

## CONSTRUCTION OF INVARIANTS

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### 1. Introduction.

Let  $G$  be a connected reductive group defined over the complex number field  $\mathbf{C}$ ,  $V$  a finite dimensional vector space and  $\rho: G \rightarrow GL(V)$  a rational representation of  $G$ . Such a triplet  $(G, \rho, V)$  is called a *prehomogeneous vector space* if  $V$  has an open  $G$ -orbit, and called *irreducible* if  $\rho$  is an irreducible representation. A complete list of irreducible prehomogeneous vector spaces is given by M. Sato and T. Kimura [12]. The purpose of this paper is to construct explicitly an irreducible relative invariant for every irreducible prehomogeneous vector space. If  $(G, \rho, V)$  and  $(G', \rho', V')$  are in the same castling class, then an irreducible relative invariant of  $(G, \rho, V)$  can be constructed from that of  $(G', \rho', V')$ . (See proposition 18 in [12, section 4].) Hence it is enough to consider irreducible reduced prehomogeneous vector spaces. (See [12, section 2] for the generalities concerning the castling transformations.) In the tables I and II of [12, section 7], irreducible relative invariants are given except for the following six cases;

- (6)  $(GL(7), A_3, V(35))$ ,
- (7)  $(GL(8), A_3, V(56))$ ,
- (10)  $(SL(5) \times GL(3), A_2 \otimes A_1, V(10) \otimes V(3))$ ,
- (20)  $(Spin(10) \times GL(2), (\text{half spin}) \otimes A_1, V(16) \otimes V(2))$ ,
- (21)  $(Spin(10) \times GL(3), (\text{half spin}) \otimes A_1, V(16) \otimes V(3))$ ,
- (24)  $(GL(1) \times Spin(14), (\text{half spin}), V(64))$ .

Irreducible relative invariants of (6) and (7) are constructed by T. Kimura [8], and that of (20) is constructed by H. Kawahara [7]. (Concerning a construction of an invariant of (7), see the last section of the present paper.) Hence our task is to construct irreducible relative invariants of (10), (21) and (24).

**2. Invariants of  $SL(5) \times GL(3)$ .**

Let  $\Lambda^2 C^5$  be the Grassmann tensor product of  $C^5$  of the second order. If  $\{e_1, \dots, e_5\}$  is a basis of  $C^5$ , a general element  $x$  of  $\Lambda^2 C^5$  is uniquely expressed as

$$x = \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 5} x_{ij} e_i \wedge e_j.$$

In this section, we reserve the letters  $x, y, z, w$  and  $u$  for such elements. Their coordinates are written as  $x_{ij}, y_{ij}$  etc. and we put  $x_{ji} = -x_{ij}$  etc. A general element of the representation space  $V = (\Lambda^2 C^5) \otimes C^3$  can be regarded as a triplet  $(x, y, z)$  and the action  $\rho$  of  $G = SL(5) \times GL(3)$  on  $V$  is given by

$$\rho(g_1, g_2)(x, y, z) = (g_1 x, g_1 y, g_1 z) \cdot {}^t g_2$$

for  $(g_1, g_2) \in G$ , where  $g_1 x$  etc. are the natural action of  $SL(5)$  on  $\Lambda^2 C^5$ . Consider the following polynomials;

$$f_1(x) = x_{23}x_{45} - x_{24}x_{35} + x_{25}x_{34},$$

$$f_2(x) = x_{34}x_{51} - x_{35}x_{41} + x_{31}x_{45},$$

$$f_3(x) = x_{45}x_{12} - x_{41}x_{52} + x_{42}x_{51},$$

$$f_4(x) = x_{51}x_{23} - x_{52}x_{13} + x_{53}x_{12},$$

$$f_5(x) = x_{12}x_{34} - x_{13}x_{24} + x_{14}x_{23}.$$

REMARK 1. We introduced these polynomials by a representation theoretic consideration as in [8], so that the property (3) below is satisfied.

Let  $D_{y,x}$  be the polarization which transforms a letter  $x$  to  $y$  [13], In our case

$$D_{y,x} = \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 5} y_{ij} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{ij}}.$$

Let

$$g_i(x, y) = D_{y,x} f_i(x),$$

and

$$P(x, y, z, w, u) = \sum_{i,j=1}^5 g_i(x, y) g_j(z, w) u_{i,j}.$$

By the definition of  $P$ ,

$$(1) \quad P(x, y, z, w, u) = P(y, x, z, w, u) = -P(z, w, x, y, u).$$

Hence

$$(2) \quad P(x, y, x, y, z) = 0.$$

LEMMA. *The polynomial  $P$  is a relative invariant with respect to  $GL(5)$ . More precisely,*

$$(3) \quad P(gx, gy, gz, gw, gu) = (\det g)^2 P(x, y, z, w, u)$$

for  $g \in GL(5)$ .

PROOF. Invariance with respect to the scalar action of  $GL(1)$  is obvious. By the symmetry, it is enough to show the invariance with respect to the matrix unit  $E_{12}$ . Note that  $-E_{12}$  acts as the polarization which transforms 1 to 2. Hence  $-E_{12}f_2 = -f_1$  and  $E_{12}f_i = 0$  for  $i \neq 2$ . Hence  $-E_{12}g_2 = -g_1$  and  $E_{12}g_i = 0$  for  $i \neq 2$ . Using this fact, we can easily show that  $E_{12}P(x, y, z, w, u) = 0$ .  $\square$

(4) If at most two kinds of letters appear among  $\{x, y, z, w, u\}$ , then  $P(x, y, z, w, u) = 0$ , e. g.,  $P(x, x, x, y, y) = 0$  etc.

PROOF. In such a case,  $P$  gives a relative invariant of  $(GL(5), A_2 \oplus A_2, V(10) \oplus V(10))$  which is a prehomogeneous vector space without relative invariant other than constants [12; p 94]. This fact can also be shown by a representation theoretic consideration as in [8].  $\square$

By (4),  $P(z, z, y, y, y) = 0$ . By the polarization  $D_{x,y}$ , we get

$$(5) \quad 2P(z, z, x, y, y) + P(z, z, y, y, x) = 0.$$

Hence by (1),

$$(6) \quad 2P(z, z, x, y, y) = P(y, y, z, z, x).$$

By (4),  $P(y, y, y, x, x) = 0$ . By the polarization  $D_{z,x}$ , we get

$$(7) \quad P(y, y, y, x, z) + P(y, y, y, z, x) = 0.$$

By (1) and (7),

$$(8) \quad P(y, y, y, z, x) = -P(y, y, y, x, z) = P(x, y, y, y, z).$$

By multiplying the both sides of (6) and (8),

$$(9) \quad 2P(y, y, y, z, x)P(z, z, x, y, y) = P(x, y, y, y, z)P(y, y, z, z, x).$$

THEOREM 1. *Put*

$$\begin{aligned} F(x, y, z) = & P(x, x, x, y, z)P(y, y, z, z, x)^2 + P(y, y, y, z, x)P(z, z, x, x, y)^2 \\ & + P(z, z, z, x, y)P(x, x, y, y, z)^2 \\ & - P(x, x, y, y, z)P(y, y, z, z, x)P(z, z, x, x, y) \\ & - 4P(x, x, x, y, z)P(y, y, y, z, x)P(z, z, z, x, y). \end{aligned}$$

