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ABSTRACT. We present a systematic study of Riesz measures and their natural exponential families of Wishart laws on a homogeneous cone. We compute explicitly the inverse of the mean map and the variance function of a Wishart exponential family.

1. INTRODUCTION

Modern statistics and multivariate analysis require use of models on subcones of the cone $\text{Sym}_+(n, \mathbb{R})$ of positive definite symmetric matrices. Such subcones are obtained for example by prescribing some of the off-diagonal elements to be 0. Wishart laws on such subcones are laws of the Maximum Likelihood estimators of covariance and precision matrices in a multivariate normal sample, subject to conditional independence constraints [19, 21]. They are also important in Bayesian statistics, since they form Diaconis-Ylvisaker families of priors for the covariance in a covariance selection model [6, 21]

Many of such subcones are homogeneous, i.e. their automorphism group acts transitively. Recall that in the theory of graphical models [19], a decomposable graph generates a homogeneous cone if and only if it does not contain the graph $\bullet - \bullet - \bullet - \bullet$, denoted by A_4 , as an induced subgraph, cf. [14, 21]. The preponderant role of homogeneous cones among subcones of $\text{Sym}_+(n, \mathbb{R})$ strongly motivates research on Wishart laws on general homogeneous cones.

Families of Wishart laws on homogeneous cones were studied by Andersson and Wojnar [1], Boutouria [3], Letac and Massam [21], Graczyk and Ishi [9], Ishi [15] and Ishi and Kołodziejek [18].

This article is a continuation of [9, 15, 18], however here we identify the dual space using the trace inner product instead of the standard inner product. Even though the difference between standard and trace inner products is rather technical, it leads to new results on generalized power functions and on the variance function of Wishart exponential families. Moreover, the trace inner product will be indispensable in future applications to statistics. An objective of this paper is also to present our methods and results in a manner which is accessible to mathematical statisticians. For completeness and for convenience of the reader, we repeat and simplify some definitions and proofs from [9] and [15].

The variance function is an important characteristics of a natural exponential family, cf. [2]. Let us consider a classical Wishart exponential family on the cone $\text{Sym}_+(n, \mathbb{R})$, i.e. the natural exponential family generated by a measure μ_p with the Laplace transform $L_{\mu_p}(\theta) = (\det \theta)^{-p}$, for $\theta \in \text{Sym}_+(n, \mathbb{R})$. Here p belongs to the Gindikin-Wallach set (in this context also called the Jørgensen set) $\Lambda = \{1/2, 1, 3/2, \dots, (n-1)/2\} \cup ((n-1)/2, \infty)$ and μ_p is a Riesz measure on $\text{Sym}_+(n, \mathbb{R})$. It is well known and straightforward to check (see for example [20]) that the variance function of NEF generated by μ_p is given by

$$(1) \quad \mathbb{V}_p(m) = \frac{1}{p} \rho(m)$$

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where $m \in (\text{Sym}_+(n, \mathbb{R}))^* \cong \text{Sym}_+(n, \mathbb{R})$ and $\rho(m)$ is a linear map from $\text{Sym}_+(n, \mathbb{R})$ to itself defined by $\rho(m)Y = mYm^\top$, $Y \in \text{Sym}_+(n, \mathbb{R})$. Generally, Wishart exponential family is the natural exponential family generated by some Riesz measure. In this paper we give explicit formulas for the variance function of Wishart exponential family on any homogeneous cone.

Let us describe shortly the plan of this paper. In Section 2 we recall the definition of a natural exponential family generated by a positive measure and we introduce their characteristics, mean and variance, used and studied throughout the whole paper.

Sections 3 and 4 are devoted to introducing the main tools for the analysis of Wishart exponential families on homogeneous cones. Like in [9], we consider two types of homogeneous cones, $\mathcal{P}_\mathcal{V}$ which is in a matrix realization and its dual cone $\mathcal{Q}_\mathcal{V}$, and Riesz measures and Wishart families on them. This corresponds to the concept of Type I and Type II Wishart laws defined and studied in [21], as laws of MLEs of covariance and precision matrices of a normal vector. Any homogeneous cone is linearly isomorphic to some cone $\mathcal{P}_\mathcal{V}$ [16]. It was observed in [9] that the matrix realization of a homogeneous cone makes analysis of Riesz and Wishart measures much easier. The present paper is also based on this technique, which is reviewed in Section 3.1.

In Section 3.2, we define the generalized power functions $\delta_{\underline{s}}$ and $\Delta_{\underline{s}}$ on the cones $\mathcal{Q}_\mathcal{V}$ and $\mathcal{P}_\mathcal{V}$, respectively. In Proposition 3.1(iii), we give a formula (9) for the power function $\delta_{\underline{s}}$, which is new and useful. In Definition 3.3 we introduce an important map $\xi \rightarrow \hat{\xi}$ between $\mathcal{Q}_\mathcal{V}$ and $\text{Sym}_+(N, \mathbb{R})$, inspired by an analogous map playing a fundamental role for decomposable graphical models [19].

In Section 5, we first prove Formula (11), which serves as a simple and useful tool in our argument. Then we deduce from (11) an explicit evaluation of the inverse of the mean map (Theorem 5.1). It allows us to find the Lauritzen formula on any (not only graphical) homogeneous cone. We get in Section 6 the variance function formula for Wishart exponential families defined on the cone $\mathcal{Q}_\mathcal{V}$. The proof is based on Formula (11) again.

In Section 7 we give results on the variance function formula for Wishart exponential families on $\mathcal{P}_\mathcal{V}$. In particular, we propose a practical approach to the construction of a matrix realization of the dual cone $\mathcal{Q}_\mathcal{V}$, using basic quadratic maps. Note that if a homogeneous cone $\mathcal{P}_\mathcal{V}$ is in matrix realization, then, in general, $\mathcal{Q}_\mathcal{V}$ is not, which makes analysis on $\mathcal{Q}_\mathcal{V}$ harder.

The last Section 8 contains applications of the results and of the methods of this paper to symmetric cones and graphical homogeneous cones. We improve and complete in this way the results of [11] and [21].

2. NATURAL EXPONENTIAL FAMILIES

In the following section we will give a short introduction to natural exponential families (NEFs). The standard reference book on exponential families is [2].

