

# **Symmetry breaking for infinite dimensional representation**

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$V = \{ \text{functions on } G/H \}$ .

$G$  acts on  $V$  by

$$\pi(g)F(x) = F(gx)$$

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We consider spherical principal series representations  $\pi_\nu$ , induced from a character  $\chi_\nu$  of the upper triangular matrices  $B$ , trivial on the diagonal matrix  $-I$ . These representations can be realized on the space  $V_\nu$  of differentiable sections of a line bundle over the sphere  $P(1) = G/B$ .

$N \subset B$  subgroup with diagonal entries 1 and Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{n}$ .

The diagonal matrices  $M$  act on  $V_\nu^n$ . A character  $\chi_\lambda$  of  $B$  defines an operator in  $\text{Hom}_G(V_\nu, V_\lambda)$ . For the realization of these representations on a Hilbert space Knapp and Stein constructed nontrivial operators in  $\text{Hom}_G(V_\nu, V_{-\nu})$  using analytic continuation. The identity operator is in  $\text{Hom}_G(V_\nu, V_\nu)$ .

There are 2 orbits of  $N$  on  $P^1$ , namely  $\mathcal{O}_o = \mathbb{R}$  and  $\mathcal{O}_c = \text{point}$ . We have the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{O}_o) \rightarrow V_\nu \rightarrow \tilde{M}_\nu \rightarrow 0$$

Here  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{O}_o)$  is the Schwartz space on the large orbit  $\mathcal{O}_o$ . Integration defines the unique  $N$  invariant linear functional on the Schwartz space  $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{O}_o)$  and the dual  $M_{-\nu}$  of  $\tilde{M}_\nu$  is a Verma module.

Note that  $H^1(\mathfrak{n}, M_{-\nu})$  is trivial unless  $\nu$  is a negative integer. If  $\nu$  the connection homomorphism is non zero if  $\nu$  is even and zero if  $\nu$  is odd.

So we obtain:

**Theorem 1.** • *If  $\nu$  is negative odd then there are 2 nontrivial intertwining operator in  $\text{Hom}_G(V_\nu, V_{-\nu})$ . One them is a differential operator.*

- *If  $\nu$  is negative even then there are one nontrivial intertwining operator in  $\text{Hom}_G(V_\nu, V_{-\nu})$ . It is a differential operator.*
- *Otherwise there is only one nontrivial intertwining operator in  $\text{Hom}_G(V_\nu, V_{-\nu})$ . It is a integral operator.*

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These forms have been considered by Bernstein and Reznikov, for discrete series representations also by Rankin Cohen, for more general groups and representations such forms were constructed by Kobayashi, Orsted, Pevzner.

Our problem:

How many forms are there.

There are 5 orbits of  $G'$  on  $X$ .

$\mathcal{O}_3$  open and isomorphic to  $G'$ .

