

On the Density of Unnormalized Tamagawa Numbers of Orthogonal Groups I

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§1. Introduction

This is the first part of a series of three papers. In this series of papers, we determine the density of unnormalized Tamagawa numbers of projective special orthogonal groups defined over a fixed number field.

Let k and \mathbb{A} be a number field and its ring of adèles. Throughout this series of papers

$$(1.1) \quad G = \mathrm{GL}(1) \times \mathrm{GL}(n), \quad V = \mathrm{Sym}^2 \mathrm{Aff}^n.$$

We regard V as the space of quadratic forms in $n \geq 1$ variables. In these papers we mainly consider the case $n \geq 3$, but need to consider all positive integers $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ for technical reasons. Let $V_k^{\mathrm{ss}} = \{x \in V_k \mid \det x \neq 0\}$. For $x \in V_k^{\mathrm{ss}}$, we define the special orthogonal group $\mathrm{SO}(x)$ in the well-known manner. We define $\mathrm{PSO}(x)$ to be $\mathrm{SO}(x)$ modulo its center, and call it the projective special orthogonal group of x . Then

$$\mathrm{PSO}(x) = \begin{cases} \mathrm{SO}(x) & n \text{ odd,} \\ \mathrm{SO}(x)/\{\pm I_n\} & n \text{ even.} \end{cases}$$

We denote the set of k -isomorphism classes of algebraic groups over k of the form $\mathrm{PSO}(x)$ by S_n . Then S_n can be naturally identified with the set of k -isomorphism classes of algebraic groups over k of the form $\mathrm{SO}(x)$.

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In § 3, we prove that the correspondence $G_k \backslash V_k^{\text{ss}} \ni x \mapsto \text{PSO}(x) \in S_n$ is a bijective map. In § 5, we define the discriminant $\Delta_x \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ for $x \in V_k^{\text{ss}}$. In § 8, we define an invariant measure $d\tilde{g}_x''$ on the adèlization $\text{PSO}(x)_{\mathbb{A}}$ essentially using its Iwasawa decomposition. This $d\tilde{g}_x''$ is *not* the classical Tamagawa measure on $\text{PSO}(x)_{\mathbb{A}}$, which is defined using an invariant differential form defined over k .

The volume $\text{vol}(\text{PSO}(x)_{\mathbb{A}}/\text{PSO}(x)_k)$ with respect to $d\tilde{g}_x''$ is finite, and we call it the *unnormlized Tamagawa number* of $\text{PSO}(x)$. This is an arithmetic invariant of some interest. For example, if $n = 2$ then it can be described by the class number and the regulator of the quadratic extension of k generated by the roots of x .

Our main theorems are Theorem 6.12 in Part II [9] and Theorem 5.9 in Part III [34]. Our results are over an arbitrary number field k , but we state them here assuming that $k = \mathbb{Q}$ for simplicity.

For convenience, we put $r = \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$, i.e., $r = \frac{n-1}{2}$ (n odd) and $r = \frac{n}{2}$ (n even). For a prime number p , we put

$$E_p = 1 - \frac{3}{4}p^{-2} - \frac{1}{4}p^{-3} - p^{-r-1} + \frac{1}{2}p^{-r-2} + \frac{1}{2}p^{-r-3} + \frac{1}{4}p^{-2r-2} - \frac{1}{4}p^{-2r-3},$$

$$E'_p = 1 - p^{-2} - p^{-2r-1} + p^{-2r-2} + \frac{1}{4}p^{-3} \frac{(1-p^{-1})^2(1-p^{-(r-1)})(1-p^{-2r})}{1-p^{-2}}.$$

Let $\Gamma(s)$ be the classical gamma function. We put

$$\Gamma_{\mathbb{R}}(s) = \pi^{-\frac{s}{2}}\Gamma(\frac{s}{2}), \quad \Gamma_{\mathbb{C}}(s) = (2\pi)^{1-s}\Gamma(s).$$

For $0 \leq i \leq r$, let $S_{n,i}$ be the subset of S_n consisting of groups of the form $\text{PSO}(x)$ where x is a quadratic form with signature $(n-i, i)$. Note that this implies that there are $n-i$ positive eigenvalues.

For the special case $k = \mathbb{Q}$, our main results can be formulated as follows.

Theorem 1.2. *Suppose that $n = 2r + 1 \geq 3$ is odd. Then*

$$\lim_{X \rightarrow \infty} X^{-\frac{n+1}{2}} \sum_{\substack{x,y \in S_{n,i} \\ \Delta_x \Delta_y < X}} \text{vol}(\text{SO}(x)_{\mathbb{A}}/\text{SO}(x)_{\mathbb{Q}})\text{vol}(\text{SO}(y)_{\mathbb{A}}/\text{SO}(y)_{\mathbb{Q}})$$

$$= \frac{2^{-n+i(n-i+1)+2}}{n+1} \left(\prod_{1 \leq j \leq i} \Gamma_{\mathbb{R}}(j) \prod_{1 \leq j \leq n-i} \Gamma_{\mathbb{R}}(j) \prod_{1 \leq j \leq r} \zeta(2j) \right)^2 \prod_p E_p.$$

Note that $\text{SO}(x) \cong \text{PSO}(x)$ if n is odd.

Theorem 1.3. *Suppose that $n = 2r \geq 4$ is even. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{X \rightarrow \infty} X^{-\frac{n+1}{2}} \sum_{\substack{x \in S_{n,i} \\ \Delta_x < X}} \text{vol}(\text{PSO}(x)_{\mathbb{A}}/\text{PSO}(x)_{\mathbb{Q}}) \\ &= \frac{2^{-n + \frac{i(n-i+1)}{2}} + 2}{n+1} \prod_{1 \leq j \leq i} \Gamma_{\mathbb{R}}(i) \prod_{1 \leq j \leq n-i} \Gamma_{\mathbb{R}}(j) \prod_{1 \leq j \leq r} \zeta(2j) \prod_p E'_p. \end{aligned}$$

Since our work is a generalization of Datskovsky’s work [3], our method works for $n = 2$ also, and can prove the following known result of Goldfeld-Hoffstein [7].

Theorem 1.4 (Goldfeld-Hoffstein).

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{X \rightarrow \infty} X^{-\frac{3}{2}} \sum_{\substack{[F:\mathbb{Q}]=2 \\ 0 < \Delta_F \leq X}} h_F R_F &= \frac{\pi^2}{36} \prod_p (1 - p^{-2} - p^{-3} + p^{-4}), \\ \lim_{X \rightarrow \infty} X^{-\frac{3}{2}} \sum_{\substack{[F:\mathbb{Q}]=2 \\ 0 < -\Delta_F \leq X}} h_F &= \frac{\pi}{18} \prod_p (1 - p^{-2} - p^{-3} + p^{-4}) \end{aligned}$$

where h_F, R_F are the class number and the regulator of the quadratic field F respectively.

Note that $1 - p^{-2} - p^{-2r-1} + p^{-2r-2} = 1 - p^{-2} - p^{-3} + p^{-4}$ if $r = 1$, which is the constant in the theorem of Goldfeld-Hoffstein. Also note that the theorem of Goldfeld-Hoffstein is stronger than Datskovsky’s work (and hence our work also) in the sense that they obtained an error term estimate. This aspect on the error term is very difficult if one uses the zeta function method, but it is something which should eventually be achieved with the zeta function method also for even n .

For a nonzero integer D , let h_D be the number of $\text{SL}(2)_{\mathbb{Z}}$ -equivalence classes of primitive integral binary quadratic forms with discriminant D . It is known that h_D equals the narrow class number of the order of a quadratic field with discriminant D . If $D > 0$ then one can define an analogue of the regulator for the above order, which we denote by R_D . It is very famous that Gauss conjectured that

$$\sum_{0 < -D < X} h_D \sim \frac{4\pi}{21\zeta(3)} X^{\frac{3}{2}}.$$

The integral structure on the space of binary quadratic forms Gauss used was different from the integral structure used nowadays. If the integral structure

of this paper (which is the same as that in Shintani [26], etc.) is used, the constant $4/21$ must be replaced by $1/18$. If we use the integral structure of this paper, Gauss' conjecture for $D > 0$ can be stated as follows:

$$\sum_{0 < D < X} h_D R_D \sim \frac{\pi^2}{18\zeta(3)} X^{\frac{3}{2}}.$$

Gauss' conjecture was proved by Lipschutz [18] for the imaginary case (i.e., for $D < 0$). The real case was proved by Siegel [27]. Mertens [19], Vinogradov [29], Shintani [26] and Chamizo-Iwaniec [2] worked on the error term estimates for these cases. Shintani estimated the error term using the zeta function theory of prehomogeneous vector spaces. Siegel's result [27] contains the density theorem of equivalence classes of integral quadratic forms in $n \geq 2$ variables.

Gauss' conjecture was a conjecture essentially on integral equivalent classes of integral binary quadratic forms. One can naturally associate a quadratic field to a binary quadratic form. Then a natural question is whether or not h_D is related to the class number of the quadratic field with discriminant D . The answer is yes in some sense. If D is square-free then h_D is indeed the narrow class number of the quadratic field with discriminant D . However, in Gauss' conjecture, h_D 's for not necessarily square-free D were counted. If m is a non-zero integer and $D = m^2 D'$ then h_D, R_D can be easily described by $h_{D'}, R_{D'}$ and m . So to get the density of $h_k R_k$ of quadratic fields, one has to filter out the above ambiguity.

This ambiguity was first removed by Goldfeld and Hoffstein in [7]. Goldfeld and Hoffstein used Eisenstein series of half integral weight to prove Theorem 1.4. Datskovsky gave another proof by using the zeta function theory of the prehomogeneous vector space (1.1) for the case $n = 2$ in [3].

Theorems 1.2, 1.3 are density theorems on rational equivalence classes $G_{\mathbb{Q}} \backslash V_{\mathbb{Q}}^{\text{ss}}$ and so differs from Siegel's result in some sense. We obtain natural objects such as \mathbb{Q} -isomorphism classes of (projective) special orthogonal groups by considering $G_{\mathbb{Q}} \backslash V_{\mathbb{Q}}^{\text{ss}}$. What we do is to remove the ambiguity based on the difference between integral equivalence classes and rational equivalence classes.

Considering rational equivalence classes sometimes makes the consideration easier and sometimes more difficult. If there are not enough equivalence classes, the consideration becomes easier. This is the case for odd n . If there are still many equivalence classes, the consideration becomes more difficult, because it is difficult to count sparse objects. This is the case for even n . For this reason, we use different methods for odd n and even n .

The notion of prehomogeneous vector spaces was introduced by M. Sato in

the early 1960's. The pair (1.1) is a typical example of prehomogeneous vector spaces. The principal parts of the global zeta functions for some prehomogeneous vector spaces, including (1.1), were determined by Shintani [25], [26] and Yukie [35], [36], [37]. Ibukiyama-Saito [11] proved an "explicit formula" for the zeta function for (1.1) when the ground field is \mathbb{Q} . They expressed the zeta function as a sum of two functions which are products of Riemann zeta functions in the case where n is odd, and expressed the zeta function using Riemann zeta functions and the Eisenstein series of half integral weight in the case where n is even.

For the rest of this introduction, we consider (1.1) over an arbitrary number field k . The main purpose of Parts I, II is to prove Theorem 1.2. For this purpose, we use a Dirichlet series $\tilde{Z}(s)$ defined by

$$\tilde{Z}(s) = \sum_{x \in G_k \backslash V_k^{ss}} \frac{\text{vol}(\text{SO}(x)_{\mathbb{A}}/\text{SO}(x)_k)}{\Delta_x^s}$$

when n is odd. This $\tilde{Z}(s)$ is *not* the zeta function of the prehomogeneous vector space (1.1). In Part II, we shall express $\tilde{Z}(s)$ as a sum of two Euler products by a technique used in [11], and prove that $\tilde{Z}(s)^2$ has the rightmost pole at $s = \frac{n+1}{2}$ which is simple. Then the well-known Tauberian theorem (see Theorem I [21, p.464]) reduces the problem to the computation of the residue of $\tilde{Z}(s)^2$ at $s = \frac{n+1}{2}$. The slightly complicated form of Theorem 1.2 is a reflexion of the fact that $\tilde{Z}(s)^2$, rather than $\tilde{Z}(s)$, has a simple pole at the rightmost pole. The location of the poles of $\tilde{Z}(s)^2$ for $\text{Re}(s) < \frac{n+1}{2}$ is related to the generalized Riemann hypothesis. So it seems difficult to obtain any error term estimate. Even though we shall not prove it, we expect that

$$X^{\frac{n+1}{2}-\epsilon} \ll \sum_{\substack{x \in S_n \\ \Delta_x < X}} \text{vol}(\text{SO}(x)_{\mathbb{A}}/\text{SO}(x)_k) \ll X^{\frac{n+1}{2}}$$

for any $\epsilon > 0$ if n is odd.

For odd n , $\text{vol}(\text{SO}(x)_{\mathbb{A}}/\text{SO}(x)_k)$ can be expressed as $2 \prod_v \tilde{c}_{v,x}''$, where 2 is the value of the classical Tamagawa number of $\text{SO}(x)$ and $\tilde{c}_{v,x}''$ is a certain Euler factor corresponding to the place v of k . If v is a finite place then it turns out that the computation of $\tilde{c}_{v,x}''$ reduces to the computation of the "local density" of x . If $k = \mathbb{Q}$ then the local density is known for all cases (see [8], [30]). However, there is a slight difficulty dealing with arbitrary dyadic fields and so we use a method similar to that in [3], [15] to compute $\tilde{c}_{v,x}''$ for $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$ in § 11. For even n , we shall group local orbits according to their types and compute the sum of $\tilde{c}_{v,x}''$ for each type for $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$ in Part III. We shall compute $\tilde{c}_{v,x}''$ for

infinite places (including the case where n is even) in Part II. The knowledge of $\tilde{c}'_{v,x}$ for all v and x and the relatively simple orbit space $G_k \backslash V_k^{\text{ss}}$ enables us to use a technique in [11] to $\tilde{Z}(s)$. We shall discuss the method for odd n in the introduction of Part II in more detail (also see the comment at the end of § 6).

We shall prove Theorem 1.3 in Part III. We use the “filtering process” used in [4], [3], [14], [15], [16] (also implicitly in [5], [6]) for that purpose. This approach is based on the zeta function theory of the prehomogeneous vector space (1.1). Roughly speaking, the zeta function $Z(s)$ for this case is in the following form:

$$Z(s) = \sum_{x \in G_k \backslash V_k^{\text{ss}}} \frac{\text{vol}(\text{SO}(x)_{\mathbb{A}}/\text{SO}(x)_k)}{\Delta_x^s} L_x(s)$$

where $L_x(s)$ is a certain L -function which depends on the orbit $x \in V_k^{\text{ss}}$. So, in a sense, we use the filtering process to remove the contribution from $L_x(s)$.

We speculate that it is possible to use the filtering process to the square of the zeta function and obtain the same result for odd n . However, it is probably easier to apply the explicit method in Part II. There is also a possibility that one can use the explicit method in Part II for even n . However, since the principal parts of the zeta function for the present case has been determined in [35], it is probably easier to use the zeta function theory at this point. We discuss the method for even n in the introduction of Part III in more detail.

For the rest of the introduction, we discuss the organization of this part. Except for § 3 where k is an arbitrary field, k is a number field. In this part n is an arbitrary positive integer except for § 6, 9, 10, 11 where $n \geq 3$ is an odd integer.

In § 2, we discuss notations used throughout this part. In § 3, we investigate the relation between S_n and the orbit space $G_k \backslash V_k^{\text{ss}}$ for an arbitrary field k . In § 4, we choose a set of representatives for local orbit spaces of (1.1) at finite places. In § 5, we define the notion of discriminant for quadratic forms, and determine values of discriminants for the local representatives which we choose in § 4. In § 6, we investigate the correspondence between the global orbit space and the product of the local orbit spaces for odd n . In § 7 and 8, we define invariant measures on $\text{SO}(x)_{\mathbb{A}}$, etc., for $x \in V_k^{\text{ss}}$ essentially using their Iwasawa decompositions, and define the notion of the unnormalized Tamagawa number of $\text{SO}(x)_{\mathbb{A}}$, etc., assuming the definition of the measures at infinite places in Part II. In this way, the reader can concentrate on finite places in this part, and on infinite places in Part II. In § 9, we review some facts concerning the classical Tamagawa number of $\text{SO}(x)$. In § 10 and 11, we compute $\tilde{c}'_{v,x}$ for finite

places v . Part of the computations of $\tilde{c}_{v,x}''$ may follow from classical results, but we included them for the sake of the reader.

§2. Notation

In this section, we define basic notations used throughout this paper. More specialized notations will be introduced in each section.

If X is a finite set then $\#X$ will denote its cardinality. The symbols \mathbb{Q} , \mathbb{R} , \mathbb{C} and \mathbb{Z} will denote respectively the set of rational, real and complex numbers and the rational integers. If $a \in \mathbb{R}$, then $[a]$ will denote the largest integer z such that $z \leq a$. The symbol $\mathbb{R}_{>0}$ (resp. $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$) will denote the set of positive (resp. non-negative) real numbers. Similarly, $\mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ (resp. $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$) will denote the set of positive (resp. non-negative) integers. If R is any ring, then R^\times is the set of invertible elements of R . If V is a variety defined over R , then V_R denotes the set of R -points. If G is an algebraic group, then G° denotes its identity component.

In this paper, we assume that k is a number field except for § 3 where k is an arbitrary field. We shall denote the ring of integers of k by \mathcal{O} . The symbols \mathfrak{M} , \mathfrak{M}_∞ , \mathfrak{M}_f , \mathfrak{M}_{dy} , $\mathfrak{M}_\mathbb{R}$ and $\mathfrak{M}_\mathbb{C}$ will denote respectively the set of all places of k , all infinite places, all finite places, all dyadic places (those dividing the place of \mathbb{Q} at 2), all real places and all imaginary places.

If $v \in \mathfrak{M}$, k_v denotes the completion of k at v and $|\cdot|_v$ the normalized absolute value on k_v . If $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$, then \mathcal{O}_v denotes the ring of integers of k_v , π_v a uniformizer of \mathcal{O}_v , \mathfrak{p}_v the maximal ideal of \mathcal{O}_v and q_v the cardinality of $\mathcal{O}_v/\mathfrak{p}_v$. If $a \in k_v$ and $(a) = \mathfrak{p}_v^i$, then we write $\text{ord}_v(a) = i$ (or $\text{ord}(a) = i$ if there is no confusion). If \mathfrak{i} is a fractional ideal in k_v and $a - b \in \mathfrak{i}$, then we write $a \equiv b \pmod{\mathfrak{i}}$ or $a \equiv b \pmod{\mathfrak{i}}$ if c generates \mathfrak{i} .

If k_1/k_2 is a finite extension either of local fields or of number fields, then we denote the relative discriminant of the extension by Δ_{k_1/k_2} , which is an ideal in the ring of integers of k_2 . If k_2 is either \mathbb{Q}_p or \mathbb{Q} , we denote Δ_{k_1/k_2} by Δ_{k_1} . We also denote the classical absolute discriminant of k_1 over \mathbb{Q} by the same symbol Δ_{k_1} . Since this number generates the ideal Δ_{k_1} , the resulting notational identification is harmless.

We now return to k . The symbols r_1 , r_2 , h_k , R_k and e_k will denote respectively, the number of real places, the number of imaginary places, the class number, the regulator and the number of roots of unity contained in k . We put

$$(2.1) \quad \mathfrak{C}_k = 2^{r_1} (2\pi)^{r_2} h_k R_k e_k^{-1}.$$

We next define notations concerning adèles and idèles (see [31]). The ring of adèles, the group of idèles and the adèlic absolute value of k are denoted by \mathbb{A} , \mathbb{A}^\times and $|\cdot|$ respectively. Let $\mathbb{A}^1 = \{t \in \mathbb{A}^\times \mid |t| = 1\}$ and \mathbb{A}_f be the finite part of \mathbb{A} . For $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+$, $\underline{\lambda} \in \mathbb{A}^\times$ is the idèle whose component at any infinite place is $\lambda^{1/[k:\mathbb{Q}]}$ and whose component at any finite place is 1. Then $|\underline{\lambda}| = \lambda$.

We choose a Haar measure dx on \mathbb{A} so that $\int_{\mathbb{A}/k} dx = 1$. For any $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$, we choose a Haar measure dx_v on k_v so that $\int_{\mathcal{O}_v} dx_v = 1$. Let dx_v be the Lebesgue measure if $v \in \mathfrak{M}_\mathbb{R}$, and two times the Lebesgue measure if $v \in \mathfrak{M}_\mathbb{C}$. It is known that $dx = |\Delta_k|^{-1/2} \prod_v dx_v$ (see [31, p. 91]).

We define a Haar measure $d^\times t^1$ on \mathbb{A}^1 so that $\int_{\mathbb{A}^1/k^\times} d^\times t^1 = 1$. Using this measure, we choose a Haar measure $d^\times t$ on \mathbb{A}^\times so that

$$\int_{\mathbb{A}^\times} f(t) d^\times t = \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{A}^1} f(\underline{\lambda} t^1) d^\times \lambda d^\times t^1,$$

where $d^\times \lambda = \lambda^{-1} d\lambda$. For any $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$, we choose a Haar measure $d^\times t_v$ on k_v^\times so that $\int_{\mathcal{O}_v^\times} d^\times t_v = 1$. Let $d^\times t_v = |t_v|_v^{-1} dt_v$ if $v \in \mathfrak{M}_\infty$.

We later have to consider the product of local measures, and for that purpose it is convenient to denote the product of local measures on $\mathbb{A}, \mathbb{A}^\times$ as follows

$$(2.2) \quad d_{\text{pr}}x = \prod_v dx_v, \quad d_{\text{pr}}^\times t = \prod_v d^\times t_v.$$

It is well-known (see [31, pp. 91, 95]) that

$$(2.3) \quad dx = |\Delta_k|^{-1/2} d_{\text{pr}}x, \quad d^\times t = \mathfrak{C}_k^{-1} d_{\text{pr}}^\times t.$$

Let $\zeta_k(s)$ be the Dedekind zeta function of k . We define

$$(2.4) \quad Z_k(s) = |\Delta_k|^{\frac{s}{2}} \left(\pi^{-\frac{s}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right)\right)^{r_1} \left((2\pi)^{1-s} \Gamma(s)\right)^{r_2} \zeta_k(s).$$

This definition differs from that in [31, p. 129] by the inclusion of the $|\Delta_k|^{s/2}$ factor and from that in [35] by a factor of $(2\pi)^{r_2}$. It is known ([31, p. 129]) that

$$(2.5) \quad \text{Res}_{s=1} \zeta_k(s) = |\Delta_k|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathfrak{C}_k, \quad \text{and so} \quad \text{Res}_{s=1} Z_k(s) = \mathfrak{C}_k.$$

For positive integers l, m , we define $M(l, m)$ to be the set of $l \times m$ matrices. We denote the zero matrix of $M(l, m)$ by $0_{l,m}$. If there is no confusion, we may write 0 instead of $0_{l,m}$. We denote the unit matrix of $M(m, m)$ by I_m .

§3. Structure of the Orbit Space

In this section, we assume that k is an arbitrary field. We denote its separable closure by k^{sep} . The main purpose of this section is to investigate the relation between the sets of k -forms of orthogonal groups of various types and the set of rational orbits in the space of quadratic forms.

Let $n \geq 1$ be an integer. We consider the following pair (G, V) :

$$(3.1) \quad G = \text{GL}(1) \times \text{GL}(n), \quad V = \text{Sym}^2 \text{Aff}^n$$

where $\text{Sym}^2 \text{Aff}^n$ is the space of n -ary quadratic forms over k . In this paper, we mainly investigate (3.1) for $n \geq 3$. We express an element $x \in V$ as

$$(3.2) \quad x[v] = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq j \leq n} x_{ij} v_i v_j$$

where $v = (v_1, \dots, v_n)$ (v is an n -dimensional row vector) and v_1, \dots, v_n are variables.

We associate to x , the symmetric matrix

$$(3.3) \quad M_x = \begin{pmatrix} 2x_{11} & x_{12} & \cdots & x_{1n} \\ x_{12} & 2x_{22} & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & x_{n-1n} \\ x_{1n} & \cdots & x_{n-1n} & 2x_{nn} \end{pmatrix}.$$

If $\text{ch } k \neq 2$ then $x[v] = 2^{-1} v M_x {}^t v$ and we can identify M_x with x . Let $n' \geq 1$ and $u \in \text{M}(n', n)$. We denote $2^{-1} u M_x {}^t u$ by $x[u]$.

We define an action of $g = (t_0, g_1) \in G = \text{GL}(1) \times \text{GL}(n)$ on V as follows:

$$(gx)[v] = t_0 x[v g_1].$$

Let $\tilde{T} = \text{Ker}(G \rightarrow \text{GL}(V))$ and $\tilde{G} = G/\tilde{T}$. It is easy to see that

$$(3.4) \quad \tilde{T} = \{(\tilde{t}_0^{-2}, \tilde{t}_0 I_n) \mid \tilde{t}_0 \in \text{GL}(1)\}.$$

We put

$$(3.5) \quad P(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \det M_x & n \text{ odd,} \\ \det M_x & n \text{ even.} \end{cases}$$

We define a character χ of G as follows:

$$(3.6) \quad \chi(g) = t_0^n \det g_1^2 \quad (g = (t_0, g_1) \in G).$$

Then $P(gx) = \chi(g)P(x)$. We say that a point $x \in V$ is *semi-stable* if $P(x) \neq 0$. We denote the set of semi-stable points of V by V^{ss} .

For the rest of this paper, we put

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Let w, w' be the elements of V such that

$$(3.7) \quad M_w = \begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} H & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & H \\ & & & 2 \end{pmatrix} & n \text{ odd,} \\ \begin{pmatrix} H & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & H \end{pmatrix} & n \text{ even.} \end{cases}, \quad M_{w'} = \begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & & \\ & I_{\frac{n-1}{2}} & \\ & I_{\frac{n-1}{2}} & \end{pmatrix} & n \text{ odd,} \\ \begin{pmatrix} I_{\frac{n}{2}} & \\ & I_{\frac{n}{2}} \end{pmatrix} & n \text{ even.} \end{cases}$$

It is easy to see that $P(w) = \pm 1$ and so $w \in V_k^{\text{ss}}$. It is obvious that there exists a permutation matrix σ such that $\sigma w = w'$, which implies that $G_k w = G_k w'$. So $P(w') = \pm 1$ also. If $n = 2r$ is even, we can choose such σ so that the $(j, 2j - 1)$ -entry and the $(r + j, 2j)$ -entry are 1 for $1 \leq j \leq r$. The point w is more convenient for our purposes, but many textbooks on Lie groups use w' to describe the split orthogonal groups.