Let \mathbb{E} be a finite dimensional real linear space endowed with an inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ and let \mathbb{E}^* be the dual space of \mathbb{E} . If $\xi \in \mathbb{E}^*$ is a linear functional on \mathbb{E} , we will denote its action on $x \in \mathbb{E}$ by $\langle \xi, x \rangle$. Let $L_S(\mathbb{E}^*, \mathbb{E})$ be the linear space of linear operators $A: \mathbb{E}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{E}$ such that for any $\xi, \eta \in \mathbb{E}^*$, one has $\langle \xi, A(\eta) \rangle = \langle \eta, A(\xi) \rangle$.

Let μ be a positive Radon measure on \mathbb{E} . We define its Laplace transform $L_\mu: \mathbb{E}^* \rightarrow (0, \infty]$ by

$$L_\mu(\theta) := \int_{\mathbb{E}} e^{-\langle \theta, x \rangle} \mu(dx).$$

Let $\Theta(\mu)$ denote the interior of the set $\{\theta \in \mathbb{E}^*: L_\mu(\theta) < \infty\}$. Hölder's inequality implies that the set $\Theta(\mu)$ is convex and the cumulant function

$$k_\mu(\theta) := \log L_\mu(\theta)$$

is convex on $\Theta(\mu)$ and it is strictly convex if and only if μ is not concentrated on any affine hyperplane of \mathbb{E} . Let $\mathcal{M}(\mathbb{E})$ be the set of positive Radon measures on \mathbb{E} such that $\Theta(\mu)$ is not empty and μ is not concentrated on any affine hyperplane of \mathbb{E} .

For $\mu \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{E})$ we define the *natural exponential family (NEF) generated by μ* as the set of probability measures

$$F(\mu) = \{P(\theta, \mu)(dx) = e^{-\langle \theta, x \rangle - k_\mu(\theta)} \mu(dx) : \theta \in \Theta(\mu)\}.$$

Then, for $\theta \in \Theta(\mu)$,

$$\begin{aligned} m_\mu(\theta) &:= -k'_\mu(\theta) = \int_{\mathbb{E}} x P(\theta, \mu)(dx), \\ -m'_\mu(\theta) &= k''_\mu(\theta) = \int_{\mathbb{E}} (x - m_\mu(\theta)) \otimes (x - m_\mu(\theta)) P(\theta, \mu)(dx), \end{aligned}$$

are respectively the mean and the covariance operator of the measure $P(\theta, \mu)$. Here $x \otimes x$ is an element of $L_S(\mathbb{E}^*, \mathbb{E})$ defined by $(x \otimes x)(\xi) = x \langle \xi, x \rangle$ for $x \in \mathbb{E}$ and $\xi \in \mathbb{E}^*$. The subset $M_{F(\mu)} := m_\mu(\Theta(\mu))$ of \mathbb{E} is called the domain of means of $F(\mu)$. The map $m_\mu : \Theta(\mu) \rightarrow M_{F(\mu)}$ is an analytic diffeomorphism, and its inverse is denoted by $\psi_\mu : M_{F(\mu)} \rightarrow \Theta(\mu)$.

Lemma 2.1 ([15, Proposition IV.4]) *Define $J_\mu(m) := \sup_{\theta \in \Theta(\mu)} \frac{e^{-\langle \theta, m \rangle}}{L_\mu(\theta)}$ for any $m \in M_{F(\mu)}$. Then $\psi_\mu = -(\log J_\mu)'$.*

Proof. Since $\log J_\mu(-m) = \sup_{\theta \in \Theta(\mu)} (\langle \theta, m \rangle - k_\mu(\theta))$ is the Legendre-Fenchel transform of $k_\mu(\theta)$, the statement follows from the Fenchel duality. \square

For any $m \in M_{F(\mu)}$ consider the covariance operator $\mathbb{V}_{F(\mu)}(m)$ of the measure $P(\psi_\mu(m), \mu)$. Then

$$(2) \quad \mathbb{V}_{F(\mu)}(m) = k''_\mu(\psi_\mu(m)) = -[\psi'_\mu(m)]^{-1}.$$

The map $\mathbb{V}_{F(\mu)} : M_{F(\mu)} \rightarrow L_S(\mathbb{E}^*, \mathbb{E})$ is called *the variance function* of $F(\mu)$. Variance function is the central object of interest of natural exponential families, because it characterizes a NEF and the generating measure in the following way: if $F(\mu)$ and $F(\mu_0)$ are two natural exponential families such that $\mathbb{V}_{F(\mu)}$ and $\mathbb{V}_{F(\mu_0)}$ coincide on a non-void open set $J \subset M_{F(\mu)} \cap M_{F(\mu_0)}$, then $F(\mu) = F(\mu_0)$ and so $\mu_0(dx) = \exp\{a \cdot x + b\} \mu(dx)$ for some $a \in \mathbb{E}^*$ and $b \in \mathbb{R}$. The variance function gives full knowledge of the NEF.

In the context of natural exponential families, often invariance properties under the action of a subgroup of general linear group or general affine group are considered. For the recent developments in this direction see [18].

Usually when one defines natural exponential family one starts with the moment generating function $L_\mu(\theta) = \int_{\mathbb{E}} \exp \langle \theta, x \rangle \mu(dx)$. In such case, introducing the same concept of inverse of the mean map as above, the covariance operator has the form $\mathbb{V}_{F(\mu)}(m) = [\psi'_\mu(m)]^{-1}$. For our purposes however we find it more convenient to define NEF through the Laplace transform.

3. BASIC FACTS ON HOMOGENEOUS CONES

Let $\text{Mat}(n, m; \mathbb{R})$, $\text{Sym}(n, \mathbb{R})$ denote the linear spaces of real $n \times m$ matrices and symmetric real $n \times n$ matrices, respectively. Let $\text{Sym}_+(n, \mathbb{R})$ be the cone of symmetric positive definite real $n \times n$ matrices. A^\top denotes the transpose of a matrix A . For $X \in \text{Mat}(N, N; \mathbb{R})$ define a linear operator $\rho(X) : \text{Sym}(N, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \text{Sym}(N, \mathbb{R})$ by

$$\rho(X)Y = XYX^\top, \quad Y \in \text{Sym}(N, \mathbb{R}).$$

Let V be a real linear space and Ω a regular open convex cone in V . Open convex cone Ω is *regular* if $\bar{\Omega} \cap (-\Omega) = \{0\}$. The linear automorphism group preserving the cone is denoted by $G(\Omega) = \{g \in GL(V) : g\Omega = \Omega\}$. The cone Ω is said to be *homogeneous* if $G(\Omega)$ acts transitively on Ω .