Then  $F$  is an irreducible relative invariant of  $(SL(5) \times GL(3), A_2 \otimes A_1, V(10) \otimes V(3))$  which corresponds to the character

$$(g_1, g_2) \longrightarrow (\det g_2)^5, \quad (g_1, g_2) \in SL(5) \times GL(3).$$

PROOF. Since the degree of an irreducible relative invariant is known to be 15 [12, section 7, Table I (10)], it is enough to prove the relative invariance of  $F$ . The invariance with respect to  $SL(5) \times GL(1)$  is obvious, where  $GL(1)$  is the set of scalar matrices in  $GL(3)$ . Hence it is enough to see the invariance with respect to the actions of the matrix units  $E_{ij} \in \text{Lie}(GL(3))$  for  $i \neq j$ . Since  $x, y$  and  $z$  appears symmetrically in  $F$ , it is enough to consider only one of them. The action of  $\{E_{ij} | i \neq j\}$  are nothing but the polarizations  $D_{y,x}$  etc. Hence it is enough to show that  $D_{y,x}F(x, y, z) = 0$ . By (2) and (4), we have

$$\begin{aligned} D_{y,x}F(x, y, z) &= P(x, x, y, y, z)P(y, y, z, z, x)\{P(y, y, z, z, x) - 2P(z, z, x, y, y)\} \\ &\quad + 2P(z, z, x, x, y)\{2P(y, y, y, z, x)P(z, z, x, y, y) - P(x, y, y, y, z)P(y, y, z, z, x)\} \\ &\quad + 4P(x, x, y, y, z)P(z, z, z, x, y)\{P(x, y, y, y, z) - P(y, y, y, z, x)\} \end{aligned}$$

By (6), (9) and (8), the right hand side equals zero.  $\square$

REMARK 2. Let  $G$  be any reductive group and  $\rho: G \rightarrow GL(V)$  any rational representation. Let  $[v_0] \in V/G$  be a generic point,  $v_0$  a point in the closed  $G$ -orbit lying above  $[v_0]$ ,  $G_{v_0}$  the isotropy subgroup of  $G$  at  $v_0$ ,  $T$  a maximal torus of  $G_{v_0}$ ,  $N$  the normalizer of  $T$  in  $G$ ,  $V^T = \{v \in V | tv = v, t \in T\}$ ,  $C[V]$  the set of polynomial functions on  $V$ ,  $\phi$  a rational character of  $G$  and

$$C[V]^{G, \phi} = \{f \in C[V] | f(gv) = \phi(g)f(v), g \in G\}.$$

Define  $C[V^T]^{N, \phi}$  in the same way. Then we have an isomorphism of Chevalley type

$$C[V]^{G, \phi} \cong C[V^T]^{N, \phi}.$$

which is given by the restriction. (See [11; Appendix 2].) For many prehomogeneous vector spaces  $(G, \rho, V)$ , it is quite easy to give a non-zero element of  $C[V^T]^{N, \phi}$ . Thus we can describe the restriction of an irreducible relative invariant in  $C[V]^{G, \phi}$  to  $V^T$ . In our case, this description gave us enough information to determine the explicit form of  $F$  in our theorem.

REMARK 3. In our case  $(G, \rho, V)$  has a unique split  $\mathbf{Z}$ -form [3]. For this  $\mathbf{Z}$ -form,  $V(\mathbf{Z})$  may be identified with the lattice of  $V(\mathbf{C})$  generated by

$$(e_i \wedge e_j, 0, 0), (0, e_i \wedge e_j, 0), (0, 0, e_i \wedge e_j),$$

where  $1 \leq i < j \leq 5$ . Then  $\pm 2^{-5}F(x, y, z)$  are the irreducible relative invariants in  $\mathbf{Z}[V]$ .

In fact, since  $g_i(x, x) = 2f_i(x)$ , we can show that  $2^{-2}P(x, x, y, y, z)$ ,  $2^{-1}P(y, y, y, z, x)$  etc. belong to  $\mathbf{Z}[V]$ . If we take

$$(e_1 \wedge e_2 + e_3 \wedge e_4, e_2 \wedge e_3 + e_4 \wedge e_5, e_1 \wedge e_3 + e_2 \wedge e_5)$$

as  $v_0$  in remark 2, then we can take

$$\{\text{diag}(1, t, t^{-1}, t^2, t^{-2}) \times \text{diag}(t^{-1}, 1, t) \mid t \in \mathbf{C} - \{0\}\}$$

as  $T$ . Then  $C = V^T$  is the linear span of the following elements ;

$$\begin{aligned} &(e_1 \wedge e_2, 0, 0), (e_3 \wedge e_4, 0, 0), \\ &(0, e_2 \wedge e_3, 0), (0, e_4 \wedge e_5, 0), \\ &(0, 0, e_1 \wedge e_3), (0, 0, e_2 \wedge e_5). \end{aligned}$$

An easy calculation shows that

$$2^{-5}F(x, y, z)|_C = -x_{12}^3 x_{34}^2 y_{23} y_{45}^4 z_{13}^3 z_{25}^2.$$

Hence  $2^{-5}F(x, y, z)$  is irreducible in  $\mathbf{Z}[V]$ . Note that we have also shown that

$$\mathbf{Z}[V]^{G, \phi} \cong \mathbf{Z}[V^T]^{N, \phi}.$$

in our case.

### 3. Invariant of $Spin(10) \times GL(3)$ .

The purpose of this section is to construct an irreducible relative invariant of  $(Spin(10) \times GL(3), (\text{half spin}) \otimes A_1, V(16) \otimes V(3))$ . In this section, we need the theory of spinors. See [12; pp. 110-114] and [1] for the generalities concerning the spinor groups and spinor representations. Here we use the same notations as in [12].

A general element  $x$  of the representation space  $V(16)$  of the even half spin representation of  $Spin(10)$  can be written uniquely as

$$x = x_0 + \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 5} x_{ij} e_i e_j + \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k < l \leq 5} x_{ijkl} e_i e_j e_k e_l.$$

In this section, we reserve the letters  $x, y, z$  and  $w$  for such elements. Their coordinates are written as  $x_0, y_{ij}$  etc., and we put  $x_{ji} = -x_{ij}$  and

$$x_{p(i), p(j), p(k), p(l)} = \text{sign}(p) x_{ijkl}$$

for any permutation  $p$  of  $i < j < k < l$ . A general element of the representation space  $V(16) \otimes V(3)$  can be regarded as a triplet  $(x, y, z)$  and the action  $\rho = \rho_1 \otimes \rho_2$

of  $G=Spin(10)\times GL(3)$  on  $V$  is given by

$$\rho(g_1, g_2)(x, y, z)=(\rho_1(g_1)x, \rho_1(g_1)y, \rho_1(g_1)z)\cdot {}^t\rho_2(g_2)$$

for  $(g_1, g_2)\in G$ , where  $\rho_1$  is the even half spin representation of  $Spin(10)$  on  $V(16)$  and  $\rho_2$  is the natural representation of  $GL(3)$  on  $V(3)$ .

