INVARIANT DIFFERENTIAL OPERATORS ON A REAL SEMISIMPLE LIE ALGEBRA AND THEIR RADIAL COMPONENTS

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ABSTRACT. Let $S(\mathfrak{g}_{\mathcal{C}})$ be the symmetric algebra over the complexification $\mathfrak{g}_{\mathcal{C}}$ of the real semisimple Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} . For $u \in S(\mathfrak{g}_{\mathcal{C}})$, $\mathfrak{d}(u)$ is the corresponding differential operator on \mathfrak{g} . $\mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{g})$ denotes the algebra generated by $\mathfrak{d}(S(\mathfrak{g}_{\mathcal{C}}))$ and multiplication by polynomials on $\mathfrak{g}_{\mathcal{C}}$. For any open set $U \subset \mathfrak{g}$, Diff (U) is the algebra of differential operators with C^{∞} -coefficients on U. Let \mathfrak{h} be a Cartan subalgebra of \mathfrak{g} , \mathfrak{h}' the set of its regular points and $\pi = \prod_{\alpha \in P} \alpha$, P some positive system of roots. Let $W = (\mathfrak{h}')^G$, G the connected adjoint group of \mathfrak{g} .

Harish-Chandra showed that, for each $D \in \operatorname{Diff}(\overline{W})$, there is a unique differential operator $\delta'_{\mathfrak{h}}(D)$ on \mathfrak{h}' such that $(Df)|_{\mathfrak{h}'} = \delta'_{\mathfrak{h}}(D)(f|_{\mathfrak{h}})$ for all G-invariant $f \in C^{\infty}(\overline{W})$, and that if $D \in \mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{h})$, then $\delta'_{\mathfrak{h}}(D) = \pi^{-1} \circ \overline{D} \circ \pi$ for some $\overline{D} \in \mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{g})$. In particular $\overline{\partial(u)} = \partial(u|_{\mathfrak{h}})$, $u \in S(\mathfrak{g}_{\mathfrak{g}})$ and invariant.

We prove these results by different, yet simpler methods. We reduce evaluation of $\delta_0'(\vartheta(u))$ ($u \in S(\mathfrak{g}_C)$, invariant) via Weyl's unitarian trick, to the case of compact G. This case is proved using an evaluation of a family of G-invariant eigenfunctions on:

$$\pi(H)\pi(H')\int_{G} \exp B(H^{x}, H') dx = c \sum_{S \in W(\mathfrak{g}_{c'}, \mathfrak{h}_{c})} \epsilon(s) \exp B(sH, H'),$$

$$H, H' \in \mathfrak{g}, c > 0.$$

For G-invariant $D \in \mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{g})$, we prove $\pi^{-1} \circ \delta'(D) \circ \pi \in \mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{h})$ using properties of derivations $E \to [\vartheta(u), E]$ of $\mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{g})$ induced by $\vartheta(u)$ ($u \in S(\mathfrak{g}_{C})$) and of the algebra of polynomials on \mathfrak{h}_{C} invariant under the Weyl group.

1. Preliminaries. Our aim here is to give alternative proofs to some results of Harish-Chandra on radial components of invariant differential operators on a real semisimple Lie algebra [1], [2].

Let g be a semisimple Lie algebra over \mathbf{R} , g_c its complexification, \mathfrak{h} a Cartan subalgebra of g, and \mathfrak{h}_c complexification of \mathfrak{h} . Denote by g' the set of regular elements of g and $\mathfrak{h}' = \mathfrak{h} \cap \mathfrak{g}'$. We have $H \in \mathfrak{h}'$ if and only if $\pi(H) \neq 0$,

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where $\pi=\Pi_{\alpha\in P}\alpha$, P being a positive system of roots of \mathfrak{g}_c with respect to \mathfrak{h}_c . Let G be a connected Lie group with Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} . Let $S(\mathfrak{g}_c)$ and $P(\mathfrak{g}_c)$ be the symmetric and the polynomial algebras over \mathfrak{g}_c , and $Q(\mathfrak{g}_c)$ quotient field of $P(\mathfrak{g}_c)$. We assume as usual that $\mathfrak{g}_c\subset S(\mathfrak{g}_c)$. Let U be an open subset of \mathfrak{g} , and $C^\infty(U)$ the algebra of C^∞ functions on U. An element $X\in\mathfrak{g}$ acts as a derivation of $C^\infty(U)$ given by

$$(Xf)(u) = df(u + tX)/dt\big|_{t=0}$$

where $f \in C^{\infty}(U)$, $u \in U$, and $t \in \mathbb{R}$. We denote the above derivation by $\partial(X)$ and extend the map $\partial: X \mapsto \partial(X)$ uniquely to a homomorphism of $S(\mathfrak{g}_c)$ into the associative algebra of endomorphisms of $C^{\infty}(U)$. If $\phi \in C^{\infty}(U)$, then ϕ is identified with the endomorphism $\phi: f \mapsto \phi f$ of $C^{\infty}(U)$. The algebra generated by $\{\phi, \partial(p) | \phi \in C^{\infty}(U), p \in S(\mathfrak{g}_c)\}$ is denoted by Diff (U). It is called the algebra of differential operators on \mathfrak{g} with C^{∞} coefficients. We denote by $\mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{g})$ the algebra generated by $P(\mathfrak{g}_c) \cup \partial(S(\mathfrak{g}_c))$, and refer to it as the algebra of differential operators on \mathfrak{g} with polynomial coefficients. We write f(u; D) to mean (Df)(u), for $D \in Diff(U)$, $u \in U$, $f \in C^{\infty}(U)$. For any $D \in Diff(U)$, and $u \in U$, there is a unique $p \in S(\mathfrak{g}_c)$, such that $f(u; D) = f(u; \partial(p))$. $\partial(p)$ is called the local expression of D at u, and is denoted by D_u .

Let U be an open subset of $\mathfrak g$ invariant under G. G acts naturally on $C^\infty(U)$ and Diff (U) if we set

$$f^{\mathbf{x}}(X) = f(X^{\mathbf{x}-1})$$
 $(\mathbf{x} \in G, X \in U, f \in C^{\infty}(U))$

and

$$D^{x} f = (Df^{x})^{x-1} \qquad (D \in \text{Diff}(U), \quad x \in G, \quad f \in C^{\infty}(U)).$$

D (resp. f) is called invariant under G if $D^x = D$ (resp. $f^x = f$) for all $x \in G$. Let $I^{\infty}(U) = \{f: f \in C^{\infty}(U), f^x = f \text{ for all } x \in G\}$, and Diff $_{\text{inv}}(U) = \{D \in \text{Diff}(U): D^x = D \text{ for all } x \in G\}$. We put $f(g) = \{D \in D(g) | D^x = D \text{ for all } x \in G\}$.