3.1. Homogeneous cones $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$ and $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$. We recall from [9] a useful realization of any homogeneous cone. Let us take a partition $N = n_1 + \dots + n_r$ of a positive integer N , and consider a system of vector spaces $\mathcal{V}_{lk} \subset \text{Mat}(n_l, n_k; \mathbb{R})$, $1 \leq k < l \leq r$, satisfying following three conditions:

- (V1) $A \in \mathcal{V}_{lk}, B \in \mathcal{V}_{ki} \implies AB \in \mathcal{V}_{li}$ for any $1 \leq i < k < l \leq r$,
- (V2) $A \in \mathcal{V}_{li}, B \in \mathcal{V}_{ki} \implies AB^{\top} \in \mathcal{V}_{lk}$ for any $1 \leq i < k < l \leq r$,
- (V3) $A \in \mathcal{V}_{lk} \implies AA^{\top} \in \mathbb{R}I_{n_l}$ for any $1 \leq k < l \leq r$.

Let $\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$ be the subspace of $\text{Sym}(N, \mathbb{R})$ defined by

$$\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}} := \left\{ x = \begin{pmatrix} X_{11} & X_{21}^{\top} & \cdots & X_{r1}^{\top} \\ X_{21} & X_{22} & & X_{r2}^{\top} \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \\ X_{r1} & X_{r2} & & X_{rr} \end{pmatrix} : \begin{array}{l} X_{lk} \in \mathcal{V}_{lk}, 1 \leq k < l \leq r \\ X_{kk} = x_{kk}I_{n_k}, 1 \leq k \leq r \end{array} \right\}.$$

We set

$$\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}} := \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}} \cap \text{Sym}_{+}(N, \mathbb{R}).$$

Then $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$ is a regular open convex cone in the linear space $\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$. Let $H_{\mathcal{V}}$ be the group of real lower triangular matrices with positive diagonals defined by

$$H_{\mathcal{V}} := \left\{ T = \begin{pmatrix} T_{11} & & & \\ T_{21} & T_{22} & & \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \\ T_{r1} & T_{r2} & & T_{rr} \end{pmatrix} : \begin{array}{l} T_{lk} \in \mathcal{V}_{lk}, 1 \leq k < l \leq r \\ T_{ll} = t_{ll}I_{n_l}, t_{ll} > 0, 1 \leq l \leq r \end{array} \right\}.$$

If $T \in H_{\mathcal{V}}$ and $x \in \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$, then $\rho(T)x = T x T^{\top} \in \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$ thanks to (V1) – (V3). Moreover, $\rho(H_{\mathcal{V}})$ acts on the cone $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$ (simply) transitively ([13, Proposition 3.2]), that is, $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$ is a homogeneous cone. Our interest in $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$ is motivated by the fact that any homogeneous cone is linearly isomorphic to $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$ due to [13, Theorem D].

Condition (V3) allows us to define an inner product $(\cdot | \cdot)$ on \mathcal{V}_{lk} , $1 \leq k < l \leq r$, by

$$(AB^{\top} + BA^{\top})/2 = (A|B)I_{n_l}, \quad A, B \in \mathcal{V}_{lk}.$$

We define the trace inner product on $\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$ by

$$\langle x, y \rangle = \text{tr}(xy) = \sum_{k=1}^r n_k x_{kk} y_{kk} + 2 \sum_{1 \leq k < l \leq r} n_l (X_{lk} | Y_{lk}), \quad x, y \in \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}.$$

Using the trace inner product we identify the dual space $\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}^*$ with $\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$. Define the dual cone $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$ by

$$\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}} := \{ \xi \in \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}} : \langle \xi, x \rangle > 0 \forall x \in \overline{\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}} \setminus \{0\} \},$$

where $\overline{\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}}$ is the closure of $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$. The dual cone $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$ is also homogeneous. It is easily seen that $I_N \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$.

For $T \in H_{\mathcal{V}}$, we denote by $\rho^*(T)$ the adjoint operator of $\rho(T) \in GL(\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}})$ defined in such a way that $\langle \xi, \rho(T)x \rangle = \langle \rho^*(T)\xi, x \rangle$ for any $\xi, x \in \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$. For any $\xi \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$ there exists a unique $T \in H_{\mathcal{V}}$ such that $\xi = \rho^*(T)I_N$ ([24, Chapter 1, Proposition 9]).

3.2. Generalized power functions. Define a one-dimensional representation $\chi_{\underline{s}}$ of the triangular group $H_{\mathcal{V}}$ by

$$\chi_{\underline{s}}(T) := \prod_{k=1}^r t_{kk}^{2s_k},$$

where $\underline{s} = (s_1, \dots, s_r) \in \mathbb{C}^r$. Note that any one-dimensional representation χ of $H_{\mathcal{V}}$ is of the form $\chi_{\underline{s}}$ for some $\underline{s} \in \mathbb{C}^r$.

Definition 3.1 Let $\Delta_{\underline{s}}: \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be the function given by

$$\Delta_{\underline{s}}(\rho(T)I_N) := \chi_{\underline{s}}(T), \quad T \in H_{\mathcal{V}}.$$

Let $\delta_{\underline{s}}: \mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be the function given by

$$\delta_{\underline{s}}(\rho^*(T)I_N) := \chi_{\underline{s}}(T), \quad T \in H_{\mathcal{V}}.$$

Functions Δ and δ are called *generalized power functions*.

