## APPENDIX: EXPLANATION OF THEOREM 5.2 OF [LPSZ19]

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Let G = GSp(4), with Siegel parabolic  $P_S$  and block diagonal Levi subgroup  $M_S$ , then  $M_S \simeq (\text{GL}_2 \times \text{GL}_1)/\Delta\mu_2$ . Let T be the diagonal maximal torus of G, then we label the characters of T as

 $(r_1, r_2; c)$ : diag $(st_1, st_2, st_2^{-1}, st_1^{-1}) \mapsto t_1^{r_1} t_2^{r_2} s^c$ 

where  $r_1, r_2, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $r_1 + r_2 \equiv c \pmod{2}$ . The roots of G are  $\{(\pm 2, 0; 0), (0, \pm 2; 0), (\pm 1, \pm 1; 0)\}$ , with a choice of positive simple roots being  $\{(0, 2; 0), (1, -1; 0)\}$ . The corresponding simple weights are  $\{(1, 1; 0), (1, 0; 0)\}$ . A character  $(r_1, r_2; c)$  is dominant for  $M_S$  exactly if  $r_1 \geq r_2$ , and it is dominant for G exactly if  $r_1 \geq r_2 \geq 0$ . The Weyl orbit of  $(r_1, r_2; c)$  is  $\{(\pm r_1, \pm r_2; c), (\pm r_2, \pm r_1; c)\}$ . Finally,  $\rho = (2, 1; 0)$ .

Let  $K_{\infty}$  be the maximal compact subgroup of  $G(\mathbf{R})_+$  fixing  $iI_2 \in \mathcal{H}_2$ . It is isomorphic to  $\mathbf{R}^{\times} \cdot U(2)$ . We have a decomposition  $\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbf{C}} = \mathfrak{k} \oplus \mathfrak{p}^+ \oplus \mathfrak{p}^-$ , where  $\mathfrak{k} = \operatorname{Lie}(K_{\infty})_{\mathbf{C}}$ , and  $\mathfrak{p}^{\pm}$  can be viewed as the space of holomorphic or antiholomorphic derivations at  $iI_2 \in \mathcal{H}_2$ . Therefore, dim  $\mathfrak{k} = 5$  and dim  $\mathfrak{p}^{\pm} = 3$ . Let P be the parabolic subgroup associated to  $\mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{k} \oplus \mathfrak{p}^-$ , then P is conjugate to  $P_S$ , and this conjugation identifies  $(K_{\infty})_{\mathbf{C}}$  with  $M_S$ . The action of  $K_{\infty}$  on  $\mathfrak{p}^-$  has highest weight (0, -2; 0).

Given a dominant weight  $\lambda$ , let  $V_{\lambda}$  be finite dimensional algebraic representation of  $M_S$  with highest weight  $\lambda$ . This induces a coherent sheaf  $[V_{\lambda}]$  on  $X_{G,\mathbf{C}}$ . Let  $\Pi = \Pi_f \otimes \Pi_{\infty}$  be a generic cuspidal automorphic representation on G, and further suppose that  $\Pi_{\infty}$  is a discrete series representation with Harish-Chandra parameter  $\chi = (r_1, r_2; c) + \rho$ , where  $r_1 \geq r_2 \geq 0$ . We want to understand the  $\Pi_f$ -component of  $H^*(X_{G,\mathbf{C}}, [V_{\lambda}])$ . It follows from the main theorems of [Har90] (for sufficiently regular weights) and [Su19] (in general) that

$$H^*(X_{G,\mathbf{C}},[V_{\lambda}]) \simeq H^*(\mathfrak{p},K_{\infty};\mathcal{A}(G)\otimes V_{\lambda}) = H^*(\operatorname{Hom}_{K_{\infty}}(\wedge^{\bullet}\mathfrak{p}^-\otimes V_{\lambda}^{\vee},\mathcal{A}(G)))$$

Taking  $\Pi_f$ -components, we see that we need to understand automorphic representations on G whose finite part is  $\Pi_f$ . First, since  $\Pi$  is not a CAP form [AS06],  $\Pi_f$  does not contribute to the continuous spectrum. Using Arthur's classification, the infinity component must be in the same *L*-packet as  $\Pi_{\infty}$ , so it is in the discrete series and moreover has infinitesimal character  $\chi$ .