If $x \in V^{\text{ss}}$ then we write

$$G_x = \{g \in G \mid gx = x\}, \quad \tilde{G}_x = \{g \in \tilde{G} \mid gx = x\}.$$

We regard $\text{GL}(n)$ as a subgroup of G by the natural map $\text{GL}(n) \ni g \mapsto (1, g) \in G$. We define subgroups $\text{GO}(x)$, $\text{O}(x)$ and $\text{SO}(x)$ of $\text{GL}(n)$ respectively as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{GO}(x) &= \{g \in \text{GL}(n) \mid \exists \gamma(g) \in \text{GL}(1) \text{ s.t. } gx[v] = \gamma(g)x[v]\}, \\ \text{O}(x) &= \{g \in \text{GL}(n) \mid gx[v] = x[v]\}, \\ \text{SO}(x) &= \text{O}(x) \cap \text{SL}(n). \end{aligned}$$

We denote the identity component of $\text{GO}(x)$ by $\text{GO}(x)^\circ$. We call the map

$$\gamma : \text{GO}(x) \ni g \mapsto \gamma(g) \in \text{GL}(1)$$

in the definition of $\text{GO}(x)$, the *multiplicator* of $\text{GO}(x)$.

By simple Lie algebra computations, one can show that the groups $\text{GO}(x)$ and $\text{SO}(x)$ are smooth algebraic groups over any k (even if $\text{ch } k = 2$). The group $\text{O}(x)$ is a smooth algebraic group over k if $\text{ch } k \neq 2$. We consider the above groups only set-theoretically if $\text{ch } k = 2$. For the rest of this section, we assume that $\text{ch } k \neq 2$. It is well-known that $\text{SO}(x)$ is the identity component of $\text{O}(x)$. It is reductive if $n \geq 2$ and semi-simple if $n \geq 3$.

Let $Z = \{tI_n \mid t \in \text{GL}(1)\}$. Then Z is the center of $\text{GO}(x)$. If n is odd (resp. even) then $Z \cap \text{SO}(x) = \{I_n\}$ (resp. $Z \cap \text{SO}(x) = \{\pm I_n\}$). In both cases $Z \cap \text{SO}(x)$ is the center of $\text{SO}(x)$. We define

$$(3.8) \quad \text{PSO}(x) = \text{SO}(x)/(Z \cap \text{SO}(x)), \quad \text{PGO}(x) = \text{GO}(x)/Z.$$

It is easy to see that $\text{GO}(x)^\circ/Z$ is the identity component of $\text{PGO}(x)$. It is well-known that $\text{PSO}(x) \cong \text{PGO}(x)^\circ$ as algebraic groups (however, if n is even then the set-theoretic quotients $\text{SO}(x)_k/\{\pm I_n\}, \text{GO}(x)_k^\circ/Z_k$ may not coincide).

The following lemma is easy to prove and we simply state it without proof.

Lemma 3.9. *If $x \in V^{\text{ss}}$ then the projection to the second factor induces an isomorphism $G_x \cong \text{GO}(x)$.*

Let $n \geq 3$ for the rest of this section. Let $\text{Aut}(\text{SO}(w))$ and $\text{Aut}(\text{PGO}(w)^\circ)$ (resp. $\text{Int}(\text{SO}(w))$ and $\text{Int}(\text{PGO}(w)^\circ)$) be the automorphism groups (resp. the inner automorphism groups) of $\text{SO}(w)$ and $\text{PGO}(w)^\circ$.

If $h \in \text{PGO}(w)$ then we define an automorphism $\text{Ad}(h)$ of $\text{PGO}(w)^\circ$ as follows:

$$\text{Ad}(h) : \text{PGO}(w)^\circ \ni x \mapsto hxh^{-1} \in \text{PGO}(w)^\circ.$$

The group $\text{PGO}(w)^\circ$ is semi-simple since $n \geq 3$. If we denote the Dynkin diagram of $\text{PGO}(w)^\circ$ by $\text{Dyn}(\text{PGO}(w)^\circ)$, then applying Proposition [1, p. 190] to $\text{PGO}(w)^\circ$, there exists a natural injection

$$\text{Aut}(\text{PGO}(w)^\circ)/\text{Int}(\text{PGO}(w)^\circ) \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\text{Dyn}(\text{PGO}(w)^\circ)).$$

Since the Dynkin diagrams of $\text{PGO}(w)^\circ$ and $\text{SO}(w)$ are of the same type,

$$(3.10) \quad \text{Aut}(\text{Dyn}(\text{PGO}(w)^\circ)) \cong \begin{cases} \{1\} & n \text{ is odd,} \\ \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} & n \neq 8 \text{ is even,} \\ \mathfrak{S}_3 & n = 8 \end{cases}$$

where \mathfrak{S}_3 is the symmetric group of degree 3.

Lemma 3.11. *If $n \geq 3$ then*

$$\text{PGO}(w) \cong \text{Aut}(\text{PGO}(w)^\circ) \cong \text{Aut}(\text{SO}(w)).$$

Proof. We first assume that $n \geq 3$ is odd. We briefly review the proof of the fact that $\text{GO}(w)^\circ = \text{GO}(w)$ (which implies that $\text{PGO}(w)^\circ = \text{PGO}(w)$). It is well-known that $\text{SO}(w)$ is connected as an algebraic group. Since $Z \cong \text{GL}(1) \subset \text{GO}(w)$ is connected, $Z \subseteq \text{GO}(w)^\circ$. We show that $\text{GO}(w)_{\bar{k}} = \text{SO}(w)_{\bar{k}}Z_{\bar{k}}$, which proves that $\text{GO}(w)$ is connected. It is easy to see that if $g \in \text{GO}(w)_{\bar{k}}$ then there exists $t \in Z_{\bar{k}}$ such that $\gamma(t) = \gamma(g)$. So we may assume that $g \in \text{O}(w)$. Then $\det g = \pm 1$. Since $-I_n \in Z$ and $\det(-I_n) = -1$, $g \in \text{SO}(w)_{\bar{k}}Z_{\bar{k}}$. This proves that $\text{GO}(w)$ is connected.

The map $\text{PGO}(w) \ni h \mapsto \text{Ad}(h) \in \text{Aut}(\text{PGO}(w))$ is surjective by (3.10). Moreover this map is injective because the center of $\text{PGO}(w)$ is trivial. Therefore, $\text{PGO}(w)$ and $\text{Aut}(\text{PGO}(w))$ are isomorphic by the map $\text{PGO}(w) \ni h \mapsto \text{Ad}(h) \in \text{Aut}(\text{PGO}(w))$. The argument is similar for $\text{Aut}(\text{SO}(w))$.

We next assume that n is even. For $g \in \text{PGO}(x)$, we define $\text{Ad}(g) \in \text{Aut}(\text{PGO}(x)^\circ)$ similarly as above. We first prove that

$$(3.12) \quad \text{Aut}(\text{PGO}(w)^\circ)/\text{Int}(\text{PGO}(w)^\circ) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}.$$

(It is proved in [23, p. 90] that $\text{Aut}(\text{SO}(w))/\text{Int}(\text{SO}(w)) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$). We put

$$(3.13) \quad \tau = \begin{pmatrix} I_{n-2} & \\ & H \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tau' = \begin{pmatrix} I_{\frac{n}{2}-1} & & \\ & & 1 \\ & I_{\frac{n}{2}-1} & \\ & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

If σ is the permutation matrix defined after (3.7) then simple computations show that $\sigma\tau\sigma^{-1} = \tau'$. It is easy to see that $\tau \in \text{O}(w)$ and $\tau' \in \text{O}(w')$.

It is easy to see that $\text{Ad}(\tau')$ stabilizes the standard Borel subgroup of $\text{PGO}(w')^\circ$ and exchanges the last two roots of the Dynkin diagram of the group $\text{PGO}(w')^\circ$. So $\text{Ad}(\tau')$ is an outer automorphism of $\text{PGO}(w')^\circ$. This implies that $\text{Ad}(\tau)$ is an outer automorphism of $\text{PGO}(w)^\circ$ also. Thus, by (3.10),

$$\text{Aut}(\text{PGO}(w)^\circ)/\text{Int}(\text{PGO}(w)^\circ) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$$

for $n \neq 8$.

Suppose that $n = 8$. We assume that $\text{Aut}(\text{PGO}(w)^\circ)/\text{Int}(\text{PGO}(w)^\circ) \cong \mathfrak{S}_3$ and deduce a contradiction.

We denote the spin group of degree 8 by $\text{Spin}(8)$. Then

$$\text{Aut}(\text{Spin}(8))/\text{Int}(\text{Spin}(8)) \cong \mathfrak{S}_3.$$

So every automorphism of $\text{Spin}(8)$ is realized by an element of $\text{Aut}(\text{PGO}(w)^\circ)$. Let (ρ, W) be the vector representation of $\text{Spin}(8)$. By assumption, there exists

$\phi \in \text{Aut}(\text{PGO}(w)^\circ)$ such that $\rho \circ \phi$ is one of the half-spin representations. Note that $\rho \circ \phi(-1) = \chi(-1)$ is the identity. Here -1 is the scalar -1 in the Clifford algebra. However, the image of $-1 \in \text{Spin}(8)$ by the half-spin representation is non-trivial, which is a contradiction. Therefore, (3.12) holds for $n = 8$ also.

Since h maps to the non-trivial element of

$$\text{Aut}(\text{PGO}(w)^\circ)/\text{Int}(\text{PGO}(w)^\circ) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$$

and the center of $\text{PGO}(w)$ is trivial, $\text{PGO}(w) \cong \text{Aut}(\text{PGO}(w)^\circ)$. The rest of the argument (including that for $\text{Aut}(\text{SO}(w))$) is similar to the case where n is odd. □

Lemma 3.11 implies that $[\text{GO}(w) : \text{GO}(w)^\circ] = 2$ if n is even.

Lemma 3.14. *If $n \geq 3$ is odd then $G_w \cong \text{SO}(w) \times \tilde{T}$.*

Proof. Let $(t_0, g) \in G_{w_{\bar{k}}}$. All automorphisms of $\text{SO}(w)$ are inner by Lemma 3.11. So there exists $\bar{g} \in \text{SO}(w)_{\bar{k}}$ such that $\text{Ad}(g)(h) = ghg^{-1} = \bar{g}h\bar{g}^{-1}$ for all $h \in \text{SO}(w)_{\bar{k}}$. Since $\bar{g}^{-1}g$ commutes with all elements of $\text{SO}(w)_{\bar{k}}$, there exists $t'_0 \in \bar{k}^\times$ such that $g = t'_0\bar{g}$. So $\text{GO}(w)_{\bar{k}} = \text{SO}(w)_{\bar{k}}\tilde{T}_{\bar{k}}$. Since $\text{SO}(w)_{\bar{k}} \cap \tilde{T}_{\bar{k}} = \{(1, I_n)\}$, the map

$$\text{SO}(w)_{\bar{k}} \times \tilde{T}_{\bar{k}} \rightarrow G_{w_{\bar{k}}}$$

is an isomorphism.

Simple Lie algebra computations show that the differential of the above map is an isomorphism. Note that $\text{SO}(w) \times \tilde{T}$ and G_w are both smooth over k and there is a natural map $\phi_w : \text{SO}(w) \times \tilde{T} \rightarrow G_w$. Since ϕ_w is an isomorphism over \bar{k} , it is an isomorphism over k . □

We next consider the relation between the sets of k -forms of the groups $\text{SO}(w)$, $\text{PGO}(w)^\circ$ and the orbit space $G_k \backslash V_k^{\text{ss}}$. Let G_1 and G_2 be algebraic groups over k . We say that G_2 is a k -form of G_1 if there exists a separable algebraic extension K/k such that $G_1 \times_k K \cong G_2 \times_k K$. We define the first Galois cohomology set $H^1(k, G)$ for an algebraic group G over k in the same manner as in [13, p.317], i.e. a 1-cocycle $h = \{h_\eta\}_{\eta \in \text{Gal}(k^{\text{sep}}/k)}$ satisfies the condition $h_{\eta_1\eta_2} = h_{\eta_2}h_{\eta_1}^{\eta_2}$ for all $\eta_1, \eta_2 \in \text{Gal}(k^{\text{sep}}/k)$.

Proposition 3.15. *Let $n \geq 3$. The orbit space $G_k \backslash V_k^{\text{ss}}$ is in bijective correspondence with the set of k -isomorphism classes of algebraic groups in the form $\text{SO}(x)$ where $x \in V_k^{\text{ss}}$. It is also in bijective correspondence with the set of k -isomorphism classes of algebraic groups in the form $\text{PGO}(x)^\circ$. Moreover, if n is odd then the set $\{\text{SO}(x)\}_{x \in G_k \backslash V_k^{\text{ss}}} = \{\text{PGO}(x)^\circ\}_{x \in G_k \backslash V_k^{\text{ss}}}$ exhausts all k -forms of $\text{SO}(w) = \text{PGO}(w)^\circ$.*

Proof. We first assume that n is odd. Using Theorem (1.7) [13, p. 318], there is a bijective map from $G_k \backslash V_k^{\text{ss}}$ to $H^1(k, G_w) = H^1(k, \text{Aut}(\text{SO}(w))) \times H^1(k, \tilde{T})$. Note that $H^1(k, \tilde{T}) = \{1\}$ by Hilbert's Theorem 90. It is known that $H^1(k, \text{Aut}(\text{SO}(w)))$ is in bijective correspondence with the set of k -forms of $\text{SO}(w)$ (see [23, p. 67]). Therefore, $G_k \backslash V_k^{\text{ss}}$ is in bijective correspondence with the set of k -forms of $\text{SO}(w)$ if n is odd.

We now prove that $x \in V_k^{\text{ss}}$ corresponds to the k -form $\text{SO}(x)$ by this correspondence. If $x = g_x w$ for $g_x = (t_{x,0}, g_{x,1}) \in G_{k^{\text{sep}}}$, then $\text{Ad}(g_{x,1}^{-1} g_x^\eta) \in \text{Aut}(\text{SO}(w)_{k^{\text{sep}}})$. So x corresponds to the class of $\{\text{Ad}(g_{x,1}^{-1} g_x^\eta)\}_{\eta \in \text{Gal}(k^{\text{sep}}/k)}$. Let $G(x)$ be the k -form of $\text{SO}(w)$ corresponding to $\{\text{Ad}(g_{x,1}^{-1} g_x^\eta)\}_{\eta \in \text{Gal}(k^{\text{sep}}/k)}$.

We show that there is a natural isomorphism $G(x)_R \cong \text{SO}(x)_R$ for any k -algebra R . Let $R_s = R \otimes k^{\text{sep}}$. We define an action of $\eta \in \text{Gal}(k^{\text{sep}}/k)$ on R_s by $(r \otimes x)^\eta = r \otimes x^\eta$. Let

$$\nu_x(\eta) : \text{SO}(w)_{R_s} \ni g \mapsto \text{Ad}(g_{x,1}^{-1} g_x^\eta)(g^\eta) \in \text{SO}(w)_{R_s}.$$

Then the set $G(x)_R$ of R -rational points of $G(x)$ can be expressed as

$$G(x)_R = \{g \in \text{SO}(w)_{R_s} \mid \nu_x(\eta)(g) = g \quad \forall \eta \in \text{Gal}(k^{\text{sep}}/k)\}.$$

If $g \in \text{SO}(w)_{R_s}$ satisfies $\nu_x(\eta)(g) = g$ for all η , then $g_{x,1} g g_{x,1}^{-1} \in \text{SO}(x)_{R_s}$ and

$$(g_{x,1} g g_{x,1}^{-1})^\eta = g_{x,1} g g_{x,1}^{-1}.$$

So there is a natural isomorphism

$$\text{SO}(w)_{R_s} \supset G(x)_R \ni g \mapsto g_{x,1} g g_{x,1}^{-1} \in \text{SO}(x)_R.$$

Since there is a natural isomorphism $G(x)_R \cong \text{SO}(x)_R$ for any k -algebra R , there is an isomorphism between the algebraic groups $G(x)$ and $\text{SO}(x)$ over k (see THEOREM [20, p. 17]). Thus, $x \in V_k^{\text{ss}}$ corresponds to the k -isomorphism class of the k -form $\text{SO}(x)$.

We next assume that n is even. We consider $\tilde{G}_k \backslash V_k^{\text{ss}}$ instead of $G_k \backslash V_k^{\text{ss}}$. Note that $\tilde{G}_k \cong G_k / \tilde{T}_k$ since $H^1(k, \tilde{T}) = \{1\}$. By Theorem (1.6) [13, p. 318], there is a bijective map

$$(3.16) \quad \tilde{G}_k \backslash V_k^{\text{ss}} = G_k \backslash V_k^{\text{ss}} \rightarrow \ker \left(H^1(k, \tilde{G}_w) \rightarrow H^1(k, \tilde{G}) \right).$$

By Lemma 3.9 and Lemma 3.11, there is a bijective correspondence between

$$H^1(k, \tilde{G}_w) = H^1(k, \text{Aut}(\text{SO}(w)))$$

and the set of k -forms of $\mathrm{SO}(w)$. Using (3.16) and this correspondence, we obtain a map from $G_k \backslash V_k^{\mathrm{ss}}$ into the set of k -forms of $\mathrm{SO}(w)$. By the above argument, this map is injective. It can be verified that it associates $x \in V_k^{\mathrm{ss}}$ to the k -form $\mathrm{SO}(x)$ by the same argument as in the case where n is odd. The argument is similar for k -forms of $\mathrm{PGO}(w)^\circ$.

This completes the proof of the proposition. □

If n is even, we define a real subgroup $\mathrm{SO}^*(n)$ of $\mathrm{SO}(n)_\mathbb{C}$ as follows:

$$\mathrm{SO}^*(n) = \{g \in \mathrm{SO}(n)_\mathbb{C} \mid gJg^* = J\}$$

where $J = \begin{pmatrix} & I_{n/2} \\ -I_{n/2} & \end{pmatrix}$ and g^* is the complex conjugate of ${}^t g$. It is known that $\mathrm{SO}^*(n)$ corresponds to the Satake diagram of type DIII and $\mathrm{SO}(x)_\mathbb{R}$ corresponds to the Satake diagram of type DI or DII for any $x \in V_\mathbb{R}^{\mathrm{ss}}$. Therefore, $\mathrm{SO}^*(n)$ is isomorphic to $\mathrm{SO}(w)$ over \mathbb{C} , but not isomorphic to $\mathrm{SO}(x)$ over \mathbb{R} for any $x \in V_\mathbb{R}^{\mathrm{ss}}$ (see [10, pp. 445–446, 453, 527, 533]). Therefore, the \mathbb{R} -form $\mathrm{SO}^*(n)$ of $\mathrm{SO}(w)$ does not come from $G_\mathbb{R} \backslash V_\mathbb{R}^{\mathrm{ss}}$.

§4. A Set of Representatives for the Local Orbit Space

For the rest of this paper, we assume that k is a number field. The main purpose of this section is to choose a set of representatives for $G_{k_v} \backslash V_{k_v}^{\mathrm{ss}}$ for $n \geq 2$.

We assume that $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$. Let

$$(4.1) \quad m_v = \mathrm{ord}_v 2, \quad \lambda_v = \# \left(k_v^\times / (k_v^\times)^2 \right) - 2.$$

First we review some facts concerning quadratic extensions of k_v . There is a unique unramified quadratic extension F_0 of k_v and it is generated by a root of an irreducible polynomial

$$(4.2) \quad p_0(z) = z^2 + a_0 z + b_0$$

for a suitable choice of $a_0, b_0 \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$ whose discriminant $a_0^2 - 4b_0$ is a unit. Moreover, F_0 is also generated by the square root of a non-square unit in the form

$$(4.3) \quad \mu_v = 1 + 4c$$

for some $c \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$. This μ_v corresponds to Δ in [22, p.164].

Now we consider ramified quadratic extensions of k_v . Every ramified quadratic extension F of k_v is generated by either root of an Eisenstein polynomial

$$p(z) = z^2 + az + b.$$

Let π_F be a root of $p(z)$. Then π_F is a uniformizer of F . We have $\mathcal{O}_F = \mathcal{O}_v[\pi_F]$ and $\Delta_{F/k_v} = (a^2 - 4b)\mathcal{O}_v$. Let $l = \text{ord}_v(a)$. If $l \geq m_v + 1$, we may assume that $a = 0$ by the transformation $z \mapsto z - (a/2)$. In this case, F is generated by the square root of a uniformizer of k_v and $\Delta_{F/k_v} = \mathfrak{p}_v^{2m_v+1}$. If $1 \leq l \leq m_v$ then $\Delta_{F/k_v} = \mathfrak{p}_v^{2l}$ and F is generated by the square root of $a^2 - 4b$ and also by the square root of $1 - 4a^{-2}b = 1 + \pi_v^{2(m_v-l)+1}c$ for suitable $c \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$. This exhausts all quadratic extensions of k_v . There are λ_v isomorphism classes of ramified extensions of k_v . We denote their representatives by $F_1, \dots, F_{\lambda_v}$. Note that F_0 is the unramified extension of k_v which corresponds to the Artin-Schreier polynomial (4.2). For each $1 \leq j \leq \lambda_v$, let

$$(4.4) \quad p_j(z) = z^2 + a_j z + b_j$$

be an Eisenstein polynomial which corresponds to F_j .

It is known that the orbit space $G_k \backslash V_k^{\text{ss}}$ for $n = 2$ is in bijective correspondence with the set of isomorphism classes of Galois extensions of k which are splitting fields of degree two equations without multiple roots (see [33, pp. 285, 309–310]).

Let

$$A_{v,\text{in}} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & a_0 \\ a_0 & 2b_0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A_{v,(\text{rm},j)} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & a_j \\ a_j & 2b_j \end{pmatrix} \quad 1 \leq j \leq \lambda_v.$$

Then, for $n = 2$, we can choose a set of representatives for $G_{k_v} \backslash V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$ as follows:

$$(4.5) \quad \left\{ H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, A_{v,\text{in}}, A_{v,(\text{rm},1)}, \dots, A_{v,(\text{rm},\lambda_v)} \right\} \subset \text{M}(2, 2)_{k_v}.$$

Now we consider all places $v \in \mathfrak{M}$ again. We recall definitions of some invariants of quadratic forms over k_v . An n -ary quadratic form x is called *isotropic* if there exists a nonzero vector $v \in k_v^n$ such that $x[v] = 0$, *anisotropic* if not. It is known that by the action of $\text{GL}(n)_{k_v}$, $x \in V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$ can be made into the following form:

$$\begin{pmatrix} H & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & \\ & & H & & \\ & & & & x' \end{pmatrix}$$

where x' is an anisotropic quadratic form. If the size of x' is $m_0 \times m_0$ then m_0 does not depend on the choice of x' (see [22, pp.98–99]). We call $(n - m_0)/2$ the *Witt index* of x . It is the split rank of $\text{SO}(x)$. It is easy to see that $\alpha x'$ is anisotropic for all $\alpha \in \text{GL}(1)_{k_v}$ if x' is anisotropic. Since $\alpha H \in \text{GL}(2)_{k_v} H$ for all $\alpha \in k_v^\times$, the Witt index is also invariant under the action of G_{k_v} . If $v \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathbb{C}}$ then the Witt index is clearly $[n/2]$. If $v \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathbb{R}}$ and the Witt index of $x \in V_{\mathbb{R}}^{\text{ss}}$ is m , then

$$\begin{pmatrix} -I_m & \\ & I_{n-m} \end{pmatrix} \text{ or } \begin{pmatrix} I_m & \\ & -I_{n-m} \end{pmatrix}$$

belongs to $\text{GL}(n)_{\mathbb{R}} x$. So the signature of x is $(n - m, m)$ or $(m, n - m)$.

Let $x \in V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$. We define $d_v(x)$ to be the class of $\det M_x$ in $k_v^\times / (k_v^\times)^2$, i.e.,

$$d_v(x) \equiv \det M_x \equiv \begin{cases} 2P(x) & n \text{ odd} \\ P(x) & n \text{ even} \end{cases} \pmod{(k_v^\times)^2}.$$

Note that this congruence is multiplicative. We always regard $d_v(x)$ as an element of $k_v^\times / (k_v^\times)^2$. It is clear that d_v is invariant under the action of $\text{GL}(n)_{k_v}$. In this paper, we call $d_v(x)$ the *classical discriminant* of x .

We next define the *Hasse symbol* of $x \in V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$. It is known that there exists $a \in \text{GL}(n)_{k_v} x$ such that

$$M_a = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \alpha_n \end{pmatrix} (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in k_v^\times)$$

(see [22, p.90]). We define the Hasse symbol $S_v(x)$ by

$$S_v(x) = \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (\alpha_i, \alpha_j)_v$$

where $(,)_v$ is the *Hilbert symbol*. The Hasse symbol $S_v(x)$ does not depend on the choice of a and is invariant under the action of $\text{GL}(n)_{k_v}$ (see [22, p.167]).

In the classical theory of quadratic forms, a quadratic form

$$x(v) = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq j \leq n} x_{ij} v_i v_j$$

corresponds to the symmetric matrix $2^{-1}M_x$. The symbols $d_v(x)$ and $S_v(x)$ are the discriminant and the Hasse symbol of $2M_x$ in [22, pp.87, 167]. It can be verified that the above $d_v(x)$ and $S_v(x)$ have the same properties as the discriminant and the Hasse symbol in [22, pp.87, 167].

The following theorem is Theorem (63:20) [22, p.170].

Theorem 4.6. *Suppose that $x, y \in V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$. Then $\text{GL}(n)_{k_v}x = \text{GL}(n)_{k_v}y$ if and only if $d_v(x) = d_v(y)$ and $S_v(x) = S_v(y)$.*

We define the *modified Hasse symbol* \tilde{S}_v of $x \in V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$ by

$$\tilde{S}_v(x) = S_v(\det M_x x)$$

if $n \geq 3$ is odd.

Lemma 4.7. *Suppose that $n \geq 3$ is odd, $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$ and $x, y \in V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$. Then $G_{k_v}x = G_{k_v}y$ if and only if $\tilde{S}_v(x) = \tilde{S}_v(y)$.*

Proof. Since n is odd,

$$d_v((\det M_x)x) \equiv \det((\det M_x)M_x) = (\det M_x)^{n+1} \equiv 1 \pmod{(k_v^\times)^2}.$$

Let $(t_0, g_1) \in G_{k_v}$ and $y = (t_0, g_1)x$. Then

$$(\det M_y)y = (t_0^{n+1} \det g_1^2, g_1)(\det M_x)x.$$

Since $(\det M_y)y$ can be regarded as $(1, (t_0^{(n+1)/2} \det g_1)g_1)(\det M_x)x$ and S_v is invariant under the action of $\text{GL}(n)_{k_v}$, $S_v((\det M_y)y) = S_v((\det M_x)x)$.