Let $N_k = n_1 + \dots + n_k$, $k = 1, \dots, r$. For $y \in \text{Sym}(N, \mathbb{R})$, by $y_{\{1:k\}} \in \text{Sym}(N_k, \mathbb{R})$ we denote the submatrix $(y_{ij})_{1 \leq i, j \leq N_k}$. It is known that for any lower triangular matrix T one has

$$(TT^{\top})_{\{1:k\}} = T_{\{1:k\}}T_{\{1:k\}}^{\top}.$$

Thus, for $x = \rho(T)I_N \in \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$ with $T \in H_{\mathcal{V}}$ one has $\det x_{\{1:k\}} = (\det T_{\{1:k\}})^2 = \prod_{i=1}^k t_{ii}^{2n_i}$. This implies that for any $x \in \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$,

$$(3) \quad \Delta_{\underline{s}}(x) = (\det x)^{\frac{s_r}{n_r}} \prod_{k=1}^{r-1} (\det x_{\{1:k\}})^{\frac{s_k}{n_k} - \frac{s_{k+1}}{n_{k+1}}}.$$

We will express $\delta_{\underline{s}}(\xi)$ as a function of $\xi \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$ in the next Section (see Proposition 3.1).

By definition, $\Delta_{\underline{s}}$ and $\delta_{\underline{s}}$ are multiplicative in the following sense

$$(4) \quad \Delta_{\underline{s}}(\rho(T)x) = \Delta_{\underline{s}}(\rho(T)I_N) \Delta_{\underline{s}}(x), \quad (x, T) \in \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}} \times H_{\mathcal{V}},$$

$$(5) \quad \delta_{\underline{s}}(\rho^*(T)\xi) = \delta_{\underline{s}}(\rho^*(T)I_N) \delta_{\underline{s}}(\xi), \quad (\xi, T) \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}} \times H_{\mathcal{V}}.$$

Definition 3.2 Let $\pi: \text{Sym}(N; \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$ be the projection such that, for any $x \in \text{Sym}(N, \mathbb{R})$ the element $\pi(x) \in \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$ is uniquely determined by

$$\text{tr}(xa) = \langle \pi(x), a \rangle, \quad \forall a \in \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}.$$

For any $x, y \in \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$ one has

$$\langle \rho^*(T)x, y \rangle = \langle x, \rho(T)y \rangle = \text{tr}(\rho(T^{\top})x \cdot y) = \langle \pi(\rho(T^{\top})x), y \rangle,$$

thus, for any $T \in H_{\mathcal{V}}$,

$$(6) \quad \rho^*(T) = \pi \circ \rho(T^{\top}).$$

Now we define a useful map $\xi \rightarrow \hat{\xi}$ between $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$ and $\text{Sym}_+(N, \mathbb{R})$, such that $(\hat{\xi})^{-1} \in \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$ and $\pi(\hat{\xi}) = \xi$. An analogous map is very important in statistics on decomposable graphical models [19].

Definition 3.3 For $\xi = \rho^*(T)I_N \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$ with $T \in H_{\mathcal{V}}$, we define

$$\hat{\xi} := \rho(T^{\top})I_N = T^{\top}T \in \text{Sym}_+(N, \mathbb{R}).$$

Note that for any $\xi \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$, one has $(\hat{\xi})^{-1} \in \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$ (compare the definition of $\hat{\xi}$ in [21, Proposition 2.1]). Indeed, $(\hat{\xi})^{-1} = \rho(T^{-1})I_N \in \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$. Due to (6), we have $\pi(\hat{\xi}) = \xi$.

Observe that for $T \in H_{\mathcal{V}}$,

$$\Delta_{\underline{s}}(\rho(T)I_N) = \chi_{\underline{s}}(T) = \chi_{-\underline{s}}(T^{-1}) = \delta_{-\underline{s}}(\rho^*(T^{-1})I_N)$$

and, due to (6), $\rho^*(T^{-1})I_N = \pi((\rho(T)I_N)^{-1})$. This implies that functions Δ and δ are related by the following identity

$$(7) \quad \Delta_{\underline{s}}(x) = \delta_{-\underline{s}}(\pi(x^{-1})), \quad x \in \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}},$$

or equivalently,

$$(8) \quad \Delta_{\underline{s}}(\hat{\xi}^{-1}) = \delta_{-\underline{s}}(\xi), \quad \xi \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}.$$

In literature, function $\delta_{\underline{s}}$ is sometimes denoted by $\Delta_{\underline{s}^*}$, where $\underline{s}^* = (s_r, \dots, s_1)$.

3.3. Basic quadratic maps q_i and associated maps ϕ_i . We recall from [9] the construction of basic quadratic maps. Let W_i , $i = 1, \dots, r$, be the subspace of $\text{Mat}(N, n_i; \mathbb{R})$ consisting of matrices x of the form

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} 0_{n_1+\dots+n_{i-1}, n_i} \\ x_{ii} I_{n_i} \\ \vdots \\ X_{ri} \end{pmatrix},$$

where $X_{li} \in \mathcal{V}_{li}$, $l = i+1, \dots, r$. For $x \in W_i$, the symmetric matrix xx^\top belongs to $\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$ thanks to (V2) and (V3). We define the *basic quadratic map* $q_i: W_i \ni x \mapsto xx^\top \in \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$.

Taking an orthonormal basis of each \mathcal{V}_{li} with respect to $(\cdot|\cdot)$, we identify the space W_i with \mathbb{R}^{m_i} , where $m_i = \dim W_i = 1 + \dim \mathcal{V}_{i+1,i} + \dots + \dim \mathcal{V}_{ri}$. For $x \in W_i$ we write $\text{vec}(x)$ for the element of \mathbb{R}^{m_i} corresponding to x . It is convenient to choose a basis for W_i consistent with the block decomposition of $\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$, that is, (v_1, \dots, v_{m_i}) , where v_1 corresponds to $\mathcal{V}_{ii} \simeq \mathbb{R}$ and $(v_2, \dots, v_{1+\dim \mathcal{V}_{i+1,i}})$ corresponds to $\mathcal{V}_{i+1,i}$ and so on.

