, 0)
2	2	2	7	$(\overline{a}+1,b)$	(a, 0)
3	2	2	8	$(\overline{a}+1,b)$	(a, 0)
4	3	3	10	$(\overline{a}+1,\overline{b})$	(a,b)

The principal series  $I(x_{10}, (\bar{a}, \bar{b}+1), (a, b))$  is irreducible, dual to SO(5, 0).

## 9 Orientation Numbers for $Sp(4, \mathbb{R})$

See [4, Section 5].

**Definition 9.1** Suppose  $\gamma = (x, \lambda, \nu)$  is a parameter and  $\alpha$  is a nonintegral real root. Define

(9.2) 
$$t_{\alpha}(\gamma) = \langle \nu - (\lambda - \rho_r), \alpha^{\vee} \rangle \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$$

Since  $\alpha$  is not integral  $t_{\alpha} \notin \mathbb{Z}$ ; think of it as an element of  $(0,1) \cup (1,2)$ . We say a real nonintegral root is oriented (with respect to  $\gamma$ ) if  $0 < t_{\alpha}(\gamma) < 1$ .

**Definition 9.3** Suppose  $\gamma = (x, \lambda, \nu)$  is a parameter. The orientation number  $\ell_0(\gamma)$  is the sum of

the number of pairs of complex nonintegral positive roots  $\{\alpha, -\theta\alpha\}$ and

the number of real nonintegral oriented roots that are positive on  $\gamma$ .

Here are the orientation numbers for  $Sp(4,\mathbb{R})$ .

On Cartan 0 all roots are imaginary and  $\ell_0 = 0$ .

#### **9.1** Cartan 1

Consider  $(x, \lambda, \nu) = (x_9, c, x) = (x_9, (c, 0), \frac{1}{2}(x, x))$ , with infinitesimal character  $\gamma = \frac{1}{2}(x+c, x-c)$ . Here  $c \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ . Recall (1, 1) is the unique positive real root, and (2, 0), (0, 2) are complex.

The values of the roots are  $\frac{1}{2}(x \pm c), x, c$ . Assume  $\gamma$  is not integral, i.e. c, x are not integers of the same parity.

#### Case 1

Assume  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ , but not of the same parity as c. The integral root system is of type  $D_2 = \{(\pm 1, \pm 1)\}$ . and the nonintegral roots are (2,0), (0,2) (complex),

Table 9.1.1				
c, x	complex pair $(2,0),(0,2)$	$\ell_0$		
c > x		0		
c < x	Y	1		

#### Case 2

Assume  $x \notin \mathbb{Z}$ . The only positive integral root is (1, -1), the integral root system is type  $A_1$ , and the nonintegral roots are (2, 0), (0, 2) (complex) and (1, 1) (real).

Compute

$$\nu - (\lambda - \rho_r) = \frac{1}{2}(x, x) - (c, 0) + (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}) = (-c + \frac{x - 1}{2}, \frac{x - 1}{2})$$

and

$$t_{\alpha} = -c + x + 1$$

Therefore  $\alpha$  is oriented if and only if  $1 < x - c < 2 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$ , or equivalently

$$0 < c - x < 1 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$$

So:

	Table 9.1.2							
c, x	range $\pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$	complex pair $(2,0),(0,2)$	(1,1)	$\ell_0$				
c > x	$0 < c - x < 1 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$		Y	1				
	$ \begin{vmatrix} 0 < c - x < 1 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}} \\ 1 < c - x < 2 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}} \end{vmatrix} $			0				
c < x	$0 < c - x < 1 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$	Y	Y	2				
	$ \begin{vmatrix} 0 < c - x < 1 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}} \\ 1 < c - x < 2 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}} \end{vmatrix} $	Y		1				

Note that if we write the infinitesimal character as  $(\gamma_1, \gamma_2)$  then the table becomes

	Table 9.1.3						
c, x	range $\pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$	complex pair $(2,0),(0,2)$	(1,1)	$\ell_0$			
$\gamma_2 < 0$	$0 < \gamma_2 < \frac{1}{2} \pmod{\mathbb{Z}}$			0			
	$0 < \gamma_2 < \frac{1}{2} \pmod{\mathbb{Z}}$ $\frac{1}{2} < \gamma_2 < 1 \pmod{\mathbb{Z}}$		Y	1			
$\gamma_2 > 0$	$0 < \gamma_2 < \frac{1}{2} \pmod{\mathbb{Z}}$	Y		1			
	$\frac{1}{2} < \gamma_2 < 1 \pmod{\mathbb{Z}}$	Y	Y	2			

which agrees with [4, ?]

### **9.2** Cartan 2

Consider  $(x, \lambda, \nu) = (x_k, (\overline{a}, b), (x, 0))$  with infinitesimal character (x, b). If  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$  this is integral and  $\ell_0 = 0$ , so assume  $x \notin \mathbb{Z}$ .

Compute

$$\nu - (\lambda - \rho_r) = (x, 0) - (\overline{a}, b) + (1, 0) = (x - \overline{a} + 1, -b)$$

and for  $\alpha$  the real root (2,0),  $t_{\alpha} = x - \overline{a} + 1$ . So  $\alpha$  is oriented if and only if

$$1 < x - \overline{a} < 2 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$$

	Table 9.2.1						
x, b	$\overline{a}$	range $\pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$	complex pair $(1, \pm 1)$	(2,0)	$\ell_0$		
x < b	0	0 < x < 1			0		
x < b	0	1 < x < 2		Y	1		
x < b	1	0 < x < 1		Y	1		
x < b	1	1 < x < 2			0		
x > b	0	0 < x < 1	Y		1		
x > b	0	1 < x < 2	Y	Y	2		
x > b	1	0 < x < 1	Y	Y	2		
x > b	1	1 < x < 2	Y		1		

#### **9.3** Cartan 3

Consider  $I(x_{10}, (\bar{a}, \bar{b}), (x, y))$  with x > y > 0. The nonintegral cases are as follows (not including the case with no integral roots). The third column gives the type of the integral root system, and the last column gives a consequence of the conditions in the first column.

Case 
$$x, y$$
 type integral roots  
1  $x \in \mathbb{Z}, y \notin \mathbb{Z}$   $A_1$   $(2,0)$   
2  $x \notin \mathbb{Z}, y \in \mathbb{Z}$   $A_1$   $(0,2)$   
3  $x + y \in \mathbb{Z}; x - y \notin \mathbb{Z}$   $A_1$   $(1,1)$   $x, y \notin \mathbb{Z} + \frac{1}{2}$   
4  $x - y \in \mathbb{Z}; x + y \notin \mathbb{Z}$   $A_1$   $(1,-1)$   $x, y \notin \mathbb{Z} + \frac{1}{2}$   
5  $x \pm y \in \mathbb{Z}; x, y \notin \mathbb{Z}$   $D_2$   $(1,\pm 1)$   $x, y \in \mathbb{Z} + \frac{1}{2}$ 

We have  $\rho = \rho_r = (2, 1)$  and

$$(9.3.4) \nu - (\lambda - \rho_r) = (x - a + 2, y - b + 1) \equiv (x - a, y - b + 1).$$

#### Cartan 3, Case 1: $x \in \mathbb{Z}, y \notin \mathbb{Z}$

The nonintegral roots are  $(1,\pm 1)$  and (0,2). They are oriented if:

$$(1,1): 1 < x + y - (\overline{a} + \overline{b}) < 2 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$$

$$(9.3.5) \qquad (1,-1): 1 < x - y - (\overline{a} + \overline{b}) < 2 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$$

$$(0,2): 1 < y - \overline{b} < 2 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$$

It is easy to see that exactly one of  $(1, \pm 1)$  is an oriented root.

	Table 9.3.1						
$\overline{b}$	range (mod $2\mathbb{Z}$ )	(1,1)  xor  (1,-1)	(0, 2)	$\ell_0$			
0	0 < y < 1	Y		1			
	$\begin{array}{ c c } 0 < y < 1 \\ 1 < y < 2 \end{array}$	Y	Y	2			
1	0 < y < 1	Y	Y	2			
	$ \begin{aligned} 0 &< y &< 1 \\ 1 &< y &< 2 \end{aligned} $	Y		1			

#### Cartan 3, Case 2: $x \notin \mathbb{Z}, y \in \mathbb{Z}$

The nonintegral roots are  $(1,\pm 1)$  and (2,0). Now both  $(1,\pm 1)$  are oriented, or neither are. The condition on (2,0) is

$$(9.3.6) (2,0): 0 < x - \overline{a} < 1 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$$

	Table 9.3.2					
$\overline{a}$	$\overline{a} + \overline{b}$	$x \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$	$x + y \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$	(1,1) and $(1,-1)$	(2,0)	$\ell_0$
0	0	0 < x < 1	0 < x + y < 1		Y	1
			1 < x + y < 2	Y	Y	3
		1 < x < 2	0 < x + y < 1			0
			1 < x + y < 2	Y		2
1	0	0 < x < 1	0 < x + y < 1			0
			1 < x + y < 2	Y		2
		1 < x < 2	0 < x + y < 1		Y	1
			1 < x + y < 2	Y	Y	3
0	1	0 < x < 1	0 < x + y < 1	Y	Y	3
			1 < x + y < 2		Y	1
		1 < x < 2	0 < x + y < 1	Y		2
			1 < x + y < 2			0
1	1	0 < x < 1	0 < x + y < 1	Y		2
			1 < x + y < 2			0
		1 < x < 2	0 < x + y < 1	Y	Y	3
			1 < x + y < 2		Y	1

## Cartan 3, Case 3: $x + y \in \mathbb{Z}, x - y \notin \mathbb{Z}$

An example is  $(x,y) = (\frac{3}{4}, \frac{1}{4})$ . The nonintegral roots are (2,0), (0,2) and (1,-1). The oriented conditions are:

$$(2,0): 0 < x - \overline{a} < 1 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$$
 
$$(9.3.7)(a) \qquad (0,2): 1 < y - \overline{b} < 2 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$$
 
$$(1,-1): 1 < (x - \overline{a}) - (y - \overline{b}) < 2 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$$

Recall  $x+y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . For example, suppose x+y is even, so  $x=-y \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$ , so replace x with -y everywhere:

$$(2,0): 0 < -y - \overline{a} < 1 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$$

$$(9.3.7)(b) \qquad (0,2): 1 < y - \overline{b} < 2 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$$

$$(1,-1): 1 < -2y - \overline{a} + \overline{b} < 2 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}.$$

After a few manipulations, including dividing the last line by 2, this is equiv-

alent to

$$(2,0): 1 < y + \overline{a} < 2 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$$
 
$$(9.3.7)(c) \qquad (0,2): 1 < y - \overline{b} < 2 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$$
 
$$(1,-1): 0 < y + \frac{1}{2}(\overline{a} - \overline{b}) < \frac{1}{2} \pmod{\mathbb{Z}}.$$

If x+y is odd replace x with  $-y+1 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$ , and something similar happens. Here is the answer.

If  $x + y \in 2\mathbb{Z}, x - y \notin \mathbb{Z}$ :

	Tab	le 9.3.3			
$(\overline{a}, \overline{b})$	range (mod $2\mathbb{Z}$ )	(2,0)	(0,2)	(1, -1)	$\ell_0$
(0,0)	$0 < y < \frac{1}{2}$			Y	1
	$\frac{1}{2} < y < \overline{1}$				0
	$1 < y < \frac{3}{2}$	Y	Y	Y	3
	$\frac{3}{2} < y < \frac{5}{2}$	Y	Y		2
(1,0)	$0 < y < \frac{1}{2}$	Y			1
	$\frac{1}{2} < y < \tilde{1}$	Y		Y	2
	$1 < y < \frac{3}{2}$		Y		1
	$\frac{3}{2} < y < \frac{2}{2}$		Y	Y	2
(0,1)	$0 < y < \frac{1}{2}$		Y		1
	$\frac{1}{2} < y < 1$		Y	Y	2
	$1 < y < \frac{3}{2}$	Y			1
	$\frac{3}{2} < y < \frac{2}{2}$	Y		Y	2
(1,1)	$0 < y < \frac{1}{2}$	Y	Y	Y	3
		Y	Y		2
	$\frac{1}{2} < y < \frac{3}{2}$			Y	1
	$ \begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{2} < y < 1 \\ 1 < y < \frac{3}{2} \\ \frac{3}{2} < y < 2 \end{vmatrix} $				0

If  $x + y \in 2\mathbb{Z} + 1, x - y \notin \mathbb{Z}$ :

	Table 9.3.4						
$(\overline{a}, \overline{b})$	range (mod $2\mathbb{Z}$ )	(2,0)	(0,2)	(1, -1)	$\ell_0$		
(0,0)	$0 < y < \frac{1}{2}$	Y			1		
	$\frac{1}{2} < y < \overline{1}$	Y		Y	2		
	$1 < y < \frac{3}{2}$		Y		1		
	$ \frac{1}{2} < y < 1  1 < y < \frac{3}{2}  \frac{3}{2} < y < 2 $		Y	Y	2		
(1,0)	$0 < y < \frac{1}{2}$			Y	1		
	$\frac{1}{2} < y < \overline{1}$				0		
	$1 < y < \frac{3}{2}$	Y	Y	Y	3		
	$\frac{3}{2} < y < 2$	Y	Y		2		
(0,1)	$0 < y < \frac{1}{2}$	Y	Y	Y	3		
	$\frac{1}{2} < y < 1$	Y	Y		2		
	$1 < u < \frac{3}{2}$			Y	1		
	$\frac{3}{2} < y < \frac{3}{2}$				0		
(1,1)	$0 < y < \frac{1}{2}$		Y		1		
	$\frac{1}{2} < y < \overline{1}$		Y	Y	2		
	$1 < y < \frac{3}{2}$	Y			1		
	$\begin{vmatrix} 1 < y < \frac{3}{2} \\ \frac{3}{2} < y < 2 \end{vmatrix}$	Y		Y	2		

Cartan 3, Case 4:  $x+y \notin \mathbb{Z}, x-y \in \mathbb{Z}$ An example is  $(x,y)=(\frac{4}{3},\frac{1}{3})$ . The nonintegral roots are (2,0),(0,2) and (1,1). The oriented conditions are

$$(2,0): 0 < x - \overline{a} < 1 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$$
 
$$(9.3.8)(a) \qquad (0,2): 1 < y - \overline{b} < 2 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$$
 
$$(1,1): 1 < (x - \overline{a}) + (y - \overline{b}) < 2 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$$

Suppose  $x - y = n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . As in Case 3, (a) becomes

$$(2,0): 0 < y + n - \overline{a} < 1 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$$

$$(9.3.8)(b) \qquad (0,2): 1 < y - \overline{b} < 2 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$$

$$(1,1): \frac{1}{2} < y + \frac{1}{2}(n - \overline{a} - \overline{b}) < 1 \pmod{\mathbb{Z}}.$$

If  $x - y \in 2\mathbb{Z}, x + y \notin \mathbb{Z}$ :