Consider the following polynomials;

$$f_1(x)=-x_{12}x_{1345}+x_{13}x_{1245}-x_{14}x_{1235}+x_{15}x_{1234},$$

$$f_2(x)=-x_{23}x_{2451}+x_{24}x_{2351}-x_{25}x_{2341}+x_{21}x_{2345},$$

$$f_3(x)=-x_{34}x_{3512}+x_{35}x_{3412}-x_{31}x_{3452}+x_{32}x_{3451},$$

$$f_4(x)=-x_{45}x_{4123}+x_{41}x_{4523}-x_{42}x_{4513}+x_{43}x_{4512},$$

$$f_5(x)=-x_{51}x_{5234}+x_{52}x_{5134}-x_{53}x_{5124}+x_{54}x_{5123},$$

$$f_6(x)=x_0x_{2345}-x_{23}x_{45}+x_{24}x_{35}-x_{25}x_{34},$$

$$f_7(x)=x_0x_{3451}-x_{34}x_{51}+x_{35}x_{41}-x_{31}x_{45},$$

$$f_8(x)=x_0x_{4512}-x_{45}x_{12}+x_{41}x_{52}-x_{42}x_{51},$$

$$f_9(x)=x_0x_{5123}-x_{51}x_{23}+x_{52}x_{13}-x_{53}x_{12},$$

$$f_{10}(x)=x_0x_{1234}-x_{12}x_{34}+x_{13}x_{24}-x_{14}x_{23},$$

$$g_i(x, y)=D_{xy}f_i(x),$$

$$P(x, y, z, w)=\sum_{i=1}^5(g_i(x, y)g_{i+5}(z, w)+g_{i+5}(x, y)g_i(z, w)),$$

Then by the definition of  $P$ ,

$$(1) \quad P(x, y, z, w)=P(y, x, z, w)=P(z, w, x, y).$$

The polynomials  $f_i$  are known as spinor invariants [1]. Concerning the properties of the spinor invariants, what is necessary for our purpose is the following fact;

$$f_i(\rho_1(g)v)=\sum_{j=1}^{10}\chi(g)_{ij}f_j(v)$$

for  $g\in Spin(10)$  and  $1\leq j\leq 10$ . Here  $\chi$  denotes the vector representation of  $Spin(10)$  ([12]), and  $\chi(g)_{ij}$  denote the matrix components. Since the image of  $\chi$  is the special orthogonal group which preserves the symmetric bilinear form

$$\sum_{i=1}^5(\xi_i\eta_{i+5}+\xi_{i+5}\eta_i),$$

the polynomial  $P$  is a  $Spin(10)$ -invariant, i. e.,

$$(3) \quad P(gx, gy, gz, gw) = P(x, y, z, w)$$

for  $g \in Spin(10)$ . Here we wrote  $gx$  etc. for  $\rho_1(g)x$  etc. Of course, (3) can also be shown by a direct calculation as in section 2. Since  $P(x, x, x, x)$  is an (absolute) invariant of the non-regular prehomogeneous vector space ( $Spin(10)$ , half spin,  $V(16)$ ) without relative invariants other than constants [12; section 7, Table III (6')],

$$(4) \quad P(x, x, x, x) = 0.$$

Polarizing (4) by  $D_{yx}$ , we get

$$(5) \quad P(x, x, x, y) = 0.$$

(Here we used (1).) Polarizing (5) again by  $D_{yx}$ , we get

$$(6) \quad P(x, x, y, y) + 2P(x, y, x, y) = 0.$$

Polarizing (6) by  $D_{zy}$ , we get

$$(7) \quad P(x, x, y, z) + 2P(x, y, x, z) = 0.$$

**THEOREM 2** (H. Kawahara [7]). *An irreducible relative invariant of  $(Spin(10) \times GL(2), (\text{half spin}) \otimes A_1, V(16) \otimes V(2))$  is given by  $F_2(x, y) = P(x, y, x, y)$ .*

**PROOF.** It is easy to see that  $F_2(x, y) \neq 0$ . (See remark 4 below.) By (3), the invariance with respect to  $Spin(10) \times GL(1)$  is obvious, where  $GL(1)$  is the set of scalar matrices in  $GL(2)$ . By (1) and (5), we have

$$D_{xy}F_2(x, y) = P(x, x, x, y) + P(x, y, x, x) = 0.$$

Since  $F_2(x, y) = F_2(y, x)$ ,  $F_2(x, y)$  is a relative invariant with respect to  $Spin(10) \times GL(2)$ . Since the degree of an irreducible relative invariant is known to be 4 [12; section 7, Table I (20)],  $F_2$  is irreducible.  $\square$

**REMARK 4.** In the case treated in theorem 2,  $(G, \rho, V)$  has a unique split  $\mathbf{Z}$ -form [3]. For this  $\mathbf{Z}$ -form,  $V(\mathbf{Z})$  may be identified with the lattice of  $V(\mathbf{C})$  generated by the elements

$$\begin{aligned} &(1, 0), (0, 1), \\ &(e_i e_j, 0), (0, e_i e_j), \quad (1 \leq i < j \leq 5), \\ &(e_i e_j e_k e_l, 0), (0, e_i e_j e_k e_l), \quad (1 \leq i < j < k < l \leq 5). \end{aligned}$$

Then  $\pm F_2(x, y)$  are the irreducible relative invariants in  $\mathbf{Z}[V]$ . In order to prove this, take

$$(1 + e_1 e_2 e_3 e_4, e_1 e_5 + e_2 e_3 e_4 e_5)$$

as  $v_0$  in remark 2. Then we can take as  $T$  the inverse image by  $(X \times \text{identity})$  of the set of

$$\text{diag}(1, t_2, t_3, t_4, t_5^2; 1, t_2^{-1}, t_3^{-1}, t_4^{-1}, t_5^{-2}) \times \text{diag}(t_5, t_5^{-1})$$

where  $t_2, t_3, t_4, t_5 \in \mathbb{C} - \{0\}$  and  $t_2 t_3 t_4 = 1$ . Then  $C = V^T$  is the linear span of the following 4 elements;

$$(1, 0), (e_1 e_2 e_3 e_4, 0), (0, e_1 e_5), (0, e_2 e_3 e_4 e_5).$$

An easy calculation shows that

$$F_2(x, y)|_C = x_2 x_{1334} y_{15} y_{2345}.$$

Hence  $F_2$  is irreducible in  $\mathbb{Z}[V]$ . We have also shown that

$$\mathbb{Z}[V]^{G, \phi} \cong \mathbb{Z}[V^T]^{N, \phi}$$

in our case.

