

A remark on the convolution with the box spline

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Abstract

The semi-discrete convolution with the box spline is an important tool in approximation theory. We give a formula for the difference between semi-discrete convolution and convolution with the box spline. This formula involves multiple Bernoulli polynomials.

1. Box splines and semi-discrete convolution

Let V be a n -dimensional real vector space equipped with a lattice Λ . If we choose a basis of the lattice Λ , then we may identify V with \mathbb{R}^n and Λ with \mathbb{Z}^n . We choose here the Lebesgue measure dv associated to the lattice Λ .

Let $X = [a_1, a_2, \dots, a_N]$ be a sequence (a multiset) of N nonzero vectors in Λ .

The *zonotope* $Z(X)$ associated with X is the polytope

$$Z(X) := \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^N t_i a_i ; t_i \in [0, 1] \right\}.$$

In other words, $Z(X)$ is the Minkowski sum of the segments $[0, a_i]$ over all vectors $a_i \in X$.

We denote by $\mathbb{C}[V]$ the space of (complex valued) polynomial functions on V .

Recall that the box spline $B(X)$ is the distribution on V such that, for a test function $test$ on V , we have the equality

$$(1) \quad \langle B(X), test \rangle = \int_{t_1=0}^1 \cdots \int_{t_N=0}^1 test \left(\sum_{i=1}^N t_i a_i \right) dt_1 \cdots dt_N.$$

We will also use the notation $\langle B(X), test \rangle = \int_V B(X)(v) test(v)$.

The distribution $B(X)$ is a probability measure supported on the zonotope $Z(X)$. If X is empty, then $B(X)$ is the δ distribution on V . For the basic properties of the box spline, we refer to [5] (or [6, Chap. 16]).

If D is any distribution on V , the convolution $B(X) * D$ is well defined and is again a distribution on V . If $D = f(v)dv$ is a smooth density, then

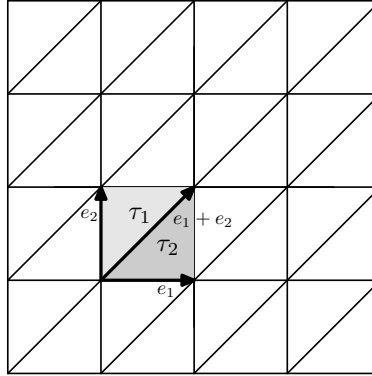


Figure 1. Affine topes for $X = [e_1, e_2, e_1 + e_2]$

$B(X) * D = F(v)dv$ is a smooth density with

$$F(v) = \int_{t_1=0}^1 \cdots \int_{t_N=0}^1 f\left(v - \sum_{i=1}^N t_i a_i\right) dt_1 \cdots dt_N.$$

If X generates V , the zonotope is a full dimensional polytope, and $B(X)$ is given by integration against a locally L^1 -function. Let us describe more precisely where this function is smooth.

We continue to assume that X generates V . A hyperplane of V generated by a subsequence of elements of X is called admissible. An element of V is called (affine) regular if no translate $v + \lambda$ of v by any λ in the lattice Λ lies in an admissible hyperplane. We denote by $V_{\text{reg,aff}}$ the open subset of V consisting of affine regular elements: the set $V_{\text{reg,aff}}$ is the complement of the union of all the translates by Λ of admissible hyperplanes. A connected component τ of the set of regular elements will be called an (affine) tope (see Figure 1).

The choice of the Lebesgue measure dv on V allows us to identify distributions and generalized functions: if F is a generalized function, Fdv is a distribution. If the distribution Fdv is given by $\langle Fdv, test \rangle = \int_V f(v) test(v) dv$, with $f(v)$ locally L^1 , we say that F is locally L^1 , and we use the same notation for F and the locally L^1 function f .

A generalized function b on V will be called piecewise polynomial (relative to X, Λ) if:

- the function b is locally L^1 ;
- on each tope τ , there exists a polynomial function $b(\tau)$ on V such that the restriction of b to τ coincides with the restriction of the polynomial $b(\tau)$ to τ .

If F is a piecewise polynomial function, we will say that the distribution Fdv is piecewise polynomial.

