

THE EXPLICIT LOCAL LANGLANDS CORRESPONDENCE FOR G_2 II: CHARACTER FORMULAS AND STABILITY

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ABSTRACT. We write down character formulas for representations of G_2 considered in [AX22a], and show that stability for L -packets uniquely pins down the Local Langlands Correspondence constructed in [AX22a], thus proving unique characterization of the LLC *loc.cit.*

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1. INTRODUCTION

In this article, we complete the unique characterization of the explicit local Langlands correspondence for p -adic G_2 constructed in [AX22a]. More precisely, we use stability property of L -packets to uniquely pin down the choices of twists in the L -packets from [AX22a].

The rough idea is as follows: we explicitly calculate Harish-Chandra characters for the representations (including non-supercuspidals) in certain neighborhoods of semisimples in G_2 (see for example §3.4, §3.5, §4.3 and §4.4). In particular, stability property 2.1.1 (as formulated by DeBacker and Kaletha) implies the stability of the sum of characters in an L -packet locally around each semisimple. Using [DK06] (which builds on some works of Waldspurger), we deduce that the sum of two specific characters (one for a non-supercuspidal and another one for a *singular* supercuspidal) are stable, thus pinning down the size 2 mixed packets in [AX22a] (see Theorem 3.5.2). The size 3 mixed packets are pinned down similarly (see Theorem 4.4.1 and Theorem 4.4.2). Our computations involve a refinement of Roche's Hecke algebra isomorphisms (see §2.3).

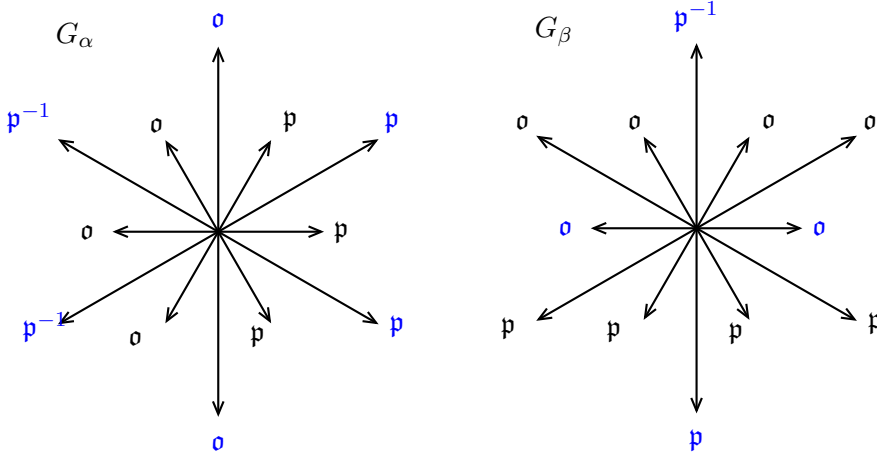
2. PRELIMINARIES

Let π be an admissible representation of G_2 , which gives rise to a distribution Ch_π on $C_c^\infty(G_2)$. Then [HC99, Theorem 16.3] shows that Ch_π can be represented by a locally constant function on G_2^{rss} , the regular semisimple locus in G_2 .

2.1. Stability of L -packets.

Property 2.1.1 (DeBacker, Kaletha). Let φ be a discrete L -parameter. There exists a non-zero \mathbb{C} -linear combination

$$(2.1.2) \quad \sum_{\pi \in \Pi_\varphi} \dim(\rho_\pi) \mathrm{Ch}_\pi, \quad \text{for } z_\pi \in \mathbb{C},$$

FIGURE 1. The parahoric subgroups G_α and G_β

which is stable. In fact, one can take $z_\pi = \dim(\rho_\pi)$ where ρ_π is the enhancement of the L -parameter. Moreover, no proper subset of Π_φ has this property.

2.2. Parahoric subgroups. We fix the choice of the following parahoric subgroups in $G_2(F)$, as in Diagram 1 where the blue nodes are the roots multiplied by \mathfrak{p} in the unipotent radical G_{x+} .

Non-canonically (i.e., given a choice of uniformizer) there are isomorphisms $G_\alpha/G_{\alpha+} \cong \mathrm{SL}_3(\mathbb{F}_q)$ and $G_\beta/G_{\beta+} \cong \mathrm{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$,

More canonically, we can identify $G_\alpha/G_{\alpha+}$ the reductive quotient of the parahoric of SL_3 :

$$(2.2.1) \quad H_\alpha := \left\{ g \in \begin{pmatrix} \mathfrak{o} & \mathfrak{o} & \mathfrak{p}^{-1} \\ \mathfrak{o} & \mathfrak{o} & \mathfrak{p}^{-1} \\ \mathfrak{p} & \mathfrak{p} & \mathfrak{o} \end{pmatrix} : \det g = 1 \right\}.$$

Similarly,

$$(2.2.2) \quad H_\beta := \left\{ (g, h) \in \begin{pmatrix} \mathfrak{o} & \mathfrak{o} \\ \mathfrak{o} & \mathfrak{o} \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} \mathfrak{o} & \mathfrak{p}^{-1} \\ \mathfrak{p} & \mathfrak{o} \end{pmatrix} : \det(g) = \det(h) \right\} / \mathfrak{o}_F^\times$$

is a parahoric subgroup of $\mathrm{SO}_4(F)$, and there is a canonical isomorphism $H_\beta/H_{\beta+} \cong G_\beta/G_{\beta+}$ induced by the inclusion $\mathrm{SO}_4(F) \subset G_2(F)$.

2.3. Refining Roche's isomorphism. Let G be a connected split reductive group over F with maximal torus T , and let $T_0 \subset T$ be the maximal compact subgroup. Given a character $\chi: T_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times$, let $\chi^\vee: \mathfrak{o}_F^\times \rightarrow T^\vee(\mathbb{C})$ be the dual, and let H be a split reductive group over F with maximal torus T such that $H^\vee = Z_{G^\vee}(\mathrm{im}(\chi^\vee))$, where we assume $Z_{G^\vee}(\mathrm{im}(\chi^\vee))$ is connected.

Roche [Roc98, Thm 8.2] produces a support-preserving isomorphism $\mathcal{H}(G//I, \chi) \cong \mathcal{H}(H//J, 1)$ where I is an Iwahori subgroup of G and J is an Iwahori subgroup of H , but it is non-canonical. We make the isomorphism more canonical by slightly modifying the right-hand side:

Proposition 2.3.1. *There is a unique support preserving isomorphism $\mathcal{H}(G//I, \chi) \cong \mathcal{H}(H//J, \chi)$ such that the following diagram commutes:*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{H}(T//T_0, \chi) & \xlongequal{\quad} & \mathcal{H}(T//T_0, \chi) \\ t_u \downarrow & & \downarrow t_u \\ \mathcal{H}(G//I, \chi) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \mathcal{H}(H//J, \chi), \end{array}$$

where $t_u = t_{\delta_B^{-1/2}}$ is as in [Roc98, pg 399].

Unipotent pairs	Representations of $W \cong \mu_2^2$
$(00, \mathbb{C})$	$(1, 1), 1$
$(0e, \mathbb{C})$	$1 \otimes \text{sgn}$
$(e0, \mathbb{C})$	$\text{sgn} \otimes 1$
(ee, \mathbb{C})	$\text{sgn} \otimes \text{sgn}$
(ee, \mathcal{L})	cuspidal

TABLE 1. Springer Correspondence for $\text{SO}_4(\mathbb{C})$

Proof. Let $\overline{H}^\vee := H^\vee/Z(H^\vee)$, so we have a cover $\overline{H} \xrightarrow{\pi} H$. Let $\overline{T}^\vee := T^\vee/\text{im}(\chi^\vee)$ be a maximal torus of \overline{H}^\vee , which gives rise to a maximal torus $\overline{T} \subset \overline{H}$. For some finite discrete group g we have the exact sequence of algebraic groups

$$1 \rightarrow Z_{\overline{H}} \rightarrow \overline{T} \xrightarrow{\pi} T \rightarrow 1$$

where since $\text{im}(\chi^\vee) \subset Z_{H^\vee}$ the composition $\pi^\vee \circ \chi^\vee: \mathfrak{o}_F^\times \rightarrow \overline{T}^\vee$ is trivial, we also have that $\chi \circ \pi = 1$. Thus, χ factors through $H_{\text{gal}}^1(F, Z_{\overline{H}})$, and so can be viewed as a character of H , since $H/\pi(\overline{H}) \cong H_{\text{gal}}^1(F, Z_{\overline{H}})$.

By [Roc98, Thm 6.3] there is a unique support-preserving homomorphism $\mathcal{H}(\overline{H}/\overline{J}, 1) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{H}(G/I, \chi)$, which extends¹ to a support-preserving isomorphism $i: \mathcal{H}(H/J, \chi) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{H}(G/I, \chi)$. The restriction of i to $\mathcal{H}(T/T_0, \chi)$ is then trivial on $\mathcal{H}(\overline{T}/\overline{T}_0, 1)$, so it is given by twisting by a character of $T/\pi(\overline{T})$. Since $T/\pi(\overline{T}) \cong H/\pi(\overline{H})$ such twists extend to the entire Hecke algebra $\mathcal{H}(H/J, \chi)$. Thus we have constructed an isomorphism $\mathcal{H}(G/I, \chi) \cong \mathcal{H}(H/J, \chi)$ satisfying the properties given.

Uniqueness is a general observation on automorphisms of Iwahori Hecke algebras $\mathcal{H}(H/J, 1)$ being determined by its restriction to $\mathbb{C}[T/T_0] = \mathcal{H}(T/T_0, 1)$. \square

3. SIZE 2 MIXED PACKETS

Recall the size 2 depth-zero mixed packets from [AX22a], where $\pi(\eta_2)$ is the principal series representation in Table 17 *loc.cit.*. It is the unique (tempered) sub-representation of the parabolic induction $I_B^{G_2}(\eta_2 \otimes \nu\eta_2)$, where η_2 is a ramified quadratic character of F^\times .

3.1. Preliminaries on $\text{SO}_4(F)$. We let $\text{SO}_4(F) := \{(g, h) \in \text{GL}_2(F) \times \text{GL}_2(F) : \det(g) = \det(h)\}/F^\times$, where F^\times is diagonally embedded as $\{(aI_2, aI_2) : a \in F^\times\}$. It has a standard rank 2 maximal torus $T := \{(\text{diag}(a_1, a_2), \text{diag}(b_1, b_2)) : a_1a_2 = b_1b_2\}/F^\times$. Given characters $\chi_1, \chi_2, \varphi_1, \varphi_2$ of F^\times such that $\chi_1\chi_2 = \varphi_1\varphi_2$, we let $\chi_1 \otimes \chi_2 \otimes \varphi_1 \otimes \varphi_2$ denote the character

$$\chi_1 \otimes \chi_2 \otimes \varphi_1 \otimes \varphi_2(\text{diag}(a_1, a_2), \text{diag}(b_1, b_2)) = \chi_1(a_1)\chi_2(a_2)\varphi_1(b_1)\varphi_2(b_2).$$

Note that for any character θ of F^\times , we have $\chi_1 \otimes \chi_2 \otimes \varphi_1 \otimes \varphi_2 = \theta\chi_1 \otimes \theta\chi_2 \otimes \theta\varphi_1 \otimes \theta\varphi_2$.

By abuse of notation, let $\widetilde{\det}: \text{SO}_4(F) \rightarrow F^\times/(F^\times)^2$ be defined by $\widetilde{\det}(g, h) := \det(g) = \det(h)$. Thus, for any order 2 character η of F^\times , we obtain a character $\eta \circ \widetilde{\det}$ of $\text{SO}_4(F)$. The same conventions apply for $\text{SO}_4(\mathfrak{o}_F)$ and $\text{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$.

The generalized Springer correspondence for SO_4 is given in Table 1 (see [CM93, §10.1, p. 166]), where e denotes the regular unipotent of SL_2 , and \mathcal{L} denotes the unique nontrivial cuspidal local system on the orbit of ee . Let \mathcal{G}_{sgn} denote the generalized Green function associated to the cuspidal local system (ee, \mathcal{L}) , as in [DK06, §5.2.2].

3.2. Calculating parahoric invariants for $\pi(\eta_2)$.

¹a priori the extension is non-canonical, but there is a unique choice making the diagram commute

3.2.1. *Calculating $\pi(\eta_2)^{G_{\beta+}}$.* By [Bon11, §4.3], there are two reducible Deligne-Lusztig inductions of $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$: the principal series representations $R_{\pm}(\alpha_0)$ and the cuspidal representations $R'_{\pm}(\theta_0)$, where α_0 and θ_0 are the unique order 2 character of \mathbb{F}_q^{\times} and μ_{q+1} , respectively (in [Lus78, §2], $R'_{\pm}(\theta_0)$ is denoted H'_ϵ and H''_ϵ).

Remark 3.2.1. [Bon11, Table 5.4] gives the following, for $x \neq 0 \in \mathbb{F}_q$:

$$(3.2.1) \quad \mathrm{tr}\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix}, R_{\pm}(\alpha_0)\right) = \frac{1}{2}(1 \pm \epsilon(x)\sqrt{q^*})$$

$$(3.2.2) \quad \mathrm{tr}\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix}, R'_{\pm}(\theta_0)\right) = \frac{1}{2}(-1 \pm \epsilon(x)\sqrt{q^*}),$$

where $q^* := (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{2}}q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$.

