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## A remark on the Dunkl differential-difference operators

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### §1. Introduction

Let  $E$  be a Euclidean vector space of dimension  $n$  with inner product  $(\cdot, \cdot)$ . For  $\alpha \in E$  with  $(\alpha, \alpha) = 2$  we write

$$(1.1) \quad r_\alpha(\lambda) = \lambda - (\alpha, \lambda)\alpha, \quad \lambda \in E$$

for the orthogonal reflection in the hyperplane perpendicular to  $\alpha$ .

**Definition 1.1.** A normalized root system  $R$  in  $E$  is a finite set of non zero vectors in  $E$ , normalized by  $(\alpha, \alpha) = 2 \quad \forall \alpha \in R$ , such that  $r_\alpha(\beta) \in R \quad \forall \alpha, \beta \in R$ .

Let  $R \subset E$  be a normalized root system. We write  $W = W(R)$  for the group generated by the reflections  $r_\alpha$ ,  $\alpha \in R$ . Denote by  $\mathbb{C}[E]$  the algebra of  $\mathbb{C}$ -valued polynomial functions on  $E$ . For  $w \in W$ ,  $\xi \in E$ ,  $\alpha \in R$  introduce the operators

$$(1.2) \quad w, \partial_\xi, \Delta_\alpha : \mathbb{C}[E] \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}[E]$$

by

$$(1.3) \quad (wp)(\lambda) = p(w^{-1}\lambda)$$

$$(1.4) \quad (\partial_\xi p)(\lambda) = \frac{d}{dt} \{p(\lambda + t\xi)\}_{t=0}$$

$$(1.5) \quad (\Delta_\alpha p)(\lambda) = \frac{p(\lambda) - p(r_\alpha \lambda)}{(\alpha, \lambda)}.$$

**Remark 1.2.** The operators  $\Delta_\alpha$ ,  $\alpha \in R$  were studied by Bernstein, Gel'fand and Gel'fand and are related to the Schubert cells and the cohomology of  $G/P$  [BGG]. They are the infinitesimal analogues of the Demazure operators [De 1,2].

Let  $R_+ = \{\alpha \in R; (\alpha, \lambda) > 0\}$  for some fixed generic  $\lambda \in E$  be a positive subsystem of  $R$ .

**Definition 1.3.** Suppose for  $\alpha \in R$  we have given  $k_\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $k_{w\alpha} = k_\alpha \forall w \in W, \forall \alpha \in R$ . For  $\xi \in E$  the operator

$$(1.6) \quad D_\xi = \partial_\xi + \sum_{\alpha \in R_+} k_\alpha(\alpha, \xi) \Delta_\alpha : \mathbb{C}[E] \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}[E]$$

is called the Dunkl differential-difference operator.

**Remark 1.4.** It is easy to see that  $D_\xi$  is independent of the choice of the positive subsystem  $R_+ \subset R$ . If we write  $q_\alpha = e^{2\pi i k_\alpha}$  then one can think of the operator  $D_\xi$  as a  $q$ -analogue (corresponding to the case  $k_\alpha \rightarrow 0$ ) of the directional derivative  $\partial_\xi$ . We also write  $D_\xi = D_\xi(k)$  to indicate the dependence on  $k \in K = \{k = (k_\alpha)_{\alpha \in R} \in \mathbb{C}^R; k_{w\alpha} = k_\alpha \forall w \in W, \forall \alpha \in R\}$ .

**Theorem 1.5 (Dunkl [Du]):** We have  $D_\xi D_\eta = D_\eta D_\xi \forall \xi, \eta \in E$ .

Let  $\mathbb{C}[E^*]$  be the symmetric algebra on  $E$ . For  $\pi \in \mathbb{C}[E^*]$  we write  $\partial_\pi$  when we think of  $\pi$  as a constant coefficient differential operator on  $E$  (rather than a polynomial function on  $E^*$ ). In view of Theorem 1.5 the constant coefficient differential operator  $\partial_\pi$  has a well defined  $q$ -analogue

$$(1.8) \quad D_\pi : \mathbb{C}[E] \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}[E]$$

defined for a monomial  $\pi = \xi_1^{d_1} \dots \xi_n^{d_n}$  by

$$(1.9) \quad D_\pi = D_\pi(k) = D_{\xi_1}^{d_1} \dots D_{\xi_n}^{d_n}$$

and extended by linearity.