If X generates V , the box spline $B(X)$ is a piecewise polynomial (relative to (X, Λ)) distribution supported on the zonotope $Z(X)$.

Let f be a smooth function on V . Then there are two distributions naturally associated to X, Λ, f :

- the piecewise polynomial distribution $B(X) *_d f$: on a test function $test$,

$$\langle B(X) *_d f, test \rangle = \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} f(\lambda) \int_{t_1=0}^1 \cdots \int_{t_N=0}^1 test \left(\lambda + \sum_{i=1}^N t_i a_i \right) dt_1 \cdots dt_N;$$

- the smooth density $B(X) *_c f$: on a test function $test$,

$$\langle B(X) *_c f, test \rangle = \int_V f(v) \int_{t_1=0}^1 \cdots \int_{t_N=0}^1 test \left(v + \sum_{i=1}^N t_i a_i \right) dt_1 \cdots dt_N dv.$$

The notation $*_d$ and $*_c$ means discrete, versus continuous. $B(X) *_d f$ is the convolution of $B(X)$ with the discrete measure $\sum_{\lambda} f(\lambda) \delta_{\lambda}$, while $B(X) *_c f$ is the usual convolution of $B(X)$ with the smooth density $f(v) dv$. The subscript $*_c$ is just for emphasis. The operation $*_d$ is denoted $*'$ in [5], [6] and is called semi-discrete convolution.

Our aim is to write an explicit formula for the difference $B(X) *_d f - B(X) *_c f$.

We also associate to $a \in X$ three operators:

- the partial differential operator

$$(\partial_a f)(v) = \left. \frac{d}{d\varepsilon} f(v + \varepsilon a) \right|_{\varepsilon=0},$$

- the difference operator

$$(\nabla_a f)(v) = f(v) - f(v - a),$$

- the integral operator

$$(I_a f)(v) = \int_0^1 f(v - ta) dt.$$

The operator I_a is the convolution $B([a]) *_c f$ with the box spline associated to the sequence with a single element a .

These three operators respect the space of polynomial functions $\mathbb{C}[V]$ on V . The Taylor series formula implies that, on the space $\mathbb{C}[V]$, the operator I_a is the invertible operator given by

$$I_a = \frac{1 - e^{-\partial_a}}{\partial_a} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (-1)^j \frac{1}{(j+1)!} \partial_a^j.$$

In particular, if $f \in \mathbb{C}[V]$ is a polynomial,

$$(2) \quad B(X) *_c f = \left(\left(\prod_{a \in X} \frac{1 - e^{-\partial_a}}{\partial_a} \right) f \right) dv.$$

If I, J are subsequences of X , we define the operators $\partial_I = \prod_{a \in I} \partial_a$ and $\nabla_J = \prod_{b \in J} \nabla_b$. They are defined on distributions.

Recall that $\partial_Y B(X) = \nabla_Y B(X \setminus Y)$ if Y is a subsequence of X . A subsequence Y of X will be called long if the sequence $X \setminus Y$ does not generate the vector space V . A long subsequence Y , minimal along the long subsequences, is also called a cocircuit; then $Y = X \setminus H$ where H is an admissible hyperplane.

In our formula, when f is a polynomial, $B(X) *_d f - B(X) *_c f$ is naturally expressed as a function of the derivatives $\partial_Y f$ with respect to long subsequences Y . More generally, for any smooth function f , products of difference operators ∇_I and differentiation operators ∂_J (with I and J spanning long subsets of X) will appear naturally in the rest $B(X) *_d f - B(X) *_c f$.

2. Piecewise smooth distributions

Our aim is to write an explicit formula for the difference of the two distributions $B(X) *_d f$ and $B(X) *_c f$. As the first one is a piecewise polynomial distribution, the second a smooth density, we will need to introduce an intermediate space of distributions. We will use “piecewise smooth distributions.” Let us give a definition.

We continue to assume that X generates V .

Definition 2.1. A generalized function b on V will be called *piecewise smooth* (relative to X, Λ) if:

- the generalized function b is locally L^1 ;
- on each tope τ , there exists a smooth function $b(\tau)$ on the full space V such that the restriction of b to τ coincides with the restriction of the smooth function $b(\tau)$ to τ .