Conversely, let $x, y \in V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$ and $\tilde{S}_v(x) = \tilde{S}_v(y)$. Since

$$d_v((\det M_x)x) \equiv d_v((\det M_y)y) \equiv 1,$$

we have

$$\text{GL}(n)_{k_v}((\det M_x)x) = \text{GL}(n)_{k_v}((\det M_y)y)$$

by Theorem 4.6. Since $\det M_x \det M_y^{-1}$ is a scalar, $G_{k_v}x = G_{k_v}y$. \square

Suppose that n is even, $x \in V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$ and $\alpha \in k_v^\times$. Then

$$\tilde{S}_v(\alpha x) = S_v(\alpha^{n+1} \det M_x x) = S_v(\alpha \det M_x x).$$

If $y \in V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$ then

$$S_v(\alpha y) = (\alpha, (-1)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} (\det M_y)^{n+1}) S_v(y) = (\alpha, (-1)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} \det M_y) S_v(y).$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{S}_v(\alpha x) &= (\alpha, (-1)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} (\det M_x)^{n+1}) S_v(\det M_x x) \\ &= (\alpha, (-1)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} \det M_x) S_v(\det M_x x) = (\alpha, (-1)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} \det M_x) \tilde{S}_v(x). \end{aligned}$$

If $\text{ord}(\det M_x) = 1$ then there exists $\alpha \in k_v^\times$ such that $(\alpha, (-1)^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} \det M_x) = -1$ ((63:11a) [22, p. 165]). Therefore, $\tilde{S}_v(x)$ is not G_{k_v} -invariant if n is even.

We now choose a set of representatives for $G_{k_v} \backslash V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$. We first consider the case $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$. Suppose that $n \geq 3$ is odd. By the above lemma, there are at most two G_{k_v} -orbits in $V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$. We define quadratic forms $w_{v,\text{sp}}^0$ and $w_{v,\text{rm}}^0$ over k_v as follows:

$$(4.8) \quad w_{v,\text{sp}}^0 = (2), \quad w_{v,\text{rm}}^0 = \begin{pmatrix} A_{v,\text{in}} & \\ & 2\pi_v \end{pmatrix}$$

where $A_{v,\text{in}}$ is the symmetric matrix in (4.5). The indices “sp” and “rm” stand respectively for “split” and “ramified”. It is easy to see that the above $w_{v,\text{sp}}^0$ and $w_{v,\text{rm}}^0$ are both anisotropic.

Definition 4.9. Let $n \geq 3$ be odd. We define n -ary quadratic forms $w_{v,\text{sp}}, w_{v,\text{rm}} \in V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$ as follows:

$$(4.10) \quad w_{v,\text{sp}} = \begin{pmatrix} H & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & H & \\ & & & w_{v,\text{sp}}^0 \end{pmatrix} = w, \quad w_{v,\text{rm}} = \begin{pmatrix} H & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & H & \\ & & & w_{v,\text{rm}}^0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

If there is no confusion, we write $w_{\text{sp}}^0, w_{\text{rm}}^0$ and $w_{\text{sp}}, w_{\text{rm}}$.

Proposition 4.11. Let $n \geq 3$ be odd. If $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$ then $\{w_{\text{sp}}, w_{\text{rm}}\}$ is a complete set of representatives for $G_{k_v} \backslash V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$. If $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f \backslash \mathfrak{M}_{\text{dy}}$ then

$$\tilde{S}_v(w_{\text{sp}}) = 1, \quad \tilde{S}_v(w_{\text{rm}}) = -1.$$

Proof. The Witt indices of w_{sp} and w_{rm} are respectively $(n - 1)/2$ and $(n - 3)/2$. So $G_{k_v} w_{\text{sp}} \neq G_{k_v} w_{\text{rm}}$. By Lemma 4.7, there are at most two G_{k_v} -orbits in $V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$. Therefore, $\{w_{\text{sp}}, w_{\text{rm}}\}$ is a complete set of representatives for $G_{k_v} \backslash V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$.

Suppose that $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f \backslash \mathfrak{M}_{\text{dy}}$. It can easily be verified that $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) = 1$ for all $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$. The quadratic form w_{sp} can be made into the form $\begin{pmatrix} 2I_{(n+1)/2} & \\ & -2I_{(n-1)/2} \end{pmatrix}$ by the action of $\text{GL}(n)_{k_v}$. Since $\pm 2 \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$, $\tilde{S}_v(w_{\text{sp}}) = 1$. Since $G_{k_v} w_{\text{sp}} \neq G_{k_v} w_{\text{rm}}$, $\tilde{S}_v(w_{\text{rm}}) = -1$. \square

We next assume that $n \geq 4$ is even. We continue to assume that $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$. We define a quaternary quadratic form $w_{v,\text{dq}}^0$ as follows:

$$(4.12) \quad w_{v,\text{dq}}^0 = \begin{pmatrix} A_{v,\text{in}} & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \pi_v A_{v,\text{in}} \\ & & & \end{pmatrix}$$

where $A_{v,\text{in}}$ is the symmetric matrix in (4.5). It is easy to see that $w_{v,\text{dq}}^0$ is anisotropic.

Remark 4.13. The index “dq” stands for “division quaternion algebra”. The above $w_{v,\text{dq}}^0$ corresponds to the norm of the unique division quaternion algebra over k_v (see [22, pp. 142–149]).

Definition 4.14. Let $n \geq 4$ be even. We define n -ary quadratic forms $w_{v,\text{dq}}, w_{v,\text{sp}}, w_{v,\text{in}}$ and $w_{v,(\text{rm},j)}$ for $1 \leq j \leq \lambda_v$ as follows:

$$(4.15) \quad \begin{aligned} w_{v,\text{sp}} &= \begin{pmatrix} H & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & H & \\ & & & \end{pmatrix}, & w_{v,\text{in}} &= \begin{pmatrix} H & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & H & \\ & & & A_{v,\text{in}} \end{pmatrix}, \\ w_{v,(\text{rm},j)} &= \begin{pmatrix} H & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & H & \\ & & & A_{v,(\text{rm},j)} \end{pmatrix}, & w_{v,\text{dq}} &= \begin{pmatrix} H & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & H & \\ & & & w_{v,\text{dq}}^0 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

We put $w_{v,\text{in}}^0 = A_{v,\text{in}}$ and $w_{v,(\text{rm},j)}^0 = A_{v,(\text{rm},j)}$ for $1 \leq j \leq \lambda_v$. If there is no confusion, we write $w_{\text{in}}^0, w_{(\text{rm},j)}^0, w_{\text{dq}}^0$ and $w_{\text{in}}, w_{(\text{rm},j)}, w_{\text{dq}}$ (we did not define $w_{v,\text{sp}}^0$).

In the above definition, the index “in” stands for “inert”. From now on, we shall use the symbol \mathfrak{i} (or \mathfrak{i}_1 , etc.) for the index of the representatives. So $\mathfrak{i} = \text{sp}$ or rm if n is odd, and $\mathfrak{i} = \text{sp}, \text{in}, (\text{rm}, j)$ or dq if n is even.

Proposition 4.16. Let $n \geq 4$ be even and $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$. Then

$$\{w_{\text{sp}}, w_{\text{in}}, w_{(\text{rm},1)}, \dots, w_{(\text{rm},\lambda_v)}, w_{\text{dq}}\}$$

is a complete set of representatives for $G_{k_v} \backslash V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$.

Proof. We first prove that $G_{k_v} w_{\mathfrak{i}_1} \neq G_{k_v} w_{\mathfrak{i}_2}$ for all $\mathfrak{i}_1 \neq \mathfrak{i}_2$. Since n is even, d_v is invariant under the action of G_{k_v} . It is easy to see that

$$\begin{aligned} d_v(w_{\text{dq}}) &\equiv d_v(w_{\text{sp}}) \equiv (-1)^{\frac{n}{2}}, & d_v(w_{\text{in}}) &\equiv (-1)^{\frac{n}{2}-1} \det A_{v,\text{in}}, \\ d_v(w_{(\text{rm},j)}) &\equiv (-1)^{\frac{n}{2}-1} \det A_{v,(\text{rm},j)} \end{aligned}$$

for $1 \leq j \leq \lambda_v$. So

$$d_v(w_{\mathfrak{i}_1}) \not\equiv d_v(w_{\mathfrak{i}_2}) \quad (\mathfrak{i}_1 \neq \mathfrak{i}_2)$$

except for $(i_1, i_2) = (\text{sp}, \text{dq})$. Therefore,

$$G_{k_v} w_{i_1} \neq G_{k_v} w_{i_2} \quad (i_1 \neq i_2)$$

except for $(i_1, i_2) = (\text{sp}, \text{dq})$. It is easy to see that the Witt index of w_{dq} (resp. w_{sp}) is $(n - 4)/2$ (resp. $n/2$). So $G_{k_v} w_{\text{dq}} \neq G_{k_v} w_{\text{sp}}$. Thus, we have $G_{k_v} w_{i_1} \neq G_{k_v} w_{i_2}$ for all $i_1 \neq i_2$.

We next prove that $x \in V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$ belongs to $G_{k_v} w_i$ for some i . It is known that an n -ary quadratic form x over k_v is isotropic if $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$ and $n \geq 5$ (see (63:19) [22, p. 170]). Therefore, the Witt index of x is $n/2$, $(n - 2)/2$ or $(n - 4)/2$. If it is $n/2$, x clearly belongs to $G_{k_v} w_{\text{sp}}$. Let μ_v be a non-square unit whose square root generates the unramified quadratic extension of k_v . It is known that every anisotropic quaternary quadratic form can be made into the following form:

$$(4.17) \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & -\mu_v & & \\ & & \pi_v & \\ & & & -\mu_v \pi_v \end{pmatrix}$$

by the action of $\text{GL}(4)_{k_v}$ (see [22, p. 169]). So the above quadratic form belongs to the $\text{GL}(4)_{k_v}$ -orbit of w_{dq}^0 . If the Witt index of x is $(n - 4)/2$ then x is in the orbit of (4.17). Since w_{dq}^0 is also in the orbit of (4.17), x is in the orbit of w_{dq} .

Suppose that the Witt index of x is $(n - 2)/2$. Then by the action of G_{k_v} , x belongs to the G_{k_v} -orbit of a quadratic form in the following form:

$$\begin{pmatrix} H & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & H & \\ & & & A \end{pmatrix}$$

where A corresponds to an anisotropic binary quadratic form. Note that A belongs to the $(k_v^\times \times \text{GL}(2)_{k_v})$ -orbit of one of the symmetric matrices $A_{v,(\text{rm},j)}$ in (4.5). If $\alpha \in k_v^\times$ is a scalar then $\alpha H \in \text{GL}(2)_{k_v} H$. Therefore, x belongs to $G_{k_v} w_{\text{in}}$ or $G_{k_v} w_{(\text{rm},j)}$ for some $1 \leq j \leq \lambda_v$.

This completes the proof of the proposition. □

We now consider an arbitrary $n \geq 2$ (but still assume that $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$). Let $w_{v,i}$ be one of the representatives in (4.10), (4.15). We denote the Witt index of $w_{v,i}$ by m and put $m_0 = n - 2m$. Multiplying an element of $\text{GL}(1)_{\mathcal{O}_v} \times \text{GL}(n)_{\mathcal{O}_v}$,

$w_{v,i}$ can be made into the following form:

$$(4.18) \quad w'_{v,i} = \begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -I_{\frac{n}{2}} \\ -I_{\frac{n}{2}} & 0 \end{pmatrix} & m_0 = 0, \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -I_m \\ 0 & w_{v,i}^0 & 0 \\ -I_m & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & m_0 \neq 0. \end{cases}$$

Clearly $G_{k_v} w_{v,i} = G_{k_v} w'_{v,i}$.

If $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$ then we call $w_{v,i}$ and $w'_{v,i}$ respectively the *standard orbital representative* and the *alternative orbital representative* (or simply the standard representative and the alternative representative) for $G_{k_v} \backslash V_{k_v}^{ss}$. We use the standard orbital representatives and the alternative orbital representatives depending on purposes. If there is no confusion, we write w'_i instead of $w'_{v,i}$.

Definition 4.19. Let $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$ and $x \in V_{k_v}^{ss}$. If n is odd, we say that x is unramified (resp. ramified) if $x \in G_{k_v} w_{sp}$ (resp. $x \in G_{k_v} w_{rm}$). If n is even, we say that x is unramified (resp. ramified) if $x \in G_{k_v} w_{sp}$ or $x \in G_{k_v} w_{in}$ (resp. $x \in G_{k_v} w_{(rm,j)}$ or $x \in G_{k_v} w_{dq}$).

We consider this notion only for finite places.

If n is even and $x \in V_{k_v}^{ss}$, then we can associate the quadratic extension $k_v(\sqrt{(-1)^{n/2}d_v(x)})/k_v$. There is a notion of ramification for quadratic extensions. If $x = w_{v,dq}$ then x is ramified according to Definition 4.19. However, the extension $k_v(\sqrt{(-1)^{n/2}d_v(x)})/k_v$ is trivial and so it is unramified. So the notion of ramification in the sense of Definition 4.19 does not coincide with the notion of ramification of the extension $k_v(\sqrt{(-1)^{n/2}d_v(x)})/k_v$.

We next consider the case $v \in \mathfrak{M}_\infty$. Let $r = [n/2]$.

Definition 4.20. Let $n \geq 2$. If $v \in \mathfrak{M}_\mathbb{C}$ then we define n -ary quadratic forms $w_{v,sp}$ and $w'_{v,sp}$ respectively as follows:

$$w_{v,sp} = I_n, \quad w'_{v,sp} = \begin{pmatrix} & & -I_r \\ & I_{n-2r} & \\ -I_r & & \end{pmatrix}.$$

If $v \in \mathfrak{M}_\mathbb{R}$ then we define n -ary quadratic forms $w_{v,i}$ and $w'_{v,i}$ for $0 \leq i \leq r$ respectively as follows:

$$w_{v,i} = \begin{pmatrix} -I_i & 0 \\ 0 & I_{n-i} \end{pmatrix}, \quad w'_{v,i} = \begin{pmatrix} & -I_i \\ & I_{n-2i} \\ -I_i & \end{pmatrix}.$$

If there is no confusion, we write $w_{\text{sp}}, w'_{\text{sp}}$ and $w_{\mathfrak{i}}, w'_{\mathfrak{i}}$.

It is easy to see that $G_{k_v} w_{v,\mathfrak{i}} = G_{k_v} w'_{v,\mathfrak{i}}$ for all \mathfrak{i} and $v \in \mathfrak{M}_{\infty}$. Clearly, $G_{\mathbb{C}} \backslash V_{\mathbb{C}}^{\text{ss}}$ consists of a single orbit and so we can choose $w_{v,\text{sp}}$ or $w'_{v,\text{sp}}$ as the representative. It is well-known that either of $\{w_0, \dots, w_r\}$ or $\{w'_0, \dots, w'_r\}$ is a complete set of representatives for $G_{\mathbb{R}} \backslash V_{\mathbb{R}}^{\text{ss}}$.

If $v \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathbb{R}}$ then the Witt index m coincides with \mathfrak{i} . So from now on, if $v \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathbb{R}}$ then we shall use \mathfrak{i} instead of m to express various matrices related to orbits.

Remark 4.21. Clearly, $|P(w_{v,\mathfrak{i}})|_v = |P(w'_{v,\mathfrak{i}})|_v = |1/2|_v$ if n is odd, and $|P(w_{v,\mathfrak{i}})|_v = |P(w'_{v,\mathfrak{i}})|_v = 1$ if n is even. It would have been desirable to choose representatives x so that $|P(x)|_v = 1$. However, we shall consider the Iwasawa decompositions of the stabilizers in Part II, and for that purpose, it will turn out to be more convenient to choose the above representatives $w_{v,\mathfrak{i}}$ or $w'_{v,\mathfrak{i}}$.

For $v \in \mathfrak{M}_{\infty}$, we call $w_{v,\mathfrak{i}}$ and $w'_{v,\mathfrak{i}}$ respectively a *standard orbital representative* and an *alternative orbital representative* for $G_{k_v} \backslash V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$.

Let $r = [n/2]$ as above. We define $\sigma_{v,\text{sp}}$ for $v \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathbb{C}}$ and $\sigma_{v,\mathfrak{i}}$ for $v \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathbb{R}}$ as follows:

$$\sigma_{v,\text{sp}} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{-2}}{2} I_r & 0_{r,n-2r} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} I_r \\ 0_{n-2r,r} & I_{n-2r} & 0_{n-2r,r} \\ \frac{\sqrt{-2}}{2} I_r & 0_{r,n-2r} & -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} I_r \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_{v,\mathfrak{i}} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} I_{\mathfrak{i}} & 0_{\mathfrak{i},n-2\mathfrak{i}} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} I_{\mathfrak{i}} \\ 0_{n-2\mathfrak{i},\mathfrak{i}} & I_{n-2\mathfrak{i}} & 0_{n-2\mathfrak{i},\mathfrak{i}} \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} I_{\mathfrak{i}} & 0_{\mathfrak{i},n-2\mathfrak{i}} & -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} I_{\mathfrak{i}} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then $\sigma_{v,\text{sp}} w_{v,\text{sp}} = w'_{v,\text{sp}}$ for $v \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathbb{C}}$, and $\sigma_{v,\mathfrak{i}} w_{v,\mathfrak{i}} = w'_{v,\mathfrak{i}}$ for $v \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathbb{R}}$.

We need the following proposition for later purposes.

Proposition 4.22. *Let $n = 2r \geq 2$ be even. If $v \in \mathfrak{M}$ and $x \in V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$ is a standard representative then there exists an element τ_x of $G_{x k_v}$ not in $G_{x k_v}^{\circ}$ whose order is two. If $v \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{f}}$ then one can choose τ_x in $G_{x k_v} \cap K_v$.*

Proof. The point of the first statement is that we can take τ_x rationally over k_v .

We first consider the case $v \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathfrak{f}}$. The statements are clearly satisfied for $w_{v,\text{sp}}$ and so we only consider $w_{v,\mathfrak{i}}$ for $\mathfrak{i} = \text{in}, (\text{rm}, j)$ and dq (if $n \geq 4$). Let α_j, β_j be the roots of $p_j(z)$. We put

$$(4.23) \quad h_{v,\mathfrak{i}} = \begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -\alpha_0 & -\beta_0 \end{pmatrix} & \mathfrak{i} = \text{in}, \\ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -\alpha_j & -\beta_j \end{pmatrix} & \mathfrak{i} = (\text{rm}, j), \end{cases} \quad \nu_{v,\mathfrak{i}} = \begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ a_0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} & \mathfrak{i} = \text{in}, \\ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ a_j & -1 \end{pmatrix} & \mathfrak{i} = (\text{rm}, j). \end{cases}$$

Then $h_{v,\mathfrak{i}}H^t h_{v,\mathfrak{i}} = A_{v,\mathfrak{i}}$, $h_{v,\mathfrak{i}}Hh_{v,\mathfrak{i}}^{-1} = \nu_{v,\mathfrak{i}}$ for $\mathfrak{i} = \text{in}, (\text{rm}, j)$ by straightforward computations.

Let τ be as in (3.13). If we put

$$(4.24) \quad \begin{aligned} g(v, \mathfrak{i}) &= \begin{pmatrix} I_{n-2} & \\ & h_{v,\mathfrak{i}} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tau_{v,\mathfrak{i}} = \begin{pmatrix} I_{n-2} & \\ & \nu_{v,\mathfrak{i}} \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathfrak{i} = \text{in}, (\text{rm}, j), \\ g(v, \text{dq}) &= \begin{pmatrix} I_{n-4} & & \\ & h_{v,\text{in}} & \\ & & \sqrt{\pi_v} h_{v,\text{in}} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tau_{v,\text{dq}} = \begin{pmatrix} I_{n-2} & \\ & \nu_{v,\text{in}} \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

then for $\mathfrak{i} = \text{in}, (\text{rm}, j)$ and dq,

$$(4.25) \quad w_{v,\mathfrak{i}} = g(v, \mathfrak{i})w, \quad g(v, \mathfrak{i})\tau g(v, \mathfrak{i})^{-1} = \tau_{v,\mathfrak{i}}.$$

We pointed out that τ is an outer automorphism of $\text{GO}(w)^\circ$ in the proof of Lemma 3.11. Since $\tau_{v,\mathfrak{i}} \in K_v$, this completes the proof of the proposition for $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$.

We next consider the case $v \in \mathfrak{M}_\infty$. If $v \in \mathfrak{M}_\mathbb{C}$ then the proposition is obvious since $V_\mathbb{C}^{\text{SS}}$ consists of a single orbit, and so we assume that $v \in \mathfrak{M}_\mathbb{R}$.

Let $0 \leq \mathfrak{i} \leq r$. We put

$$S = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 1 & \\ -\sqrt{-1} & & \sqrt{-1} \end{pmatrix}, \quad g(v, \mathfrak{i}) = \begin{pmatrix} I_{2\mathfrak{i}} & & & \\ & S & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & S \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since $SH^tS = I_2$, the signature of $g(v, \mathfrak{i})w$ is $(n - \mathfrak{i}, \mathfrak{i})$. So $g(v, \mathfrak{i})w \in G_{k_v} w_{v,\mathfrak{i}}$. Therefore, it is enough to prove the statement of the proposition for $x = g(v, \mathfrak{i})w$.

By simple computations,

$$g(v, \mathfrak{i})\tau g(v, \mathfrak{i})^{-1} = a(1, \dots, 1, -1) \in G_{x k_v}.$$

This completes the proof of the proposition. □

§5. The Discriminants of Orbits

The main purpose of this section is to define the notion of discriminant for orbits both locally and globally. We continue to assume that k is a number field. We use notations such as λ_v in (4.1), etc., also in this section.

We first define some notations concerning G . Let $T_n \subseteq \text{GL}(n)$ be the set of diagonal matrices and $N_n \subseteq \text{GL}(n)$ the set of lower triangular matrices whose diagonal entries are 1. Then $B_n = T_n N_n$ is a Borel subgroup of $\text{GL}(n)$.

We define the classical orthogonal group and the special orthogonal group as follows:

$$\text{O}(n) = \{X \in \text{GL}(n)_{\mathbb{R}} \mid X^t X = I_n\}, \text{SO}(n) = \{X \in \text{SL}(n)_{\mathbb{R}} \mid X^t X = I_n\}.$$

We define the classical unitary group $\text{U}(n)$ by $\text{U}(n) = \{X \in \text{GL}(n)_{\mathbb{C}} \mid X X^* = I_n\}$ where $X^* = {}^t \bar{X}$ is the conjugate transpose of X . We define a subgroup $K_{n,v}$ of $\text{GL}(n)_{k_v}$ as follows:

$$(5.1) \quad K_{n,v} = \begin{cases} \text{GL}(n)_{\mathcal{O}_v} & v \in \mathfrak{M}_f, \\ \text{O}(n) & v \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathbb{R}}, \\ \text{U}(n) & v \in \mathfrak{M}_{\mathbb{C}}. \end{cases}$$

It is known that $\text{GL}(n)_{k_v}$ contains $K_{n,v}$ as a maximal compact subgroup and has the decomposition $\text{GL}(n)_{k_v} = K_{n,v} B_{n,k_v}$. We define a subgroup K_v of G_{k_v} as follows:

$$K_v = K_{1,v} \times K_{n,v}.$$

For the rest of this section we assume that $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$.

Definition 5.2. For each $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$, we define an integral structure on V by

$$V_{\mathcal{O}_v} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 2x_{11} & x_{12} & \cdots & x_{1n} \\ x_{12} & 2x_{22} & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & x_{n-1n} \\ x_{1n} & \cdots & x_{n-1n} & 2x_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \in V_{k_v} \mid x_{ij} \in \mathcal{O}_v, 1 \leq i \leq j \leq n \right\}.$$

Lemma 5.3. We have $P(x) \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$.

Proof. The statement is obvious if n is even. So we assume that n is odd. We prove the lemma by induction on odd n . The case $n = 1$ is obvious and so we assume that $n \geq 3$ is odd.

Let M_{11} be the matrix obtained by removing the first row and the first column of x , and M'_{ij} the matrix obtained by removing the first and the i -th rows and the first and the j -th columns of x for $2 \leq i \leq j \leq n$. We consider

the cofactor expansion of x with respect to the first row and then consider the cofactor expansion with respect to the first column. Since x is symmetric,

$$\det x = 2x_{11} \det M_{11} - \sum_{i=2}^n x_{1i}^2 \det M'_{ii} + 2 \sum_{2 \leq i < j \leq n} (-1)^{i+j+1} \det M'_{ij}.$$

Since M'_{ii} is a symmetric matrix, $\det M'_{ii}$ is divisible by 2 as a polynomial in $\mathbb{Z}[x]$ by induction. So $P(x) = 2^{-1} \det M_x \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$. \square

The point w is “universally generic” in the sense of Section 2 [17]. So we may apply Proposition 1 [17] to the present situation. However, since the proof is very easy, we chose to include the above explicit proof.

Definition 5.4. We define the discriminant $\Delta_{x,v}$ of $x \in V_{k_v}^{ss}$ for $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$ as follows:

$$\Delta_{x,v} = \min \left\{ q_v^{\text{ord}_v(P(x'))} \mid x' \in G_{k_v} x \cap V_{\mathcal{O}_v} \right\}.$$

Remark 5.5. The discriminant of x depends only on the orbit $G_{k_v} x$. We defined the above discriminant so that the discriminant of quadratic form w_{sp} in § 4 is 1 for all n . (see Proposition 5.23 below).

Let $x \in V_k^{ss}$. It is easy to see that $x \in V_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ and $\det x \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$ for all but finitely many $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$. Therefore, $\Delta_{x,v} = q_v^{\text{ord}_v(P(x))} = 1$ for all but finitely many $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$. Thus, we can define the global discriminant as follows.

Definition 5.6. We define the discriminant Δ_x of $x \in V_k^{ss}$ as follows:

$$\Delta_x = \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{M}_f} \Delta_{x,v}.$$

For the rest of this section, we determine the values of discriminants for standard orbital representatives.

Let $x \in V_{k_v}^{ss}$. We first state some conditions on x .

Condition 5.7. If $g \in G_{k_v}$ and $gx \in V_{\mathcal{O}_v}$, then $\text{ord}_v(\chi(g)) \geq 0$.

Condition 5.8. If $g \in G_{k_v}$, $gx \in V_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ and $\chi(g) \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$, then $g \in K_v G_{x_{k_v}}$.

