

Complex hypergeometric integrals

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Abstract.

We consider a complex version of the Gauss hypergeometric integral from the view point of the twisted de Rham theory. In particular, we give a formula to express the complex hypergeometric integral in terms of the hermitian form of the ordinary Gauss hypergeometric integrals.

§1. Introduction

The complex beta integral is

$$\frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2} \int \int_{\mathbb{C}} |t|^{2a} |t - 1|^{2b} dt \wedge d\bar{t} = \frac{s(a)s(b)}{s(a+b)} \left(\frac{\Gamma(a+1)\Gamma(b+1)}{\Gamma(a+b+2)} \right)^2,$$

where $s(a) = \sin(\pi a)$ and $-a - b - 1, a + 1, b + 1 \notin \mathbb{Z}_{\leq 0}$. It is studied in [1] [2] [3] and [8]. In this paper, we consider its generalization to the case of the Gauss hypergeometric function and give a formula to express it in terms of the hermitian form of the ordinary Gauss hypergeometric integrals. The formula is the same one obtained by Strichartz in [8] by means of differential equations. Our way of derivation is by using the idea and terminology of the twisted de Rham theory.

We refer the reader to [4] and [5] for the terminology and technique of the twisted de Rham theory.

In this paper, we use the symbol

$$e(\lambda) := e^{\pi i \lambda}$$

for simplicity.

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§2. Complex beta integrals

Before beginning the study of the complex hypergeometric integrals, we consider the complex beta integrals.

As a complex version of the beta integral

$$(2.1) \quad \int_0^1 x^a (1-x)^b dx,$$

we consider the integral

$$(2.2) \quad \begin{aligned} & \frac{i}{2} \int \int_{\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0,1\}} t^{a^+} \bar{t}^{a^-} (1-t)^{b^+} (1-\bar{t})^{b^-} dt d\bar{t} \\ &= \int \int_{\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(0,0), (1,0)\}} (x+iy)^{a^+} (x-iy)^{a^-} \\ & \quad \times (1-x-iy)^{b^+} (1-x+iy)^{b^-} dx dy. \end{aligned}$$

Here $t = x+iy$, $\bar{t} = x-iy$, the domain $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0,1\} \simeq \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(0,0), (1,0)\}$ has a standard orientation, $a^+ - a^- \in \mathbb{Z}$, $b^+ - b^- \in \mathbb{Z}$, and the branch of the integrand is determined by

x	$-\infty$	$+\infty$
$\arg(x+iy)$	π	\searrow	0
$\arg(x-iy)$	$-\pi$	\nearrow	0
$\arg(1-x-iy)$	0	\searrow	$-\pi$
$\arg(1-x+iy)$	0	\nearrow	π

for $y > 0$, and

x	$-\infty$	$+\infty$
$\arg(x+iy)$	$-\pi$	\nearrow	0
$\arg(x-iy)$	π	\searrow	0
$\arg(1-x-iy)$	0	\nearrow	π
$\arg(1-x+iy)$	0	\searrow	$-\pi$

for $y < 0$, and the branch for $y = 0$ is given by the analytic continuation of these two cases $y > 0$ and $y < 0$. The conditions $a^+ - a^- \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $b^+ - b^- \in \mathbb{Z}$ guarantee its well-definedness.

Theorem 1. Suppose that

$$(2.3) \quad \begin{aligned} & -1 - a^- - b^-, 1 + a^-, 1 + b^- \notin \mathbb{Z}_{\leq 0}, \\ & \text{and } a^+ - a^-, b^+ - b^- \in \mathbb{Z}. \end{aligned}$$

Then we have

$$(2.4) \quad \int \int_{\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(0,0), (1,0)\}} (x+iy)^{a^+} (x-iy)^{a^-} \\ \times (1-x-iy)^{b^+} (1-x+iy)^{b^-} dx dy \\ = \frac{\sin(\pi a^+) \sin(\pi b^+)}{\sin(\pi(a^+ + b^+))} \frac{\Gamma(a^+ + 1) \Gamma(b^+ + 1)}{\Gamma(a^+ + b^+ + 2)} \frac{\Gamma(a^- + 1) \Gamma(b^- + 1)}{\Gamma(a^- + b^- + 2)}.$$

Remark 1. Formula (2.4) is the same as (1.5) of [8].

