

# Fundamental Solution for $\square_b$ on Quadrics

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# Identification of Points on $G$

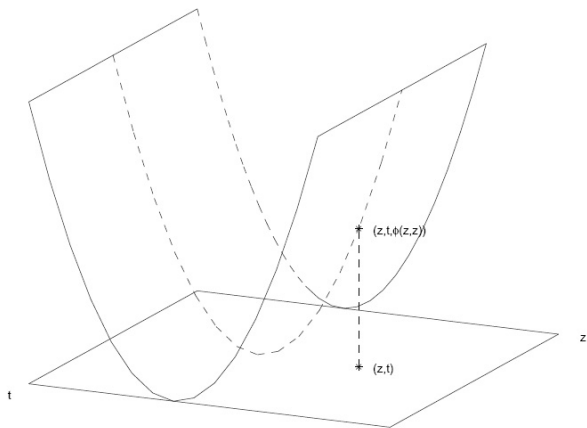


Figure:  $(z, t + i\phi(z, z))$  identified with  $(z, t)$

## Background Cont.

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Note:  $[Z_\ell, \bar{Z}_j] = 2i \phi(v_\ell, v_j) \cdot D_t$ . This is the *Levi form*.

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For the off-diagonal terms, if  $|I \cap L| = q - 1$ , then

$$\square_{LI} = \pm [Z_\ell, \bar{Z}_j] = \pm 2i \phi(v_\ell, v_j) \cdot D_t$$

where  $\ell = L - I$  and  $j = I - L$ . If  $|I \cap L| < q - 1$ , then  $\square_{LI} = 0$ .

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**Goal.** To find an explicit formula for the fundamental solution,  $N$  to  $\square_b$ :

$$\square_b N = I - P$$

where  $P =$  orthog. projection of  $L^2_{(0,q)}(G)$  onto the kernel of  $\square_b$ .

# Eigenvalue Notation

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Let  $\mu_i = \mu_i^\lambda$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, \nu^\lambda \leq n$  be the nonzero eigenvalues for  $\phi^\lambda$ . For simplicity, assume  $\nu^\lambda = n$ .

# Representation Theory for Quadrics

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$\square_{LL}$  transforms to

$$\square_{L,\xi}^\lambda = -\Delta_\xi + \sum_{k=1}^n (\mu^\lambda \xi_k)^2 + \sum_{k \in L} \mu_k^\lambda - \sum_{k \notin L} \mu_k^\lambda.$$

$\square_{L,\xi}^\lambda$  is a multi-dimensional Hermite operator.

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A complete basis of eigenfunctions on  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$  for  $\square_{L,\xi}^\lambda$  is

$$\Psi_\ell^\lambda(\xi) = \prod_{j=1}^n \psi_{\ell_j}^\lambda(\xi_j).$$

where  $\ell = (\ell_1, \dots, \ell_n)$ ,  $\ell_j \geq 0$ , and

$$\psi_{\ell_j}^\lambda(\xi_j) = \psi_{\ell_j}(|\mu_j^\lambda|^{1/2} \xi_j) |\mu_j^\lambda|^{1/4}$$

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**Theorem**

*(Peloso/Ricci, 2003) Suppose  $|L| = q$ . If the number of negative eigenvalues of  $\phi^\lambda$  is not equal to  $q$  or if the number of positive eigenvalues of  $\phi^\lambda$  is not equal to  $n - q$ , then the Kernel of the operator  $\square_{L,\xi}^\lambda$  is zero and its inverse is given by the operator*

$$N^\lambda = \sum_\ell \frac{1}{\Lambda_\ell^\lambda} P_\ell^\lambda$$

where  $P_\ell^\lambda =$  orthogonal proj. onto the space spanned by  $\Psi_\ell^\lambda(\xi)$ .

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**Special Case:** Take the case when  $|\mu_j^{\lambda}| = |\lambda|$ , all  $1 \leq j \leq n$ . This includes the case of the Heisenberg group. It also includes the following codimension two example:

$$\{(w_1, w_2, z_1, z_2) \in C^4; \operatorname{Im} w_1 = 2 \operatorname{Re}\{z_1 \bar{z}_2\}, \operatorname{Im} w_2 = |z_1|^2 - |z_2|^2\}$$

where  $\mu_1^{\lambda} = |\lambda|$  and  $\mu_2^{\lambda} = -|\lambda|$ .

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$$N(z, t) = \frac{C}{(|t|^2 + |z|^4)^{3/2}}.$$

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When  $|\mu_j^\lambda|$  are not all equal

**Example.** Take the hypersurface in  $C^3$ ,

$$\{(w, z_1, z_2); \operatorname{Im} w = \sigma_1|z_1|^2 + \sigma_2|z_2|^2\}$$

$\sigma_j > 0$ . Take the case  $L = (1, 0)$  ( $q = 1$ ). Obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} N(z, t) &= C \int_0^1 \frac{P_1(r, \sigma) \sigma_1 \sigma_2 dr}{(it + s_1(r) \sigma_1 |z_1|^2 + s_2(r) \sigma_2 |z_2|^2)^2} \\ &+ C \int_0^1 \frac{P_2(r, \sigma) \sigma_1 \sigma_2 dr}{(-it + s_1(r) \sigma_1 |z_1|^2 + s_2(r) \sigma_2 |z_2|^2)^2} \end{aligned}$$

where  $C$  is the same constant for both integrals, and where

$$P_j = \frac{r^{\sigma_j - 1} dr}{(1 - r^{\sigma_1})(1 - r^{\sigma_2})} \quad s_j(r) = \frac{1 + r^{\sigma_j}}{1 - r^{\sigma_j}}$$