

# THE LOCAL THETA CORRESPONDENCE FOR UNRAMIFIED UNITARY GROUPS

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## ABSTRACT

We study the local theta correspondences for dual reductive pairs consisting of quasi-split unitary groups defined over a non-archimedean local field. We construct Howe's correspondence between the set of spherical representations of the one group and that of the other group by using the Whittaker model.

## Introduction

Let  $G_n^* = U(n, n+1)$  and  $G_n = U(n, n)$  be quasi-split unitary groups defined over a global field  $k$ . In [6], we calculated some Fourier coefficients of an automorphic form  $\varphi^* = {}^1\theta^n(\varphi|f)$  on  $G_n^*(\mathbf{A})$  obtained from the global theta lifting of a cusp form  $\varphi$  on  $G_n(\mathbf{A})$ . In particular, we proved that a Whittaker function  $W_{\varphi^*}$  of  $\varphi^*$  is represented by a convolution of a Whittaker function  $W_\varphi$  of  $\varphi$  and a certain function  $\Psi(f)$  defined from a Schwartz–Bruhat function  $f$  ([6, Corollary 5.5]). This formula is roughly written as

$$(0.1) \quad W_{\varphi^*}(h) = \int_{U_n(\mathbf{A}) \backslash G_n(\mathbf{A})} W_\varphi(g) \Psi(\omega(h)f)(g) dg,$$

where  $\omega$  is a Weil representation and  $U_n$  a maximal unipotent subgroup of  $G_n$ . Since the integral of the right-hand side is decomposed to an Euler product, we can consider the analogous formula for each local field  $k_v$ . The purpose of this paper is to calculate the unramified local factors of the integral of (0.1).

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To be more precise, let  $F$  be a non-archimedean local field and assume that both  $G_n^*$  and  $G_n$  are defined over the ring  $\mathcal{O}$  of integers of  $F$ . Let  $\eta$  be an unramified quasi-character of a Borel subgroup of  $G_n(F)$ , and  $W_\eta$  a corresponding unramified Whittaker function. If a Schwartz–Bruhat function  $f_0$  is invariant by the action of  $G_n^*(\mathcal{O}) \times G_n(\mathcal{O})$ , then the integral

$$(W_\eta, \Psi(\omega(h)f_0)) = \int_{U_n(F) \backslash G_n(F)} W_\eta(g) \Psi(\omega(h)f_0)(g) dg$$

gives an unramified Whittaker function on  $G_n^*(F)$ . Our result is a determination of the unramified quasi-character  $\eta^*$  of a Borel subgroup of  $G_n^*(F)$  associated to this unramified Whittaker function (Proposition 2.2). If  $\pi_\eta$  and  $\pi_{\eta^*}$  denote irreducible spherical representations of parameters  $\eta$  and  $\eta^*$ , respectively, then our result implies  $\text{Hom}_{G_n^*(F) \times G_n(F)}(\omega, \pi_{\eta^*} \otimes \pi_\eta) \neq 0$ . In other words, the correspondence  $\pi_\eta \mapsto \pi_{\eta^*}$  realizes the local Howe correspondence. It should be noted that Howe proved in [3] that spherical representations correspond to spherical representations in all unramified dual reductive pairs. However, he did not give any information about the matching of parameters.

A similar result is proved for the pair  $(G_n^*, G_{n+1})$  in Section 3. The method used in this paper can also be applied to the dual reductive pair  $(GL_n, GL_{n+1})$ . We will study this Type 2 case in a forthcoming paper.

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**Notation**

For an associative ring  $R$  with identity element, we denote by  $R^\times$  the group of all invertible elements of  $R$  and by  $M_n(R)$  the set of all  $n \times n$  matrices with entries in  $R$ . For  $A \in M_n(R)$ ,  ${}^tA$ ,  $\text{Tr}A$  and  $\det A$  stand for its transpose, trace and determinant. If  $Z$  is an  $R$ -module and  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k$  are elements in  $Z$ , the submodule generated by  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k$  is denoted by  $\langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k \rangle$ .

Let  $F$  be a  $p$ -adic field and  $E$  the unramified quadratic extension of  $F$ . We assume  $p \neq 2$  because we use the results of Howe [3, Theorems 7.1, 10.2]. The norm and the trace of  $E$  over  $F$  is denoted by  $N_{E/F}$  and  $\text{tr}_{E/F}$ , respectively. Let  $\mathcal{O}$  (resp.  $\mathcal{O}_E$ ) be the ring of integers of  $F$  (resp.  $E$ ),  $\varpi$  a prime element of  $F$  and  $q$  the order of  $\mathcal{O}/\varpi\mathcal{O}$ . Then the order  $q_E$  of  $\mathcal{O}_E/\varpi\mathcal{O}_E$  equals  $q^2$ . The absolute valuation of  $F$  (resp.  $E$ ) is denoted by  $|\cdot|_F$  (resp.  $|\cdot|_E$ ), which is normalized as  $|\varpi|_E = |N_{E/F}(\varpi)|_F = q_E^{-1}$ . For each  $a \in E$ ,  $\bar{a}$  stands for the image of  $a$  by

the Galois involution of  $E$  over  $F$ . We fix a non-trivial additive character  $\mu$  of  $F$  with the conductor  $\mathcal{O}$ . Then  $\mu_E = \mu \circ \text{tr}_{E/F}$  is a non-trivial additive character of  $E$  with the conductor  $\mathcal{O}_E$ .

For a connected linear algebraic group  $G$  defined over  $F$ , we denote by  $G(F)$  the group of  $F$ -rational points. If  $G$  is further unramified,  $G(\mathcal{O})$  stands for the group of  $\mathcal{O}$ -rational points. We normalize an invariant measure on  $G(F)$  as the volume of  $G(\mathcal{O})$  equals 1.