Remark 2. In [7], the c -function for $SL(2, \mathbb{C})/SO(2, \mathbb{C})$ is given by

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} (1+t^2)^{\lambda+\frac{m}{2}} (1+\bar{t}^2)^{\lambda-\frac{m}{2}} dx dy$$

with $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$, $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $t = x+iy$, which is shown to be

$$2^{4\lambda+2} \frac{\sin(\pi(\lambda + \frac{m}{2})) \sin(\pi(\lambda - \frac{m}{2}))}{\sin(\pi(2\lambda))} \frac{\{\Gamma(\lambda + \frac{m}{2} + 1) \Gamma(\lambda - \frac{m}{2} + 1)\}^2}{\Gamma(2\lambda + m + 2) \Gamma(2\lambda - m + 2)}$$

by applying formula (2.4) with $a^+ = b^+ = \lambda - \frac{m}{2}$ and $a^- = b^- = \lambda + \frac{m}{2}$ after changing the variables $x \mapsto 2y$ and $y \mapsto 2x - 1$.

Corollary 1. Suppose that

$$1+a, 1+b, -1-a-b \notin \mathbb{Z}_{\leq 0}.$$

Then we have

$$(2.5) \quad \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2} \int_{\mathbb{C} \setminus \{(0,1)\}} |t|^{2a} |1-t|^{2b} dt d\bar{t} \\ = \frac{\sin(\pi a) \sin(\pi b)}{\sin(\pi(a+b))} \left(\frac{\Gamma(a+1) \Gamma(b+1)}{\Gamma(a+b+2)} \right)^2.$$

Remark 3. Formula (2.5) is the same as (2.24) of [1], where the complex Selberg integral is studied from the viewpoint of the twisted de Rham theory. See also (3.63) of [2] and p. 384 of [3].

We start proving the formula.

First, consider x and y to be the complex coordinates, and the region of the integral $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(0,0), (1,0)\}$ to be a subvariety of

$$\mathbb{C}^2 \setminus D,$$

where

$$D = \{x + iy = 0\} \cup \{x - iy = 0\} \cup \{1 - x - iy = 0\} \cup \{1 - x + iy = 0\},$$

by the embedding

$$(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(0, 0), (1, 0)\} \hookrightarrow (x, y) \in \mathbb{C}^2 \setminus D.$$

Second, deform the region of the integral appropriately. As a preparatory lemma obtain the following:

Lemma 1. (1) Consider the loaded chain with the standard orientation

$$(2.6) \quad \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid (x, y) \neq (0, 0)\} \otimes (x + iy)^{a^+} (x - iy)^{a^-},$$

where

$$\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid (x, y) \neq (0, 0)\} \subset \mathbb{C}^2 \setminus \{x + iy = 0\} \cup \{x - iy = 0\}$$

and the arguments of $x + iy$ and $x - iy$ are fixed to be

x	$-\infty$	\cdots	$+\infty$
$\arg(x + iy)$	π	\searrow	0
$\arg(x - iy)$	$-\pi$	\nearrow	0

for $y > 0$, and

x	$-\infty$	\cdots	$+\infty$
$\arg(x + iy)$	$-\pi$	\nearrow	0
$\arg(x - iy)$	π	\searrow	0

for $y < 0$. Then (2.6) is homologous to

$$(2.7) \quad \begin{aligned} & \{(x, y) \mid x + iy > 0, x - iy > 0\} \otimes (x + iy)^{a^+} (x - iy)^{a^-} \\ & + e(a^-) \{(x, y) \mid x + iy > 0, x - iy < 0\} \otimes (x + iy)^{a^+} (iy - x)^{a^-} \\ & + e(a^+ - a^-) \{(x, y) \mid x + iy < 0, x - iy < 0\} \otimes (-x - iy)^{a^+} (iy - x)^{a^-} \\ & + e(a^+) \{(x, y) \mid x + iy < 0, x - iy > 0\} \otimes (-x - iy)^{a^+} (x - iy)^{a^-}, \end{aligned}$$

where the argument of each function is zero (standard loading) and the orientation is standardly chosen.

(2) Consider the loaded chain with the standard orientation

$$(2.8) \quad \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid (x, y) \neq (1, 0)\} \otimes (1 - x - iy)^{b^+} (1 - x + iy)^{b^-},$$

where

$$\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid (x, y) \neq (1, 0)\} \subset \mathbb{C}^2 \setminus \{1 - x - iy = 0\} \cup \{1 - x + iy = 0\}$$

and the arguments of $1 - x - iy$ and $1 - x + iy$ are fixed to be

x	$-\infty$	\dots	$+\infty$
$\arg(1 - x - iy)$	0	\searrow	$-\pi$
$\arg(1 - x + iy)$	0	\nearrow	π