We now take $U = (\mathfrak{h}')^G$. Then, corresponding to any $D \in \text{Diff}_{\text{inv}}(U)$, Harish-Chandra [1] constructed a differential operator $\delta_{\mathfrak{h}}'(D)$ on \mathfrak{h}' such that

(2)
$$f(H; D) = \overline{f}(H; \delta'_{\mathfrak{h}}(D)) \qquad (\overline{f} = f|_{\mathfrak{h}'})$$

for all $f \in I^{\infty}(U)$, and $H \in \mathfrak{h}'$. $\delta_{\mathfrak{h}}'(D)$ is called the radial component of D on \mathfrak{h}' and we have the following result (Harish-Chandra [1]):

Theorem 1.1. Given any $D \in \operatorname{Diff}_{\operatorname{inv}}((\mathfrak{h}')^G)$, there is exactly one $\delta_{\mathfrak{h}}'(D) \in \operatorname{Diff}(\mathfrak{h}')$ such that

$$f(H;\,D)=\overline{f}(H;\,\delta_{\mathfrak{h}}'(D)) \qquad (f\in I^{\infty}((\mathfrak{h})')^G)).$$

The operator $\delta'_{\mathfrak{h}}(D)$ is invariant under the normalizer of \mathfrak{h} in G. The map $D \longrightarrow \delta'_{\mathfrak{h}}(D)$ is a homomorphism of $\mathrm{Diff}_{inv}((\mathfrak{h}')^G)$ into $\mathrm{Diff}(\mathfrak{h}')$.

It turns out to be important to calculate $\delta_{\mathfrak{h}}'(D)$ explicitly for at least the most important of the invariant differential operators D. This was first done by Harish-Chandra. We shall now describe two of his results. Let $I_s(\mathfrak{g}_c)$ be the algebra of G-invariant elements of $S(\mathfrak{g}_c)$, and $I_s(\mathfrak{h}_c)$ the subalgebra of $S(\mathfrak{h}_c)$ of elements invariant under the Weyl group $W(\mathfrak{g}_c,\mathfrak{h}_c)$. If $p \in I_s(\mathfrak{g}_c)$, then by a theorem of Chevalley, there is a unique $p_{\mathfrak{h}} \in I_s(\mathfrak{h}_c)$ such that $p - p_{\mathfrak{h}}$ is in the ideal generated by the root-spaces. Harish-Chandra [1] showed that, for $p \in S(\mathfrak{g}_c)$,

(3)
$$\delta'_{\mathfrak{h}}(\partial(p)) = \pi^{-1} \circ \partial(p_{\mathfrak{h}}) \circ \pi.$$

Generalizing this, he proved in [2] that, for any $D \in \mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{g}_c)$ which is invariant, $\pi \circ \delta_{\mathfrak{h}}'(D) \circ \pi^{-1}$ is the restriction to \mathfrak{h}' of an element of $\mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{h}_c)$ that is invariant with respect to $W(\mathfrak{g}_c, \mathfrak{h}_c)$.

We shall obtain these two results by a method that is somewhat different from Harish-Chandra's. We shall prove (3) first when G is compact and then extend it for noncompact G by the "unitarian trick". The second result is then deduced from formula (3). The proof of (3) for compact G is quite simple and goes as follows. By invariant integration and the Weyl character formula, we obtain explicit formulae for a class of invariant eigenfunctions on G, the formula (3) applied to these eigenfunctions now determines $\delta'_{\theta}(\partial(p))$ uniquely.

2. Case when G is compact. We now assume that G is compact and simply connected. Let B be the analytic subgroup of G corresponding to G. B is a maximal torus of G and $G = B^G$. Exp is a homomorphism of G onto G. Let G be the character group of G. If G is a character of G, and so there is a G-linear function G on G, which takes pure imaginary values on G, such that G is uniquely determined by G, and we write G is G . Thus G is uniquely determined by G and we write G is G is uniquely determined by G and we write G is G is uniquely determined by G and we write G is G is uniquely determined by G and we write G is G is uniquely determined by G and we write G is G is uniquely determined by G and we write G is G is G is uniquely determined by G and we write G is G is G in G is G is G in G in G is G in G in G in G is G in G in G in G in G in G in G is G in G in G in G in G in G in G is G in G

Let \mathcal{L} be the set of all linear functions on \mathfrak{h}_c with the property that $e^{\lambda}=\xi\circ\exp$ for some $\xi\in\hat{B}$. \mathcal{L} is an additive subgroup of \mathfrak{h}_c^* and the correspondence $\lambda\to\xi_{\lambda}$ ($\lambda\in\mathcal{L}$) is an isomorphism of \mathcal{L} onto \hat{B} . Since G is simply connected, \mathcal{L} is precisely the set of all integral linear functions on \mathfrak{h}_c [6]. If α is a root of $(\mathfrak{g}_c,\mathfrak{h}_c)$, then $\alpha\in\mathcal{L}$. Now B is the centralizer of \mathfrak{h} in G, Ad(B) leaves the root-subspaces corresponding to α invariant, and we have $X_{\alpha}^b=\xi_{\alpha}(b)X_{\alpha}$ ($b\in B$, $X_{\alpha}\in\mathfrak{g}_{\alpha}$). Define $\delta=\frac{1}{2}\sum_{\alpha\in P}\alpha$; δ is integral, and so $\delta\in\mathcal{L}$. Let $\Delta=\xi_{-\delta}\prod_{\alpha\in P}(\xi_{\alpha}-1)$. Δ is a finite sum of characters of B. If we write $\epsilon(s)=\det(s)$ for $s\in W=W(\mathfrak{g}_c,\mathfrak{h}_c)$, it is known that $\Delta=\sum_{s\in W}\epsilon(s)\xi_{s\alpha}$. Denote by B' the set of $b\in B$ such that $\Delta(b)\neq 0$, i.e. $\xi_{\alpha}(b)\neq 1$ for all $\alpha\in P$.

Let \mathfrak{D}_p^+ be the set of all dominant integral linear functions on \mathfrak{h}_c . For any $\lambda \in \mathfrak{D}_p^+$, let π_λ be the irreducible representation of \mathfrak{g}_c with highest weight λ . Since G is simply connected, π_λ lifts to a representation of G, denoted by π_λ again.