**1. Unramified Whittaker functions of quasi-split unitary groups**

First, we define some notations, which are slightly different from [6]. Let  $Z_n^*$  be a  $2n + 1$  dimensional vector space over  $E$  with a basis  $\{e_1^*, \dots, e_n^*, e_0^*, f_1^*, \dots, f_n^*\}$  and  $(,)_n$  the Hermitian form on  $Z_n^*$  represented by the matrix

$$J_n^* = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1_n \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1_n & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Both subspaces  $X_n^* = \langle e_1^*, \dots, e_n^* \rangle$  and  $Y_n^* = \langle f_1^*, \dots, f_n^* \rangle$  are maximally isotropic. Let  $G_n^*$  denote the automorphism group of  $(Z^*, (,)_n)$ , that is

$$G_n^*(F) = \{g \in GL_{2n+1}(E) : {}^t g J_n^* \bar{g} = J_n^*\}.$$

We define algebraic subgroups of  $G_n^*$  as

- $T_n^*$  = maximal torus consisting of diagonal matrices in  $G_n^*$ ,
- $P_n^*$  = stabilizer of the full isotropic flag  $\langle e_1^* \rangle \subset \langle e_1^*, e_2^* \rangle \subset \dots \subset X_n^*$ ,
- $U_n^*$  = unipotent radical of  $P_n^*$ .

On the other hand,  $Z_n$  denotes a  $2n$  dimensional vector space over  $E$  with a basis  $\{e_1, \dots, e_n, f_1, \dots, f_n\}$  equipped with skew Hermitian form  $\langle , \rangle_n$  represented by the matrix

$$J_n = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1_n \\ -1_n & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

We put  $X_n = \langle e_1, \dots, e_n \rangle$ ,  $Y_n = \langle f_1, \dots, f_n \rangle$  and

$$G_n(F) = \{g \in GL_{2n}(E) : {}^t g J_n \bar{g} = J_n\}.$$

Likewise as above, we define

- $T_n$  = maximal torus consisting of diagonal matrices in  $G_n$ ,
- $P_n$  = stabilizer of the full isotropic flag  $\langle e_1 \rangle \subset \langle e_1, e_2 \rangle \subset \dots \subset X_n$ ,
- $U_n$  = unipotent radical of  $P_n$ .

In the following,  $G_n^{(*)}$  (resp.  $T_n^{(*)}, P_n^{(*)}, \dots$ ) stands for either one of the groups  $G_n^*$  or  $G_n$  (resp.  $T_n^*$  or  $T_n, P_n^*$  or  $P_n, \dots$ ). This convention is also used for other notations. Namely, if  $\mathbf{X}^*$  is an object with respect to  $G_n^*$  and  $\mathbf{X}$  a corresponding object for  $G_n$ , then  $\mathbf{X}^{(*)}$  denotes either one of the objects  $\mathbf{X}^*$  or  $\mathbf{X}$ .

We recall the explicit formulas of unramified Whittaker functions. For each  $\mathbf{k} = (k_1, \dots, k_n) \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ , we denote by  $t_{\mathbf{k}}^{(*)}$  the diagonal matrix in  $T_n^{(*)}(F)$  whose  $i$ -th diagonal entry is  $\varpi^{k_i}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Further, for each  $\mathbf{z} = (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in (\mathbb{C}^\times)^n$ , we define the unramified character  $\eta_{\mathbf{z}}^{(*)}$  of  $T_n^{(*)}(F)$  by

$$\eta_{\mathbf{z}}^{(*)}(t_{\mathbf{k}}^{(*)}) = z_1^{k_1} \cdots z_n^{k_n}.$$

This correspondence identifies  $(\mathbb{C}^\times)^n$  with the set of unramified characters of  $T_n^{(*)}(F)$ , and hence the action of the Weyl group of  $G_n^{(*)}$  on  $T_n^{(*)}$  induces the action on  $(\mathbb{C}^\times)^n$ . We fix a closed Weyl chamber of the form

$$\Omega_n = \{\mathbf{z} = (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in (\mathbb{C}^\times)^n : |z_1| \leq |z_2| \leq \cdots \leq |z_n| \leq 1\}.$$

Let  $I_{\mathbf{z}}^{(*)} = \text{Ind}_{P_n^{(*)}(F)}^{G_n^{(*)}(F)} \eta_{\mathbf{z}}^{(*)}$  be the normalized induced representation, that is, the set of all locally constant functions  $\varphi: G_n^{(*)}(F) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  such that  $\varphi(tug) = \eta_{\mathbf{z}}^{(*)}(t)\delta_n^{(*)}(t)^{1/2}\varphi(g)$  for all  $t \in T_n^{(*)}(F)$ ,  $u \in U_n^{(*)}(F)$  and  $g \in G_n^{(*)}(F)$ . Here, modular characters  $\delta_n^*$  and  $\delta_n$  are given as

$$\delta_n^{(*)}(t_{\mathbf{k}}^{(*)}) = \begin{cases} \prod_{i=1}^n |\varpi|_E^{2(n-i+1)k_i} & \text{if } G_n^{(*)} = G_n^*, \\ \prod_{i=1}^n |\varpi|_E^{(2n-2i+1)k_i} & \text{if } G_n^{(*)} = G_n. \end{cases}$$

Let  $\varphi_{\mathbf{z}}^{(*)}$  be a non-zero  $G_n^{(*)}(\mathcal{O})$  invariant function in  $I_{\mathbf{z}}^{(*)}$  and  $\psi^{(*)}$  be an unramified principal character of  $U_n^{(*)}(F)$ . We denote by  $W_{\mathbf{z}}^{(*)}$  the image of  $\varphi_{\mathbf{z}}^{(*)}$  by a unique (up to constant) non-zero  $G_n^{(*)}(F)$ -morphism from  $I_{\mathbf{z}}^{(*)}$  to  $\text{Ind}_{U_n^{(*)}(F)}^{G_n^{(*)}(F)} \psi^{(*)}$ . This  $W_{\mathbf{z}}^{(*)}$  is holomorphic in  $z \in (\mathbb{C}^\times)^n$  and determined by its restriction to  $\{t_{\mathbf{k}}^{(*)} : \mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}^n\}$ . In order to describe  $W_{\mathbf{z}}^{(*)}(t_{\mathbf{k}}^{(*)})$  explicitly, we use the following notation. For  $z \in \mathbb{C}^\times$  and  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we define  $K(z, k/2)$  by

$$K(z, k/2) = z^{k/2} - z^{-k/2}.$$

Here the argument of  $z^{1/2}$  is taken as  $-\pi/2 < \arg z^{1/2} \leq \pi/2$ . Let

$$\Lambda_n = \{\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}^n : k_1 \geq k_2 \geq \cdots \geq k_n \geq 0\},$$

$$\kappa^{(*)} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } G_n^{(*)} = G_n^*, \\ 1/2 & \text{if } G_n^{(*)} = G_n. \end{cases}$$