**THEOREM 3.** *An irreducible relative invariant of  $((Spin(10) \times GL(3), \text{half spin}) \otimes A_1, V(16) \otimes V(3))$  is given by*

$$\begin{aligned} F_3(x, y, z) = & P(x, x, y, y)P(x, y, z, z)^2 + P(y, y, z, z)P(y, z, x, x)^2 \\ & + P(z, z, x, x)P(z, x, y, y)^2 - P(x, x, y, y)P(y, y, z, z)P(z, z, x, x) \\ & + 2P(x, x, y, z)P(y, y, z, x)P(z, z, x, y). \end{aligned}$$

**PROOF.** It is easy to see that  $F_3(x, y, z) \neq 0$ . (See remark 5 below.) By (3), the invariance with respect to  $Spin(10) \times GL(1)$  is obvious, where  $GL(1)$  is the set of scalar matrices of  $GL(3)$ . Since the degree of an irreducible relative invariant is known to be 12 [12; section 7, Table I (21)], it is enough to show that  $D_{xy} F_3(x, y, z) = 0$ . By (1) and (5), we have

$$\begin{aligned} D_{xy} F_3(x, y, z) = & 2P(x, y, z, z)P(x, x, y, z)\{P(x, x, y, z) + 2P(x, y, x, z)\} \\ & + 2P(x, x, z, z)P(x, z, y, y)\{P(x, x, y, z) + 2P(x, y, x, z)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence by (7),  $D_{xy} F_3(x, y, z) = 0$ .  $\square$

**REMARK 5.** In the case treated in theorem 3,  $(G, \rho, V)$  has a unique split  $\mathbb{Z}$ -form [3]. For this  $\mathbb{Z}$ -form,  $V(\mathbb{Z})$  may be identified with the lattice of  $V(\mathbb{C})$  generated by

$$\begin{aligned} & (1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1), \\ & (e_i e_j, 0, 0), (0, e_i e_j, 0), (0, 0, e_i e_j), \quad 1 \leq i < j \leq 5, \\ & (e_i e_j e_k e_l, 0, 0), (0, e_i e_j e_k e_l, 0), (0, 0, e_i e_j e_k e_l), \quad 1 \leq i < j < k < l \leq 5. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $\pm 2^{-4}F_3(x, y, z)$  are the irreducible relative invariants in  $\mathbf{Z}[V]$ . In fact, since  $g_i(x, x) = 2f_i(x)$ , we can show that  $2^{-2}P(x, x, y, y)$ ,  $2^{-1}P(x, y, z, z)$  etc. belong to  $\mathbf{Z}[V]$ . Hence  $2^{-4}F_3(x, y, z) \in \mathbf{Z}[V]$ . If we take

$$(1 + e_1e_2e_3e_4, e_1e_5 + e_2e_3e_4e_5, e_1e_2 + e_1e_3e_4e_5)$$

as  $v_0$  in remark 2, then we can take as  $T$  the inverse image by  $(\mathcal{X} \times \text{identity})$  of the set of

$$\text{diag} (1, (t_1t_2)^{-1}, t_1, t_2, (t_1t_2)^{-2}; 1, t_1t_2, t_1^{-1}, t_2^{-1}, (t_1t_2)^2) \times \text{diag} ((t_1t_2)^{-1}, t_1t_2, 1),$$

where  $t_1, t_2 \in \mathbf{C} - \{0\}$ . Then  $C = V^T$  is the linear span of the following 6 elements;

$$\begin{aligned} &(1, 0, 0), (e_1e_2e_3e_4, 0, 0), \\ &(0, e_1e_5, 0), (0, e_2e_3e_4e_5, 0), \\ &(0, 0, e_1e_2), (0, 0, e_1e_3e_4e_5). \end{aligned}$$

An easy calculation shows that

$$2^{-4}F_3(x, y, z)|_C = -x_0^2 x_{1234} y_{15} y_{2345} z_{12}^2 z_{1345}^2.$$

Hence  $2^{-4}F_3(x, y, z)$  is irreducible in  $\mathbf{Z}[V]$ . We have also shown that

$$\mathbf{Z}[V]^{G, \phi} \cong \mathbf{Z}[V^T]^{N, \phi}$$

in our case.

**4. Invariants of  $(GL(1) \times GL(7), A_3 \oplus A_1, V(35) \oplus V(7))$ .**

The purpose of this and next sections are to construct an irreducible relative invariant of  $(GL(1) \times Spin(14), (\text{odd half spin}), V(64))$ , where  $GL(1)$  acts on  $V(64)$  as scalars. First, we need to construct irreducible relative invariants of  $(GL(1) \times GL(7), A_3 \oplus A_1, V(35) \oplus V(7))$ , where  $GL(1)$  acts on  $V(7)$  as scalars. A construction of the irreducible relative invariants of this prehomogeneous vector space is given by T. Kimura. See [8; p. 96, Table A (14)]. Here we give another construction.

Let  $\{e_1, \dots, e_7\}$  be a basis of  $V(7)$ . Then  $\{e_i \wedge e_j \wedge e_k \mid 1 \leq i < j < k \leq 7\}$  is a basis of  $V(35)$ . We write  $e_{ijk}$  for  $e_i \wedge e_j \wedge e_k$ . A general element of  $V = V(35) \oplus V(7)$  can be uniquely expressed as

$$x = \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq 7} x_{ijk} e_{ijk} \oplus \sum_{i=1}^7 x_i e_i.$$

Put  $x_{jik} = -x_{ijk}$  etc. If we take

$$(e_{123} + e_{567} + e_{145} + e_{246} + e_{347}) \oplus e_4$$

as  $v_0$  in remark 2, we can take

$$\{\text{diag}(t_1, t_2, t_3, 1, t_1^{-1}, t_2^{-1}, t_3^{-1}) \mid t_1 t_2 t_3 = 1\}$$

as the maximal torus  $T$  of  $G_{v_0}$ , where  $G = GL(1) \times GL(7)$ . (See remark 2 for the notations.) Then  $C = V^T$  is the linear span of the following 6 elements;

$$e_{123}, e_{567}, e_{145}, e_{246}, e_{347}, e_4.$$

The relative invariants of  $(N, V^T)$  are products of

$$(4.1) \quad x_{123}^2 x_{567}^2 x_4^2,$$

$$(4.2) \quad x_{123}^2 x_{567}^2 x_{145} x_{246} x_{347},$$

and scalars. Let  $J_6$  and  $J_7$  be the relative invariants of  $(G, V)$  whose restrictions are (4.1) and (4.2) respectively.

**THEOREM 4.** (1) *We have*

$$\begin{aligned} J_6 = & \sum' x_{123}^2 x_{456}^2 x_7^2 \\ & - 2 \sum' x_{123}^2 x_{456} x_{457} x_6 x_7 \\ & - 2 \sum' x_{123} x_{124} x_{356} x_{456} x_7^2 \\ & + 2 \sum' x_{123} x_{124} x_{356} x_{457} x_6 x_7 \\ & + 2 \sum' x_{123} x_{124} x_{356} x_{567} x_4 x_7 \\ & - 4 \sum' x_{123} x_{156} x_{246} x_{345} x_7^2 \\ & - 4 \sum' x_{123} x_{145} x_{246} x_{357} x_6 x_7, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\sum' x_{123}^2 x_{456}^2 x_7^2$  etc. means the sum of distinct terms among

$$\{x_{p(1), p(2), p(3)}^2 x_{p(4), p(5), p(6)}^2 x_{p(7)}^2 \mid p \in \mathfrak{S}_7\}.$$

The relative invariant  $J_6$  corresponds to the character

$$(g_1, g_2) \longrightarrow g_1^2 (\det g_2)^2, \quad (g_1, g_2) \in GL(1) \times GL(7).$$