In this definition, given a tope τ , the function b restricted to τ (as well as all its derivatives) extends continuously to the closure of τ . However, these extensions do not always coincide on intersections of the closures of topes.

If b is piecewise smooth, we then say that the distribution $B := b(v)dv$ (given by integration against the locally L^1 function b) is piecewise smooth.

It is clear that if we multiply a piecewise polynomial distribution B by a smooth function, we obtain a piecewise smooth distribution. Note that the space of piecewise smooth distributions is stable by the operators ∇_a and by convolution with box splines $B(Y)$ (Y any subsequence of X). However, it is not stable under operators ∂_a . For example, $\partial_X B(X) = \nabla_X B(\emptyset)$ is a linear combination of δ distributions.

3. Multiple Bernoulli periodic polynomials

Let U be the dual vector space to V and $\Gamma \subset U$ be the dual lattice to Λ . If Y is a subsequence of X , we define

$$U_{\text{reg}}(Y) = \{u \in U; \langle a, u \rangle \neq 0, \text{ for all } a \in Y\}$$

and

$$\Gamma_{\text{reg}}(Y) = \Gamma \cap U_{\text{reg}}(Y).$$

Consider the periodic function on V given by the (oscillatory) sum

$$(3) \quad W(X)(v) = \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma_{\text{reg}}(X)} \frac{e^{2i\pi \langle v, \gamma \rangle}}{\prod_{a \in X} 2i\pi \langle a, \gamma \rangle}.$$

This is well defined as a generalized function on V . In the sense of generalized functions, we have

$$(4) \quad \partial_X W(X)(v) = \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma_{\text{reg}}(X)} e^{2i\pi \langle \gamma, v \rangle}.$$

We will use this equation to construct “primitives” of parts of the Poisson formula.

We will call the series $W(X)$ a multiple Bernoulli series. Multiple Bernoulli series have been extensively studied by A. Szenes [7]. They are natural generalizations of Bernoulli series: for $\Lambda = \mathbb{Z}\omega$ and $X_k := [\omega, \omega, \dots, \omega]$, where ω is repeated k times with $k > 0$, the series

$$W(X_k)(t\omega) = \sum_{n \neq 0} \frac{e^{2i\pi n t}}{(2i\pi n)^k}$$

is equal to $-\frac{1}{k!}B(k, t - [t])$, where $B(k, t)$ denotes the k^{th} Bernoulli polynomial in variable t . In particular, for $k = 1$, we have $W(X_1)(t\omega) = \frac{1}{2} - t + [t]$ (see Figure 2).

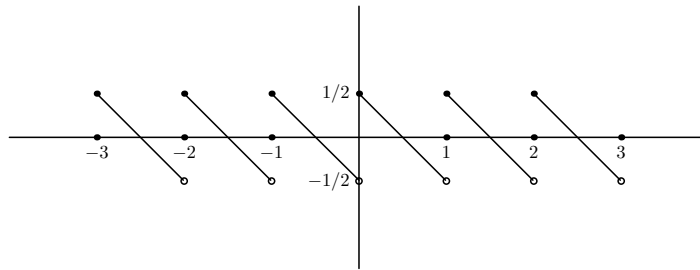


Figure 2. Graph of $W(X_1)(t\omega) = \frac{1}{2} - t + [t]$

We recall the following proposition [7] (see also [2], [1]).

PROPOSITION 3.1. *If X generates V , the generalized function $W(X)$ is piecewise polynomial (relative to (X, Λ)).*

Thus we will also call $W(X)$ a multiple periodic Bernoulli polynomial.

The above proposition is proved by reduction to the one variable case. Indeed, the function $\frac{1}{\prod_{a \in X} \langle a, z \rangle}$ can be decomposed in a sum of functions $\frac{1}{\prod_{i=1}^n \langle a_{j_i}, z \rangle^{n_i}}$ with respect to a basis a_{j_i} of V extracted from X . This reduces the computation to the one-dimensional case. A. Szenes [7] gave an efficient multidimensional explicit residue formula to compute $W(X)$.