Definition 3.2.2. Let H_{β} be the parahoric defined in (2.2.2), which contains the index 2 subgroup

$$(3.2.3) \quad H_{\beta}^0 := \left\{ (g, h) \in \begin{pmatrix} \mathfrak{o} & \mathfrak{o} \\ \mathfrak{o} & \mathfrak{o} \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} \mathfrak{o} & \mathfrak{p}^{-1} \\ \mathfrak{p} & \mathfrak{o} \end{pmatrix} : \det(g) = \det(h) = 1 \right\} / \pm 1.$$

For a ramified quadratic character η_2 of F^{\times} , let $\varpi \in F$ be a uniformizer such that $\eta_2(\varpi) = 1$. We define the following irreducible representations of $G_{\beta}/G_{\beta+} \cong H_{\beta}/H_{\beta+}$:

$$(3.2.4) \quad \omega_{\mathrm{princ}}^{\eta_2} := \mathrm{Ind}_{G_{\beta}^0}^{G_{\beta}}(R_{+}(\alpha_0) \boxtimes R_{+}(\alpha_0)^{\mathrm{diag}(\varpi, 1)})$$

$$(3.2.5) \quad \omega_{\mathrm{cusp}}^{\eta_2} := \mathrm{Ind}_{G_{\beta}^0}^{G_{\beta}}(R'_{+}(\theta_0) \boxtimes R'_{+}(\theta_0)^{\mathrm{diag}(\varpi, 1)})$$

This is independent of the choice of the uniformizer ϖ .

Remark 3.2.3. The representation $\omega_{\mathrm{princ}}^{\eta_2}$ is an irreducible constituent of the length two representation $R_T^{\mathrm{SO}_4}(\epsilon \circ \widetilde{\det})$, for $T \subset \mathrm{SO}_4$ a split torus. Similarly $\omega_{\mathrm{cusp}}^{\eta_2}$ is an irreducible constituent of the length two representation $R_{T'}^{\mathrm{SO}_4}(\epsilon \circ \widetilde{\det})$, where $T' \subset \mathrm{SO}_4$ is a maximal anisotropic torus. There are multiple ways to characterize the representations $\omega_{\mathrm{princ}}^{\eta_2}$ and $\omega_{\mathrm{cusp}}^{\eta_2}$ in the Deligne-Lusztig inductions:

- (1) By Remark 3.2.1, for a regular unipotent $u = \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & y \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) \in H_{\beta}$ with $x \in \mathfrak{o} \setminus \mathfrak{p}$ and $y \in \mathfrak{p}^{-1} \setminus \mathfrak{o}$, we have

$$(3.2.6) \quad \mathrm{tr}(u, \omega_{\mathrm{princ}}^{\eta_2}) = \mathrm{tr}(u, \omega_{\mathrm{cusp}}^{\eta_2}) = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \eta_2(xy)q^*).$$

- (2) By [Bon11, pg 55], they are characterized as irreducible components of the Gelfand-Graev representation $\Gamma_{\beta, \mathcal{O}}$ (notation as in [BM97, Thm 4.5]) associated to the nilpotent orbit $\mathcal{O} = \mathcal{O}_1^+$ (notation as in [DK06, §7.1]).

We use the following Hecke algebra isomorphism from [AX22b, AX22a, Roc98]: consider two copies of $\mathrm{SO}_4(F)$ which are Weyl group conjugates to each other. Let $\mathrm{SO}_4^{(1)}$ have roots $\pm\alpha, \pm(3\alpha + 2\beta)$, and let $\mathrm{SO}_4^{(2)}$ have roots $\pm(\alpha + \beta), \pm(3\alpha + \beta)$. The following is a corollary of Proposition 2.3.1.

Corollary 3.2.4. *Let I be the standard Iwahori of G_2 . There exist canonical support-preserving isomorphisms of Hecke algebras*

$$(3.2.7) \quad \mathcal{H}(G_2 // I, \epsilon \otimes \epsilon) \cong \mathcal{H}(\mathrm{SO}_4^{(1)} // J^{(1)}, \epsilon \circ \widetilde{\det})$$

$$(3.2.8) \quad \mathcal{H}(G_2 // I, \epsilon \otimes 1) \cong \mathcal{H}(\mathrm{SO}_4^{(2)} // J^{(2)}, \epsilon \circ \widetilde{\det}),$$

under which the representation $\pi(\eta_2)$ corresponds to the representation $\eta_2 \text{St}_{\text{SO}_4}$, where $J^{(i)} := I \cap \text{SO}_4^{(i)}$ is an Iwahori subgroup of $\text{SO}_4^{(i)}(F)$. The isomorphisms are characterized by the following commutative diagrams

$$(3.2.9) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{H}(T//T_0, \epsilon \otimes \epsilon) & \xlongequal{\quad} & \mathcal{H}(T//T_0, \epsilon \circ \widetilde{\det}) \\ \downarrow t_u & & \downarrow t_u \\ \mathcal{H}(G_2//I, \epsilon \otimes \epsilon) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \mathcal{H}(\text{SO}_4^{(1)}//J^{(1)}, \epsilon \circ \widetilde{\det}), \end{array}$$

$$(3.2.10) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{H}(T//T_0, \epsilon \otimes 1) & \xlongequal{\quad} & \mathcal{H}(T//T_0, \epsilon \circ \widetilde{\det}) \\ \downarrow t_u & & \downarrow t_u \\ \mathcal{H}(G_2//I, \epsilon \otimes 1) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \mathcal{H}(\text{SO}_4^{(2)}//J^{(2)}, \epsilon \circ \widetilde{\det}), \end{array}$$

where $t_u = t_{\delta_B^{-1/2}}$ is as in [Roc98, pg 399].

Proof. For brevity we write down the proof for the first isomorphism; the proof for the second isomorphism is entirely analogous. By [Roc98, Thm 6.3 and Thm 8.2], there is a canonical injection

$$\mathcal{H}(\text{SL}_2 \times \text{SL}_2(F)//J, 1) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{H}(G_2//I, \epsilon \otimes \epsilon)$$

which extends (a priori) non-canonically to an isomorphism $\mathcal{H}(\text{SO}_4(F)//J, 1) \cong \mathcal{H}(G_2//I, \epsilon \otimes \epsilon)$. There is, however, a unique extension to $\mathcal{H}(\text{SO}_4(F)//J, 1)$ which makes $\pi(\eta_2)$ correspond to $\eta_2 \text{St}_{\text{SO}_4}$ as in Proposition 2.3.1.

The commutative diagrams follow from looking at the Jacquet modules: the representation $\pi(\eta_2)$ is identified with a homomorphism $\mathcal{H}(G_2//I, \epsilon \otimes \epsilon) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, and the (normalized) Jacquet restriction $r_\emptyset \pi(\eta_2) = \nu \eta_2 \otimes \eta_2 + \nu \otimes \eta_2 + \eta_2 \otimes \nu$ by [AX22a, §9] (see also [Mui97, Prop 4.1]). By [Roc98, Thm 9.2], the restriction of the homomorphism to $\mathcal{H}(T//T_0, \epsilon \otimes \epsilon \otimes 1 \otimes 1)$ corresponds to the $\epsilon \otimes \epsilon$ -isotypic component $\nu \eta_2 \otimes \eta_2$.

Analogously, the (un-normalized) Jacquet restriction of $\eta_2 \text{St}_{\text{SO}_4^{(i)}}$ is $r_\emptyset(\eta_2 \text{St}_{\text{SO}_4^{(i)}}) = \nu^{-1/2} \eta_2 \otimes \nu^{1/2} \eta_2 \otimes \nu^{-1/2} \otimes \nu^{1/2}$. These two characters are equal as the maximal torus of G_2 and the maximal torus of $\text{SO}_4^{(i)}$ are canonically identified. \square

By the Mackey formula, we have an isomorphism of representations of $G_\beta/G_{\beta+} \cong \text{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$,

$$(3.2.11) \quad I_B^{G_2}(\nu \eta_2 \otimes \eta_2)^{G_{\beta+}} \cong \bigoplus_{w \in B \backslash G_2/G_\beta} \text{Ind}_{G_\beta \cap w B w^{-1}/(G_{\beta+} \cap w B w^{-1})}^{G_\beta/G_{\beta+}}(\epsilon \otimes \epsilon)^w,$$

where

$$(3.2.12) \quad B \backslash G_2/G_\beta \cong W(G_2)/W(\text{SO}_4) = W/\langle s_\alpha, s_{3\alpha+\beta} \rangle = \{1, s_\beta, s_{3\alpha+\beta}\}.$$

The intersections $G_\beta \cap w B w^{-1}$ are shown in the following diagram 1, where the blue nodes correspond to the reductive quotient of the parahoric. (Note that in $G_{\beta+}$, the blue nodes are multiplied by \mathfrak{p} .) Therefore, the $G_{\beta+}$ -invariants of $I_B(\nu \eta_2 \otimes \eta_2)^{G_{\beta+}}$ gives

$$(3.2.13) \quad I_B^{G_2}(\nu \eta_2 \otimes \eta_2)^{G_{\beta+}} \simeq \text{Ind}_B^{\text{SO}_4}(\epsilon \otimes \epsilon \otimes 1 \otimes 1) + \text{Ind}_B^{\text{SO}_4}(\epsilon \otimes 1 \otimes \epsilon \otimes 1)^2$$

Analogously, computing the $G_{\beta+}$ -invariants of I_α (resp. I_β) from [AX22a, §9] gives us the following

$$(3.2.14) \quad I_\alpha(\nu^{1/2} \eta_2 \text{St})^{G_{\beta+}} \simeq \text{Ind}_P^{\text{SO}_4}(\epsilon \text{St}) + \text{Ind}_B^{\text{SO}_4}(\epsilon \otimes 1 \otimes \epsilon \otimes 1)$$

$$(3.2.15) \quad I_\beta(\nu^{1/2} \eta_2 \text{St})^{G_{\beta+}} \simeq \text{Ind}_P^{\text{SO}_4}(\epsilon \text{St}) + \text{Ind}_B^{\text{SO}_4}(\epsilon \otimes 1 \otimes \epsilon \otimes 1)$$

We pin down the $G_{\beta+}$ -invariance of $\pi(\eta_2)$ in Corollary 3.2.6.

Proposition 3.2.5. *The I_+ -invariants of $\pi(\eta_2)$ is*

$$\pi(\eta_2)^{I_+} \cong \epsilon \otimes \epsilon + 1 \otimes \epsilon + \epsilon \otimes 1.$$

Proof. A priori we know that

$$\pi(\eta_2)^{I_+} \hookrightarrow I(\nu\eta_2 \otimes \eta_2)^{I_+} = \bigoplus_{w \in W} (\epsilon \otimes \epsilon)^w = (\epsilon \otimes \epsilon)^4 + (1 \otimes \epsilon)^4 + (\epsilon \otimes 1)^4.$$

By Lemma 3.2.4, the multiplicity of $\epsilon \otimes \epsilon$ in $\pi(\eta_2)$, which is the same as the multiplicity of $\epsilon \otimes \epsilon \otimes 1 \otimes 1$ in the representation $\eta_2 \text{St}_{\text{SO}_4}$, is one. Thus the same holds for all of the Weyl group orbits of the character. \square

Corollary 3.2.6. *There is an isomorphism of $G_\beta/G_{\beta+}$ -representations*

$$\pi(\eta_2)^{G_{\beta+}} \cong \epsilon \text{St}_{G_\beta/G_{\beta+}} \oplus \omega_{\text{princ}}^{\eta_2}$$

Proof. Let $N = I_+/G_{\beta+} \subseteq G_\beta/G_{\beta+}$ be a maximal unipotent subgroup of $\text{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$. Let ω' and ω'' be the irreducible constituents of $\text{Ind}_B^{\text{SO}_4}(1 \otimes \epsilon \otimes 1 \otimes \epsilon)$. By Proposition 3.2.5, the $\text{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$ -representation $\pi(\eta_2)^{G_{\beta+}}$ has N -invariants $\epsilon \otimes \epsilon \otimes 1 \otimes 1 + \epsilon \otimes 1 \otimes \epsilon \otimes 1 + \epsilon \otimes 1 \otimes 1 \otimes \epsilon$. Thus

$$(3.2.16) \quad \pi(\eta_2)^{G_{\beta+}} = I_\alpha(\nu^{1/2}\eta_2 \text{St})^{G_{\beta+}} \cap I_\beta(\nu^{1/2}\eta_2 \text{St})^{G_{\beta+}}$$

$$(3.2.17) \quad \subseteq \epsilon \text{St}_{\text{SO}_4} + \omega' + \omega''$$

must contain either just ω' or ω'' (but not both), since

$$(\omega')^N, (\omega'')^N \cong \epsilon \otimes 1 \otimes \epsilon \otimes 1 + \epsilon \otimes 1 \otimes 1 \otimes \epsilon.$$

Thus either $\pi(\eta_2) = \epsilon \text{St}_{\text{SO}_4} + \omega'$ or $\pi(\eta_2) = \epsilon \text{St}_{\text{SO}_4} + \omega''$ as abstract representations of $\text{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$.