	Table 9.3.5							
$(\overline{a}, \overline{b})$	range (mod $2\mathbb{Z}$ )	(2,0)	(0,2)	(1, 1)	$\ell_0$			
(0,0)	$0 < y < \frac{1}{2}$	Y			1			
	$\frac{1}{2} < y < \overline{1}$	Y		Y	2			
	$1 < y < \frac{3}{2}$		Y		1			
	$\frac{3}{2} < y < \frac{2}{2}$		Y	Y	2			
(1,0)	$0 < y < \frac{1}{2}$			Y	1			
	$\frac{1}{2} < y < \tilde{1}$				0			
	$1 < y < \frac{3}{2}$	Y	Y	Y	3			
	$\frac{3}{2} < y < \frac{2}{2}$	Y	Y		2			
(0,1)	$0 < y < \frac{1}{2}$	Y	Y	Y	3			
	$\frac{1}{2} < y < \tilde{1}$	Y	Y		2			
	$\begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{2} < y < 1\\ 1 < y < \frac{3}{2} \end{vmatrix}$			Y	1			
	$\frac{3}{2} < y < \frac{2}{2}$				0			
(1,1)	$0 < y < \frac{1}{2}$		Y		1			
	$\frac{1}{2} < y < \overline{1}$		Y	Y	2			
	$1 < y < \frac{3}{2}$	Y			1			
	$\frac{3}{2} < y < 2$	Y		Y	2			

If  $x - y \in 2\mathbb{Z} + 1, x + y \notin \mathbb{Z}$ :

Table 9.3.6								
$(\overline{a}, \overline{b})$	range (mod $2\mathbb{Z}$ )	(2,0)	(0,2)	(1,1)	$\ell_0$			
(0,0)	$0 < y < \frac{1}{2}$			Y	1			
	$\frac{1}{2} < y < 1$				0			
	$1 < y < \frac{3}{2}$	Y	Y	Y	3			
	$ \frac{1}{2} < y < 1  1 < y < \frac{3}{2}  \frac{3}{2} < y < 2 $	Y	Y		2			
(1,0)	$  (0) < y < \frac{1}{2}$	Y Y			1			
	$\frac{1}{2} < y < 1$	Y		Y	2			
	$1 < y < \frac{3}{2}$		Y		1			
	$ \frac{1}{2} < y < 1  1 < y < \frac{3}{2}  \frac{3}{2} < y < 2 $		Y	Y	2			
(0,1)	$  \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \$		Y		1			
	$\frac{1}{2} < y < 1$		Y	Y	2			
	$1 < y < \frac{3}{2}$	Y			1			
	$ \frac{1}{2} < y < 1  1 < y < \frac{3}{2}  \frac{3}{2} < y < 2 $	Y		Y	2			
(1,1)	$  0 < y < \frac{1}{2}$	Y	Y	Y	3			
	$\frac{1}{2} < y < \frac{1}{1}$	Y	Y		2			
	$ \begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{2} < y < 1 \\ 1 < y < \frac{3}{2} \end{vmatrix} $			Y	1			
	$     \begin{vmatrix}         \frac{1}{2} < y < 1 \\         1 < y < \frac{3}{2} \\         \frac{3}{2} < y < 2     \end{vmatrix} $				0			

Cartan 3, Case 5:  $x \pm y \in \mathbb{Z}, x, y \notin \mathbb{Z}$ 

In other words  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z} + \frac{1}{2}$ . An example is  $(x, y) = (\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ . The nonintegral roots are (2, 0), (0, 2). The oriented conditions are

(9.3.9)(a) 
$$(2,0): 0 < x - \overline{a} < 1 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$$
 
$$(0,2): 1 < y - \overline{b} < 2 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$$

 $x \pm y \in \mathbb{Z}; x, y \notin \mathbb{Z}$ 

Table 9.3.7								
$(\overline{a}, \overline{b})$	$x \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$	$y \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$	oriented	$\ell_0$				
$(\overline{0},\overline{0})$	0 < x < 1	0 < y < 1	(2,0)	1				
	0 < x < 1	1 < y < 2	(2,0),(0,2)	2				
	1 < x < 2	0 < y < 1		0				
	1 < x < 2	1 < y < 2	(0,2)	1				
$(\overline{1},\overline{0})$	0 < x < 1	0 < y < 1		0				
	0 < x < 1	1 < y < 2	(0,2)	1				
	1 < x < 2	0 < y < 1	(2,0)	1				
	1 < x < 2	1 < y < 2	(2,0),(0,2)	2				
$(\overline{0},\overline{1})$	0 < x < 1	0 < y < 1	(2,0),(0,2)	2				
	0 < x < 1	1 < y < 2	(2,0)	1				
	1 < x < 2	0 < y < 1	(0,2)	1				
	1 < x < 2	1 < y < 2		0				
$(\overline{1},\overline{1})$	0 < x < 1	0 < y < 1	(0,2)	1				
	0 < x < 1	1 < y < 2		0				
	1 < x < 2	0 < y < 1	(2,0),(0,2)	2				
	1 < x < 2	1 < y < 2	(2,0)	1				

#### Composition Series: Integral Infinitesimal 10 Character

Assume the infinitesimal character  $\gamma$  is regular, so  $\gamma = (a, b)$  with a > b > 0.

**Cartan 1** There are two standard modules  $I(x_9, (a \mp b, 0), \frac{1}{2}(a \pm b, a \pm b));$ necessarily  $a \mp b \in \mathbb{Z}$  (depending on which of the two modules we consider).

By the preceding sections the real root (1,1) gives reducibility if and only if  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ , and the complex root (2,0) gives reducibility only of  $I(x_9, (a-b,0), \frac{1}{2}(a+b,a+b))$ , again only if  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ . So we may assume  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

First consider  $I(x_9, (a+b, 0), \frac{1}{2}(a-b, a-b))$ . Then (cf. (2.1.3))

$$I(x_9, (a+b, 0), \frac{1}{2}(a-b, a-b)) = I(x_4, (a+b, 0), \frac{1}{2}(a-b, -a+b));$$

this is the module #4 in the output of block. Using klbasis we see this standard module has three composition factors, including the two large discrete series representations at this infinitesimal character.

Remark 10.1 Recall that in order to compute the composition factors of the standard modules using klbasis, we need to invert the matrix obtained from the values of the KLV polynomials at 1 with the signs coming from the lengths, as in (11.1).

So

(10.2)(a) 
$$I(x_9, (a+b, 0), \frac{1}{2}(a-b, a-b)) =$$
$$J(x_9, (a+b, 0), \frac{1}{2}(a-b, a-b)) + J(x_0, (a, b)) + J(x_1, (a, b)).$$

Next,  $I(x_9, (a-b, 0), \frac{1}{2}(a+b, a+b))$  is block element 9, so klbasis says J has irreducible modules 9,0,1,4,5,6 as composition factors (with multiplicity one).

Then:

$$I(x_{9}, (a - b, 0), \frac{1}{2}(a + b, a + b)) =$$

$$J(x_{9}, (a - b, 0), \frac{1}{2}(a + b, a + b))$$

$$+ J(x_{0}, (a, b)) + J(x_{1}, (a, b))$$

$$+ J(x_{9}, (a + b, 0), \frac{1}{2}(a - b, a - b))$$

$$+ J(x_{7}, (\overline{b}, a), (b, 0))$$

$$+ J(x_{8}, (\overline{b}, a), (b, 0))$$

#### Cartan 2

The standard modules are  $I(x_k, (\epsilon, b), (a, 0))$  and  $I(x_k, (\epsilon, a), (b, 0))$  with k = 7, 8 and  $\epsilon = 0, 1$ . We continue to assume a > b > 0.

The real root (2,0) gives reducibility  $I(x_k,(\overline{a},b),(a,0))$  and  $I(x_k,(\overline{b},a),(b,0))$  provided  $a,b \in \mathbb{Z}$ . The complex root (1,1) contributes to reducibility of  $I(x_k,(\epsilon,b),(a,0))$ , again only if  $a,b \in \mathbb{Z}$ . So the infinitesimal character is necessarily integral. These representations are in one of two blocks, depending on  $\epsilon$ .

Using klbasis we compute the following composition series.

Here are the formulas in the big block.  $I(x_7, (\overline{b}, a), (b, 0))$  (standard module 5):

$$(10.2)(c)$$
  $I(x_7, (\overline{b}, a), (b, 0)) = J(x_7, (\overline{b}, a), (b, 0)) + J(x_0, (a, b)) + J(x_2, (a, b)).$ 

 $I(x_8, (\overline{b}, a), (b, 0))$  (standard module 6): (10.2)(d)

$$I(x_8, (\overline{b}, a), (b, 0)) = J(x_8, (\overline{b}, a), (b, 0)) + J(x_1, (a, b)) + J(x_3, (a, b)).$$

 $I(x_7, (\overline{a}, b), (a, 0))$  (standard module 7):

(10.2)(e) 
$$I(x_7, (\overline{a}, b), (a, 0)) = J(x_7, (\overline{a}, b), (a, 0)) + J(x_0, (a, b)) + J(x_9, (a + b, 0), \frac{1}{2}(a - b, a - b)) + J(x_7, (\overline{b}, a), (b, 0))$$

 $I(x_8, (\overline{a}, b), (a, 0))$  (standard module 8):

(10.2)(f) 
$$I(x_8, (\overline{a}, b), (a, 0)) = J(x_8, (\overline{a}, b), (a, 0)) + J(x_1, (a, b)) + J(x_9, (a + b, 0), \frac{1}{2}(a - b, a - b)) + J(x_8, (\overline{b}, a), (b, 0))$$

Here are the formulas in the block dual to SO(4,1).

By the preceding  $I(x_k, (\overline{b}+1, a), (b, 0))$  with k = 7, 8 are both irreducible. These are standard modules 0,1 from this block.  $I(x_7, (\overline{a}+1, b), (a, 0))$  (standard module 2):

(10.2)(g) 
$$I(x_7, (\overline{a}+1, b), (a, 0)) = J(x_7, (\overline{a}+1, b), (a, 0)) + J(x_7, (\overline{b}+1, a), (b, 0))$$

 $I(x_8, (\overline{a}+1, b), (a, 0))$  (standard module 3):

(10.2)(h) 
$$I(x_8, (\overline{a}+1, b), (a, 0)) = J(x_8, (\overline{a}+1, b), (a, 0)) + J(x_8, (\overline{b}+1, a), (b, 0))$$

#### Cartan 3

These are the modules  $I(x_{10}, (\delta, \epsilon), (a, b))$  with  $\delta, \epsilon = 0, 1$  and a > b > 0. First consider the representations in the big block, so  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

 $I(x_{10}, (\overline{a}+1, \overline{b}+1), (a, b))$  This is block element 11, which has irreducible modules 11,0,1,2,3,4,5,6,9, all of multiplicity one.

$$(10.2)(i)$$

$$I(x_{10}, (\overline{a}+1, \overline{b}+1), (a,b)) = J(x_{10}, (\overline{a}+1, \overline{b}+1), (a,b))$$

$$+ J(x_{0}, (a,b)) + J(x_{1}, (a,b)) + J(x_{2}, (a,b)) + J(x_{3}, (a,b))$$

$$+ J(x_{9}, (a+b,0), \frac{1}{2}(a-b, a-b))$$

$$+ J(x_{7}, (\overline{b}, a), (b,0)) + J(x_{8}, (\overline{b}, a), (b,0))$$

$$+ J(x_{9}, (a-b,0), \frac{1}{2}(a+b, a+b))$$

 $I(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (a, b))$  This is block element 10, which has irreducible modules 10,0,1,4,5,6,7,8,9, all of multiplicity one except 4 has multiplicity 2. See Section 15.

$$I(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (a, b)) = J(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (a, b))$$

$$+ J(x_{0}, (a, b)) + J(x_{1}, (a, b))$$

$$+ 2 \times J(x_{9}, (a + b, 0), \frac{1}{2}(a - b, a - b))$$

$$+ J(x_{7}, (\overline{b}, a), (b, 0)) + J(x_{8}, (\overline{b}, a), (b, 0))$$

$$+ J(x_{7}, (\overline{a}, b), (a, 0)) + J(x_{8}, (\overline{a}, b), (a, 0))$$

$$+ J(x_{9}, (a - b, 0), \frac{1}{2}(a + b, a + b))$$

Next, consider the integral block dual to SO(4,1). There is one representation on the split Cartan, number 4.

$$I(x_{10}, (\overline{a}+1, \overline{b}), (a, b)) = J(x_{10}, (\overline{a}+1, \overline{b}), (a, b))$$

$$+ J(x_{7}, (\overline{b}+1, a), (b, 0)) + J(x_{8}, (\overline{b}+1, a), (b, 0))$$

$$+ J(x_{7}, (\overline{a}+1, b), (a, 0)) + J(x_{8}, (\overline{a}+1, b), (a, 0))$$

The principal series  $I(x_{10}, (\bar{a}, \bar{b}+1), (a, b))$  is irreducible (dual to SO(5, 0)).

## 11 Character Formulas: Integral Infinitesimal Character

Assume the infinitesimal character  $\gamma$  is regular, so  $\gamma=(a,b)$  with a>b>0. Suppose  $\mu=(x,\lambda,\nu)$ . Use nblock to compute the block of  $I(\mu)$ , and klbasis to compute  $P_{\mu,\delta}$  for all  $\delta$  in the block. Then:

(11.1) 
$$J(\mu) = \sum (-1)^{\ell(\mu) - \ell(\delta)} P_{\delta,\mu}(1) I(\delta)$$

Here are character formulas; the numbering is parallel to that of (10.2)(a-k).