(2) *We have*

$$\begin{aligned} J_7 = & \sum' \pm x_{123} x_{124} x_{135} x_{246} x_{357} x_{467} x_{567} \\ & - \sum' \pm x_{123}^2 x_{145} x_{246} x_{357} x_{467} x_{567} \\ & + \sum' \pm x_{123}^2 x_{145} x_{246} x_{347} x_{567}^2 \\ & + \sum' \pm x_{123} x_{124} x_{135} x_{256} x_{347} x_{467} x_{567} \\ & + \sum' \pm x_{123} x_{124} x_{135} x_{256} x_{367} x_{457} x_{467} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \sum' \pm x_{123} x_{124} x_{156} x_{257} x_{346} x_{357} x_{467} \\
 & - 2 \sum' \pm x_{123} x_{124} x_{156} x_{257} x_{345} x_{367} x_{467} \\
 & - 4 \sum' \pm x_{123} x_{246} x_{356} x_{257} x_{145} x_{167} x_{347} .
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\sum' \pm x_{123} x_{124} \dots$  etc. means the sum of distinct terms among

$$\{\text{sign}(p) x_{p(1), p(2), p(3)} x_{p(4), p(5), p(6)} \dots \mid p \in \mathfrak{S}_7\} .$$

The relative invariant  $J_7$  corresponds to the character

$$(g_1, g_2) \longrightarrow (\det g_2)^3, \quad (g_1, g_2) \in GL(1) \times GL(7) .$$

REMARK 6. The above formula for  $J_7$  is already obtained by J. Igusa [5]. A different formula for  $J_7$  is given in [2]. (See also [8].)

PROOF OF (1). We write

$$(abc, def, \dots, i, j, \dots)$$

for the monomial

$$x_{abc} x_{def} \dots x_i x_j \dots ,$$

and

$$p(abc, \dots)$$

for

$$(p(a)p(b)p(c), \dots) ,$$

where  $p$  is a permutation. Put

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_1 &= (123, 123, 456, 456, 7, 7) , \\
 m_2 &= (123, 123, 456, 457, 6, 7) , \\
 m_3 &= (123, 124, 345, 567, 6, 7) , \\
 m_4 &= (123, 124, 356, 456, 7, 7) , \\
 m_5 &= (123, 124, 356, 457, 6, 7) , \\
 m_6 &= (123, 124, 356, 567, 4, 7) , \\
 m_7 &= (123, 156, 246, 345, 7, 7) , \\
 m_8 &= (123, 145, 246, 357, 6, 7) .
 \end{aligned}$$

By considering the invariance with respect to the maximal torus of  $GL(1) \times GL(7)$  and the permutation matrices in  $GL(7)$ , we can show that  $J_6$  is of the form

$$\sum_{k=1}^8 a_k (\sum' m_k),$$

with  $a_1=1$ . Since (34) $m_3=-m_3$ ,  $\sum' m_3=0$ . So we may suppose that  $a_3=0$ . Let us consider the derivation  $D_{ij}$  ( $i \neq j$ ) such that

$$D_{ij}x_{klm} = \delta_{jk}x_{ilm} + \delta_{jl}x_{kim} + \delta_{jm}x_{kli} \quad (1 \leq k < l < m \leq 7),$$

and

$$D_{ij}x_k = \delta_{jk}x_i \quad (1 \leq k \leq 7).$$

Since  $-D_{ij}$  is nothing but the action of the matrix unit  $E_{ji}$ , it is enough to determine  $a_k$ 's so that

$$D_{ij} \sum_k a_k (\sum' m_k) = 0.$$

If  $(ij)=(76)$

$$(123, 123, 456, 457, 7, 7)$$

appears only in

$$D_{76}(123, 123, 456, 456, 7, 7) = D_{76}m_1,$$

$$D_{76}(123, 123, 456, 457, 6, 7) = D_{76}m_2,$$

Hence  $2a_1 + a_2 = 0$ ,  $a_2 = -2$ . If  $(ij)=(34)$ ,

$$(123, 123, 356, 456, 7, 7)$$

appears only in

$$D_{34}(123, 124, 356, 456, 7, 7) = D_{34}m_4,$$

$$D_{34}(123, 123, 456, 456, 7, 7) = D_{34}m_1.$$

Hence  $2a_1 + a_4 = 0$ ,  $a_4 = -2$ . If  $(ij)=(34)$ ,

$$(123, 123, 356, 457, 6, 7)$$

appears only in

$$D_{34}(123, 124, 356, 457, 6, 7) = D_{34}m_5.$$

$$D_{34}(123, 123, 456, 457, 6, 7) = D_{34}m_2.$$

Hence  $a_5 = -a_2 = 2$ . If  $(ij)=(34)$ ,

$$(123, 123, 356, 567, 4, 7)$$

appears only in

$$D_{34}(123, 124, 356, 567, 4, 7) = D_{34}m_6,$$

$$D_{34}(123, 123, 456, 567, 4, 7) = D_{34}(46)m_2.$$

Hence  $a_6 = -a_2 = 2$ . If  $(ij)=(25)$ ,

$$(123, 126, 246, 345, 7, 7)$$

appears only in

$$D_{25}(153, 126, 246, 345, 7, 7) = -D_{25}(13)(25)m_4,$$

$$D_{25}(123, 156, 246, 345, 7, 7) = D_{25}m_7,$$

$$D_{25}(123, 126, 546, 345, 7, 7) = -D_{25}(465)m_4.$$

Hence  $a_7 = 2a_4 = -4$ . If  $(ij) = (34)$ .

$$(123, 135, 246, 357, 6, 7)$$

appears only in

$$D_{34}(124, 135, 246, 357, 6, 7) = D_{34}(124653)m_6,$$

$$D_{34}(123, 145, 246, 357, 6, 7) = D_{34}m_8,$$

$$D_{34}(123, 135, 246, 457, 6, 7) = D_{34}(23)(45)m_5.$$

Hence  $a_5 + a_6 + a_8 = 0$ ,  $a_8 = -4$ . Thus we have completed the proof of (1).  $\square$

REMARK 7. Let  $P_i = \{p \in \mathfrak{S}_7 \mid pm_i = m_i\}$ . Then

$$P_1 = (\mathfrak{S}(123)\mathfrak{S}(456)) \rtimes \langle (14)(25)(36) \rangle,$$

$$P_2 = \mathfrak{S}(123) \times \langle (45), (67) \rangle,$$

$$P_4 = \langle (12), (56), (15)(26) \rangle \times \langle (34) \rangle,$$

$$P_5 = \langle (12), (34)(67) \rangle,$$

$$P_6 = (\mathfrak{S}(12) \times \mathfrak{S}(56)) \rtimes \langle (15)(26)(47) \rangle,$$

$$P_7 = \langle (26)(35), (12)(45), (23)(56) \rangle \cong \mathfrak{S}_4,$$

$$P_8 = \langle (24)(35), (23)(45)(67) \rangle,$$

where an isomorphism  $\mathfrak{S}_4 \rightarrow P_7$  is given by

$$(12) \rightarrow (26)(35), (23) \rightarrow (12)(45), (34) \rightarrow (23)(56).$$

Hence the number of terms appearing in  $\sum m_i$  ( $i=1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8$ ) are 70, 210, 315, 1260, 630, 210 and 1260 respectively. Let  $f^\vee = f = J_6$ . Then  $f^\vee(\text{grad})f^{s+1} = b(s)f^s$  with a polynomial

$$b(s) = b_0(s+1)\left(s + \frac{5}{2}\right)\left(s + \frac{7}{2}\right)^2(s+4)(s+5)$$

[6]. Since  $b(0) = f^\vee(\text{grad})f = 2^5 5^2 7^2$ ,  $b_0 = 2^9$ .