Furthermore, for  $\mathbf{z} \in (\mathbb{C}^\times)^n$ , let

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta^*(\mathbf{z}) &= \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - q_E^{-1} z_i)(1 + q^{-1} z_i) \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (1 - q_E^{-1} z_i z_j^{-1})(1 - q_E^{-1} z_i z_j), \\ \zeta(\mathbf{z}) &= \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - q^{-1} z_i) \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (1 - q_E^{-1} z_i z_j^{-1})(1 - q_E^{-1} z_i z_j), \\ \epsilon^{(*)}(\mathbf{z}) &= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (z_i - z_j)(1 - z_i^{-1} z_j^{-1}) \prod_{i=1}^n K(z_i, \kappa^{(*)}). \end{aligned}$$

In this paper we normalize  $W_{\mathbf{z}}^{(*)}$  as in [1], i.e. as  $W_{\mathbf{z}}^{(*)}(1) = \zeta^{(*)}(\mathbf{z})$ . Then, for each  $z \in (\mathbb{C}^\times)^n$ , a formula of Casselman and Shalika shows that if  $\mathbf{k} \in \Lambda_n$ , then

$$(1.1) \quad W_{\mathbf{z}}^{(*)}(t_{\mathbf{k}}^{(*)}) = \frac{\zeta^{(*)}(\mathbf{z})}{\epsilon^{(*)}(\mathbf{z})} \delta_n^{(*)}(t_{\mathbf{k}}^{(*)})^{1/2} \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \text{sgn}(\sigma) \prod_{i=1}^n K(z_{\sigma(i)}, k_i + (n-i) + \kappa^{(*)}),$$

otherwise  $W_{\mathbf{z}}^{(*)}(t_{\mathbf{k}}^{(*)})$  equals 0. Here  $S_n$  denotes the  $n$ -th symmetric group.

Let  $\pi_{\mathbf{z}}^{(*)}$  be the unique irreducible spherical constituent of  $I_{\mathbf{z}}^{(*)}$ . We call  $\pi_{\mathbf{z}}^{(*)}$  generic if it admits a Whittaker model. By [4, Theorem 2.2], it is known that  $\pi_{\mathbf{z}}^{(*)}$  is generic if and only if  $\zeta^{(*)}(\mathbf{z})\zeta^{(*)}(\mathbf{z}^{-1}) \neq 0$ . Let  $\mathbf{W}_{\mathbf{z}}^{(*)}(\psi^{(*)})$  denote the  $G_n^{(*)}(F)$ -module generated by  $W_{\mathbf{z}}^{(*)}$ . Obviously, if  $\pi_{\mathbf{z}}^{(*)}$  is generic, it is isomorphic to  $\mathbf{W}_{\mathbf{z}}^{(*)}(\psi^{(*)})$ . In general,  $\pi_{\mathbf{z}}^{(*)}$  is isomorphic to the unique irreducible quotient of  $\mathbf{W}_{\mathbf{z}}^{(*)}(\psi^{(*)})$  if  $\mathbf{z} \in \Omega_n$  (cf. [4, Section 2]).

Finally, we recall the Weil representations of the unitary group  $G_m(F)$ . Considering  $Z_m$  as a vector space over  $F$  equipped with symplectic form  $\text{tr}_{E/F}(\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_m)$ ,  $G_m(F)$  is embedded in  $Sp_{4m}(F)$ . Let  $Mp_{4m}(F) \rightarrow Sp_{4m}(F)$  be the metaplectic cover and  $\omega_\mu$  the Weil representation of  $Mp_{4m}(F)$  associated with  $\mu$ . If  $\nu$  is a character of  $E^\times$  whose restriction to  $F^\times$  gives the non-trivial character of  $F^\times/N_{E/F}(E^\times)$ , then there exists a splitting  $s_{\mu,\nu}: G_m(F) \rightarrow Mp_{4m}(F)$  ([2, Proposition 3.1.1]). The representation  $\omega_\mu \circ s_{\mu,\nu}$  of  $G_m(F)$  is denoted by  $\omega_{\mu,\nu}^m$ , which acts on the space  $\mathcal{S}(Y_m)$  of Schwartz–Bruhat functions on  $Y_m$  as

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_{\mu,\nu}^m \left( \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & {}^t\bar{A}^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \right) f(\vec{x}) &= \nu(\det A) |\det A|_E^{1/2} f({}^t\bar{A}\vec{x}), \quad (A \in GL_m(E)), \\ \omega_{\mu,\nu}^m \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1_m & B \\ 0 & 1_m \end{pmatrix} \right) f(\vec{x}) &= \mu({}^t\bar{x}B\vec{x}) f(\vec{x}), \quad (B = {}^t\bar{B} \in M_m(E)). \end{aligned}$$

In this paper, we fix  $\nu$  as the non-trivial unramified quadratic character of  $E^\times$ , that is,  $\nu(\varpi) = -1$  and  $\nu|_{\mathcal{O}_E^\times} = 1$ .

**2. The local theta correspondence from  $G_n$  to  $G_n^*$**

If we consider the space  $Z_n^* \otimes Z_n$  equipped with skew Hermitian form  $(\cdot, \cdot)_n \otimes \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_n$ , then  $U(1) \backslash G_n^*(F) \times G_n(F)$  is embedded in  $G_{n(2n+1)}(F)$ , where  $U(1)$  denotes the central torus  $\{(t1_{2n+1}, \bar{t}1_{2n}) : t \in \ker N_{E/F}\}$ , and hence, the Weil representation  $\omega_{\mu, \nu}^{n(2n+1)}$  is restricted to  $G_n^*(F) \times G_n(F)$ . Throughout this section, we write simply  $\omega$  for  $\omega_{\mu, \nu}^{n(2n+1)}$ . We take a totally isotropic subspace  $Y_{n(2n+1)}$  of  $Z_n^* \otimes Z_n$  as

$$Y_{n(2n+1)} = Y_n^* \otimes Z_n + \langle e_0^* \rangle \otimes Y_n = \bigoplus_{i=1}^n f_i^* \otimes Z_n + e_0^* \otimes Y_n,$$

which is naturally identified with  $(Z_n)^n \oplus Y_n$ . The action of  $G_n^*(F) \times G_n(F)$  on  $\mathcal{S}((Z_n)^n \oplus Y_n)$  is given as follows. For  $(\vec{x}; y) = (x_1, \dots, x_n; y) \in (Z_n)^n \oplus Y_n$  and a column vector  $\alpha \in E^n$ , we set