for $y > 0$, and

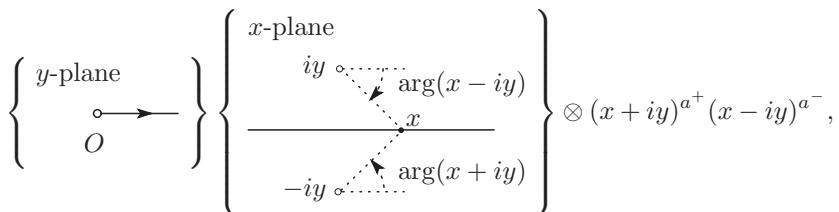
x	$-\infty$	\dots	$+\infty$
$\arg(1 - x - iy)$	0	\nearrow	π
$\arg(1 - x + iy)$	0	\searrow	$-\pi$

for $y < 0$. Then (2.8) is homologous to

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.9) \quad & \{(x, y) \mid 1 - x - iy > 0, 1 - x + iy > 0\} \\
 & \quad \otimes (1 - x - iy)^{b^+} (1 - x + iy)^{b^-} \\
 & + e(b^-) \{(x, y) \mid 1 - x - iy > 0, 1 - x + iy < 0\} \\
 & \quad \otimes (1 - x - iy)^{b^+} (-iy - 1 + x)^{b^-} \\
 & + e(b^- - b^+) \{(x, y) \mid 1 - x - iy < 0, 1 - x + iy < 0\} \\
 & \quad \otimes (-1 + x + iy)^{b^+} (-iy - 1 + x)^{b^-} \\
 & + e(b^+) \{(x, y) \mid 1 - x - iy < 0, 1 - x + iy > 0\} \\
 & \quad \otimes (-1 + x + iy)^{b^+} (1 - x + iy)^{b^-},
 \end{aligned}$$

where the loading and the orientation are standardly chosen.

Proof. (1) In the case $y > 0$: Consider the loaded (twisted) chain



where the arguments of $x + iy$ and $x - iy$ are

x	$-\infty$	\dots	$+\infty$
$\arg(x + iy)$	π	\searrow	0
$\arg(x - iy)$	$-\pi$	\nearrow	0

Rotate the path on the y -plane by $\pi/2$. Then we have

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{c} y\text{-plane} \\ O \end{array} \right\} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} x\text{-plane} \\ \nearrow \circlearrowleft \quad \circlearrowright \searrow \\ iy \quad -iy \end{array} \right\} \otimes (x + iy)^{a^+} (x - iy)^{a^-},$$

where

$$\begin{array}{c|ccccccccc} x & \infty & \cdots & (iy) & \cdots & (-iy) & \cdots & +\infty \\ \hline \arg(x + iy) & \pi & \cdots & \cdots & \pi & \searrow & \cdots & 0 \\ \arg(x - iy) & -\pi & \cdots & \nearrow & 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \end{array},$$

which is equal to

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{c} y\text{-plane} \\ O \end{array} \right\} \left[\left\{ \begin{array}{c} x\text{-plane} \\ \circlearrowleft \quad \circlearrowright \\ iy \quad -iy \end{array} \right\} \otimes (x + iy)^{a^+} (x - iy)^{a^-} \right. \\ \left. + e(a^+) \left\{ \begin{array}{c} x\text{-plane} \\ \circlearrowleft \quad \circlearrowright \\ iy \quad -iy \end{array} \right\} \otimes (-x - iy)^{a^+} (x - iy)^{a^-} \right. \\ \left. + e(a^+ - a^-) \left\{ \begin{array}{c} x\text{-plane} \\ \nearrow \circlearrowleft \quad \circlearrowright \searrow \\ iy \quad -iy \end{array} \right\} \otimes (-x - iy)^{a^+} (iy - x)^{a^-} \right],$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \{(x, y) \mid -iy < x, iy < 0\} \otimes (x + iy)^{a^+} (x - iy)^{a^-} \\ & + e(a^+) \{(x, y) \mid iy < x < -iy, iy < 0\} \otimes (-x - iy)^{a^+} (x - iy)^{a^-} \\ & + e(a^+ - a^-) \{(x, y) \mid x < iy, iy < 0\} \otimes (-x - iy)^{a^+} (iy - x)^{a^-}, \end{aligned}$$

where the loading and the orientation are standardly chosen.