Definition 3.4 For the quadratic map q_i we define the associated linear map $\phi_i: \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}} \equiv \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}^* \rightarrow \text{Sym}(m_i, \mathbb{R})$ in such a way that for $\xi \in \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$,

$$\text{vec}(x)^\top \phi_i(\xi) \text{vec}(x) = \langle \xi, q_i(x) \rangle, \quad \forall x \in W_i.$$

Similarly we consider another subspace of $\text{Mat}(N, n_i; \mathbb{R})$, namely,

$$\widetilde{W}_i = \left\{ x = \begin{pmatrix} 0_{n_1+\dots+n_i, n_i} \\ X_{i+1,i} \\ \vdots \\ X_{ri} \end{pmatrix} : X_{li} \in \mathcal{V}_{li}, l = i+1, \dots, r \right\},$$

the quadratic map $\check{q}_i: \widetilde{W}_i \ni x \mapsto xx^\top \in \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$ and its associated linear map $\check{\phi}_i: \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}} \equiv \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}^* \rightarrow \text{Sym}(m_i - 1, \mathbb{R})$.

Proposition 3.1 (i) For any $\xi \in \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$ and $i = 1, \dots, r-1$, one has

$$\phi_i(\xi) = \begin{pmatrix} n_i \xi_{ii} & v_i(\xi)^\top \\ v_i(\xi) & \check{\phi}_i(\xi) \end{pmatrix},$$

where $v_i(\xi) := \begin{pmatrix} n_{i+1} \text{vec}(\xi_{i+1,i}) \\ \vdots \\ n_r \text{vec}(\xi_{ri}) \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{m_i-1}$ and $\text{vec}(\xi_{ki}) \in \mathbb{R}^{\dim \mathcal{V}_{ki}}$ is the vectorization of $\xi_{ki} \in \mathcal{V}_{ki}$. Moreover, $\phi_r(\xi) = n_r \xi_{rr} \in \mathbb{R} \equiv \text{Sym}(1, \mathbb{R})$.

(ii) For $\xi = \rho^*(T)I_N \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$ with $T \in H_{\mathcal{V}}$ and $i = 1, \dots, r-1$ one has

$$\det \phi_i(\xi) = \chi_{\underline{m}_i}(T) \det \phi_i(I_N),$$

and

$$\det \check{\phi}_i(\xi) = \chi_{\check{\underline{m}}_i}(T) \det \check{\phi}_i(I_N),$$

where $\underline{m}_i := (0, \dots, 0, 1, n_{i+1,i}, \dots, n_{ri}) \in \mathbb{Z}^r$ and $\check{\underline{m}}_i := (0, \dots, 0, 0, n_{i+1,i}, \dots, n_{ri}) \in \mathbb{Z}^r$.

(iii) For any $\xi \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$, one has

$$(9) \quad \delta_{\underline{s}}(\xi) = C_{\underline{s}} \phi_r(\xi)^{s_r} \prod_{i=1}^{r-1} \left(\frac{\det \phi_i(\xi)}{\det \check{\phi}_i(\xi)} \right)^{s_i},$$

where the constant $C_{\underline{s}}$ does not depend on ξ .

(iv) For $\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$ and $i = 1, \dots, r-1$, one has

$$\begin{aligned} & \operatorname{tr} \phi_i(\alpha) \phi_i(I_N)^{-1} \phi_i(\beta) \phi_i(I_N)^{-1} - \operatorname{tr} \check{\phi}_i(\alpha) \check{\phi}_i(I_N)^{-1} \check{\phi}_i(\beta) \check{\phi}_i(I_N)^{-1} \\ &= \alpha_{ii} \beta_{ii} + 2 \sum_{l=i+1}^r \frac{n_l}{n_i} (\alpha_{li} | \beta_{li}). \end{aligned}$$

Let us underline that the useful formula (9) for the power function $\delta_{\underline{s}}$ is new and different from a formula given in [9] and [15]. Precisely, it is just mentioned in [9, 15] that $\delta_{\underline{s}}(\xi)$ is a product of powers of $\det \phi_i(\xi)$.

Proof.

(i) It is a consequence of the choice of basis for W_i and the fact that $W_i \simeq \mathbb{R} \oplus \check{W}_i$.

(ii) In [9] a very similar problem was considered, but there the dual space $\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}^*$ was identified with $\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$ using the, so-called, standard inner product, not the trace inner product. The only difference in the form of ϕ_i in these two cases is that here block sizes n_i appear in (i, i) component and in the definition of v_i . The proof is virtually the same for both cases - see [9, Proposition 3.3].

(iii) From (ii) we see that if $\xi = \rho^*(T)I_N$, then $t_{ii}^2 = \frac{\chi_{m_i}(T)}{\chi_{\check{m}_i}(T)} = \frac{\det \check{\phi}_i(I_N) \det \phi_i(\xi)}{\det \phi_i(I_N) \det \check{\phi}_i(\xi)} = n_i^{-1} \frac{\det \phi_i(\xi)}{\det \check{\phi}_i(\xi)}$.

(iv) Using the block decomposition given in (i), one has

$$\begin{aligned} & \operatorname{tr} \phi_i(\alpha) \phi_i(I_N)^{-1} \phi_i(\beta) \phi_i(I_N)^{-1} - \operatorname{tr} \check{\phi}_i(\alpha) \check{\phi}_i(I_N)^{-1} \check{\phi}_i(\beta) \check{\phi}_i(I_N)^{-1} \\ &= \alpha_{ii} \beta_{ii} + v_i(\alpha)^\top v_i(\beta) + v_i(\beta)^\top v_i(\alpha) \end{aligned}$$

and the assertion follows from the definition of $(\cdot | \cdot)$ and v_i . □

4. RIESZ MEASURES AND WISHART EXPONENTIAL FAMILIES

Generalized power functions play a very important role and this is due to the following

Theorem 4.1 ([8, 12]) (i) *There exists a positive measure $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}$ on $\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$ with the Laplace transform*

$$L_{\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}}(\xi) = \delta_{-\underline{s}}(\xi), \quad \xi \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$$

if and only if $\underline{s} \in \Xi := \bigsqcup_{\varepsilon \in \{0,1\}^r} \Xi(\varepsilon)$, where

$$\Xi(\varepsilon) := \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \underline{s} \in \mathbb{R}^r; \quad s_k > \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i < k} \varepsilon_i \dim \mathcal{V}_{ki} \text{ if } \varepsilon_k = 1 \\ s_k = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i < k} \varepsilon_i \dim \mathcal{V}_{ki} \text{ if } \varepsilon_k = 0 \end{array} \right\}.$$

The support of $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}$ is contained in $\overline{\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}}$.