Let $\psi_{\lambda}(x) = \operatorname{tr} \pi_{\lambda}(x)$, $x \in G$. We then have the following formula of Weyl.

(4)
$$\psi_{\lambda}(b) = \sum_{s \in W} \epsilon(s) \xi_{s(\lambda + \delta)}(b) / \Delta(b) \qquad (b \in B').$$

In particular, for $H \in \mathfrak{h}$ for which $\exp H \in B'$,

(5)
$$\operatorname{tr} \pi_{\lambda}(\exp H) = \sum_{s \in W} \epsilon(s) e^{s(\lambda + \delta)(H)} / \prod_{\alpha \in P} \left(e^{\alpha(H)/2} - e^{-\alpha(H)/2} \right)$$

and

(6)
$$\dim \pi_{\lambda} = \prod_{\alpha \in P} \langle \lambda + \delta, \alpha \rangle / \prod_{\alpha \in P} \langle \delta, \alpha \rangle.$$

Let \mathcal{G} be the universal enveloping algebra of \mathcal{G}_c and \mathcal{Z} the center of \mathcal{G} . By Schurr's lemma there is a homomorphism χ_{λ} (called the infinitesimal character of π_{λ}) of \mathcal{Z} into \mathcal{C} , such that $\pi_{\lambda}(z) = \chi_{\lambda}(z) \cdot 1$ for all $z \in \mathcal{Z}$. Let \mathcal{H} be the subalgebra of \mathcal{G} generated by 1 and \mathcal{G}_c , and let \mathcal{G} be the left ideal $\Sigma_{\alpha \in \mathcal{P}} \mathcal{G} X_{\alpha}$. Then it can be shown that for each $z \in \mathcal{Z}$, there is a unique element $\beta_p(z) \in \mathcal{H}$ such that $z - \beta_p(z) \in \mathcal{G}$. The map $\beta_p: z \to \beta_p(z)$ is a homomorphism of \mathcal{Z} onto \mathcal{H} , and (cf. Harish-Chandra [4])

(7)
$$\chi_{\lambda}(z) = \beta_{b}(z)(\lambda) \qquad (z \in \mathbb{Z}).$$

Let U be a G-invariant open subset of g and $f \in C^{\infty}(U)$. We say f is an invariant eigenfunction on g, if f is G-invariant, and for each $p \in I_s(g_c)$, there is a $\chi(p) \in \mathbb{C}$ such that

$$\partial(p)f = \chi(p)f$$
 on U .

 χ is uniquely determined if $f \neq 0$ and $\chi(p \rightarrow \chi(p))$ is a homomorphism of $I_s(g_c)$ into C.

Lemma 2.1. Let dx be the normalized Haar measure on G, and $X' \in g_c$. Define

$$f_{X'}(X) = f(X':X) = \int_G \exp B(X^x, X') dx$$
 $(X \in g).$

Then fx, is an invariant eigenfunction on g, and

$$\partial(p)f_{X'} = \widetilde{p}(X')f_{X'} \qquad (p \in I_s(g_c))$$

where $p \to \widetilde{p}$ is the isomorphism of $S(g_c)$ onto $P(g_c)$ induced by the Cartan-Killing form.

Proof. Let $\phi(x, X) = \exp B(X^x, X')$, $x \in G$, $X \in \mathfrak{g}_c$. Then $\phi \in C^{\infty}(G \times \mathfrak{g})$ and as G is compact, the integral defined by $f_X(X)$ exists. The function $X \to f_X(X)$ is of class C^{∞} on \mathfrak{g} and we can differentiate under the integral sign. If $p \in S(\mathfrak{g}_c)$,

$$f_{X'}(X; \partial(p)) = \int_G \phi(x : X; \partial(p)) dx \qquad (X \in \mathfrak{g}).$$

Let $\omega \in \mathfrak{g}_c^*$. Then using the natural identification of $S(\mathfrak{g}_c)$ with $P(\mathfrak{g}_c^*)$, we obtain $\partial(p)e^{\omega} = p(\omega)e^{\omega}$. If $Y \in \mathfrak{g}_c$ and ω is the linear function $X \longrightarrow B(X, Y)$, then $p(\omega) = \widetilde{p}(Y)$. From these and the fact that $\phi(x, X) = \exp B(X, X'x^{-1})$, we get, for all $x \in G$, $X \in \mathfrak{g}$,

$$\phi(x, X; \partial(p)) = \stackrel{\sim}{p}(X'^{x-1})\phi(x, X).$$

If we assume $p \in l_s(\mathfrak{g}_c)$, we obtain $\partial(p)/\chi_{l} = \stackrel{\sim}{p}(X')/\chi_{l}$. Invariance of $f_{X'}$ follows from translation invariance of dx.

Our aim in the rest of this section is to evaluate the f_X . This requires some preparation. For any subspace α of \mathfrak{g}_c , we shall identify $S(\alpha)$ with the subalgebra of $S(\mathfrak{g}_c)$ generated by 1 and α . For any $n \geq 0$, write $S_n(\mathfrak{g}_c)$ for the subspace of $S(\mathfrak{g}_c)$ spanned by homogeneous elements of degree n. Set $S^{(n)}(\mathfrak{g}_c) = \sum_{0 \leq r \leq n} S_r(\mathfrak{g}_c)$. Let λ be the customary symmetrizer map of $S(\mathfrak{g}_c)$ onto \mathfrak{g} . Since $\lambda(p^x) = \lambda(p)^x$ ($p \in S(\mathfrak{g}_c)$, $x \in G$), λ is a linear bijection of $S^{(n)}(\mathfrak{g}_c)$ onto the subspace $S^{(n)}(\mathfrak{g}_c)$ spanned by 1 and elements of the form $S^{(n)}(\mathfrak{g}_c)$ onto the subspace $S^{(n)}(\mathfrak{g}_c)$ of $S^{(n)}(\mathfrak{g}_c)$ spanned by 1 and elements of the form $S^{(n)}(\mathfrak{g}_c)$ onto the subspace $S^{(n)}(\mathfrak{g}_c)$

Lemma 2.2. Let & be the subspace of g_c spanned by X_a , $\alpha \in \Delta$. Then $S(g_c) = S(f_c) + S(g_c)$ &. For any $p \in S(g_c)$, let p_f denote the unique element of $S(f_c)$ such that $p - p_f \in S(g_c)$ &. Then $p \to p_f$ is an isomorphism of $I_s(g_c)$ onto $I_s(f_c)$. If $p \in I_s(g_c) \cap S_n(g_c)$ then $p_f \in I_s(f_c) \cap S_n(f_c)$.