$$B_\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} -\alpha^t \bar{\alpha} / 2 & -\alpha \\ -{}^t \bar{\alpha} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in M_{n+1}(E),$$

$$\text{Gr}_n(\vec{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} \langle x_1, x_1 \rangle_n & \cdots & \langle x_1, x_n \rangle_n \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \langle x_n, x_1 \rangle_n & \cdots & \langle x_n, x_n \rangle_n \end{pmatrix} \in M_n(E),$$

$$\text{Gr}_{n+1}^*(\vec{x}; y) = \begin{pmatrix} (x_1, x_1)_{n,0} & \cdots & (x_1, x_n)_{n,0} & (x_1, y)_{n,0} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ (x_n, x_1)_{n,0} & \cdots & (x_n, x_n)_{n,0} & (x_n, y)_{n,0} \\ (y, x_1)_{n,0} & \cdots & (y, x_n)_{n,0} & (y, y)_{n,0} \end{pmatrix} \in M_{n+1}(E),$$

where  $(\cdot, \cdot)_{n,0}$  is the Hermitian form on  $Z_n$  defined by

$$(x, x')_{n,0} = {}^t x \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1_n \\ 1_n & 0 \end{pmatrix} \bar{x}'$$

for  $x, x' \in Z_n$ . Let  $\mathbf{P}$  be the natural projection from  $Z_n$  onto  $Y_n$ . We also use the following notation for elements in  $G_n^*(F)$ .

$$m(A, \varepsilon) = \begin{pmatrix} A & & \\ & \varepsilon & \\ & & {}^t \bar{A}^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \quad (A \in GL_n(E), \varepsilon \in E^\times, N_{E/F}(\varepsilon) = 1),$$

$$n(\alpha, B) = \begin{pmatrix} 1_n & \alpha & -\frac{1}{2} \alpha^t \bar{\alpha} \\ & 1 & -{}^t \bar{\alpha} \\ & & 1_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1_n & 0 & B \\ & 1 & 0 \\ & & 1_n \end{pmatrix} \quad \left( \begin{matrix} \alpha \in E^n \\ B = -{}^t \bar{B} \in M_n(E) \end{matrix} \right).$$

Then we have the following formula: for  $f \in \mathcal{S}((Z_n)^n \oplus Y_n)$ ,

$$\omega(m(A, \varepsilon))f(\vec{x}; y) = \nu(\varepsilon)^n \nu(\det A)^{2n} |\det A|_E^n f\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \bar{a}_{i1} x_i, \dots, \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{a}_{in} x_i; \bar{\varepsilon} y\right),$$

$$\omega(n(\alpha, B))f(\vec{x}; y) = \mu(\text{Tr}(B_\alpha \text{Gr}_{n+1}^*(\vec{x}; y))) \mu(\text{Tr}(B \text{Gr}_n(\vec{x}))) f\left(\vec{x}; \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{\alpha}_i \mathbf{P} x_i + y\right),$$

where  $A = (a_{ij})$  and  $\alpha = (\alpha_i)$ . If  $f \in \mathcal{S}((Z_n)^n \oplus Y_n)$  is of the form  $f = f_1 \otimes f_0$ ,  $f_1 \in \mathcal{S}((Z_n)^n)$ ,  $f_0 \in \mathcal{S}(Y_n)$ , then we also have the formula

$$\omega(g)f(\vec{x}; y) = \nu(\det g)^n f_1(g^{-1}x_1, \dots, g^{-1}x_n) \omega_{\mu, \nu}^n(g) f_0(y) \quad (g \in G_n(F)).$$

Let  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in (\mathcal{O}_E^\times)^n$  and  $\beta = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_{n-1}, \beta_n) \in (\mathcal{O}_E^\times)^{n-1} \times \mathcal{O}^\times$ . We define unramified principal characters  $\psi_\alpha^*$  and  $\psi_\beta$  of  $U_n^*(F)$  and  $U_n(F)$ , respectively, by

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_\alpha^*(u^*) &= \mu_E(\alpha_1 u_{12}^* + \alpha_2 u_{23}^* + \dots + \alpha_n u_{n, n+1}^*), \\ \psi_\beta(u) &= \mu_E(\beta_1 u_{12} + \beta_2 u_{23} + \dots + \beta_{n-1} u_{n-1, n}) \mu(-\beta_n u_{n, 2n}) \end{aligned}$$

for  $u^* = (u_{ij}^*) \in U_n^*(F)$  and  $u = (u_{ij}) \in U_n(F)$ . For each  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in (\mathcal{O}_E^\times)^n$ , we put

$$\bar{\alpha} = (\bar{\alpha}_1, \dots, \bar{\alpha}_{n-1}, N_{E/F}(\alpha_n)) \in (\mathcal{O}_E^\times)^{n-1} \times \mathcal{O}^\times.$$

In the following, we fix a pair  $(\psi_\alpha^*, \psi_{\bar{\alpha}})$  of unramified principal characters.

Let  $\Delta_n^*$  be a subgroup of  $U_n^*$  of the form

$$\Delta_n^*(F) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & {}_t A^{-1} \end{pmatrix} : A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & * \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in GL_n(E) \right\}.$$

For each  $f \in \mathcal{S}((Z_n)^n \oplus Y_n)$ , we define the function  $\Psi(f)(g)$  in  $g \in G_n(F)$  by

$$\Psi(f)(g) = \int_{\Delta_n^*(F)} \psi_\alpha^*(\delta)^{-1} \omega(\delta g) f(e_1, \dots, e_n; \alpha_n f_n) d\delta.$$

Let  $W \in \text{Ind}_{U_n(F)}^{G_n(F)} \psi_{\bar{\alpha}}$ . Then an unramified factor of the formula in [6, Corollary 5.5] is given by

$$(W, \Psi(\omega(h)f)) = \int_{U_n(F) \backslash G_n(F)} W(g) \Psi(\omega(h)f)(g) dg.$$