To further pin down the choice, let $\tilde{\mathcal{J}} := \mathcal{J} \rtimes \langle \begin{pmatrix} & 1 \\ \varpi & \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} & 1 \\ \varpi & \end{pmatrix} \rangle$ be the stabilizer of an alcove in the Bruhat-Tits building of $\text{SO}_4(F)$. Then we have the following commutative diagram involving the support-preserving isomorphism of Lemma 3.2.4:

$$(3.2.18) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{H}(G_2//\mathcal{I}, \epsilon \otimes 1) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \mathcal{H}(\text{SO}_4//\mathcal{J}, \epsilon) \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \mathcal{H}(G_\beta//\mathcal{I}, \epsilon \otimes 1) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \mathcal{H}(\tilde{\mathcal{J}}//\mathcal{J}, \epsilon) \end{array}$$

Indeed, since (3.2.7) is support-preserving, the image of $\mathcal{H}(G_\beta//\mathcal{I}, \epsilon \otimes 1)$ under the isomorphism consists of functions supported on $G_\beta \cap \text{SO}_4(F)$. Certainly $\tilde{\mathcal{J}} \subset G_\beta \cap \text{SO}_4(F)$, since elements of $\tilde{\mathcal{J}}$, which fixes an alcove of $\text{SO}_4(F)$, must also fix the vertex β in the building of G_2 . Equality follows from observing that both $\mathcal{H}(G_\beta//\mathcal{I}, \epsilon \otimes 1)$ and $\mathcal{H}(\tilde{\mathcal{J}}//\mathcal{J}, \epsilon)$ have dimension 2. By the characterization in Lemma 3.2.4, the restriction of $\eta_2 \text{St}_{\text{GL}_2}$ to $\mathcal{H}(\tilde{\mathcal{J}}//\mathcal{J}, \epsilon)$ is the representation $\eta_2 \circ \det$ on $\tilde{\mathcal{J}}$. Via the bottom isomorphism, $\eta_2 \circ \det$ corresponds to the representation $\omega_{\text{princ}}^{\eta_2}$ of G_β .

Thus, we conclude that $\omega_{\text{princ}}^{\eta_2}$ is a constituent of $\pi(\eta_2)^{G_{\beta+}}$. \square

3.2.2. *Calculating $\pi(\eta_2)^{G_{\alpha+}}$.* Analogous to (3.2.11), we have

$$(3.2.19) \quad \begin{aligned} I_B^{G_2}(\nu\eta_2 \otimes \eta_2)^{G_{\alpha+}} &\cong \bigoplus_{w \in W/W(\text{SL}_3)} \text{Ind}_{G_\alpha \cap wBw^{-1}/(G_{\alpha+} \cap wBw^{-1})}^{G_\alpha/G_{\alpha+}} (\epsilon \otimes \epsilon)^w \\ &= \text{Ind}_B^{\text{SL}_3}(\epsilon)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, we have isomorphisms

$$(3.2.20) \quad I_\alpha(\nu^{1/2}\eta_2 \text{St}_{\text{GL}_2})^{G_{\alpha+}} = \text{Ind}_P^{\text{SL}_3}(\epsilon \text{St}_{\text{GL}_2})^2$$

$$(3.2.21) \quad I_\beta(\nu^{1/2}\eta_2 \text{St}_{\text{GL}_2})^{G_{\alpha+}} = \text{Ind}_B^{\text{SL}_3}(\epsilon),$$

where $P \subset \mathrm{SL}_3$ is the parabolic subgroup with Levi GL_2 . The intersection is

$$(3.2.22) \quad \pi(\eta_2)^{G_{\alpha+}} = \mathrm{Ind}_P^{\mathrm{SL}_3}(\epsilon \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{GL}_2}).$$

3.2.3. *Calculating $\pi(\eta_2)^{G_{\delta+}}$.* Again by a Mackey theory calculation, we have:

$$(3.2.23) \quad I(\nu\eta_2 \otimes \eta_2)^{G_{\delta+}} \cong \mathrm{Ind}_{B(\mathbb{F}_q)}^{G_2(\mathbb{F}_q)}(\epsilon \otimes \epsilon)$$

$$(3.2.24) \quad I_\alpha(\nu^{1/2}\eta_2 \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{GL}_2})^{G_{\delta+}} \cong \mathrm{Ind}_{P_\alpha(\mathbb{F}_q)}^{G_2(\mathbb{F}_q)}(\epsilon \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{GL}_2})$$

$$(3.2.25) \quad I_\beta(\nu^{1/2}\eta_2 \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{GL}_2})^{G_{\delta+}} \cong \mathrm{Ind}_{P_\beta(\mathbb{F}_q)}^{G_2(\mathbb{F}_q)}(\epsilon \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{GL}_2}),$$

where P_α and P_β denote parabolic subgroups of $G_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$. Thus, $\pi(\eta_2)^{G_{\delta+}}$ is the intersection of $\mathrm{Ind}_{P_\alpha(\mathbb{F}_q)}^{G_2(\mathbb{F}_q)}(\epsilon \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{GL}_2})$ and $\mathrm{Ind}_{P_\beta(\mathbb{F}_q)}^{G_2(\mathbb{F}_q)}(\epsilon \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{GL}_2})$, denoted $\omega_{\mathrm{princ}}^\epsilon$. In terms of Lusztig's equivalence [Lus84, Theorem 4.23], if $s \in G_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$ is of order 2 such that $Z_{G_2(\mathbb{F}_q)}(s) = \mathrm{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$, we have

$$(3.2.26) \quad \mathcal{E}(G_2(\mathbb{F}_q), s) \cong \mathcal{E}(\mathrm{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q), 1),$$

and $\omega_{\mathrm{princ}}^\epsilon$ corresponds to $\mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)}$ under (3.2.26). Thus we have the following:

Proposition 3.2.7. *Let $\pi(\eta_2)$ be the unique sub-representation of $I(\eta_2 \otimes \nu\eta_2)$. Then,*

$$(3.2.27) \quad \pi(\eta_2)^{G_{\delta+}} \cong \omega_{\mathrm{princ}}^\epsilon$$

$$(3.2.28) \quad \pi(\eta_2)^{G_{\alpha+}} \cong \mathrm{Ind}_P^{\mathrm{SL}_3}(\epsilon \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{GL}_2})$$

$$(3.2.29) \quad \pi(\eta_2)^{G_{\beta+}} \cong \epsilon \mathrm{St}_{G_\beta/G_{\beta+}} + \omega_{\mathrm{princ}}^{\eta_2}.$$

3.3. The supercuspidal representation $\pi_{\mathrm{s.c.}}(\eta_2)$.

We denote the following depth-zero supercuspidal representation of $G_2(F)$ as

$$(3.3.1) \quad \pi_{\mathrm{s.c.}}(\eta_2) := \mathrm{c}\text{-Ind}_{G_\beta}^{G_2}(\omega_{\mathrm{cusp}}^{\eta_2}).$$

We may readily calculate the G_{x+} -invariants of the supercuspidal representations $\pi_{\mathrm{s.c.}}(\eta_2)$, for various vertices x in the Bruhat-Tits building as follows:

Lemma 3.3.1. *Let $\pi_{\mathrm{s.c.}}(\eta_2)$ be as defined in (3.3.1). We have*

$$(3.3.2) \quad \pi_{\mathrm{s.c.}}(\eta_2)^{G_{\alpha+}} = 0$$

$$(3.3.3) \quad \pi_{\mathrm{s.c.}}(\eta_2)^{G_{\beta+}} \cong \omega_{\mathrm{cusp}}^{\eta_2}$$

$$(3.3.4) \quad \pi_{\mathrm{s.c.}}(\eta_2)^{G_{\delta+}} = 0$$

Proof. For each vertex x , by Mackey theory we have

$$(3.3.5) \quad \begin{aligned} \pi_{\mathrm{s.c.}}(\eta_2)^{G_{x+}} &\cong \bigoplus_{g \in G_\beta \backslash G_2/G_x} \mathrm{Ind}_{G_x \cap g^{-1}G_\beta g}^{G_x} ((\omega_{\mathrm{cusp}}^{\eta_2})^g)^{G_{x+} \cap g^{-1}G_\beta g} \\ &= \bigoplus_{g \in G_\beta \backslash G_2/G_x} \mathrm{Ind}_{G_x \cap G_{g^{-1}\beta}}^{G_x} ((\omega_{\mathrm{cusp}}^{\eta_2})^g)^{G_{x+} \cap G_{g^{-1}\beta}}. \end{aligned}$$

Here,

$$((\omega_{\mathrm{cusp}}^{\eta_2})^g)^{G_{x+} \cap G_{g^{-1}\beta}} \cong (\omega_{\mathrm{cusp}}^{\eta_2})^{G_\beta \cap G_{gx+}},$$

which is 0 unless $\beta = gx$ since otherwise $G_\beta \cap G_{gx+}$ will contain the unipotent radical of some parabolic subgroup of G_β , so $(\omega_{\mathrm{cusp}}^{\eta_2})^{G_\beta \cap G_{gx+}} = 0$ since $\omega_{\mathrm{cusp}}^{\eta_2}$ is cuspidal. \square

3.4. Characters on a neighborhood of 1. In this section, we express $\pi(\eta_2)^{G_{x+}}$ in terms of generalized Green functions (notations as in [DK06]), for $x = \delta, \alpha, \beta$. To each Weyl group conjugacy class $[w] \in W(G)$, let S_w be the unique torus in G such that Frobenius acts as w (i.e. the image of w under the bijection of [Car93, Prop 3.3.3]). We denote $R_w^\theta := R_{S_w}^\theta$. Firstly, note that

$$(3.4.1) \quad \text{Ch}(\text{St}_{\text{GL}_2}) = \frac{1}{2}(R_1^1 - R_{(12)}^1).$$

- (1) When $F = F_{G_2}$ (i.e. corresponding to the vertex δ), we have that $\pi(\eta_2)^{G_{\delta+}} \cong \omega_{\text{princ}}^\epsilon$ corresponds to $\text{St}_{\text{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)}$ under Lusztig's equivalence (3.2.26). By (3.4.1), we have

$$(3.4.2) \quad \text{Ch}_{\text{St}_{\text{SO}(4)}} = \frac{1}{4}(R_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}^1 - R_{A_1}^1 - R_{\tilde{A}_1}^1 + R_1^1).$$

Since Lusztig's equivalence (3.2.26) preserves multiplicities, we have

$$(3.4.3) \quad \text{Ch}_{\pi_{\text{princ}}^\epsilon} = \frac{1}{4}(R_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}^\epsilon - R_{A_1}^\epsilon - R_{\tilde{A}_1}^\epsilon + R_1^\epsilon).$$

Restricting to the unipotent locus, for $u \in G_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$ unipotent we have

$$\text{Ch}_{\pi_{\text{princ}}^\epsilon}(u) = \frac{1}{4}(\mathcal{Q}_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}^{FG_2} - \mathcal{Q}_{A_1}^{FG_2} - \mathcal{Q}_{\tilde{A}_1}^{FG_2} + \mathcal{Q}_1^{FG_2}).$$

- (2) When $F = F_{A_2}$ (i.e. corresponding to the vertex α), we have that $\pi(\eta_2)^{G_{\alpha+}} \cong \text{Ind}_P^{\text{SL}_3}(\epsilon \text{St}_{\text{GL}_2}) \in \mathcal{E}(\text{SL}_3, \begin{pmatrix} -1 & & \\ & -1 & \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix})$ corresponds, under Lusztig's equivalence, to $\text{St}_{\text{GL}_2} \in \mathcal{E}(\text{GL}_2, 1)$. By (3.4.1), we have

$$(3.4.4) \quad \text{Ch}(\text{Ind}_P^{\text{SL}_3}(\epsilon \text{St}_{\text{GL}_2})) = \frac{1}{2}(R_1^\epsilon - R_{A_1}^\epsilon).$$

Restricting to the unipotent locus, we have

$$\text{Ch}_{\text{Ind}_P^{\text{SL}_3}(\epsilon \text{St}_{\text{GL}_2})} = \frac{1}{2}(\mathcal{Q}_1^{FA_2} - \mathcal{Q}_{A_1}^{FA_2}).$$

- (3) When $F = F_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}$ (i.e. corresponding to the vertex β), we have that $\pi(\eta_2)^{G_{F+}} = \epsilon \text{St}_{\text{SO}_4} + \omega_{\text{princ}}^{\eta_2}$. On the unipotent locus of $\text{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$ we have (in the notation of §3.1):

$$\begin{cases} \text{Ch}(\omega_{\text{princ}}^{\eta_2}) + \text{Ch}(\omega_{\text{princ}}^{\eta_2'}) = R_1^1 \\ \text{Ch}(\omega_{\text{princ}}^{\eta_2}) - \text{Ch}(\omega_{\text{princ}}^{\eta_2'}) = q^* \mathcal{G}_{\text{sgn}} \end{cases},$$

where q^* is as defined in Remark 3.2.1. This implies that on the unipotents,

$$(3.4.5) \quad \text{Ch}_{\omega_{\text{princ}}^{\eta_2}} = \frac{1}{2}(\mathcal{Q}_1^{FA_1 \times \tilde{A}_1} \pm q^* \mathcal{G}_{\text{sgn}}).$$

Together with (3.4.2), we obtain:

$$(3.4.6) \quad \text{Ch}_{\pi(\eta_2)^{G_{F+}}} = \frac{1}{2}(\mathcal{Q}_1^{FA_1 \times \tilde{A}_1} \pm q^* \mathcal{G}_{\text{sgn}}) + \frac{1}{4}(\mathcal{Q}_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}^{FA_1 \times \tilde{A}_1} - \mathcal{Q}_{A_1}^{FA_1 \times \tilde{A}_1} - \mathcal{Q}_{\tilde{A}_1}^{FA_1 \times \tilde{A}_1} + \mathcal{Q}_1^{FA_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}).$$

- (4) When $F = F_{A_1}$ or F'_{A_1} , we have $\pi(\eta_2)^{G_{F+}} = \frac{3}{2}\mathcal{Q}_1^{FA_1} - \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{Q}_{A_1}^{FA_1}$ on unipotents.
(5) When $F = F_{\tilde{A}_1}$, then again $\pi(\eta_2)^{G_{F+}} = \frac{3}{2}\mathcal{Q}_1^{F\tilde{A}_1} - \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{Q}_{\tilde{A}_1}^{F\tilde{A}_1}$ on unipotents.
(6) When $F = F_\emptyset$ then $\pi(\eta_2)^{G_{F+}} = \epsilon \otimes \epsilon + 1 \otimes \epsilon + \epsilon \otimes 1$, so the character on unipotents is $3 = 3\mathcal{Q}_1^{\{e\}}$.