$\mathcal{O}_1, \mathcal{O}_2, \mathcal{O}_3$  of dimension

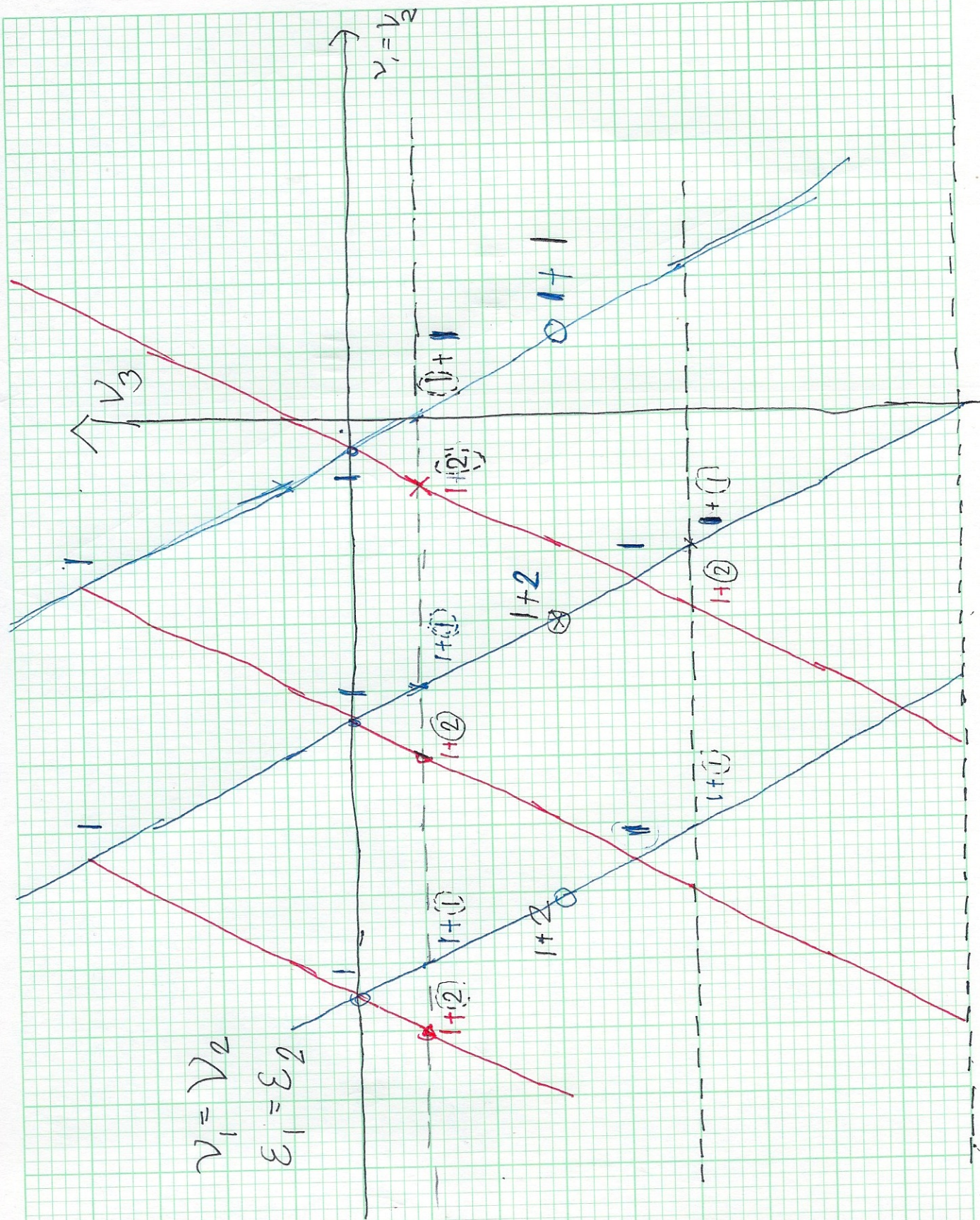
$\mathcal{O}_5$  closed orbit

Our invariant forms are distributions with support in a  $G'$  invariant set.

The following slide represents the results in a special case:  
We assume that  $\nu_1 = \nu_2$ .



$$v_1 = v_2$$
$$\varepsilon_1 = \varepsilon_2$$





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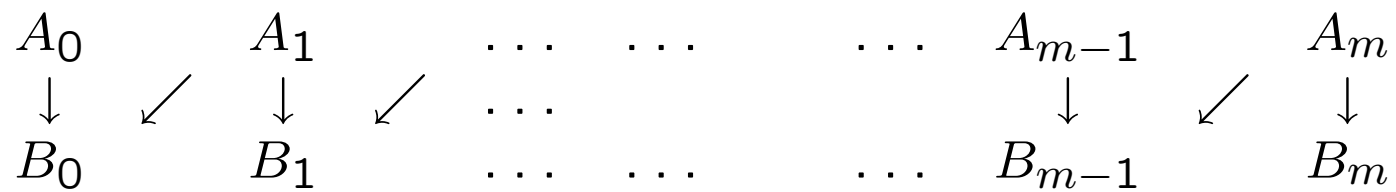
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The results are represented graphically in the following tables. The first row are representations of  $G$ , the second row are representations of  $G'$ . Symmetry breaking operators between these representations are represented by black arrows .

## Results:

Symmetry breaking for  $O(2m+1,1)$ ,  $O(2m,1)$



Symmetry breaking for  $O(2m+2,1)$ ,  $O(2m+1,1)$