(ii) *There exists a positive measure $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*$ on $\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}^* \equiv \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$ with the Laplace transform*

$$(10) \quad L_{\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*}(\theta) = \Delta_{-\underline{s}}(\theta), \quad \theta \in \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$$

if and only if $\underline{s} \in \mathfrak{X} := \bigsqcup_{\varepsilon \in \{0,1\}^r} \mathfrak{X}(\varepsilon)$, where

$$\mathfrak{X}(\varepsilon) := \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \underline{s} \in \mathbb{R}^r; \quad s_k > \frac{1}{2} \sum_{l > k} \varepsilon_l \dim \mathcal{V}_{lk} \text{ if } \varepsilon_k = 1 \\ s_k = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{l > k} \varepsilon_l \dim \mathcal{V}_{lk} \text{ if } \varepsilon_k = 0 \end{array} \right\}.$$

The support of $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^$ is contained in $\overline{\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}}$.*

The measure $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}$ (resp. $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*$) is called *the Riesz measure on the cone $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$* (resp. $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$). Ξ and \mathfrak{X} are called *the Gindikin-Wallach sets*.

Riesz measures were described explicitly in [12]. $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}$ (resp. $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*$) is a singular measure unless $\underline{s} \in \Xi(1, \dots, 1)$ (resp. $\underline{s} \in \mathfrak{X}(1, \dots, 1)$). If $\underline{s} \in \Xi(1, \dots, 1)$ (resp. $\underline{s} \in \mathfrak{X}(1, \dots, 1)$), then the Riesz measure is

an absolutely continuous measure with respect to the Lebesgue measure. In such case, the support of $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}$ (resp. $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*$) equals $\overline{\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}}$ (resp. $\overline{\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}}$).

We are interested in the description of natural exponential families generated by $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}$ and $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*$. Members of $F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}})$ and $F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*)$ are called *Wishart distributions on $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$* and $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$, respectively. In order to define NEFs generated by $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}$ and $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*$ we have to ensure that $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}} \in \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}})$ and $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^* \in \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}^*)$ at least for some \underline{s} . We have the following

Theorem 4.2 ([18, Theorem 6]) (i) *Let $\underline{s} \in \Xi$. The support of $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}$ is not concentrated on any affine hyperplane in $\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$ if and only if $s_k > 0$ for all $k = 1, \dots, r$.*
(ii) *Let $\underline{s} \in \mathfrak{X}$. The support of $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*$ is not concentrated on any affine hyperplane in $\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}^*$ if and only if $s_k > 0$ for all $k = 1, \dots, r$.*

4.1. Group equivariance of the Wishart exponential families. We say that a measure μ on \mathbb{E} is *relatively invariant* under a subgroup G of $GL(\mathbb{E})$, if for all $g \in G$ there exists a constant $c_g > 0$ for which $\mu(gA) = c_g \mu(A)$ for any measurable $A \subset \mathbb{E}$. This condition is equivalent to

$$L_{\mu}(g^* \theta) = c_g^{-1} L_{\mu}(\theta), \quad \theta \in \Theta(\mu),$$

where g^* is the adjoint of g .

Formulas (4) and (5) imply that Riesz measure $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}$ is invariant under the group $\rho(H_{\mathcal{V}})$, while the dual Riesz measure $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*$ is invariant under $\rho^*(H_{\mathcal{V}})$. It follows that the Wishart exponential family $F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*)$ is invariant under $\rho(H_{\mathcal{V}})$ and, analogously, $F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}})$ is invariant under $\rho^*(H_{\mathcal{V}})$.

5. THE INVERSE OF THE MEAN MAP AND THE LAURITZEN FORMULA ON $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$

Let $\underline{s} \in \mathfrak{X} \cap \mathbb{R}_{>0}^r$. Then we have $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^* \in \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}^*)$ by Theorem 4.2. Denote by $\psi_{\underline{s}} := \psi_{\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*}$ the inverse of the mean map from $M_{F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*)}$ to $\Theta(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*)$. In this section, we give an explicit formula for $\psi_{\underline{s}}(m)$, $m \in M_{F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*)}$. Thanks to Theorem 4.1, we have $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}} \subset \Theta(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*)$ and $M_{F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*)} \subset \mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$. Applying [15, Proposition IV.3], we can show that $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}} = \Theta(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*)$ and $M_{F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*)} = \mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$. For this, it suffices to check that, for any sequence $\{y_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ in $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$ converging to a point in $\partial \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$, we have $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \Delta_{-\underline{s}}(y_k) = +\infty$ because $\underline{s} \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}^r$.

Proposition 5.1 *The inverse of the mean map on $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$ is expressed by*

$$(11) \quad \psi_{\underline{s}}(m) = -(\log \delta_{-\underline{s}})'(m).$$

Proof. By Lemma 2.1 we obtain $\psi_{\underline{s}} = -(\log J_{\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*})'$. For $T \in H_{\mathcal{V}}$, we have

$$J_{\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*}(\rho^*(T)I_N) = \sup_{\theta \in \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}} \frac{e^{-\langle \rho^*(T)I_N, \theta \rangle}}{L_{\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*}(\theta)} = \sup_{\theta \in \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}} \chi_{-\underline{s}}(T) \frac{e^{-\langle I_N, \rho(T)\theta \rangle}}{L_{\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*}(\rho(T)\theta)},$$

where the last equality follows from (4). Since $\rho(T)\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}} = \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$, we get

$$J_{\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*}(\rho^*(T)I_N) = \chi_{-\underline{s}}(T) \cdot \sup_{\theta \in \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}} \frac{e^{-\langle I_N, \theta \rangle}}{L_{\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*}(\theta)} = \delta_{-\underline{s}}(\rho^*(T)I_N) J_{\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*}(I_N).$$

We see that the function $\delta_{-\underline{s}}$ equals $J_{\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*}$ up to a constant multiple. Therefore $-(\log \delta_{-\underline{s}})'$ coincides with $-(\log J_{\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*})'$. \square