PROOF OF (2). We keep the conventions above. Put

$$m_1 = (123, 124, 135, 246, 357, 467, 567),$$

$$\begin{aligned}
m_2 &= (123, 124, 134, 256, 357, 467, 567), \\
m_3 &= (123, 123, 145, 246, 357, 467, 567), \\
m_4 &= (123, 123, 145, 246, 347, 567, 567), \\
m_5 &= (123, 124, 135, 256, 347, 467, 567), \\
m_6 &= (123, 124, 135, 256, 367, 457, 467), \\
m_7 &= (123, 124, 135, 267, 367, 456, 457), \\
m_8 &= (123, 124, 156, 257, 346, 357, 467), \\
m_9 &= (123, 124, 156, 257, 345, 367, 467), \\
m_{10} &= (123, 246, 356, 257, 145, 167, 347), \\
m_{11} &= (123, 123, 123, 456, 457, 467, 567), \\
m_{12} &= (123, 123, 124, 345, 467, 567, 567), \\
m_{13} &= (123, 123, 124, 356, 457, 467, 567), \\
m_{14} &= (123, 123, 145, 245, 367, 467, 567), \\
m_{15} &= (123, 124, 125, 345, 367, 467, 567), \\
m_{16} &= (123, 124, 125, 346, 357, 467, 567),
\end{aligned}$$

By considering the invariance with respect to the maximal torus of  $GL(1) \times GL(7)$  and the permutation matrices of  $GL(7)$ , we can show that  $J_7$  is of the form

$$\sum_{k=1}^{16} a_k (\sum' \pm m_k),$$

with  $a_4=1$ . Since  $(23)(67)m_2 = -m_2$ ,  $(45)m_{11} = m_{11}$ ,  $(56)m_{13} = m_{13}$  and  $(12)m_{14} = m_{14}$ , we have

$$\sum' \pm m_2 = \sum' \pm m_{11} = \sum' \pm m_{13} = \sum' \pm m_{14} = 0.$$

So we may suppose that  $a_2 = a_{11} = a_{13} = a_{14} = 0$ . As in the proof of (1), let us determine the coefficients  $a_k$  so that

$$D_{ij} \sum_k a_k (\sum' \pm m_k) = 0.$$

If  $(ij) = (34)$ ,

$$(123, 123, 123, 345, 467, 567, 567),$$

appears only in

$$D_{34}(123, 123, 124, 345, 467, 567, 567) = D_{34}m_{12}$$

Hence  $a_{12} = 0$ . If  $(ij) = (34)$ ,

$$(123, 123, 125, 345, 367, 467, 567)$$

appears only in

$$D_{34}(123, 124, 125, 345, 367, 467, 567) = D_{34}m_{15},$$

$$D_{34}(123, 123, 125, 345, 467, 467, 567) = -D_{34}(45)m_{12}.$$

Hence  $a_{15} = -2a_{12} = 0$ . If  $(ij) = (34)$ ,

$$(123, 123, 125, 346, 357, 467, 567)$$

appears only in

$$D_{34}(123, 124, 125, 346, 357, 467, 567) = D_{34}m_{16},$$

$$D_{34}(123, 123, 125, 346, 457, 467, 567) = -D_{34}(45)m_{13}.$$

Hence  $a_{16} = -a_{13} = 0$ . If  $(ij) = (54)$ ,

$$(123, 123, 145, 246, 357, 567, 567)$$

appears only in

$$D_{54}(123, 123, 145, 246, 347, 567, 567) = D_{54}m_4,$$

$$D_{54}(123, 123, 145, 246, 357, 467, 567) = D_{54}m_3,$$

Hence  $a_3 = -a_4 = -1$ . If  $(ij) = (34)$ ,

$$(123, 123, 135, 246, 357, 467, 567)$$

appears only in

$$D_{34}(123, 124, 135, 246, 357, 467, 567) = D_{34}m_1,$$

$$D_{34}(123, 123, 145, 246, 357, 467, 567) = D_{34}m_3,$$

$$D_{34}(123, 123, 135, 246, 457, 467, 567) = -D_{34}(23)(45)m_{13}.$$

Hence  $a_1 + a_3 - a_{13} = 0$ ,  $a_1 = 1$ . If  $(ij) = (34)$ ,

$$(123, 123, 135, 256, 347, 467, 567)$$

appears only in

$$D_{34}(123, 124, 135, 256, 347, 467, 567) = D_{34}m_5,$$

$$D_{34}(123, 123, 145, 256, 347, 467, 567) = -D_{34}(45)m_3,$$

Hence  $a_3 + a_5 = 0$ ,  $a_5 = 1$ . If  $(ij) = (34)$ ,

$$(123, 123, 135, 256, 367, 457, 467)$$

appears only in

$$D_{34}(123, 124, 135, 256, 367, 457, 467) = D_{34}m_6,$$

$$D_{34}(123, 123, 145, 256, 367, 457, 467) = -D_{34}(12)(456)m_3,$$

$$D_{34}(123, 123, 135, 256, 467, 457, 467) = D_{34}(23)(4567)m_{12},$$

Hence  $a_6 + a_3 + 2a_{12} = 0$ ,  $a_6 = 1$ . If  $(ij) = (34)$ ,

$$(123, 123, 135, 267, 367, 456, 457)$$

appears only in

$$\begin{aligned} D_{34}(123, 124, 135, 267, 367, 456, 457) &= D_{34}m_7, \\ D_{34}(123, 123, 145, 267, 367, 456, 457) &= D_{34}(123)(46)(57)m_{14}, \\ D_{34}(123, 123, 135, 267, 467, 456, 457) &= D_{34}(23)(457)m_{13}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $a_7 + a_{14} - a_{13} = 0$ ,  $a_7 = 0$ . If  $(ij) = (34)$ ,

$$(123, 123, 156, 257, 346, 357, 467)$$

appears only in

$$\begin{aligned} D_{34}(123, 124, 156, 257, 346, 357, 467) &= D_{34}m_8, \\ D_{34}(123, 123, 156, 257, 346, 457, 467) &= D_{34}(23)(46)m_3. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $a_8 + a_3 = 0$ ,  $a_8 = 1$ . If  $(ij) = (34)$ ,

$$(123, 123, 156, 257, 345, 367, 467)$$

appears only in

$$\begin{aligned} D_{34}(123, 124, 156, 257, 345, 367, 467) &= D_{34}m_9, \\ D_{34}(123, 123, 156, 257, 345, 467, 467) &= -D_{34}(4567)m_4. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $a_9 + 2a_4 = 0$ ,  $a_9 = -2$ . If  $(ij) = (34)$ ,

$$(123, 236, 356, 257, 145, 167, 347)$$

appears only in

$$\begin{aligned} D_{34}(124, 236, 356, 257, 145, 167, 347) &= -D_{34}(24573)m_9, \\ D_{34}(123, 246, 356, 257, 145, 167, 347) &= D_{34}m_{10}, \\ D_{34}(123, 236, 456, 257, 145, 167, 347) &= D_{34}(123)(4657)m_9. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $-a_9 + a_{10} - a_9 = 0$ ,  $a_{10} = -4$ . Thus we have completed the proof of (2).  $\square$