#### Cartan 1

(11.2)(a) 
$$J(x_9, (a+b, 0), \frac{1}{2}(a-b, a-b)) = I(x_9, (a+b, 0), \frac{1}{2}(a-b, a-b)) - I(x_0, (a, b)) - I(x_1, (a, b)).$$

$$J(x_{9},(a-b,0),\frac{1}{2}(a+b,a+b)) =$$

$$I(x_{9},(a-b,0),\frac{1}{2}(a+b,a+b))$$

$$+I(x_{0},(a,b)) + I(x_{1},(a,b)) + I(x_{2},(a,b)) + I(x_{3},(a,b))$$

$$-I(x_{9},(a+b,0),\frac{1}{2}(a-b,a-b))$$

$$-I(x_{7},(\overline{b},a),(b,0)) - I(x_{8},(\overline{b},a),(b,0))$$

#### Cartan 2

Here are the formulas on the big block.

$$(11.2)(c) \ J(x_7, (\overline{b}, a), (b, 0)) = I(x_7, (\overline{b}, a), (b, 0)) - I(x_0, (a, b)) - I(x_2, (a, b))$$

$$(11.2)(d) \ J(x_8, (\overline{b}, a), (b, 0)) = I(x_8, (\overline{b}, a), (b, 0)) - I(x_1, (a, b)) - I(x_3, (a, b))$$

$$J(x_7,(\overline{a},b),(a,0)) = I(x_7,(\overline{a},b),(a,0) + I(x_0,(a,b)) + I(x_1,(a,b)) + I(x_2,(a,b)) - I(x_9,(a+b,0), \frac{1}{2}(a-b,a-b)) - I(x_7,(\overline{b},a),(b,0))$$

$$J(x_8,(\overline{a},b),(a,0)) = I(x_8,(\overline{a},b),(a,0) + I(x_0,(a,b)) + I(x_1,(a,b)) + I(x_3,(a,b)) - I(x_9,(a+b,0), \frac{1}{2}(a-b,a-b)) - I(x_8,(\overline{b},a),(b,0))$$

Here are the formulas on the block dual to SO(4,1):

$$(11.2)(g) J(x_7, (\overline{a}+1, b), (a, 0)) = I(x_7, (\overline{a}+1, b), (a, 0)) - I(x_7, (\overline{b}+1, a), (b, 0))$$

(11.2)(h) 
$$J(x_8, (\overline{a}+1, b), (a, 0)) = I(x_8, (\overline{a}+1, b), (a, 0)) - I(x_8, (\overline{b}+1, a), (b, 0))$$

#### Cartan 3

First consider the big block, with integral infinitesimal character.

$$(11.2)(i)$$

$$J(x_{10}, (\overline{a}+1, \overline{b}+1), (a,b)) = I(x_{10}, (\overline{a}+1, \overline{b}+1), (a,b)) - I(x_2, (a,b)) - I(x_3, (a,b))$$

$$-I(x_9, (a-b, 0), \frac{1}{2}(a+b, a+b))$$

See Section 15.

$$J(x_{10},(\overline{a},\overline{b}),(a,b)) = I(x_{10},(\overline{a},\overline{b}),(a,b))$$

$$-I(x_{0},(a,b)) - I(x_{1},(a,b)) - I(x_{2},(a,b)) - I(x_{3},(a,b))$$

$$+I(x_{9},(a+b,0),\frac{1}{2}(a-b,a-b))$$

$$+I(x_{7},(\overline{b},a),(b,0)) + I(x_{8},(\overline{b},a),(b,0))$$

$$-I(x_{7},(\overline{a},b),(a,0)) - I(x_{8},(\overline{a},b),(a,0))$$

$$-I(x_{9},(a-b,0),\frac{1}{2}(a+b,a+b))$$

On the block dual to SO(4,1) there is a single formula on the split Cartan:

(11.2)(k) 
$$J(x_{10}, (\overline{a}+1, \overline{b}), (a, b)) = I(x_{10}, (\overline{a}+1, \overline{b}), (a, b)) - J(x_7, (\overline{a}+1, b), (a, 0)) - J(x_8, (\overline{a}+1, b), (a, 0))$$

# 12 Composition Series and Character Formulas: Non-Integral Infinitesimal Character

Write  $\gamma = (a, b)$  with a > b > 0. Let  $\Delta(\gamma)$  be the integral root system:  $\Delta(\gamma) = \{\alpha \mid \langle \gamma, \alpha^{\vee} \rangle \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ . If this is empty then the standard module is irreducible. Here are the remaining cases.

12.1 
$$\Delta(\gamma) = \{(\pm 1, \pm 1)\}$$
 (type  $D_2$ )

If  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z} + \frac{1}{2}$  then  $\Delta(\gamma) = \{(\pm 1, \pm 1)\}$  is of type  $D_2$ .

On the compact Cartan subgroup or Cartan 2 at least one of the roots  $2e_i$  is imaginary, hence integral, so this case doesn't arise. So we're on the  $\mathbb{C}^*$  or split Cartan.

Recall ((2.1.4)(a))  $I(x_9, c, x)$  has infinitesimal character  $\gamma = \frac{1}{2}(x+c, x-c)$ , with  $c \in \mathbb{Z}$ , which gives  $D(\gamma)$  of type  $D_2$  in the following cases:

(12.1.1) 
$$I(x_9, c, x)$$
  $(x, c \ge 0, \text{ integers of opposite parity})$ 

For example the representations with infinitesimal character  $(\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$  are

$$I(x_9, 1, 2) = I(x_9, (1, 0), (1, 1))$$
  

$$I(x_9, 2, 1) = I(x_9, (2, 0), (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}))$$

These are irreducible:

Suppose x > c. For example take c = 1, x = 2, i.e.  $I(x_9, 1, 2) = I(x_9, (1, 0), (1, 1))$ . Using **nblock** (see Section 4) this is  $\lambda - \rho = (-1, -1) = [0, -1]$  and  $\nu = (1, 1) = [0, 1]$ . The infinitesimal character is  $\gamma = [1, \frac{1}{2}] = (\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ .

real: nblock

choose Cartan class (one of 0,1,2,3): 1

Choose a KGB element from the following canonical fiber:

9: 2 
$$[n,C]$$
 9 4 10 \*  $(0,0)$ #1 2,1,2

KGB number: 9

rho = [1,1]/1

NEED, on following imaginary coroot, at least given value:

[1,0] (>=-1)

Give lambda-rho: 0 -1 denominator for nu: 1

numerator for nu: 0 1

Name an output file (return for stdout, ? to abandon):

x = 9, gamma = [2,1]/2, lambda = [1,0]/1

Subsystem on dual side is of type A1.A1, with roots 4,6.

Given parameters define element 0 of the following block:

$$2(1,1)$$
: 1 [r2,rn] 1 2 (0,\*) (\*,\*) \*(10, [1,-1]= rho+ [0,-2]) 0 e

KL polynomials  $(-1)^{1(0)-1(x)}*P_{x,0}$ :

0:1

The KLV polynomial information tells us that this module (module 0) is irreducible.

The two other standard modules here, on the split Cartan subgroup, are  $I(x_{10}, (\overline{1}, \overline{0}), (\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}))$  and  $I(x_{10}, (\overline{0}, \overline{1}), (\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}))$  Using the **nblock** command for these two (principal series) representations, we see that they have composition series

$$I(x_{10}, (\overline{1}, \overline{0}), (\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2})) = J(x_{10}, (\overline{1}, \overline{0}), (\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2})) + J(x_{9}, 1, 2)$$
  
$$I(x_{10}, (\overline{0}, \overline{1}), (\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2})) = J(x_{10}, (\overline{0}, \overline{1}), (\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2})) + J(x_{9}, 1, 2)$$

and character formulas

$$J(x_{10}, (\overline{1}, \overline{0}), (\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2})) = I(x_{10}, (\overline{1}, \overline{0}), (\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2})) - I(x_{9}, 1, 2)$$
  
$$J(x_{10}, (\overline{0}, \overline{1}), (\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2})) = I(x_{10}, (\overline{0}, \overline{1}), (\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2})) - I(x_{9}, 1, 2)$$

More generally for x > c > 0, x, c integers of opposite parity, the standard modules are

(12.1.2)(a) 
$$I(x_{9}, c, x) \quad (x > c \ge 0, \text{ integers of opposite parity})$$
$$I(x_{10}, (\overline{0}, \overline{c}), \frac{1}{2}(x + c, x - c))$$
$$I(x_{10}, (\overline{1}, \overline{1 + c}), \frac{1}{2}(x + c, x - c))$$

and the character formulas are

(12.1.2)(b)

0:1

$$J(x_{10}, (\overline{0}, \overline{c}), \frac{1}{2}(x+c, x-c)) = I(x_{10}, (\overline{0}, \overline{c}), \frac{1}{2}(x+c, x-c)) - I(x_{9}, c, x)$$

$$J(x_{10}, (\overline{1}, \overline{1+c}), \frac{1}{2}(x+c, x-c)) = I(x_{10}, (\overline{1}, \overline{1+c}), \frac{1}{2}(x+c, x-c)) - I(x_{9}, c, x)$$

**Remark 12.1.3** If we choose x > c = 0 with x an odd integer, say x = 1, we get

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real: nblock
choose Cartan class (one of 0,1,2,3): 1
Choose a KGB element from the following canonical fiber:
                     4
                                * (0,0)#1 2,1,2
     2
       [n,C]
                          10
KGB number: 9
rho = [1,1]/1
NEED, on following imaginary coroot, at least given value:
[1,0] (>=-1)
Give lambda-rho: -1 -1
denominator for nu: 2
numerator for nu: 0 1
Name an output file (return for stdout, ? to abandon):
x = 9, gamma = [0,1]/2, lambda = [0,0]/1
Subsystem on dual side is of type A1.A1, with roots 4,6.
Given parameters define element 0 of the following block:
0(0,2):
           [i2,rn]
                     0 0
                            (1,2) (*,*) *(9, [0,0]= rho+
                                                               [-1,-1])
                                                                          1
                           (0,*) (*,*)
                                                               [-1,-1])
1(1,0):
         1
            [r2,rn]
                     2 1
                                            (10,
                                                  [0,0] = \text{rho} +
                    1 2 (0,*) (*,*)
                                            (10, [0,-1] = \text{rho} +
                                                               [-1, -2])
2(1,1):
         1 [r2,rn]
(cumulated) KL polynomials (-1)^{1(0)-1(x)}*P_{x,0}:
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In this case, the block contains only the module  $I(x_9, 0, x)$ ; the parameters for  $I(x_{10}, (\overline{0}, \overline{0}), \frac{1}{2}(x, x))$  and  $I(x_{10}, (\overline{1}, \overline{1}), \frac{1}{2}(x, x))$  are not final; so the irreducible modules  $J(x_{10}, (\overline{0}, \overline{0}), \frac{1}{2}(x, x))$  and  $J(x_{10}, (\overline{1}, \overline{1}), \frac{1}{2}(x, x))$  are zero. The full principal series representations associated to these parameters are actually irreducible, and both equivalent to  $J(x_9, 0, x)$ .

If  $0 \le x < c$ , we get the same character formulas. For example x = 1, c = 2 gives  $I(x_9, 2, 1) = I(x_9, (2, 0), \frac{1}{2}(1, 1))$  with  $\gamma = (\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2})$ . In nblock coordinates this is  $\lambda = (2, 0), \lambda - \rho = (0, -1) = [1, -1], \nu = (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}) = [0, \frac{1}{2}]$ .

```
real: nblock
choose Cartan class (one of 0,1,2,3): 1
Choose a KGB element from the following canonical fiber:
     2
        [n,C]
                     4
                          10
                                * (0,0)#1 2,1,2
KGB number: 9
rho = [1,1]/1
NEED, on following imaginary coroot, at least given value:
[1,0] (>=-1)
Give lambda-rho: 1 -1
denominator for nu: 2
numerator for nu: 0 1
Name an output file (return for stdout, ? to abandon):
x = 9, gamma = [4,-1]/2, lambda = [2,0]/1
Subsystem on dual side is of type A1.A1, with roots 4,6.
Given parameters define element 0 of the following block:
                                    (*,*) *(9, [2,-2]= rho+
                                                                 [1,-3]
0(0,2):
            [i2,rn]
                             (1,2)
                                                                          1
1(1,0):
         1
            [r2,rn]
                     2
                       1
                            (0,*) (*,*) *(10, [2,-2] = rho+
                                                                 [1,-3]
                                                                          е
            [r2,rn]
                     1
                        2
                            (0,*) (*,*)
                                           *(10, [2,-1] = rho +
                                                                 [1,-2]
2(1,1):
                                                                          е
KL polynomials (-1)^{1(0)-1(x)}*P_{x,0}:
0: 1
```

The infinitesimal character is not dominant on the coroot (0,1); however, it is dominant on the integral coroots. The standard modules and character formulas are exactly as in (12.1.2)(a) and (12.1.2)(b). Using

(12.1.4) 
$$I(x_{10}(\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, y)) \cong I(x_{10}(\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, -y)),$$

we write these formulas

(12.1.5)(a) 
$$I(x_{9}, c, x) \quad (c > 0, x \ge 0, \text{ integers of opposite parity})$$

$$I(x_{10}, (\overline{0}, \overline{c}), \frac{1}{2}(x + c, -x + c))$$

$$I(x_{10}, (\overline{1}, \overline{1 + c}), \frac{1}{2}(x + c, -x + c))$$

and the character formulas

(12.1.5)(b)

$$J(x_{10}, (\overline{0}, \overline{c}), \frac{1}{2}(x+c, -x+c)) = I(x_{10}, (\overline{0}, \overline{c}), \frac{1}{2}(x+c, -x+c)) - I(x_{9}, c, x)$$

$$J(x_{10}, (\overline{1}, \overline{1+c}), \frac{1}{2}(x+c, -x+c)) = I(x_{10}, (\overline{1}, \overline{1+c}), \frac{1}{2}(x+c, -x+c)) - I(x_{9}, c, x)$$

In all remaining cases  $\Delta(\gamma)$  is of type  $A_1$ .

**12.2** 
$$\Delta(\gamma) = \{\pm(1, -1)\}\$$
or  $\{\pm(1, 1)\}$ 

As in (12.1) we are on the  $\mathbb{C}^*$  or split Cartan. On the  $\mathbb{C}^*$  Cartan take

$$I(x_9, c, x) = I(x_9, (c, 0), \frac{1}{2}(x, x)) \quad (x \notin \mathbb{Z}, x \ge 0, c > 0).$$

with

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{2}(x+c, x-c)$$

for which (1,-1) is the unique positive integral root (and is imaginary). (If x < c then we can conjugate to the fiber of x4 to make the infinitesimal character dominant; then (1,1) will be the unique positive integral root.)

The standard module is irreducible.

Here is an example; compare Section 12.1.

real: nblock

choose Cartan class (one of 0,1,2,3): 1

Choose a KGB element from the following canonical fiber:

9: 2 [n,C] 9 4 10 \* (0,0)#1 2,1,2

KGB number: 9

rho = [1,1]/1

NEED, on following imaginary coroot, at least given value:

[1,0] (>=-1)

Give lambda-rho: 0 -1

denominator for nu: 8 numerator for nu: 0 5 Name an output file (return for stdout, ? to abandon): x = 9, gamma = [8,1]/8, lambda = [1,0]/1Subsystem on dual side is of type A1, with roots 4. Given parameters define element 0 of the following block: [0,-1]) 0(0,2): [i2] (1,2)\*(9, [1,0] = rho +1 1 \*(10, [1,0]= rho+ (0,\*)[0,-1]) 1(1,0): 1 [r2] 2 0 е (0,\*) \*(10, [1,-1] = rho +[0,-2]) 2(1,1): 1 [r2] 1 0 KL polynomials  $(-1)^{1(0)-1(x)}*P_{x,0}$ : 0:1

Recall the situation is  $x \notin \mathbb{Z}$ , x, c > 0. Compare (12.1.5)(a) and (12.1.5)(b), which is the same except that  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$  of opposite parity to c. The standard modules are

(12.2.6)(a) 
$$I(x_9, c, x) = I(x_9, (c, 0), \frac{1}{2}(x, x)) \quad (x \notin \mathbb{Z}, x > c)$$
$$I(x_{10}, (\overline{0}, \overline{c}), \frac{1}{2}(x + c, x - c))$$
$$I(x_{10}, (\overline{1}, \overline{1 + c}), \frac{1}{2}(x + c, x - c))$$

and the character formulas are as in (12.1.5)(b) (12.2.6)(b)

$$J(x_{10}, (\overline{0}, \overline{c}), \frac{1}{2}(x+c, x-c)) = I(x_{10}, (\overline{0}, \overline{c}), \frac{1}{2}(x+c, x-c)) - I(x_{9}, c, x)$$

$$J(x_{10}, (\overline{1}, \overline{1+c}), \frac{1}{2}(x+c, x-c)) = I(x_{10}, (\overline{1}, \overline{1+c}), \frac{1}{2}(x+c, x-c)) - I(x_{9}, c, x)$$

As in (12.1.5)(a) and (12.1.5)(b), if x < c, it may be convenient to use the formula (12.1.4) to write (12.2.7)

$$J(x_{10}, (\overline{0}, \overline{c}), \frac{1}{2}(x+c, -x+c)) = I(x_{10}, (\overline{0}, \overline{c}), \frac{1}{2}(x+c, -x+c)) - I(x_{9}, c, x)$$
  
$$J(x_{10}, (\overline{1}, \overline{1+c}), \frac{1}{2}(x+c, -x+c)) = I(x_{10}, (\overline{1}, \overline{1+c}), \frac{1}{2}(x+c, -x+c)) - I(x_{9}, c, x)$$

instead.