In the case $y < 0$: Rotate the path on the y -plane of

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{c} y\text{-plane} \\ O \end{array} \right\} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} x\text{-plane} \\ \frac{-iy \circlearrowleft \arg(x + iy)}{iy \circlearrowright \arg(x - iy)} \\ \hline x \end{array} \right\} \otimes (x + iy)^{a^+} (x - iy)^{a^-} dx dy$$

by $\pi/2$, where

$$\begin{array}{c|ccccc} x & -\infty & \cdots & +\infty \\ \hline \arg(x+iy) & -\pi & \nearrow & 0 \\ \arg(x-iy) & \pi & \searrow & 0 \end{array}.$$

Then we have

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{c} y\text{-plane} \\ \uparrow O \end{array} \right\} \left[\left\{ \begin{array}{cc} x\text{-plane} & \\ \overset{\circ}{-iy} & \overset{\circ}{iy} \end{array} \right\} \otimes (x+iy)^{a^+} (x-iy)^{a^-} \right. \\ + e(a^-) \left\{ \begin{array}{cc} x\text{-plane} & \\ \overset{\circ}{-iy} & \overset{\circ}{iy} \end{array} \right\} \otimes (x+iy)^{a^+} (iy-x)^{a^-} \\ \left. + e(a^- - a^+) \left\{ \begin{array}{cc} x\text{-plane} & \\ \overset{\rightarrow}{-iy} & \overset{\circ}{iy} \end{array} \right\} \otimes (-x-iy)^{a^+} (iy-x)^{a^-} \right],$$

and

$$\{(x, y) \mid iy < x, 0 < iy\} \otimes (x+iy)^{a^+} (x-iy)^{a^-} \\ + e(a^-) \{(x, y) \mid -iy < x < iy, 0 < iy\} \otimes (x+iy)^{a^+} (iy-x)^{a^-} \\ + e(a^- - a^+) \{(x, y) \mid x < -iy, 0 < iy\} \otimes (-x-iy)^{a^+} (iy-x)^{a^-},$$

where the loading and the orientation are standardly chosen.

In the case $y = 0$: We have

$$x^{a^+} x^{a^-} = \begin{cases} x^{a^+ + a^-}, & \text{if } x > 0, \\ x^{a^+ + a^-} e^{\pi i(a^+ - a^-)}, & \text{if } x < 0. \end{cases}$$

Combining the three cases above, we reach the required result.

(2) The change of variables such that $x \mapsto -x, y \mapsto -y$ and $x \mapsto x-1$ in (1) implies the result. \square

We note that (2.7) and (2.9) can be described as

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{c} e(a^+) \\ \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ e(a^- - a^+) & 1 \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ e(a^-) \\ x + iy = 0 & x - iy = 0 \end{array} \right\} \otimes |x + iy|^{a^+} |x - iy|^{a^-}$$

and

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{c} e(b^-) \\ \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ 1 & e(b^+ - b^-) \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ e(b^+) \\ x + iy = 1 & x - iy = 1 \end{array} \right\} \otimes |1 - x - iy|^{b^+} |1 - x + iy|^{b^-},$$

respectively. By using this description, the combination of (1) and (2) in Lemma 1 implies that

$$[\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(0,0), (1,0)\}] \otimes (x + iy)^{a^+} (x - iy)^{a^-} (1 - x - iy)^{b^+} (1 - x + iy)^{b^-}$$

is homologous to

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{c} e(a^+ + b^-) \\ \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ x - iy = 0 & x + iy = 1 \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ e(a^+) & e(b^-) \\ \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ e(a^- - a^+) & 1 & e(b^+ - b^-) \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ e(a^-) & e(b^+) \\ x + iy = 0 & x - iy = 1 \\ \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ e(a^- + b^+) \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\otimes |x + iy|^{a^+} |x - iy|^{a^-} |1 - x - iy|^{b^+} |1 - x + iy|^{b^-}.$$

Here, if $x - iy < 0$, the path on the $(x + iy)$ -plane is depicted as

$$\left[\begin{array}{c} (x + iy)\text{-plane} \\ \hline (a^+) & & (b^+) \\ \hline \text{---} & \circ & \text{---} & \circ & \rightarrow \\ 0 & & & 1 \end{array} \right],$$

which is homologous to zero; if $x - iy > 1$, it is depicted as

$$\left[\begin{array}{c} (x + iy)\text{-plane} \\ \hline (a^+) & & (b^+) \\ \hline \text{---} & \circ & \text{---} & \circ & \rightarrow \\ 0 & & & 1 \end{array} \right],$$

which is homologous to zero; and if $0 < x - iy < 1$, it is depicted as

$$\left[\begin{array}{c} (x + iy)\text{-plane} \\ \hline (a^+) & & (b^+) \\ \hline \text{---} & \circ & \text{---} & \circ & \rightarrow \\ 0 & & & 1 \end{array} \right],$$

which is homologous to

$$\begin{aligned} & e(a^+) \overrightarrow{(-\infty, 0)} + \overrightarrow{(0, 1)} + e(b^+) \overrightarrow{(1, \infty)} \\ &= \frac{(e(a^+) - e(-a^+))(e(b^+) - e(-b^+))}{e(a^+ + b^+) - e(-a^+ - b^+)} \overrightarrow{(0, 1)} \\ &= 2i \frac{\sin(\pi a^+) \sin(\pi b^+)}{\sin(\pi(a^+ + b^+))} \overrightarrow{(0, 1)}, \end{aligned}$$