Condition 5.9. If $g = (1, g_1) \in G_{k_v}$, $gx \in V_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ and $\chi(g) \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$, then $g_1 \in K_{n,v}$.

Condition 5.10. If $x[v] \in \mathcal{O}_v$ for a row vector $v \in k_v^n$, then $v \in \mathcal{O}_v^n$.

We do not use Conditions 5.8, 5.9 and 5.10 to determine the discriminants. In § 8, we shall use Condition 5.8 to prove that the measures on $GO(x)_{\mathbb{A}}^{\circ}$ and $SO(x)_{\mathbb{A}}$ for $x \in V_k^{ss}$ are well-defined. Moreover, in Part III, for even $n \geq 2$, we shall use Condition 5.8 to prove that the constant terms of the q -expansions of local orbital zeta functions are 1 except for finitely many places.

Conditions 5.9 and 5.10 may be useful in the proof of the Iwasawa decompositions of $GO(w'_i)_{k_v}^{\circ}$ and $SO(w'_i)_{k_v}$. In § 8, we shall define measures on $GO(w'_i)_{k_v}$ and $SO(w'_i)_{k_v}$. The Iwasawa decompositions tell us that the measures in § 8 are natural in some sense. The Iwasawa decompositions of these groups are well-known. For example, Satake [24] discusses the proof of the Iwasawa decomposition of $GO(w'_i)_{k_v}^{\circ}$ in [24, pp. 50–53]. However, the notation and the formulation in [24] are not totally compatible with our paper. So we briefly discuss the Iwasawa decompositions in § 7.

Even though Conditions 5.8, 5.9 and 5.10 are not directly related to the notion of discriminant, which is the topic of this section, we can verify that these conditions and Condition 5.7 are satisfied for w_i by the same argument. So we consider them in this section for convenience.

Suppose that $x \in V_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ satisfies Condition 5.7. If $g \in G_{k_v}$ and $gx \in V_{\mathcal{O}_v}$, then

$$\text{ord}_v(P(gx)) = \text{ord}_v(\chi(g)) + \text{ord}_v(P(x)) \geq \text{ord}_v(P(x))$$

since $P(gx) = \chi(g)P(x)$. Since

$$\text{ord}_v(P(x)) = \min \{ \text{ord}_v(P(x')) \mid x' \in G_{k_v}x \cap V_{\mathcal{O}_v} \},$$

$\Delta_{x,v} = q_v^{\text{ord}_v(P(x))}$. Thus, we can determine the value of $\Delta_{x,v}$ using Condition 5.7.

The following observation may be useful to verify that Conditions 5.7, 5.8 and 5.9 are satisfied for $x \in V_{\mathcal{O}_v}^{ss}$.

Suppose that we try to verify that Condition 5.7 is satisfied for $x \in V_{k_v}^{ss}$. If $g \in G_{k_v}$ and $gx \in V_{\mathcal{O}_v}$, then we may replace g by κgh where $\kappa \in K_{n,v}$ and $h \in G_{x k_v}$. For, κgh satisfies the conditions $\kappa ghx \in V_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ and

$$\chi(g) = \chi(\kappa)^{-1} \chi(\kappa gh), \quad \chi(\kappa) \in \mathcal{O}_v^{\times}.$$

Similarly, it suffices to verify that $\kappa gh \in K_v G_{x k_v}$ (resp. $\kappa g \in K_{n,v}$) for some $\kappa \in K_{n,v}$, $h \in G_{x k_v}$ in order to prove that $x \in V_{k_v}^{ss}$ satisfies Condition 5.8 (resp. Condition 5.9).

We first consider the case where n is odd and the Witt index is 0.

Lemma 5.11. *Both w_{sp}^0 and w_{rm}^0 in (4.8) satisfy Conditions 5.7, 5.8,*

5.9 and 5.10. Moreover

$$\Delta_{w_{\text{sp}}^0, v} = 1, \quad \Delta_{w_{\text{rm}}^0, v} = q_v.$$

Proof. Since the statement holds clearly for w_{sp}^0 , we only consider w_{rm}^0 .

Let $n = 3$. We prove that w_{rm}^0 satisfies Condition 5.10. Suppose that $v = (u_1, u_2, u_3) \in k_v^3$ satisfies the condition

$$w_{\text{rm}}^0[v] = u_1^2 + a_0u_1u_2 + b_0u_2^2 + \pi_vu_3^2 \in \mathcal{O}_v.$$

Since $\text{ord}_v(u_1^2 + a_0u_1u_2 + b_0u_2^2)$ is even and $\text{ord}_v(\pi_vu_3^2)$ is odd for any

$$u_1, u_2, u_3 \in k_v, \quad u_1^2 + a_0u_1u_2 + b_0u_2^2, \pi_vu_3^2 \in \mathcal{O}_v.$$

Thus, $u_1, u_2, u_3 \in \mathcal{O}_v$.

We now prove that w_{rm}^0 satisfies Conditions 5.7, 5.8 and 5.9. For three row vectors $v_1, v_2, v_3 \in k_v^3$ and $t_0 \in k_v^\times$, we put

$$g_1 = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad g = (t_0, g_1), \quad gw_{\text{rm}}^0 = \begin{pmatrix} 2f_1 & f_2 & f_3 \\ f_2 & 2f_4 & f_5 \\ f_3 & f_5 & 2f_6 \end{pmatrix}.$$

It is easy to see that

$$f_1 = t_0w_{\text{rm}}^0[v_1], \quad f_4 = t_0w_{\text{rm}}^0[v_2], \quad f_6 = t_0w_{\text{rm}}^0[v_3].$$

We first prove that w_{rm}^0 satisfies Condition 5.9. Suppose that $t_0 = 1$, $gw_{\text{rm}}^0 \in V_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ and $\chi(g) \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$. Multiplying an element of $K_{3,v}$ from the left, we may assume that g_1 is in the following form:

$$(5.12) \quad \begin{pmatrix} t_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & t_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & t_3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ u_1 & 1 & 0 \\ u_2 & u_3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} t_1 & 0 & 0 \\ t_2u_1 & t_2 & 0 \\ t_3u_2 & t_3u_3 & t_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

where $t_1, t_2, t_3 \in k_v^\times$ and $u_1, u_2, u_3 \in k_v$. Then $v_1 = (t_1, 0, 0)$, $v_2 = (t_2u_1, t_2, 0)$, $v_3 = (t_3u_2, t_3u_3, t_3)$ and

$$\begin{aligned} f_1 &= w_{\text{rm}}^0[v_1] = t_1^2, \\ f_4 &= w_{\text{rm}}^0[v_2] = t_2^2(u_1^2 + a_0u_1 + b_0), \\ f_6 &= w_{\text{rm}}^0[v_3] = t_3^2(u_2^2 + a_0u_2u_3 + b_0u_3^2 + \pi_v). \end{aligned}$$

Since $f_1, f_4, f_6 \in \mathcal{O}_v$ and w_{rm}^0 satisfies Condition 5.10, $t_1, t_2, t_3 \in \mathcal{O}_v$. Since $\chi(g_1) = t_1^2t_2^2t_3^2 \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$, $t_1, t_2, t_3 \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$. Since $t_2u_1, t_3u_2, t_3u_3 \in \mathcal{O}_v$, $u_1, u_2, u_3 \in \mathcal{O}_v$. Thus, $g_1 \in K_{3,v}$.

We next prove that w_{rm}^0 satisfies Condition 5.7. Suppose that $gw_{\text{rm}}^0 \in V_{\mathcal{O}_v}$. By multiplying an element of $K_{3,v}$ from the left and an element of $\tilde{T}_{k_v} \subseteq G_{w_{\text{rm}}^0, k_v}$ from the right, we may assume that g_1 is in the form (5.12) and $t_1 = 1$. Then

$$(5.13) \quad \begin{aligned} f_1 &= t_0 w_{\text{rm}}^0[v_1] = t_0, \\ f_4 &= t_0 w_{\text{rm}}^0[v_2] = t_0 t_2^2 (u_1^2 + a_0 u_1 + b_0), \\ f_6 &= t_0 w_{\text{rm}}^0[v_3] = t_0 t_3^2 (u_2^2 + a_0 u_2 u_3 + b_0 u_3^2 + \pi_v). \end{aligned}$$

Since $f_1 \in \mathcal{O}_v$, $t_0 \in \mathcal{O}_v$. It is easy to see that $t_0 f_4 = w_{\text{rm}}^0[t_0 v_2]$, $t_0 f_6 = w_{\text{rm}}^0[t_0 v_3]$. Since w_{rm}^0 satisfies Condition 5.10, $t_0 v_2 = (t_0 t_2 u_1, t_0 t_2, 0)$, $t_0 v_3 = (t_0 t_3 u_2, t_0 t_3 u_3, t_0 t_3) \in \mathcal{O}_v^3$. So $t_0 t_2, t_0 t_3 \in \mathcal{O}_v$. Since $\text{ord}_v(u_1^2 + a_0 u_1 + b_0) \leq 0$ and $f_4 = t_0 t_2^2 (u_1^2 + a_0 u_1 + b_0) \in \mathcal{O}_v$, $t_0 t_2^2 \in \mathcal{O}_v$. Since $\chi(g) = (t_0 t_2^2)(t_0 t_3)^2$, $\chi(g) \in \mathcal{O}_v$.

We next prove that w_{rm}^0 satisfies Condition 5.8. Suppose that $gw_{\text{rm}}^0 \in V_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ and $\chi(g) \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$. Similarly as above, we may assume that g_1 is in the form (5.12) with $t_1 = 1$ and f_1, f_4, f_6 are in the form (5.13). We already verified that

$$t_0, t_0 t_2, t_0 t_3, t_0 t_2^2 \in \mathcal{O}_v.$$

Since $f_6 \in \mathcal{O}_v$ and $\text{ord}_v(u_2^2 + a_0 u_2 u_3 + b_0 u_3^2 + \pi_v) \leq 1$, $\text{ord}_v(t_0 t_3^2) \geq -1$. Since

$$\text{ord}_v(\chi(g)) = \text{ord}_v(t_0^2 t_2^2) + \text{ord}_v(t_0 t_3^2) = 0$$

and $\text{ord}_v(t_0^2 t_2^2) \geq 0$ is even, $\text{ord}_v(t_0^2 t_2^2) = \text{ord}_v(t_0 t_3^2) = 0$. Since

$$\text{ord}_v(\chi(g)) = \text{ord}_v(t_0 t_2^2) + \text{ord}_v(t_0^2 t_3^2) = 0,$$

$\text{ord}_v(t_0 t_2^2) = \text{ord}_v(t_0^2 t_3^2) = 0$. Thus, $t_0, t_2, t_3 \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$. It is easy to see that $t_0 f_4 = w_{\text{rm}}^0[t_0 v_2]$, $t_0 f_6 = w_{\text{rm}}^0[t_0 v_3]$. Since $t_0 f_4, t_0 f_6 \in \mathcal{O}_v$ and w_{rm}^0 satisfies Condition 5.10, $t_0 v_2, t_0 v_3 \in \mathcal{O}_v^3$. Since $t_0 \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$, $v_2, v_3 \in \mathcal{O}_v^3$. Thus, $g \in K_v$.

Since $\text{ord}_v(P(w_{\text{sp}}^0)) = 0$, $\text{ord}_v(P(w_{\text{rm}}^0)) = 1$ and w_{sp}^0 and w_{rm}^0 satisfy Condition 5.7, we have $\Delta_{w_{\text{sp}}^0, v} = 1$ and $\Delta_{w_{\text{rm}}^0, v} = q_v$.

This completes the proof of the lemma. □

We next consider the case where n is even.

Lemma 5.14. *All of $w_{\text{in}}^0, w_{(\text{rm},j)}^0$ for $1 \leq j \leq \lambda_v$ and w_{dq}^0 satisfy Conditions 5.7, 5.8, 5.9 and 5.10. Moreover*

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{w_{\text{in}}^0, v} &= 1, \\ \Delta_{w_{(\text{rm},j)}^0, v} &= q_v^{\text{ord}_v(\Delta_{F_j/k_v})} \quad (1 \leq j \leq \lambda_v), \\ \Delta_{w_{\text{dq}}^0, v} &= q_v^2. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. The argument for the case w_{in}^0 is similar to that for the case w_{dq}^0 . So we only consider $w_{(\text{rm},j)}^0$ and w_{dq}^0 .

Let $n = 2$. We first prove that $w_{(\text{rm},j)}^0$ satisfies Condition 5.10. Suppose that $v = (u_1, u_2) \in k_v^2$ and that

$$w_{(\text{rm},j)}^0[v] = u_1^2 + a_j u_1 u_2 + b_j u_2^2 \in \mathcal{O}_v.$$

If $u_2 = 0$ then $u_1 \in \mathcal{O}_v$. If $u_2 \neq 0$ then

$$w_{(\text{rm},j)}^0[v] = u_2^2 ((u_1 u_2^{-1})^2 + a_j u_1 u_2^{-1} + b_j) \in \mathcal{O}_v.$$

Note that

$$\text{ord}_v ((u_1 u_2^{-1})^2 + a_j u_1 u_2^{-1} + b_j) \leq 0$$

if $\text{ord}_v(u_1 u_2^{-1}) \leq 0$ and that

$$\text{ord}_v ((u_1 u_2^{-1})^2 + a_j u_1 u_2^{-1} + b_j) = 1$$

if $\text{ord}_v(u_1 u_2^{-1}) \geq 1$. So $\text{ord}_v(u_2^2) \geq 0$. Since $u_2 \in \mathcal{O}_v$ and $u_1^2 + a_j u_1 u_2 + b_j u_2^2 \in \mathcal{O}_v$, $u_1 \in \mathcal{O}_v$.

We now prove that $w_{(\text{rm},j)}^0$ satisfies Conditions 5.7, 5.8 and 5.9. For two row vectors $v_1, v_2 \in k_v^2$ and $t_0 \in k_v^\times$, we put

$$(5.15) \quad g_1 = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad g = (t_0, g_1), \quad gw_{(\text{rm},j)}^0 = \begin{pmatrix} 2f_1 & f_2 \\ f_2 & 2f_3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

It is easy to see that

$$f_1 = t_0 w_{(\text{rm},j)}^0[v_1], \quad f_3 = t_0 w_{(\text{rm},j)}^0[v_2].$$

We first prove that $w_{(\text{rm},j)}^0$ satisfies Condition 5.9. Suppose that $t_0 = 1$, $gw_{(\text{rm},j)}^0 \in V_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ and $\chi(g) \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$. Multiplying an element of $K_{2,v}$ from the left, we may assume that g_1 is in the following form:

$$(5.16) \quad \begin{pmatrix} t_1 & 0 \\ 0 & t_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ u_1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} t_1 & 0 \\ t_2 u_1 & t_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

where $t_1, t_2 \in k_v^\times$ and $u_1 \in k_v$. Then $v_1 = (t_1, 0)$, $v_2 = (t_2 u_1, t_2)$ and

$$\begin{aligned} f_1 &= w_{(\text{rm},j)}^0[v_1] = t_1^2, \\ f_3 &= w_{(\text{rm},j)}^0[v_2] = t_2^2(u_1^2 + a_j u_1 + b_j). \end{aligned}$$

Since $f_1, f_3 \in \mathcal{O}_v$ and $w_{(\text{rm},j)}^0$ satisfies Condition 5.10, $t_1, t_2 u_1, t_2 \in \mathcal{O}_v$. Since $\chi(g) = t_1^2 t_2^2 \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$, $t_1, t_2 \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$. Thus, $g_1 \in K_{2,v}$.

We next prove that $w_{(rm,j)}^0$ satisfies Condition 5.7. Suppose that $gw_{(rm,j)}^0 \in V_{\mathcal{O}_v}$. By multiplying an element of $K_{2,v}$ from the left and an element of $\tilde{T}_{k_v} \subseteq G_{w_{(rm,j)}^0 k_v}$ from the right, we may assume that g_1 is in the form (5.16) and $t_1 = 1$. Then

$$(5.17) \quad \begin{aligned} f_1 &= t_0 w_{(rm,j)}^0 [v_1] = t_0, \\ f_3 &= t_0 w_{(rm,j)}^0 [v_2] = t_0 t_2^2 (u_1^2 + a_j u_1 + b_j). \end{aligned}$$

By assumption, $f_1 = t_0 \in \mathcal{O}_v$. So $t_0 f_3 = w_{(rm,j)}^0 [t_0 v_2] \in \mathcal{O}_v$. Since $w_{(rm,j)}^0$ satisfies Condition 5.10, $t_0 v_2 \in \mathcal{O}_v^2$. Thus, $t_0 t_2 \in \mathcal{O}_v$. Since $\chi(g) = t_0^2 t_2^2$, $\chi(g) \in \mathcal{O}_v$.

We next prove that $w_{(rm,j)}^0$ satisfies Condition 5.8. Suppose that g_1 is as above, $gw_{(rm,j)}^0 \in V_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ and $\chi(g) = (t_0 t_2)^2 \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$. Then $t_0 t_2 \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$. By assumption, $t_0 \in \mathcal{O}_v$.

We first assume that $\text{ord}_v(t_2) \geq 0$. Since $t_0 \in \mathcal{O}_v$ and $\text{ord}_v(t_0 t_2) = 0$, $t_0, t_2 \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$. Since

$$\text{ord}_v(f_3) = \text{ord}_v(u_1^2 + a_j u_1 + b_j) \geq 0,$$

$u_1 \in \mathcal{O}_v$. Thus, $g \in K_v \subseteq K_v G_{w_{(rm,j)}^0 k_v}$.

We next assume that $\text{ord}_v(t_2) < 0$. Since $\text{ord}_v(t_0 t_2) = 0$, $\text{ord}_v(t_0 t_2^2) < 0$. Since $f_3 = t_0 t_2^2 (u_1^2 + a_j u_1 + b_j) \in \mathcal{O}_v$,

$$\text{ord}_v(u_1^2 + a_j u_1 + b_j) > 0.$$

Thus, $\text{ord}_v(u_1) \geq 1$ and so $\text{ord}_v(u_1^2 + a_j u_1 + b_j) = 1$. Since

$$\text{ord}_v(f_3) = \text{ord}_v(t_0 t_2^2 (u_1^2 + a_j u_1 + b_j)) = 1 + \text{ord}_v(t_2)$$

and $f_3 \in \mathcal{O}_v$, $\text{ord}_v(t_2) = -1$ and so $\text{ord}_v(t_0) = 1$.

It is easy to see that

$$\left(b_j^{-1}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & b_j \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) \in G_{w_{(rm,j)}^0 k_v}$$

and

$$g \left(b_j^{-1}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & b_j \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \left(t_0 b_j^{-1}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ t_2 u_1 & t_2 b_j \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) \in K_v.$$

Thus, $g \in K_v G_{w_{(rm,j)}^0 k_v}$.

Let $n = 4$. We first prove that w_{dq}^0 satisfies Condition 5.10. Suppose that $v = (u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4) \in k_v^4$ and

$$w_{\text{dq}}^0[v] = (u_1^2 + a_0u_1u_2 + b_0u_2^2) + \pi_v (u_3^2 + a_0u_3u_4 + b_0u_4^2) \in \mathcal{O}_v.$$

Since $\text{ord}_v (u_1^2 + a_0u_1u_2 + b_0u_2^2)$ is even and $\text{ord}_v (\pi_v (u_3^2 + a_0u_3u_4 + b_0u_4^2))$ is odd for any $u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4 \in k_v$, $u_1^2 + a_0u_1u_2 + b_0u_2^2, \pi_v (u_3^2 + a_0u_3u_4 + b_0u_4^2) \in \mathcal{O}_v$. Thus, $u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4 \in \mathcal{O}_v$.

We now prove that w_{dq}^0 satisfies Conditions 5.7, 5.8 and 5.9. For four row vectors $v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4 \in k_v^4$ and $t_0 \in k_v^\times$, we put

$$(5.18) \quad g_1 = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \\ v_4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad g = (t_0, g_1), \quad gw_{\text{dq}}^0 = \begin{pmatrix} 2f_1 & f_2 & f_3 & f_4 \\ f_2 & 2f_5 & f_6 & f_7 \\ f_3 & f_6 & 2f_8 & f_9 \\ f_4 & f_7 & f_9 & 2f_{10} \end{pmatrix}.$$

It is easy to see that

$$f_1 = t_0w_{\text{dq}}^0[v_1], \quad f_5 = t_0w_{\text{dq}}^0[v_2], \quad f_8 = t_0w_{\text{dq}}^0[v_3], \quad f_{10} = t_0w_{\text{dq}}^0[v_4].$$

We first prove that w_{dq}^0 satisfies Condition 5.9. Suppose that $t_0 = 1$, $gw_{\text{dq}}^0 \in V_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ and $\chi(g) \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$. Multiplying an element of $K_{4,v}$ from the left, we may assume that g_1 is in the following form:

$$(5.19) \quad \begin{pmatrix} t_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & t_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & t_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & t_4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ u_1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ u_2 & u_3 & 1 & 0 \\ u_4 & u_5 & u_6 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} t_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ t_2u_1 & t_2 & 0 & 0 \\ t_3u_2 & t_3u_3 & t_3 & 0 \\ t_4u_4 & t_4u_5 & t_4u_6 & t_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

where $t_1, \dots, t_4 \in k_v^\times$ and $u_1, \dots, u_6 \in k_v$. Let f_1, f_5, f_8, f_{10} be as above. Then

$$\begin{aligned} f_1 &= w_{\text{dq}}^0[v_1] = t_1^2, \\ f_5 &= w_{\text{dq}}^0[v_2] = t_2^2 (u_1^2 + a_0u_1 + b_0), \\ f_8 &= w_{\text{dq}}^0[v_3] = t_3^2 (u_2^2 + a_0u_2u_3 + b_0u_3^2 + \pi_v), \\ f_{10} &= w_{\text{dq}}^0[v_4] = t_4^2 (u_4^2 + a_0u_4u_5 + b_0u_5^2 + \pi_vu_6^2 + a_0\pi_vu_6 + b_0\pi_v). \end{aligned}$$

Since $f_1, f_5, f_8, f_{10} \in \mathcal{O}_v$ and w_{dq}^0 satisfies Condition 5.10,

$$t_1, t_2u_1, t_2, t_3u_2, t_3u_3, t_3, t_4u_4, t_4u_5, t_4u_6, t_4 \in \mathcal{O}_v.$$

Since $\chi(g) = t_1^2t_2^2t_3^2t_4^2 \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$, $t_1, t_2, t_3, t_4 \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$. Thus, $g_1 \in K_{4,v}$.

We next prove that w_{dq}^0 satisfies Condition 5.7. Suppose that $gw_{\text{dq}}^0 \in V_{\mathcal{O}_v}$. By multiplying an element of $K_{4,v}$ from the left and an element of $\tilde{T}_{k_v} \subseteq G_{w_{\text{dq}}^0, k_v}$ from the right, we may assume that g_1 is in the form (5.19) and $t_1 = 1$. Then

$$(5.20) \quad \begin{aligned} f_1 &= t_0 w_{\text{dq}}^0[v_1] = t_0, \\ f_5 &= t_0 w_{\text{dq}}^0[v_2] = t_0 t_2^2 (u_1^2 + a_0 u_1 + b_0), \\ f_8 &= t_0 w_{\text{dq}}^0[v_3] = t_0 t_3^2 (u_2^2 + a_0 u_2 u_3 + b_0 u_3^2 + \pi_v), \\ f_{10} &= t_0 w_{\text{dq}}^0[v_4] = t_0 t_4^2 (u_4^2 + a_0 u_4 u_5 + b_0 u_5^2 + \pi_v u_6^2 + a_0 \pi_v u_6 + b_0 \pi_v). \end{aligned}$$

Since $f_1 \in \mathcal{O}_v$, $t_0 \in \mathcal{O}_v$. So $t_0 f_4 = w_{\text{dq}}^0[t_0 v_2]$, $t_0 f_8 = w_{\text{dq}}^0[t_0 v_3]$, $t_0 f_{10} = w_{\text{dq}}^0[t_0 v_4] \in \mathcal{O}_v$. Since w_{dq}^0 satisfies Condition 5.10, $t_0 v_2, t_0 v_3, t_0 v_4 \in \mathcal{O}_v^3$. Thus, $t_0 t_2, t_0 t_3, t_0 t_4 \in \mathcal{O}_v$.

We consider f_5 . Since $f_5 = t_0 t_2^2 (u_1^2 + a_0 u_1 + b_0) \in \mathcal{O}_v$ and $\text{ord}_v(u_1^2 + a_0 u_1 + b_0) \leq 0$, $\text{ord}_v(t_0 t_2^2) \geq 0$.

We consider f_8 . Since $\text{ord}_v(\pi_v) = 1$ and $\text{ord}_v(u_2^2 + a_0 u_2 u_3 + b_0 u_3^2)$ is even for any $u_2, u_3 \in k_v$, $t_0 t_3^2 \pi_v \in \mathcal{O}_v$ and so $\text{ord}_v(t_0 t_3^2) \geq -1$.

We consider f_{10} . Since $\text{ord}_v(u_4^2 + a_0 u_4 u_5 + b_0 u_5^2)$ is even and $\text{ord}_v(\pi_v (u_6^2 + a_0 u_6 + b_0))$ is odd, $t_0 t_4^2 \pi_v (u_6^2 + a_0 u_6 + b_0) \in \mathcal{O}_v$. Since $\text{ord}_v(u_6^2 + a_0 u_6 + b_0) \leq 0$, $\text{ord}_v(t_0 t_4^2) \geq -1$.

Suppose that $\text{ord}(\chi(g)) < 0$. Since

$$\text{ord}_v(t_0^2 t_2^2) \geq 0, \text{ord}_v(t_0 t_3^2), \text{ord}_v(t_0 t_4^2) \geq -1,$$

$\text{ord}(\chi(g)) = \text{ord}(t_0^4 t_2^2 t_3^2 t_4^2) \geq -2$. Since $\text{ord}(\chi(g))$ is even, $\text{ord}(\chi(g)) = -2$ and

$$\text{ord}_v(t_0^2 t_2^2) = 0, \text{ord}_v(t_0 t_3^2) = \text{ord}_v(t_0 t_4^2) = -1.$$

Since $t_0 t_3 \in \mathcal{O}_v$, $\text{ord}_v(t_3) \leq -1$ and $\text{ord}_v(t_0) \geq 1$. Since $\text{ord}_v(t_0 t_2) = 0$, $\text{ord}_v(t_2) = -\text{ord}_v(t_0) \leq -1$. This contradicts to the condition $\text{ord}_v(t_0 t_2^2) \geq 0$. Therefore, $\text{ord}(\chi(g)) \geq 0$.