Example 3.2. Let $V = \mathbb{R}e_1 \oplus \mathbb{R}e_2$ with lattice $\Lambda = \mathbb{Z}e_1 \oplus \mathbb{Z}e_2$. Let $X = [e_1, e_2, e_1 + e_2]$. We write $v \in V$ as $v = v_1e_1 + v_2e_2$.

We compute the generalized function

$$W(v_1, v_2) = \sum_{n_1 \neq 0, n_2 \neq 0, n_1 + n_2 \neq 0} \frac{e^{2i\pi(n_1v_1 + n_2v_2)}}{(2i\pi n_1)(2i\pi n_2)(2i\pi(n_1 + n_2))}.$$

Then W is a locally L^1 -function on V , periodic with respect to $\mathbb{Z}e_1 + \mathbb{Z}e_2$. To describe this, it is sufficient to write the formulae of $W(v_1, v_2)$ for $0 < v_1 < 1$ and $0 < v_2 < 1$, which we compute (for example, using the relation $\frac{1}{n_1n_2(n_1+n_2)} = \frac{1}{n_1(n_1+n_2)^2} + \frac{1}{n_2(n_1+n_2)^2}$) as

$$W(v_1, v_2) = \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{6}(1 + v_1 - 2v_2)(v_1 - 1 + v_2)(2v_1 - v_2), & v_1 < v_2, \\ -\frac{1}{6}(v_1 - 2v_2)(v_1 - 1 + v_2)(2v_1 - 1 - v_2), & v_1 > v_2. \end{cases}$$

Thus we see that W is a piecewise polynomial function.

Remark 3.3. If X does not generate V , $W(X)$ is not locally L^1 : Take $X = \emptyset$; then, by the Poisson formula, $W(\emptyset)$ is the delta distribution of the lattice Λ .

Definition 3.4. A subspace \mathfrak{s} of V generated by a subsequence of elements of X is called X -admissible. We denote by \mathcal{R} the set of X -admissible subspaces of V . We denote by \mathcal{R}' the set of proper X -admissible subspaces.

The spaces $\mathfrak{s} = V$ and $\mathfrak{s} = \{0\}$ are among the admissible subspaces of V . The set \mathcal{R}' consists of all admissible subspaces of V , except $\mathfrak{s} = V$.

Let \mathfrak{s} be an admissible subspace of V . Let us consider the list $X \setminus \mathfrak{s}$, where we have removed from the list X all elements belonging to \mathfrak{s} . The projection of the list $X \setminus \mathfrak{s}$ on V/\mathfrak{s} will be denoted by X/\mathfrak{s} . The image, in V/\mathfrak{s} , of the lattice Λ is again a lattice. If X generates V , X/\mathfrak{s} generates V/\mathfrak{s} . Using the projection $V \rightarrow V/\mathfrak{s}$, we identify the piecewise polynomial function $W(X/\mathfrak{s})$ on V/\mathfrak{s} to a piecewise polynomial function on V constant along the affine spaces $v + \mathfrak{s}$.

Define $U_{\text{reg}}(X/\mathfrak{s}) = U_{\text{reg}}(X \setminus \mathfrak{s}) \cap \mathfrak{s}^\perp$. Thus $\Gamma_{\text{reg}}(X/\mathfrak{s}) := \Gamma \cap U_{\text{reg}}(X/\mathfrak{s})$ is the set of elements $\gamma \in \Gamma$ such that:

$$\langle \gamma, s \rangle = 0 \quad \text{for all } s \in \mathfrak{s}; \quad \langle \gamma, a \rangle \neq 0 \quad \text{for all } a \in X \setminus \mathfrak{s}.$$

Identifying the dual space to V/\mathbf{s} to the space \mathbf{s}^\perp , we see that the function $W(X/\mathbf{s})$ is the function on V given by the series (convergent in the sense of generalized functions)

$$W(X/\mathbf{s})(v) := \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma_{\text{reg}}(X/\mathbf{s})} \frac{e^{2i\pi\langle v, \gamma \rangle}}{\prod_{a \in X \setminus \mathbf{s}} 2i\pi\langle a, \gamma \rangle}.$$

This function is periodic with respect to the lattice Λ , piecewise polynomial on V (relative to X, Λ) and constant along $v + \mathbf{s}$.