because

$$\begin{aligned} & e(-a^+) \overrightarrow{(-\infty, 0)} + \overrightarrow{(0, 1)} + e(b^+) \overrightarrow{(1, +\infty)} = 0, \\ & e(a^+) \overrightarrow{(-\infty, 0)} + \overrightarrow{(0, 1)} + e(-b^+) \overrightarrow{(1, +\infty)} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Here, $\overrightarrow{(-\infty, 0)}, \overrightarrow{(0, 1)}, \overrightarrow{(1, +\infty)}$ stand for the standardly loaded cycles on the $(x + iy)$ -space: For example, $\overrightarrow{(0, 1)}$ means $\overrightarrow{(0, 1)} \otimes (x + iy)^{a^+}(1 -$

$x - iy)^{b^+}$, where the arguments of $x + iy$, $1 - x - iy$ are zero and the orientation is standardly fixed.

Consequently, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & [\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(0,0), (1,0)\}] \otimes (x + iy)^{a^+} (x - iy)^{a^-} (1 - x - iy)^{b^+} (1 - x + iy)^{b^-} \\ &= -2\sqrt{-1} \frac{\sin(\pi a^+) \sin(\pi b^+)}{\sin(\pi(a^+ + b^+))} \{0 < x + iy < 1\} \otimes (x + iy)^{a^+} (1 - x - iy)^{b^+} \\ &\quad \times \{0 < x - iy < 1\} \otimes (x - iy)^{a^-} (1 - x + iy)^{b^-}, \end{aligned}$$

which leads to

$$\begin{aligned} & \int \int_{\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(0,0), (1,0)\}} (x + iy)^{a^+} (x - iy)^{a^-} (1 - x - iy)^{b^+} (1 - x + iy)^{b^-} dx dy \\ &= -2\sqrt{-1} \frac{\sin(\pi a^+) \sin(\pi b^+)}{\sin(\pi(a^+ + b^+))} \\ &\quad \times \int \int_{\{0 < x + iy < 1\} \times \{0 < x - iy < 1\}} (x + iy)^{a^+} (x - iy)^{a^-} (1 - x - iy)^{b^+} (1 - x + iy)^{b^-} dx dy \\ &= \frac{\sin(\pi a^+) \sin(\pi b^+)}{\sin(\pi(a^+ + b^+))} \\ &\quad \times \int_{\overbrace{\{0 < x - iy < 1\}}^{} (x - iy)^{a^-} (1 - x + iy)^{b^-} d(x - iy) \\ &\quad \times \int_{\overbrace{\{0 < x + iy < 1\}}^{} (x + iy)^{a^+} (1 - x - iy)^{b^+} d(x + iy) \\ &= \frac{\sin(\pi a^+) \sin(\pi b^+)}{\sin(\pi(a^+ + b^+))} \frac{\Gamma(a^+ + 1) \Gamma(b^+ + 1)}{\Gamma(a^+ + b^+ + 2)} \frac{\Gamma(a^- + 1) \Gamma(b^- + 1)}{\Gamma(a^- + b^- + 2)}. \end{aligned}$$

At the first stage before considering the integrals, we assume that

$$a^\pm, b^\pm, a^+ + b^+, a^- + b^- \notin \mathbb{Z},$$

and, at the second stage when we consider the integrals, we assume moreover that

$$\operatorname{Re}(1 + a^\pm), \operatorname{Re}(1 + b^\pm), \operatorname{Re}(-1 - a^+ - b^+), \operatorname{Re}(-1 - a^- - b^-) > 0$$

to guarantee the existence of the integrals. Finally, however, as a result of analytic continuation with respect to the parameters a^\pm and b^\pm , we relax the conditions into (2.3). This completes the proof of Theorem 1.