REMARK 8. Let  $P_i = \{p \in \mathfrak{S}_7 \mid pm_i = \text{sign}(p)m_i\}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} P_1 &= \langle (1357642), (17)(26)(35) \rangle \cong \mathbf{Z}_2 \rtimes \mathbf{Z}_7, \\ P_3 &= \langle (23)(45)(67) \rangle \cong \mathbf{Z}_2, \\ P_4 &= \langle (12)(56), (23)(67) \rangle \rtimes \langle (17)(26)(35) \rangle \cong \mathfrak{S}_3 \rtimes \mathbf{Z}_2, \\ P_5 &= \langle (23)(45)(67) \rangle \cong \mathbf{Z}_2, \\ P_6 &= \langle (17)(26)(34) \rangle \cong \mathbf{Z}_2, \end{aligned}$$

$$P_8 = \langle (156)(274) \rangle \cong \mathbf{Z}_8,$$

$$P_9 = \langle (12)(67), (16)(27) \rangle \rtimes \langle (34) \rangle \cong \mathbf{Z}_2^2 \rtimes \mathbf{Z}_2,$$

$$P_{10} \cong SL_3(\mathbf{Z}_2).$$

(Note that  $SL_3(\mathbf{Z}_2)$  is of order 168 and is the automorphism group of the finite projective plane over  $\mathbf{Z}_2$ .) Hence the numbers of terms appearing in  $\sum' \pm m_i$  ( $i=1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10$ ) are 360, 2520, 420, 2520, 2520, 1680, 630 and 30 respectively. Let  $f^\vee = f = J_7$ . Then  $f^\vee(\text{grad})f^{s+1} = b(s)f^s$  with a polynomial

$$b(s) = b_0(s+1)(s+2)\left(s + \frac{5}{2}\right)(s+3)\left(s + \frac{7}{2}\right)(s+4)(s+5)$$

[9]. Since  $b(0) = f^\vee(\text{grad})f = 2^5 35^2 7$ ,  $b_0 = 2^4$ .

**5. Invariant of  $GL(1) \times Spin(14)$ .**

Our purpose here is to construct an irreducible relative invariant  $J_8$  of the odd half spin representation ( $Spin(14), \rho, V(64)$ ). Our method of construction is similar to that of J. Igusa [4]. In this section, we use the same notations as in [12].

A general element  $x$  of  $V(64)$  can be uniquely expressed as

$$x = \sum_i x_i e_i + \sum_{i < j < k} x_{ijk} e_{ijk} + \sum_{i < j} x_{ij}^* e_{ij}^* + x_L e_L,$$

where

$$e_{ijk} = e_i e_j e_k \quad \text{etc.},$$

$$e_L = e_{1234567},$$

$$e_{ij} e_{ij}^* = e_L.$$

Put  $f_{ij} = f_i f_j$  etc.  $x_{jik} = -x_{ijk}$  etc. and  $x_{1 \dots \hat{i} \dots \hat{j} \dots \tau} = (-1)^{i+j-1} x_{ij}^*$ .

LEMMA. In general, put

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \prod_{r < s} (1 + y_{rs} f_{rs}) \right) \left( \sum_{i_0} x_{i_0} e_{i_0} + \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2} x_{i_0 i_1 i_2} e_{i_0 i_1 i_2} + \dots \right) \\ & = \sum_{i_0} z_{i_0} e_{i_0} + \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2} z_{i_0 i_1 i_2} e_{i_0 i_1 i_2} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$z_{i_0 i_1 \dots i_{2q}} = x_{i_0 i_1 \dots i_{2q}} + \sum_{p > q} (-1)^{p-q} \sum_{i_{2q+1} < \dots < i_{2p}} \text{Pf}(y_{i_r i_s})_{2q < r, s \leq 2p} \cdot x_{i_0 \dots i_{2p}},$$

where Pf denotes the Pfaffian.

In fact,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & z_{i_0 i_1 \dots i_{2q}} e_{i_0 i_1 \dots i_{2q}} \\
 &= \sum_{p \geq q} \frac{1}{2^{p-q} (p-q)!} \sum_{i_{2q+1} \dots i_{2p}} (y_{i_{2q+1} i_{2q+2}} \dots y_{i_{2p-1} i_{2p}}) (f_{i_{2q+1} i_{2q+2}} \dots f_{i_{2p-1} i_{2p}}) \\
 &\quad \cdot x_{i_0 \dots i_{2p}} e_{i_0 \dots i_{2p}} \\
 &= \sum_{p \geq q} \frac{1}{2^{p-q} (p-q)!} \sum_i (y_{i_{2q+1} i_{2q+2}} \dots y_{i_{2p-1} i_{2p}}) x_{i_0 \dots i_{2p}} (-1)^{p-q} e_{i_0 \dots i_{2q}} \\
 &\quad \sum_{p \geq q} \sum_{j_{2q+1} < \dots < j_{2p}} \frac{1}{2^{p-q} (p-q)!} \sum_{i_{2q+1} \dots i_{2p}} (y_{i_{2q+1} i_{2q+2}} \dots y_{i_{2p-1} i_{2p}}) \\
 &\quad \cdot \text{sign} \begin{pmatrix} j_{2q+1} & \dots & j_{2p} \\ i_{2q+1} & \dots & i_{2p} \end{pmatrix} x_{i_0 \dots i_{2q} j_{2q+1} \dots j_{2p}} (-1)^{p-q} e_{i_0 \dots i_{2q}} \\
 &= \sum_{p \geq q} \sum_{i_{2q+1} < \dots < i_{2p}} \text{Pf}(y_{i_r i_s})_{2q < r, s \leq 2p} \cdot x_{i_0 \dots i_{2p}} (-1)^{p-q} e_{i_0 \dots i_{2q}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

By the above lemma, we have

$$(5.1) \quad \left( \prod_{r < s} (1 + x_L^{-1} x_{rs}^* f_{rs}) \right) x = \sum_{i_0} z_{i_0} e_{i_0} + \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2} z_{i_0 i_1 i_2} e_{i_0 i_1 i_2} + x_L e_L,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 (5.2) \quad z_{i_0} &= x_L^{-2} \{ (-1)^{i_0-1} \sum_{i_1 < \dots < i_6} \text{Pf}(x_{i_r i_s}^*)_{1 \leq r, s \leq 6} \\
 &\quad + \sum_{i_1 < \dots < i_4} \text{Pf}(x_{i_r i_s}^*)_{1 \leq r, s \leq 4} \cdot x_{i_0 i_1 \dots i_4} \\
 &\quad + x_L \sum_{i_1 < i_2} x_{i_1 i_2}^* x_{i_0 i_1 i_2} \} + x_{i_0},
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 (5.3) \quad z_{i_0 i_1 i_2} &= x_L^{-1} \{ (-1)^{i_0 + i_1 + i_2} \sum_{i_3 < \dots < i_6} \text{Pf}(x_{i_r i_s}^*)_{3 \leq r, s \leq 6} \\
 &\quad - \sum_{i_3 < i_4} x_{i_3 i_4}^* x_{i_0 i_1 \dots i_4} \} + x_{i_0 i_1 i_2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