Similarly, we have

$$(3.4.7) \quad \text{Ch}(\omega_{\text{cusp}}^{\eta_2}) = \frac{1}{2}(\mathcal{Q}_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}^{F_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}} \pm q^* \mathcal{G}_{\text{sgn}}).$$

Therefore, we have the following:

Proposition 3.4.1. *For any ramified quadratic characters η_2 and η'_2 , the sum $\pi(\eta_2) + \pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta'_2)$ has a stable character on the topologically unipotent elements.*

Proof. From the discussion above, in the notation of [DK06, Table 4], we see that for some explicitly computable constants c_i ,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ch}_{\pi(\eta_2)} &= \frac{1}{8}c_1(D_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}^{\text{st}} + D_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}^{\text{unst}}) \pm c_2 D_{(F_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}, \mathcal{G}_{\text{sgn}})}^{\text{st}} + c_3 D_{A_1}^{\text{st}} + c_4 D_{\tilde{A}_1}^{\text{st}} + c_5 D_{\{e\}}^{\text{st}} \\ \text{Ch}_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_2)} &= \frac{1}{8}c_1(D_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}^{\text{st}} - D_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}^{\text{unst}}) \pm c_2 D_{(F_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}, \mathcal{G}_{\text{sgn}})}^{\text{st}}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, by [DK06, Lemma 6.4.1] the sum is always stable. \square

3.5. Characters on a neighborhood of $s \in G_2$. Let $s \in G_2$ be order 2 such that $Z_{G_2}(s) = \text{SO}_4$. By the construction in [AK07, §7], the distributions $\text{Ch}_{\pi(\eta_2)}$ and $\text{Ch}_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_2)}$ on G_2 induce distributions $\Theta_{\pi(\eta_2)}$ and $\Theta_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_2)}$ on $(\text{SO}_4)_{0+}$, the topologically unipotent elements in SO_4 , such that the attached locally constant functions are compatible (see [AK07, Lemma 7.5]). We hope to see when the sum $\Theta_{\pi(\eta_2)} + \Theta_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta'_2)}$ is a stable distribution on $(\text{SO}_4)_{0+}$.

We now look at the characters on an element of the form su for u topologically unipotent. They follow from computations in §3.4.

(1) When $F = F_{G_2}$, by (3.4.3) and [DL76, Thm 4.2], we have for $u \in \text{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$ unipotent:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ch}_{\pi_{\text{princ}}^\epsilon}(su) &= \frac{1}{4} \left(R_{S_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}}^\epsilon(su) - R_{S_{A_1}}^\epsilon(su) - R_{S_{\tilde{A}_1}}^\epsilon(su) + R_{S_1}^\epsilon(su) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4|\text{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)|} \left(\sum_{gsg^{-1} \in S_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}} \epsilon(gsg^{-1}) \mathcal{Q}_{S_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}}^{\text{SO}_4}(u) - \sum_{gsg^{-1} \in S_{A_1}} \epsilon(gsg^{-1}) \mathcal{Q}_{S_{A_1}}^{\text{SO}_4}(u) \right. \\ (3.5.1) \quad &\quad \left. - \sum_{gsg^{-1} \in S_{\tilde{A}_1}} \epsilon(gsg^{-1}) \mathcal{Q}_{S_{\tilde{A}_1}}^{\text{SO}_4}(u) + \sum_{gsg^{-1} \in S_1} \epsilon(gsg^{-1}) \mathcal{Q}_{S_1}^{\text{SO}_4}(u) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} (\mathcal{Q}_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}^{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}(u) - \mathcal{Q}_{A_1}^{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}(u) - \mathcal{Q}_{\tilde{A}_1}^{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}(u) + \mathcal{Q}_1^{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}(u)) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{2}} \mathcal{Q}_1^{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}(u) + \frac{1}{2} (-1)^{\frac{q+1}{2}} \mathcal{Q}_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}^{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}(u), \end{aligned}$$

where the last equality follows from the observation that $gsg^{-1} \in S$ must be an order 2 element; there are 3 such elements for the tori $S_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}$ and S_1 , while there is a unique such element for the tori S_{A_1} and $S_{\tilde{A}_1}$.

(2) When $F = F_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}$, since $s \in G_F$ is central, we simply have:

$$(3.5.2) \quad \text{Ch}_{\pi(\eta_2)^{G_{F+}}}(su) = (-1)^{\frac{q-1}{2}} \frac{1}{2} (\mathcal{Q}_1^{F_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}} \pm q^* \mathcal{G}_{\text{sgn}}) + \frac{1}{4} (\mathcal{Q}_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}^{F_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}} - \mathcal{Q}_{A_1}^{F_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}} - \mathcal{Q}_{\tilde{A}_1}^{F_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}} + \mathcal{Q}_1^{F_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}}).$$

Similarly, we have

$$(3.5.3) \quad \text{Ch}_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_2)^{G_{F+}}}(su) = (-1)^{\frac{q+1}{2}} \frac{1}{2} (\mathcal{Q}_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}^{F_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}} \pm q^* \mathcal{G}_{\text{sgn}}).$$

Since we already know that the character of St_{SO_4} is stable, we hope to see whether $\Theta_{\pi(\eta_2)} + \Theta_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_2)} - \text{Ch}_{\text{St}_{\text{SO}_4}}$ or $\Theta_{\pi(\eta_2)} + \Theta_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta'_2)} - \text{Ch}_{\text{St}_{\text{SO}_4}}$ is stable. Note that

$$(3.5.4) \quad \Theta_{\pi(\eta_2)} + \Theta_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_2)} - \text{Ch}_{\text{St}_{\text{SO}_4}} = c_1 D_{(F_{A_1 \times \bar{A}_1}, \mathcal{Q}_{A_1 \times \bar{A}_1}^{F_{A_1 \times \bar{A}_1}})} + c_2 D_{(F_{A_1 \times \bar{A}_1}, \mathcal{Q}_1^{F_{A_1 \times \bar{A}_1}})} \pm q^* \mathcal{G}_{\text{sgn}} \pm q^* \mathcal{G}'_{\text{sgn}},$$

where notations are as in [DK06, Definition 5.1.3].

Lemma 3.5.1. *The distribution $D_{(F_{A_1 \times \bar{A}_1}, \mathcal{G}_{\text{sgn}})}$ on $\text{SO}_4(F)$ is not stable. Similarly, no linear combination of the distributions $D_{(F_{A_2}, \mathcal{G}_{\chi'})}$ and $D_{(F_{A_2}, \mathcal{G}_{\chi''})}$ on $\text{SL}_3(F)$ are stable.*

Proof. A distribution on $\text{SO}_4(F)$ is stable if and only if it is stable under conjugation by $\text{PGL}_2(F) \times \text{PGL}_2(F)$. Thus all stable distributions on SO_4 must be restricted from invariant distributions on $\text{PGL}_2(F) \times \text{PGL}_2(F)$. But the only invariant distributions on $\text{PGL}_2(F) \times \text{PGL}_2(F)$ are spanned by semisimple orbital integrals, and $D_{(F_{A_1 \times \bar{A}_1}, \mathcal{G}_{\text{sgn}})}$ is linearly independent from them (as can be seen by evaluating against \mathcal{G}_{sgn}). An identical argument works for $D_{(F_{A_2}, \mathcal{G}_{\chi'})}$ and $D_{(F_{A_2}, \mathcal{G}_{\chi''})}$. \square

Now, since $D_{(F_{A_1 \times \bar{A}_1}, \mathcal{G}_{\text{sgn}})}$ is not stable, the only linear combination of $\Theta_{\pi(\eta_2)}$ and $\Theta_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_2)}$ that is stable are those for which $\pm q^* \mathcal{G}_{\text{sgn}} \pm q^* \mathcal{G}'_{\text{sgn}} = 0$ (there are four possibilities). Remark 3.2.3 tells us the only such combinations are $\Theta_{\pi(\eta_2)} + \Theta_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_2)} - \text{Ch}_{\text{St}_{\text{SO}_4}}$ (one for η_2 and one for η'_2). Thus, we have:

Theorem 3.5.2. *For ramified quadratic characters η_2 and η'_2 , the character $\text{Ch}_{\pi(\eta_2)} + \text{Ch}_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta'_2)}$ is stable in a neighborhood of s if and only if $\eta_2 = \eta'_2$. Thus, $\{\pi(\eta_2), \pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_2)\}$ is an L -packet, for each ramified quadratic character η_2 .*

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Let ζ be an order 3 character of \mathbb{F}_q^\times . We will repeatedly use the following Hecke algebra isomorphisms, which is the analogue of Lemma 3.2.4.

Corollary 4.0.1. *Let I be the standard Iwahori of G_2 . There exist a canonical support-preserving isomorphism of Hecke algebra*

$$(4.0.1) \quad \mathcal{H}(G_2//I, \zeta^{\pm 1} \otimes \zeta^{\pm 1}) \cong \mathcal{H}(\text{PGL}_3//J, \zeta^{\pm 1} \circ \det),$$

under which the representation $\pi(\eta_3)$ corresponds to the representation $\eta_3^{\pm 1} \text{St}_{\text{PGL}_3}$, where J is an Iwahori subgroup of $\text{PGL}_3(F)$. The isomorphism is characterized by the commutative diagram

$$(4.0.2) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{H}(T//T_0, \zeta^{\pm 1} \otimes \zeta^{\pm 1}) & \xlongequal{\quad} & \mathcal{H}(T//T_0, \zeta^{\pm 1} \circ \det) \\ \downarrow t_u & & \downarrow t_u \\ \mathcal{H}(G_2//I, \zeta^{\pm 1} \otimes \zeta^{\pm 1}) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \mathcal{H}(\text{PGL}_3//J, \zeta^{\pm 1} \circ \det), \end{array}$$

where $t_u = t_{\delta_B^{-1/2}}$ is as in [Roc98, pg 399].

Proof. Same proof as in Lemma 3.2.4. \square

The lemma immediately gives:

Corollary 4.0.2. *Let I_+ be the pro-unipotent radical of the Iwahori subgroup I of G_2 . Then*

$$\pi(\eta_3)^{I_+} = \zeta \otimes \zeta + \zeta^{-1} \otimes \zeta^{-1}.$$

4.1. Calculating parahoric invariants for $\pi(\eta_3)$.

4.1.1. *Calculating $\pi(\eta_3)^{G_{\alpha+}}$.* Similar to §3.2.1, we have an isomorphism of representations of $G_{\alpha}/G_{\alpha+} \cong \mathrm{SL}_3(\mathbb{F}_q)$,

$$(4.1.1) \quad I_B^{G_2}(\nu\eta_3 \otimes \eta_3)^{G_{\alpha+}} \cong \bigoplus_{w \in W/W(\mathrm{SL}_3)} \mathrm{Ind}_{G_{\alpha} \cap wBw^{-1}/(G_{\alpha+} \cap wBw^{-1})}^{G_{\alpha}/G_{\alpha+}} (\zeta \otimes \zeta)^w,$$

Therefore, the $G_{\alpha+}$ -invariants of $I_B^{G_2}(\nu\eta_3 \otimes \eta_3)$ gives

$$(4.1.2) \quad I_B^{G_2}(\nu\eta_3 \otimes \eta_3)^{G_{\alpha+}} \simeq \mathrm{Ind}_B^{\mathrm{SL}_3}(\zeta^{-1} \otimes 1 \otimes \zeta) + \mathrm{Ind}_B^{\mathrm{SL}_3}(\zeta^{-1} \otimes 1 \otimes \zeta).$$

Likewise, computing the $G_{\alpha+}$ -invariants of I_{α} gives us the following

$$(4.1.3) \quad I_{\alpha}(\nu^{1/2}\eta_3 \mathrm{St})^{G_{\alpha+}} \simeq \mathrm{Ind}_B^{\mathrm{SL}_3}(\zeta^{-1} \otimes 1 \otimes \zeta)$$

$$(4.1.4) \quad I_{\alpha}(\nu^{1/2}\eta_3^{-1} \mathrm{St})^{G_{\alpha+}} \simeq \mathrm{Ind}_B^{\mathrm{SL}_3}(\zeta^{-1} \otimes 1 \otimes \zeta).$$

The representation $\mathrm{Ind}_B^{\mathrm{SL}_3}(\zeta^{-1} \otimes 1 \otimes \zeta)$ has length 3 and decomposes into three representations $\chi_{st'}(0)$, $\chi_{st'}(1)$, and $\chi_{st'}(2)$ in the notations of [SF73, Table 1b, §7]. These representations are conjugate under conjugation by $\mathrm{PGL}_3(\mathbb{F}_q)$. Similarly, the Deligne-Lusztig induction R_T^{ζ} , where $T \subset \mathrm{SL}_3(\mathbb{F}_q)$ is an anisotropic torus, decomposes into three cuspidal representations $\chi_{r^2s'}(0)$, $\chi_{r^2s'}(1)$, and $\chi_{r^2s'}(2)$ that form an orbit under conjugation by $\mathrm{PGL}_3(\mathbb{F}_q)$.