Since  $\Psi(f)$  has a compact support in  $G_n(F)$  modulo  $U_n(F)$  (cf. Lemma (2.1)), the integral reduces to finite sum. Furthermore, as a function in  $h \in G_n^*$ ,  $(W, \Psi(\omega(h)f))$  is contained in  $\text{Ind}_{U_n^*(F)}^{G_n^*(F)} \psi_\alpha^*$ . Therefore, we have a correspondence

$$\text{Ind}_{U_n(F)}^{G_n(F)} \psi_{\bar{\alpha}} \times \mathcal{S}((Z_n)^n \oplus Y_n) \rightarrow \text{Ind}_{U_n^*(F)}^{G_n^*(F)} \psi_\alpha^* .$$

Let  $f_0$  be the characteristic function of the standard  $\mathcal{O}_E$ -lattice  $(Z_n(\mathcal{O}_E))^n \oplus Y_n(\mathcal{O}_E)$ . Since  $f_0$  is  $G_n^*(\mathcal{O}) \times G_n(\mathcal{O})$ -invariant,  $(W_{\mathbf{z}}, \Psi(\omega(h)f_0))$  is also  $G_n^*(\mathcal{O})$ -invariant. The purpose of this section is to calculate  $(W_{\mathbf{z}}, \Psi(\omega(h)f_0))$  and determine the associated Satake parameter. We start with calculation of  $\Psi(\omega(h)f_0)(g)$ .

LEMMA 2.1: *Let  $\mathbf{k} = (k_1, \dots, k_n)$  and  $\mathbf{p} = (p_1, \dots, p_n)$  be in  $\mathbb{Z}^n$ . If  $p_1 \geq k_1 \geq p_2 \geq k_2 \geq \dots \geq p_n \geq k_n \geq 0$ , then*

$$\Psi(\omega(t_{\mathbf{p}}^*)f_0)(t_{\mathbf{k}}) = \nu(\varpi)^{k_1 + \dots + k_n} \delta_n^*(t_{\mathbf{p}}^*)^{1/2} \delta_n(t_{\mathbf{k}})^{1/2} .$$

Otherwise,  $\Psi(\omega(t_{\mathbf{p}}^*)f_0)(t_{\mathbf{k}})$  equals 0.

Proof: Let  $\varphi_0$  be the characteristic function of  $\mathcal{O}_E$ . For  $\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ , put  $d(\mathbf{k}) = k_1 + \dots + k_n$ . By definition,

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi(\omega(t_{\mathbf{p}}^*)f_0)(t_{\mathbf{k}}) &= \int_{\Delta_n^*(F)} \psi_\alpha^*(u)^{-1} \omega(ut_{\mathbf{p}}^* \cdot t_{\mathbf{k}}) f_0(e_1, \dots, e_n; \alpha_n f_n) du \\ &= \nu(\varpi)^{2nd(\mathbf{p})+d(\mathbf{k})} |\varpi|_E^{nd(\mathbf{p})+d(\mathbf{k})/2} \int_{\Delta_n^*(F)} \psi_\alpha^*(u)^{-1} f_0(x_1, \dots, x_n; \alpha_n \varpi^{k_n} f_n) du , \end{aligned}$$

where

$$x_j = \sum_{i=1}^{j-1} \bar{u}_{ij} \varpi^{p_j - k_i} e_i + \varpi^{p_j - k_j} e_j .$$

This integral equals

$$\begin{aligned} &\varphi_0(\alpha_n \varpi^{k_n}) \prod_{j=1}^n \varphi_0(\varpi^{p_j - k_j}) \prod_{j=2}^n \prod_{i=1}^{j-2} \int_E \varphi_0(\bar{u}_{ij} \varpi^{p_j - k_i}) du_{ij} \\ &\times \prod_{j=2}^n \int_E \mu_E(\alpha_{j-1} u_{j-1j})^{-1} \varphi_0(\bar{u}_{j-1j} \varpi^{p_j - k_{j-1}}) du_{j-1j} \\ &= \left( \prod_{j=2}^n \prod_{i=1}^{j-1} |\varpi|_E^{k_i - p_j} \right) \left( \prod_{j=1}^n \varphi_0(\varpi^{p_j - k_j}) \right) \left( \prod_{j=2}^n \varphi_0(\varpi^{k_{j-1} - p_j}) \right) \varphi_0(\varpi^{k_n}) . \end{aligned}$$

This implies the assertion. ■



PROPOSITION 2.2: Let  $W_{\mathbf{z}}$  be the unramified Whittaker function for  $\mathbf{z} \in (\mathbb{C}^\times)^n$ . Then

$$\left( \prod_{i=1}^n (1 + q_E^{-1} z_i) \right) (W_{\mathbf{z}}, \Psi(\omega(h)f_0)) = W_{-\mathbf{z}}^*(h).$$

Proof: Let  $\mathbf{p} \in \Lambda_n$ . We remember that  $\nu(\varpi) = -1$ . By the formula (1.1) and Lemma 2.1,  $(W_{\mathbf{z}}, \Psi(\omega(t_{\mathbf{p}}^*)f_0))$  equals

$$\frac{\zeta(\mathbf{z})}{\epsilon(\mathbf{z})} \delta_n^*(t_{\mathbf{p}}^*)^{1/2} \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \text{sgn}(\sigma) \prod_{i=1}^n \left\{ \sum_{p_i \geq k_i \geq p_{i+1}} K(z_{\sigma(i)}, k_i + (n - i) + \kappa) \nu(\varpi)^{k_i} \right\},$$

where we put  $p_{n+1} = 0$  for convenience. We use the following simple formula: For given integers  $a \geq b \geq 0$ ,

$$\sum_{a \geq j \geq b} \nu(\varpi)^j K(z, j + m) = \frac{\nu(\varpi)^b K(z, b + m - 1/2) + \nu(\varpi)^a K(z, a + m + 1/2)}{z^{1/2} + z^{-1/2}},$$

and

$$\epsilon^*(-\mathbf{z}) = \epsilon(\mathbf{z}) \nu(\varpi)^{n(n+1)/2} \prod_{i=1}^n (z_i^{1/2} + z_i^{-1/2}), \quad \zeta^*(-\mathbf{z}) = \zeta(\mathbf{z}) \prod_{i=1}^n (1 + q_E^{-1} z_i).$$

Therefore,  $\prod_{i=1}^n (1 + q_E^{-1} z_i) (W_{\mathbf{z}}, \Psi(\omega(t_{\mathbf{p}}^*)f_0))$  equals