The discrete series in an *L*-packet is classified by the coset space  $W(G, S) \setminus W(G_{\mathbf{C}}, S)$ , where *S* is an elliptic maximal torus. In our case, this gives two representations  $\Pi^H_{\infty}$  and  $\Pi^W_{\infty}$ , where *H* stands for holomorphic and *W* stands for generic. The local component group  $S_{\varphi_{\infty}}$  is  $\mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z}$ . The local pairing attaches the trivial character to  $\Pi^W_{\infty}$  and the non-trivial character to  $\Pi^H_{\infty}$ , following the procedure described in [BR94, Section 5.3]. Since our parameter is tempered, Arthur's multiplicity formula gives

$$m(\Pi) = \frac{1}{|\mathcal{S}_{\varphi}|} \sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}_{\varphi}} \langle s, \Pi \rangle$$

In the stable case, the global component group is trivial, so  $m(\Pi_f \otimes \Pi_{\infty}^{\Box}) = 1$  for  $\Box \in \{H, W\}$ . In the Yoshida case, both  $S_{\varphi}$  and  $S_{\varphi_{\infty}}$  are  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ . At the finite places, since  $\Pi_v$  is generic, the local pairing is 1. Therefore, the global character  $\langle -, \Pi \rangle$  is trivial for  $\Pi_{\infty}^W$  and non-trivial for  $\Pi_{\infty}^H$ . So in the Yoshida case, only  $\Pi_{\infty}^W$  can be the infinity component.

When restricted to the  $(\mathfrak{p}, K_{\infty})$ -module, both  $\Pi^H_{\infty}$  and  $\Pi^W_{\infty}$  decomposes into two irreducible representations. Their  $(\mathfrak{p}, K_{\infty})$ -cohomology is computed by [Har90, Theorem 4.6.2] (note that there is an additional dual in its statement). With respect to the chosen compact maximal torus, the non-compact roots are  $\pm(1, -1; 0)$ . We have the following four cases:

Holomorphic: 
$$\chi = (r_1 + 2, r_2 + 1; c), \lambda = (-r_2 - 3, -r_1 - 3; -c), q = 0$$
  
Generic:  $\chi = (r_1 + 2, -r_2 - 1; c), \lambda = (r_2 - 1, -r_1 - 3; -c), q = 1$   
Anti-generic:  $\chi = (r_2 + 1, -r_1 - 2; c), \lambda = (r_1, -r_2 - 3; -c), q = 2$   
Anti-holomorphic:  $\chi = (-r_2 - 1, -r_1 - 2; c), \lambda = (r_1, r_2; -c), q = 3$ 

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The proof is roughly as follows: on the cochain complex  $\operatorname{Hom}_{K_{\infty}}(\wedge^{\bullet}\mathfrak{p}^{-}\otimes V_{\lambda}^{\vee},\Pi_{\infty})$ , one can define the Laplacian operator  $\Delta = dd^* + d^*d$  and show that it acts as the scalar  $\langle \lambda + \rho, \lambda + \rho \rangle - \langle \chi, \chi \rangle$ . If this is non-zero, then the complex is exact, so there is no  $(\mathfrak{p}, K_{\infty})$ -cohomology. Otherwise, all differentials are trivial, so we are left with a  $K_{\infty}$ -type computation, which can be done by hand in our case. Also see [Sch17] for useful pictures. The results here are off from [LPSZ19] by a dual, probably relating to normalization issues. We now comment on the central character. For the analytic normalization, we have c = 0 to make the central character of  $\Pi$  finite order. But for the corresponding  $V_{\lambda}$  to be algebraic, we must have  $c \equiv r_1 + r_2 \pmod{2}$ , so we need to twist  $\Pi$  by the character  $\|\nu\|^{-\frac{r_1+r_2}{2}}$  to have algebraicity.

To get the theorem for the subcanonical extension, first note that Serre duality gives a perfect pairing

 $H^{3-i}(X_{G,\mathbf{Q}}, [V_{\lambda}]) \times H^{i}(X_{G,\mathbf{Q}}, [V_{\lambda}^{\vee}](-D)) \to \mathbf{Q}$ 

This is also  $G(\mathbb{A}_f)$ -equivariant. Applying the previous argument to  $\Pi^{\vee}$  instead of  $\Pi$  shows that the multiplicity statements in the theorem for the subcanonical extension as well. Since  $\Pi$  is cuspidal, the inclusion of  $H^i(X_{G,\mathbf{Q}}, [V_{\lambda}](-D))$  into  $H^i(X_{G,\mathbf{Q}}, [V_{\lambda}])$  is surjective on the  $\Pi_f$ -isotypic components. This combined with the multiplicity statements prove the isomorphism.

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