The representation $\chi_{st'}(0)$ (resp., $\chi_{r^2s'}(0)$) is characterized by the character value

$$\mathrm{Ch}_{\chi_{st'}(0)} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \theta^{\ell} & \\ & 1 & \theta^{\ell} \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \mathrm{Ch}_{\chi_{r^2s'}(0)} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \theta^{\ell} & \\ & 1 & \theta^{\ell} \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix} = q\delta_{\ell 0} - \frac{q-1}{3},$$

where $\theta \in \mathbb{F}_q$ is such that $\theta^3 \neq 1$.

Definition 4.1.1. Let η_3 be a ramified cubic character of F^{\times} . Then there is a uniformizer ϖ such that $\eta_3(\varpi) = 1$. We let

$$(4.1.5) \quad \omega_{\mathrm{princ}}^{\eta_3} := \chi_{st'}(0)^{\mathrm{diag}(1,1,\varpi)}$$

$$(4.1.6) \quad \omega_{\mathrm{cusp}}^{\eta_3} := \chi_{r^2s'}(0)^{\mathrm{diag}(1,1,\varpi)}$$

be representations of $G_{\alpha}/G_{\alpha+} \cong H_{\alpha}/H_{\alpha+}$.

Remark 4.1.2. Note that $\omega_{\mathrm{princ}}^{\eta_3} = \omega_{\mathrm{princ}}^{\eta_3^{-1}}$ and $\omega_{\mathrm{cusp}}^{\eta_3} = \omega_{\mathrm{cusp}}^{\eta_3^{-1}}$. These are the only overlaps in the definition above.

Remark 4.1.3. As in [DM20], the representations $\omega_{\mathrm{princ}}^{\eta_3}$ and $\omega_{\mathrm{cusp}}^{\eta_3}$ are common components of the reducible Deligne-Lusztig induction R_T^{ζ} and the Gelfand-Graev representation $\Gamma_{\beta,\mathcal{O}}$ (notation as in [BM97, Thm 4.5]) associated to the nilpotent orbit $\mathcal{O} = \mathcal{O}_1^1$ (notation as in [DK06, §7.1]).

Proposition 4.1.4. *There is an isomorphism of $G_{\alpha}/G_{\alpha+}$ -representations*

$$\pi(\eta_3)^{G_{\alpha+}} \cong \omega_{\mathrm{princ}}^{\eta_3}.$$

Proof. Let $N = I_+/G_{\alpha+} \subseteq G_{\alpha}/G_{\alpha+}$ be a maximal unipotent subgroup. By Proposition 4.0.2, the $G_{\alpha}/G_{\alpha+}$ -representation $\pi(\eta_2)^{G_{\alpha+}}$ has N -invariance $\zeta^{-1} \otimes 1 \otimes \zeta + \zeta \otimes 1 \otimes \zeta^{-1}$. Thus

$$(4.1.7) \quad \pi(\eta_2)^{G_{\beta+}} = I_{\alpha}(\nu^{1/2}\eta_3 \mathrm{St})^{G_{\beta+}}$$

$$(4.1.8) \quad = \mathrm{Ind}_B^{\mathrm{SL}_3}(\zeta^{-1} \otimes 1 \otimes \zeta)$$

must be of the form $\chi_{r^2s'}(u)$ for some u (as abstract representations of $\mathrm{SL}_3(\mathbb{F}_q)$), since

$$\chi_{r^2s'}(u)^N \cong \zeta^{-1} \otimes 1 \otimes \zeta + \zeta \otimes 1 \otimes \zeta^{-1}.$$

Consider the isomorphism Lemma 3.2.4

$$(4.1.9) \quad \mathcal{H}(G_2//\mathcal{I}, \zeta \otimes 1) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{H}(\mathrm{PGL}_3//\mathcal{J}, \zeta \circ \det),$$

which is support-preserving. Let $\tilde{\mathcal{J}} := \mathcal{J} \rtimes \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} & 1 \\ \varpi & \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle$ be the stabilizer of an alcove in the building of $\mathrm{PGL}_3(F)$. Then we have the following commutative diagram,

$$(4.1.10) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{H}(G_2//\mathcal{I}, \zeta \otimes \zeta) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \mathcal{H}(\mathrm{PGL}_3//\mathcal{J}, \zeta \circ \det) \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \mathcal{H}(G_\alpha//\mathcal{I}, \zeta \otimes \zeta) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \mathcal{H}(\tilde{\mathcal{J}}//\mathcal{J}, \zeta \circ \det) \end{array}$$

The representation $\pi(\eta_3)$ is viewed as a homomorphism $\mathcal{H}(G_2//\mathcal{I}, \zeta \otimes \zeta) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$. Under the top isomorphism we obtain the representation $\eta_3 \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{PGL}_3}$, whose restriction to $\mathcal{H}(\tilde{\mathcal{J}}//\mathcal{J}, \zeta \circ \det)$ is the character $\eta_3 \circ \det$. Now under the bottom isomorphism we obtain $\omega_{\mathrm{princ}}^{\eta_3}$, so $\omega_{\mathrm{princ}}^{\eta_3}$ must be a constituent of $\pi(\eta_3)^{G_{\alpha+}}$.

In fact, by the discussion above, $\pi(\eta_3)^{G_{\alpha+}} \cong \omega_{\mathrm{princ}}^{\eta_3}$. □

4.1.2. *Calculating $\pi(\eta_3)^{G_{\beta+}}$.* As usual, Mackey theory gives:

$$(4.1.11) \quad I_B^{G_2}(\eta_3 \otimes \nu\eta_3)^{G_{\beta+}} = \mathrm{Ind}_B^{\mathrm{SO}_4}(\zeta \otimes \zeta^{-1} \otimes 1 \otimes 1) + \mathrm{Ind}_B^{\mathrm{SO}_4}(\zeta \otimes 1 \otimes \zeta \otimes 1)^2$$

$$(4.1.12) \quad I_\alpha(\nu^{1/2}\eta_3 \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{GL}_2})^{G_{\beta+}} = \mathrm{Ind}_P^{\mathrm{SO}_4}(\zeta \otimes \zeta^{-1} \otimes \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{GL}_2}) + \mathrm{Ind}_B^{\mathrm{SO}_4}(\zeta \otimes 1 \otimes \zeta \otimes 1)$$

$$(4.1.13) \quad I_\alpha(\nu^{1/2}\eta_3^{-1} \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{GL}_2})^{G_{\beta+}} = \mathrm{Ind}_P^{\mathrm{SO}_4}(\zeta^{-1} \otimes \zeta \otimes \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{GL}_2}) + \mathrm{Ind}_B^{\mathrm{SO}_4}(\zeta^{-1} \otimes 1 \otimes \zeta^{-1} \otimes 1).$$

Thus, as $\mathrm{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q) \cong G_\beta/G_{\beta+}$ -representations, we have

$$\pi(\eta_3)^{G_{\beta+}} \subset \mathrm{Ind}_P^{\mathrm{SO}_4}(\zeta \otimes \zeta^{-1} \otimes \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{GL}_2}) + \mathrm{Ind}_B^{\mathrm{SO}_4}(\zeta \otimes 1 \otimes \zeta \otimes 1),$$

where now both summands are irreducible. Moreover, the invariants of these representation with respect to the standard maximal unipotent subgroup $N \subset \mathrm{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$ gives:

$$(4.1.14) \quad \mathrm{Ind}_P^{\mathrm{SO}_4}(\zeta \otimes \zeta^{-1} \otimes \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{GL}_2})^N \cong \zeta \otimes \zeta^{-1} \otimes 1 \otimes 1 + \zeta^{-1} \otimes \zeta \otimes 1 \otimes 1$$

$$(4.1.15) \quad \mathrm{Ind}_B^{\mathrm{SO}_4}(\zeta \otimes 1 \otimes \zeta \otimes 1)^N \cong \zeta \otimes 1 \otimes \zeta \otimes 1 + \zeta \otimes 1 \otimes 1 \otimes \zeta$$

$$(4.1.16) \quad + 1 \otimes \zeta \otimes \zeta \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \zeta \otimes 1 \otimes \zeta.$$

Thus, by Lemma 4.0.2 we must have $\pi(\eta_3)^{G_{\beta+}} \cong \mathrm{Ind}_P^{\mathrm{SO}_4}(\zeta \otimes \zeta^{-1} \otimes \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{GL}_2})$.

4.1.3. *Calculating $\pi(\eta_3)^{G_{\delta+}}$.* Mackey theory gives the isomorphism of $G_\delta/G_{\delta+} \cong G_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$:

$$(4.1.17) \quad I_B^{G_2}(\eta_3 \otimes \nu\eta_3)^{G_{\delta+}} = \mathrm{Ind}_{B(\mathbb{F}_q)}^{G_2(\mathbb{F}_q)}(\zeta \otimes \zeta)$$

$$(4.1.18) \quad I_\alpha(\nu^{1/2}\eta_3^{\pm 1} \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{GL}_2})^{G_{\delta+}} = \mathrm{Ind}_{P_\alpha(\mathbb{F}_q)}^{G_2(\mathbb{F}_q)}(\zeta^{\pm 1} \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{GL}_2}).$$

Thus, $\pi(\eta_3)^{G_{\delta+}}$ is the intersection in $\mathrm{Ind}_{B(\mathbb{F}_q)}^{G_2(\mathbb{F}_q)}(\zeta \otimes \zeta)$ of the two sub-representations $\mathrm{Ind}_{P_\alpha(\mathbb{F}_q)}^{G_2(\mathbb{F}_q)}(\zeta \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{GL}_2})$ and $\mathrm{Ind}_{P_\alpha(\mathbb{F}_q)}^{G_2(\mathbb{F}_q)}(\zeta^{-1} \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{GL}_2})$, which we denote by $\omega_{\mathrm{princ}}^\zeta$. In terms of Lusztig's equivalence [Lus84, Thm 4.23], if $s \in G_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$ is of order 3 such that $Z_{G_2(\mathbb{F}_q)}(s) = \mathrm{SL}_3(\mathbb{F}_q)$, we have

$$(4.1.19) \quad \mathcal{E}(G_2(\mathbb{F}_q), s) \cong \mathcal{E}(\mathrm{PGL}_3(\mathbb{F}_q), 1),$$

and $\omega_{\mathrm{princ}}^\zeta$ corresponds to $\mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{PGL}_3(\mathbb{F}_q)}$ under (4.1.19). Thus, in conclusion:

Proposition 4.1.5. *Let $\pi(\eta_3)$ be the unique sub-representation of $I(\eta_3 \otimes \nu\eta_3)$. Then,*

$$(4.1.20) \quad \pi(\eta_3)^{G_{\delta+}} = \omega_{\text{princ}}^\zeta$$

$$(4.1.21) \quad \pi(\eta_3)^{G_{\alpha+}} = \omega_{\text{princ}}^{\eta_3}$$

$$(4.1.22) \quad \pi(\eta_3)^{G_{\beta+}} = \text{Ind}_P^{\text{SO}_4}(\zeta \otimes \zeta^{-1} \otimes \text{St}_{\text{GL}_2})$$

4.2. The supercuspidal representation $\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_3)$. We consider the following depth-zero supercuspidal representation of $G_2(F)$:

$$(4.2.1) \quad \pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_3) := \text{c-Ind}_{G_\alpha}^{G_2}(\omega_{\text{cusp}}^{\eta_3}).$$

By the same argument as in Lemma 3.3.1, we obtain

Lemma 4.2.1. *Let $\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_3)$ be as defined in (4.2.1).*

$$(4.2.2) \quad \pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_3)^{G_{\delta+}} = 0$$

$$(4.2.3) \quad \pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_3)^{G_{\alpha+}} = \omega_{\text{cusp}}^{\eta_3}$$

$$(4.2.4) \quad \pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_3)^{G_{\beta+}} = 0.$$

4.3. Characters on a neighborhood of 1. Similar arguments as in §3.4 gives the following characters for $\pi(\eta_3)$ in terms of Green functions:

(1) For $F = F_{G_2}$, we have

$$\text{Ch}_{\omega_{\text{princ}}^\zeta} = \frac{1}{6}(R_1^\zeta - 3R_{A_1}^\zeta + 2R_{A_2}^\zeta),$$

thus for $u \in G_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$ unipotent, we have $\text{Ch}_{\omega_{\text{princ}}^\zeta}(u) = \frac{1}{6}(\mathcal{Q}_1^{FG_2}(u) - 3\mathcal{Q}_{A_1}^{FG_2}(u) + 2\mathcal{Q}_{A_2}^{FG_2}(u))$.

(2) For $F = F_{A_2}$ we have, for $u \in G_F/G_{F+}$ unipotent,

$$\text{Ch}_{\omega_{\text{princ}}^{\eta_3}}(u) = \frac{1}{3}(\mathcal{Q}_1^{FA_2}(u) + \omega\mathcal{G}_{\chi'}(u) + \omega^2\mathcal{G}_{\chi''}(u))$$

for some ω a cube root of unity (uniquely determined by η_3).

(3) For $F = F_{A_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}$, we have

$$\text{Ch}_{\text{Ind}_P^{\text{SO}_4}(\zeta \otimes \zeta^{-1} \otimes \text{St}_{\text{GL}_2})} = \frac{1}{2}(R_1^\zeta - R_{\tilde{A}_1}^\zeta),$$

thus for $u \in G_F$ unipotent, we have

$$(4.3.1) \quad \text{Ch}_{\text{Ind}_P^{\text{SO}_4}(\zeta \otimes \zeta^{-1} \otimes \text{St}_{\text{GL}_2})}(u) = \frac{1}{2}(\mathcal{Q}_1^{FA_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}(u) - \mathcal{Q}_{\tilde{A}_1}^{FA_1 \times \tilde{A}_1}(u)).$$

(4) For $F = F_{A_1}$, we have $\pi(\eta_3)^{G_{F+}} \cong \text{Ind}_B^{\text{GL}_2}(\zeta \otimes \zeta^{-1})$, so on unipotent elements, we have $\text{Ch}_{\pi(\eta_3)^{G_{F+}}} = \mathcal{Q}_1^{A_1}$.