If $\mathbf{s} = V$, the function $W(X/\mathbf{s})$ is identically equal to 1, while if $\mathbf{s} = \{0\}$, we obtain again our series $W(X)$.

4. A formula

Let us now state our formula. We assume, as before, that X generates V .

For each $\mathbf{s} \in \mathcal{R}$, we consider all possible decompositions of the list $X \setminus \mathbf{s}$ in disjoint lists $I \sqcup J$. If f is a smooth function, the function

$$F(v) = W(X/\mathbf{s})(v)(\partial_I \nabla_J f)(v)$$

is a piecewise smooth function on V . If Y is a subsequence of X , the convolution $B(Y) * F dv$ is well defined and the result is a piecewise smooth distribution on V that we denote by $B(Y) *_c (W(X/\mathbf{s}) \partial_I \nabla_J f)$.

THEOREM 4.1. *Let f be a smooth function on V . We have*

$$B(X) *_d f - B(X) *_c f = \sum_{\mathbf{s} \in \mathcal{R}'} \sum_{I \subset X \setminus \mathbf{s}} (-1)^{|I|} B((X \cap \mathbf{s}) \sqcup I) *_c (W(X/\mathbf{s}) \partial_I \nabla_J f).$$

In this formula J is the complement of the sequence I in $X \setminus \mathbf{s}$. This equality holds in the space of piecewise (relative to (X, Λ)) smooth distributions on V , relative to (X, Λ) .

Remark 4.2. If f is a polynomial, the term $B(X) *_c f$ is a polynomial density and all terms of the difference formula are locally polynomial distributions on V .

Before proceeding, let us comment on the proof. As in [3] (see also [5]), we use the Poisson formula to compute $B(X) *_d f$. Then we group the terms in the dual lattice Γ in strata according to the hyperplane arrangement $\cup_{a \in X} \{a = 0\}$. We then use the Bernoulli series as primitives of the corresponding sums. This way, we introduce the needed derivatives of the function f .

Proof. Let \mathcal{R} be the set of admissible subspaces of V . We have the disjoint decomposition

$$(5) \quad U = \bigsqcup_{\mathbf{s} \in \mathcal{R}} U_{\text{reg}}(X/\mathbf{s}).$$

Let $test$ be a test function on V . We compute

$$S := \int_V (B(X) *_d f)(v) test(v) = \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} f(\lambda) \int_V B(X)(v) test(\lambda + v).$$

We apply the Poisson formula to the compactly supported smooth function

$$q(w) = f(w) \int_V B(X)(v) test(w + v)$$

as our sum S is equal to $\sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} q(\lambda)$. We obtain

$$S = \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \int_V e^{2i\pi \langle w, \gamma \rangle} q(w) dw.$$

The lattice Γ is a disjoint union of the sets $\Gamma_{reg}(X/\mathbf{s}) = \Gamma \cap U_{reg}(X/\mathbf{s})$ associated to the admissible subspaces \mathbf{s} . Note that the set associated to $\mathbf{s} = V$ is $\{\gamma = 0\}$. The term in S corresponding to $\gamma = 0$ is $\int_V q(w) dw$; that is $\langle B(X) *_c f, test \rangle$.

As in the generalized function sense

$$\sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma_{reg}(X/\mathbf{s})} e^{2i\pi \langle w, \gamma \rangle} = \partial_{X \setminus \mathbf{s}} W(X/\mathbf{s})(w),$$

we obtain

$$S = \sum_{\mathbf{s} \in \mathcal{R}} \int_V W(X/\mathbf{s})(w) (-1)^{|X \setminus \mathbf{s}|} \partial_{X \setminus \mathbf{s}} q(w) dw.$$

The function $q(w)$ is a product of the two smooth functions

$$f(w) \quad \text{and} \quad \int_V B(X)(v) test(w + v).$$

By the Leibniz rule,

$$S := \sum_{\mathbf{s}} (-1)^{|X \setminus \mathbf{s}|} \sum_{I \sqcup J = X \setminus \mathbf{s}} \int_V \int_V W(X/\mathbf{s})(w) \partial_I f(w) B(X)(v) \partial_J test(w + v) dw.$$