§3. Complex version of Gauss hypergeometric function

Let $\Phi(x, y; z)$ be the function defined by

$$\begin{aligned} &\Phi(x, y; z) \\ &= (x+iy)^{a^+} (x-iy)^{a^-} (1-x-iy)^{b^+} (1-x+iy)^{b^-} (z-x-iy)^{c^+} (\bar{z}-x+iy)^{c^-}. \end{aligned}$$

Let D be

$$D = \{x \pm iy = 0\} \cup \{x \pm iy = 1\} \cup \{x + iy = z\} \cup \{x - iy = \bar{z}\}.$$

A complex version of the Gauss hypergeometric integral defined for $z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0, 1\}$ is

$$(3.1) \quad \int \int \Phi(x, y; z) dx dy,$$

where

$$a^+ - a^-, b^+ - b^-, c^+ - c^- \in \mathbb{Z},$$

and the region of integral is

$$\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(0, 0), (1, 0), (\operatorname{Re}(z), \operatorname{Im}(z))\}$$

with the standard orientation. The region of the integral is considered as a subvariety of

$$\mathbb{C}^2 \setminus D,$$

and the embedding

$$(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(0, 0), (1, 0), (\operatorname{Re}(z), \operatorname{Im}(z))\} \hookrightarrow (x, y) \in \mathbb{C}^2 \setminus D$$

is fixed.

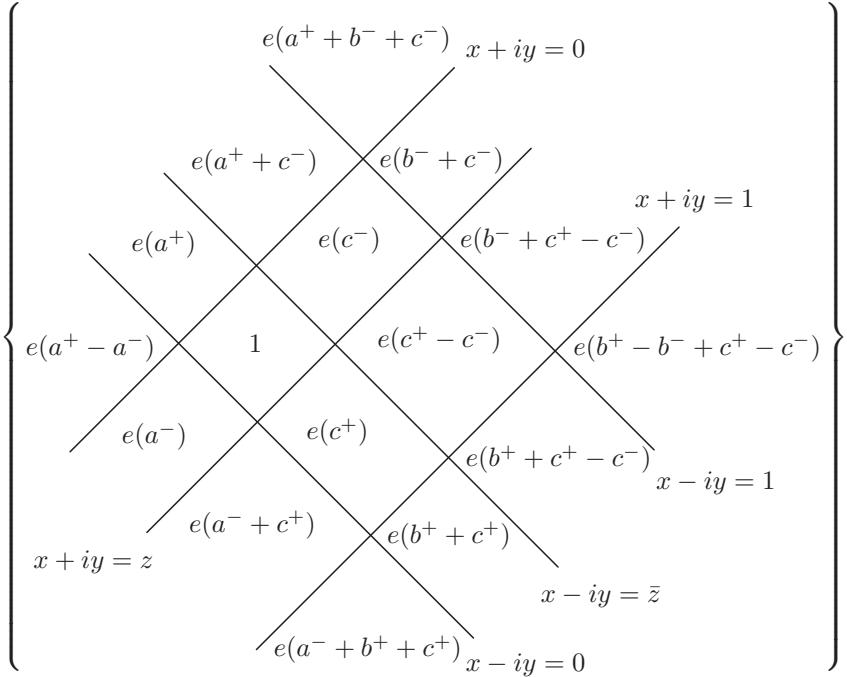
In this section, for simplicity, we temporarily assume that the complex variable z is real and $0 < z < 1$, and we load $\Phi(x, y)$ on $(0, z) \times (0, \bar{z})$ standardly.

Lemma 1 leads to the following.

Proposition 1. *The loaded chain with the standard orientation*

$$(3.2) \quad \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid (x, y) \neq (0, 0), (1, 0), (\operatorname{Re}(z), \operatorname{Im}(z))\} \otimes \Phi(x, y)$$

is homologous to



$$\otimes |x+iy|^{a^+} |x-iy|^{a^-} |1-x-iy|^{b^+} |1-x+iy|^{b^-} |z-x-iy|^{c^+} |\bar{z}-x+iy|^{c^-},$$

where the orientation and the loading are standardly chosen.

The same argument as in the previous section shows that (3.2) is homologous to

$$(3.3) \quad \begin{aligned} & \overrightarrow{(0, \bar{z})}^* \times \left\{ e(a^+) \overrightarrow{(-\infty, 0)} + \overrightarrow{(0, z)} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + e(c^+) \overrightarrow{(z, 1)} + e(b^+ + c^+) \overrightarrow{(1, +\infty)} \right\} \\ & + \overrightarrow{(\bar{z}, 1)}^* \times \left\{ e(a^+ + c^-) \overrightarrow{(-\infty, 0)} + e(c^-) \overrightarrow{(0, z)} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + e(c^+ - c^-) \overrightarrow{(z, 1)} + e(b^+ + c^+ - c^-) \overrightarrow{(1, +\infty)} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Here, $\overrightarrow{(\infty, 0)}$, $\overrightarrow{(0, z)}$, $\overrightarrow{(z, 1)}$, $\overrightarrow{(1, +\infty)}$ stand for the standardly loaded cycles in the $(x+iy)$ -space, and $\overrightarrow{(\infty, 0)}^*$, $\overrightarrow{(0, z)}^*$, $\overrightarrow{(z, 1)}^*$, $\overrightarrow{(1, +\infty)}^*$ the standardly loaded cycles in the $(x-iy)$ -space.