**Theorem 1.6 (Dunkl [Du]):** Suppose  $\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n$  is an orthonormal basis for  $E$ . The  $q$ -analogue of the Laplacian is given by

$$(1.7) \quad \sum_{j=1}^n D_{\xi_j}^2 = \sum_{j=1}^n \partial_{\xi_j}^2 + 2 \sum_{\alpha \in R_+} k_\alpha \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)} \{\partial_\alpha - \Delta_\alpha\}.$$

In Section 2 we review the proofs of both theorems as given by Dunkl.

We write  $\mathbb{C}[E]^W$  and  $\mathbb{C}[E^*]^W$  for the space of  $W$ -invariants in  $\mathbb{C}[E]$  and  $\mathbb{C}[E^*]$  respectively. We denote by  $\mathbb{A}$  the associative algebra of endomorphisms of  $\mathbb{C}[E]$  generated by (multiplication by)  $(\xi, \cdot)$  and  $D_\eta$  for  $\xi, \eta \in E$ . Let  $\mathbb{A}^W = \{D \in \mathbb{A}; wD = Dw \forall w \in W\}$  be the subalgebra of  $W$ -invariant operators in  $\mathbb{A}$ , and denote by

$$(1.10) \quad \text{Res}(D) : \mathbb{C}[E]^W \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}[E]^W, \quad D \in \mathbb{A}^W$$

the restriction of  $D$  to  $\mathbb{C}[E]^W$ . Clearly  $\text{Res} : \mathbb{A}^W \rightarrow \text{End}(\mathbb{C}[E]^W)$  is a homomorphism of algebras. Since  $wD_\xi w^{-1} = D_{w\xi} \forall w \in W, \forall \xi \in E$  we have  $D_\pi \in \mathbb{A}^W \forall \pi \in \mathbb{C}[E^*]^W$ .

**Theorem 1.7.** Suppose by the Chevalley theorem that  $\mathbb{C}[E]^W = \mathbb{C}[p_1, \dots, p_n]$  with  $p_1, \dots, p_n$  homogeneous of degrees  $d_1 \leq \dots \leq d_n$ . Then the set

$$(1.11) \quad \{\text{Res}(D_\pi); \pi \in \mathbb{C}[E^*]^W\}$$

is a commuting family of differential operators in the Weyl algebra  $\mathbb{C}[k, p_1, \dots, p_n, \frac{\partial}{\partial p_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial p_n}]$  containing the operator

$$(1.12) \quad \text{Res}\left(\sum_{j=1}^n D_{\xi_j}^2\right) = \sum_{j=1}^n \partial_{\xi_j}^2 + 2 \sum_{\alpha \in R_+} k_\alpha \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)} \partial_\alpha.$$

**Remark 1.8.** The proof of this theorem is a triviality. However it can be reformulated as the complete integrability for the generalized non periodic Calogero-Moser system (both on the quantum mechanical level of differential operators and on the classical mechanical level of symbols). For root systems  $R$  of type  $A$  the complete integrability of the Calogero-Moser system was first established by Moser by realizing the system as a Lax pair [Mo]. The method of Moser was extended by Olshanetsky and Perelomov to cover the root systems  $R$  of classical type [OP]. In the crystallographic case  $(\alpha, \beta)^2 \in \mathbb{Z} \forall \alpha, \beta \in R$  the above theorem has been obtained before by Opdam using transcendental methods [HO, He1, Op 1,2, He 2].