Remark 5.1 *It is shown in [22, Proposition 3.16] that $-(\log \Delta_{-\underline{s}})'$ gives a diffeomorphism from the homogeneous cone $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$ onto $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$ for any $\underline{s} \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}^r$, and that $-(\log \delta_{-\underline{s}})'$ gives the inverse map of $-(\log \Delta_{-\underline{s}})'$. Proposition 5.1 follows from this fact because the mean map $m_{\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*}$ equals $-(\log L_{\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*})' = -(\log \Delta_{-\underline{s}})'$ for $\underline{s} \in \Xi \cap \mathbb{R}_{>0}^r$ by (10). Nevertheless, we have given a short simple proof of Proposition 5.1 for completeness.*

Let us evaluate $\psi_{\underline{s}}(m) \in \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$ for $m \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$. In general, for a positive integer M , we regard the set $\text{Sym}(M, \mathbb{R})$ of $M \times M$ symmetric matrices as a Euclidean vector space with the trace inner product $\text{tr } XY$ ($X, Y \in \text{Sym}(M, \mathbb{R})$). Then we consider the linear map $\phi_i^* : \text{Sym}(m_i, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$, $i = 1, \dots, r$, adjoint to $\phi_i : \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}} \rightarrow \text{Sym}(m_i, \mathbb{R})$ defined in such a way that

$$\langle \xi, \phi_i^*(X) \rangle = \text{tr } \phi_i(\xi)X, \quad X \in \text{Sym}(m_i, \mathbb{R}), \xi \in \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}.$$

The linear map $\check{\phi}_i^* : \text{Sym}(m_i - 1, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$, $i = 1, \dots, r$, adjoint to $\check{\phi}_i : \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}} \rightarrow \text{Sym}(m_i - 1, \mathbb{R})$ is defined similarly.

Theorem 5.1 *The inverse of the mean map on $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$ is given by the formula*

$$(12) \quad \psi_{\underline{s}}(m) = s_r \phi_r^*(\phi_r(m)^{-1}) + \sum_{i=1}^{r-1} s_i \left(\phi_i^*(\phi_i(m)^{-1}) - \check{\phi}_i^*(\check{\phi}_i(m)^{-1}) \right).$$

Proof. For any $\alpha \in \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$, we see from (11) and Proposition 3.1 (iii) that

$$\langle \alpha, \psi_{\underline{s}}(m) \rangle = -D_{\alpha} \log \delta_{-\underline{s}}(m) = s_r D_{\alpha} \log \phi_r(m) + \sum_{i=1}^{r-1} s_i D_{\alpha} \left(\log \det \phi_i(m) - \log \det \check{\phi}_i(m) \right),$$

where D_{α} denotes the directional derivative in the direction of α . By the well-known formula for the derivative of log-determinant, we get

$$(13) \quad \langle \alpha, \psi_{\underline{s}}(m) \rangle = s_r \frac{\phi_r(\alpha)}{\phi_r(m)} + \sum_{i=1}^{r-1} s_i \left(\text{tr } \phi_i(\alpha) \phi_i(m)^{-1} - \text{tr } \check{\phi}_i(\alpha) \check{\phi}_i(m)^{-1} \right).$$

Using the adjoint maps, we rewrite (13) as

$$\langle \alpha, \psi_{\underline{s}}(m) \rangle = s_r \langle \alpha, \phi_r^*(\phi_r(m)^{-1}) \rangle + \sum_{i=1}^{r-1} s_i \left(\langle \alpha, \phi_i^*(\phi_i(m)^{-1}) \rangle - \langle \alpha, \check{\phi}_i^*(\check{\phi}_i(m)^{-1}) \rangle \right),$$

so that we obtain formula (12). □

Let $\underline{n} := (n_1, \dots, n_r)$. Noting that $\hat{m}^{-1} \in \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$, we have $\det \hat{m}^{-1} = \Delta_{\underline{n}}(\hat{m}^{-1}) = \delta_{-\underline{n}}(m)$ by (3) and (8). Thus, for $\alpha \in \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$ we observe

$$\langle \alpha, \psi_{\underline{n}}(m) \rangle = -D_{\alpha} \log \delta_{-\underline{n}}(m) = -D_{\alpha} \log \det \hat{m}^{-1} = \text{tr } \alpha \hat{m}^{-1} = \langle \alpha, \hat{m}^{-1} \rangle.$$

Therefore, by (12) we get

Corollary 5.1 *The inverse of the bijection $y \rightarrow \pi(y^{-1}), \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}} \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$ is given explicitly by*

$$(14) \quad m \mapsto \hat{m}^{-1} = \psi_{\underline{n}}(m) = n_r \phi_r^*(\phi_r(m)^{-1}) + \sum_{i=1}^{r-1} n_i \left(\phi_i^*(\phi_i(m)^{-1}) - \check{\phi}_i^*(\check{\phi}_i(m)^{-1}) \right).$$

If $n_1 = n_2 = \dots = n_r = 1$, then (14) yields the Lauritzen formula for homogeneous graphical cones (cf. Example 6.1). Formula (14) generalizes the Lauritzen formula to all homogeneous cones.

6. VARIANCE FUNCTION OF WISHART EXPONENTIAL FAMILIES ON $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$

As in the previous section, let $\underline{s} \in \mathfrak{X} \cap \mathbb{R}_{>0}^r$.

Lemma 6.1 *The variance functions of the Wishart exponential families satisfy*

$$(15) \quad \mathbb{V}_{F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*)}(\rho^*(T)I_N) = \rho^*(T) \mathbb{V}_{F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*)}(I_N) \rho(T), \quad T \in H_{\mathcal{V}},$$

$$(16) \quad \mathbb{V}_{F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}})}(\rho(T)I_N) = \rho(T) \mathbb{V}_{F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}})}(I_N) \rho^*(T), \quad T \in H_{\mathcal{V}}.$$

Proof. The identity (15) for the variance function follows from the invariance of $F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*)$ under $\rho(H_{\mathcal{V}})$ (see for example formula (2.2) in [18]). The invariance property of $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}$ results in identity (16). \square

In [18, Theorem 7] it was shown that property (16) actually characterizes measure $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}$. The same is true for (15) and $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*$.

Recall that $N = n_1 + \dots + n_r = N_r$. For $z \in \text{Sym}(N_k, \mathbb{R})$, we define the matrix $z_0 \in \text{Sym}(N, \mathbb{R})$ completed with zeros, that is, $(z_0)_{\{1:k\}} = z$ and $(z_0)_{ij} = 0$ if $\max\{i, j\} > N_k$. Set $J_k := (I_{N_k})_0 \in \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$ and $J_k^* := I_N - J_k$.