(5) For $F = F_{\tilde{A}_1}$, we have $\pi(\eta_3)^{G_{F+}} \cong \zeta \text{St}_{\text{GL}_2} + \zeta^{-1} \text{St}_{\text{GL}_2}$, so on unipotent elements, we have $\text{Ch}_{\pi(\eta_3)^{G_{F+}}} = \mathcal{Q}_1^{\tilde{A}_1} - \mathcal{Q}_{\tilde{A}_1}^{\tilde{A}_1}$.

(6) Finally for $F = F_\emptyset$ we have $\pi(\eta_3)^{G_{F+}} = \zeta \otimes \zeta \oplus \zeta^{-1} \otimes \zeta^{-1}$ (as in Corollary 4.0.2), so the character on unipotent elements is $2\mathcal{Q}_{\{e\}}^{F_\emptyset}$.

Similarly, for $\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_3)$ we have

$$(4.3.2) \quad \text{Ch}_{\omega_{\text{cusp}}^{\eta_3}}(u) = \frac{1}{3}(\mathcal{Q}_{A_2}^{FA_2}(u) + \omega\mathcal{G}_{\chi'}(u) + \omega^2\mathcal{G}_{\chi''}(u))$$

where ω is a cube root of unity (uniquely determined by η_3) and $\mathcal{G}_{\chi'}, \mathcal{G}_{\chi''}$ are generalized Green functions as in [DK06, §5.2.2]. Let $\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_3)^\vee$ denote the dual representation of $\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_3)$. We have:

Proposition 4.3.1. *All combinations $\pi(\eta_3) + \pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta'_3) + \pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta''_3)^\vee$ for any (possibly equal) ramified cubic characters η_3 , η'_3 , and η''_3 have stable Harish-Chandra characters on the topologically unipotent elements of G_2 .*

Proof. From the discussion above, in the notation of [DK06, Table 4], we see that for some explicitly computable² constants c_i and some cube roots of unity ω_i (uniquely determined by η_3 , η'_3 , and η''_3 , respectively),

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Ch}_{\pi(\eta_3)} &= \frac{1}{9}c_1(D_{A_2}^{\text{st}} + 2D_{A_2}^{\text{unst}}) + c_2(\omega_1 D_{(F_{A_2}, \mathcal{G}_{\chi'})}^{\text{st}} + \omega_1^2 D_{(F_{A_2}, \mathcal{G}_{\chi''})}^{\text{st}}) - c_3 D_{\bar{A}_1}^{\text{st}} + c_4 D_{\{e\}}^{\text{st}} \\ \text{Ch}_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta'_3)} &= \frac{1}{9}c_1(D_{A_2}^{\text{st}} - D_{A_2}^{\text{unst}}) + c_2(\omega_2 D_{(F_{A_2}, \mathcal{G}_{\chi'})}^{\text{st}} + \omega_2^2 D_{(F_{A_2}, \mathcal{G}_{\chi''})}^{\text{st}}) \\ \text{Ch}_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta''_3)^\vee} &= \frac{1}{9}c_1(D_{A_2}^{\text{st}} - D_{A_2}^{\text{unst}}) + c_2(\omega_3 D_{(F_{A_2}, \mathcal{G}_{\chi'})}^{\text{st}} + \omega_3^2 D_{(F_{A_2}, \mathcal{G}_{\chi''})}^{\text{st}})\end{aligned}$$

Thus, by [DK06, Lemma 6.4.1] the sum $\text{Ch}_{\pi(\eta_3)} + \text{Ch}_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta'_3)} + \text{Ch}_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta''_3)^\vee}$ is always stable. \square

4.4. Characters on a neighborhood of $s \in G_2$. Let $s \in G_2$ be order 3 such that $Z_{G_2}(s) = \text{SL}_3$. The same construction as in §3.5 gives rise to invariant distributions $\Theta_{\pi(\eta_3)}$, $\Theta_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_3)}$, and $\Theta_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_3)^\vee}$ on the topologically unipotent elements of SL_3 such that they are represented by compatible locally constant functions (for each ramified cubic η_3). Similar calculations as in §3.5 gives:

Theorem 4.4.1. *For ramified cubic characters η_3 , η'_3 , and η''_3 , the sum $\text{Ch}_{\pi(\eta_3)} + \text{Ch}_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta'_3)} + \text{Ch}_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta''_3)^\vee}$ is stable in a neighborhood of s if and only if $\eta_3 = \eta'_3 = \eta''_3$. Thus, $\{\pi(\eta_3), \pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_3), \pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_3)^\vee\}$ is an L -packet, for each ramified cubic character η_3 .*

Proof. By Lemma 3.5.1 (together with [DK06, Lemma 6.4.1]), a character on the topologically unipotent locus $(\text{SL}_3(F))_{0+}$ in $\text{SL}_3(F)$ is stable if and only if it is in the span of semisimple orbital integrals. By [SF73, Table 1b], for $u \in H_\alpha/H_{\alpha+}$ unipotent, we have

$$(\omega_{\text{princ}}^{\eta_3} + \omega_{\text{cusp}}^{\eta_3} + (\omega_{\text{cusp}}^{\eta_3})^\vee)(su) = \mathcal{Q}_1^{F_{A_2}}(u) + 2\mathcal{Q}_2^{F_{A_2}}(u),$$

which is the only linear combination of $\omega_{\text{princ}}^{\eta_3}$, $\omega_{\text{cusp}}^{\eta_3}$, and $(\omega_{\text{cusp}}^{\eta_3})^\vee$ for which the generalized Green functions $\mathcal{G}_{\chi'}$ and $\mathcal{G}_{\chi''}$ do not appear. Thus, by [DK06, Lemma 5.2.10], the sum $\text{Ch}_{\pi(\eta_3)} + \text{Ch}_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_3)} + \text{Ch}_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_3)^\vee}$ is the only stable combination. \square

In fact:

Theorem 4.4.2. *For a ramified cubic character η_3 , the sum $\text{Ch}_{\pi(\eta_3)} + \text{Ch}_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_3)} + \text{Ch}_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_3)^\vee}$ is stable. Similarly, for a ramified quadratic character η_2 , the sum $\text{Ch}_{\pi(\eta_2)} + \text{Ch}_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_2)}$ is stable.*

Proof. We have calculated distributions $\text{Ch}_{\pi(\eta_3)}$, $\text{Ch}_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_3)}$, and $\text{Ch}_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_3)^\vee}$ (resp., $\text{Ch}_{\pi(\eta_2)}$ and $\text{Ch}_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_2)}$) on topologically unipotent neighborhoods of 1 and s . A similar (but easier) calculation gives explicit formulae for the distributions on neighborhoods of other (thus arbitrary) topologically semisimple elements $\gamma \in G_2$.

These calculations are enough to prove stability of the characters of $\text{Ch}_{\pi(\eta_2)} + \text{Ch}_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_2)}$ and $\text{Ch}_{\pi(\eta_3)} + \text{Ch}_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_3)} + \text{Ch}_{\pi_{\text{s.c.}}(\eta_3)^\vee}$ on compact elements. By [Cas77, Theorem 5.2] (by an argument similar to [DR09, Lemma 9.3.1]), we conclude full stability, i.e. Property 2.1.1. \square

APPENDIX A. CHARACTER TABLE OF $\text{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$

A.1. Classifying conjugacy classes in $\text{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$. We introduce the following notation:

- $c_1(x) = \begin{pmatrix} x & \\ & x \end{pmatrix}$ where $x \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times$

²They are calculable via formulae in [DK06]; for brevity we do not include them here.

- $c_2(x, \gamma) = \begin{pmatrix} x & \gamma \\ & x \end{pmatrix}$ where $x \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times$ and $\gamma \neq 0 \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times$. When $\gamma = 1$ let $c_2(x) := c_2(x, 1)$
- $c_3(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} x & \\ & y \end{pmatrix}$ where $x \neq y \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times$. When $xy = 1$ let $c_3(x) := c_3(x, x^{-1})$, where $x \neq \pm 1$.
- $c_4(z)$ for the matrix with eigenvalues z and z^q , for $z \in \mathbb{F}_{q^2} \setminus \mathbb{F}_q$.

Moreover, choose an element $\Delta \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times \setminus (\mathbb{F}_q^\times)^2$ and an element $\alpha \in \mathbb{F}_{q^2}^\times$ such that $\alpha^{q-1} = -1$, a choice of which is unique up to scaling by \mathbb{F}_q^\times .

Lemma A.1.1. *Let q be odd. The conjugacy classes in $\mathrm{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$ are one of:*

- (1) $c_1(1) \times c_1(\pm 1)$. There are 2 such conjugacy classes.
- (2) $c_1(1) \times c_2(\pm 1)$. There are 2 such conjugacy classes.
- (3) $c_1(1) \times c_3(x_2)$ for $x_2 \neq \pm 1 \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times$. Since $c_3(x_2) = c_3(x_2^{-1})$ in $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$, there are $(q-3)/2$ such conjugacy classes.
- (4) $c_1(1) \times c_4(z_2)$ for $z_2 \in \mathbb{F}_{q^2} \setminus \mathbb{F}_q$ such that $z_2^{q+1} = 1$. Since $c_4(z_2) = c_4(z_2^{-1})$ in $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$ there are $(q-1)/2$ such conjugacy classes.
- (5) $c_2(\pm 1) \times c_1(1) = c_2(1) \times c_1(\pm 1)$. There are 2 such conjugacy classes.
- (6) $c_2(1) \times c_2(\pm 1, \gamma_2)$ for $\gamma_2 \in \{1, \Delta\}$. There are 4 such conjugacy classes.
- (7) $c_2(1) \times c_3(x_2)$ for $x_2 \neq \pm 1 \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times$. Since $c_3(x_2) = c_3(x_2^{-1})$ in $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$, there are $(q-3)/2$ such conjugacy classes.
- (8) $c_2(1) \times c_4(z_2)$ for $z_2 \in \mathbb{F}_{q^2} \setminus \mathbb{F}_q$ with $z_2^{q+1} = 1$. Since $c_4(z_2) = c_4(z_2^{-1})$ there are $(q-1)/2$ such conjugacy classes.
- (9) $c_3(x_1) \times c_1(1)$ for $x_1 \neq \pm 1 \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times$. Since $c_3(x_1) = c_3(x_1^{-1})$ in $\mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$ there are $(q-3)/2$ such conjugacy classes.
- (10) $c_3(x_1) \times c_2(1)$ for $x_1 \neq \pm 1 \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times$. Since $c_3(x_1) = c_3(x_1^{-1})$ in $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$ there are $(q-3)/2$ such conjugacy classes.
- (11) $c_3 \times c_3$. There are the following cases:
 - (a) $c_3(x_1) \times c_3(x_2)$ where $x_1^2 \neq -1$ or $x_2^2 \neq -1$, then since $c_3(x_1) = c_3(x_1^{-1})$ and $c_3(x_2) = c_3(x_2^{-1})$ in $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$, and $c_3(x_1) \times c_3(x_2) = c_3(-x_1) \times c_3(-x_2)$ there are

$$\begin{cases} \frac{(q-3)^2-4}{8} & q \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \\ \frac{(q-3)^2}{8} & q \equiv -1 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$$

such conjugacy classes.

- (b) $c_3(x_1, \Delta x_1^{-1}) \times c_3(x_2, \Delta x_2^{-1})$ where $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times$ and $x_1^2 \neq -\Delta$ or $x_2^2 \neq -\Delta$. Since $c_3(x_1, \Delta x_1^{-1}) = c_3(\Delta x_1^{-1}, x_1)$ and $c_3(x_2) = c_3(\Delta x_2^{-1})$ in $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$ there are

$$\begin{cases} \frac{(q-1)^2}{8} & q \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \\ \frac{(q-1)^2-4}{8} & q \equiv -1 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$$

such conjugacy classes.

- (c) $c_3(-1, 1) \times c_3(-1, 1)$. There is one such conjugacy class.

- (12) $c_3 \times c_4$. There are the following cases:

- $c_3(x_1) \times c_4(z_2)$ for $x_1 \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times$ and $z \in \mathbb{F}_{q^2} \setminus \mathbb{F}_q$ such that $z_2^{q+1} = 1$.
- $c_3(x_1, \Delta x_1^{-1}) \times c_4(z_2)$ for $x_1 \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times$ and $z_2 \in \mathbb{F}_{q^2}$ such that $z_2^{q+1} = \Delta$. Since $c_3(x_1, \Delta x_1^{-1}) = c_3(\Delta x_1^{-1}, x_1)$ and $c_4(z_2) = c_4(\Delta z_2^{-1})$, there are

$$\begin{cases} \frac{q^2-1}{4} & q \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \\ \frac{(q-1)(q+3)}{4} & q \equiv -1 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$$

such conjugacy classes.

- (13) $c_4(z_1) \times c_1(1)$ for $z_1 \in \mathbb{F}_{q^2} \setminus \{\pm 1\}$. There are $(q-1)/2$ such conjugacy classes.

(14) $c_4(z_1) \times c_2(1)$ for $x, y \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times$ and $z_1 \in \mathbb{F}_{q^2}$ with $z_1^{q+1} = 1$. There are $(q-1)/2$ such conjugacy classes.

(15) $c_4(z_1) \times c_3(x_2)$ for $x_2 \neq \pm 1 \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times$ and $z_1 \in \mathbb{F}_{q^2} \setminus \mathbb{F}_q$ such that $z_1^{q+1} = 1$. There are $(q-1)(q-3)/4$ such conjugacy classes.