Suppose  $S \subset R$  is a set of roots in  $R$  invariant under  $W$ . Let  $S_+ = S \cap R_+$  and put

$$(1.13) \quad p_S(\cdot) = \prod_{\alpha \in S_+} (\alpha, \cdot) \in \mathbb{C}[E]$$

$$(1.14) \quad \pi_S = \prod_{\alpha \in S_+} \alpha \in \mathbb{C}[E^*].$$

Clearly we have

$$(1.15) \quad wp_S = \chi(w)p_S, w\pi_S = \chi(w)\pi_S \quad \forall w \in W$$

for some one dimensional character  $\chi = \chi_S$  of  $W$ , and conversely every  $p \in \mathbb{C}[E]$  with  $wp = \chi(w)p \forall w \in W$  is divisible in  $\mathbb{C}[E]$  by  $p_S$ . Although  $p_S^{-1}D_{\pi_S}(k)$  need not be an endomorphism of  $\mathbb{C}[E]$  it follows that  $p_S^{-1}D_{\pi_S}(k)(p) \in \mathbb{C}[E]^W \forall p \in \mathbb{C}[E]^W$ , and hence

$$(1.16) \quad G(1_S, k) := \text{Res}(p_S^{-1}D_{\pi_S}(k)) \in \text{End}(\mathbb{C}[E]^W)$$

is a well defined endomorphism of  $\mathbb{C}[E]^W$ . We also write

$$(1.17) \quad G(-1_S, k) := \text{Res}(D_{\pi_S}(k - 1_S) \cdot p_S) \in \text{End}(\mathbb{C}[E]^W)$$

where  $k - 1_S \in K$  is the multiplicity function by  $(k - 1_S)_\alpha = k_\alpha - 1$  for  $\alpha \in S$  and  $(k - 1_S)_\alpha = k_\alpha$  for  $\alpha \in R \setminus S$ .

**Theorem 1.9.** The operators (1.16) and (1.17) are differential operators in the Weyl algebra  $\mathbb{C}[k, p_1, \dots, p_n, \frac{\partial}{\partial p_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial p_n}]$  and satisfy the shift relations

$$(1.18) \quad G(1_S, k) \text{Res}(D_\pi(k)) = \text{Res}(D_\pi(k + 1_S)) G(1_S, k)$$

$$(1.19) \quad G(-1_S, k) \text{Res}(D_\pi(k)) = \text{Res}(D_\pi(k - 1_S)) G(-1_S, k)$$

$\forall \pi \in \mathbb{C}[E^*]^W$ . Here  $(k \pm 1_S)_\alpha = k_\alpha \pm 1 \forall \alpha \in S$  and  $(k \pm 1_S)_\alpha = k_\alpha \forall \alpha \in R \setminus S$ .

The proofs of both Theorem 1.7 and 1.9 will be given in Section 3.

**Remark 1.10.** In the terminology of Opdam the operator (1.16) is a raising operator and the operator (1.17) a lowering operator for the commuting family (1.11). Again in the crystallographic case the above theorem was obtained by Opdam [Op 2]. Recall Macdonald's (infinitesimal) constant term conjecture, which says that for  $\mathcal{R}(s) > 0$

$$(1.20) \quad \int_E \prod_{\alpha \in R_+} |(\alpha, \lambda)|^{2s} d\gamma(\lambda) = \prod_{j=1}^n \frac{(sd_j)!}{s!},$$

where  $d\gamma(\lambda) = (2\pi)^{-\frac{n}{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\lambda, \lambda)} d\lambda$  is the Gaussian measure on  $E$  [Ma].

The same arguments as given in [Op 3, Section 6] show that the evaluation of this integral is equivalent with

$$(1.21) \quad G(-1, k)(1) = |W| \cdot \prod_{i=1}^n \prod_{j=1}^{m_i} (d_i k - j),$$

where  $-1 = -1_R$  and  $k = k_\alpha \forall \alpha \in R$ . In turn this latter formula is related to the normalization of the “multivariable Bessel function associated with  $R$ ” at  $\xi = 0$ . This normalization problem has been analyzed by Opdam, and the desired formula (1.21) can be obtained [Op 4]. After this one can proceed as in [Op 3, Section 7] to compute the Bernstein-Sato polynomial of the discriminant without the crystallographic restriction in accordance with a conjecture of Yano and Sekiguchi [YS].