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\zeta^*(-\mathbf{z})}{\epsilon^*(-\mathbf{z})} \delta_n^*(t_{\mathbf{p}}^*)^{1/2} \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \text{sgn}(\sigma) \\ & \times \prod_{i=1}^n (K(-z_{\sigma(i)}, p_i + (n - i) + 1) - K(-z_{\sigma(i)}, p_{i+1} + (n - i))). \end{aligned}$$

Since the sum over  $S_n$  equals the determinant of the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} K_{11} - K_{21} & K_{12} - K_{22} & \cdots & K_{1n} - K_{2n} \\ K_{21} - K_{31} & K_{22} - K_{32} & \cdots & K_{2n} - K_{3n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ K_{n-11} - K_{n1} & K_{n-12} - K_{n2} & \cdots & K_{n-1n} - K_{nn} \\ K_{n1} & K_{n2} & \cdots & K_{nn} \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $K_{ij} = K(-z_j, p_i + (n - i) + 1)$ , it is also equal to

$$\sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \text{sgn}(\sigma) \prod_{i=1}^n K(-z_{\sigma(i)}, p_i + (n - i) + 1).$$

This implies the assertion. ■

Let  $\mathcal{H}_n^{(*)}$  be the convolution algebra consisting of all locally constant and compactly supported functions on  $G_n^{(*)}(F)$ . The characteristic function  $\xi_n^{(*)}$  of  $G_n^{(*)}(\mathcal{O})$  is an idempotent element in  $\mathcal{H}_n^{(*)}$  and  $\omega(\xi_n^{(*)})$  defines a projection from  $\mathcal{S}((Z_n)^n \oplus Y_n)$  to the subspace  $\mathcal{S}((Z_n)^n \oplus Y_n)^{\omega(G_n^{(*)}(\mathcal{O}))}$  of  $\omega(G_n^{(*)}(\mathcal{O}))$ -invariant elements. By [3, Theorem 10.2] (or [5, Chapitre 5, Théorème I.4]), it is known that the subspace  $\mathcal{S}((Z_n)^n \oplus Y_n)^{\omega(G_n(\mathcal{O}))}$  coincides with the subspace  $\omega(\mathcal{H}_n^*)f_0$ . Therefore, for each  $f \in \mathcal{S}((Z_n)^n \oplus Y_n)$ , there exists  $\varphi_f \in \mathcal{H}_n^*$  such that  $\omega(\xi_n)f = \omega(\varphi_f)f_0$ . Then we have

$$c(\mathbf{z})(W_{\mathbf{z}}, \Psi(f)) = c(\mathbf{z})(W_{\mathbf{z}}, \Psi(\omega(\xi_n)f)) = c(\mathbf{z})(W_{\mathbf{z}}, \Psi(\omega(\varphi_f)f_0)) = \varphi_f * W_{-\mathbf{z}}^* ,$$

where  $c(\mathbf{z}) = \prod_{i=1}^n (1 + q_E^{-1}z_i)$ . Hence we obtain a map

$$A_{\mathbf{z}}: \mathbf{W}_{\mathbf{z}}(\psi_{\tilde{\alpha}}) \times \mathcal{S}((Z_n)^n \oplus Y_n) \rightarrow \mathbf{W}_{-\mathbf{z}}^*(\psi_{\alpha}): (W, f) \mapsto c(\mathbf{z})(W, \Psi(\omega(\cdot)f)) .$$

If  $\mathbf{z} \in \Omega_n$ , then  $A_{\mathbf{z}}$  is non-zero.

**THEOREM 2.3:** *For any irreducible spherical representation  $\pi_{\mathbf{z}}$ , one has*

$$\text{Hom}_{G_n^*(F) \times G_n(F)}(\omega, \pi_{-\mathbf{z}}^* \otimes \pi_{\mathbf{z}}) \neq 0 .$$

*In other words,  $\pi_{\mathbf{z}} \mapsto \pi_{-\mathbf{z}}^*$  is the local Howe correspondence with respect to  $\omega = \omega_{\mu, \nu}^{n(2n+1)}$ .*

*Proof:* It is sufficient to consider  $\pi_{\mathbf{z}}$  for  $\mathbf{z} \in \Omega_n$ . As we noted in Section 1,  $\pi_{\mathbf{z}}$  (resp.  $\pi_{-\mathbf{z}}^*$ ) is isomorphic to the unique irreducible quotient of  $\mathbf{W}_{\mathbf{z}}(\psi_{\tilde{\alpha}})$  (resp.  $\mathbf{W}_{-\mathbf{z}}^*(\psi_{\alpha})$ ). We denote by  $\mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{z}}$  the kernel of the quotient map from  $\mathbf{W}_{\mathbf{z}}(\psi_{\tilde{\alpha}})$  to  $\pi_{\mathbf{z}}$ . Let  $\tilde{A}_{\mathbf{z}}$  be the composition of  $A_{\mathbf{z}}$  and the quotient map from  $\mathbf{W}_{-\mathbf{z}}^*(\psi_{\alpha})$  to  $\pi_{-\mathbf{z}}^*$ . Since  $A_{\mathbf{z}}$  is surjective, so is  $\tilde{A}_{\mathbf{z}}$ . We set

$$\mathbf{V}'_{\mathbf{z}} = \{W \in \mathbf{W}_{\mathbf{z}}(\psi_{\tilde{\alpha}}): \tilde{A}_{\mathbf{z}}(W, f) = 0 \text{ for all } f \in \mathcal{S}((Z_n)^n \oplus Y_n)\} .$$

Since  $\mathbf{V}'_{\mathbf{z}}$  is a proper  $G_n(F)$ -invariant subspace, we have  $\mathbf{V}'_{\mathbf{z}} \subset \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{z}}$ . We suppose  $\mathbf{V}'_{\mathbf{z}} \neq \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{z}}$ . Then there exists a non-zero irreducible subspace  $\mathbf{U}$  of  $\mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{z}}/\mathbf{V}'_{\mathbf{z}}$ , and the restriction of  $\tilde{A}_{\mathbf{z}}$  to  $\mathbf{U}$  gives rise to a non-zero  $G_n^*(F) \times G_n(F)$ -morphism from  $\mathcal{S}((Z_n)^n \otimes Y_n)$  onto  $\pi_{-\mathbf{z}}^* \otimes \mathbf{U}^{\vee}$ , where  $\mathbf{U}^{\vee}$  denotes the smooth dual of  $\mathbf{U}$ . Thus  $\pi_{-\mathbf{z}}^* \rightarrow \mathbf{U}^{\vee}$  is the local Howe correspondence. However,  $\mathbf{U}^{\vee}$  is not spherical