We next prove that w_{dq}^0 satisfies Condition 5.8. Suppose that $g = (t_0, g_1) \in G_{k_v}$ where g_1 is as above, $gw_{\text{dq}}^0 \in V_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ and $\chi(g) \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$. By multiplying an element of $K_{4,v}$ from the left and an element of $\tilde{T}_{k_v} \subseteq G_{w_{\text{dq}}^0, k_v}$ from the right, we may assume that g_1 is in the form (5.19) and $t_1 = 1$. Then f_1, f_5, f_8, f_{10} are as in (5.20). So

$$\text{ord}_v(t_0), \text{ord}_v(t_0 t_2^2) \geq 0, \text{ord}_v(t_0 t_3^2), \text{ord}_v(t_0 t_4^2) \geq -1$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} t_0 v_2 &= (t_0 t_2 u_1, t_0 t_2, 0, 0), \\ t_0 v_3 &= (t_0 t_3 u_2, t_0 t_3 u_3, t_0 t_3, 0), \\ t_0 v_4 &= (t_0 t_4 u_4, t_0 t_4 u_5, t_0 t_4 u_6, t_0 t_4) \end{aligned}$$

are elements of \mathcal{O}_v^4 . Since

$$\text{ord}_v(\chi(g)) = \text{ord}_v(t_0^2 t_2^2) + \text{ord}_v(t_0 t_3^2) + \text{ord}_v(t_0 t_4^2) = 0,$$

$$(5.21) \quad (\text{ord}_v(t_0^2 t_2^2), \text{ord}_v(t_0 t_3^2), \text{ord}_v(t_0 t_4^2))$$

is equal to $(2, -1, -1)$, $(0, -1, 1)$, $(0, 0, 0)$ or $(0, 1, -1)$.

Suppose that $\text{ord}_v(t_0 t_2) = 0$. If $\text{ord}_v(t_0 t_3^2) = -1$ (resp. $\text{ord}_v(t_0 t_4^2) = -1$), $\text{ord}_v(t_3) \leq -1$ (resp. $\text{ord}_v(t_4) \leq -1$) and $\text{ord}_v(t_0) \geq 1$. Since $\text{ord}_v(t_0 t_2) = 0$, $\text{ord}_v(t_0 t_2^2) \leq -1$. This contradicts to the condition $\text{ord}_v(t_0 t_2^2) \in \mathcal{O}_v$. So (5.21) is equal to $(2, -1, -1)$ or $(0, 0, 0)$.

Suppose that (5.21) is equal to $(0, 0, 0)$. Since $t_0, t_0 t_2^2 \in \mathcal{O}_v$ and $\text{ord}_v(t_0^2 t_2^2) = 0$, $t_0, t_2 \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$. Since $t_0 t_3^2, t_0 t_4^2 \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$, $t_3, t_4 \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$. Since $t_0 v_2, t_0 v_3, t_0 v_4 \in \mathcal{O}_v^4$, $u_i \in \mathcal{O}_v$ for all $1 \leq i \leq 6$. Thus, $g \in K_v \subseteq K_v G_{w_{\text{dq}}^0 k_v}$.

Suppose that (5.21) is equal to $(2, -1, -1)$. Since $\text{ord}_v(t_0 t_3^2) = -1$, $\text{ord}_v(t_0)$ is odd and so $\text{ord}_v(t_0) \geq 1$. Since $\text{ord}_v(t_0) + \text{ord}_v(t_0 t_2^2) = 2$ and $t_0 t_2^2 \in \mathcal{O}_v$, $\text{ord}_v(t_0) = 1$ and $\text{ord}_v(t_0 t_2^2) = 1$. Thus,

$$(5.22) \quad (\text{ord}_v(t_0), \text{ord}_v(t_2), \text{ord}_v(t_3), \text{ord}_v(t_4)) = (1, 0, -1, -1).$$

We consider $f_5 = t_0 t_2^2 (u_1^2 + a_0 u_1 + b_0)$. Since $\text{ord}_v(t_0 t_2^2) = 1$ and $\text{ord}_v(u_1^2 + a_0 u_1 + b_0)$ is even for any $u_1 \in k_v$, $\text{ord}_v(u_1^2 + a_0 u_1 + b_0) \geq 0$. This implies that $u_1 \in \mathcal{O}_v$.

We consider $f_8 = t_0 t_3^2 (u_2^2 + a_0 u_2 u_3 + b_0 u_3^2 + \pi_v)$. Since $\text{ord}_v(u_2^2 + a_0 u_2 u_3 + b_0 u_3^2)$ is even for any $u_2, u_3 \in k_v$ and $\text{ord}_v(\pi_v) = 1$, $t_0 t_3^2 (u_2^2 + a_0 u_2 u_3 + b_0 u_3^2) \in \mathcal{O}_v$. Since $\text{ord}_v(t_0 t_3^2) = -1$, $\text{ord}_v(u_2^2 + a_0 u_2 u_3 + b_0 u_3^2) \geq 2$. Thus, $\text{ord}_v(u_2), \text{ord}_v(u_3) \geq 1$. Since $f_{10} \in \mathcal{O}_v$ and $\text{ord}_v(t_0 t_4^2) = -1$, $\text{ord}_v(u_4), \text{ord}_v(u_5) \geq 1$ and $\text{ord}_v(u_6) \geq 0$.

It is easy to see that

$$\left(\pi_v^{-1}, \begin{pmatrix} I_2 & \\ & \pi_v I_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I_2 \\ I_2 \end{pmatrix} \right) \in G_{w_{\text{dq}}^0 k_v}$$

and

$$\left(t_0, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ t_2 u_1 & t_2 & 0 & 0 \\ t_3 u_2 & t_3 u_3 & t_3 & 0 \\ t_4 u_4 & t_4 u_5 & t_4 u_6 & t_4 \end{pmatrix} \right) \left(\pi_v^{-1}, \begin{pmatrix} I_2 & \\ & \pi_v I_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I_2 \\ I_2 \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

$$= \left(t_0 \pi_v^{-1}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & t_2 u_1 & t_2 \\ t_3 \pi_v & 0 & t_3 u_2 & t_3 u_3 \\ t_4 \pi_v u_6 & t_4 \pi_v & t_4 u_4 & t_4 u_5 \end{pmatrix} \right) \in K_v.$$

By (5.22) and the informations on $\text{ord}_v(u_1), \dots, \text{ord}_v(u_6)$ obtained above, the condition $g \in K_v G_{w_{\text{dq}}^0 k_v}$ follows. This completes the proof of Lemma 5.14. \square

In the following, we consider the discriminants of representatives. If $w_{v,i}$ is a standard representative, we use the letter m for the Witt index as before. Also $m_0 = n - 2m$. So if $n \geq 3$ is odd then $m_0 = 1, 3$ according as $i = \text{sp}, \text{rm}$. If $n \geq 4$ is even then $m_0 = 0, 2, 4$ according as $i = \text{sp}, \text{in}, \text{rm}, \text{dq}$. We use the same m, m_0 for alternative representatives also.

Proposition 5.23. *If $n \geq 3$ is odd, w_{sp} and w_{rm} satisfy Condition 5.7. Moreover,*

$$\Delta_{w_{\text{sp}},v} = 1, \quad \Delta_{w_{\text{rm}},v} = q_v.$$

If $n \geq 2$ is even, $w_{\text{sp}}, w_{\text{in}}, w_{(\text{rm},j)}$ for $1 \leq j \leq \lambda_v$ and w_{dq} (if $n \geq 4$) satisfy Conditions 5.7 and 5.8. Moreover,

$$\Delta_{w_{\text{sp}},v} = \Delta_{w_{\text{in}},v} = 1, \quad \Delta_{w_{(\text{rm},j)},v} = q_v^{\text{ord}_v(\Delta_{F_j/k_v})} \quad (1 \leq j \leq \lambda_v), \quad \Delta_{w_{\text{dq}},v} = q_v^2.$$

Proof. It suffices to prove that the statement holds for w'_i in (4.18) instead of w_i .

We first prove that w'_i satisfies Condition 5.7. Let $g = (t_0, g_1) \in G_{k_v}$. Suppose that $gw'_i \in V_{\mathcal{O}_v}$.

By multiplying an element of K_v from the left and an element of $\tilde{T}_{k_v} \subseteq G_{w'_i k_v}$ from the right, g_1 can be made into the following form:

$$(5.24) \quad g_1 = \begin{pmatrix} X_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ X_{21} & X_{22} & 0 \\ X_{31} & X_{32} & X_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

where $X_{11}, {}^tX_{33} \in B_{m k_v}, X_{21}, {}^tX_{32} \in M(m_0, m)_{k_v}, X_{31} \in M(m, m)_{k_v}$ and

$$X_{22} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & t_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & t_{m_0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ u & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in B_{m_0 k_v}.$$

It is easy to see that $G_{w'_i k_v}$ contains the following matrices

$$\begin{pmatrix} {}^tX_{33} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I_{m_0} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & X_{33}^{-1} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} I_m & 0 & 0 \\ w_i^0 {}^tX_{32} & I_{m_0} & 0 \\ Y_{31} & X_{32} & I_m \end{pmatrix}$$

where $Y_{31} \in B_{m k_v}$ and $Y_{31} + {}^t Y_{31} = w_i^0[X_{32}]$.

By multiplying elements in the above forms from the right, g_1 in (5.24) can be made into the following form:

$$(5.25) \quad \begin{pmatrix} X_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ X_{21} & X_{22} & 0 \\ X_{31} & 0 & I_m \end{pmatrix}$$

where $X_{21} \in M(m_0, m)_{k_v}$, $X_{31} \in M(m, m)_{k_v}$ and

$$X_{11} = \begin{pmatrix} t'_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & t'_m \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ u' & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in B_{m k_v},$$

$$X_{22} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ & t_2 & \\ & & \ddots \\ & & & t_{m_0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ u & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in B_{m_0 k_v}.$$

We express gw'_i as follows:

$$(5.26) \quad gw'_i = \begin{pmatrix} F_1 & F_2 & F_3 \\ {}^t F_2 & F_4 & F_5 \\ {}^t F_3 & {}^t F_5 & F_6 \end{pmatrix}$$

where $F_1, F_3, F_6 \in M(m, m)_{k_v}$, $F_2, {}^t F_5 \in M(m, m_0)_{k_v}$, $F_4 \in M(m_0, m_0)_{k_v}$. Then

$$(5.27) \quad \begin{aligned} F_1 &= 0, & F_2 &= 0, \\ F_3 &= -t_0 X_{11}, & F_4 &= t_0 w_i^0[X_{22}], \\ F_5 &= -t_0 X_{21}, & F_6 &= -t_0 ({}^t X_{31} + X_{31}). \end{aligned}$$

To consider F_4 corresponds to the situation where the Witt index is 0 and $g^0 = (t_0, X_{22})$. So Lemmas 5.11 and 5.14 imply that $t_0^{m_0} (t_2 \cdots t_{m_0})^2 \in \mathcal{O}_v$. This is $\chi(g^0)$ for $m = 0$.

We consider F_3 . Since $F_3 = -t_0 X_{11} \in M(m, m)_{\mathcal{O}_v}$, diagonal entries $t_0 t'_1, \dots, t_0 t'_m$ of $t_0 X_{11}$ are elements of \mathcal{O}_v . Therefore,

$$\chi(g) = t_0^{m_0} (t_2 \cdots t_{m_0})^2 (t_0 t'_1)^2 \cdots (t_0 t'_m)^2 \in \mathcal{O}_v.$$

Thus, w'_i satisfies Condition 5.7.

We next prove that w'_i satisfies Condition 5.8 if $n \geq 4$ is even. As above, we assume that $g = (t_0, g_1)$ where $t_0 \in k_v^\times$ and g_1 is in the form (5.25) and that

$$\chi(g) = t_0^{m_0} (t_2 \cdots t_{m_0})^2 (t_0 t'_1)^2 \cdots (t_0 t'_m)^2 \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times.$$

Since $t_0^{m_0}(t_2 \cdots t_{m_0})^2, t_0 t'_1, \dots, t_0 t'_m$ are elements of \mathcal{O}_v ,

$$t_0^{m_0}(t_2 \cdots t_{m_0})^2, t_0 t'_1, \dots, t_0 t'_m \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times.$$

By Lemma 5.14, there exists $(\kappa_1, \kappa_2) \in K_{1,v} \times K_{m_0,v}$ and $(h_1, h_2) \in (\text{GL}(1) \times \text{GL}(m_0))_{w'_i k_v}$ such that $(t_0, X_{22}) = (\kappa_1, \kappa_2)(h_1, h_2)$. So, by multiplying

$$\left(\kappa_1, \begin{pmatrix} I_m & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \kappa_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & I_m \end{pmatrix} \right)^{-1} \in K_v, \quad \left(h_1, \begin{pmatrix} h_1^{-1} I_m & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & h_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & I_m \end{pmatrix} \right)^{-1} \in G_{w'_i k_v}$$

from the left and the right, we may assume that

$$(t_0, g_1) = \left(1, \begin{pmatrix} X_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ X_{21} & I_{m_0} & 0 \\ X_{31} & 0 & I_m \end{pmatrix} \right).$$

We express gw'_i as (5.26). Since $t_0 = 1, F_3 = -X_{11} \in \text{M}(m, m)_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ and $F_5 = -X_{21} \in \text{M}(m_0, m)_{\mathcal{O}_v}, X_{11} \in \text{GL}(m)_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ and $X_{21} \in \text{M}(m_0, m)_{\mathcal{O}_v}$. Note that $G_{w'_i k_v}$ contains matrices in the following form:

$$\begin{pmatrix} I_m & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I_{m_0} & 0 \\ Y_{31} & 0 & I_m \end{pmatrix}$$

where $Y_{31} \in \text{M}(m, m)_{k_v}$ and $Y_{31} + {}^t Y_{31} = 0$.

Multiplying an element in the above form from the right, we may assume that X_{31} is in the following form:

$$X_{31} = \begin{pmatrix} u'_{11} & & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \\ u'_{m1} & \cdots & u'_{mm} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since $gw'_i \in V_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ and

$$-F_6 = {}^t X_{31} + X_{31} = \begin{pmatrix} 2u'_{11} & \cdots & u'_{m1} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ u'_{m1} & \cdots & 2u'_{mm} \end{pmatrix},$$

$u'_{i,j} \in \mathcal{O}_v$ and so $X_{31} \in \text{M}(m, m)_{\mathcal{O}_v}$. Thus, $g \in K_v G_{w'_i k_v}$.

This completes the proof of Proposition 5.23. □

Corollary 5.28. *If $x \in V_k^{\text{ss}}$ then there exists a finite subset $\mathfrak{M}_\infty \cup \mathfrak{M}_{\text{dy}} \subseteq S \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$ such that x is unramified over k_v if $v \notin S$.*

Proof. We choose S so that if $v \notin S$ then $x \in V_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ and $|P(x)|_v = 1$. By the definition of the discriminant, $\Delta_{x,v} = 1$. Then the corollary follows from Proposition 5.23. □

§6. Existence of Global Orbits with Prescribed Local Conditions

In this section we assume that $n \geq 3$ is odd. The main purpose of this section is to describe the image of the natural map from $G_k \backslash V_k^{\text{ss}}$ to $\prod_{v \in \mathfrak{M}} G_{k_v} \backslash V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$ by the modified Hasse symbol.

We first review some facts concerning the action of $\text{GL}(n)$ on quadratic forms. For $v \in \mathfrak{M}$ and $x_v \in V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$, we denote the classical discriminant of x_v by $d_v(x_v)$. We denote the Hasse symbol of x_v by $S_v(x_v)$ and the modified Hasse symbol $S_v((\det M_{x_v})x_v)$ by $\tilde{S}_v(x_v)$ as in § 4.

The following theorem is the Hasse-Minkowski Theorem (66:4) [22, p. 189].

Theorem 6.1. *Let $x, y \in V_k^{\text{ss}}$. Then $\text{GL}(n)_k x = \text{GL}(n)_k y$ if and only if $\text{GL}(n)_{k_v} x = \text{GL}(n)_{k_v} y$ for all $v \in \mathfrak{M}$.*

In this paper we call the above theorem the *Hasse principle* for quadratic forms.

The following theorem is Theorem (72:1) [22, p. 203].

Theorem 6.2. *Let $(x_v) \in \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{M}} V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$. There exists $x \in V_k^{\text{ss}}$ such that $\text{GL}(n)_{k_v} x = \text{GL}(n)_{k_v} x_v$ for all $v \in \mathfrak{M}$ if and only if (x_v) satisfies the following three conditions.*

- (1) *There exists $\alpha \in k$ such that $d_v(x_v) \equiv \alpha \pmod{(k_v^\times)^2}$ for all $v \in \mathfrak{M}$.*
- (2) *$S_v(x_v) = 1$ for all but finitely many $v \in \mathfrak{M}$.*
- (3) $\prod_{v \in \mathfrak{M}} S_v(x_v) = 1$.

Definition 6.3. Let Φ be a map defined by

$$(6.4) \quad G_k \backslash V_k^{\text{ss}} \ni x \mapsto (x)_v \in \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{M}} G_{k_v} \backslash V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}.$$

It is easy to see that Φ is well-defined.

Lemma 6.5. *If $n \geq 3$ is odd, Φ is injective.*

Proof. Suppose that $x, x' \in V_k^{\text{ss}}$ and that there exists $g_v = (t_{0,v}, g_{1,v}) \in G_{k_v}$ such that $x' = g_v x$ for all $v \in \mathfrak{M}$. We put $g_0 = \det M_{x'} / \det M_x \in k^\times$. Since $\chi(g_v) \equiv t_{0,v} \pmod{(k_v^\times)^2}$,

$$\det M_{x'} \equiv \chi(g_v) \det M_x \equiv t_{0,v} \det M_x \pmod{(k_v^\times)^2}.$$

So $g_0 \equiv t_{0,v} \pmod{(k_v^\times)^2}$, which implies that

$$\text{GL}(n)_{k_v}(g_0 x) = \text{GL}(n)_{k_v}(t_{0,v} x)$$

for all v . So

$$\text{GL}(n)_{k_v}(g_0 x) = \text{GL}(n)_{k_v}(t_{0,v} x) = \text{GL}(n)_{k_v} x'$$

for all v . By Theorem 6.1, $\text{GL}(n)_k(g_0 x) = \text{GL}(n)_k x'$. Thus, $G_k x = G_k x'$. \square

Proposition 6.6. *By the map Φ , the orbit space $G_k \backslash V_k^{\text{ss}}$ corresponds bijectively to the set of elements $(x_v) \in \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{M}} G_{k_v} \backslash V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$ which satisfy the following two conditions.*

- (1) $\tilde{S}_v(x_v) = 1$ for all but finitely many $v \in \mathfrak{M}$.
- (2) $\prod_{v \in \mathfrak{M}} \tilde{S}_v(x) = 1$.

Proof. If $x \in V_k^{\text{ss}}$, then $((\det M_x)x)_v$ clearly satisfies the above two conditions.

Suppose that $(x_v)_v \in \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{M}} G_{k_v} \backslash V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$ satisfies the above two conditions. Then $((\det M_{x_v})x_v)_v \in \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{M}} G_{k_v} \backslash V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$ satisfies Conditions (2) and (3) in Theorem 6.2. Since n is odd,

$$d_v((\det M_{x_v})x_v) \equiv (\det M_{x_v})^n d_v(x_v) \equiv (\det M_{x_v})^{n+1} \equiv 1 \pmod{(k_v^\times)^2}$$

and that $1 \in k^\times$. So $((\det M_{x_v})x_v)_v$ also satisfies Conditions (1) in Theorem 6.2. By Theorem 6.2, there exists $x \in V_k^{\text{ss}}$ such that $\text{GL}(n)_{k_v} x = \text{GL}(n)_{k_v} ((\det M_{x_v})x_v)$ for all $v \in \mathfrak{M}$. So $G_{k_v} x = G_{k_v} x_v$ for all $v \in \mathfrak{M}$. This implies that Φ is a surjective map to the set of elements (x_v) which satisfy the two conditions in Proposition 6.6. \square

Proposition 6.6 is a simple application of Theorem 6.2, which is classical and famous. We now explain the significance of Proposition 6.6 in comparison with Theorem 6.2. Theorem 6.2 contains a global condition on d_v , whereas Proposition 6.6 contains only a local condition for \tilde{S}_v except for the condition (2). So $G_k \backslash V_k^{\text{ss}}$ is nearly equal to $\prod_v G_{k_v} \backslash V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$ by Proposition 6.6.

In this series of papers, we use Proposition 6.6 for the following purpose. In Part II, we define a Dirichlet series $\tilde{Z}(s)$, which plays an important role in the proof of the main theorem, as a certain sum over $G_k \backslash V_k^{\text{ss}}$. We make $\tilde{Z}(s)$ into a sum of two Euler products. In this process, we use Proposition 6.6 in order to modify the sum over $G_k \backslash V_k^{\text{ss}}$ to a sum over $\prod_v G_{k_v} \backslash V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$. Even though Proposition 6.6 contains the global condition (2) on \tilde{S}_v , we use a technique in [11] and remove the condition (2) in the process of making $\tilde{Z}(s)$ into a sum of two Euler products. In this manner, the use of the group $\text{GL}(1) \times \text{GL}(n)$ in Proposition 6.6 is more convenient than the use of the group $\text{GL}(n)$ in Theorem 6.2 for our purposes.

§7. Measures on Orthogonal Groups of Orbital Representatives at Finite Places

Let $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$ and $w'_{v,i}$ be an alternative orbital representative of $G_{k_v} \backslash V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$ defined in (4.18). The main purpose of this section is to define measures on $\text{GO}(w'_{v,i})^\circ$, $\text{SO}(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}$ and $\text{PGO}(w'_{v,i})^\circ$ essentially (but not directly) using their Iwasawa decompositions. The Iwasawa decompositions of these groups are well-known (see [24]). We review them briefly for the sake of the reader later in this section.

In this section also, we use the notations $w_{v,i}^0$, $w'_{v,i}$ (Definitions 4.9, 4.14 and (4.18)) and T_n , N_n (at the beginning of § 5).

Let \tilde{T} be as in (3.4). We identify \tilde{T} with the center of $\text{GO}(x)$ for all $x \in V^{\text{ss}}$ by Lemma 3.9. We define subgroups $T_n(w'_{v,i})$, $\bar{T}_n(w'_{v,i})$ and $\tilde{T}_n(w'_{v,i})$ respectively of $\text{GO}(w'_{v,i})^\circ$, $\text{SO}(w'_{v,i})$ and $\text{PGO}(w'_{v,i})^\circ$ by

$$\begin{aligned} T_n(w'_{v,i}) &= (\text{GO}(w'_{v,i}) \cap T_n)^\circ, \quad \bar{T}_n(w'_{v,i}) = (\text{SO}(w'_{v,i}) \cap T_n)^\circ, \\ \tilde{T}_n(w'_{v,i}) &= T_n(w'_{v,i})/\tilde{T}. \end{aligned}$$

Let $Z_n(w'_{v,i})$, $\bar{Z}_n(w'_{v,i})$ and $\tilde{Z}_n(w'_{v,i})$ be the centralizers of $T_n(w'_{v,i})$, $\bar{T}_n(w'_{v,i})$ and $\tilde{T}_n(w'_{v,i})$ in $\text{GO}(w'_{v,i})^\circ$, $\text{SO}(w'_{v,i})$ and $\text{PGO}(w'_{v,i})^\circ$ respectively.

The groups $\text{GO}(w'_{v,i})^\circ$ and $\text{SO}(w'_{v,i})$ contain the following matrices:

$$\begin{aligned} n_1(u_1) &= \begin{pmatrix} I_m & 0 & 0 \\ w_{v,i}^0 \ ^t u_1 & I_{m_0} & 0 \\ v_1 & u_1 & I_m \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \in \text{M}(m, m_0), \\ v_1 = (v_{1ij}) \in \text{M}(m, m), \\ v_{1ij} = 0 \text{ for } i < j, v_1 + \ ^t v_1 = 2w_{v,i}^0[u_1] \end{pmatrix}, \\ n_2(u_2) &= \begin{pmatrix} I_m & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I_{m_0} & 0 \\ u_2 & 0 & I_m \end{pmatrix} \quad (u_2 \in \text{M}(m, m), u_2 + \ ^t u_2 = 0), \end{aligned}$$

$$n_3(u_3) = \begin{pmatrix} u_3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I_{m_0} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & {}^t u_3^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \quad (u_3 \in N_m).$$

Let $N_n(w'_{v,i})$ be the subgroup of $\text{GO}(w'_{v,i})^\circ$ generated by these elements. We regard $N_n(w'_{v,i})$ as a subgroup of $\text{SO}(w'_{v,i})$ and $\text{PGO}(w'_{v,i})^\circ$. It is easy to see that $T_n(w'_{v,i})$ and $Z_n(w'_{v,i})N_n(w'_{v,i})$, etc., are a maximal split torus and a minimal parabolic subgroup of $\text{GO}(w'_{v,i})^\circ$, etc.

Let $K_{n,v}$ be as in (5.1). We define subgroups $K_n(w'_{v,i})$ and $\bar{K}_n(w'_{v,i})$ respectively of $\text{GO}(w'_{v,i})^\circ_{k_v}$ and of $\text{SO}(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}$ as follows:

$$K_n(w'_{v,i}) = \text{GO}(w'_{v,i})^\circ_{k_v} \cap K_{n,v}, \quad \bar{K}_n(w'_{v,i}) = \text{SO}(w'_{v,i})_{k_v} \cap K_{n,v}.$$

Let $\tilde{K}_n(w'_{v,i})$ be the image of $K_n(w'_{v,i})$ in $\text{PGO}(w'_{v,i})^\circ_{k_v}$.

Clearly $K_n(w'_{v,i})$, etc., are open compact subgroups of $\text{GO}(w'_{v,i})^\circ_{k_v}$, etc.

Proposition 7.1. *Let $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$ and $w'_{v,i}$ be an alternative orbital representative of $G_{k_v} \backslash V_{k_v}^{\text{SS}}$. Then we have the following decompositions:*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{GO}(w'_{v,i})^\circ_{k_v} &= K_n(w'_{v,i})Z_n(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}K_n(w'_{v,i}) = K_n(w'_{v,i})Z_n(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}N_n(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}, \\ \text{SO}(w'_{v,i})_{k_v} &= \bar{K}_n(w'_{v,i})\bar{Z}_n(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}\bar{K}_n(w'_{v,i}) = \bar{K}_n(w'_{v,i})\bar{Z}_n(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}N_n(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}, \\ \text{PGO}(w'_{v,i})^\circ_{k_v} &= \tilde{K}_n(w'_{v,i})\tilde{Z}_n(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}\tilde{K}_n(w'_{v,i}) = \tilde{K}_n(w'_{v,i})\tilde{Z}_n(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}N_n(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}. \end{aligned}$$

We call the above decompositions the *Cartan decomposition* and the *Iwasawa decomposition* for each case.