Proof. The statements are all consequences of the theorem of Chevalley mentioned earlier.

Put $\overline{\mathbb{H}} = \{a \in \mathbb{H}: a^s = a \text{ for all } s \in \mathbb{W}\}$. The map $\widetilde{\lambda}$, by restriction, induces an isomorphism of $S(\mathfrak{h}_c)$ onto $\widetilde{\mathbb{H}}$, and $I_s(\mathfrak{h}_c)$ onto $\overline{\mathbb{H}}$. Let $\mathbb{H}_n = \widetilde{\lambda}(S_n(\mathfrak{h}_c))$. \mathbb{H} is the direct sum of \mathbb{H}_n 's, and for any $v \in \mathbb{H}$, we write v_n for its component in \mathbb{H}_n . Put $\mathbb{H}^{(n)} = \sum_{0 \le r \le n} \mathbb{H}_r$. Then

Lemma 2.3. Let $p \in I_s(\mathfrak{g}_c) \cap S_n(\mathfrak{g}_c)$. Then $\widetilde{\lambda}(p) \in \mathbb{Z} \cap \mathfrak{S}^{(n)}$, $\beta_p(\widetilde{\lambda}(p)) \in \mathfrak{F}^{(n)}$, $\beta_p(\widetilde{\lambda}(p))_n = \widetilde{\lambda}(P_{\mathfrak{h}})$.

Proof. Let $\{H_1, \dots, H_l\}$ be a basis for \mathfrak{h}_c and $P = \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_d\}$. Let $(q) = (q_1, \dots, q_d)$, $(c) = (c_1, \dots, c_l)$, $(r) = (r_1, \dots, r_d)$, where q_i , c_j , and r_k are integers ≥ 0 . Define

$$M((q), (c), (r)) = X_{-\alpha_1}^{q_1} \cdots X_{-\alpha_d}^{q_d} \cdot H_1^{c_1} \cdots H_l^{c_l} \cdot X_{\alpha_1}^{r_1} \cdots X_{\alpha_d}^{r_d}.$$

 $p \in I_s(\mathfrak{g}_c)$ if and only if it is a linear combination of $M((q), (\epsilon), (r))$ for which $\sum_{i=1}^d (r_i - q_i) \alpha_i = 0$. Hence we can find constants A((q), (c), (r)) (all but finitely many of them zero) such that

(8)
$$p = p_{\mathfrak{h}} + \sum_{\Omega} A((q), (c), (r)) M((q), (c), (r))$$

where the sum is over the set Ω of all ((q), (c), (r)) for which $\sum_{i=1}^{d} (r_i - q_i) \alpha_i = 0$, $\sum_{i \neq i} 0$, $\sum_{i \neq j} 0$ and $\sum_{i=1}^{d} (r_i + q_i) = n$.

On the other hand by considering M((q), (c), (r)) as an element of \mathcal{G} , we can show that if $z \in \mathcal{Z} \cap \mathcal{G}^{(n)}$, then $\beta_p(z) \in \mathcal{H}^{(n)}$. Let $z = \lambda(p)$, then using (8) and the result that $\lambda(M((q), (c), (r))) \in \mathcal{P} + \mathcal{G}^{(n-1)}$, and the fact that β_p maps $\mathcal{G}^{(n-1)}$ into $\mathcal{H}^{(n-1)}$ we conclude

$$\beta_p(z) \in \overset{\sim}{\lambda}(p_p) + \mathcal{H}^{(n-1)}$$

But $\widetilde{\lambda}(p_b) \in \mathcal{H}_n$. Hence (9) implies the result.

Consider now $u \in S_n(\mathfrak{g}_c)$, then $p = \int_G u^x dx$ is a well-defined element of $I_s(\mathfrak{g}_c) \cap S_n(\mathfrak{g}_c)$. Also forming $\int_G \widetilde{\lambda}(u)^x dx$, we obtain an element z of $\widetilde{Z} \cap \mathcal{G}^{(n)}$. Since $\widetilde{\lambda}(u^x) = \widetilde{\lambda}(u)^x$, $x \in G$, we have $z = \widetilde{\lambda}(p)$. Lemma 2.3, now shows that $\beta_p(z)_n = \widetilde{\lambda}(p)$. Taking $u = H^n$ for $H \in \mathfrak{h}_c$ we get

Lemma 2.4. Let $n \ge 0$. Then for any $H \in \mathfrak{h}_c$

$$\zeta_{H,n} = \int_G (H^n)^x dx$$

is a well-defined element of $I_s(g_c) \cap S_n(g_c)$ while considering the same integral in G, we obtain an element $z_{H,n} \in \mathbb{Z} \cap \widehat{G}^{(n)}$. We have $\widehat{\lambda}(\zeta_{H,n}) = z_{H,n}$ and $\beta_p(z_{H,n})_n = \widehat{\lambda}(\zeta_{H,n}|_{\mathfrak{h}})$.

Corollary 2.5. Let $\mu \to H'_{\mu}$ be the isomorphism of \mathfrak{h}_c^* with \mathfrak{h}_c induced by the Cartan-Killing form. Then for any $H \in \mathfrak{h}_c$, $n \geq 0$ and $\mu \in \mathfrak{h}_c^*$,

(9)
$$\int_G B(H^x, H'_{\mu})^n dx = \beta_p(z_{H,n})(\mu).$$

Proof. From Lemma 2.4, we have $\beta_p(z_{H,n})(\mu) = \widetilde{\lambda}(\zeta_{H,n}|_{\mathfrak{h}})(\mu)$ for $\mu \in \mathfrak{h}_c^*$. From isomorphism $p \to \widetilde{p}$ of $S(\mathfrak{g}_c)$ with $P(\mathfrak{g}_c)$ and the definition of $\zeta_{H,n}$, we obtain

$$\zeta_{H,n}(Y) = \int_G B(H^x, Y)^n dx \qquad (H \in \mathfrak{h}, Y \in \mathfrak{g}_c).$$

So for $\mu \in \mathfrak{h}_{\mathfrak{c}}^*$

$$\int_G B(H^x, H'_{\mu}) dx = \widetilde{\zeta}_{H, n}(H'_{\mu}).$$

On the other hand, the map $p \to p_h$ corresponds, via the isomorphism $p \to \tilde{p}$, to the restriction map $\widetilde{p} \to \widetilde{p}|_{\mathfrak{h}_{c}}$ of $P(\mathfrak{g}_{c})$ onto $P(\mathfrak{h}_{c})$ so $\widetilde{\zeta}_{H,n}|_{\mathfrak{h}} = (\zeta_{H,n}|_{\mathfrak{h}})^{\sim}$, from which we get $\widetilde{\zeta}_{H,n}(H_{\mu}') = (\zeta_{H,n}|_{\mathfrak{h}})$ (μ), $\mu \in \mathfrak{h}_{c}^{*}$. Since $\widetilde{\lambda}(\overline{H}^{n}) = \overline{H}^{n}$, $\overline{H} \in \mathfrak{h}_{c}$, $\widetilde{\lambda}(\zeta_{H,n}|_{\mathfrak{h}_{c}})(\mu) = (\zeta_{H,n}|_{\mathfrak{h}_{c}})(\mu)$.