since the space  $\mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{z}}/\mathbf{V}'_{\mathbf{z}}$  never has a  $G_n(\mathcal{O})$ -invariant vector. This contradicts a result of Howe [3, Theorem 7.1 (b)]. Therefore, we have  $\mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{z}} = \mathbf{V}'_{\mathbf{z}}$ . Then  $\tilde{A}_{\mathbf{z}}$  induces a map from  $\pi_{\mathbf{z}} \times \mathcal{S}((Z_n)^n \oplus Y_n)$  onto  $\pi_{-\mathbf{z}}^*$ , and hence we have a non-zero  $G_n^*(F) \times G_n(F)$ -morphism from  $\mathcal{S}((Z_n)^n \otimes Y_n)$  onto  $\pi_{-\mathbf{z}}^* \otimes \pi_{\mathbf{z}}^\vee$ , where  $\pi_{\mathbf{z}}^\vee$  denotes the contragradient representation of  $\pi_{\mathbf{z}}$ . Then the equivalence  $\pi_{\mathbf{z}}^\vee \cong \pi_{\mathbf{z}^{-1}} \cong \pi_{\mathbf{z}}$  implies the assertion. ■

We note that  $\pi_{-\mathbf{z}}^*$  is not necessarily generic even if  $\pi_{\mathbf{z}}$  is generic. Such a case occurs if and only if  $\mathbf{z} \in \Omega_n$  satisfies  $\zeta(\mathbf{z}^{-1}) \neq 0$  and  $c(\mathbf{z}^{-1}) = 0$ . For example, if  $n = 1$  and  $\mathbf{z} = -qE^{-1} \in \Omega_1$ , then  $\pi_{\mathbf{z}} = I_{\mathbf{z}}$  is generic, but  $\pi_{-\mathbf{z}}^*$  is the trivial representation.

### 3. The local theta correspondence from $G_n^*$ to $G_{n+1}$

In this section, we consider the space  $Z_n^* \otimes Z_{n+1}$  equipped with skew Hermitian form  $(\cdot, \cdot)_n \otimes (\cdot, \cdot)_{n+1}$ . In a similar fashion as Section 2, the Weil representation  $\omega_{\mu, \nu}^{(n+1)(2n+1)}$  is restricted to  $G_n^*(F) \otimes G_{n+1}(F)$ . We also write simply  $\omega$  for  $\omega_{\mu, \nu}^{(n+1)(2n+1)}$ . Let  $Y_{(n+1)(2n+1)}$  be a totally isotropic subspace of the form

$$Y_{(n+1)(2n+1)} = Z_n^* \otimes Y_{n+1} = \bigoplus_{i=1}^{n+1} Z_n^* \otimes f_i,$$

which is identified with  $(Z_n^*)^{n+1}$ . The action of  $G_n^*(F) \times G_{n+1}(F)$  on  $\mathcal{S}((Z_n^*)^{n+1})$  is given as follows. For  $f \in \mathcal{S}((Z_n^*)^{n+1})$  and  $\vec{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}) \in (Z_n^*)^{n+1}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \omega(h)f(\vec{x}) &= \nu(\det h)^{n+1} f(h^{-1}x_1, \dots, h^{-1}x_{n+1}), \\ \omega\left(\begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & {}^tA^{-1} \end{pmatrix}\right) f(\vec{x}) &= \nu(\det A)^{2n+1} |\det A|_E^{n+1/2} \\ &\quad \times f\left(\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} \bar{a}_{i1}x_i, \dots, \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} \bar{a}_{in+1}x_i\right)\right), \\ \omega\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1_{n+1} & B \\ 0 & 1_{n+1} \end{pmatrix}\right) f(\vec{x}) &= \mu(\text{Tr}(B \cdot \text{Gr}_{n+1}^+(\vec{x})))f(\vec{x}), \end{aligned}$$

where  $h \in G_n^*(F)$ ,  $A = (a_{ij}) \in GL_{n+1}(E)$  and  $B = {}^t\bar{B} \in M_{n+1}(E)$ , and we put

$$\text{Gr}_{n+1}^+(\vec{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} (x_1, x_1)_n & \cdots & (x_1, x_{n+1})_n \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ (x_{n+1}, x_1)_n & \cdots & (x_{n+1}, x_{n+1})_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

For  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in (\mathcal{O}_E^\times)^n$ , the unramified principal character  $\psi_{\hat{\alpha}}$  of  $U_{n+1}(F)$  is defined to be

$$\psi_{\hat{\alpha}}(u) = \mu_E(\bar{\alpha}_1 u_{12} + \dots + \bar{\alpha}_{n-1} u_{n-1n} - u_{nn+1}) \mu(N_{E/F}(\alpha_n) u_{n+12(n+1)})$$

for  $u = (u_{ij}) \in U_{n+1}(F)$ . Throughout this section, we fix a pair  $(\psi_{\hat{\alpha}}, \psi_{\hat{\alpha}})$  of unramified principal characters.

Let  $\Delta_{n+1}$  be a subgroup of  $U_{n+1}$  of the form

$$\Delta_{n+1}(F) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & {}_t A^{-1} \end{pmatrix} : A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & * \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in \text{GL}_{n+1}(E) \right\}.$$

For each  $f \in \mathcal{S}((Z_n^*)^{n+1})$ , we define the function  $\Psi^*(f)(h)$  in  $h \in G_n^*(F)$  by

$$\Psi^*(f)(h) = \int_{\Delta_{n+1}(F)} \psi_{\hat{\alpha}}(\delta)^{-1} \omega(h \cdot \delta) f(e_1^*, \dots, e_n^*, \alpha_n e_0^*) d\delta.$$

Let  $W^* \in \text{Ind}_{U_n^*(F)}^{G_n^*(F)} \psi_{\alpha}$ . Then an unramified factor of the formula in [6, Corollary 4.5] is given by

$$(W^*, \Psi^*(\omega(g)f)) = \int_{U_n^*(F) \backslash G_n^*(F)} W^*(h) \Psi^*(\omega(g)f)(h) dh.$$