Now we briefly review how to prove Proposition 7.1 using Conditions 5.9 and 5.10. We only consider the Cartan decompositions of $\text{GO}(w'_{v,i})^\circ_{k_v}$ for $w'_{v,i}$ such that $m_0 \neq 0$ since the proof is similar and easier for the case $m_0 = 0$.

We express $X \in \text{GO}(w'_{v,i})^\circ_{k_v}$ using blocks $\{X_{ij}\}_{1 \leq i,j \leq 5}$ as follows:

$$X = \begin{matrix} & 1 & m-1 & m_0 & 1 & m-1 \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ m-1 \\ m_0 \\ 1 \\ m-1 \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} X_{11} & X_{12} & X_{13} & X_{14} & X_{15} \\ X_{21} & X_{22} & X_{23} & X_{24} & X_{25} \\ X_{31} & X_{32} & X_{33} & X_{34} & X_{35} \\ X_{41} & X_{42} & X_{43} & X_{44} & X_{45} \\ X_{51} & X_{52} & X_{53} & X_{54} & X_{55} \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}.$$

Multiplying elements of $K_n(w'_{v,i})$ from both sides, if necessary, we may assume that

$$(7.2) \quad X_{44}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} X_{11} & X_{12} & X_{14} & X_{15} \\ X_{21} & X_{22} & X_{24} & X_{25} \\ X_{41} & X_{42} & X_{44} & X_{45} \\ X_{51} & X_{52} & X_{54} & X_{55} \end{pmatrix} \in \text{M}(2m, 2m)_{\mathcal{O}_v}.$$

Then we obtain $w_{v,i}^0[X_{43}] - 2X_{41} {}^tX_{44} - 2X_{42} {}^tX_{45} = 0$ using the condition $X \in \text{GO}(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}^\circ$. This implies $w_{v,i}^0[X_{44}^{-1}X_{43}] = 2X_{44}^{-1}X_{41} + 2X_{44}^{-1}X_{42} {}^t(X_{44}^{-1}X_{45}) \in 2\mathcal{O}_v$. So, by Condition 5.10, $X_{44}^{-1}X_{43} \in \mathcal{O}_v^{m_0}$. Here, we used Condition 5.10 in an essential manner. For general $x \in V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$, $\text{GO}(x)_{k_v}^\circ$ (resp. $\text{SO}(x)_{k_v}$) may not have the Iwasawa decomposition and the Cartan decomposition with $\text{GO}(x)_{k_v}^\circ \cap K_{n,v}$ (resp. $\text{SO}(x)_{k_v} \cap K_{n,v}$) as the maximal compact subgroup. The essential reason why $\text{GO}(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}^\circ$ and $\text{SO}(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}$ have the decompositions in Proposition 7.1 is that $w'_{v,i}$ satisfies Condition 5.10.

Since $X \in \text{GO}(w'_{v,i})$, it follows easily that $X \in \text{GO}((w'_{v,i})^{-1})$. Considering its (4, 4)-block, one can deduce that ${}^t(X_{44}^{-1}X_{34})(w_{v,i}^0)^{-1} \in \mathcal{O}_v^{m_0}$. This implies that ${}^t(X_{44}^{-1}X_{34}) \in \mathcal{O}_v^{m_0}$. Using these conditions, one can multiply suitable elements of $K_n(w'_{v,i})$ from both sides and make X in the following form:

$$(7.3) \quad X = \begin{pmatrix} X_{11} & X_{12} & X_{13} & X_{14} & X_{15} \\ 0 & X_{22} & X_{23} & 0 & X_{25} \\ 0 & X_{32} & X_{33} & 0 & X_{35} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & X_{44} & 0 \\ 0 & X_{52} & X_{53} & 0 & X_{55} \end{pmatrix}.$$

After eliminating $X_{23}, X_{25}, X_{32}, X_{35}, X_{52}, X_{53}$ by induction on m , one can eliminate X_{12}, \dots, X_{15} also. Thus, we obtain the Cartan decomposition.

Definition 7.4. Let $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$. We define invariant measures $dg''_{v,i}, d\tilde{g}''_{v,i}$ and $d\tilde{g}'_{v,i}$ respectively on $\text{GO}(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}^\circ, \text{SO}(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}$ and $\text{PGO}(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}^\circ$ so that

$$\int_{K_n(w'_{v,i})} dg''_{v,i} = 1, \quad \int_{K_n(w'_{v,i})} d\tilde{g}''_{v,i} = 1, \quad \int_{\tilde{K}_n(w'_{v,i})} d\tilde{g}'_{v,i} = 1.$$

Since $\text{GO}(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}^\circ$ has the Iwasawa decomposition with $K_n(w'_{v,i})$ as the maximal compact subgroup, $K_n(w'_{v,i})$ is called the *special maximal compact subgroup*. Even though we did not use the Iwasawa decomposition to define a measure on $\text{GO}(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}^\circ$ for $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$ directly, Proposition 7.1 tells us that our choice of the measure is natural in some sense. The situation is similar for $\text{SO}(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}$ and $\text{PGO}(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}^\circ$.

§8. Canonical Measures on Orthogonal Groups

The main purpose of this section is to define invariant measures on orthogonal groups locally and globally which are canonical in some sense. We have defined measures on $\text{GO}(x)_{k_v}^\circ, \text{SO}(x)_{k_v}, \text{PGO}(x)_{k_v}^\circ$ for alternative orbital

representatives x and $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$. We shall define measures on $\mathrm{GO}(x)_{k_v}^\circ, \mathrm{SO}(x)_{k_v}$, and $\mathrm{PGO}(x)_{k_v}^\circ$ for standard orbital representatives x and $v \in \mathfrak{M}_\infty$ in Part II. In the following, we consider $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$, but the argument is similar for $v \in \mathfrak{M}_\infty$ where we use $w_{v,i}$ instead of $w'_{v,i}$.

We first consider the local situation. Suppose that $x = \alpha_x w'_{v,i} \in V_{k_v}^{\mathrm{ss}}$ for $\alpha_x = (t_0, g_1) \in G_{k_v}$. Let

$$(8.1) \quad \varphi_{\alpha_x} : G_{k_v} \ni h_x \mapsto \alpha_x^{-1} h_x \alpha_x = g_1^{-1} h_x g_1 \in G_{k_v}.$$

It is easy to see that $\varphi_{\alpha_x}(G_{k_v}) = G_{w'_{v,i} k_v}$. So φ_{α_x} induces a map $G_{k_v}/G_{x k_v}^\circ \rightarrow G_{k_v}/G_{w'_{v,i} k_v}^\circ$. Also φ_{α_x} induces a homomorphism $\tilde{G}_{x k_v}^\circ \rightarrow \tilde{G}_{w'_{v,i} k_v}^\circ$. We denote these maps also by φ_{α_x} .

Now we use the identification $G_x \cong \mathrm{GO}(x)$, etc., (see Lemma 3.9). We define a measure $dg''_{x,v}$ on $G_{x k_v}^\circ \cong \mathrm{GO}(x)_{k_v}^\circ$ as follows:

$$dg''_{x,v} = (\varphi_{\alpha_x})^*(dg''_{v,i}),$$

i.e., $dg''_{x,v}$ is the pullback of $dg''_{v,i}$ by φ_{α_x} . Since $dg''_{v,i}$ is an invariant measure on $\mathrm{GO}(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}^\circ$, $dg''_{x,v}$ is an invariant measure on $\mathrm{GO}(x)_{k_v}^\circ$. We define invariant measures $d\tilde{g}''_{x,v}$ on $\mathrm{SO}(x)_{k_v}$, $\mathrm{PGO}(x)_{k_v}^\circ$ similarly.

Lemma 8.2. *The measures $dg''_{x,v}, d\tilde{g}''_{x,v}$ and $d\tilde{g}''_{x,v}$ do not depend on the choice of α_x .*

Proof. Suppose that $\alpha_x = (t_0, g_1), \alpha'_x = (t'_0, g'_1) \in G_{k_v}$ and $x = \alpha_x w'_{v,i} = \alpha'_x w'_{v,i}$. It is easy to see that $\alpha_x^{-1} \alpha'_x \in G_{w'_{v,i} k_v}$ and $g_1^{-1} g'_1 \in \mathrm{GO}(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}$.

Let $h = \alpha_x^{-1} \alpha'_x$ and $h_1 = g_1^{-1} g'_1$. Let φ_{α_x} and $\varphi_{\alpha'_x}$ be the maps which were defined in (8.1). Then, for $h_x \in \mathrm{GO}(x)_{k_v}^\circ$,

$$\varphi_{\alpha'_x}(h_x) = \alpha'^{-1}_x h_x \alpha'_x = (\alpha_x h)^{-1} h_x (\alpha_x h) = h^{-1} \alpha_x^{-1} h_x \alpha_x h = \varphi_h \circ \varphi_{\alpha_x}(h_x)$$

where

$$\varphi_h : \mathrm{GO}(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}^\circ \ni h_{w'_{v,i}} \mapsto h^{-1} h_{w'_{v,i}} h = h_1^{-1} h_{w'_{v,i}} h_1 \in \mathrm{GO}(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}^\circ.$$

So

$$(\varphi_{\alpha'_x})^*(dg''_{v,i}) = (\varphi_h \circ \varphi_{\alpha_x})^*(dg''_{v,i}) = (\varphi_{\alpha_x})^* \circ (\varphi_h)^*(dg''_{v,i}).$$

By Lemma 3.11 and the comment after that, $[\mathrm{GO}(w'_{v,i})_{k_v} : \mathrm{GO}(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}^\circ]$ is 1 or 2 according as n is odd or even. If n is even then there exists $\tau_{v,i} \in \mathrm{GO}(w'_{v,i})_{k_v} \setminus \mathrm{GO}(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}^\circ$ such that $\tau_{v,i}^2 = I_n$ by Proposition 4.22. Since the order of $\tau_{v,i}$ is finite, the map

$$\varphi_{\tau_{v,i}} : \mathrm{GO}(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}^\circ \ni h_{w'_{v,i}} \mapsto \tau_{v,i}^{-1} h_{w'_{v,i}} \tau_{v,i} \in \mathrm{GO}(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}^\circ$$

is measure preserving. Since $dg''_{v,i}$ is a unimodular measure on $\text{GO}(w'_{v,i})^\circ_{k_v}$, the map

$$\varphi_{h_1^0} : \text{GO}(w'_{v,i})^\circ_{k_v} \ni h_{w'_{v,i}} \mapsto (h_1^0)^{-1} h_{w'_{v,i}} h_1^0 \in \text{GO}(w'_{v,i})^\circ_{k_v}$$

for $h_1^0 \in \text{GO}(w'_{v,i})^\circ_{k_v}$ is also measure preserving. Therefore, $(\varphi_h)^*(dg''_{v,i}) = dg''_{v,i}$ for $h \in \text{GO}(w'_{v,i})^\circ_{k_v}$ for all $n \geq 2$. Thus, $(\varphi_{\alpha'_x})^*(dg''_{v,i}) = (\varphi_{\alpha_x})^*(dg''_{v,i})$.

The proof is similar for $d\tilde{g}''_{x,v}, d\tilde{g}''_{x,v}$. □

We continue to identify \tilde{T} with the center $\{\tilde{t}_0 I_n \mid \tilde{t}_0 \in \text{GL}(1)\}$ of $\text{GO}(x)^\circ$. Let $d^\times \tilde{t}_0$ be the usual measure on $k_v^\times \cong \tilde{T}_{k_v}$.

Proposition 8.3. *Suppose that $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$.*

- (1) *If $x \in V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$ then $dg''_{x,v} = d\tilde{g}''_{x,v} d^\times \tilde{t}_0$.*
- (2) *If $n \geq 3$ is odd and $x \in V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$ then $d\tilde{g}''_{x,v} = dg''_{x,v}$.*

Proof. It is enough to consider standard representatives. Let $x \in V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$ be a standard representative. We first discuss the statement (1).

Let f be the characteristic function of $K_v \cap G_{x k_v}^\circ \subseteq G_{x k_v}^\circ$. We compute the integral of f with respect to the two measures $dg''_{x,v}$ and $d\tilde{g}''_{x,v} d^\times \tilde{t}_0$. It follows from the definition that $\int_{G_{x k_v}^\circ} f(g''_{x,v}) dg''_{x,v} = 1$. Let $g''_{x,v} \in G_{x k_v}^\circ$ and $(\tilde{t}_0^{-2}, \tilde{t}_0 I_n) \in \tilde{T}_{k_v}$. It is easy to see that $f(g''_{x,v}(\tilde{t}_0^{-2}, \tilde{t}_0 I_n)) = 0$ unless $g''_{x,v} \in (K_v \cap G_{x k_v}^\circ) \tilde{T}_{k_v}$. So we express the above $g''_{x,v}$ as $\kappa(q^{-2}, qI_n)$ for some $\kappa \in K_v \cap G_{x k_v}^\circ$ and $q \in k_v^\times$.

Since $d^\times \tilde{t}_0$ is an invariant measure on \tilde{T}_{k_v} ,

$$(8.4) \quad \int_{\tilde{T}_{k_v}} f(\kappa(q^{-2}, qI_n)(\tilde{t}_0^{-2}, \tilde{t}_0 I_n)) d^\times \tilde{t}_0 = \int_{\tilde{T}_{k_v}} f(\kappa(\tilde{t}_0^{-2}, \tilde{t}_0 I_n)) d^\times \tilde{t}_0.$$

Note that $f(\kappa(\tilde{t}_0^{-2}, \tilde{t}_0 I_n)) \neq 0$ if and only if $t_0 \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$. So the value of the integral (8.4) is 1. Hence

$$\int_{G_{x k_v}^\circ} f(g''_{x,v}(\tilde{t}_0^{-2}, \tilde{t}_0 I_n)) d\tilde{g}''_{x,v} d^\times \tilde{t}_0 = \int_{(K_v \cap G_{x k_v}^\circ) \tilde{T}_{k_v} / \tilde{T}_{k_v}} d\tilde{g}''_{x,v}.$$

Since the image of $K_v \cap G_{x k_v}^\circ$ in $\tilde{G}_{x k_v}$ is $(K_v \cap G_{x k_v}^\circ) \tilde{T}_{k_v} / \tilde{T}_{k_v}$, the value of the above integral is 1 by the definition of $d\tilde{g}''_{x,v}$. Since $dg''_{x,v}$ and $d\tilde{g}''_{x,v} d^\times \tilde{t}_0$ are invariant measures on $G_{x k_v}^\circ$, $dg''_{x,v} = d\tilde{g}''_{x,v} d^\times \tilde{t}_0$.

We next discuss the statement (2). It suffices to prove that, if $(\tilde{t}_0^{-2}, \tilde{t}_0 I_n) \in \tilde{T}_{k_v}$ and $g \in \text{SO}(x)_{k_v}$ satisfies $(\tilde{t}_0^{-2}, \tilde{t}_0 I_n)g \in K_v$, then $(\tilde{t}_0^{-2}, \tilde{t}_0 I_n).g \in K_v$.

Note that, if $(\tilde{t}_0^{-2}, \tilde{t}_0 I_n)g \in K_v$, $\tilde{t}_0^{-2} \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$. So $\tilde{t}_0 \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$. Therefore, $g \in K_v \cap \text{SO}(x)_{k_v}$. \square

We shall prove a similar proposition in Part II for $v \in \mathfrak{M}_\infty$.

We call $dg''_{x,v}$, $d\tilde{g}''_{x,v}$ and $d\tilde{g}''_{x,\mathbb{A}}$ the *canonical measures* respectively on $\text{GO}(x)_{k_v}^\circ$, $\text{SO}(x)_{k_v}$ and $\text{PGO}(x)_{k_v}^\circ$.

Definition 8.5. For $x \in V_k^{\text{ss}}$, we define measures $dg''_{x,\mathbb{A}}$, $d\tilde{g}''_{x,\mathbb{A}}$ and $d\tilde{g}''_{x,\mathbb{A}}$ respectively on $\text{GO}(x)_{\mathbb{A}}^\circ$, $\text{SO}(x)_{\mathbb{A}}$ and $\text{PGO}(x)_{\mathbb{A}}^\circ$ as follows:

$$(8.6) \quad dg''_{x,\mathbb{A}} = \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{M}} dg''_{x,v}, \quad d\tilde{g}''_{x,\mathbb{A}} = \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{M}} d\tilde{g}''_{x,v}, \quad d\tilde{g}''_{x,\mathbb{A}} = \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{M}} d\tilde{g}''_{x,v}.$$

We call these measures the canonical measures also.

Lemma 8.7. Let $x \in V_k^{\text{ss}}$. Then, for all but finitely many $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$,

$$\int_{\text{GO}(x)_{k_v}^\circ \cap \text{GL}(n)_{\mathcal{O}_v}} dg''_{x,v} = 1, \quad \int_{\text{SO}(x)_{k_v} \cap \text{GL}(n)_{\mathcal{O}_v}} d\tilde{g}''_{x,v} = 1.$$

Proof. Since the argument is similar for $d\tilde{g}''_{x,v}$, we only consider $dg''_{x,v}$. Suppose that $x = \alpha_{x,v} w'_{v,i}$ where $\alpha_{x,v} \in G_{k_v}$ and $w'_{v,i}$ is an alternative orbital representative. For all but finitely many $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$, $x \in V_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ and $\text{ord}_v(P(x)) = 0$. Then x is unramified (see Definition 4.19), which implies that $\text{ord}_v(P(w'_{v,i})) = 0$. We only consider such $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$.

Since $w'_{v,i}$ satisfies Condition 5.8, $\alpha_{x,v} \in K_v G_{w'_{v,i} k_v}$. So we may assume that $\alpha_{x,v} \in K_v$. By the definition of $dg''_{x,v}$,

$$(8.8) \quad \int_{\text{GO}(x)_{k_v}^\circ \cap \text{GL}(n)_{\mathcal{O}_v}} dg''_{x,v} = \int_{\varphi_{\alpha_{x,v}}(\text{GO}(x)_{k_v}^\circ \cap \text{GL}(n)_{\mathcal{O}_v})} dg''_{v,i} = \int_{\alpha_{x,v}^{-1}(\text{GO}(x)_{k_v}^\circ \cap \text{GL}(n)_{\mathcal{O}_v})\alpha_{x,v}} dg''_{v,i}.$$

Since $\alpha_{x,v} \in K_v$,

$$\alpha_{x,v}^{-1}(\text{GO}(x)_{k_v}^\circ \cap \text{GL}(n)_{\mathcal{O}_v})\alpha_{x,v} = \text{GO}(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}^\circ \cap \text{GL}(n)_{\mathcal{O}_v} = K_n(w'_{v,i}).$$

So (8.8) is equal to

$$\int_{K_n(w'_{v,i})} dg''_{v,i} = 1.$$

This completes the proof of the lemma. \square

Proposition 8.9. The measures $dg''_{x,\mathbb{A}}$, $d\tilde{g}''_{x,\mathbb{A}}$ and $d\tilde{g}''_{x,\mathbb{A}}$ are well-defined.

Proof. Since

$$G_{x, \mathbb{A}_f}^\circ \cap \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{M}_f} K_v \cong \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{M}_f} \mathrm{GO}(x)_{k_v}^\circ \cap \mathrm{GL}(n)_{\mathcal{O}_v}$$

is an open compact subgroup of $G_{x, \mathbb{A}_f}^\circ$ and its volume with respect to the product measure $\prod_{v \in \mathfrak{M}_f} dg''_{x,v}$ is a non-zero finite value, the measure $dg''_{x, \mathbb{A}}$ is well-defined by the above lemma. Similarly, the measure $d\tilde{g}''_{x, \mathbb{A}}$ is well-defined.

Let $d_{\mathrm{pr}}^\times \tilde{t}_0$ be the measure on $\tilde{T}_{\mathbb{A}}$ which is the product of the usual measures on all k_v^\times . Then $dg''_{x, \mathbb{A}} = d\tilde{g}''_{x, \mathbb{A}} d_{\mathrm{pr}}^\times \tilde{t}_0$. Since $d_{\mathrm{pr}}^\times \tilde{t}_0$ is well-defined, $d\tilde{g}''_{x, \mathbb{A}}$ is well-defined also. \square

Definition 8.10. Let

$$\mathrm{vol}(\tilde{G}_{x, \mathbb{A}}^\circ / \tilde{G}_{x, k}^\circ) = \int_{\tilde{G}_{x, \mathbb{A}}^\circ / \tilde{G}_{x, k}^\circ} d\tilde{g}''_{x, \mathbb{A}}$$

for $x \in V_k^{\mathrm{ss}}$. We call $\mathrm{vol}(\tilde{G}_{x, \mathbb{A}}^\circ / \tilde{G}_{x, k}^\circ)$ the *unnormalized Tamagawa number* of \tilde{G}_x° .

Note that if $n \geq 3$ is odd then $\tilde{G}_x^\circ = \tilde{G}_x$ can be identified with $\mathrm{SO}(x)$. In § 10 and Part II, we shall compute the value of $\mathrm{vol}(\tilde{G}_{x, \mathbb{A}} / \tilde{G}_{x, k})$ for odd n . The unnormalized Tamagawa number $\mathrm{vol}(\tilde{G}_{x, \mathbb{A}} / \tilde{G}_{x, k})$ is *not* the Tamagawa number $\tau(\tilde{G}_x)$ of $\mathrm{SO}(x)$ which we shall review in the next section. It turns out that $\mathrm{vol}(\tilde{G}_{x, \mathbb{A}} / \tilde{G}_{x, k})$ is equal to $\tau(\tilde{G}_x) \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{M}} \tilde{c}''_{v,x}$ where $\tilde{c}''_{v,x}$ is a local factor for $v \in \mathfrak{M}$ which can be expressed using the local densities of $\mathrm{SO}(w'_{v,i})$ for the alternative orbital representatives $w'_{v,i}$ such that $w'_{v,i} \in G_{k_v} x$. The unnormalized Tamagawa number $\mathrm{vol}(\tilde{G}_{x, \mathbb{A}} / \tilde{G}_{x, k})$ is an important invariant for $\tilde{G}_x \cong \mathrm{SO}(x)$.

§9. The Tamagawa Measure on $\tilde{G}_{x, \mathbb{A}}$

In this section $n \geq 3$ is an odd integer. In this section we shall review some facts concerning the Tamagawa measure on $\tilde{G}_{x, \mathbb{A}}$ for $x \in V_k^{\mathrm{ss}}$. Since $\tilde{G}_x \cong \mathrm{SO}(x)$ for odd $n \geq 3$, these facts are well-known (see [28] and [32]).

We first define invariant measures both on \tilde{G}_{x, k_v} and $\tilde{G}_{x, \mathbb{A}}$ using invariant differential forms on G and V^{ss} which are defined over the global field k . Let $g = (t_0, g_1) \in G_{k_v}$ and $y \in V_{k_v}^{\mathrm{ss}}$. We express elements $g_1 \in \mathrm{GL}(n)_{k_v}$ and $y \in V_{k_v}^{\mathrm{ss}}$ as follows:

$$g_1 = \begin{pmatrix} g_{11} & \cdots & g_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ g_{n1} & \cdots & g_{nn} \end{pmatrix}, \quad y = \begin{pmatrix} 2y_{11} & y_{12} & \cdots & y_{1n} \\ y_{12} & 2y_{22} & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & y_{n-1n} \\ y_{1n} & \cdots & y_{n-1n} & 2y_{nn} \end{pmatrix}.$$

We first define an invariant measure on G_{k_v} . It is easy to see that

$$(9.1) \quad \nu = t_0^{-1} dt_0 \wedge (\det g_1)^{-n} \bigwedge_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} dg_{ij}$$

is an invariant differential form on $G = \text{GL}(1) \times \text{GL}(n)$. Note that (9.1) is a differential form over the global field k . For $v \in \mathfrak{M}$, we define a measure $d\mu_v = d\mu_v(g)$ on G_{k_v} as follows:

$$(9.2) \quad d\mu_v = |t_0|_v^{-1} dt_0 |\det g_1|_v^{-n} \prod_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} dg_{ij}$$

where dt_0 and dg_{ij} are the usual measures on k_v which we have chosen in § 2. Since (9.1) is an invariant differential form on G_{k_v} , $d\mu_v$ is an invariant measure on G_{k_v} . We call $d\mu_v$ the *Tamagawa measure* on G_{k_v} .

The following theorem is Theorem [28, p.118] with respect to the special case $\text{GL}(n)$.

Theorem 9.3. *Let $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$. Then, for any $\nu \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$,*

$$\int_{g_1 \in \text{GL}(n)_{\mathcal{O}_v}} |\det g_1|_v^{-n} \prod_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} dg_{ij} = \frac{\#\text{GL}(n)_{\mathcal{O}_v/\mathfrak{p}_v^\nu}}{q_v^{\nu \dim \text{GL}(n)}} = \prod_{j=1}^n (1 - q_v^{-j}).$$

Note that $\frac{\#\text{GL}(n)_{\mathcal{O}_v/\mathfrak{p}_v^\nu}}{q_v^{\nu \dim \text{GL}(n)}}$ is the local density of $\text{GL}(n)_{k_v}$ for $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$. Using the above lemma, we obtain

$$(9.4) \quad \int_{K_v} d\mu_v = (1 - q_v^{-1}) \prod_{j=1}^n (1 - q_v^{-j}).$$

We next define invariant measures on $V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$ and $G_{k_v}/G_x k_v$ for $x \in V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$. For $v \in \mathfrak{M}$, we define a measure dy on V_{k_v} as follows:

$$(9.5) \quad dy = \prod_{1 \leq i \leq j \leq n} dy_{ij}$$

where dy_{ij} is the usual measure on k_v . For the rest of this paper, we denote the volume of any measurable subset $U \subseteq V_{k_v}$ with respect to dy by $\text{vol}(U)$. By definition, $\text{vol}(V_{\mathcal{O}_v}) = 1$. It is easy to see that $\nu'_x = P(y)^{-(n+1)/2} \bigwedge_{1 \leq i \leq j \leq n} dy_{ij}$ is a

G -invariant differential form over the global field k on V^{ss} . So $|P(y)|_v^{-(n+1)/2} dy$ is a G_{k_v} -invariant measure on V_{k_v} . For $x \in V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$, we define an invariant measure $d\mu'_{x,v} = d\mu'_{x,v}(g')$ on $G_{k_v}/G_x k_v$ so that

$$\int_{g' \in G_{k_v}/G_x k_v} F'(g'x) d\mu'_{x,v} = \int_{y \in G_{k_v} x} F'(y) |P(y)|_v^{-\frac{n+1}{2}} dy$$

for all measurable functions F' on $V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$.