We are now in a position to obtain a formula for f_X , defined in Lemma 2.1.

Theorem 2.6. Let G be a compact and semisimple real Lie group, g its Lie algebra, $\mathfrak{h} \subseteq \mathfrak{g}$ a Cartan subalgebra. P a positive system of roots, $\pi = \prod_{\alpha \in P} \alpha$, $\widetilde{\omega} = \prod_{\alpha \in p} H'_{\alpha}$. Then for all H, $H' \in \mathfrak{h}$ we have

$$\pi(H)\pi(H')\int_{G} \exp B(H^{x}, H') dx = \left(\prod_{\alpha \in P} \langle \delta, \alpha \rangle\right) \sum_{s \in W} \epsilon(s)e^{B(sH, H')}.$$

Proof. We have $\exp B(X, Y) = \sum_{n \ge 0} B(X, Y)^n / n!$. Since $|B(X^x, Y)|$ is bounded as x varies in G, we can write

$$\int_{G} \exp B(H^{x}, H') dx = \sum_{n>0} \frac{1}{n!} \int_{G} B(H^{x}, H')^{n} dx.$$

Upon replacing H' by H'_{μ} ($\mu \in \mathfrak{h}_{c}^{*}$) in above and using Corollary 2.5, we get

$$\int_{G} \exp B(H^{x}, H'_{\mu}) dx = \sum_{n>0} \frac{1}{n!} \beta_{p}(z_{H,n})(\mu).$$

For $\lambda \in \mathfrak{D}_{p}^{+}$, let π be the irreducible representation of \mathfrak{g}_{c} and G with highest weight λ . From (7) we obtain

$$\beta_p(z_{H,n})(\lambda) = \chi_{\lambda}(z_{H,n}).$$

Hence, as $z_{H,n} \in \mathbb{Z}$

tr
$$\pi_{\lambda}(z_{H,n}) = (\dim \pi_{\lambda})\chi_{\lambda}(z_{H,n}) = (\dim \pi_{\lambda})\beta_{\lambda}(z_{H,n})(\lambda)$$
.

Using (6) in above we get

(10)
$$\widetilde{\omega}(\lambda + \delta)\beta_{p}(z_{H,n})(\lambda) = \prod_{\alpha \in p} \langle \delta, \alpha \rangle \operatorname{tr} \pi_{\lambda}(z_{H,n}).$$

But from the definition of $z_{H,n}$,

$$\operatorname{tr} \pi_{\lambda}(z_{H,n}) = \int_{G} \operatorname{tr} \pi_{\lambda}(H^{n})^{x} dx = \operatorname{tr} \pi_{\lambda}(H^{n}).$$

Now, for $t \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\pi_{\lambda}(\exp tH) = e^{t\pi_{\lambda}(H)} = \sum_{n>0} \frac{t^n \pi_{\lambda}(H^n)}{n!}.$$

So

(11)
$$\operatorname{tr} \pi_{\lambda}(\exp tH) = \sum_{n>0} \operatorname{tr} \pi_{\lambda}(H^n) \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$

From Weyl's character formula (5)

$$\prod_{\alpha \in P} \left(e^{t\alpha(H)/2} - e^{-t\alpha(H)/2} \right) \operatorname{tr} \pi_{\lambda}(\exp tH) = \sum_{s \in W} \epsilon(s) e^{ts(\lambda + \delta)(H)}, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}, H \in \mathfrak{h}.$$

Using above formula in (11) we conclude

(12)
$$\prod_{\alpha \in P} \left(e^{t\alpha(H)/2} - e^{-t\alpha(H)/2} \right) \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{\operatorname{tr} \pi_{\lambda}(H^n)t^n}{n!} = \sum_{s \in W} \epsilon(s) e^{ts(\lambda + \delta)(H)}.$$

Upon expanding $\prod_{\alpha \in P} (e^{t \alpha(H)/2} - e^{-t \alpha(H)/2})$ and letting d = [P] we get

$$\prod_{\alpha \in P} \left(e^{t \alpha(H)/2} - e^{-t \alpha(H)/2} \right) = t^d \pi(H) \sum_{m > 0} q'_m t^{2m}.$$

For sufficiently small |t| above converges, hence from (12)

$$t^{d}\pi(H)\sum_{n>0}\frac{\operatorname{tr} \pi_{\lambda}(H^{n})}{n!}t^{n}=\left[\sum_{m>0}q'_{m}t^{2m}\right]^{-1}\sum_{s\in W}\epsilon(s)e^{ts(\lambda+\delta)(H)}.$$

Since $q_0' = 1$, for small |t|, we have $(\sum_{m=0}^n q_m' t^{2m})^{-1} = \sum_{m \ge 0}^n q_m t^{2m}$. Using this in above formula, expanding the right-hand side, and equating the coefficients of t^{n+d} , we get

$$\frac{\pi(H)}{n!} \operatorname{tr} \pi_{\lambda}(H^{n}) = \frac{\sum_{s \in W} \epsilon(s)(s(\lambda + \delta)(H))^{n+d}}{(n+d)!} + q_{1} \frac{\sum_{s \in W} \epsilon(s)(s(\lambda + \delta)(H))^{n+d-2}}{(n+d-2)!} + \cdots$$