Since  $(W^*, \Psi^*(\omega(\cdot)f))$  is contained in  $\text{Ind}_{U_{n+1}(F)}^{G_{n+1}(F)} \psi_{\hat{\alpha}}$ , we obtain a correspondence

$$\text{Ind}_{U_n^*(F)}^{G_n^*(F)} \psi_{\alpha} \times \mathcal{S}((Z_n^*)^{n+1}) \rightarrow \text{Ind}_{U_{n+1}(F)}^{G_{n+1}(F)} \psi_{\hat{\alpha}}.$$

Let  $f_0^*$  be the characteristic function of the standard  $\mathcal{O}_E$ -lattice  $(Z_n^*(\mathcal{O}_E))^{n+1}$ . In like manner as Section 2, we have the following:

**LEMMA 3.1:** *Let  $\mathbf{k} = (k_1, \dots, k_n) \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  and  $\mathbf{p} = (p_1, \dots, p_{n+1}) \in \mathbb{Z}^{n+1}$ . If  $p_1 \geq k_1 \geq p_2 \geq k_2 \geq \dots \geq p_n \geq k_n \geq p_{n+1} \geq 0$ , then*

$$\Psi^*(\omega(t_{\mathbf{p}})f_0^*)(t_{\mathbf{k}}^*) = \nu(\varpi)^{p_1+p_2+\dots+p_{n+1}} \delta_{n+1}(t_{\mathbf{p}})^{1/2} \delta_n^*(t_{\mathbf{k}}^*)^{1/2}.$$

Otherwise,  $\Psi^*(\omega(t_{\mathbf{p}})f_0^*)(t_{\mathbf{k}}^*)$  equals 0.

PROPOSITION 3.2: Let  $W_{\mathbf{z}}^*$  be the unramified Whittaker function for  $\mathbf{z} \in (\mathbf{C}^\times)^n$ . Let  $-(\mathbf{z}, 1) = (-z_1, \dots, -z_n, -1) \in (\mathbf{C}^\times)^{n+1}$ . Then

$$(-1)^n (1 + q^{-1}) \left( \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - q_E^{-1} z_i) \right) (W_{\mathbf{z}}^*, \Psi^*(\omega(g)f_0^*)) = W_{-(\mathbf{z}, 1)}(g).$$

Proof: Let  $\mathbf{p} \in \Lambda_{n+1}$ . It follows from Lemma 3.1 that  $(W_{\mathbf{z}}^*, \Psi^*(\omega(t_{\mathbf{p}})f_0^*))$  equals

$$\frac{\zeta^*(\mathbf{z})}{\epsilon^*(\mathbf{z})} \delta_{n+1}(t_{\mathbf{p}})^{1/2} \nu(\varpi)^{d(\mathbf{p})} \times \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \text{sgn}(\sigma) \prod_{i=1}^n \left\{ \sum_{p_i \geq k_i \geq p_{i+1}} K(z_{\sigma(i)}, k_i + (n - i) + 1) \right\}.$$

For  $z \in \mathbf{C}^\times$  and  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we put  $K^+(z, k/2) = z^{k/2} + z^{-k/2}$ . Then we have

$$\sum_{a \geq j \geq b} K(z, j + m) = \frac{K^+(z, b + m - 1/2) - K^+(z, a + m + 1/2)}{K(z, 1/2)}$$

for integers  $a \geq b \geq 0$ . Therefore, the sum over  $S_n$  equals

$$\prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{K(z_i, 1/2)} \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \text{sgn}(\sigma) \times \prod_{i=1}^n (K^+(z_{\sigma(i)}, p_{i+1} + (n - i) + 1/2) - K^+(z_{\sigma(i)}, p_i + (n - i) + 3/2)).$$

By calculation of determinants, we obtain

$$\sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \text{sgn}(\sigma) \prod_{i=1}^n \left( K^+(z_{\sigma(i)}, p_{i+1} + (n - i) + \frac{1}{2}) - K^+(z_{\sigma(i)}, p_i + (n - i) + \frac{3}{2}) \right) = \frac{\nu(\varpi)^{n^2/2 + d(\mathbf{p})}}{K(-1, 1/2)} \sum_{\sigma \in S_{n+1}} \text{sgn}(\sigma) \prod_{i=1}^{n+1} K(z'_{\sigma(i)}, p_i + (n + 1 - i) + \frac{1}{2}),$$

where  $(z'_1, \dots, z'_{n+1}) = -(\mathbf{z}, 1)$ . As a consequence,  $(W_{\mathbf{z}}^*, \Psi^*(\omega(t_{\mathbf{p}})f_0^*))$  equals

$$\frac{\zeta^*(\mathbf{z})}{\epsilon^*(\mathbf{z})} \delta_{n+1}(t_{\mathbf{p}})^{1/2} \frac{\nu(\varpi)^{n^2/2}}{K(-1, 1/2)} \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{K(z_i, 1/2)} \times \sum_{\sigma \in S_{n+1}} \text{sgn}(\sigma) \prod_{i=1}^{n+1} K(z'_{\sigma(i)}, p_i + (n + 1 - i) + 1/2).$$

Furthermore, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon(-(\mathbf{z}, 1)) &= \epsilon^*(\mathbf{z})\nu(\varpi)^{n(n+2)/2}K(-1, 1/2)\prod_{i=1}^n K(z_i, 1/2), \\ \zeta(-(\mathbf{z}, 1)) &= \zeta^*(\mathbf{z})(1 + q^{-1})\prod_{i=1}^n (1 - q_E^{-1}z_i). \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof. ■

The same argument as in Section 2 gives the following:

**THEOREM 3.3:** *For any irreducible spherical representation  $\pi_{\mathbf{z}}^*$ , one has*

$$\text{Hom}_{G_n^*(F) \times G_{n+1}(F)}(\omega, \pi_{\mathbf{z}}^* \otimes \pi_{-(\mathbf{z}, 1)}) \neq 0.$$

*In other words,  $\pi_{\mathbf{z}}^* \mapsto \pi_{-(\mathbf{z}, 1)}$  is the local Howe correspondence with respect to  $\omega = \omega_{\mu, \nu}^{(n+1)(2n+1)}$ .*

Since  $\zeta^*(\mathbf{z})\zeta^*(\mathbf{z}^{-1}) \neq 0$  implies  $\zeta(-(\mathbf{z}, 1))\zeta(-(\mathbf{z}, 1)^{-1}) \neq 0$ ,  $\pi_{-(\mathbf{z}, 1)}$  is also generic if  $\pi_{\mathbf{z}}^*$  is generic.

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