Now we define invariant measures on $G_{x k_v}$ and $\tilde{G}_{x k_v}$ for $x \in V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$. On $\tilde{T}_{k_v} = \{(\tilde{t}_0^{-2}, \tilde{t}_0 I_n) \mid \tilde{t}_0 \in k_v^\times\}$, $\tilde{t}_0^{-1} d\tilde{t}_0$ is an invariant differential form. So there exists an invariant differential form $\tilde{\nu}''_x$ on $\tilde{G}_{x k_v}$ such that

$$\nu = (\nu'_x \wedge \tilde{\nu}''_x) \wedge (\tilde{t}_0^{-1} d\tilde{t}_0).$$

We may not be able to express $\tilde{\nu}''_x$ explicitly. However, using $\tilde{\nu}''_x \wedge (\tilde{t}_0^{-1} d\tilde{t}_0)$ and ν''_x , we can define the following invariant measures $d\mu''_{x,v}$ and $d\tilde{\mu}''_{x,v}$ respectively on $G_{x k_v}$ and $\tilde{G}_{x k_v}$. Let $d\mu_{\tilde{T},v} = d\mu_{\tilde{T},v}(\tilde{t}_0)$ be the Tamagawa measure on $\tilde{T}_{k_v} \cong \text{GL}(1)_{k_v}$. Then

$$(9.6) \quad \int_{\tilde{T}_{k_v} \cap K_v} d\mu_{\tilde{T},v} = 1 - q_v^{-1}$$

for $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$. Since $\prod_{v \in \mathfrak{M}_f} \int_{\tilde{T}_{k_v} \cap K_v} d\mu_{\tilde{T},v}$ does not converge absolutely, we consider the Tamagawa measure on \tilde{T} only locally.

Definition 9.7. Let $x \in V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$. We define an invariant measure $d\mu''_{x,v} = d\mu''_{x,v}(g'')$ on $G_{x k_v}$ so that

$$\int_{g \in G_{k_v}} F(g) d\mu_v = \int_{g' \in G_{k_v}/G_{x k_v}} \left(\int_{g'' \in G_{x k_v}} F(g' g'') d\mu''_{x,v} \right) d\mu'_{x,v}$$

for all measurable functions F on G_{k_v} . We call $d\mu''_{x,v}$ the Tamagawa measure on $G_{x k_v}$. Let $x \in V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$. We define an invariant measure $d\tilde{\mu}''_{x,v}$ on $\tilde{G}_{x k_v} = G_{x k_v}/\tilde{T}_{k_v}$ so that

$$\int_{g'' \in G_{x k_v}} F''(g'') d\mu''_{x,v} = \int_{\tilde{g}'' \in G_{x k_v}/\tilde{T}_{k_v}} \left(\int_{\tilde{t}_0 \in \tilde{T}_{k_v}} F''(\tilde{g}'' \tilde{t}_0) d\mu_{\tilde{T},v} \right) d\tilde{\mu}''_{x,v}.$$

If n is even then $\text{GO}(x) \neq \text{GO}(x)^\circ$. By restricting $d\mu''_{x,v}$ to $\text{GO}(x)^\circ_{k_v}$, we obtain a differential form on $\text{GO}(x)^\circ_{k_v}$. This differential form comes from a differential form over the global field k . Let $w'_{v,i}$ be one of the alternative orbital representatives of $V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$. Then $dg''_{w'_{v,i},v}$ and $d\mu''_{w'_{v,i},v}$ are invariant measures on $G_{w'_{v,i} k_v}$. So there exists a constant $c''_{v,i} > 0$ such that $dg''_{w'_{v,i},v} = c''_{v,i} d\mu''_{w'_{v,i},v}$. We remind the reader that we shall define $dg''_{w'_{v,i},v}$ for $v \in \mathfrak{M}_\infty$ in Part II. Let $d\tilde{g}''_{w'_{v,i},v}$ be the canonical measure on $\tilde{G}_{w'_{v,i} k_v}$. Then $d\tilde{g}''_{w'_{v,i},v}$ and $d\tilde{\mu}''_{w'_{v,i},v}$ are invariant measures on $\tilde{G}_{w'_{v,i} k_v}$. So there exists a constant $\tilde{c}''_{v,i} > 0$ such that $d\tilde{g}''_{w'_{v,i},v} = \tilde{c}''_{v,i} d\tilde{\mu}''_{w'_{v,i},v}$.

If $n \geq 3$ is odd then $G_{w'_{v,i}k_v}/\tilde{T}_{k_v} \cong \text{SO}(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}$. So we can regard $d\tilde{g}''_{w'_{v,i},v}$, $d\tilde{\mu}''_{w'_{v,i},v}$ as measures on $\text{SO}(w'_{v,i})_{k_v}$. Also we can regard $\tilde{c}''_{v,i}$ as the constant which compares the canonical measure and the Tamagawa measure.

Proposition 9.8.

- (1) If $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$ then $c''_{v,i} = (1 - q_v^{-1})^{-1}\tilde{c}''_{v,i}$.
- (2) If $v \in \mathfrak{M}_\infty$ then $c''_{v,i} = \tilde{c}''_{v,i}$.

Proof. The statement (1) follows from (9.6). Since the Tamagawa measure on \tilde{T}_{k_v} is the usual measure for $v \in \mathfrak{M}_\infty$, the statement (2) follows. \square

Definition 9.9. Let $x \in V_k^{\text{ss}}$. We define a measure $d\tilde{\mu}''_{x,\mathbb{A}}$ on $\tilde{G}_{x,\mathbb{A}}$ as follows:

$$d\tilde{\mu}''_{x,\mathbb{A}} = \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{M}} d\tilde{\mu}''_{x,v}.$$

It is known that $d\tilde{\mu}''_{x,\mathbb{A}}$ is well-defined since \tilde{G}_x is semi-simple. Since G_x contains $\text{GL}(1)$ as \tilde{T} , $\prod_{v \in \mathfrak{M}_f} \int_{G_{k_v} \cap K_v} d\mu''_{x,v}$ does not converge absolutely. So $\prod_{v \in \mathfrak{M}_f} d\mu''_{x,v}$ is not well-defined. We put

$$(9.10) \quad \tau(\tilde{G}_x) = |\Delta_k|^{-\frac{\dim \text{SO}(x)}{2}} \int_{\tilde{G}_{x,\mathbb{A}}/\tilde{G}_{x,k}} d\tilde{\mu}''_{x,\mathbb{A}}.$$

If $n \geq 3$ is odd then by Proposition 8.3, $d\tilde{\mu}''_{x,\mathbb{A}}$ is the Tamagawa measure on $\tilde{G}_x \cong \text{SO}(x)$ and $\tau(\tilde{G}_x)$ is the Tamagawa number of $\text{SO}(x)$. The following theorem is Theorem 4.5.1 [32, p.109].

Theorem 9.11. Suppose that $n \geq 3$ is odd. Then, for $x \in V_k^{\text{ss}}$, $\tau(\tilde{G}_x) = 2$.

§10. Unnormalized Tamagawa Number and Local Constants for Odd n

Let $n \geq 3$ be odd. Suppose that $x \in V_k^{\text{ss}}$ and $x = \alpha_{x,v}w'_{v,i}$ for $\alpha_{x,v} \in G_{k_v}$. We remind the reader that $G_x = G_x^\circ$ and $\tilde{G}_x = \tilde{G}_x^\circ \cong \text{SO}(x)$ for odd $n \geq 3$. In this section we shall express the value of $\text{vol}(\tilde{G}_{x,\mathbb{A}}/\tilde{G}_{x,k})$ using $c''_{v,i}$ which we have defined just before Proposition 9.8. For $v \in \mathfrak{M}_\infty$, we shall compute the explicit value of $c''_{v,i}$ in Part II. For $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$, we shall express the value of $c''_{v,i}$ using $\text{vol}(K_v w'_{v,i})$ and compute the explicit value of $\text{vol}(K_v w'_{v,i})$ for alternative orbital representatives $w'_{v,i}$ in § 11. Thus, we obtain the explicit value of $\text{vol}(\tilde{G}_{x,\mathbb{A}}/\tilde{G}_{x,k})$ for odd $n \geq 3$.

We first prove some properties of the Tamagawa measure.

Lemma 10.1. *Let $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$ and $x \in V_{k_v}^{ss}$. Then*

$$\int_{K_v} d\mu_v = (1 - q_v^{-1})|P(x)|_v^{-\frac{n+1}{2}} \text{vol}(K_v x) \int_{(G_{x k_v} \cap K_v)\tilde{T}_{k_v}/\tilde{T}_{k_v}} d\tilde{\mu}_{x,v}''.$$

Proof. Let f_{K_v} be the characteristic function of $K_v \subseteq G_{k_v}$. If $g' \in G_{k_v}$ satisfies the condition $f_{K_v}(g'G_{x k_v}) \neq \{0\}$, then $g' \in K_v G_{x k_v}$. Let $g' = \kappa h$ where $\kappa \in K_v$ and $h \in G_{x k_v}$. Then, since $d\tilde{\mu}_{x,v}''$ is an invariant measure,

$$\int_{G_{x k_v}} f_{K_v}(g'h)d\tilde{\mu}_{x,v}''(h) = \int_{G_{x k_v}} f_{K_v}(\kappa h)d\tilde{\mu}_{x,v}''(h).$$

By definition, $f_{K_v}(\kappa h) \neq 0$ if and only if $\kappa h \in K_v$, which is equivalent to $h \in G_{x k_v} \cap K_v$. Since f_{K_v} is 1 on $G_{x k_v} \cap K_v$,

$$\int_{G_{x k_v}} f_{K_v}(g'h)d\tilde{\mu}_{x,v}''(h) = \int_{G_{x k_v} \cap K_v} d\tilde{\mu}_{x,v}''$$

if $g' \in K_v G_{x k_v}$.

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{K_v} d\mu_v &= \int_{G_{x k_v} \cap K_v} d\mu_{x,v}'' \int_{K_v G_{x k_v}/G_{x k_v}} d\mu'_{x,v} \\ &= \int_{G_{x k_v} \cap K_v} d\mu_{x,v}'' \int_{K_v x} |P(y)|_v^{-\frac{n+1}{2}} dy. \end{aligned}$$

Since $P(y) = P(x)$ for $y \in K_v x$,

$$\int_{K_v x} |P(y)|_v^{-\frac{n+1}{2}} dy = |P(x)|_v^{-\frac{n+1}{2}} \int_{K_v x} dy = |P(x)|_v^{-\frac{n+1}{2}} \text{vol}_v(K_v x).$$

The set $G_{x k_v} \cap K_v$ surjects to $(G_{x k_v} \cap K_v)\tilde{T}_{k_v}/\tilde{T}_{k_v}$. If

$$(t_0, g_1), (s_0, h_1) \in G_{x k_v} \cap K_v$$

and $(t_0, g_1)(\tilde{t}_0^{-2}, \tilde{t}_0 I_n) = (s_0, h_1)$ for some $\tilde{t}_0 \in \tilde{T}_{k_v}$, then

$$(\tilde{t}_0^{-2}, \tilde{t}_0 I_n) = (t_0, g_1)^{-1}(s_0, h_1) \in \tilde{T}_{k_v} \cap K_v,$$

which implies that $\tilde{t}_0 \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$.

If $d\mu_{\tilde{T},v}$ is the Tamagawa measure on $\tilde{T}_{k_v} \cong \text{GL}(1)_{k_v}$, $\int_{\tilde{T}_{k_v} \cap K_v} d\mu_{\tilde{T},v} = (1 - q_v^{-1})$. So

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{G_{x k_v} \cap K_v} d\mu_{x,v}'' &= \int_{(G_{x k_v} \cap K_v)\tilde{T}_{k_v}/\tilde{T}_{k_v}} \left(\int_{\tilde{T}_{k_v} \cap K_v} d\mu_{\tilde{T},v} \right) d\tilde{\mu}_{x,v}'' \\ &= (1 - q_v^{-1}) \int_{(G_{x k_v} \cap K_v)\tilde{T}_{k_v}/\tilde{T}_{k_v}} d\tilde{\mu}_{x,v}'' \end{aligned}$$

□

Let $v \in \mathfrak{M}$ be an arbitrary place. Suppose that $g_0 \in G_{k_v}$ and $x = g_0 x' \in V_{k_v}^{ss}$. We define $\varphi_{g_0} : G_{x k_v} \rightarrow G_{x' k_v}$, etc., similarly as in (8.1).

Proposition 10.2. *On $G_{x k_v}$, $d\mu''_{x,v} = \varphi_{g_0}^*(d\mu''_{x',v})$. On $\tilde{G}_{x k_v}$, $d\tilde{\mu}''_{x,v} = \varphi_{g_0}^*(d\tilde{\mu}''_{x',v})$.*

Proof. Note that $d\mu_v = d\mu'_{x,v} d\mu''_{x',v} = d\mu'_{x',v} d\mu''_{x',v}$. Since $\varphi_{g_0}^*(d\mu_v) = d\mu_v$,

$$d\mu_v = \varphi_{g_0}^*(d\mu'_{x',v}) \varphi_{g_0}^*(d\mu''_{x',v}).$$

So we only have to prove that $d\mu'_{x,v} = \varphi_{g_0}^*(d\mu'_{x',v})$.

If F' is a measurable function on $V_{k_v}^{ss}$, then $F'(*x)$ is a measurable function on $G_{k_v}/G_{x k_v}$. We denote this function by \bar{F}' . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{h_x \in G_{k_v}/G_{x k_v}} \bar{F}'(h_x) \varphi_{g_0}^*(d\mu'_{x',v}) &= \int_{h_{x'} \in G_{k_v}/G_{x' k_v}} \bar{F}' \circ \varphi_{g_0}^{-1}(h_{x'}) d\mu'_{x',v} \\ (10.3) \qquad \qquad \qquad &= \int_{h_{x'} \in G_{k_v}/G_{x' k_v}} F'(g_0 h_{x'} g_0^{-1} x) d\mu'_{x',v} \\ &= \int_{h_{x'} \in G_{k_v}/G_{x' k_v}} F'(g_0 h_{x'} x') d\mu'_{x',v}. \end{aligned}$$

Since $d\mu'_{x',v}$ is left G_{k_v} -invariant, (10.3) is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{h_{x'} \in G_{k_v}/G_{x' k_v}} F'(h_{x'} x') d\mu'_{x',v} &= \int_{y \in G_{k_v} x'} F'(y) |P(y)|_v^{-\frac{n+1}{2}} dy \\ &= \int_{y \in G_{k_v} x} F'(y) |P(y)|_v^{-\frac{n+1}{2}} dy \\ &= \int_{h_x \in G_{k_v}/G_{x k_v}} \bar{F}'(h_x) d\mu'_{x,v}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\varphi_{g_0}^*(d\mu'_{x',v}) = d\mu'_{x,v}$. So $\varphi_{g_0}^*(d\mu''_{x',v}) = d\mu''_{x,v}$.

Let $d\mu_{\tilde{T},v}$ be the Tamagawa measure on \tilde{T}_{k_v} as before. Then

$$d\mu'_{x,v} = d\tilde{\mu}'_{x,v} d\mu_{\tilde{T},v}, \quad d\mu''_{x',v} = d\tilde{\mu}''_{x',v} d\mu_{\tilde{T},v}.$$

Since

$$d\mu''_{x,v} = \varphi_{g_0}^*(d\mu''_{x',v}) = \varphi_{g_0}^*(d\tilde{\mu}''_{x',v} d\mu_{\tilde{T},v}) = \varphi_{g_0}^*(d\tilde{\mu}''_{x',v}) d\mu_{\tilde{T},v},$$

$$d\tilde{\mu}''_{x,v} = \varphi_{g_0}^*(d\tilde{\mu}''_{x',v}). \quad \square$$

Suppose that $x \in V_{k_v}^{ss}$. Let $i_v(x)$ be an index such that $G_{k_v} x = G_{k_v} w_{v,i_v(x)}$.

Proposition 10.4. *Suppose that $n \geq 3$ is odd and $x \in V_k^{\text{ss}}$. Then*

$$\text{vol}(\tilde{G}_{x\mathbb{A}}/\tilde{G}_{xk}) = 2|\Delta_k|^{\frac{\dim \text{SO}(x)}{2}} \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{M}} \tilde{c}'_{v, \mathfrak{i}_v(x)}.$$

Proof. By Proposition 10.2,

$$\begin{aligned} d\tilde{g}'_{x,v} &= \varphi_{g_x}^*(d\tilde{g}'_{v, \mathfrak{i}_v(x)}) = \varphi_{g_x}^*(\tilde{c}'_{v, \mathfrak{i}_v(x)} d\tilde{\mu}'_{w', \mathfrak{i}_v(x), v}) \\ &= \tilde{c}'_{v, \mathfrak{i}_v(x)} \varphi_{g_x}^*(d\tilde{\mu}'_{w', \mathfrak{i}_v(x), v}) = \tilde{c}'_{v, \mathfrak{i}_v(x)} d\tilde{\mu}'_{x,v}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $d\tilde{g}'_{x,\mathbb{A}} = \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{M}} d\tilde{g}'_{x,v} = \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{M}} \tilde{c}'_{v, \mathfrak{i}_v(x)} d\tilde{\mu}'_{x,\mathbb{A}}$. By Theorem 9.11,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{vol}(\tilde{G}_{x\mathbb{A}}/\tilde{G}_{xk}) &= \int_{\tilde{G}_{x\mathbb{A}}/\tilde{G}_{xk}} d\tilde{g}'_{x,\mathbb{A}} = \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{M}} \tilde{c}'_{v, \mathfrak{i}_v(x)} \int_{\tilde{G}_{x\mathbb{A}}/\tilde{G}_{xk}} d\tilde{\mu}'_{x,\mathbb{A}} \\ &= 2|\Delta_k|^{\frac{\dim \text{SO}(x)}{2}} \prod_{v \in \mathfrak{M}} \tilde{c}'_{v, \mathfrak{i}_v(x)}. \end{aligned}$$

□

§11. The Value of the Constant $\tilde{c}'_{v, \mathfrak{i}}$ at Finite Places

Throughout this section we assume that $n \geq 3$ is odd and $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$. In this section we compute the value of $\tilde{c}'_{v, \mathfrak{i}}$. We first express $\tilde{c}'_{v, \mathfrak{i}}$ in terms of $\text{vol}(K_v w_{v, \mathfrak{i}})$.

Lemma 11.1. *Let $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$ and $w_{v, \mathfrak{i}}$ be a standard orbital representative for $G_{k_v} \backslash V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$. Then*

$$\tilde{c}'_{v, \mathfrak{i}} = |P(w_{v, \mathfrak{i}})|_v^{-\frac{n+1}{2}} \text{vol}(K_v w_{v, \mathfrak{i}}) \prod_{j=1}^n (1 - q_v^{-j})^{-1}.$$

Proof. By the definition of $d\tilde{g}'_{w_{v, \mathfrak{i}}, v}$,

$$\int_{(G_{w_{v, \mathfrak{i}} k_v} \cap K_v) \tilde{T}_{k_v} / \tilde{T}_{k_v}} d\tilde{g}'_{w_{v, \mathfrak{i}}, v} = 1.$$

By the definition of $\tilde{c}'_{v, \mathfrak{i}}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{c}'_{v, \mathfrak{i}} &= \int_{(G_{w_{v, \mathfrak{i}} k_v} \cap K_v) \tilde{T}_{k_v} / \tilde{T}_{k_v}} d\tilde{g}'_{w_{v, \mathfrak{i}}, v} \left(\int_{(G_{w_{v, \mathfrak{i}} k_v} \cap K_v) \tilde{T}_{k_v} / \tilde{T}_{k_v}} d\tilde{\mu}'_{w_{v, \mathfrak{i}}, v} \right)^{-1} \\ &= \left(\int_{(G_{w_{v, \mathfrak{i}} k_v} \cap K_v) \tilde{T}_{k_v} / \tilde{T}_{k_v}} d\tilde{\mu}'_{w_{v, \mathfrak{i}}, v} \right)^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Using Theorem 9.3 and Lemma 10.1,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{(G_{w_v, i} \cap K_v) \tilde{T}_{k_v} / \tilde{T}_{k_v}} d\tilde{\mu}''_{w_v, i, v} &= (1 - q_v^{-1})^{-1} |P(w_{v, i})|_v^{\frac{n+1}{2}} (\text{vol}(K_v w_{v, i}))^{-1} \int_{K_v} d\mu_v \\ &= |P(w_{v, i})|_v^{\frac{n+1}{2}} (\text{vol}(K_v w_{v, i}))^{-1} \prod_{j=1}^n (1 - q_v^{-j}). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\tilde{c}''_{v, i} = |P(w_{v, i})|_v^{-\frac{n+1}{2}} \text{vol}(K_v w_{v, i}) \prod_{j=1}^n (1 - q_v^{-j})^{-1}.$$

□

By Lemma 11.1, we only have to compute the value of $\text{vol}(K_v w_{v, i})$ in order to determine the value of the constant $\tilde{c}''_{v, i}$. We first define some notations used in the computation of the value of $\text{vol}(K_v w_{v, i})$. Let $m_v = \text{ord}_v 2$ and $\mathbb{F}_v = \mathcal{O}_v / \mathfrak{p}_v$. Note that $\mathbb{F}_v \cong \mathbb{F}_{q_v}$ where $q_v = \sharp(\mathcal{O}_v / \pi_v \mathcal{O}_v)$. If there is no confusion, for $c \in \mathcal{O}_v$, we denote the element $c \bmod \pi_v$ of \mathbb{F}_v also by c by abuse of notation. We denote the set of squares of \mathbb{F}_v^\times by $(\mathbb{F}_v^\times)^2$. It is known that $[\mathbb{F}_v^\times : (\mathbb{F}_v^\times)^2] = 2$ if $v \notin \mathfrak{M}_{\text{dy}}$, and $(\mathbb{F}_v^\times)^2 = \mathbb{F}_v^\times$ if $v \in \mathfrak{M}_{\text{dy}}$. We put

$$\delta_v = \begin{cases} 1 & v \notin \mathfrak{M}_{\text{dy}}, \\ 0 & v \in \mathfrak{M}_{\text{dy}}, \end{cases}$$

i.e., $2^{\delta_v} = [\mathbb{F}_v^\times : (\mathbb{F}_v^\times)^2]$ and $\sharp(\mathbb{F}_v^\times)^2 = 2^{-\delta_v} \sharp \mathbb{F}_v^\times$.

If $x = (x_{ij})$, $y = (y_{ij}) \in V_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ and $d \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$, then we use the notation $x \equiv y \bmod \pi_v^d$, etc., if $x_{ij} \equiv y_{ij} \bmod \pi_v^d$ for all i, j . Note that we use the coordinate system (3.2), and regard 2's in the diagonal entries of (3.3) as formal coefficients.

Let $a_0, b_0 \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$ be as in (4.2). Then a root of $z^2 + a_0 z + b_0 \in \mathbb{F}_v[z]$ generates the unique unramified quadratic extension L_v of \mathbb{F}_v . Let $\alpha_0, \beta_0 \in L_v$ be the elements such that

$$z^2 + a_0 z + b_0 = (z + \alpha_0)(z + \beta_0).$$

We denote the conjugate of $\eta \in L_v$ by $\bar{\eta}$, and the norm map $L_v^\times \ni \eta \mapsto \eta \bar{\eta} \in \mathbb{F}_v^\times$ by N_{L_v/\mathbb{F}_v} . It is known that $N_{L_v/\mathbb{F}_v}(L_v^\times) = \mathbb{F}_v^\times$.

Before computing the value of $\text{vol}(K_v w_{v, i})$, we review some facts concerning orders of general orthogonal groups over \mathbb{F}_v . Since we shall use similar computations in Part III, we consider all n (which means that we do not assume that n is odd).

We define an n -ary quadratic form $Q_{n,\text{sp}}$ over \mathbb{F}_v as follows:

$$Q_{n,\text{sp}}[X] = \begin{cases} X_1X_2 + \cdots + X_{n-2}X_{n-1} + X_n^2 & n \geq 3 \text{ odd,} \\ X_1X_2 + \cdots + X_{n-1}X_n & n \geq 4 \text{ even} \end{cases}$$

where $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ and X_1, \dots, X_n are variables. Similarly, for odd $n \geq 3$, we define an $(n - 1)$ -ary quadratic form $Q_{n-1,\text{in}}$ over \mathbb{F}_v as follows:

$$Q_{n-1,\text{in}}[X] = X_1X_2 + \cdots + X_{n-4}X_{n-3} + X_{n-2}^2 + a_0X_{n-2}X_{n-1} + b_0X_{n-1}^2$$

where $X = (X_1, \dots, X_{n-1})$ and X_1, \dots, X_{n-1} are variables.

The following lemma is known (see [12, pp.146–147]).

Lemma 11.2. *We have*

$$\sharp\text{O}(Q_{n,\text{sp}})_{\mathbb{F}_v} = \begin{cases} 2^{\delta_v} q_v^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}} \prod_{i=1}^{\frac{n-1}{2}} (1 - q_v^{-2i}) & n \text{ odd,} \\ 2q_v^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}} (1 + q_v^{-\frac{n}{2}})^{-1} \prod_{i=1}^{\frac{n}{2}} (1 - q_v^{-2i}) & n \text{ even.} \end{cases}$$

If $n \geq 3$ is odd then

$$\sharp\text{O}(Q_{n-1,\text{in}})_{\mathbb{F}_v} = 2q_v^{\frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{2}} (1 - q_v^{-\frac{n-1}{2}})^{-1} \prod_{i=1}^{\frac{n-1}{2}} (1 - q_v^{-2i}).$$

We now compute the values of the orders of $\text{GO}(Q_{n-1,\text{in}})_{\mathbb{F}_v}$, $\text{GO}(Q_{n,\text{sp}})_{\mathbb{F}_v}$ using Lemma 11.2. For each general orthogonal group, we denote its multiplier by $\gamma(*)$ similarly as in previous sections.