Combining this with (10) we get

$$\left(\prod_{\alpha \in P} \langle \delta, \alpha \rangle\right)^{-1} \frac{\pi(H)}{n!} \overset{\sim}{\omega} (\lambda + \delta) \beta_p(z_{H,n})(\lambda)$$

$$= \frac{\sum_{s \in W} \epsilon(s)(s(\lambda + \delta)(H))^{n+d}}{(n+d)!} + q_1 \frac{\sum_{s \in W} \epsilon(s)(s(\lambda + \delta)(H))^{n+d-2}}{(n+d-2)!} + \cdots$$

 q_i 's are independent of λ , and since above is true for $\lambda \in \mathfrak{D}_p^+$, it is true for $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}_{c}^{*}$. In above formula we equate components which are homogeneous polynomials of degree (n+d) in λ :

$$\frac{\pi(H)}{n!} \stackrel{\sim}{\omega}(\lambda) \beta_{p}(z_{H,n})(\lambda) = \prod_{\alpha \in P} \langle \lambda, \alpha \rangle \frac{\sum_{s \in W} \epsilon(s)(s\lambda(H))^{n+d}}{(n+d)!}.$$

Substituting above in

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$$\int_{G} \exp B(H^{x}, H'_{\mu}) dx = \sum_{n>0} \frac{1}{n!} \beta_{p}(z_{H,n})(\mu)$$

obtained earlier we conclude

(13)
$$\pi(H)\widetilde{\omega}(\mu) \int_{G} \exp B(H^{x}, H'_{\mu}) dx$$

$$= \left(\prod_{\alpha \in p} \langle \delta, \alpha \rangle \right) \sum_{m > d} \frac{1}{m!} \sum_{s \in W} \epsilon(s) ((s\lambda)(H))^{m}.$$

For $p \ge 0$ define $f_p(\lambda) = \sum_{s \in W} \epsilon(s) ((s\lambda)(H))^p$, $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}_c^*$. f_p is homogeneous of degree p and is skew symmetric. It follows [1] that $f_p = 0$, p < d. In view of above, we can rewrite (13) as

$$\pi(H)\widehat{\omega}(\mu) \int_G \exp B(H^x, H'_{\mu}) dx$$

$$= \left(\prod_{\alpha \in p} \langle \delta, \, \alpha \rangle \right) \sum_{m \geq 0} \frac{1}{m!} \sum_{s \in W} \epsilon(s) ((s\mu)(H))^m = \left(\prod_{\alpha \in P} \langle \delta, \, \alpha \rangle \right) \sum_{s \in W} \epsilon(s) e^{(s\mu)(H)}.$$

Replacing H'_{μ} by H', and noting that $\widetilde{\omega}(\mu) = \pi(H'_{\mu})$ and $(s\mu)(H) = B(sH, H'_{\mu})$ we obtain the result.

From this theorem we obtain immediately the sought-for formulae for the eigenfunctions $f_{X'}$.

Theorem 2.7. Let $f_{X'}$ be defined as in Lemma 2.1, then

(14)
$$f_{H'}(H) = \left(\prod_{\alpha \in P} \langle \delta, \alpha \rangle\right) \frac{\sum_{s \in W} \epsilon(s) e^{B(sH, H')}}{\pi(H)\pi(H')} (H, H' \in \mathfrak{h}').$$

3. The explicit calculation of $\delta'_{\mathfrak{h}}(\partial(p))$ $(p \in I_s(\mathfrak{g}_c))$. We shall now prove (3), for the case G is compact. Let g be of compact type and define

(15)
$$\delta_{\mathfrak{h}}(D) = \pi \circ \delta'_{\mathfrak{h}}(D) \circ \pi^{-1} \qquad (D \in \mathrm{Diff}(U)).$$

Lemma 3.1. Let $E \in \text{Diff}(\mathfrak{h}')$ such that $E_{g_{H'}} = 0$ on \mathfrak{h}' where $g_{H'}(H) = \sum_{s \in W} e(s) e^{B(sH, H')}$ $(H, H' \in \mathfrak{h}')$; then $E \equiv 0$.

Proof. Choose q_1, \dots, q_k linearly independent in $S(\mathfrak{h}_c)$; then $E = \sum_{i=1}^k g_i \partial(q_i)$, $g_i \in C^{\infty}(\mathfrak{h}')$. $Eg_{H'} = 0$ implies

(16)
$$\sum_{i=1}^{k} \sum_{s \in W} \epsilon(s) g_i(H) q_i(sH') e^{B(sH,H')} \equiv 0 \quad (H, H' \in \mathfrak{h}')$$

Fix $H \in \mathfrak{h}'$, then the points sH, $s \in W$, are distinct (Chevalley). Thus $H' \to B(sH, H')$ are distinct linear forms. From a result of [3] and (16) we conclude

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k} \epsilon(s) g_i(H) \stackrel{\sim}{q}_i^s(H') \equiv 0 \qquad (H' \in \mathfrak{h}).$$

Taking s=1 and using the linear independence of q_i 's we obtain $g_i(H)=0$, $1 \le i \le k$. Therefore E=0.

Lemma 3.2. For $p \in I_{s}(g_{c})$, $\delta_{b}(\partial(p)) = \partial(p_{b})$.

Proof. If g is a function on $(\xi')^G$, let $\overline{g} = g|_{h'}$. From (14) we get

$$\overline{f}_{H'}(H; \pi^{-1} \circ \partial(p_{\mathfrak{h}}) \circ \pi) = \widetilde{p}(H')\overline{f}_{H'}(H).$$

But Lemma 2.1 implies $\partial(p)/H = p(H')/H$, on \mathfrak{h} . From the definition of radial component it follows that

$$\overline{f}_{H'}(H; \delta'_{\mathfrak{b}}(\partial(p))) = \stackrel{\sim}{p}(H')\overline{f}_{H'}(H) \qquad (H \in \mathfrak{h}').$$

Above formulae along with (15) imply $(\partial(p_{\mathfrak{h}}) - \delta_{\mathfrak{h}}(\partial(p)))g_{H'} = 0$ on \mathfrak{h}' where $g_{H'}(H) = \sum_{s \in W} \epsilon(s)e^{B(sH, H')}$ $(H, H' \in \mathfrak{h})$. The result follows from Lemma 3.1.

We are now in a position to prove (3) for an arbitrary semisimple Lie algebra over R. Let g be one such and G a connected Lie group with Lie algebra.

Lemma 3.3. Let $p \in I_s(\mathfrak{h}_c)$, then $\delta'_{\mathfrak{h}}(\partial(p)) = \pi^{-1} \circ \partial(p_{\mathfrak{h}}) \circ \pi$ on \mathfrak{h}' if and only if $\partial(p_{\mathfrak{h}})(\pi q_{\mathfrak{h}}) = \pi(\partial(p)q)_{\mathfrak{h}}$ on \mathfrak{h}_c for all $q \in I_p(\mathfrak{g}_c)$.