As is easily seen, every generic element of  $C^7 \oplus A^8 C^7 / SL_7(C)$  has a representative of the form

$$w' e_7 + w(e_{123} + e_{456}) + w^{-1}(e_{147} + e_{257} + e_{367}),$$

(cf. [9; Prop. 2.14]). Hence if we put

$$z = \sum z_{i_0} e_{i_0} + \sum z_{i_0 i_1 i_2} e_{i_0 i_1 i_2} + x_L e_L,$$

then

$$(5.4) \quad \rho(g)z = w' e_7 + w(e_{123} + e_{456}) + w^{-1}(e_{147} + e_{257} + e_{367}) + x_L e_L$$

with some  $w, w'$  and  $g \in SL(7)(\subset Spin(14))$ . By theorem 4,

$$J_6(z) = J_6(\rho(g)z) = w^4 w'^2,$$

and

$$J_7(z) = J_7(\rho(g)z) = -w.$$

Here we regard  $J_6$  and  $J_7$  as polynomial functions on  $V(64)$  via the natural projection  $V(64) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}^7 \oplus (\wedge^3 \mathcal{C}^7)$ . Hence

$$(5.5) \quad w = -J_7(z), \quad w' = (J_6(z)J_7(z)^{-4})^{1/2}.$$

Let  $U$  be the linear span of

$$\{e_7, e_{123}, e_{456}, e_{147}, e_{257}, e_{367}, e_L\}.$$

Since  $J_8$  is invariant with respect to the action of  $\{\prod_{i=1}^7 (t_i e_i f_i + t_i^{-1} f_i e_i) \mid t_i \in \mathcal{C} - \{0\}\}$  and  $\deg J_8 = 8$  [12; section 7, Table I(24)], we can see that  $J_8|_U$  is of the form

$$ax_7^2 x_{123}^2 x_{456}^2 x_L^2 + bx_{123}^2 x_{456}^2 x_{147} x_{257} x_{367} x_L.$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} & (1+2^{-1}f_{14})(1+2^{-1}f_{25})(1+2^{-1}f_{36})(1+e_{14})(1+e_{25})(1+e_{36}) \\ & \cdot (e_7 + e_{123} + e_{456} + e_{1425367}) \\ & = e_{123} + e_{456} + 2^{-1}(e_{147} + e_{257} + e_{367}) + 2e_{1425367}, \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} & J_8(e_7 + e_{123} + e_{456} - e_L) \\ & = J_8(e_{123} + e_{456} + 2^{-1}(e_{147} + e_{257} + e_{367}) - 2e_L). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $a = -b/4$ , and

$$(5.6) \quad J_8|_U = x_7^2 x_{123}^2 x_{456}^2 x_L^2 - 4x_{123}^2 x_{456}^2 x_{147} x_{257} x_{367} x_L$$

up to non-zero scalar multiple. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} J_8(x) &= J_8(z), && \text{by (5.1)} \\ &= J_8(w'e_7 + w(e_{123} + e_{456}) + w^{-1}(e_{147} + e_{257} + e_{367}) + x_L e_L), && \text{by (5.4)} \\ &= w'^2 w^4 x_L^2 - 4w x_L, && \text{by (5.6)} \\ &= J_6(z) x_L^2 + 4J_7(z) x_L, && \text{by (5.5)} \end{aligned}$$

**THEOREM 5.** *An irreducible relative invariant  $J_8$  of  $(GL(1) \times Spin(14))$ , (odd half spin),  $V(64)$  is given by*

$$J_8(x) = J_6(z) x_L^2 + 4J_7(z) x_L$$

with

$$z = \sum z_{i_0} e_{i_0} + \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2} z_{i_0 i_1 i_2} e_{i_0 i_1 i_2} + x_L e_L,$$

where  $z_{i_0}$  and  $z_{i_0 i_1 i_2}$  are given by (5.2) and (5.3).

REMARK 9. In the case treated in theorem 5,  $(G, \rho, V)$  has a unique split  $\mathbf{Z}$ -form [3]. For this  $\mathbf{Z}$ -form,  $V(\mathbf{Z})$  may be identified with the lattice of  $V(\mathbf{C})$  generated by

$$e_{i_0}e_{i_1} \cdots e_{i_{2k}}, \quad 0 \leq k \leq 3, 1 \leq i_0 < \cdots < i_{2k} \leq 7.$$

Then  $\pm J_8(x)$  are the irreducible relative invariants in  $\mathbf{Z}[V]$ . In fact, as is seen from theorem 4, (5.2), (5.3) and theorem 5,  $J_8(x) \in \mathbf{Z}[V, x_{\bar{L}}^{-1}] \cap \mathbf{C}[V] = \mathbf{Z}[V]$ . As is seen from (5.6),  $J_8$  is irreducible in  $\mathbf{Z}[V]$ . If we take

$$e_7 + e_{123} + e_{456} + e_L$$

as  $v_0$  in remark 2, then we can take as  $T$  the inverse image by  $\chi: Spin(14) \rightarrow SO(14)$  of the set of

$$\text{diag}(t_1, t_2, t_3, t_4, t_5, t_6, 1; t_1^{-1}, t_2^{-1}, t_3^{-1}, t_4^{-1}, t_5^{-1}, t_6^{-1}, 1),$$

where  $t_1 t_2 t_3 = t_4 t_5 t_6 = 1$ . Then  $C = V^T$  is the linear span of the following 4 elements;

$$e_7, e_{123}, e_{456}, e_L.$$

As is seen from (5.6),

$$\mathbf{Z}[V]^{G, \phi} \cong \mathbf{Z}[V^T]^{N, \phi}$$

in our case.

By a direct calculation, we can show that

$$(\text{grad log } J_8)(v_0) = 2v_0.$$

As is seen from (5.6),  $J_8(v_0) = 1$ . Hence  $J_8((\text{grad log } J_8)(v_0))J_8(v_0) = 2^8$ , and  $J_8^s(\text{grad } J_8^{s+1}) = b(s)J_8^s$  with the polynomial

$$b(s) = 2^8(s+1)\left(s + \frac{5}{2}\right)\left(s + \frac{7}{2}\right)(s+4)(s+5)\left(s + \frac{11}{2}\right)\left(s + \frac{13}{2}\right)(s+8),$$

(cf. [11]).

### 6. Invariant of $GL(8)$ .

In [8; Remark 4.6], a construction of an irreducible relative invariant of  $(GL(8), A_3, V(56))$  is given. In order to write down this relative invariant explicitly, we need to know the explicit form of polynomials

$$F_{i_1 \dots i_{m-2}}^q(x) \quad (q=3, m=3)$$

appeared in [8; Example (II)]. It would be worth noting that, although the explicit form of these polynomials are not given in [8], they can be constructed immediately as follows: Let  $D_{8i}$  be the polarization  $i \rightarrow 8$ , i.e.,  $D_{8, i} x_{\alpha\beta i} = x_{\alpha\beta 8}$

$(\alpha, \beta \neq 8, 1 \leq i \leq 8)$ . Then

$$F_{i_1^1, i_1^2, i_1^3} = D_{s, i_1} D_{s, i_1^2} D_{s, i_1^3} f,$$

where  $f$  is an irreducible relative invariant of  $(GL(7), A_3, V(35))$ . In order to see that these polynomials satisfy (4.7) and (4.8) of [8], it is enough to notice that  $D_{si}$  is nothing but the action of the matrix unit  $-E_{is}$ .

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