We first consider $\text{GO}(Q_{n,\text{sp}})_{\mathbb{F}_v}$ for even n . Let $\gamma \in \mathbb{F}_v^\times$ and

$$Y = (Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_{n-1}, Y_n) = (X_1, \gamma X_2, X_3, \gamma X_4, \dots, X_{n-1}, \gamma X_n).$$

Then $Q_{n,\text{sp}}[Y] = \gamma Q_{n,\text{sp}}[X]$. So the multiplier $\gamma : \text{GO}(Q_{n,\text{sp}})_{\mathbb{F}_v} \ni g \mapsto \gamma(g) \in \text{GL}(1)_{\mathbb{F}_v}$ is a surjective group homomorphism. Since the kernel of γ is $\text{O}(Q_{n,\text{sp}})_{\mathbb{F}_v}$, the sequence

$$1 \rightarrow \text{O}(Q_{n,\text{sp}})_{\mathbb{F}_v} \rightarrow \text{GO}(Q_{n,\text{sp}})_{\mathbb{F}_v} \rightarrow \text{GL}(1)_{\mathbb{F}_v} \rightarrow 1$$

is exact. Thus,

$$\sharp\text{GO}(Q_{n,\text{sp}})_{\mathbb{F}_v} = \sharp\text{GL}(1)_{\mathbb{F}_v} \times \sharp\text{O}(Q_{n,\text{sp}})_{\mathbb{F}_v} = \sharp\mathbb{F}_v^\times \times \sharp\text{O}(Q_{n-1,\text{sp}})_{\mathbb{F}_v}.$$

We next consider $\text{GO}(Q_{n-1,\text{in}})_{\mathbb{F}_v}$ for odd n . We define binary quadratic forms Q_{sp}^0 and Q_{in}^0 over \mathbb{F}_v as follows:

$$Q_{\text{sp}}^0[X] = X_{n-2}X_{n-1}, \quad Q_{\text{in}}^0[X] = X_{n-2}^2 + a_0X_{n-2}X_{n-1} + b_0X_{n-1}^2,$$

where $X = (X_{n-2}, X_{n-1})$ and X_{n-2}, X_{n-1} are variables. Let $\gamma \in \mathbb{F}_v^\times$. Since L_v/\mathbb{F}_v is a finite extension of finite fields, $N_{L_v/\mathbb{F}_v}(L_v^\times) = \mathbb{F}_v^\times$. So there exists $\eta \in L_v^\times$ such that $\gamma = \eta\bar{\eta}$. We put

$$h_v = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ \alpha_0 & \beta_0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad a(\eta) = \begin{pmatrix} \eta & 0 \\ 0 & \bar{\eta} \end{pmatrix} \in \text{GL}(2)_{L_v}.$$

Note that $h_v a(\eta) h_v^{-1} \in \text{GL}(2)_{\mathbb{F}_v}$. Since $h_v^{-1} Q_{\text{in}}^0 = Q_{\text{sp}}^0$ and $a(\eta) Q_{\text{sp}}^0 = \gamma Q_{\text{sp}}^0$,

$$h_v a(\eta) h_v^{-1} Q_{\text{in}}^0 = \gamma Q_{\text{in}}^0.$$

Let

$$\begin{aligned} (Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_{n-4}, Y_{n-3}) &= (X_1, \gamma X_2, X_3, \gamma X_4, \dots, X_{n-4}, \gamma X_{n-3}), \\ (Y_{n-2}, Y_{n-1}) &= (X_{n-2}, X_{n-1}) h_v a(\eta) h_v^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{n-1,\text{in}}[Y] &= \gamma(X_1 X_2 + \dots + X_{n-4} X_{n-3} + X_{n-2}^2 + a_0 X_{n-2} X_{n-1} + b_0 X_{n-1}^2) \\ &= \gamma Q_{n-1,\text{in}}[X]. \end{aligned}$$

So the multiplier $\text{GO}(Q_{n-1,\text{in}})_{\mathbb{F}_v} \ni g \mapsto \gamma(g) \in \text{GL}(1)_{\mathbb{F}_v}$ is a surjective group homomorphism. Since the kernel of the multiplier is $\text{O}(Q_{n-1,\text{in}})_{\mathbb{F}_v}$, the sequence

$$1 \rightarrow \text{O}(Q_{n-1,\text{in}})_{\mathbb{F}_v} \rightarrow \text{GO}(Q_{n-1,\text{in}})_{\mathbb{F}_v} \rightarrow \text{GL}(1)_{\mathbb{F}_v} \rightarrow 1$$

is exact. Thus,

$$\#\text{GO}(Q_{n-1,\text{in}})_{\mathbb{F}_v} = \#\text{GL}(1)_{\mathbb{F}_v} \times \#\text{O}(Q_{n-1,\text{in}})_{\mathbb{F}_v} = \#\mathbb{F}_v^\times \times \#\text{O}(Q_{n-1,\text{in}})_{\mathbb{F}_v}.$$

We next consider $\text{GO}(Q_{n,\text{sp}})_{\mathbb{F}_v}$ for odd n . Since n is odd,

$$\text{GO}(Q_{n,\text{sp}})_{\mathbb{F}_v} \cong \text{SO}(Q_{n,\text{sp}})_{\mathbb{F}_v} \times \{ \tilde{t}_0 I_n \mid \tilde{t}_0 \in \mathbb{F}_v^\times \}.$$

The multiplier $\gamma(g)$ is equal to 1 for $g \in \text{SO}(Q_{n,\text{sp}})_{\mathbb{F}_v}$ and $\gamma(\tilde{t}_0 I_n) = \tilde{t}_0^2$. Therefore, the image of the multiplier is $(\mathbb{F}_v^\times)^2$ and

$$1 \rightarrow \text{O}(Q_{n,\text{sp}})_{\mathbb{F}_v} \rightarrow \text{GO}(Q_{n,\text{sp}})_{\mathbb{F}_v} \rightarrow (\mathbb{F}_v^\times)^2 \rightarrow 1$$

is an exact sequence. Thus,

$$\sharp\mathrm{GO}(Q_{n,\mathrm{sp}})_{\mathbb{F}_v} = \sharp(\mathbb{F}_v^\times)^2 \times \sharp\mathrm{O}(Q_{n,\mathrm{sp}})_{\mathbb{F}_v} = 2^{-\delta_v} \sharp\mathbb{F}_v^\times \times \sharp\mathrm{O}(Q_{n,\mathrm{sp}})_{\mathbb{F}_v}.$$

Therefore, we arrive at the following lemma.

Lemma 11.3. *We have*

$$\sharp\mathrm{GO}(Q_{n,\mathrm{sp}})_{\mathbb{F}_v} = \begin{cases} q_v^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}+1} (1 - q_v^{-1}) \prod_{i=1}^{\frac{n-1}{2}} (1 - q_v^{-2i}) & n \text{ odd,} \\ 2q_v^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}+1} (1 - q_v^{-1}) (1 + q_v^{-\frac{n}{2}})^{-1} \prod_{i=1}^{\frac{n}{2}} (1 - q_v^{-2i}) & n \text{ even.} \end{cases}$$

If $n \geq 3$ is odd, then

$$\sharp\mathrm{GO}(Q_{n-1,\mathrm{in}})_{\mathbb{F}_v} = 2q_v^{\frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{2}+1} (1 - q_v^{-1}) (1 - q_v^{-\frac{n-1}{2}})^{-1} \prod_{i=1}^{\frac{n-1}{2}} (1 - q_v^{-2i}).$$

Let Q be a binary quadratic form defined by

$$Q[X] = c_1 X_1^2 + c_2 X_1 X_2 + c_3 X_2^2 \quad (c_1, c_2, c_3 \in \mathcal{O}_v)$$

for $X = (X_1, X_2)$ where X_1, X_2 are variables. In the process of computing the value of $\mathrm{vol}(K_v w_{v,i})$, we shall use the following lemma.

Lemma 11.4. *Suppose that $Q[X] \equiv Q_{\mathrm{sp}}^0[X] \pmod{\pi_v}$. If $\gamma \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$, there exists $g \in \mathrm{GL}(2)_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ such that $gQ[X] = \gamma Q_{\mathrm{sp}}^0[X]$. Suppose that $Q[X] \equiv Q_{\mathrm{in}}^0[X] \pmod{\pi_v}$. If $\gamma \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$, there exists $g \in \mathrm{GL}(2)_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ such that $gQ[X] = \gamma Q_{\mathrm{in}}^0[X]$.*

Proof. Since the argument is similar for $Q_{\mathrm{sp}}^0[X]$, we only consider $Q_{\mathrm{in}}^0[X] = X_1^2 + a_0 X_1 X_2 + b_0 X_2^2$. Suppose that $Q[X] \equiv Q_{\mathrm{in}}^0[X] \pmod{\pi_v}$. We put

$$Y = X \begin{pmatrix} z_1 & z_2 \\ z_3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad Q[Y] - Q_{\mathrm{in}}^0[X] \equiv f_1 X_1^2 + f_2 X_1 X_2 + f_3 X_2^2 \pmod{\pi_v}.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} f_1 &= z_1^2 + a_0 z_1 z_2 + b_0 z_2^2 - 1, \\ f_2 &= 2z_1 z_3 + a_0 z_1 + a_0 z_2 z_3 + 2b_0 z_2 - a_0, \\ f_3 &= z_3^2 + a_0 z_3. \end{aligned}$$

By easy computations,

$$J(z_1, z_2, z_3) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \left(\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial z_j} \right)_{1 \leq i, j \leq 3} = \begin{pmatrix} 2z_1 + a_0z_2 & a_0z_1 + 2b_0z_2 & 0 \\ 2z_3 + a_0 & a_0z_3 + 2b_0 & 2z_1 + a_0z_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2z_3 + a_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and $\det J(1, 0, 0) = -a_0(a_0^2 - 4b_0) \in \mathbb{F}_v^\times$. So, by using Hensel's lemma, there exists $g_1 \in M(2, 2)_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ such that

$$g_1 \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \pmod{\pi_v}, \quad g_1 Q[X] = Q_{\text{in}}^0[X].$$

Since $g \equiv I_2 \pmod{\pi_v}$, $g_1 \in \text{GL}(2)_{\mathcal{O}_v}$.

Let $\gamma \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$. By the same argument as in the proof of the surjectivity of the multiplier

$$\text{GO}(Q_{\text{in}}^0)_{\mathbb{F}_v} \ni g \mapsto \gamma(g) \in \text{GL}(1)_{\mathbb{F}_v},$$

there exists $g_2 \in \text{GL}(2)_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ such that $g_2 Q_{\text{in}}^0[X] = \gamma Q_{\text{in}}^0[X]$. Thus, for $g = g_2 g_1$, $g_2 g_1 Q[X] = \gamma Q_{\text{in}}^0[X]$. \square

Now we return to the case where $n \geq 3$ is odd, and compute the value of $\text{vol}(K_v w_{v,i})$. We first consider $\text{vol}(K_v w_{v,\text{sp}})$. We define a subset $\mathcal{D}_{v,\text{sp}}$ of $V_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ as follows:

$$(11.5) \quad \mathcal{D}_{v,\text{sp}} = \{y \in V_{\mathcal{O}_v} \mid y \equiv w_{v,\text{sp}} \pmod{\pi_v}\}.$$

Lemma 11.6. $K_v w_{v,\text{sp}} = K_v \mathcal{D}_{v,\text{sp}}$.

Proof. Using block matrices, we can express $Y \in \mathcal{D}_{v,\text{sp}}$ as follows:

$$Y = \begin{pmatrix} Y_1 & Y_2 \\ {}^t Y_2 & Y_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

where $Y_1 \in M(2, 2)_{\mathcal{O}_v}$, $Y_2 \in M(2, n-2)_{\mathcal{O}_v}$, $Y_3 \in M(n-2, n-2)_{\mathcal{O}_v}$. Since $Y_1 \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \pmod{\pi_v}$, $Y_1 \in \text{GL}(2)_{\mathcal{O}_v}$. Therefore,

$$g_1 = \begin{pmatrix} I_2 & 0_{2,n-2} \\ -{}^t Y_2 Y_1^{-1} & I_{n-2} \end{pmatrix} \in K_v, \quad g_1 Y^t g_1 = \begin{pmatrix} Y_1 & 0_{2,n-2} \\ 0_{n-2,2} Y_3 - {}^t Y_2 Y_1^{-1} Y_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since $Y \in \mathcal{D}_{v,\text{sp}}$, $Y_2 \equiv 0 \pmod{\pi_v}$. Since $Y_3 - {}^t Y_2 Y_1^{-1} Y_2 \equiv Y_3 \pmod{\pi_v}$, $g_1 Y^t g_1 \in \mathcal{D}_{v,\text{sp}}$. So, by applying an element of K_v , Y can be made into the

following form:

$$(11.7) \quad Y = \begin{pmatrix} Y_1 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & Y_{\frac{n-1}{2}} & \\ & & & 2Y_{\frac{n+1}{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

where $Y_1, \dots, Y_{\frac{n-1}{2}} \in M(2, 2)_{\mathcal{O}_v}$, $Y_{\frac{n+1}{2}} \in \mathcal{O}_v$ and

$$Y_1, \dots, Y_{\frac{n-1}{2}} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad Y_{\frac{n+1}{2}} \equiv 1 \pmod{\pi_v}.$$

Since $Y_{\frac{n+1}{2}} \equiv 1 \pmod{\pi_v}$, $Y_{\frac{n+1}{2}} \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$. By Lemma 11.4, there exists $g_1 \in \text{GL}(n)_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ such that $g_1 Y = Y_{\frac{n+1}{2}} w_{v,\text{sp}}$. So, if we put $g = \left(Y_{\frac{n+1}{2}}^{-1}, g_1 \right) \in K_v$, then $gY = w_{v,\text{sp}}$. \square

Let $H_{v,\text{sp}}$ be the subgroup of K_v defined by

$$(11.8) \quad H_{v,\text{sp}} = \{ g \in K_v \mid gw_{v,\text{sp}} \in \mathcal{D}_{v,\text{sp}} \}.$$

Clearly $H_{v,\text{sp}} \mathcal{D}_{v,\text{sp}} = \mathcal{D}_{v,\text{sp}}$.

Lemma 11.9. *If $n \geq 3$ is odd then*

$$\text{vol}(K_v w_{v,\text{sp}}) = \prod_{j=0}^{\frac{n-1}{2}} (1 - q_v^{-2j-1}).$$

Proof. Let $\mathcal{A}_{v,\text{sp}} \subseteq K_v$ be a set of representatives for $K_v/H_{v,\text{sp}}$. Then

$$K_v w_{v,\text{sp}} = \bigsqcup_{h \in \mathcal{A}_{v,\text{sp}}} h \mathcal{D}_{v,\text{sp}}$$

and $\text{vol}(h \mathcal{D}_{v,\text{sp}}) = \text{vol}(\mathcal{D}_{v,\text{sp}}) = q_v^{-\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}$ for each $h \in \mathcal{A}_{v,\text{sp}}$.

If $(t_0, g_1) \in H_{v,\text{sp}}$, then $g_1 \pmod{\pi_v}$ is an element of $\text{GO}(Q_{n,\text{sp}})_{\mathbb{F}_v}$, and $t_0 \pmod{\pi_v}$ is uniquely determined by g_1 . So

$$\#(K_v/H_{v,\text{sp}}) = \frac{\#\text{GL}(1)_{\mathbb{F}_v} \times \#\text{GL}(n)_{\mathbb{F}_v}}{\#\text{GO}(Q_{n,\text{sp}})_{\mathbb{F}_v}} = q_v^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} \prod_{j=0}^{\frac{n-1}{2}} (1 - q_v^{-2j-1}).$$

Therefore,

$$\text{vol}(K_v w_{v,\text{sp}}) = \#(K_v/H_{v,\text{sp}}) \times \text{vol}(\mathcal{D}_{v,\text{sp}}) = \prod_{j=0}^{\frac{n-1}{2}} (1 - q_v^{-2j-1}). \quad \square$$

We next consider $\text{vol}(K_v w_{v,\text{rm}})$. We define a subset $\mathcal{D}_{v,\text{rm}}$ of $V_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ as follows:

$$\mathcal{D}_{v,\text{rm}} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} Y_1 & Y_2 \\ {}^t Y_2 & Y_3 \end{pmatrix} \in V_{\mathcal{O}_v} \mid \begin{array}{l} Y_1 \equiv Q_{n-1,\text{in}} \pmod{\pi_v}, \\ Y_2 \in \pi_v \text{M}(n-1, 1)_{\mathcal{O}_v}, Y_3 \in 2\pi_v \mathcal{O}_v^\times \end{array} \right\}.$$

Lemma 11.10. $K_v w_{v,\text{rm}} = K_v \mathcal{D}_{v,\text{rm}}$.

Proof. Let $Y = \begin{pmatrix} Y_1 & Y_2 \\ {}^t Y_2 & Y_3 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{D}_{v,\text{rm}}$. Similarly as in the proof of Lemma 11.6, by applying an element of K_v , Y can be made into the following form:

$$(11.11) \quad Y = \begin{pmatrix} Y_1 & & \\ & Y_2 & \\ & & \end{pmatrix}, \quad Y_1 = \begin{pmatrix} Y_{1,1} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & Y_{1, \frac{n-1}{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

where $Y_{1,1}, \dots, Y_{1, \frac{n-1}{2}} \in \text{M}(2, 2)_{\mathcal{O}_v}$, $Y_2 = 2\pi_v t_0^{-1}$ ($t_0 \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$) and

$$Y_{1,1}, \dots, Y_{1, \frac{n-3}{2}} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad Y_{1, \frac{n-1}{2}} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 2 & a_0 \\ a_0 & 2b_0 \end{pmatrix} \pmod{\pi_v}.$$

By Lemma 11.4, there exists $g_1 \in \text{GL}(n-1)_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ such that $g_1 Y_1 = t_0^{-1} w_{n-1, v, \text{in}}$. So, if we put $g = (t_0, \begin{pmatrix} g_1 & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix}) \in K_v$, then $gY = w_{n, v, \text{rm}}$. \square

Let $H_{v,\text{rm}}$ be the following subgroup of K_v :

$$\left\{ (t_0, g_1) \in K_v \mid g_1 = \begin{pmatrix} h_{11} & h_{12} \\ \pi_v h_{21} & h_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{array}{l} h_{11} \in \text{GL}(n-1)_{\mathcal{O}_v}, h_{22} \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times, \\ h_{12}, {}^t h_{21} \in \text{M}(n-1, 1)_{\mathcal{O}_v}, \\ t_0 h_{11} Q_{n-1, \text{in}} \equiv Q_{n-1, \text{in}} \pmod{\pi_v} \end{array} \right\}.$$

Since $(1, I_n) \in H_{v,\text{rm}}$, $H_{v,\text{rm}} \mathcal{D}_{v,\text{rm}} \supseteq \mathcal{D}_{v,\text{rm}}$. Suppose that $g = (t_0, g_1) \in H_{v,\text{rm}}$ and $Y \in \mathcal{D}_{v,\text{rm}}$. Let g_1 be as above. Using block matrices, we express Y and gY as follows:

$$(11.12) \quad Y = \begin{matrix} & n-1 & 1 \\ n-1 & \begin{pmatrix} Y_1 & Y_2 \\ {}^t Y_2 & Y_3 \end{pmatrix} & \\ 1 & & \end{matrix}, \quad gY = \begin{matrix} & n-1 & 1 \\ n-1 & \begin{pmatrix} Y'_1 & Y'_2 \\ {}^t Y'_2 & Y'_3 \end{pmatrix} & \\ 1 & & \end{matrix}.$$

It is easy to see that $Y'_1 \equiv Q_{n-1, \text{in}} \pmod{\pi_v}$ and $Y'_2 \equiv 0 \pmod{\pi_v}$. We consider

$$Y'_3 = t_0 (\pi_v^2 h_{21} Y_1 {}^t h_{21} + \pi_v h_{22} {}^t Y_2 {}^t h_{21} + \pi_v h_{21} Y_2 {}^t h_{22} + h_{22} Y_3 {}^t h_{22}).$$

Since all diagonal entries of Y_1 are elements of $2\mathcal{O}_v$, $t_0 \pi_v^2 h_{21} Y_1 {}^t h_{21} \in 2\pi_v^2 \mathcal{O}_v$. Since $Y_2 \in \pi_v \text{M}(n-1, 1)_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ and $\pi_v h_{22} {}^t Y_2 {}^t h_{21} = \pi_v h_{21} Y_2 {}^t h_{22}$, $\pi_v h_{22} {}^t Y_2 {}^t h_{21} + \pi_v h_{21} Y_2 {}^t h_{22} \in 2\pi_v^2 \mathcal{O}_v$. Therefore, $Y'_3 \in 2\pi_v \mathcal{O}_v^\times$. Thus, $H_{v,\text{rm}} \mathcal{D}_{v,\text{rm}} = \mathcal{D}_{v,\text{rm}}$.

Lemma 11.13. *Let $Y_1, Y_2 \in \mathcal{D}_{v,\text{rm}}$. Suppose that $g \in K_v$ satisfies $gY_1 \equiv Y_2 \pmod{\pi_v}$. Then $g \in H_{v,\text{rm}}$.*

Proof. Let $g = (t_0, g_1)$. Using block matrices, we express $g_1 \in K_v$ as follows:

$$g_1 = \begin{matrix} & n-1 & 1 \\ n-1 & \begin{pmatrix} g_{11} & g_{12} \\ g_{21} & g_{22} \end{pmatrix} \\ 1 & & \end{matrix}.$$

If we express $Y, Y' = gY \in \mathcal{D}_{v,\text{rm}}$ similarly as (11.12), then

$$(11.14) \quad \begin{aligned} t_0^{-1}Y'_1 &= g_{11}Y_1^t g_{11} + g_{12}^t Y_2^t g_{11} + g_{11}Y_2^t g_{12} + g_{12}Y_3^t g_{12}, \\ t_0^{-1}Y'_2 &= g_{11}Y_1^t g_{21} + g_{12}^t Y_2^t g_{21} + g_{11}Y_2^t g_{22} + g_{12}Y_3^t g_{22}, \\ t_0^{-1}Y'_3 &= g_{21}Y_1^t g_{21} + g_{22}^t Y_2^t g_{21} + g_{21}Y_2^t g_{22} + g_{22}Y_3^t g_{22}. \end{aligned}$$

Since $Y_2 \in \pi_v \mathbf{M}(n-1, 1)_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ and $Y_3 \in 2\pi_v \mathcal{O}_v^\times$, $t_0^{-1}Y'_1 \equiv g_{11}Y_1^t g_{11} \pmod{\pi_v}$. Since $Y_1, Y'_1 \equiv Q_{n-1,\text{in}} \pmod{\pi_v}$,

$$t_0 g_{11} Q_{n-1,\text{in}} \equiv Q_{n-1,\text{in}} \pmod{\pi_v}.$$

Since $t_0^{-1}Y'_2 \in \pi_v \mathbf{M}(n-1, 1)_{\mathcal{O}_v}$,

$$g_{11}Y_1^t g_{21} + g_{12}^t Y_2^t g_{21} + g_{11}Y_2^t g_{22} + g_{12}Y_3^t g_{22} \in \pi_v \mathbf{M}(n-1, 1)_{\mathcal{O}_v}.$$

Therefore, $g_{11}Y_1^t g_{21} \in \pi_v \mathbf{M}(n-1, 1)_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ because $Y_2 \in \pi_v \mathbf{M}(n-1, 1)_{\mathcal{O}_v}$ and $Y_3 \in 2\pi_v \mathcal{O}_v^\times$. Since $g_{11}Y_1 \in \mathbf{GL}(n-1)_{\mathcal{O}_v}$, ${}^t g_{21} \in \pi_v \mathbf{M}(n-1, 1)_{\mathcal{O}_v}$. Since $g_1 \in \mathbf{GL}(n)_{\mathcal{O}_v}$, $g_{22} \in \mathcal{O}_v^\times$. \square

Lemma 11.15. *If $n \geq 3$ is odd then*

$$\text{vol}(K_v w_{v,\text{rm}}) = 2^{-1} q_v^{-1} (1 - q_v^{-\frac{n-1}{2}}) \prod_{j=0}^{\frac{n-1}{2}} (1 - q_v^{-2j-1}).$$

Proof. Let $\mathcal{A}_{v,\text{rm}} \subseteq K_v$ be a set of representatives for $K_v/H_{v,\text{rm}}$. By Lemma 11.13, $K_v w_{v,\text{rm}} = \bigsqcup_{h \in \mathcal{A}_{v,\text{rm}}} h \mathcal{D}_{v,\text{rm}}$. It is easy to see that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{vol}(h \mathcal{D}_{v,\text{rm}}) &= \text{vol}(\mathcal{D}_{v,\text{rm}}) = q_v^{-\frac{n(n-1)}{2}} \times q_v^{-(n-1)} \times q_v^{-1} (1 - q_v^{-1}) \\ &= q_v^{-\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} (1 - q_v^{-1}) \end{aligned}$$

for each $h \in \mathcal{A}_{\text{rm}}$. Since

$$\begin{aligned} \sharp(K_v/H_{v,\text{rm}}) &= \frac{\sharp\text{GL}(1)_{\mathbb{F}_v} \times \sharp\text{GL}(n)_{\mathbb{F}_v}}{\sharp\text{GO}(Q_{n-1,\text{in}})_{\mathbb{F}_v} \times q_v^{n-1} \times \sharp\text{GL}(1)_{\mathbb{F}_v}} \\ &= 2^{-1} q_v^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}-1} (1 - q_v^{-1})^{-1} (1 - q_v^{-\frac{n-1}{2}})^{-1} \prod_{j=0}^{\frac{n-1}{2}} (1 - q_v^{-2j-1}), \end{aligned}$$

we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \text{vol}(K_v w_{v,\text{rm}}) &= \sharp(K_v/H_{v,\text{rm}}) \times \text{vol}(\mathcal{D}_{v,\text{rm}}) \\ &= 2^{-1} q_v^{-1} (1 - q_v^{-\frac{n-1}{2}})^{-1} \prod_{j=0}^{\frac{n-1}{2}} (1 - q_v^{-2j-1}). \end{aligned}$$

□

By (3.5), if $n \geq 3$ is odd then

$$|P(w_{v,\mathfrak{i}})|_v = |P(w'_{v,\mathfrak{i}})|_v = \begin{cases} 1 & \mathfrak{i} = \text{sp}, \\ q_v^{-1} & \mathfrak{i} = \text{rm}. \end{cases}$$

By Lemmas 11.1, 11.9 and 11.15, we obtain the following proposition.

Proposition 11.16. *Let $v \in \mathfrak{M}_f$ and $w'_{v,\mathfrak{i}}$ be an alternative orbital representative for $G_{k_v} \backslash V_{k_v}^{\text{ss}}$. Then*

$$\tilde{c}'_{v,\mathfrak{i}} = \begin{cases} \prod_{i=1}^{\frac{n-1}{2}} (1 - q_v^{-2i})^{-1} & \mathfrak{i} = \text{sp}, \\ 2^{-1} q_v^{\frac{n-1}{2}} (1 - q_v^{-\frac{n-1}{2}})^{-1} \prod_{i=1}^{\frac{n-1}{2}} (1 - q_v^{-2i})^{-1} & \mathfrak{i} = \text{rm}. \end{cases}$$

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