We first integrate in v and use the equation satisfied by the box spline

$$(6) \quad \langle B(X), \partial_b h \rangle = -\langle B(X \setminus \{b\}), \nabla_{-b} h \rangle.$$

Thus we obtain

$$S = \sum_{\mathbf{s}} \sum_{I \sqcup J = X \setminus \mathbf{s}} (-1)^{|I|} \int_V \int_V W(X/\mathbf{s})(w) \partial_I f(w) B(X \setminus J)(v) (\nabla_{-J} test)(w + v) dw.$$

Let us integrate in w . The integral being invariant by ∇_b , we have

$$\int_V (\nabla_b f_1)(w) f_2(w) dw = \int_V f_1(w) (\nabla_{-b} f_2)(w) dw.$$

As $b \in J$ is in Λ and $W(X/\mathbf{s})(w)$ is periodic,

$$S = \sum_{\mathbf{s} \in \mathcal{R}} \sum_{I \sqcup J = X \setminus \mathbf{s}} (-1)^{|I|} \int_V \int_V B(X \setminus J)(v) W(X/\mathbf{s})(w) \nabla_J \partial_I f(w) test(w + v) dw.$$

Writing $\mathcal{R} = \{V\} \sqcup \mathcal{R}'$, we obtain the formula of the theorem. □

On the space of polynomials, one has

$$\nabla_J \partial_I f = \left(\prod_{b \in J} \frac{1 - e^{-\partial_b}}{\partial_b} \right) \partial_{X \setminus \mathbf{s}} f$$

if $I \sqcup J = X \setminus \mathbf{s}$.

Recall that the space $D(X)$ of Dahmen-Micchelli polynomials is the space of polynomials on V such that $\partial_Y f = 0$ for all long subsequences Y . In particular, if \mathbf{s} is a proper subspace, the sequence $X \setminus \mathbf{s}$ is a long subsequence. So if I and J are such that $I \sqcup J = X \setminus \mathbf{s}$ and $f \in D(X)$, then $\nabla_J \partial_I f = 0$.

As a corollary of our formula, if $p \in D(X)$, we see that $B(X) *_d p = B(X) *_c p$. Let us state more precisely this result of Dahmen-Micchelli [4] (see also [6, Chap. 17]).

COROLLARY 4.3. *If $p \in D(X)$, then*

$$P(v) := B(X) *_d p = \sum_{\lambda} p(\lambda) B(X)(v - \lambda)$$

*is a polynomial function on V , equal to $(\prod_{a \in X} \frac{1 - e^{-\partial_a}}{\partial_a}) p = B(X) *_c p$.*

In this formula, we have identified $B(X)$, $B(X) *_d p$, and $B(X) *_c p$ to piecewise polynomial functions.

5. Vertices of the arrangement and semi-discrete convolutions

We now give a twisted version of Theorem 4.1, where we twist f by an exponential function $e^{2i\pi\langle G, v \rangle}$.

The set of characters on Λ is the torus $T := U/\Gamma$. If $g \in T$, we denote by g^λ the corresponding character on Λ . More precisely, if g has representative $G \in U$, then by definition $g^\lambda = e^{2i\pi\langle G, \lambda \rangle}$. Define

$$X(g) := \{a \in X; g^a = 1\}.$$

If $g \in T = U/\Gamma$ has representative $G \in U$, we denote by $g + \Gamma$ the set $G + \Gamma$.

For $a \in X$, introduce the operator

$$(\nabla(a, g)f)(v) = f(v) - g^{-a} f(v - a).$$

If Y is a subsequence of X , define

$$\nabla_Y^g = \prod_{a \in Y} \nabla(a, g).$$

We introduce a subset $\mathcal{R}(g)$ of admissible subspaces, depending on g .

Definition 5.1. The admissible space \mathbf{s} is in $\mathcal{R}(g)$ if the space $(g + \Gamma) \cap \mathbf{s}^\perp$ is nonempty

Note that if G is not in Γ , then V is not in the set $\mathcal{R}(g)$.