## §2. The Dunkl differential-difference operators.

Using the bracket  $[\cdot, \cdot]$  for the commutator of endomorphisms of  $\mathbb{C}[E]$  we can write for  $\xi, \eta \in E$

$$(2.1) \quad [D_\xi, D_\eta] = I + II + III$$

with

$$(2.2) \quad I = [\partial_\xi, \partial_\eta] = 0$$

$$(2.3) \quad II = \sum_{\alpha \in R_+} k_\alpha \{(\alpha, \xi)[\Delta_\alpha, \partial_\eta] + (\alpha, \eta)[\partial_\xi, \Delta_\alpha]\}$$

$$(2.4) \quad III = \sum_{\alpha, \beta \in R_+} k_\alpha k_\beta (\alpha, \xi)(\beta, \eta)[\Delta_\alpha, \Delta_\beta].$$

**Lemma 2.1.** For  $\xi \in E, \alpha \in R$  we have

$$(2.5) \quad [\partial_\xi, \Delta_\alpha] = \frac{(\alpha, \xi)}{(\alpha, \cdot)} \{r_\alpha \partial_\alpha - \Delta_\alpha\}.$$

**Proof:** Using the definition  $\Delta_\alpha = \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)}(1 - r_\alpha)$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} [\partial_\xi, \Delta_\alpha] &= [\partial_\xi, \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)}](1 - r_\alpha) + \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)}[\partial_\xi, 1 - r_\alpha] \\ &= -\frac{(\alpha, \xi)}{(\alpha, \cdot)^2}(1 - r_\alpha) + \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)}r_\alpha(\partial_\xi - \partial_{r_\alpha \xi}) \\ &= -\frac{(\alpha, \xi)}{(\alpha, \cdot)}\Delta_\alpha + \frac{(\alpha, \xi)}{(\alpha, \cdot)}r_\alpha \partial_\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

Q.E.D

Using (2.5) the second term (2.3) can be rewritten as

$$(2.6) \quad II = \sum_{\alpha \in R_+} k_\alpha \frac{(\alpha, \xi)(\alpha, \eta)}{(\alpha, \cdot)} \{r_\alpha \partial_\alpha - \Delta_\alpha\}(-1 + 1) = 0.$$

The third term (2.4) can be written as

$$(2.7) \quad III = \sum_{\alpha, \beta \in R_+} k_\alpha k_\beta \{(\alpha, \xi)(\beta, \eta) - (\alpha, \eta)(\beta, \xi)\} \Delta_\alpha \Delta_\beta$$

and for the proof of Theorem 1.5 it remains to verify the vanishing of this third term.

**Proposition 2.2.** Suppose  $B(\cdot, \cdot)$  is a bilinear form on  $E$  such that

$$(2.8) \quad B(r_\alpha \lambda, r_\alpha \mu) = B(\mu, \lambda) \quad \forall \lambda, \mu \in E, \forall \alpha \in R \cap \text{span} \langle \lambda, \mu \rangle.$$

If  $w \in W$  is a pure rotation (i.e.  $\dim \operatorname{Im}(w - \operatorname{Id}) = 2$ ) then

$$(2.9) \quad \sum_{\alpha, \beta \in R_+, r_\alpha r_\beta = w} k_\alpha k_\beta B(\alpha, \beta) \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)(\beta, \cdot)} = 0$$

and

$$(2.10) \quad \sum_{\alpha, \beta \in R_+, r_\alpha r_\beta = w} k_\alpha k_\beta B(\alpha, \beta) \Delta_\alpha \Delta_\beta = 0.$$

**Proof:** Using the definition  $\Delta_\alpha = \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)}(1 - r_\alpha)$  the left hand side of (2.10) can be written as a sum of the following three terms

$$(2.11) \quad A = \sum k_\alpha k_\beta B(\alpha, \beta) \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)(\beta, \cdot)}$$

$$(2.12) \quad B = - \sum k_\alpha k_\beta B(\alpha, \beta) \left\{ \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)(r_\alpha \beta, \cdot)} r_\alpha + \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)(\beta, \cdot)} r_\beta \right\}$$

$$(2.13) \quad C = \sum k_\alpha k_\beta B(\alpha, \beta) \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)(r_\alpha \beta, \cdot)} r_\alpha r_\beta$$

with the summations over the same index set as in (2.9) and (2.10).