On the other hand, when $a^- + c^- \notin \mathbb{Z}$, we have

$$(3.4) \quad \overrightarrow{(\bar{z}, 1)}^* = -\frac{1}{e(a^- + c^-) - e(-a^- - c^-)} \left\{ (e(a^-) - e(-a^-)) \overrightarrow{(0, \bar{z})}^* + (e(a^- + b^- + c^-) - e(-a^- - b^- - c^-)) \overrightarrow{(1, +\infty)}^* \right\},$$

which follows from

$$\begin{aligned} \overrightarrow{(-\infty, 0)}^* + e(a^-) \overrightarrow{(0, \bar{z})}^* + e(a^- + c^-) \overrightarrow{(\bar{z}, 1)}^* + e(a^- + b^- + c^-) \overrightarrow{(1, +\infty)}^* &= 0, \\ \overrightarrow{(-\infty, 0)}^* + e(-a^-) \overrightarrow{(0, \bar{z})}^* + e(-a^- - c^-) \overrightarrow{(\bar{z}, 1)}^* \\ &\quad + e(-a^- - b^- - c^-) \overrightarrow{(1, +\infty)}^* = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Equality (3.4) makes (3.3) into

$$(3.5) \quad \begin{aligned} &\frac{e(c^-) - e(-c^-)}{e(a^- + c^-) - e(-a^- - c^-)} \overrightarrow{(0, \bar{z})}^* \times \left\{ e(a^+ - a^-) \overrightarrow{(-\infty, 0)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + e(-a^-) \overrightarrow{(0, z)} + e(a^- + c^+) \overrightarrow{(z, 1)} + e(a^- + b^+ + c^+) \overrightarrow{(1, +\infty)} \right\} \\ &- \frac{e(a^- + b^- + c^-) - e(-a^- - b^- - c^-)}{e(a^- + c^-) - e(-a^- - c^-)} \overrightarrow{(1, +\infty)}^* \times \left\{ e(a^+ + c^-) \overrightarrow{(-\infty, 0)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + e(c^-) \overrightarrow{(0, z)} + e(c^+ - c^-) \overrightarrow{(z, 1)} + e(b^+ + c^+ - c^-) \overrightarrow{(1, +\infty)} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, the equalities

$$\begin{aligned} &e(a^- - a^+) \overrightarrow{(-\infty, 0)} + e(a^-) \overrightarrow{(0, z)} + e(a^- + c^+) \overrightarrow{(z, 1)} \\ &\quad + e(a^- + c^+ + b^+) \overrightarrow{(1, +\infty)} = 0, \\ &e(a^+ + c^-) \overrightarrow{(-\infty, 0)} + e(c^-) \overrightarrow{(0, z)} + e(c^- - c^+) \overrightarrow{(z, 1)} \\ &\quad + e(c^- - c^+ - b^+) \overrightarrow{(1, +\infty)} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

and $e(c^+ - c^-) = e(c^- - c^+)$, which follows from $c^+ - c^- \in \mathbb{Z}$, make (3.5) into

$$\begin{aligned}
& -e(a^+ - a^-) \frac{(e(c^-) - e(-c^-))(e(a^+) - e(-a^+))}{e(a^- + c^-) - e(-a^- - c^-)} \\
& \times \overrightarrow{(0, \bar{z})}^* \times \overrightarrow{(0, z)} \\
& -e(c^+ - c^-) \frac{(e(a^- + b^- + c^-) - e(-a^- - b^- - c^-))(e(b^+) - e(-b^+))}{e(a^- + c^-) - e(-a^- - c^-)} \\
& \times \overrightarrow{(1, +\infty)}^* \times \overrightarrow{(1, +\infty)} \\
= & -2\sqrt{-1} e(a^+ - a^-) \frac{\sin(\pi c^-) \sin(\pi a^+)}{\sin(\pi(a^- + c^-))} \overrightarrow{(0, \bar{z})}^* \times \overrightarrow{(0, z)} \\
& -2\sqrt{-1} e(c^+ - c^-) \frac{\sin(\pi(a^- + b^- + c^-)) \sin(\pi(b^+))}{\sin(\pi(a^- + c^-))} \overrightarrow{(1, +\infty)}^* \times \overrightarrow{(1, +\infty)}.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we have the following.