**12.3** 
$$\Delta(\gamma) = \{\pm(0,2)\}$$

Consider

$$I(x_k, (\overline{a}, b), (x, 0)) \quad (k = 7, 8; x \notin \mathbb{Z}; x > b)$$

with  $\gamma = (x, b)$  dominant. This standard module is irreducible. On the split Cartan we have

(12.3.8) 
$$I(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, b).$$

The character formula is (recall x > b): (12.3.9)

$$J(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, b)) = I(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, b)) - I(x_7, (\overline{a}, b), (x, 0)) - I(x_8, (\overline{a}, b), (x, 0))$$

Remark 12.3.10 If we choose b = 0, nblock yields:

```
real: nblock
choose Cartan class (one of 0,1,2,3): 2
Choose a KGB element from the following canonical fiber:
 7:
        [C,n]
                               10
                                   (0,0)#21,2,1
 8:
     2
       [C,n]
                              10
                                   (0,1)#21,2,1
KGB number: 7
rho = [1,1]/1
NEED, on following imaginary coroot, at least given value:
[0,1] (>=-1)
Give lambda-rho: -1 -1
denominator for nu: 3
numerator for nu: 0 2
Name an output file (return for stdout, ? to abandon):
x = 7, gamma = [2,0]/3, lambda = [0,0]/1
Subsystem on dual side is of type A1, with roots 5.
Given parameters define element 1 of the following block:
0(0,1): 0
            [i1]
                       (2,*) *(8, [0,0]= rho+ [-1,-1])
                             *(7, [0,0] = \text{rho} + [-1,-1])
1(1,1):
         0
            [i1]
                  0
                       (2,*)
2(2,0):
            [r1]
                       (1,0)
                               (10, [0,0] = \text{rho} +
(cumulated) KL polynomials (-1)^{1(1)-1(x)}*P_{x,1}:
1: 1
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The block contains only the two modules which are related by a cross action through the imaginary root. Once again, the parameter attached to Cartan 3 is not final; the corresponding principal series representation is the direct sum of the two modules 0 and 1.

**12.4** 
$$\Delta(\gamma) = \{\pm(2,0)\}$$

Consider

$$I(x_k, (\overline{a}, b), (x, 0)) \quad (k = 7, 8; x \notin \mathbb{Z}; x < b).$$

Now  $\gamma = (x, b)$  is not dominant, but conjugate to (b, x); this is dominant, and gives integral roots  $\pm (2, 0)$ . Probably it is better to think of this as

(12.4.11) 
$$I(x_{\ell}, (b, \overline{a}), (0, x)) \quad (\ell = 5, 6; x \notin \mathbb{Z}; x < b).$$

which makes it clear that (2,0) is an imaginary root.

These standard modules are irreducible. There is also a standard module on the split Cartan:

(12.4.12) 
$$I(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, b))$$

The character formula is precisely as in (12.3.9) (recall that now x < b):

$$J(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, b)) = I(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, b)) - I(x_7, (\overline{a}, b), (x, 0)) - I(x_8, (\overline{a}, b), (x, 0))$$

However it is probably clearer to use (12.4.11) (and rule (c) in Section 2 for conjugation by an element of  $W_r$ ) and write this as (for x < b):

$$J(x_{10}, (\overline{b+1}, \overline{a+1}), (b, x))$$

$$= I(x_{10}, (\overline{b+1}, \overline{a+1}), (b, x)) - I(x_5, (b, \overline{a}), (0, x)) - I(x_6, (b, \overline{a}), (0, x))$$

## 13 c-invariant Hermitian Forms

Every irreducible representation J has a distinguished c-invariant Hermitian form. We think of this as a virtual K-representation with coefficients in  $\mathbb{W} = \mathbb{Z}[s]$  where  $s^2 = 1$ . A term  $(p+qs)\mu$  means that the K-type  $\mu$  has multiplicity p+q, and occurs p times with a plus sign, and q with a minus. In other words the  $\mu$ -isotypic space is  $V_{\mu} \otimes V[\mu]$  where  $V_{\mu}$  is the space of  $\mu$  equipped with a positive definite form, and  $V[\mu] = \mathbb{C}^{p+q}$  with a form of signature (p,q).

**Definition 13.1** (a)  $J(x, \lambda, \nu)_c$  is the irreducible representation  $J(x, \lambda, \nu)$ , equipped with its canonical c-invariant Hermitian form, normalized to be positive on the lowest K-types.

- (b) Write  $J_K(x, \lambda, \nu)_c$  for the restriction of  $J(x, \lambda, \nu)$  to K. I won't always make this distinction.
- (c) Suppose  $I_K(x,\lambda)$  is a nonzero standard final limit K-representation. Let  $I_K(x,\lambda)_c$  denote this module equipped with the canonical c-invariant Hermitian form which is positive on the (unique) lowest K-type.

The  $I_K(x,\lambda)_c$  form a basis of the Grothendieck group of K-representations, equipped with a c-invariant Hermitian form.

We want to compute formulas of the form

(13.2)(a) 
$$J_K(x,\lambda,\nu)_c = \sum_{x',\lambda'} a(x',\lambda') I_K(x',\lambda')_c$$

where the sum is over nonzero final standard limit K-data, and  $a(x', \lambda') \in \mathbb{W}$ . This is an identity in the Grothendieck group of K-modules with a c-invariant form.

This proceeds in two steps. We first write  $J(x, \lambda, \nu)_c$  as a linear combination of  $I(x', \lambda', \nu')_c$  with coefficients in W. Recall (11.1) there is a character formula

(13.2)(b) 
$$J(x,\lambda,\nu) = \sum_{(x',\lambda',\nu')} (-1)^{\ell(x,\lambda,\nu)-\ell(x',\lambda',\nu')} P_{((x',\lambda',\nu'),(x,\lambda,\nu))}(1)I(x',\lambda',\nu')$$

This is an identity in the Grothendieck group of  $(\mathfrak{g}, K)$ -modules and the sum is over the block containing  $J(x, \lambda, \nu)$ .

If  $I(x, \lambda, \nu)$  is a standard module,  $\operatorname{gr} I(x, \lambda, \nu)$  has a distinguished, nondegenerate, c-invariant form, obtained by deforming  $\nu$  in the outward direction so it becomes irreducible. We denote this  $I(x, \lambda, \nu)_c$ . Note that  $I(x, \lambda, \nu)_c$  is lower semi-continuous in  $\nu$ . As usual write  $I_K(x, \lambda, \nu)_c$  to denote the restriction to K.

In the equal rank case there is a simple generalization of (b):

(13.2)(c) 
$$J(x,\lambda,\nu)_c = \sum_{(x',\lambda',\nu')} \epsilon(s) P_{((x',\lambda',\nu'),(x,\lambda,\nu))}(s) I(x',\lambda',\nu')_c$$

where

(13.2)(d) 
$$\epsilon(s) = s^{\frac{\ell_0(x,\lambda,\nu) - \ell_0(x',\lambda',\nu')}{2}} (-1)^{\ell(x,\lambda,\nu) - \ell(x',\lambda',\nu')}.$$

This is an identity in the Grothendieck group of  $(\mathfrak{g}, K)$ -modules equipped with a c-invariant form. The sum is over the block containing  $J(x, \lambda, \nu)$ ; taking s = 1 gives (b). The integers  $\ell_0$  are the orientation numbers of Section 9.

The second step is to write  $I_K(x', \lambda', \nu')_c$  in terms of  $I_K(x'', \lambda'')_c$ . This is by deforming  $\nu$  to 0, which we defer to Section 14.

Here is how to compute (13.2)(c). Use nblock to define  $J(x, \lambda, \nu)$  and compute its block; this is at possibly nonintegral or singular infinitesimal character  $\gamma$ . Each parameter in the output of nblock may have an asterisk, indicating which of the terms are nonzero at  $\gamma$ . The output also includes a computation of the  $P_{\delta,\mu}$  for  $\mu = (x, \lambda, \nu)$ .

Note that the character formula (b) gives the c-invariant form formula (c) provided  $P_{*,*}$  is constant for all terms occurring, and all orientation numbers are 0. All orientation numbers are 0 for integral infinitesimal character.

## 13.1 c-Invariant Forms: Integral Infinitesimal Character

Since the orientation numbers are all 0 the character formulas of Section 11 hold as stated unless some  $P_{\mu,\delta}$  is not a constant. The only case in which this happens is formula (11.2)(i) in which the terms 2,3 have a coefficient of q.

Therefore formulas (11.2)(a-h,j,k) are all valid as formulas for the c-invariant form, except that (11.2)(i) should read:

$$J(x_{10}, (\overline{a}+1, \overline{b}+1), (a,b))_{c} = I(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (a,b))_{c} - sI(x_{2}, (a,b))_{c} - sI(x_{3}, (a,b))_{c} - I(x_{9}, (a-b,0), \frac{1}{2}(a+b, a+b))_{c}$$

## 13.2 c-Invariant Forms: Nonintegral Infinitesimal Character

In the case of nonintegral infinitesimal character, the integral root system is type  $D_2$  or  $A_1$ , and all the P polynomials are constant. Therefore the only

way for a c-invariant form formula to differ from the character formula is from a difference of orientation numbers being odd.

So we have to consider character formulas (12.1.2)(b), (12.1.5)(b), (12.2.6)(b), (12.3.9), and (12.4.13) and see which of them require a correction due to the orientation numbers.

Cases (12.1.2)(b), (12.1.5)(b):  $I(x_9, c, x)$  with x, c integers of opposite parity. Combining (12.1.2)(b) and (12.1.5)(b) gives, for  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z} + \frac{1}{2}, x > y > 0$ ,

(13.2.6)

$$J(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, y)) = I(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, y))$$

$$-\begin{cases} I(x_{9}, x - y, x + y) & x + y = \overline{a} + \overline{b} + 1 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}} \\ I(x_{9}, x + y, x - y) & x + y = \overline{a} + \overline{b} \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}} \end{cases}$$

The orientation numbers for  $I(x_{10}, (*, *), \frac{1}{2}(x+c, x-c))$  are given in Table 9.3.7, and for  $I(x_9, c, x)$  in Table 9.1.1.

A little monkeying around shows the following.

If  $x + y = \overline{a} + \overline{b} + 1 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$  then

$$\ell_0(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, y)) = 1, \ell_0(x_9, x - y, x + y) = 1$$

so there is no contribution from the orientation numbers, and (12.1.2)(b) holds as a formula for c-invariant forms as follows.

Assume  $x+y=a+b+1 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$ , with  $x,y\in\mathbb{Z}+\frac{1}{2},\,x>y>0$ . Then (13.2.7)

$$J(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, y))_c = I(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, y))_c - I(x_9, x - y, x + y)_c.$$

Now suppose  $x + y = \overline{a} + \overline{b} \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$ . Then

$$\ell_0(x_9, x + y, x - y) = 0.$$

and on the other hand

$$\ell_0(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, y)) = \begin{cases} 0 & 0 < y - \overline{b} < 1 \\ 2 & 1 < y - \overline{b} < 2 \end{cases}$$

So this gives the first case of a nontrivial orientation number.

So:  $x + y = \overline{a} + \overline{b} \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$  implies

(13.2.8) 
$$J(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, y))_{c} = I(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, y))_{c} - \begin{cases} I(x_{9}, x + y, x - y)_{c} & 0 < y - \overline{b} < 1\\ sI(x_{9}, x + y, x - y)_{c} & 1 < y - \overline{b} < 2 \end{cases}$$

Case (12.2.6)(b):  $x \notin \mathbb{Z}$ . This is very similar to cases (12.1.2)(b), (12.1.5)(b); see (13.2.7) and (13.2.8).

Suppose  $x - y \in \mathbb{Z}, x + y \notin \mathbb{Z}$ . If  $x - y = \overline{a} + \overline{b} \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$  then

(13.2.9)(a) 
$$J(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, y)) = I(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, y)) - I(x_9, x - y, x + y)$$

If  $x - y \neq \overline{a} + \overline{b} \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$  then  $I(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, y))$  is irreducible.

Suppose  $x + y \in \mathbb{Z}, x - y \notin \mathbb{Z}$ . If  $x + y = \overline{a} + \overline{b} \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$  then

(13.2.9)(b) 
$$J(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, y)) = I(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, y)) - I(x_9, x + y, x - y)$$

If  $x + y \neq \overline{a} + \overline{b} \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$  then  $I(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, y))$  is irreducible.

In (a) all terms have  $\ell_0=1$  if  $0< y<\frac{1}{2}\ (\mathrm{mod}\ \mathbb{Z}),$  and  $\ell_0=2$  if  $\frac{1}{2}< y<1\ (\mathrm{mod}\ \mathbb{Z}),$  so this holds as a formula for c-invariant forms. In other words (13.2.7) still holds here:  $x-y\in\mathbb{Z}, x+y\not\in\mathbb{Z}, x-y=\overline{a}+\overline{b}\ (\mathrm{mod}\ 2\mathbb{Z})$  implies

$$(13.2.10) J(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, y))_c = I(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, y))_c - I(x_9, x - y, x + y)_c$$

Similarly (13.2.8) still holds here:  $x+y\in\mathbb{Z}, x-y\not\in\mathbb{Z}, x+y=\overline{a}+\overline{b}\pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$  implies

(13.2.11) 
$$J(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, y))_c = I(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, y))_c - \begin{cases} I(x_9, x + y, x - y)_c & 0 < y - \overline{b} < 1\\ sI(x_9, x + y, x - y)_c & 1 < y - \overline{b} < 2 \end{cases}$$

Case (12.3.9):

Now x > y = b > 0 with  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$ . The character formula in this case is: (13.2.12)

$$J(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, b)) = I(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, b)) - I(x_7, (\overline{a}, b), (x, 0)) - I(x_8, (\overline{a}, b), (x, 0))$$

The orientation numbers  $\ell_0$  of all terms are the same, either 1 or 2, so this holds as a formula for c-invariant forms: (13.2.13)

$$J(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, b))_c = I(x_{10}, (\overline{a}, \overline{b}), (x, b))_c - I(x_7, (\overline{a}, b), (x, 0))_c - I(x_8, (\overline{a}, b), (x, 0))_c$$

Case (12.4.13):

This is analogous to the last case, with  $x \notin \mathbb{Z}$  and  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$ , except that now x < b. The character formula is

$$J(x_{10}, (\overline{b+1}, \overline{a+1}), (b, x)) = I(x_{10}, (\overline{b+1}, \overline{a+1}), (b, x)) - I(x_7, (\overline{a}, b), (x, 0)) - I(x_8, (\overline{a}, b), (x, 0)).$$

If  $1 < x - a < 2 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$  then the orientation numbers of all terms are  $\ell_0 = 1$ ; if  $0 < x - a < 1 \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$  then  $I(x_{10}, (\overline{b+1}, \overline{a+1}), (b, x))$  has orientation number 2, while the other terms have  $\ell_0 = 0$ . So we have (13.2.14)

$$J(x_{10}, (\overline{b+1}, \overline{a+1}), (b, x))_c = I(x_{10}, (\overline{b+1}, \overline{a+1}), (b, x))_c$$

$$\begin{cases}
-sI(x_7, (\overline{a}, b), (x, 0))_c - sI(x_8, (\overline{a}, b), (x, 0))_c & 0 < x - \overline{a} < 1 \\
-I(x_7, (\overline{a}, b), (x, 0))_c - I(x_8, (\overline{a}, b), (x, 0))_c & 1 < x - \overline{a} < 2
\end{cases}$$

## 14 Deforming $\nu$ to 0

In the previous section we reduced the computation of  $J(x, \lambda, \nu)_c$  to computing  $I(x', \lambda', \nu')_c$  (see (13.2)(c)). In this section we discuss how to write

(14.1) 
$$I(x,\lambda,\nu)_c = \sum_{x',\lambda'} b(x',\lambda') I_K(x',\lambda')_c$$

for  $b(x', \lambda') \in \mathbb{W}$ , and the sum is over nonzero final standard limit K-data. This proceeds by deformation to  $\nu = 0$ , and by induction, which requires using (13.2)(c) along the way.

Fix  $(x, \lambda, \nu)$  and consider  $I(x, \lambda) = I(x, \lambda, 0)$ . Assume for the moment that  $I(x, \lambda)$  is final (and nonzero), so  $I_K(x, \lambda)$  is a final limit standard K-representation.

After deforming  $\nu$  if necessary, we can assume  $I(x, \lambda, t_k \nu)$  is reducible for finitely many  $0 < t_1 < \cdots < t_n \le 1$ . This implies

$$I(x, \lambda, t\nu)_c = I_K(x, \lambda)_c \quad (t < t_1)$$

Assume we've computed  $I(x, \lambda, t\nu)_c$  for  $t_{k-1} \le t < t_k$ .

Write  $\gamma = (x, \lambda, t_k \nu)$ .

First compute the composition factors  $J(\gamma')$  of  $I(\gamma)$ , and the polynomials  $Q(\gamma', \gamma)$ . (Recall these are the polynomials satisfying  $I(\gamma) = \sum_{\gamma'} Q(\gamma', \gamma)(1)J(\gamma')$ . Currently nblock computes  $P(\gamma', \gamma)$ . See Section 15.)

The c-invariant form changes sign on the odd levels of the Jantzen filtration. What this amounts to is the following.

For each  $\gamma'$  with  $Q(\gamma', \gamma) \neq 0$  write

(14.10)(a) 
$$Q(\gamma', \gamma)(q) = \sum_{n=0}^{\ell(\gamma) - \ell(\gamma')} a_n(\gamma', \gamma) q^{\frac{\ell(\gamma) - \ell(\gamma') - n}{2}}$$

Note that  $a_n(\gamma', \gamma) = 0$  unless  $\ell(\gamma) - \ell(\gamma') = n \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$ , so

(14.10)(b) 
$$Q(\gamma', \gamma)(q) = \sum_{\substack{n=0\\n \equiv \ell(\gamma) - \ell(\gamma')}}^{\ell(\gamma) - \ell(\gamma')} a_n(\gamma', \gamma) q^{\frac{\ell(\gamma) - \ell(\gamma') - n}{2}}$$

Then  $a_n$  is the multiplicity of  $J(\gamma')$  in level n of the Jantzen filtration. Note that  $\gamma'$  can occur in an odd level of the Jantzen filtration of  $I(\gamma)$  only if  $\ell(\gamma) - \ell(\gamma')$  is odd. Therefore

$$(14.11) I(x,\lambda,t_k\nu)_c = I(x,\lambda,t_{k-1}\nu)_c + (1-s) \sum_{\substack{\gamma' \\ \ell(\gamma')-\ell(\gamma) \text{ odd}}} \sum_{n \text{ odd}} s^{\frac{\ell(\gamma)-\ell(\gamma')-n}{2}} s^{\frac{\ell_0(\gamma)-\ell_0(\gamma')}{2}} a_n(\gamma',\gamma) J(\gamma')_c$$

By (14.10)(b) the inner sum, (after pulling out the  $\ell_0$  term), is just  $Q(\gamma', \gamma)(s)$ . So:

(14.12) 
$$I(x, \lambda, t_k \nu)_c = I(x, \lambda, t_{k-1} \nu)_c + (1-s) \sum_{\substack{\gamma' \\ \ell(\gamma') - \ell(\gamma) \text{ odd}}} s^{\frac{\ell_0(\gamma) - \ell_0(\gamma')}{2}} Q(\gamma', \gamma)(s) J(\gamma')_c$$

Here is the big block for  $Sp(4,\mathbb{R})$ .

#### length 0

Of course there is nothing to do here:

$$(14.13) J(x_k, (a, b))_c = I_K(x_k, (a, b))_c (0 \le k \le 3)$$

#### length 1, Cartan 1

Consider  $I(x_9, (a+b, 0), \frac{1}{2}(a-b, a-b))$ . It is easier to use the other coordinates  $I(x_9, c, x) = I(x_9, (c, 0), \frac{1}{2}(x, x))$  (2.1.4)(a). Notice that length 1 implies c > x.

The real root (1,1) gives reducibility if and only if  $x=c \pmod 2$ . The complex root (2,0) gives reducibility if and only if  $x=c \pmod 2$  and  $x \ge c$ . Here is how to pass back and forth. If c > x:

$$I(x_9, c, x) = I(x_9, (a+b, 0), \frac{1}{2}(a-b, a-b)) \quad (a = \frac{1}{2}(c+x), b = \frac{1}{2}(c-x))$$

and these have length 1, while if  $c \leq x$ :

$$I(x_9, c, x) = I(x_9, (a - b, 0), \frac{1}{2}(a + b, a + b)) \quad (a = \frac{1}{2}(c + x), b = \frac{1}{2}(x - c))$$

of length 2.

Suppose c is even. Then

$$(14.14)(a) I(x_9, c, x)_c = I_K(x_9, c)_c (0 \le x < 2)$$

(This module is not final, so we can write it as a sum of two limits of discrete series...but ignore this for this calculation.) If c > 2 then, taking x = 2, (10.2)(a) gives

(14.14)(b) 
$$I(x_9, c, 2) = J(x_9, c, 2) + J(x_0, \frac{1}{2}(c+2, c-2)) + J(x_1, \frac{1}{2}(c+2, c-2))$$

Apply (14.12) (or (14.11)). Since the reducibility points are at integral infinitesimal character the orientation numbers are 0, and for  $2 \le x < 4$ : (14.14)(c)

$$I(x_9, c, x)_c = I_K(x_9, c)_c + (1 - s)[I_K(x_0, \frac{1}{2}(c + 2, c - 2))_c + I_K(x_1, \frac{1}{2}(c + 2, c - 2))_c]$$

Similarly if c > 4 then, taking x = 4, (10.2)(a) gives

(14.14)(d) 
$$I(x_9, c, 4) = J(x_9, c, 4) + J(x_0, \frac{1}{2}(c+4, c-4)) + J(x_1, \frac{1}{2}(c+4, c-4))$$

and by (14.12) for  $(4 \le x < 6)$ : (14.14)(e)

$$\mathcal{I}(x_9, c, x)_c = I_K(x_9, c)_c + (1 - s)[I_K(x_0, \frac{1}{2}(c + 2, c - 2))_c + I_K(x_1, \frac{1}{2}(c + 2, c - 2))_c] + (1 - s)[I_K(x_0, \frac{1}{2}(c + 4, c - 4))_c + I_K(x_1, \frac{1}{2}(c + 4, c - 4))_c]$$

By induction on x we see for c even, x < c: (14.14)(f)

$$I(x_9, c, x)_c = I_K(x_9, c)_c + (1 - s) \sum_{k=1}^{\left[\frac{x}{2}\right]} [I_K(x_0, \frac{1}{2}(c + 2k, c - 2k))_c + I_K(x_1, \frac{1}{2}(c + 2k, c - 2k))_c]$$

Similarly for c odd, x < c:

(14.14)(g) 
$$I(x_9, c, x)_c = I_K(x_9, c)_c + (1-s) \sum_{k=1}^{\frac{x+1}{2}} [I_K(x_0, \frac{1}{2}(c+(2k-1), c-(2k-1)))_c + I_K(x_1, \frac{1}{2}(c+(2k-1), c-(2k-1)))_c]$$

In particular at  $\rho$  take c=3, x=1:

(14.14)(h)

$$I(x_9,3,1)_c = I_K(x_9,3)_c + (1-s)[I_K(x_0,(2,1))_c + I_K(x_1,(2,1))_c]$$

#### length 1, Cartan 2

Consider the representations

$$I(x_k, (\delta, a), (x, 0))$$
  $(k = 7, 8; a \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0})$ 

which have length 1 if x < a. Such a representation is reducible if and only if  $x = \delta \pmod{2}$ .

Take k = 7 and  $\delta = 0$ . There will be reducibility at  $x = 0, 2, \ldots$ . We start with

(14.15)(a) 
$$I(x_7, (\overline{0}, a), (0, 0)) = I_K(x_7, (\overline{0}, a)).$$

For  $0 \le x < 2 \le a$ , we get

$$I(x_7, (\overline{0}, a), (x, 0))_c = I_K(x_7, (\overline{0}, a))_c.$$

If 2 < a then taking x = 2 in (11.2)(c) gives

$$I(x_7, (\overline{0}, a), (2, 0)) = J(x_7, (\overline{0}, a), (2, 0)) + J(x_0, (a, 2)) + J(x_2, (a, 2))$$