Proof. Let $E = \delta_{\mathfrak{h}}'(\partial(p)) - \pi^{-1} \circ \partial(p_{\mathfrak{h}}) \circ \pi$ and \mathfrak{A} the algebra of all real-valued G-invariant polynomials on \mathfrak{A} . It can be shown(2) $E \equiv 0$ on \mathfrak{h}' if and only if $E\overline{g} = 0$ for all $g \in \mathfrak{A}$. Recall that $\overline{g} = g|_{\mathfrak{h}'}$. This is equivalent to $\pi^{-1} \circ \partial(p_{\mathfrak{h}})(\pi q_{\mathfrak{h}}) = \delta_{\mathfrak{h}}'(\partial(p))q_{\mathfrak{h}}$ on \mathfrak{h}' for all $g \in I_p(\mathfrak{I}_c)$. Using the definition of $\delta_{\mathfrak{h}}'(\partial(p))$ and above, we get $\partial(p_{\mathfrak{h}})(\pi q_{\mathfrak{h}}) = \pi(\partial(p)q)_{\mathfrak{h}}$ on \mathfrak{h}' . Since we are dealing with polynomials this implies the result.

Theorem 3.4. Let g be a real semisimple Lie algebra, g_c its complexification. Let $p \in I_s(g_c)$; then $\delta_b(\partial(p)) = \partial(p_b)$.

Proof. Let U be a compact real form of \mathfrak{g}_{c} , and \mathfrak{b} a Cartan subalgebra of it. Then $\mathfrak{b}_{c} = \mathbb{C} \cdot \mathfrak{b}$ is a Cartan subalgebra of \mathfrak{g}_{c} and hence $\mathfrak{b}_{c}^{x} = \mathfrak{h}_{c}$ for some $x \in G_{c}$.

⁽²⁾ It suffices to show $E_{H_0} = 0$ for $H_0 \in \mathfrak{h}'$. $I_p(\mathfrak{g}_c)$ is finitely generated by l algebraically independent homogeneous elements of positive degree. It can be shown that we can choose these generators so that their restrictions to \mathfrak{g} are real-valued. Let $\{q_1, \cdots, q_l\}$ be one such set. Then by the Chevalley theorem $\{\overline{q}_1, \cdots, \overline{q}_l\}$ generates $I_p(\mathfrak{h}_c)$. A theorem of Shephard and Todd [5] implies $\{\overline{q}_1, \cdots, \overline{q}_l\}$ forms a C^∞ coordinate system around H_0 . A straightforward argument now implies the claim.

Let π be the product of positive roots of $(\mathfrak{g}_c, \mathfrak{b}_c)$. We arrange matters so that $\pi = \pi_{\mathfrak{b}}^x$. By Lemma 3.2, $\delta_{\mathfrak{b}}'(\partial(p)) = \pi^{-1} \circ \partial(p_{\mathfrak{b}}) \circ \pi$ on \mathfrak{b}' . By Lemma 3.3, $\partial(p_{\mathfrak{b}})(\pi_{\mathfrak{b}}q_{\mathfrak{b}}) = \pi_{\mathfrak{b}}(\partial(p)q_{\mathfrak{b}})$ on \mathfrak{b}_c . We then have

$$\partial(p_h^x)(\pi_h^x q_h^x) = \pi_h^x((\partial(p)q)_h)^x.$$

But $p_{\mathfrak{h}}^x = p_{\mathfrak{h}}$, $q_{\mathfrak{h}}^x = q_{\mathfrak{h}}$. So we have $\partial(p_{\mathfrak{h}})(\pi q_{\mathfrak{h}}) = \pi(\partial(p)q)_{\mathfrak{h}}$. This proves the theorem in view of Lemma 3.3.

4. A theorem on $\delta_{\mathfrak{h}}'(D)$ when $D \in \mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{g}_c)$. We now use the previous results to obtain the main theorem concerning $\delta_{\mathfrak{h}}'(D)$, $D \in \mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{g}_c)$ (cf. Harish-Chandra [2]). For any $p \in S(\mathfrak{g}_c)$ define $\mu_p(D) = \partial(p) \circ D - D \circ \partial(p)$ $(D \in \text{Diff}((\mathfrak{h}')^G))$. μ_p is a derivation of $\mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{g}_c)$. Define $\mu_p^m(D) = \mu(\mu_p^{m-1}(D))$, $m \geq 2$.

Lemma 4.1. Let $D \in \mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{g}_c)$, $p \in S(\mathfrak{g}_c)$. Then there is an integer $m = m(p, D) \ge 0$ such that $\mu_b^m(D) = 0$.

Proof. Since we can write $D = \sum_{i=1}^s p_i \partial(q_i)$, $p_i \in P(g_c)$, $q_i \in S(g_c)$ we may assume $D = p_1 \partial(q_1)$. We assert $\mu_p(D)$ can be written as $\sum_{i=1}^k p_i' \partial(q_i')$ with deg $p_i' \in P(g_c)$ for all i. Write $E = F \partial(q_1)$ where $F = [\partial(p), p_1]$. Direct calculations show that F can be written as $\sum_{j=1}^N f_j \partial(g_j)$ where each f_j is of the form $\partial(b_j)p_1$ for some $b_j \in P(g_c)$ which is homogeneous of positive degree. So $\deg f_j \in P(g_c)$ for all f_j . Since $f_j \in P(g_c)$ the result follows by induction on $f_j \in P(g_c)$.

Lemma 4.2. Let $U \subset \mathfrak{h}$ can be a connected and open set, $f \in C^{\infty}(U)$. Suppose for every $p \in I_s^+(\mathfrak{h}_c)$, there is an integer m = m(p) > 0 such that $\partial(p)^m f = 0$ on U. Then f is the restriction to U of a polynomial on \mathfrak{h}_c .

Proof. Let p_1, \dots, p_l be homogeneous generators of $I_s(\mathfrak{H}_c)$. Then it can be seen that the assumption implies $\partial (p_i)^m f = 0$ for some $m \geq 0$, $1 \leq i \leq l$. Let $d_i = \deg(p_i)$ and $k = m(d_1 + \dots + d_l)$. For $H \in \mathfrak{H}$ consider $Q(\zeta) = \prod_{s \in W} (\zeta^k - (sH)^k)$. Q(H) = 0, so $\partial (Q(H)) f = 0$. Let $\omega = [W]$. Then

$$Q(\zeta) = (\zeta^{k})^{\omega} + (\zeta^{k})^{\omega - 1}Q_{1,H} + \cdots + Q_{\omega,H}$$

where $Q_{j,H}$ is a homogeneous element of $I_s(\mathfrak{h}_c)$ of degree jk. For fixed j, $Q_{j,H}$ is a linear combination of monomials $p_1^{a_1}\cdots p_l^{a_l}$ with $d_1a_1+\cdots+d_la_l=jk\geq k=m(d_1+\cdots+d_l)$. Hence there is at least one $a_i\geq m$, so that $\partial(p_1^{a_1}\cdots p_l^{a_l})f=0$. Thus $\partial(Q_{j,H})f=0$. Hence $\partial(H^{k\omega})f=0$. As U is connected, this implies f is a polynomial of degree $\leq lk\omega$.