(16) $c_4(z_1) \times c_3(x_2, \Delta x_2^{-1})$ for $x_2 \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times$ and $z_1 \in \mathbb{F}_{q^2}^\times$ such that $z_1^{q+1} = \Delta$. There are

$$\begin{cases} \frac{q^2-1}{4} & q \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \\ \frac{(q-1)(q+3)}{4} & q \equiv -1 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$$

such conjugacy classes.

(17) $c_4(z_1) \times c_4(z_2)$ for $z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{F}_{q^2} \setminus \mathbb{F}_q$ with $(z_1 z_2)^{q+1} = 1$ and $z_1^{q-1} \neq -1$ or $z_2^{q-1} \neq -1$. The since $c_4(z_1) \times c_4(z_2) = c_4(az_1) \times c_4(az_2)$ for any $a \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times$, and $c_4(z_1) = c_4(z_1^q)$ and $c_4(z_2) = c_4(z_2^q)$ in $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$.

(18) $c_4(\alpha) \times c_4(\alpha^{-1})$. There is a unique such conjugacy class.

A.2. Classifying representations in $\mathrm{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$. Let $\mathrm{GL}_{2,2}(\mathbb{F}_q) := \{(g, h) \in \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q) \times \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q) : \det(g) = \det(h)\}$. Then there is an isomorphism $\mathrm{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q) \cong \mathrm{GL}_{2,2}(\mathbb{F}_q)/\mathbb{F}_q^\times$. Let \mathbb{T} denote the split maximal torus of $\mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$.

Now, the centralizer of a semisimple element $(g, h) \in \mathrm{GL}_{2,2}(\mathbb{F}_q)$ in $\mathrm{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$ is

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Z}_{\mathrm{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)}(g, h) &= \{(s, t) \in \mathrm{GL}_{2,2}(\mathbb{F}_q) : (sgs^{-1}, tht^{-1}) = a(g, h) \text{ for some } a \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times\} / \mathbb{F}_q^\times \\ &= \{(s, t) \in \mathrm{GL}_{2,2}(\mathbb{F}_q) : (sgs^{-1}, tht^{-1}) = \pm(g, h)\} / \mathbb{F}_q^\times, \end{aligned}$$

where the last equality is by observing $\det(g) = \det(sgs^{-1}) = \det(ag) = a^2 \det(g)$, so $a = \pm 1$. Thus, the centralizer depends on whether $-g$ is conjugate to g and whether $-h$ is conjugate to h under $\mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$.

The conjugacy classes of semisimple elements $s = (g, h)$ of $\mathrm{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$ fall into one of the following possibilities:

(1) $c_1(1) \times c_1(1)$, then $\mathbf{Z}_{\mathrm{SO}_4}(s) = \mathrm{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$. Since unipotent representations are independent of isogenies by [DL76, Prop 7.10] we have

$$\mathcal{E}(\mathrm{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q), 1) \cong \mathcal{E}(\mathrm{PGL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q) \times \mathrm{PGL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q), 1) = \{1 \boxtimes 1, 1 \boxtimes \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{PGL}_2}, \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{PGL}_2} \boxtimes 1, \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{PGL}_2} \boxtimes \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{PGL}_2}\}.$$

The representation $1_{\mathrm{PGL}_2} \boxtimes 1_{\mathrm{PGL}_2}$ corresponds to the representation 1_{SO_4} and $\mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{PGL}_2} \boxtimes \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{PGL}_2}$ corresponds to the representation $\mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{SO}_4}$. There are 4 such representations.

(2) $c_1(1) \times c_1(-1)$, then again $\mathbf{Z}_{\mathrm{SO}_4}(s) = \mathrm{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$. The representations in $\mathcal{E}(\mathrm{SO}_4, s)$ are of the form $\pi \otimes \zeta$ where $\pi \in \mathcal{E}(\mathrm{SO}_4, 1)$ and $\zeta(g, h) := \epsilon(\det(g))$ is the unique order 2 character of $\mathrm{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$. There are 4 such representations.

(3) $c_1(1) \times c_3(x_2)$ for $x_2 \neq \pm 1 \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times$, then $\mathbf{Z}_{\mathrm{SO}_4}(s) = (\mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q) \times \mathbb{T})^1 / \mathbb{F}_q^\times \cong \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$. Here, $\mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$ has two unipotent representations, 1 and the Steinberg $\mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)}$, of dimensions 1 and q , respectively.

Letting $\mathbb{P} = (\mathrm{GL}_2 \times \mathbb{B})^1 / \mathbb{F}_q^\times \subset \mathrm{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$ be the parabolic subgroup with Levi $(\mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q) \times \mathbb{T})^1 / \mathbb{F}_q^\times$, the representations correspond to $\mathrm{Ind}_{\mathbb{P}}^{\mathrm{SO}_4}(\chi 1_{\mathrm{GL}_2})$ and $\mathrm{Ind}_{\mathbb{P}}^{\mathrm{SO}_4}(\chi \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{GL}_2})$, for a character χ of \mathbb{F}_q^\times with $\chi^2 \neq 1$.

Note that these are irreducible since the Weyl group action replaces χ with χ^{-1} . There are a total of $2 \cdot (q-3)/2 = q-3$ representations.

(4) $c_1(1) \times c_4(z_2)$ then $\mathbf{Z}_{\mathrm{SO}_4}(s) = (\mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q) \times R_{\mathbb{F}_{q^2}/\mathbb{F}_q} \mathbb{G}_m)^1 / \mathbb{F}_q^\times$. This has two cuspidal unipotents, 1_{PGL_2} and $\mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{PGL}_2}$, inflated via $(\mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q) \times R_{\mathbb{F}_{q^2}/\mathbb{F}_q} \mathbb{G}_m)^1 / \mathbb{F}_q^\times \rightarrow \mathrm{PGL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$.

They correspond to representations $1_{\mathrm{GL}_2} \boxtimes \rho_\theta$ of $\mathrm{GL}_2 \times \mathrm{GL}_2$, restricted to $\mathrm{GL}_{2,2}$ and factored through SO_4 . Here, θ is a regular character of $\mathbb{F}_{q^2}^\times$ with $\theta|_{\mathbb{F}_q^\times} = 1$.

- (5) $c_3(x_1, y_1) \times c_3(x_2, y_2)$ for $x_1 \neq \pm y_1, x_2 \neq \pm y_2 \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times$ then $Z_{\mathrm{SO}_4}(s) = (\mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{T})^1 / \mathbb{F}_q^\times$, the maximal split torus of $\mathrm{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$. This has a unique unipotent, 1.

They correspond to induced representations $\mathrm{Ind}_{\mathbb{B}}^{\mathrm{SO}_4}(\chi_1 \otimes \chi_2 \otimes \chi_3 \otimes \chi_4)$, where \mathbb{B} is the split Borel subgroup of $\mathrm{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$, where χ_i are characters of \mathbb{F}_q^\times with $\chi_1 \chi_2 \chi_3 \chi_4 = 1$ and $\chi_1^2 \neq \chi_2^2$ and $\chi_3^2 \neq \chi_4^2$. Here,

$$\chi_1 \otimes \chi_2 \otimes \chi_3 \otimes \chi_4 \left(\begin{pmatrix} a' & \\ & b' \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} c' & \\ & d' \end{pmatrix} \right) := \chi_1(a') \chi_2(b') \chi_3(c') \chi_4(d').$$

These representations are irreducible since the Weyl group acts by swapping χ_1 with χ_2 , and swapping χ_3 with χ_4 . The number of such representations is:

$$\begin{cases} (q+1)^2 + 4 & q \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \\ (q+1)^2 & q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}. \end{cases}$$

- (6) $c_3(1, -1) \times c_3(1, -1)$. This has two unipotents, 1 and sgn.

These are the irreducible components of the length 2 representation $\mathrm{Ind}_{\mathbb{B}}^{\mathrm{SO}_4}(1 \otimes \epsilon \otimes 1 \otimes \epsilon)$, where ϵ is the unique order 2 character of \mathbb{F}_q^\times and $\chi_1^2 \chi_2^2 = 1$. Explicitly, they are induced representations from the index 2 subgroup $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q) \times \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q) / \pm 1 \subset \mathrm{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$:

$$\omega_{\mathrm{princ}}^+ := \mathrm{Ind}_{(\mathrm{SL}_2 \times \mathrm{SL}_2) / \pm 1}^{\mathrm{SO}_4}(\omega_e^+ \boxtimes \omega_e^+), \omega_{\mathrm{princ}}^- := \mathrm{Ind}_{(\mathrm{SL}_2 \times \mathrm{SL}_2) / \mu_2}^{\mathrm{SO}_4}(\omega_e^+ \boxtimes \omega_e^-),$$

in the notation of Remark A.2.2. In particular, the restriction to $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q) \times \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q) / \pm 1$ is $\omega_e^+ \boxtimes \omega_e^+ \oplus \omega_e^- \boxtimes \omega_e^-$ and $\omega_e^+ \boxtimes \omega_e^- \oplus \omega_e^- \boxtimes \omega_e^+$, respectively.

- (7) $c_3(x_1, y_1) \times c_4(z_2)$ where $x_1, y_1 \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times$ and $z_2 \in \mathbb{F}_{q^2} \setminus \mathbb{F}_q$ with $x_1 y_1 = z_2^{q+1}$. Then $Z_{\mathrm{SO}_4}(s) = (\mathbb{T} \times R_{\mathbb{F}_{q^2}/\mathbb{F}_q} \mathbb{G}_m)^1 / \mathbb{F}_q^\times$. This has a unique unipotent, 1.

Let $\mathbb{P} = (\mathbb{B} \times \mathrm{GL}_2)^1 / \mathbb{F}_q^\times \subset \mathrm{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$ be the parabolic subgroup with Levi $(\mathbb{T} \times \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q))^1 / \mathbb{F}_q^\times \cong \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$. These are the induced representations $\mathrm{Ind}_{\mathbb{B}}^{\mathrm{GL}_2}(\chi_1 \boxtimes \chi_2) \boxtimes \rho_\theta$ of $\mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q) \times \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$, restricted to $\mathrm{GL}_{2,2}$ and factored through SO_4 . Here, χ_1 and χ_2 are characters of \mathbb{F}_q^\times with $\chi_1^2 \neq \chi_2^2$ and θ is a regular character of $\mathbb{F}_{q^2}^\times$, where $\chi_1 \chi_2 \theta|_{\mathbb{F}_q^\times} = 1$.

- (8) $c_4(z_1) \times c_4(z_2)$ where $z_1^{q+1} = z_2^{q+1}$ and $z_1^{q-1} \neq -1$ or $z_2^{q-1} \neq -1$. Here. $Z_{\mathrm{SO}_4}(s) = (R_{\mathbb{F}_{q^2}/\mathbb{F}_q} \mathbb{G}_m \times R_{\mathbb{F}_{q^2}/\mathbb{F}_q} \mathbb{G}_m)^1 / \mathbb{F}_q^\times$. This has a unique unipotent, 1.

They correspond to representations $\rho_{\theta_1} \boxtimes \rho_{\theta_2}$ of $\mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q) \times \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$, restricted to $\mathrm{GL}_{2,2}(\mathbb{F}_q)$ and inflated to $\mathrm{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$. Here, $\theta_1 \theta_2|_{\mathbb{F}_q^\times} = 1$ and θ_1^2 or θ_2^2 is nontrivial on $\mathbb{F}_{q^2}^1$.

- (9) $c_4(\alpha) \times c_4(\alpha^{-1})$. Here $Z_{\mathrm{SO}_4}(s) = (R_{\mathbb{F}_{q^2}/\mathbb{F}_q} \mathbb{G}_m \times R_{\mathbb{F}_{q^2}/\mathbb{F}_q} \mathbb{G}_m)^1 / \mathbb{F}_q^\times \rtimes \mu_2$. This has two unipotents, 1 and sgn.

They correspond to the two induced representations

$$(A.2.1) \quad \omega_{\mathrm{cusp}}^+ := \mathrm{Ind}_{\mathrm{SL}_2 \times \mathrm{SL}_2 / \pm 1}^{\mathrm{SO}_4}(\omega_0^+ \boxtimes \omega_0^+) \quad \text{and} \quad \omega_{\mathrm{cusp}}^- := \mathrm{Ind}_{\mathrm{SL}_2 \times \mathrm{SL}_2 / \pm 1}^{\mathrm{SO}_4}(\omega_0^+ \boxtimes \omega_0^-),$$

using the notation of Remark A.2.3.