Let  $S = R \cap \operatorname{Im}(w - \operatorname{Id})$  be the normalized root system of the largest dihedral group  $W(S)$  containing  $w$ . If  $w = r_\alpha r_\beta$  then for  $\gamma \in S$  we have  $r_\gamma w r_\gamma = w^{-1}$  and hence  $r_{r_\gamma \alpha} r_{r_\gamma \beta} = r_\beta r_\alpha$ . We claim that  $r_\gamma A = A \forall \gamma \in S$ . Indeed we have

$$\begin{aligned} r_\gamma A &= \sum_{\alpha, \beta \in R_+, r_\alpha r_\beta = w} k_\alpha k_\beta B(\alpha, \beta) \frac{1}{(r_\gamma \alpha, \cdot)(r_\gamma \beta, \cdot)} \\ &= \sum_{\alpha, \beta \in r_\gamma R_+, r_\beta r_\alpha = w} k_\alpha k_\beta B(r_\gamma \alpha, r_\gamma \beta) \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)(\beta, \cdot)} \\ &= \sum_{\alpha, \beta \in r_\gamma R_+, r_\beta r_\alpha = w} k_\alpha k_\beta B(\beta, \alpha) \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)(\beta, \cdot)} \\ &= A \end{aligned}$$

since the summation in (2.9) is independent of the choice of  $R_+$ . Let  $S_+ = R_+ \cap S$  and put  $p_S = \prod_{\alpha \in S_+} (\alpha, \cdot)$ . Then  $p_S$  transforms under the group  $W(S)$  according to the sign character and every polynomial in  $\mathbb{C}[E]$  transforming under  $W(S)$  according to the sign character is divisible in  $\mathbb{C}[E]$  by  $p_S$ . Now observe that  $p_S A \in \mathbb{C}[E]$  transforms

under  $W(S)$  according to the sign character. Hence  $A \in \mathbb{C}[E]$ . Since  $A$  is homogeneous of degree minus two we have  $A = 0$ . This proves (2.9).

Since  $w = r_\alpha r_\beta = r_{r_\alpha \beta} r_\alpha$  and  $B(\alpha, \beta) = B(r_\alpha \beta, r_\alpha \alpha) = -B(r_\alpha \beta, \alpha)$  the vanishing of the term (2.12) is clear, and for the term (2.13) we can write  $C = -Aw = 0$ . Q.E.D.

**Lemma 2.3.** For  $\xi, \eta \in E$  fixed the bilinear form

$$(2.14) \quad B(\lambda, \mu) = (\lambda, \xi)(\mu, \eta) - (\lambda, \eta)(\mu, \xi)$$

on  $E$  satisfies condition (2.8).

**Proof:** Clearly  $B(\mu, \lambda) = -B(\lambda, \mu)$  is an alternating form. For  $\lambda \in E, \lambda \neq 0$  we write  $\lambda' = \sqrt{2}|\lambda|^{-1}\lambda$  and get

$$B(r_{\lambda'} \lambda, r_{\lambda'} \mu) = B(-\lambda, \mu - (\lambda', \mu)\lambda') = B(-\lambda, \mu) = B(\mu, \lambda).$$

Hence for  $\lambda, \mu \in E$  generic we get by continuity

$$B(r_\nu \lambda, r_\nu \mu) = B(\mu, \lambda) \quad \forall \nu \in \text{span} \langle \lambda, \mu \rangle, (\nu, \nu) = 2. \quad \text{Q.E.D.}$$

The proof of Theorem 1.5 now follows by regrouping the terms in (2.7) as a sum over  $\{\alpha, \beta \in R_+; r_\alpha r_\beta = w\}$  where  $w \in W$  runs over the pure rotations in  $W$  and by applying (2.10).

The proof of Theorem 1.6 is just an easy calculation.

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^n D_{\xi_j}^2 &= \sum_{j=1}^n (\partial_{\xi_j} + \sum_{\alpha \in R_+} k_\alpha(\alpha, \xi_j) \Delta_\alpha)^2 \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n \left\{ \partial_{\xi_j}^2 + \sum_{\alpha \in R_+} k_\alpha(\alpha, \xi_j) (\partial_{\xi_j} \Delta_\alpha + \Delta_\alpha \partial_{\xi_j}) + \sum_{\alpha, \beta \in R_+} k_\alpha k_\beta(\alpha, \xi_j) (\beta, \xi_j) \Delta_\alpha \Delta_\beta \right\} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n \partial_{\xi_j}^2 + \sum_{\alpha \in R_+} k_\alpha (\partial_\alpha \Delta_\alpha + \Delta_\alpha \partial_\alpha) + \sum_{\alpha, \beta \in R_+} k_\alpha k_\beta(\alpha, \beta) \Delta_\alpha \Delta_\beta. \end{aligned}$$