Remark 5.2. If $\mathbf{s} \in \mathcal{R}(g)$, then all elements of $X \cap \mathbf{s}$ are in $X(g)$. Thus $\mathcal{R}(g)$ is contained in the set of admissible spaces for $X(g)$. However the converse does not hold: take $V = \mathbb{R}\omega$, $X = [2\omega]$, $\Lambda = \mathbb{Z}\omega$, and $G = \frac{1}{2}\omega^*$. Then $X(g) = X$, so that V is an admissible subspace for $X(g)$. However, V is not in $\mathcal{R}(g)$.

If $\mathbf{s} \in \mathcal{R}(g)$, take $g_{\mathbf{s}} \in (g + \Gamma) \cap \mathbf{s}^\perp$. Then $(g + \Gamma) \cap \mathbf{s}^\perp$ is the translate by $g_{\mathbf{s}}$ of the lattice $\Gamma \cap \mathbf{s}^\perp$.

Define

$$\Gamma_{\text{reg}}(X/\mathbf{s}, g) = (g + \Gamma) \cap U_{\text{reg}}(X/\mathbf{s})^\perp.$$

Thus $\Gamma_{\text{reg}}(X/\mathbf{s}, g)$ consists of elements $\xi \in g + \Gamma$ such that

$$\langle \xi, s \rangle = 0 \text{ for all } s \in \mathbf{s}; \quad \langle \xi, a \rangle \neq 0 \text{ for all } a \in X \setminus \mathbf{s}.$$

The following series

$$(7) \quad W(X/\mathbf{s}, g)(v) = \sum_{\xi \in \Gamma_{\text{reg}}(X/\mathbf{s}, g)} \frac{e^{2i\pi\langle v, \xi \rangle}}{\prod_{a \in X} 2i\pi\langle a, \xi \rangle}$$

is well defined as a generalized function on V .

The function $W(X/\mathbf{s}, g)(v)$ is not periodic with respect to Λ . We have instead the covariance formula

$$(8) \quad W(X/\mathbf{s}, g)(v - \lambda) = g^{-\lambda} W(X/\mathbf{s}, g)(v).$$

In the sense of generalized functions, we have

$$(9) \quad \partial_{X \setminus \mathbf{s}} W(X/\mathbf{s}, g)(v) = \sum_{\xi \in \Gamma_{\text{reg}}(X/\mathbf{s}, g)} e^{2i\pi\langle \xi, v \rangle}.$$

We recall the following proposition [7] (see also [2], [1]).

PROPOSITION 5.3. *The generalized function $W(X/\mathbf{s}, g)$ is a piecewise polynomial (relative to (X, Λ)) function on V .*

This is proved similarly by reduction to one variable.

Example 5.4. Let $V = \mathbb{R}\omega$, $\Lambda = \mathbb{Z}\omega$, and $X_k := [\omega, \omega, \dots, \omega]$, where ω is repeated k times with $k > 0$. Then $\Gamma = \mathbb{Z}\omega^*$, and if z is not an integer, we have

$$W(X_k, z\omega^*)(t\omega) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{e^{2i\pi(n+z)t}}{(2i\pi(n+z))^k}.$$

We have, for example (see [2]),

$$W(X_1, z\omega^*)(t\omega) = \frac{e^{2i\pi[t]z}}{1 - e^{-2i\pi z}},$$

$$W(X_2, z\omega^*)(t\omega) = e^{2i\pi[t]z} \left(\frac{t - [t]}{1 - e^{-2i\pi z}} - \frac{1}{(1 - e^{-2i\pi z})(1 - e^{2i\pi z})} \right).$$

Here $[t]$ is the integral part of t . This function $[t]$ is a constant on each interval $]\ell, \ell + 1[$, and $W(X_k, z\omega^*)$ is locally a polynomial function of t .

THEOREM 5.5. *Let $G \in U$, and g its image in U/Γ . Let $f(v) = e^{2i\pi\langle v, G \rangle} h(v)$, where h is a smooth function. Then*

$$B(X) *_{d} f = \sum_{\mathbf{s} \in \mathcal{R}(g)} \sum_{I \subset X \setminus \mathbf{s}} (-1)^{|I|} B((X \cap \mathbf{s}) \sqcup I) *_{c} (W(X/\mathbf{s}, g) \partial_I \nabla_J^g h).$$

In this formula, J is the complement of I in $X \setminus \mathbf{s}$.