Remark A.2.1. The Steinberg representation of $\mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$ has character values:

$c_1(x)$	q
$c_2(x)$	0
$c_3(x, y)$	1
$c_4(z)$	-1

Remark A.2.2. The principal series representation $\mathrm{Ind}_{\mathbb{B}}^{\mathrm{SL}_2}(\epsilon \otimes 1)$ of $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$ has length two, and splits as $\omega_e^+ \oplus \omega_e^-$, where as usual $\epsilon \neq 1$ is the unique order 2 character of \mathbb{F}_q^\times . The character tables are:

	ω_e^+	ω_e^-
I_2	$\frac{q+1}{2}$	$\frac{q+1}{2}$
$-I_2$	$\frac{q+1}{2}\epsilon(-1)$	$\frac{q+1}{2}\epsilon(-1)$
$c_2(\pm 1, \gamma), \gamma \in \{1, \Delta\}$	$\frac{1}{2}(\epsilon(\pm 1) + \epsilon(\gamma)\sqrt{\epsilon(-1)q})$	$\frac{1}{2}(\epsilon(\pm 1) - \epsilon(\gamma)\sqrt{\epsilon(-1)q})$
$c_3(x)$	$\epsilon(x)$	$\epsilon(x)$
$c_4(z), z^{q+1} = 1$	0	0

Remark A.2.3. Let $\theta_0 \neq 1$ be the unique order 2 character of $\mathbb{F}_{q^2}^1$, so the restriction of the cuspidal representation ρ_{θ_0} of $\mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$, restricted to $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)$, splits as $\omega_0^+ \oplus \omega_0^-$. The character tables are:

	ω_0^+	ω_0^-
I_2	$\frac{q-1}{2}$	$\frac{q-1}{2}$
$-I_2$	$-\frac{q-1}{2}\epsilon(-1)$	$-\frac{q-1}{2}\epsilon(-1)$
$c_2(\pm 1, \gamma), \gamma \in \{1, \Delta\}$	$\pm \frac{1}{2}(-\epsilon(\pm 1) + \epsilon(\gamma)\sqrt{\epsilon(-1)q})$	$\pm \frac{1}{2}(-\epsilon(\pm 1) - \epsilon(\gamma)\sqrt{\epsilon(-1)q})$
$c_3(x)$	0	0
$c_4(z), z \in \mathbb{F}_{q^2}^1$	$-\theta_0(z)$	$-\theta_0(z)$

Now, we can calculate the character table for $\mathrm{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$. Here, we ignore twists of representations by outer automorphisms (coming from $\mathrm{SO}_4 \subset \mathrm{O}_4$), which swaps the two GL_2 -factors:

Representations of $\mathrm{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$, cases 1-3								
	1_{SO_4}	ζ	$1_{\mathrm{PGL}_2} \boxtimes \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{PGL}_2}$	$(1_{\mathrm{PGL}_2} \boxtimes \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{PGL}_2}) \otimes \zeta$	$\mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{SO}_4}$	$\mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{SO}_4} \otimes \zeta$	$\mathrm{Ind}_{\mathbb{P}}^{\mathrm{SO}_4}(\chi 1_{\mathrm{GL}_2})$	$\mathrm{Ind}_{\mathbb{P}}^{\mathrm{SO}_4}(\chi \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{GL}_2})$
$c_1(1) \times c_1(\pm 1)$	1	1	q	q	q^2	q^2	$q+1$	$q(q+1)$
$c_1(1) \times c_2(\pm 1)$	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	q
$c_1(1) \times c_3(x_2)$	1	1	1	1	q	q	$\chi^2(x_2) + \chi^{-2}(x_2)$	$q(\chi^2(x_2) + \chi^{-2}(x_2))$
$c_1(1) \times c_4(z_2)$	1	1	-1	-1	$-q$	$-q$	0	0
$c_2(1) \times c_1(\pm 1)$	1	1	q	q	0	0	$q+1$	0
$c_2(1) \times c_2(\pm 1, \gamma_2)$	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
$c_2(1) \times c_3(x_2)$	1	1	1	1	0	0	$\chi^2(x_2) + \chi^{-2}(x_2)$	0
$c_2(1) \times c_4(z_2)$	1	1	-1	-1	0	0	0	0
$c_3(x_1) \times c_1(1)$	1	1	q	q	q	q	$q+1$	$q+1$
$c_3(x_1) \times c_2(1)$	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
$c_3(x_1, y_1) \times c_3(x_2, y_2)$	1	$\epsilon(x_1 y_1)$	1	$\epsilon(x_1 y_1)$	1	$\epsilon(x_1 y_1)$	$\chi(x_2 y_2^{-1}) + \chi(x_2^{-1} y_2)$	$\chi(x_2 y_2^{-1}) + \chi(x_2^{-1} y_2)$
$c_3(x_1, y_1) \times c_4(z_2)$	1	$\epsilon(x_1 y_1)$	-1	$-\epsilon(x_1 y_1)$	-1	$-\epsilon(x_1 y_1)$	0	0
$c_4(z_1) \times c_1(1)$	1	1	q	q	$-q$	$-q$	$q+1$	$-(q+1)$
$c_4(z_1) \times c_2(1)$	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	-1
$c_4(z_1) \times c_3(x_2, y_2)$	1	$\epsilon(x_2 y_2)$	1	$\epsilon(x_2 y_2)$	-1	$-\epsilon(x_1 y_1)$	$\chi(x_2 y_2^{-1}) + \chi(x_2^{-1} y_2)$	$-\chi(x_2 y_2^{-1}) - \chi(x_2^{-1} y_2)$
$c_4(z_1) \times c_4(z_2)$	1	$\epsilon(z_1^{q+1})$	-1	$-\epsilon(z_1^{q+1})$	1	$\epsilon(z_1^{q+1})$	0	0

Here, the representations $1_{\mathrm{PGL}_2} \boxtimes 1_{\mathrm{PGL}_2}$ and $(\mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{PGL}_2} \boxtimes 1_{\mathrm{PGL}_2}) \otimes \zeta$ are twists of $1_{\mathrm{PGL}_2} \boxtimes \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{PGL}_2}$ and $(1_{\mathrm{PGL}_2} \boxtimes \mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{PGL}_2}) \otimes \zeta$, respectively, under the unique outer automorphism.

Representations of $\mathrm{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$, cases 4-6				
	$\mathbf{1}_{\mathrm{GL}_2} \boxtimes \rho_\theta$	$\mathrm{Ind}_{\mathbb{B}}^{\mathrm{SO}_4}(\chi_1 \otimes \chi_2 \otimes \chi_3 \otimes \chi_4)$	$\omega_{\mathrm{princ}}^+$	$\omega_{\mathrm{princ}}^-$
$c_1(1) \times c_1(\pm 1)$	$q-1$	$(q+1)^2 \chi_1 \chi_2(\pm 1)$	$\frac{(q+1)^2}{2} \epsilon(\pm 1)$	$\frac{(q+1)^2}{2} \epsilon(\pm 1)$
$c_1(1) \times c_2(\pm 1)$	-1	$(q+1) \chi_1 \chi_2(\pm 1)$	$\frac{q+1}{2} \epsilon(\pm 1)$	$\frac{q+1}{2} \epsilon(\pm 1)$
$c_1(1) \times c_3(x_2)$	0	$(q+1)(\chi_3^{-1} \chi_4(x_2) + \chi_3 \chi_4^{-1}(x_2))$	$(q+1) \epsilon(x_2)$	$(q+1) \epsilon(x_2)$
$c_1(1) \times c_4(z_2)$	$-\theta(z_2) - \theta(z_2^q)$	0	0	0
$c_2(1) \times c_1(\pm 1)$	$q-1$	$(q+1) \chi_1 \chi_2(\pm 1)$	$\frac{q+1}{2} \epsilon(\pm 1)$	$\frac{q+1}{2} \epsilon(\pm 1)$
$c_2(1) \times c_2(\pm 1, \gamma_2)$	-1	$\chi_1 \chi_2(\pm 1)$	$\frac{1}{2}(\epsilon(\pm 1) + \epsilon(-\gamma_2)q)$	$\frac{1}{2}(\epsilon(\pm 1) - \epsilon(-\gamma_2)q)$
$c_2(1) \times c_3(x_2)$	0	$\chi_3^{-1} \chi_4(x_2) + \chi_3 \chi_4^{-1}(x_2)$	$\epsilon(x_2)$	$\epsilon(x_2)$
$c_2(1) \times c_4(z_2)$	$-\theta(z_2) - \theta(z_2^q)$	0	0	0
$c_3(x_1) \times c_1(1)$	$q-1$	$(q+1)(\chi_1^{-1} \chi_2(x_1) + \chi_1 \chi_2^{-1}(x_1))$	$(q+1) \epsilon(x_1)$	$(q+1) \epsilon(x_1)$
$c_3(x_1) \times c_2(1)$	1	$\chi_1^{-1} \chi_2(x_1) + \chi_1 \chi_2^{-1}(x_1)$	$\epsilon(x_1)$	$\epsilon(x_1)$
$c_3(x_1, y_1) \times c_3(x_2, y_2)$	0	$(\chi_1^{-1}(x_1) \chi_2(y_1) + \chi_1(x_1) \chi_2^{-1}(y_1))(\chi_3^{-1}(x_2) \chi_4(y_2) + \chi_3(x_2) \chi_4^{-1}(y_2))$	$\begin{cases} 2\epsilon(x_1 x_2) & x_1 y_1 \in (\mathbb{F}_q^\times)^2 \\ 0 & x_1 y_1 \notin (\mathbb{F}_q^\times)^2 \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} 2\epsilon(x_1 x_2) & x_1 y_1 \in (\mathbb{F}_q^\times)^2 \\ 0 & x_1 y_1 \notin (\mathbb{F}_q^\times)^2 \end{cases}$
$c_3(x_1, y_1) \times c_4(z_2)$	$-\theta(z_2) - \theta(z_2^q)$	0	0	0
$c_4(z_1) \times c_1(1)$	$q-1$	0	0	0
$c_4(z_1) \times c_2(1)$	-1	0	0	0
$c_4(z_1) \times c_3(x_2, y_2)$	0	0	0	0
$c_4(z_1) \times c_4(z_2)$	$-\theta(z_2) - \theta(z_2^q)$	0	0	0

Representations of $\mathrm{SO}_4(\mathbb{F}_q)$, cases 7-9				
	$\mathrm{Ind}_{\mathbb{B}}^{\mathrm{GL}_2}(\chi_1 \boxtimes \chi_2) \boxtimes \rho_\theta$	$\rho_{\theta_1} \boxtimes \rho_{\theta_2}$	ω_{cusp}^+	ω_{cusp}^-
$c_1(1) \times c_1(\pm 1)$	$(q^2 - 1)\theta(\pm 1)$	$(q-1)^2 \theta_1(\pm 1)$	$\pm \frac{(q-1)^2}{2} \epsilon(\pm 1)$	$\pm \frac{(q-1)^2}{2} \epsilon(\pm 1)$
$c_1(1) \times c_2(\pm 1)$	$-(q+1)\theta(\pm 1)$	$-(q-1)\theta_1(\pm 1)$	$\mp \frac{q-1}{2} \epsilon(\pm 1)$	$\mp \frac{q-1}{2} \epsilon(\pm 1)$
$c_1(1) \times c_3(x_2)$	0	0	0	0
$c_1(1) \times c_4(z_2)$	$-(q+1)(\theta(z_2) + \theta(z_2^q))$	$-(q-1)(\theta_2(z_2) + \theta_2(z_2^q))$	$-(q-1)\theta_0(z_2)$	$-(q-1)\theta_0(z_2)$
$c_2(1) \times c_1(\pm 1)$	$(q-1)\theta(\pm 1)$	$-(q-1)\theta_1(\pm 1)$	$\mp \frac{q-1}{2} \epsilon(\pm 1)$	$\mp \frac{q-1}{2} \epsilon(\pm 1)$
$c_2(1) \times c_2(\pm 1, \gamma_2)$	$-\theta(\pm 1)$	$\theta_1(\pm 1)$	$\pm \frac{1}{2}(\epsilon(\pm 1) + \epsilon(-\gamma_2)q)$	$\pm \frac{1}{2}(\epsilon(\pm 1) - \epsilon(-\gamma_2)q)$
$c_2(1) \times c_3(x_2)$	0	0	0	0
$c_2(1) \times c_4(z_2)$	$-(\theta(z_2) + \theta(z_2^q))$	$\theta_2(z_2) + \theta_2(z_2^q)$	$\frac{1}{2}\theta_0(z)(1 - \sqrt{q^*})$	$\frac{1}{2}\theta_0(z)(1 + \sqrt{q^*})$
$c_3(x_1) \times c_1(1)$	$(q-1)(\chi_1^{-1} \chi_2(x_1) + \chi_1 \chi_2^{-1}(x_1))$	0	0	0
$c_3(x_1) \times c_2(1)$	$\chi_1^{-1} \chi_2(x_1) + \chi_1 \chi_2^{-1}(x_1)$	0	0	0
$c_3(x_1, y_1) \times c_3(x_2, y_2)$	0	0	0	0
$c_3(x_1, y_1) \times c_4(z_2)$	$-(\chi_1(x_1) \chi_2(y_1) + \chi_2(x_1) \chi_1(y_1))(\theta(z_2) + \theta(z_2^q))$	0	0	0
$c_4(z_1) \times c_1(1)$	0	$-(q-1)(\theta_1(z_1) + \theta_1(z_1^q))$	$-(q-1)\theta_0(z_2)$	$-(q-1)\theta_0(z_2)$
$c_4(z_1) \times c_2(1)$	0	$\theta_1(z_2) + \theta_1(z_2^q)$	$\frac{1}{2}\theta_0(z_1)(1 - \sqrt{q^*})$	$\frac{1}{2}\theta_0(z_1)(1 + \sqrt{q^*})$
$c_4(z_1) \times c_3(x_2, y_2)$	0	0	0	0
$c_4(z_1) \times c_4(z_2)$	0	$(\theta_1(z_1) + \theta_1(z_1^q))(\theta_2(z_2) + \theta_2(z_2^q))$	$\begin{cases} 0 & z_1^{(q+1)/2} \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times \\ 2\theta_0((z_1 z_2)^{(q-1)/2}) & z_1^{(q+1)/2} \notin \mathbb{F}_q^\times \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} 0 & z_1^{(q+1)/2} \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times \\ 2\theta_0((z_1 z_2)^{(q-1)/2}) & z_1^{(q+1)/2} \notin \mathbb{F}_q^\times \end{cases}$

Here, we let $q^* := \epsilon(-1)q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. The last three representations are cuspidal.

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