The third term vanishes by Proposition 2.2 and because  $\Delta_\alpha^2 = 0$ . Using Lemma 2.1 we get

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_\alpha \Delta_\alpha + \Delta_\alpha \partial_\alpha &= [\partial_\alpha, \Delta_\alpha] + 2\Delta_\alpha \partial_\alpha \\ &= \frac{(\alpha, \alpha)}{(\alpha, \cdot)} \left\{ r_\alpha \partial_\alpha - \Delta_\alpha \right\} + \frac{2}{(\alpha, \cdot)} (1 - r_\alpha) \partial_\alpha \\ &= \frac{2}{(\alpha, \cdot)} \left\{ \partial_\alpha - \Delta_\alpha \right\}. \end{aligned}$$



### §3. The Opdam shift operators.

Recall that  $D \in \text{End}(\mathbb{C}[p_1, \dots, p_m])$  is a differential operator of degree  $\leq d$  if and only if

$$(3.1) \quad \text{ad}(p)^{d+1}(D) = 0 \quad \forall p \in \mathbb{C}[p_1, \dots, p_n].$$

Hence the fact that the operators (1.11), (1.16) and (1.17) are differential operators is clear from

$$(3.2) \quad \text{ad}(p)(D_\xi) = \text{ad}(p)(\partial_\xi) = -\partial_\xi(p)$$

$$(3.3) \quad \text{ad}(p)^2(D_\xi) = 0$$

$\forall p \in \mathbb{C}[E]^W$ ,  $\forall \xi \in E$ . Hence Theorem 1.7 is an immediate consequence of Theorem 1.5 and Theorem 1.6.

**Theorem 3.1.** For the  $q$ -analogue of the Laplacian we have

$$(3.4) \quad \text{Res}(p_S^{-1} \circ \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^n D_{\xi_j}^2(k) \right\} \circ p_S) = \text{Res}\left( \sum_{j=1}^n D_{\xi_j}^2(k+1_S) \right).$$

**Proof:** First we observe that the left hand side of (3.4) is a well defined endomorphism of  $\mathbb{C}[E]^W$ . We now use Theorem 1.6 and just calculate term by term. For the first term we get

$$\begin{aligned} p_S^{-1} \circ \sum_{j=1}^n \partial_{\xi_j}^2 \circ p_S &= \sum_{j=1}^n \partial_{\xi_j}^2 + 2 \sum_{\alpha \in S_+} \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)} \partial_\alpha + p_S^{-1} \left( \sum_{j=1}^n \partial_{\xi_j}^2 \right) (p_S) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n \partial_{\xi_j}^2 + 2 \sum_{\alpha \in S_+} \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)} \partial_\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

For the second term we get

$$\begin{aligned} p_S^{-1} \circ \left\{ 2 \sum_{\alpha \in R_+} k_\alpha \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)} \partial_\alpha \right\} \circ p_S &= 2 \sum_{\alpha \in R_+} k_\alpha \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)} \partial_\alpha + p_S^{-1} \cdot \left( 2 \sum_{\alpha \in R_+} k_\alpha \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)} \partial_\alpha \right) (p_S) \\ &= 2 \sum_{\alpha \in R_+} k_\alpha \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)} \partial_\alpha + 2 \sum_{\alpha \in R_+, \beta \in S_+} k_\alpha \frac{(\alpha, \beta)}{(\alpha, \cdot)(\beta, \cdot)} \\ &= 2 \sum_{\alpha \in R_+} k_\alpha \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)} \partial_\alpha + 2 \sum_{\beta \in S_+} k_\beta \frac{(\beta, \beta)}{(\beta, \cdot)^2} \\ &\quad + 2 \sum_{\substack{\alpha \in R_+, \beta \in S_+ \\ \alpha \neq \beta}} k_\alpha \frac{(\alpha, \beta)}{(\alpha, \cdot)(\beta, \cdot)} \\ &= 2 \sum_{\alpha \in R_+} k_\alpha \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)} \partial_\alpha + 2 \sum_{\beta \in S_+} k_\beta \frac{2}{(\beta, \cdot)^2} \end{aligned}$$

by the same argument as in the proof of Proposition 2.2.