so by (14.12), if  $(2 \le x < 4)$ :

$$I(x_7, (\overline{0}, a), (x, 0))_c = I_K(x_7, (\overline{0}, a), (x, 0))_c + (1 - s)[J(x_0, (a, 2)) + J(x_2, (a, 2))_c]$$

Repeating this as in the previous case we conclude, for x < a:

(14.15)(b) 
$$I(x_7, (\overline{0}, a), (x, 0))_c = I_K(x_7, (\overline{0}, a))_c + (1 - s) \sum_{k=1}^{\left[\frac{x}{2}\right]} [I_K(x_0, (a, 2k))_c + I_K(x_2, (a, 2k))_c]$$

Similarly using (10.2)(d)

(14.15)(c) 
$$I(x_8, (\overline{0}, a), (x, 0))_c = I_K(x_8, (\overline{0}, a))_c + (1 - s) \sum_{k=1}^{\left[\frac{x}{2}\right]} [I_K(x_1, (a, 2k))_c + I_K(x_3, (a, 2k))_c]$$

The cases  $k=7,8,\,\delta=\overline{1}$  are similar. The results are:

(14.15)(d)

$$I(x_7, (\overline{1}, a), (x, 0))_c = I_K(x_7, (\overline{1}, a))_c$$

$$+ (1 - s) \sum_{k=1}^{\left[\frac{x+1}{2}\right]} [I_K(x_0, (a, 2k - 1))_c + I_K(x_2, (a, 2k - 1))_c]$$

(14.15)(e)

$$I(x_8, (\overline{1}, a), (x, 0))_c = I_K(x_8, (\overline{1}, a))_c$$

$$+ (1 - s) \sum_{k=1}^{\left[\frac{x+1}{2}\right]} [I_K(x_1, (a, 2k - 1))_c + I_K(x_3, (a, 2k - 1))_c]$$

Consider the case of infinitesimal character  $\rho = (2, 1)$ . Formulas (14.15)(b-e) specialize as follows.

Take a = 2, x = 1 in (14.15)(b,c):

(14.16)(a) 
$$I(x_7, (\overline{0}, 2), (1, 0))_c = I_K(x_7, (\overline{0}, 2))_c$$

(14.16)(b) 
$$I(x_8, (\overline{0}, 2), (1, 0))_c = I_K(x_8, (\overline{0}, 2))_c$$

Take a = 2, x = 1 in (14.15)(d,e):

$$I(x_7, (\overline{1}, 2), (1, 0))_c = I_K(x_7, (\overline{1}, 2))_c + (1 - s)[J(x_0, (2, 1))_c + J(x_2, (2, 1))_c]$$

$$I(x_8, (\overline{1}, 2), (1, 0))_c = I_K(x_8, (\overline{1}, 2))_c + (1 - s)[J(x_1, (2, 1))_c + J(x_3, (2, 1))_c]$$

This completes the length 1 portion of our program. From now on we'll only include some special cases of a and b.

#### length 2, Cartan 1

These are the modules  $I(x_9, c, x) = I(x_9, (c, 0), \frac{1}{2}(x, x))$  with  $c \le x$ . This is reducible due to the real root (1, 1) if  $x = c \pmod{2}$ . It is reducible due to the complex root (2, 0) provided this is integral, which is again the condition  $x = c \pmod{2}$ . So if c is odd this is reducible at  $x = 1, 3, \ldots, c, c + 2, \ldots$ 

Take c=1. Then x=3 gives infinitesimal character  $(\frac{x+c}{2},\frac{x-c}{2})=(2,1)=\rho$ .

Starting at x = 0:

(14.17)(a) 
$$I(x_9, 1, x) = I_K(x_9, 1) \quad (x < 1).$$

Reducibility at x = 1:

(14.17)(b) 
$$I(x_9, 1, 1) = J(x_9, 1, 1) + J(x_0, (1, 0)) + J(x_1, (1, 0))$$

The last two terms are limits of large discrete series. By (14.12) (since we're at integral infinitesimal character all orientation numbers are 0):

$$(14.17)(c) I(x_9, 1, 1)_c = I_K(x_9, 1)_c + (1 - s)[I_K(x_0, (1, 0))_c + I_K(x_1, (1, 0))_c]$$

Reducibility at x = 3; the infinitesimal character is  $\frac{1}{2}(3+1, 3-1) = (2, 1) = \rho$ , so this is directly from (10.2)(b):

(14.17)(d) 
$$I(x_9, 1, 3) = J(x_9, 1, 3)^2 + J(x_0, (2, 1))^0 + J(x_1, (2, 1))^0 + J(x_9, 3, 1)^1 + J(x_7, (\overline{1}, 2), (1, 0))^1 + J(x_8, (\overline{1}, 2), (1, 0))^1$$

with lengths denoted by superscripts. Therefore (no orientation numbers here; and recall that only modules with odd length difference occur in the sum (14.12)):

$$I(x_9, 1, 3)_c = I(x_9, 1, 1)_c + (1 - s)[J(x_9, 3, 1)_c + J(x_7, (\overline{1}, 2), (1, 0))_c + J(x_8, (\overline{1}, 2), (1, 0))_c]$$

We'll plug in (c) for the first term.

Now for the first time we need to express the c-invariant form on an irreducible (each of the three in the last line) in terms of c-invariant forms on standards, using Section 13, which goes back to the character formulas of Section 11 in this case. Thus by (11.2)(a)

$$(14.17)(f) J(x_9, 3, 1)_c = I(x_9, 3, 1)_c - J(x_0, (2, 1))_c - J(x_1, (2, 1))_c$$

and plug in (14.14)(h) for  $I(x_9,3,1)$  to give:

$$J(x_9, 3, 1)_c = I_K(x_9, 3)_c$$

$$+ (1 - s)[I_K(x_0, (2, 1))_c + I_K(x_1, (2, 1))_c]$$

$$- I_K(x_0, (2, 1))_c - I_K(x_1, (2, 1))_c$$

which simplifies to

(14.17)(h) 
$$J(x_9, 3, 1)_c = I_K(x_9, 3)_c - s[I_K(x_0, (2, 1))_c + I_K(x_1, (2, 1))_c]$$

Similarly (11.2)(c) says:

(14.17)(i)

$$J(x_7, (\overline{1}, 2), (1, 0))_c = I(x_7, (\overline{1}, 2), (1, 0))_c - I(x_0, (2, 1))_c - I(x_2, (2, 1))_c.$$

Use (14.16)(c) to expand

(14.17)(j)

$$I(x_7, (\overline{1}, 2), (1, 0))_c = I_K(x_7, (\overline{1}, 2))_c + (1 - s)[J(x_0, (2, 1))_c + J(x_2, (2, 1))_c]$$

and so (14.17)(k) $J(x_7, (\overline{1}, 2), (1, 0))_c = I_K(x_7, (\overline{1}, 2))_c - s[I_K(x_0, (2, 1))_c + I_K(x_2, (2, 1))_c]$ Finally (11.2)(d) says: (14.17)(1) $J(x_8,(\overline{1},2),(1,0))_c = I(x_8,(\overline{1},2),(1,0))_c - I(x_1,(2,1))_c - I(x_3,(2,1))_c$ and using (14.16)(d) to expand (14.17)(m)

 $I(x_8, (\overline{1}, 2), (1, 0))_c = I_K(x_8, (\overline{1}, 2))_c + (1 - s)[J(x_1, (2, 1))_c + J(x_3, (2, 1))_c]$ 

gives

(14.17)(n)

$$J(x_8, (\overline{1}, 2), (1, 0))_c = I_K(x_8, (\overline{1}, 2))_c - s[I_K(x_1, (2, 1))_c + I_K(x_3, (2, 1))_c].$$

Plugging (c), (h), (k) and (n) into (e) gives: (14.17)(0)

$$\begin{split} I(x_9,1,3)_c &= I_K(x_9,1)_c + (1-s)[I_K(x_0,(1,0))_c + I_K(x_1,(1,0))_c] \\ &+ (1-s)\{I_K(x_9,3)_c - s[I_K(x_0,(2,1))_c + I_K(x_1,(2,1))_c]\} \\ &+ (1-s)\{I_K(x_7,(\overline{1},2))_c - s[I_K(x_0,(2,1))_c + I_K(x_2,(2,1))_c]\} \\ &+ (1-s)\{I_K(x_8,(\overline{1},2))_c - s[I_K(x_1,(2,1))_c + I_K(x_3,(2,1))_c]\}. \end{split}$$

Grouping terms finally gives:

(14.17)(p)

$$I(x_9, 1, 3)_c = I_K(x_9, 1)_c + (1 - s)[I_K(x_0, (1, 0))_c + I_K(x_1, (1, 0))_c]$$

$$+ (1 - s)\{2 \times I_K(x_0, (2, 1)_c + 2 \times I_K(x_1, (2, 1)_c + I_K(x_2, (2, 1)_c + I_K(x_3, (2, 1))_c)\}$$

$$+ (1 - s)\{I_K(x_9, 3)_c + I_K(x_7, \overline{1}, 2))_c + I_K(x_8, \overline{1}, 2)\}_c\}.$$

**length 2, Cartan 2** We compute  $I(x_7, (\overline{2}, 1), (2, 0))_c$  and  $I(x_8, (\overline{2}, 1), (2, 0))_c$ . For k = 7, 8, let's deform  $I(x_k, (\overline{2}, 1), (2, 0))$  to  $I(x_k, (\overline{2}, 1), (0, 0))$ . By the parity condition  $I(x_k,(\overline{2},1),(x,0))$  is reducible only if  $x=\overline{2} \pmod{2\mathbb{Z}}$ . We're taking  $0 \le x \le 2$ , so this occurs only at the endpoints x = 0, x = 2.

At x=0 this has to do with the fact that  $I(x_k,(\overline{2},1),(0,0))$  is not final. Ignoring this for the moment, consider  $I(x_k,(\overline{2},1),(2,0))$ , at infinitesimal character (2,1).

The composition series at (2,1) are given by (10.2)(e,f) (with lengths given by superscripts)

(14.18)(a) 
$$I(x_{7},(\overline{2},1),(2,0))^{2} = J(x_{7},(\overline{2},1),(2,0))^{2} + J(x_{0},(2,1))^{0} + J(x_{9},3,1)^{1} + J(x_{7},(\overline{1},2),(1,0))^{1} I(x_{8},(\overline{2},1),(2,0)) = J(x_{8},(\overline{2},1),(2,0))^{2} + J(x_{1},(2,1))^{0} + J(x_{9},3,1)^{1} + J(x_{8},(\overline{1},2),(1,0))^{1}$$

Considering terms of odd length, with the orientation numbers being all 0, (14.12) gives

(14.18)(b) 
$$I(x_7, (\overline{2}, 1), (2, 0))_c = I(x_7, (\overline{2}, 1), (0, 0))_c + (1 - s)[J(x_9, 3, 1)_c + J(x_7, (\overline{1}, 2), (1, 0))_c]$$
$$I(x_8, (\overline{2}, 1), (2, 0))_c = I(x_8, (\overline{2}, 1), (0, 0))_c + (1 - s)[J(x_9, 3, 1)_c + J(x_8, (\overline{1}, 2), (1, 0))_c]$$

Here we are using that  $I(x_k,(\overline{2},1),(2-\epsilon,0))_c=I(x_k,(\overline{2},1),(0,0))_c$ , since there is no reducibility for 0< x<2. We know  $J(x_9,3,1)_c$ ,  $J(x_7,(\overline{1},2),(1,0))_c$ ,  $J(x_8,(\overline{1},2),(1,0))_c$  from (14.17)(h),(k) and (n), respectively. Also use (5.4)(a) to eliminate the terms  $I(x_k,(\overline{2},1),(0,0))_c$  with k=7,8. Plugging these in gives:

$$(14.18)(c)$$

$$I(x_7, (\overline{2}, 1), (2, 0))_c = I(x_0, (1, 0))_c + I(x_2, (1, 0))_c$$

$$+ (1 - s) [\{I_K(x_9, 3)_c - s[I_K(x_0, (2, 1))_c + I_K(x_1, (2, 1))_c]\}$$

$$+ \{I_K(x_7, (\overline{1}, 2))_c - s[I_K(x_0, (2, 1)) + I_K(x_2, (2, 1))]\}]$$

and this can be rewritten (recall that (1-s)(-s) = 1-s)

(14.18)(d) 
$$I(x_7, (\overline{2}, 1), (2, 0))_c = I(x_0, (1, 0))_c + I(x_2, (1, 0))_c + (1 - s) [I_K(x_9, 3)_c + I_K(x_7, (\overline{1}, 2))_c + 2 \times I(x_0, (2, 1))_c + I(x_1, (2, 1))_c + I(x_2, (2, 1))_c].$$

Similarly

(14.18)(e) 
$$I(x_8, (\overline{2}, 1), (2, 0))_c = I(x_1, (1, 0))_c + I(x_3, (1, 0))_c + (1 - s) [I_K(x_9, 3)_c + I_K(x_8, (\overline{1}, 2))_c + I(x_0, (2, 1))_c + 2 \times I(x_1, (2, 1))_c + I(x_3, (2, 1))_c].$$

## 15 Digression: computing the Q polynomials

In the setting of the atlas software, suppose we have a block, with elements 0-n. The klbasis command gives the polynomials  $P_{\gamma,\gamma'}(q)$  on the block.

For example consider this part of the output for the big block of  $Sp(4,\mathbb{R})$ :

10: 0: 1

1: 1

2: 1

3: 1

4: 1

5: 1

6: 1

7: 1

8: 1

9: 1

10: 1

This says the polynomials  $P_{0,10}(q), P_{1,10}(q), \ldots, P_{10,10}(q)$  are all 1. Recall this means

$$J(10) = \sum_{k} (-1)^{\ell(10) - \ell(k)} P_{k,10}(q) I(k).$$

Taking lengths into account (from the block command) gives

$$J(10) = I(10) - I(9) - I(8) - I(7) + I(6) + I(5) + I(4) - I(3) - I(2) - I(1) - I(0)$$

This is the character formula for the trivial representation. See (11.2)(j).

On the other hand we're interested in the Q polynomials, which satisfy

$$I(n) = \sum_{k} Q_{k,n}(1)J(k)$$

Here's how to get these from klbasis.

Make G the dual group, and  $G^{\vee}$  the group. Then

$$Q_{k,n}(q) = P_{n^{\vee},k^{\vee}}(q)$$

where  $k \to k^{\vee}$  is the duality map, given by dualmap.

For example take  $G = SO(3,2), G^{\vee} = Sp(4,\mathbb{R})$ . Consider this part of the output of klbasis:

7: 0: 2

1: 1

2: 1

3: 1

4: 1

7: 1

Also dualmap gives

The first line says  $P_{0,7}(q)=2$  for SO(3,2), and dualmap says  $0^{\vee}=10,7^{\vee}=4$ , so

$$2 = P_{0,7}^{SO}(q) = Q_{4,10}^{Sp}(q),$$

which says J(4) has multiplicity 2 in I(10) for  $Sp(4,\mathbb{R})$ . See (10.2)(j).

# 16 Second Digression: An alternative version of the calculation

Recall we used (14.12) to write the form on a standard module  $I(x, \lambda, \nu)$  in terms of forms on a standard module with smaller  $\nu$  parameter, and forms on more tempered irreducible modules  $J(\gamma')$ :

(16.1) 
$$I(x, \lambda, t_k \nu)_c = I(x, \lambda, t_{k-1} \nu)_c + (1-s) \sum_{\substack{\gamma' \\ \ell(\gamma') - \ell(\gamma) \text{ odd}}} s^{\frac{\ell_0(\gamma) - \ell_0(\gamma')}{2}} Q_{\gamma', \gamma}(s) J(\gamma')_c$$

We proceeded by induction, assuming we'd already computed the terms  $J(\gamma')_c$ .

Here is an equivalent formulation, which combines the two steps, and is easier from a computational point of view. We restate this in a self-contained, single step.

#### Inductive algorithm

Suppose we are given  $I(\gamma) = I(x, \lambda, \nu)$ . Typically this is at singular, and possibly nonintegral, infinitesimal character. For small  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $I(x, \lambda, (1+\epsilon)\nu)$ 

is irreducible. By (14.12) we have

(16.2)(a) 
$$I(\gamma)_c = I(x, \lambda, (1 - \epsilon)\nu)_c$$
$$+ (1 - s) \sum_{\substack{\gamma' < \gamma \\ \ell(\gamma) - \ell(\gamma') \text{ odd}}} s^{\frac{\ell_0(\gamma) - \ell_0(\gamma')}{2}} Q_{\gamma', \gamma}(s) J(\gamma')_c$$

By (13.2)(c), for each  $\gamma'$ , write

(16.2)(b) 
$$J(\gamma')_c = \sum_{\delta' < \gamma'} (-1)^{\ell(\gamma') - \ell(\delta')} s^{\frac{\ell_0(\gamma') - \ell_0(\delta')}{2}} P_{\delta', \gamma'}(s) I(\delta')_c$$

This formula is computed at (possibly singular, non-integral) infinitesimal character. Plug it in to give

$$I(\gamma)_{c} = I(x, \lambda, (1 - \epsilon)\nu)_{c}$$

$$(16.2)(c) + (1 - s) \sum_{\substack{\delta' \leq \gamma' < \gamma \\ \ell(\gamma) = \ell(\gamma') \text{ odd}}} (-1)^{\ell(\gamma') - \ell(\delta')} s^{\frac{\ell_{0}(\gamma) - \ell_{0}(\delta')}{2}} P_{\delta', \gamma'}(s) Q_{\gamma', \gamma}(s) I(\delta')_{c}$$

or, spelling it out more explicitly: (16.2)(d)

$$I(\gamma)_{c} = I(x, \lambda, (1 - \epsilon)\nu)_{c}$$

$$+ (1 - s) \sum_{\substack{\delta' \\ \delta' < \gamma}} s^{\frac{\ell_{0}(\gamma) - \ell_{0}(\delta')}{2}} \Big[ \sum_{\substack{\gamma' \\ \ell(\gamma) - \ell(\gamma') \text{ odd}}} (-1)^{\ell(\gamma') - \ell(\delta')} P_{\delta', \gamma'}(s) Q_{\gamma', \gamma}(s) \Big] I(\delta')_{c}$$

### 17 Invariant Forms

Suppose J is a representation of  $Sp(4,\mathbb{R})$  with a central character, and  $\mu$  is a K-type of  $\pi$ . Identify  $\mu$  with its highest weight (r,s).

The element  $\tau$  defining  $Sp(4,\mathbb{R})$  is  $\operatorname{diag}(i,i,-i,-i)$ , which is central in K, and has square -I. It acts in  $\mu$  by the scalar  $i^{r+s}$ . Note that if -I acts in J by  $\epsilon = \pm 1$  then  $(i^{r+s})^2 = \epsilon$ , i.e.

$$r + s$$
 is 
$$\begin{cases} \text{even} & \epsilon = 1\\ \text{odd} & \epsilon = -1. \end{cases}$$

Now assume J is irreducible and  $\mu = (r, s)$  is a lowest K-type of J. Write  $\langle , \rangle$  for the *invariant* form on J, and  $\langle , \rangle_c$  for the c-invariant form as usual.

**Lemma 17.1** Suppose we have a formula as in (13.2)(a)

(17.2) 
$$J(x,\lambda,\nu)_c = \sum_{x',\lambda'} a(x',\lambda') I_K(x',\lambda')_c.$$

Suppose -I acts by  $\epsilon$  in  $J(x, \lambda, \nu)$  and choose  $\zeta^2 = \epsilon$ . Write the (unique) lowest K-type of  $I_K(x', \lambda')$  as  $(r(x', \lambda'), s(x', \lambda'))$ . Define

$$\delta(x', \lambda') = \begin{cases} 1 & \zeta i^{r(x', \lambda') + s(x', \lambda')} = 1\\ s & \zeta i^{r(x', \lambda') + s(x', \lambda')} = -1. \end{cases}$$

Then an invariant form on J is given by

(17.3) 
$$J(x,\lambda,\nu)_0 = \sum_{x',\lambda'} \delta(x',\lambda') a(x',\lambda') I_K(x',\lambda')_0.$$

where  $I_K(x', \lambda')_0$  is the unique positive definite invariant form. There is one other invariant form, – this one.

In particular an invariant form on J is definite if and only if, for all  $x', \lambda'$  appearing in (17.2),

(17.4)(a) 
$$\delta(x', \lambda') a(x', \lambda') \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ for all } (x', \lambda')$$

or

(17.4)(b) 
$$\delta(x', \lambda') a(x', \lambda') \in s\mathbb{Z} \text{ for all } (x', \lambda')$$

### 17.1 Some Invariant Forms on Irreducibles for $Sp(4,\mathbb{R})$

We have some formulas for c-invariant forms on some irreducible representations: (14.17)(h,k,n) on  $J(x_9,3,1)$ ,  $J(x_7,(\overline{1},2),(1,0))$  and  $J(x_8,(\overline{1},2),(1,0))$ , all at  $\rho$ . Let's convert these to invariant forms.

These representations all have trivial central character. Therefore, we may take  $\zeta = 1$  in Lemma 17.1. If (r, s) is a lowest K-type then the sign in the lemma is  $(-1)^{\frac{r+s}{2}}$ .

First consider  $J(x_8, (\overline{1}, 2), (1, 0))$ .

Equation (14.17)(n) says

(17.1.5)(a)

$$J(x_8, (\overline{1}, 2), (1, 0))_c = I_K(x_8, (\overline{1}, 2))_c - s[I_K(x_1, (2, 1))_c + I_K(x_3, (2, 1))_c]$$

By Section 5 the lowest K-types on the right hand side are (-1, -3), (1, -3) and (-3, -3), respectively, which have  $(-1)^{\frac{r+s}{2}} = 1, -1, -1$ , respectively. Therefore (17.1.5)(b)

$$J(x_8,(\overline{1},2),(1,0))_0 = I_K(x_8,(\overline{1},2))_0 - [I_K(x_1,(2,1))_0 + I_K(x_3,(2,1))_0].$$

This representation is unitary. This is representation 6 from the output of block.

Of course, using (14.17)(k),  $J(x_7, (\overline{1}, 2), (1, 0))_0$  is essentially the same: (17.1.5)(c)

$$J(x_7, (\overline{1}, 2), (1, 0))_0 = I_K(x_7, (\overline{1}, 2))_0 - [I_K(x_0, (2, 1))_0 + I_K(x_2, (2, 1))_0].$$

and this is unitary. This is representation 5 from the output of block. Finally (14.17)(h) says

$$(17.1.5)(d) J(x_9, 3, 1)_c = I_K(x_9, 3) - s[I_K(x_0, (2, 1)) + I_K(x_1, (2, 1))]$$

and the invariant formula is

(17.1.5)(e) 
$$J(x_9, 3, 1)_0 = I_K(x_9, 3)_0 - [I_K(x_0, (2, 1))_0 + I_K(x_1, (2, 1))_0]$$

which is unitary. This is representation 4 from the output of block.

Remark 17.1.6 Using the blocku command we can confirm the unitarity. These representations are indeed  $A_{\mathfrak{q}}(\lambda)$  modules attached to theta stable parabolic subalgebras with Levi factors  $L = U(1) \times SL(2,\mathbb{R})$  and L = U(1,1), respectively.

# 18 c-Invariant Forms on Irreducible Representations

We already have some formulas for c-invariant forms on some irreducible representations: (14.17)(h,k,n) on  $J(x_9,3,1)$ ,  $J(x_7,(\overline{1},2),(1,0))$  and  $J(x_8,(\overline{1},2),(1,0))$ , all at  $\rho$ .

#### **18.1** The c-invariant form on $J(x_9, 1, 3)$

Let's use (14.17)(p) to get a formula for  $J(x_9, 1, 3)_c$ . Recall  $J(x_9, 1, 3) = J(x_9, (1, 0), \frac{1}{2}(3, 3))$ , irreducible representation 9 from the output of block (see Section 8). The formula for  $J(x_9, 1, 3)_c$  is given by (11.2)(b) with a = 2, b = 1:

$$(18.1.1)$$

$$J(x_9, 1, 3)_c = I(x_9, 1, 3)_c$$

$$+ I(x_0, (2, 1))_c + I(x_1, (2, 1))_c + I(x_2, (2, 1))_c + I(x_3, (2, 1))_c$$

$$- I(x_9, 3, 1)_c$$

$$- I(x_7, (\overline{1}, 2), (1, 0))_c - I(x_8, (\overline{1}, 2), (1, 0))_c$$

The terms on the right hand side are given by (14.17)(p), (14.13) (4 times), (14.14)(h) and (14.15)(d,e), respectively. The last three are also given in (14.16)(a,d,e). This gives:

$$(18.1.2)$$

$$J(x_{9},1,3)_{c} = \{I_{K}(x_{9},1)_{c} + (1-s)[I_{K}(x_{0},(1,0))_{c} + I_{K}(x_{1},(1,0))_{c}] + (1-s)\{2I_{K}(x_{0},(2,1))_{c} + 2I_{K}(x_{1},(2,1))_{c}\} + (1-s)\{I_{K}(x_{2},(2,1))_{c} + I_{K}(x_{3},(2,1))_{c}\} + (1-s)\{I_{K}(x_{9},3)_{c} + I_{K}(x_{7},\overline{1},2)_{c}) + I_{K}(x_{8},\overline{1},2)_{c}\}\}$$

$$+ I_{K}(x_{0},(2,1))_{c} + I_{K}(x_{1},(2,1))_{c} + I_{K}(x_{2},(2,1))_{c} + I_{K}(x_{3},(2,1))_{c}$$

$$- \{I_{K}(x_{9},3)_{c} + (1-s)[I_{K}(x_{0},(2,1))_{c} + I_{K}(x_{1},(2,1))_{c}]\}$$

$$- \{I_{K}(x_{7},(\overline{1},2))_{c} + (1-s)[I_{K}(x_{0},(2,1))_{c} + I_{K}(x_{2},(2,1))_{c}]\}$$

$$- \{I_{K}(x_{8},(\overline{1},2))_{c} + (1-s)[I_{K}(x_{1},(2,1))_{c} + I_{K}(x_{3},(2,1))_{c}]\}$$

Here is a table of the terms:

And the answer is:

#### (18.1.3)

$$J(x_{9}, 1, 3)_{c} = I_{K}(x_{9}, 1)_{c} +$$

$$+ (1 - s) [I_{K}(x_{0}, (1, 0))_{c} + I_{K}(x_{1}, (1, 0))_{c}]$$

$$+ [I_{K}(x_{0}, (2, 1))_{c} + I_{K}(x_{1}, (2, 1))_{c} + I_{K}(x_{2}, (2, 1))_{c} + I_{K}(x_{3}, (2, 1))_{c}]$$

$$- s [I_{K}(x_{9}, 3)_{c} + I_{K}(x_{7}, (\overline{1}, 2))_{c} + I_{K}(x_{8}, (\overline{1}, 2))_{c}]$$

Note that if s = 1 this gives (11.2)(b) again, as it must. Using Section 17, the invariant form is given as follows.

#### (18.1.4)

$$J(x_9, 1, 3)_0 = I_K(x_9, 1)_0 +$$

$$+ (s - 1) [I_K(x_0, (1, 0))_0 + I_K(x_1, (1, 0))_0]$$

$$+ s [I_K(x_0, (2, 1))_0 + I_K(x_1, (2, 1))_0 + I_K(x_2, (2, 1))_0 + I_K(x_3, (2, 1))_0$$

$$- s [I_K(x_9, 3)_0 + I_K(x_7, (\overline{1}, 2))_0 + I_K(x_8, \overline{1}, 2)_0]$$

This is not unitary. Note that we can tell this from the previous expression because of the hyperbolic term (1-s).

## **18.2** The c-invariant form on $J(x_{7,8}, (\overline{2}, 1), (2, 0))$

The character formula for  $J(x_7, (\overline{2}, 1), (2, 0))$  is (11.2)(e), and this holds as a formula for c-invariant forms:

(18.2.5) 
$$J(x_7,(\overline{2},1),(2,0))_c = I(x_7,(\overline{2},1),(2,0))_c + I(x_0,(2,1))_c + I(x_1,(2,1))_c + I(x_2,(2,1))_c - I(x_9,(3,1))_c - I(x_7,(\overline{1},2),(1,0))_c$$

The non-discrete series terms on the right hand side are given by (14.18)(d), (14.14)(h) and (14.16)(c). The result is: (18.2.6)

$$J(x_7, (\overline{2}, 1), (2, 0))_c = -s[I(x_9, 3)_c + I(x_7, (\overline{1}, 2))_c] + [I(x_0, (1, 0))_c + I(x_2, (1, 0))_c] + [I(x_0, (2, 1))_c + I(x_1, (2, 1))_c + I(x_2, (2, 1))_c]$$

The lowest K-types of these terms are: (2, -2), (3, 1), (2, 0), (2, 2), (3, -1), (1, -3), (3, 3). We multiply by 1, 1, s, 1, s, s, s respectively, to give the invariant form: (18.2.7)

$$J(x_7, (\overline{2}, 1), (2, 0))_0 = -s[I(x_9, 3)_0 + I(x_7, (\overline{1}, 2))_0] + [sI(x_0, (1, 0))_0 + I(x_2, (1, 0))_0] + s[I(x_0, (2, 1))_0 + I(x_1, (2, 1))_0 + I(x_2, (2, 1))_0]$$

This representation is *not* unitary: the signs differ on the two lowest K-types (2,2) and (2,0).

Similarly:

(18.2.8)

$$J(x_8, (\overline{2}, 1), (2, 0))_c = -s[I(x_9, 3)_c + I(x_8, (\overline{1}, 2))_c]$$

$$+ [I(x_1, (1, 0))_c + I(x_3, (1, 0))_c]$$

$$+ [I(x_0, (2, 1))_c + I(x_1, (2, 1))_c + I(x_3, (2, 1))_c]$$

## 19 The Trivial Representation

Let's prove the trivial representation  $J(x_{10},(\overline{2},\overline{1}),(2,1))$  is unitary.

The deformation will go as follows. Let  $\nu = (1 + \epsilon)(2, 1)$  for  $\epsilon > 0$  small. Deforming  $\nu$  to 0 we have the following reducibility points, up to small deformations.

(19.1)(a) 
$$\nu = (2,1), (\frac{4}{3}, \frac{2}{3}), (1, \frac{1}{2}), (\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3})$$

At the first point the integral root system is  $C_2$ ; at all the others it is of type  $A_1$ .

Here is the reducibility at  $\nu = (\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3})$ , obtained using nblock. The input is  $\lambda = \rho = (2, 1)$ , so  $\lambda - \rho = (0, 0)$ .