Lemma 4.3. Let $U \subset \mathfrak{h}$ be a connected open set, $E \in \text{Diff}(U)$. Suppose for each $p \in I_s^{\dagger}(\mathfrak{h}_c)$ there is an integer m = m(p) > 0 such that $\mu_p^m(E) = 0$. Then there

is an $F \in \mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{h})$ such that E = F on U, i.e. E has polynomial coefficients.

Proof. Write $E = \sum_{i=1}^{N} f_i \partial(g_i)$, $f_i \in C^{\infty}(U)$, $g_i \in S(\mathfrak{h}_c)$. We will show $f_i \in P(\mathfrak{h}_c)$. We may assume g_i are linearly independent, homogeneous and $\deg g_1 \leq \deg g_2 \leq \cdots \leq \deg g_N$. Also we may assume $f_i \notin P(\mathfrak{h}_c)$. Let $d = \min_i \deg g_i$ and $s \geq 1$ such that $\deg g_i = d$, $1 \leq i \leq s$, $\deg g_i > d$, $s < i \leq N$. Let $p \in I_s(\mathfrak{h}_c)$. It can be shown

(17)
$$\mu_p^m(E) = \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{r=0}^m (-1)^r \binom{m}{r} (\partial(p))^{m-r} (f_i \partial(g_i)) \partial(p)^r.$$

Let M_{f} be the operator of multiplication by f, then $\partial(p)^{m-r}M_{f_{i}} = \sum_{t}U_{i,t}\partial(V_{i,t})$ where $U_{i,t} \in C^{\infty}(U)$ and $V_{i,t}$ homogeneous. We then get

$$\partial(p)^{m-r}(f_i\partial(g_i))\partial(p)^r = \sum_t U_{i,t}\partial(V_{i,t}g_ip^r).$$

If r = 0 we can write $\partial(p)^m M_{f_i} = M_{\partial(p)^m f_i} + \sum_t U_{i,t} \partial(V_{i,t})$ where the $V_{i,t}$ are homogeneous elements of strictly positive degree. We then have

$$\partial(p)^m(f_i\partial(g_i)) = \sum_t U_{i,t}\partial(V_{i,t}g_i).$$

It follows from the above two equations that

$$\mu_p^m(E) = \sum_{i=1}^s \left(\partial(p)^m f_i\right) \partial(g_i) + \sum_{j=1}^{Nn} f_{m_j} \partial(g_{m_j})$$

where $f_{m_j} \in C^{\infty}(U)$ and g_{m_j} are homogeneous elements of $S(\mathfrak{H}_c)$ of degree > d. If we choose m so that $\mu_p^m(E) = 0$, then we conclude from above formula that $\partial(p)^m f_i = 0$, $1 \le i \le s$. Lemma 4.2 now implies that $f_i \in P(\mathfrak{H}_c)$, a contradiction.

Theorem 4.4. Let $D \in \mathfrak{I}(\mathfrak{g})$ and $\delta_{\mathfrak{h}}(D) = \pi \circ \delta'_{\mathfrak{h}}(D) \circ \pi^{-1}$. There is a unique element of $\mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{h})$ which coincides with $\delta_{\mathfrak{h}}(D)$ on \mathfrak{h}' .

Proof. We need only to prove the existence. By Theorem 2.1, $\delta_{\mathfrak{h}} \colon D' \longrightarrow \pi \circ \delta'_{\mathfrak{h}}(D') \circ \pi^{-1}$ is a homomorphism of $\mathfrak{g}((\mathfrak{h}')^G)$ into Diff (\mathfrak{h}') . Suppose now $p \in I_{\mathfrak{S}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\mathfrak{S}})$. By Lemma 4.1, there is an integer $m \geq 0$ such that $\mu_{\mathfrak{p}}^m(D) = 0$. So

$$\sum_{r=0}^{m} (-1)^r {m \choose r} \partial(p)^{m-r} D \partial(p)^r = 0.$$

Apply homomorphism $\delta_{\mathfrak{h}}$ to above and note that by Theorem 3.4, $\delta_{\mathfrak{h}}(\partial(q)) = \partial(q_{\mathfrak{h}}) \ (q \in I_{\mathfrak{s}}(\mathfrak{g}_{\mathfrak{s}}))$ we will get

$$\sum_{r=0}^{m} (-1)^{r} {m \choose r} \partial (p_{\mathfrak{h}})^{m-r} \delta_{\mathfrak{h}}(D) \partial (p_{\mathfrak{h}})^{r} = 0 \quad \text{on } \mathfrak{h}'.$$

Comparing above with (17) we get

$$\mu_{p_{\mathfrak{h}}}^{m}(\delta_{\mathfrak{h}}(D))=0 \quad \text{on } \mathfrak{h}'.$$

Let U be a connected open set in \mathfrak{h}' . Since $p \to p_{\mathfrak{h}}$ is an isomorphism of $I_s(\mathfrak{g}_c)$ onto $I_s(\mathfrak{h}_c)$, we conclude from above that given any $q \in I_s(\mathfrak{h}_c)$ which is homogeneous of positive degree, there is an integer m = m(p) > 0 such that $\mu_q^m(\delta_{\mathfrak{h}}(D)) = 0$ on U. By Lemma 4.3, we can find an $L \in \mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{h})$ such that

(18)
$$^{\bullet} L = \delta_{\mathfrak{h}}(D) \quad \text{on } U.$$

It can be shown [1] that $\delta_{\mathfrak{h}}'(D)$ can be written as $\pi^{-N}' \circ F$ for some integer $N' \geq 0$ and $F \in \mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{h})$. So we can write $\delta_{\mathfrak{h}}(D)$ as $\pi^{-N} \circ F$ for some $N \geq 0$ and $F \in \mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{h})$. Comparing this with (18) and noting a rational function on \mathfrak{h}_c is determined by its restriction on U, we conclude that $L = \delta_{\mathfrak{h}}(D)$ on \mathfrak{h}' .

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