Finally for the third term we have

$$\begin{aligned}
p_S^{-1} \circ \left\{ 2 \sum_{\alpha \in R_+} k_\alpha \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)} \Delta_\alpha \right\} \circ p_S &= 2 \sum_{\alpha \in R_+} k_\alpha \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)^2} \{1 - p_S^{-1} \circ r_\alpha \circ p_S\} \\
&= 2 \sum_{\alpha \in R_+} k_\alpha \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)^2} \{1 - \chi_S(r_\alpha) r_\alpha\} \\
&= 2 \sum_{\alpha \in S_+} k_\alpha \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)^2} \{1 + r_\alpha\} + 2 \sum_{\alpha \in R_+ \setminus S_+} k_\alpha \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)} \Delta_\alpha \\
&= 2 \sum_{\alpha \in S_+} k_\alpha \frac{2}{(\alpha, \cdot)^2} - 2 \sum_{\alpha \in S_+} k_\alpha \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)} \Delta_\alpha \\
&\quad + 2 \sum_{\alpha \in R_+ \setminus S_+} k_\alpha \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)} \Delta_\alpha.
\end{aligned}$$

Taking all three terms together yields

$$\begin{aligned}
p_S^{-1} \circ \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^n D_{\xi_j}^2(k) \right\} \circ p_S &= \sum_{j=1}^n \partial_{\xi_j}^2 + 2 \sum_{\alpha \in R_+} k_\alpha \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)} \partial_\alpha + 2 \sum_{\alpha \in S_+} \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)} \partial_\alpha \\
&\quad + 2 \sum_{\alpha \in S_+} k_\alpha \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)} \Delta_\alpha - 2 \sum_{\alpha \in R_+ \setminus S_+} k_\alpha \frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)} \Delta_\alpha. \quad \text{Q.E.D.}
\end{aligned}$$

**Corollary 3.2.** We have the shift relations

$$(3.5) \quad G(1_S, k) \text{Res} \left( \sum_{j=1}^n D_{\xi_j}^2(k) \right) = \text{Res} \left( \sum_{j=1}^n D_{\xi_j}^2(k + 1_S) \right) G(1_S, k)$$

$$(3.6) \quad G(-1_S, k) \text{Res} \left( \sum_{j=1}^n D_{\xi_j}^2(k) \right) = \text{Res} \left( \sum_{j=1}^n D_{\xi_j}^2(k - 1_S) \right) G(-1_S, k).$$

**Proof:** Indeed we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Res} \left( p_S^{-1} D_{\pi_S}(k) \right) \text{Res} \left( \sum_{j=1}^n D_{\xi_j}^2(k) \right) &= \text{Res} \left( \sum_{j=1}^n p_S^{-1} D_{\pi_S}(k) D_{\xi_j}^2(k) \right) \\
&= \text{Res} \left( \sum_{j=1}^n p_S^{-1} D_{\xi_j}^2(k) D_{\pi_S}(k) \right) \\
&= \text{Res} \left( \sum_{j=1}^n p_S^{-1} D_{\xi_j}^2(k) p_S \right) \text{Res} \left( p_S^{-1} D_{\pi_S}(k) \right) \\
&= \text{Res} \left( \sum_{j=1}^n D_{\xi_j}^2(k + 1_S) \right) \text{Res} \left( p_S^{-1} D_{\pi_S}(k) \right)
\end{aligned}$$

which proves (3.5). The relation (3.6) is proved similarly.

Q.E.D.