```
real: nblock
choose Cartan class (one of 0,1,2,3): 3
Choosing the unique KGB element for the Cartan class:
                               * (0,0)#3 1^2x1^e
       [r,r]
                10
                    10
rho = [1,1]/1
Give lambda-rho: 0 0
denominator for nu: 3
numerator for nu: 1 1
x=10, lambda=[1,1]/1, gamma=[1,1]/3.
Name an output file (return for stdout, ? to abandon):
Subsystem on dual side is of type A1, with roots 6.
Given parameters define element 1 of the following block:
                      (1,2) *(x= 4, nu= [2,-1]/6,,lam=rho+ [-2,0])
0(0,2):
            [i2]
1(1,0):
         1
            [r2]
                  2
                      (0,*) *(x=10, nu= [1,1]/3,,lam=rho+[-2,-2])
                                                                      е
                      (0,*) *(x=10, nu= [1,1]/3,,lam=rho+[-2,-1])
            [r2]
KL polynomials (-1)^{1(1)-1(x)}*P_{x,1}:
0: -1
1: 1
```

This says:

(19.1)(b) 
$$I(x_{10}, (\overline{2}, \overline{1}), (\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3})) = J(x_{10}, (\overline{2}, \overline{1}), (\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3})) + J(x_{9}, 1, \frac{1}{3}).$$

**Dangerous Bend:** Here come some orientation numbers.

Applying (14.12) as usual, for the first time we have some nontrivial orientation numbers.

By Table 9.3.4,  $(\overline{a} = 0, \overline{b} = 1, y = \frac{1}{3})$ ,  $\ell_0(x_{10}, (\overline{2}, \overline{1}), (\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3})) = 3$ . On the other hand by Table (9.1).2, with  $(c = 1, x = \frac{1}{3})$ ,  $\ell_0(x_9, 1, \frac{1}{3}) = 1$ . The orientation number contribution to (14.12) is  $s^{\frac{1}{2}(3-1)} = s$ , so:

(19.1)(c) 
$$I(x_{10}, (\overline{2}, \overline{1}), (\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}))_c = I_K(x_{10}, (\overline{2}, \overline{1}))_c + (1 - s)sI_K(x_9, 1)_c$$
$$= I_K(x_{10}, (\overline{2}, \overline{1}))_c + (s - 1)I_K(x_9, 1)_c.$$

The next reducibility point is  $(1, \frac{1}{2})$ . We're interested in  $I(x_{10}, (\overline{2}, \overline{1}), (1, \frac{1}{2}))$ . This is of type  $A_{sn}^I$  in the notation of [4, Section 6]. Here is nblock:

```
real: nblock
choose Cartan class (one of 0,1,2,3): 3
Choosing the unique KGB element for the Cartan class:
      3 [r,r]
                                          * (0,0)#3 1^2x1^e
                      10 10
rho = [1,1]/1
Give lambda-rho: 0 0
denominator for nu: 2
numerator for nu: 1 1
x=10, lambda=[1,1]/1, gamma=[1,1]/2.
Name an output file (return for stdout, ? to abandon):
Subsystem on dual side is of type A1, with roots 7.
Given parameters define element 2 of the following block:
0(0,1):
            0
                [i1]
                              (2,*) *(x= 5, nu= [-1,1]/2,,lam=rho+ [0,-1])
1(1,1):
                [i1]
                              (2,*) *(x= 6, nu= [-1,1]/2,,lam=rho+ [0,-1])
                                                                                              1,2,1
                              (0,1) *(x=10, nu= [1,1]/2,,lam=rho+[-2,-2])
                [r1]
                        2
2(2,0):
KL polynomials (-1)^{1(2)-1(x)}*P_{x,2}:
0: -1
1: -1
2: 1
    This says
(19.1)(d)
I(x_{10},(\overline{2},\overline{1}),(1,\frac{1}{2})) = J(x_{10},(\overline{2},\overline{1}),(1,\frac{1}{2})) + J(x_{5},(1,\overline{0}),(0,\frac{1}{2})) + J(x_{6},(1,\overline{0}),(0,\frac{1}{2}))
or alternatively
(19.1)(e)
I(x_{10}, (\overline{2}, \overline{1}), (1, \frac{1}{2})) = J(x_{10}, (\overline{2}, \overline{1}), (1, \frac{1}{2})) + J(x_{7}, (\overline{0}, 1), (\frac{1}{2}, 0)) + J(x_{8}, (\overline{0}, 1), (\frac{1}{2}, 0))
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2 (Table 9.3.1) and  $\ell_0(x_{7,8},(\overline{0},1),(\frac{1}{2},0))=0$  (Table 9.2.1). So:

Now apply (14.12). There is an orientation number here:  $\ell_0(x_{10},(\overline{2},\overline{1}),(1,\frac{1}{2})) =$ 

(19.1)(f) 
$$I(x_{10}, (\overline{2}, \overline{1}), (1, \frac{1}{2}))_c = I(x_{10}, (\overline{2}, \overline{1})(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}))_c + (1 - s)s \left[ I_K(x_7, (\overline{0}, 1))_c + I_K(x_8, (\overline{0}, 1))_c \right]$$

Plugging in (c) gives

(19.1)(g) 
$$I(x_{10}, (\overline{2}, \overline{1}), (1, \frac{1}{2}))_c = I_K(x_{10}, (\overline{2}, \overline{1}))_c + (s - 1)I_K(x_9, 1)_c + (s - 1)[I_K(x_7, (\overline{0}, 1))_c + I_K(x_8, (\overline{0}, 1))_c]$$

However there is one more step:  $I(x_7, (\overline{0}, 1))$  and  $I(x_8, (\overline{0}, 1))$  are not final. Use (5.4)(a) to give (19.1)(h)

$$I(x_{10}, (\overline{2}, \overline{1}), (1, \frac{1}{2}))_c = I_K(x_{10}, (\overline{2}, \overline{1}))_c + (s - 1)I_K(x_9, 1)_c + (s - 1)[I_K(x_0, (1, 0))_c + I_K(x_1, (1, 0))_c + I_K(x_2, (1, 0))_c + I_K(x_3, (1, 0))_c]$$

Let's move on to  $(\frac{4}{3}, \frac{2}{3})$ , i.e.  $I(x_{10}, (\overline{2}, \overline{1}), (\frac{4}{3}, \frac{2}{3}))$ . This standard module is irreducible. The integral real root is (1,1). By the table in Section 6 this fails the parity condition, so doesn't give reducibility. This is also what nblock says:

```
real: nblock
choose Cartan class (one of 0,1,2,3): 3
Choosing the unique KGB element for the Cartan class:
                               * (0,0)#3 1^2x1^e
10:
     3
       [r,r]
                10
                    10
rho = [1,1]/1
Give lambda-rho: 0 0
denominator for nu: 3
numerator for nu: 2 2
x=10, lambda=[1,1]/1, gamma=[2,2]/3.
Name an output file (return for stdout, ? to abandon):
Subsystem on dual side is of type A1, with roots 6.
Given parameters define element 0 of the following block:
                      (*,*) *(x=10, nu= [2,2]/3,,lam=rho+[-2,-2])
KL polynomials (-1)^{1(0)-1(x)}*P_{x,0}:
0:1
```

Note that in [4, Section 6], case  $A_{sn}^I$ , this example doesn't appear (meaning it is irreducible); in that notation we'd be considering  $J(x, \overline{2}e, (\frac{4}{3}, \frac{2}{3}))$ , but what appears in the table is  $J(x, \overline{2}o, (\frac{4}{3}, \frac{2}{3}))$ .

Finally we come to  $\nu = (2,1)$ . By (10.2)(j) with a=2,b=1:

$$I(x_{10}, (\overline{2}, \overline{1}), (2, 1))^{3} =$$

$$J(x_{10}, (\overline{2}, \overline{1}), (2, 1))^{3}$$

$$+ J(x_{0}, (2, 1))^{0} + J(x_{1}, (2, 1))^{0}$$

$$+ 2 \times J(x_{9}, 3, 1)^{1}$$

$$+ J(x_{7}, (\overline{1}, 2), (1, 0))^{1} + J(x_{8}, (\overline{1}, 2), (1, 0))^{1}$$

$$+ J(x_{7}, (\overline{2}, 1), (2, 0))^{2} + J(x_{8}, (\overline{2}, 1), (2, 0))^{2}$$

$$+ J(x_{9}, 1, 3)^{2}$$

Remember  $J(x_9, c, x) = J(x_9, (c, 0), \frac{1}{2}(x, x))$ , with infinitesimal character  $\frac{1}{2}(x + c, x - c)$ .

We're at integral infinitesimal character, so there are no orientation numbers, so (14.12) gives

$$I(x_{10}, (\overline{2}, \overline{1}), (2, 1))_{c} = I(x_{10}, (\overline{2}, \overline{1}), (1, \frac{1}{2}))_{c}$$

$$+ (1 - s) \left[ I_{K}(x_{0}, (2, 1))_{c} + I_{K}(x_{1}, (2, 1))_{c} \right]$$

$$+ (1 - s) \left[ J(x_{7}, (\overline{2}, 1), (2, 0))_{c} + J(x_{8}, (\overline{2}, 1), (2, 0))_{c} + J(x_{9}, 1, 3)_{c} \right]$$

and plugging in (h) for  $J(x_{10},(\overline{2},\overline{1}),(1,\frac{1}{2}))_c$  gives

$$\begin{split} I(3.1)(\mathbf{k}) \\ I(x_{10},(\overline{2},\overline{1}),(2,1))_c &= I_K(x_{10},(\overline{2},\overline{1}))_c \\ &+ (s-1)I_K(x_9,1)_c \\ &+ (s-1)\left[I_K(x_0,(1,0))_c + I_K(x_1,(1,0))_c + I_K(x_2,(1,0))_c + I_K(x_3,(1,0))_c\right] \\ &+ (1-s)\left[I_K(x_0,(2,1))_c + I_K(x_1,(2,1))_c\right] \\ &+ (1-s)\left[J(x_7,(\overline{2},1),(2,0))_c + J(x_8,(\overline{2},1),(2,0))_c + J(x_9,1,3)_c\right] \end{split}$$

We still have to deal with the terms  $J(x_7, (\overline{2}, 1), (2, 0))$   $J(x_8, (\overline{2}, 1), (2, 0))$  and  $J(x_9, 1, 3)$ .

These are available from (18.2.6), (18.2.8) and (18.1.3). So:

$$\begin{split} I(3.1)(1) \\ I(x_{10},(\overline{2},\overline{1}),(2,1))_c &= I_K(x_{10},(\overline{2},\overline{1}))_c \\ &+ (s-1)I_K(x_9,1)_c \\ &+ (s-1)\big[I_K(x_0,(1,0))_c + I_K(x_1,(1,0))_c + I_K(x_2,(1,0))_c + I_K(x_3,(1,0))_c\big] \\ &+ (1-s)\big[I_K(x_0,(2,1))_c + I_K(x_1,(2,1))_c\big] \\ &+ (1-s)\Big\{ \\ &- s[I(x_9,3)_c + I(x_7,(\overline{1},2))_c] \\ &+ I(x_0,(1,0))_c + I(x_2,(1,0))_c \\ &+ I(x_0,(2,1))_c + I(x_1,(2,1))_c + I(x_2,(2,1))_c \\ &- s[I(x_9,3)_c + I(x_8,(\overline{1},2))_c] \\ &+ I(x_1,(1,0))_c + I(x_3,(1,0))_c \\ &+ I(x_0,(2,1))_c + I(x_1,(2,1))_c + I(x_3,(2,1))_c \\ &+ I_K(x_9,1)_c + (1-s)\big[I_K(x_0,(1,0))_c + I_K(x_1,(1,0))_c\big] \\ &+ I_K(x_9,3)_c + I_K(x_1,(2,1))_c + I_K(x_2,(2,1))_c + I_K(x_3,(2,1))_c \\ &- s\big[I_K(x_9,3)_c + I_K(x_7,(\overline{1},2)_c + I_K(x_8,\overline{1},2)_c\big] \Big\} \end{split}$$

Here is a table of the terms:

The character formula for the trivial representation is (11.2)(j) with a = 2, b = 1, and this holds without change for c-invariant forms (see Section 13.1):

$$(19.1)(m)$$

$$J(x_{10}, (\overline{2}, \overline{1}), (2, 1))_{c} = I(x_{10}, (\overline{2}, \overline{1}), (2, 1))_{c}$$

$$- \{I(x_{9}, 1, 3)_{c} + I(x_{7}, (\overline{2}, 1), (2, 0))_{c} + I(x_{8}, (\overline{2}, 1), (2, 0))_{c}\}$$

$$+ \{I(x_{7}, (\overline{1}, 2), (1, 0))_{c} + I(x_{8}, (\overline{1}, 2), (1, 0))_{c} + I(x_{9}, 3, 1)_{c}\}$$

$$- \{I(x_{3}, (2, 1))_{c} + I(x_{2}, (2, 1))_{c} + I(x_{1}, (2, 1))_{c} + I(x_{0}, (2, 1))_{c}\}$$

We know the terms on the right hand side:

- (1)  $I(x_{10}, (\overline{2}, \overline{1}), (2, 1))_c$ : (19.1)(1)
- (2)  $I(x_9, 1, 3)_c$ : (14.17)(p)
- (3)  $I(x_9, 3, 1)_c$ : (14.14)(h)
- (4)  $I(x_k, (\overline{1}, 2), (1, 0))_c$  (k = 7, 8): (14.16)
- (5)  $I(x_k, (\overline{2}, 1), (2, 0))_c$  (k = 7, 8): (14.18)(d) and (e)

Of course the last four terms require no further comment.

So let's tabulate everything. The next table has a column for each standard module on the right hand side of (19.1)(m), each row is a limit K-representation  $I_K(x,\lambda)$ , and the columns give the multiplicities in the expression of the c-invariant form on the standard module.

	$I(x_{10},(\overline{2},\overline{1}),(2,1))_c$	$I(x_9,1,3)_c$	$I(x_7,(\overline{2},1),(2,0))_c$	$I(x_8,(\overline{2},1),(2,0))_c$
$I_K(x_{10},(\overline{2},\overline{1}))_c$	1			
$I_K(x_9,1)_c$	0	-1		
$I_K(x_9,3)_c$	3(1-s)	-(1-s)	-(1-s)	-(1-s)
$I_K(x_8,(\overline{1},2))_c$	2(1-s)	-(1-s)		-(1-s)
$I_K(x_7,(\overline{1},2))_c$	2(1-s)	-(1-s)	-(1-s)	
$I_K(x_3,(2,1))_c$	2(1-s)	-(1-s)		-(1-s)
$I_K(x_2,(2,1))_c$	2(1-s)	-(1-s)	-(1-s)	
$I_K(x_1,(2,1))_c$	4(1-s)	-2(1-s)	-(1-s)	-2(1-s)
$I_K(x_0,(2,1))_c$	4(1-s)	-2(1-s)	-2(1-s)	-(1-s)
$I_K(x_3,(1,0))_c$				-1
$I_K(x_2,(1,0))_c$			-1	
$I_K(x_1,(1,0))_c$	2(1-s)	-(1-s)		-1
$I_K(x_0,(1,0))_c$	2(1-s)	-(1-s)	-1	

	$I(x_7,(\overline{1},2),(1,0))_c$	$I(x_8,(\overline{1},2),(1,0))_c$	$I(x_9,3,1)_c$	DS	Sum
$I_K(x_{10},(\overline{2},\overline{1}))_c$					1
$I_K(x_9,1)_c$					-1
$I_K(x_9,3)_c$			1		1
$I_K(x_8,(\overline{1},2))_c$		1			1
$I_K(x_7,(\overline{1},2))_c$	1				1
$I_K(x_3,(2,1))_c$		(1-s)		-1	-s
$I_K(x_2,(2,1))_c$	(1-s)			-1	-s
$I_K(x_1,(2,1))_c$		(1-s)	(1-s)	-1	-s
$I_K(x_0,(2,1))_c$	(1-s)		(1-s)	-1	-s
$I_K(x_3,(1,0))_c$					-1
$I_K(x_2,(1,0))_c$					-1
$I_K(x_1,(1,0))_c$					-s
$I_K(x_0,(1,0))_c$					-s

So:  

$$(19.1)(n)$$

$$J(x_{10},(\overline{2},\overline{1}),(2,1))_{c} = I_{K}(x_{10},(\overline{2},\overline{1}))_{c}$$

$$+ \left[I_{K}(x_{9},3)_{c} - I_{K}(x_{9},1)_{c}\right]$$

$$+ \left[I_{K}(x_{7},(\overline{1},2))_{c} + I_{K}(x_{8},(\overline{1},2))_{c}\right]$$

$$- s\left[I_{K}(x_{0},(2,1))_{c} + I_{K}(x_{1},(2,1))_{c} + I_{K}(x_{2},(2,1))_{c} + I_{K}(x_{3},(2,1))_{c}\right]$$

$$- \left[sI_{K}(x_{0},(1,0))_{c} + sI_{K}(x_{1},(1,0))_{c} + I_{K}(x_{2},(1,0))_{c} + I_{K}(x_{3},(1,0))_{c}\right]$$

To get the invariant form, we give the lowest K-types and the corresponding correction factors:

$I_K(x_{10},(\overline{2},\overline{1}))$	(0,0)	1
$I_K(x_9,1)$	(1,-1)	1
$I_K(x_9,3)$	(2,-2)	1
$I_K(x_8,(\overline{1},2))$	(-1, -3)	1
$I_K(x_7,(\overline{1},2))$	(3,1)	1
$I_K(x_3,(2,1))$	(-3, -3)	s
$I_K(x_2,(2,1))$	(3,3)	s
$I_K(x_1,(2,1))$	(1, -3)	s
$I_K(x_0,(2,1))$	(3,-1)	s
$I_K(x_3,(1,0))$	(-2, -2)	1
$I_K(x_2,(1,0))$	(2,2)	1
$I_K(x_1,(1,0))$	(0,-2)	s
$I_K(x_0,(1,0))$	(2,0)	s

Taking this into account we compute the invariant form on the trivial representation  $J(x_{10},(\overline{2},\overline{1}),(2,1))$ :

$$(19.1)(o) J(x_{10}, (\overline{2}, \overline{1}), (2, 1))_0 = I_K(x_{10}, (\overline{2}, \overline{1})) + [I_K(x_9, 3) - I_K(x_9, 1)] + [I_K(x_7, (\overline{1}, 2)) + I_K(x_8, (\overline{1}, 2))] - [I_K(x_0, (2, 1)) + I_K(x_1, (2, 1)) + I_K(x_2, (2, 1)) + I_K(x_3, (2, 1))] - [I_K(x_0, (1, 0)) + I_K(x_1, (1, 0)) + I_K(x_2, (1, 0)) + I_K(x_3, (1, 0))].$$

Therefore the trivial representation of  $Sp(4,\mathbb{R})$  is unitary. If anyone knows an easier proof please let me know.

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