Theorem 2. *Suppose that*

$$\begin{aligned}
& -1 - a^+ - b^+ - c^+, -1 - a^- - b^- - c^-, \\
(3.6) \quad & 1 + a^+, 1 + b^+, 1 + c^+, 1 + a^-, 1 + b^-, 1 + c^- \notin \mathbb{Z}_{\leq 0}, \\
& a^+ - a^-, b^+ - b^-, c^+ - c^- \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } a^- + c^- \notin \mathbb{Z}.
\end{aligned}$$

Then we have

(3.7)

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int \int_{\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(0,0), (1,0), (\operatorname{Re}(z), \operatorname{Im}(z))\}} (x+iy)^{a^+} (x-iy)^{a^-} \\
& \times (1-x-iy)^{b^+} (1-x+iy)^{b^-} (z-x-iy)^{c^+} (\bar{z}-x+iy)^{c^-} dx dy \\
& = e(a^+ - a^-) \frac{\sin(\pi c^-) \sin(\pi a^+)}{\sin(\pi(a^- + c^-))} \\
& \times \int_{\overrightarrow{(0, \bar{z})}} (x-iy)^{a^-} (1-x+iy)^{b^-} (\bar{z}-x+iy)^{c^-} d(x-iy) \\
& \times \int_{\overrightarrow{(0, z)}} (x+iy)^{a^+} (1-x-iy)^{b^+} (z-x-iy)^{c^+} d(x+iy) \\
& + e(c^+ - c^-) \frac{\sin(\pi(a^- + b^- + c^-)) \sin(\pi(b^+))}{\sin(\pi(a^- + c^-))} \\
& \times \int_{\overrightarrow{(1, +\infty)}} (x-iy)^{a^-} (x-iy-1)^{b^-} (x-iy-\bar{z})^{c^-} d(x-iy) \\
& \times \int_{\overrightarrow{(1, +\infty)}} (x+iy)^{a^+} (x+iy-1)^{b^+} (x+iy-z)^{c^+} d(x+iy) \\
& = e(a^+ - a^-) \frac{\sin(\pi c^-) \sin(\pi a^+)}{\sin(\pi(a^- + c^-))} \\
& \times \int_{\overrightarrow{(0, \bar{z})}} u^{a^-} (1-u)^{b^-} (\bar{z}-u)^{c^-} du \int_{\overrightarrow{(0, z)}} u^{a^+} (1-u)^{b^+} (z-u)^{c^+} du \\
& + e(c^+ - c^-) \frac{\sin(\pi(a^- + b^- + c^-)) \sin(\pi(b^+))}{\sin(\pi(a^- + c^-))} \\
& \times \int_{\overrightarrow{(1, +\infty)}} u^{a^-} (u-1)^{b^-} (u-\bar{z})^{c^-} du \int_{\overrightarrow{(1, +\infty)}} u^{a^+} (u-1)^{b^+} (u-z)^{c^+} du.
\end{aligned}$$

Corollary 2. *Suppose that*

$$-1 - a - b - c, 1 + a, 1 + b, 1 + c, \notin \mathbb{Z}_{\leq 0} \text{ and } a + c \notin \mathbb{Z}.$$

Then we have

$$(3.8) \quad \begin{aligned} & \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2} \int_{\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0, 1, z\}} |t|^{2a} |1-t|^{2b} |z-t|^{2c} dt d\bar{t} \\ &= \frac{\sin(\pi c) \sin(\pi a)}{\sin(\pi(a+c))} \left| \int_0^z u^a (1-u)^b (z-u)^c du \right|^2 \\ &+ \frac{\sin(\pi(a+b+c)) \sin(\pi(b))}{\sin(\pi(a+c))} \left| \int_1^\infty u^a (u-1)^b (u-z)^c du \right|^2. \end{aligned}$$

Here the integrands are loaded standardly.

Remark 4. *At the first stage in this section before considering the integrals, we temporarily assume that*

$$a^\pm, b^\pm, c^\pm, a^+ + b^+ + c^+, a^- + b^- + c^- \notin \mathbb{Z},$$

and, at the second stage when we consider the integrals, we assume moreover that

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re}(1+a^\pm) &> 0, \quad \operatorname{Re}(1+b^\pm) > 0, \quad \operatorname{Re}(1+c^\pm) > 0, \\ \operatorname{Re}(-1-a^+-b^+-c^+) &> 0, \quad \operatorname{Re}(-1-a^--b^--c^-) > 0 \end{aligned}$$

to guarantee the existence of the integrals in (3.7). Finally, however, the analytic continuation relaxes the conditions into (3.6). This completes the proof of Theorem 2.

Remark 5. *Formula (3.8) is (3.64) of [2], which represents a correlation function of the basic operators in conformal field theory, and (3.7) is Theorem 2.2 of [8], which is obtained by considering the differential equations satisfied by the function (2.1). See also (2) of [6] for the relation with the correlation function of conformal field theory.*

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