Remark 5.6. If $G \in \Gamma$, then $B(X) *_{d} f = B(X) *_{d} h$, and the formula of the theorem above coincides with the formula of Theorem 4.1 for h : The set $\mathcal{R}(g)$ coincides with the set \mathcal{R} , and the term corresponding to V in the formula of Theorem 5.5 is $B(X) *_{c} h$.

Proof. We proceed in the same way as in the proof of Theorem 4.1. Let *test* be a test function on V . We compute $S := \int_V (B(X) *_{d} f)(v) \text{test}(v)$ by the Poisson formula. If

$$q(w) = h(w) \int_V B(X)(v) \text{test}(w+v),$$

we obtain

$$S = \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \int_V e^{2i\pi\langle w, \gamma \rangle} e^{2i\pi\langle w, G \rangle} q(w) dw.$$

Thus

$$S = \sum_{\xi \in (g+\Gamma)} \int_V e^{2i\pi\langle w, \xi \rangle} q(w) dw.$$

The set $g + \Gamma$ is a disjoint union over $\mathbf{s} \in \mathcal{R}(g)$ of the sets $\Gamma_{\text{reg}}(X/\mathbf{s}, g) = (g + \Gamma) \cap U_{\text{reg}}(X/\mathbf{s})$, so that

$$S = \sum_{\mathbf{s} \in \mathcal{R}(g)} \int_V W(X/\mathbf{s}, g)(w) (-1)^{|X \setminus \mathbf{s}|} \partial_{X \setminus \mathbf{s}} q(w) dw.$$

Then, using the Leibniz rule for ∂_a and equation (6) for the box spline, we obtain that S is equal to

$$\sum_{\mathbf{s} \in \mathcal{R}(g)} \sum_{I \sqcup J = X \setminus \mathbf{s}} (-1)^{|I|} \int_V \int_V W(X \setminus \mathbf{s}, g)(w) \partial_I f(w) B(X \setminus J)(v) (\nabla_{-J} \text{test})(w+v) dw.$$

Using the covariance formula (8) for $W(X \setminus \mathbf{s}, g)$, we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_V W(X \setminus \mathbf{s}, g)(w) f_1(w) (\nabla_{-b} f_2)(w) dw \\ = \int_V W(X \setminus \mathbf{s}, g)(w) (\nabla(b, g) f_1)(w) f_2(w) dw \end{aligned}$$

and we obtain the formula of the theorem. □

Let us point out a corollary of this formula.

Definition 5.7. We say that a point $g \in U/\Gamma$ is a *toric vertex* of the arrangement X if $X(g)$ generates V . We denote by $\mathcal{V}(X)$ the *set of toric vertices* of the arrangement X .

If g is a vertex, there is a basis σ of V extracted from X such that $g^a = 1$, for all $a \in \sigma$. We thus see that the set $\mathcal{V}(X)$ is finite. If X is unimodular, then $\mathcal{V}(X)$ is reduced to $g = 0$.

COROLLARY 5.8 (Dahmen-Micchelli). *Let $g \in \mathcal{V}(X)$ be a toric vertex of the arrangement X , and let $p \in D(X(g))$ be a polynomial in the Dahmen-Micchelli space for $X(g)$. Assume that $g \neq 0$. Let $f(\lambda) = g^\lambda p(\lambda)$. Then $B(X) *_d f = 0$.*

Proof. We apply the formula of Theorem 5.5 with $h = p$. As $g \neq 0$, all terms $\mathbf{s} \in \mathcal{R}(g)$ are proper subspaces of V . Let us show that all the terms in our formula are 0. Indeed let $I \sqcup J = X \setminus \mathbf{s}$. Let $I' = I \cap X(g)$ and $J' = J \cap X(g)$. Then $I' \sqcup J' = X(g) \setminus \mathbf{s}$ is a long subset of $X(g)$. As $\nabla_{I'}^g = \nabla_{I'}$, we see that $\partial_{I'} \nabla_{J'}^p$ is already equal to 0. \square

A simple proof of this corollary is also given in ([6, Th. 17.15]).

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