**Theorem 3.3.** As endomorphisms of  $\mathbb{C}[E]$  the operators

$$(3.7) \quad E = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n (\xi_j, \cdot)^2$$

$$(3.8) \quad H = \sum_{j=1}^n (\xi_j, \cdot) \partial_{\xi_j} + \left( \frac{n}{2} + \sum_{\alpha \in R_+} k_\alpha \right)$$

$$(3.9) \quad F = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n D_{\xi_j}^2$$

satisfy the commutation relations of  $sl(2)$ :

$$(3.10) \quad [H, E] = 2E, [H, F] = -2F, [E, F] = H.$$

**Proof:** The Euler operator  $\sum_{j=1}^n (\xi_j, \cdot) \partial_{\xi_j}$  acts as multiplication by  $d$  on the space of homogeneous polynomials in  $\mathbb{C}[E]$  of degree  $d$ . Hence the commutation relations  $[H, E] = 2E$ ,  $[H, F] = -2F$  rephrase that  $E$  and  $F$  are homogeneous of degree plus and minus two respectively.

Since  $[p, \Delta_\alpha] = 0 \forall p \in \mathbb{C}[E]^W$ ,  $\forall \alpha \in R$  we get

$$(3.11) \quad [E, D_\xi] = [E, \partial_\xi] = -(\xi, \cdot) \quad \forall \xi \in E,$$

and therefore

$$\begin{aligned} [E, F] &= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n [E, D_{\xi_j}^2] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \{ (\xi_j, \cdot) D_{\xi_j} + D_{\xi_j} (\xi_j, \cdot) \} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n (\xi_j, \cdot) D_{\xi_j} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n [D_{\xi_j}, (\xi_j, \cdot)] \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n (\xi_j, \cdot) D_{\xi_j} + \frac{n}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{\alpha \in R_+} k_\alpha(\alpha, \xi_j) [\Delta_\alpha, (\xi_j, \cdot)] \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n (\xi_j, \cdot) \partial_{\xi_j} + \sum_{\alpha \in R_+} k_\alpha(\alpha, \cdot) \Delta_\alpha + \frac{n}{2} + \sum_{\alpha \in R_+} k_\alpha r_\alpha \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n (\xi_j, \cdot) \partial_{\xi_j} + \left( \frac{n}{2} + \sum_{\alpha \in R_+} k_\alpha \right). \end{aligned}$$

Here we have used that for  $\xi \in E$

$$\begin{aligned} [\Delta_\alpha, (\xi, \cdot)] &= -\frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)} [r_\alpha, (\xi, \cdot)] \\ &= -\frac{1}{(\alpha, \cdot)} \{(r_\alpha \xi, \cdot) - (\xi, \cdot)\} r_\alpha \\ &= (\alpha, \xi) r_\alpha. \end{aligned} \quad \text{Q.E.D.}$$

**Proposition 3.4.** Using the inner product  $(\cdot, \cdot)$  on  $E$  we have an isomorphism between  $\mathbb{C}[E]$  and  $\mathbb{C}[E^*]$ . For  $p \in \mathbb{C}[E]$  we write  $\pi \in \mathbb{C}[E^*]$  for the corresponding element. For  $p \in \mathbb{C}[E]$  homogeneous of degree  $d$  we have

$$(3.12) \quad D_\pi = (-1)^d \frac{1}{d!} \text{ad}(F)^d(p).$$

**Proof:** Clearly  $\text{ad}(H)D_\pi = -dD_\pi$  and by Theorem 1.5 we have  $\text{ad}(F)D_\pi = 0$ . Using (3.11) and induction on  $d$  (assuming  $\pi$  to be a monomial as in (1.9) with  $d = d_1 + \dots + d_n$ ) it is easy to see that

$$(-1)^d \frac{1}{d!} \text{ad}(E)^d(D_\pi) = p$$

and hence

$$\text{ad}(E)^{d+1}(D_\pi) = 0.$$

By standard representation theory of  $sl(2)$  we conclude (3.12). Q.E.D.

**Corollary 3.5.** For  $\pi \in \mathbb{C}[E^*]^W$  we have

$$(3.13) \quad \text{Res}\left(p_S^{-1} \circ D_\pi(k) \circ p_S\right) = \text{Res}\left(D_\pi(k + 1_s)\right).$$

**Proof:** This is easily derived from Theorem 3.1 and Proposition 3.4. Q.E.D.

The proof of Theorem 1.9 now goes along the same lines as the proof of Corollary 3.2.

**Remark 3.6.** The above type of arguments to use an  $sl(2)$  to reduce the computation of higher order operators to those of the second order one go back to Harish-Chandra [Ha].

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