Proposition 6.1 *If $y = T^\top T \in \text{Sym}_+(N, \mathbb{R})$ with $T \in H_{\mathcal{V}}$, then*

$$T^\top J_k^* T = y - \left[(y^{-1})_{\{1:k\}} \right]_0^{-1}.$$

Proof. We have to show that $T^\top J_k T = \left[(y^{-1})_{\{1:k\}} \right]_0^{-1}$. Observe first that

$$T^\top J_k T = \left(T_{\{1:k\}}^\top T_{\{1:k\}} \right)_0.$$

Set $S = T^{-1} \in H_{\mathcal{V}}$. Then $y^{-1} = SS^\top$. Since $(SS^\top)_{\{1:k\}} = S_{\{1:k\}} S_{\{1:k\}}^\top$, we have

$$\left[(y^{-1})_{\{1:k\}} \right]^{-1} = (S_{\{1:k\}}^\top)^{-1} (S_{\{1:k\}})^{-1}.$$

Thanks to $(S_{\{1:k\}})^{-1} = (S^{-1})_{\{1:k\}} = T_{\{1:k\}}$, we get the assertion. \square

Now we are ready to state and prove our main theorem.

Theorem 6.1 *Let $\underline{s} \in \mathfrak{X} \cap \mathbb{R}_{>0}^r$. Then the variance function of $F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*)$ is given by*

$$\mathbb{V}_{F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*)}(m) = \pi \circ \left\{ \frac{n_1}{s_1} \rho(\hat{m}) + \sum_{i=2}^r \left(\frac{n_i}{s_i} - \frac{n_{i-1}}{s_{i-1}} \right) \rho \left(\hat{m} - \left[(\hat{m}^{-1})_{\{1:i-1\}} \right]_0^{-1} \right) \right\}, \quad m \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}.$$

Proof. Similarly as in the proof of Theorem 5.1, using formula (11) from Proposition 5.1, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \alpha, \psi'_{\underline{s}}(m) \beta \rangle &= -D_{\alpha, \beta}^2 \log \delta_{-\underline{s}}(m) \\ &= s_r D_{\alpha, \beta}^2 \log \phi_r(m) + \sum_{i=1}^{r-1} s_i \left(D_{\alpha, \beta}^2 \log \det \phi_i(m) - D_{\alpha, \beta}^2 \log \det \check{\phi}_i(m) \right) \\ &= -s_r \frac{\phi_r(\alpha) \phi_r(\beta)}{\phi_r(m)^2} - \sum_{i=1}^{r-1} s_i \left(\text{tr} \phi_i(\alpha) \phi_i(m)^{-1} \phi_i(\beta) \phi_i(m)^{-1} - \text{tr} \check{\phi}_i(\alpha) \check{\phi}_i(m)^{-1} \check{\phi}_i(\beta) \check{\phi}_i(m)^{-1} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Setting $m = I_N$, we obtain by Proposition 3.1 (iv)

$$\langle \alpha, \psi'_{\underline{s}}(I_N) \beta \rangle = -s_r \alpha_{rr} \beta_{rr} - \sum_{i=1}^{r-1} \frac{s_i}{n_i} \left(n_i \alpha_{ii} \beta_{ii} + 2 \sum_{l=i+1}^r n_l (\alpha_l | \beta_l) \right).$$

Recall that $J_k^* = \begin{pmatrix} 0_{N_k} & \\ & I_{n_{k+1} + \dots + n_r} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$ and set $\mathbb{P}_k := \rho(J_k^*)$, $k = 1, \dots, r-1$, $\mathbb{P}_0 = \text{Id}_{\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}}$. \mathbb{P}_i is the orthogonal projection onto $\bigoplus_{i < k, l \leq r} \mathcal{V}_{lk}$. Then, through direct computation, one can show that for $i = 1, \dots, r-1$,

$$n_i \alpha_{ii} \beta_{ii} + 2 \sum_{l=i+1}^r n_l (\alpha_l | \beta_l) = \langle \alpha, (\mathbb{P}_{i-1} - \mathbb{P}_i) \beta \rangle,$$

and

$$n_r \alpha_{rr} \beta_{rr} = \langle \alpha, \mathbb{P}_{r-1} \beta \rangle.$$

These imply that ($\mathbb{P}_r := 0_{\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}}$)

$$\psi'_{\underline{s}}(I_N) = - \sum_{i=1}^r \frac{s_i}{n_i} (\mathbb{P}_{i-1} - \mathbb{P}_i).$$

Since $(\mathbb{P}_{i-1} - \mathbb{P}_i)(\mathbb{P}_{j-1} - \mathbb{P}_j) = \delta_{ij}(\mathbb{P}_{i-1} - \mathbb{P}_i)$, we have

$$(17) \quad [\psi'_{\underline{s}}(I_N)]^{-1} = - \sum_{i=1}^r \frac{n_i}{s_i} (\mathbb{P}_{i-1} - \mathbb{P}_i).$$

Indeed,

$$\psi'_{\underline{s}}(I_N) \sum_{j=1}^r \left(- \frac{n_j}{s_j} (\mathbb{P}_{j-1} - \mathbb{P}_j) \right) = \sum_{i=1}^r (\mathbb{P}_{i-1} - \mathbb{P}_i) = \mathbb{P}_0 = \text{Id}_{\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}}.$$

Thus, (17) gives us

$$\mathbb{V}_{F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*)}(I_N) = -[\psi'_{\underline{s}}(I_N)]^{-1} = \frac{n_1}{s_1} \text{Id}_{\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}} + \sum_{i=2}^r \left(\frac{n_i}{s_i} - \frac{n_{i-1}}{s_{i-1}} \right) \mathbb{P}_{i-1}.$$

Finally, using (15) we obtain for $m = \rho^*(T)I_N$,

$$(18) \quad \mathbb{V}_{F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*)}(m) = \rho^*(T) \mathbb{V}_{F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*)}(I_N) \rho(T) = \frac{n_1}{s_1} \rho^*(T) \rho(T) + \sum_{i=2}^r \left(\frac{n_i}{s_i} - \frac{n_{i-1}}{s_{i-1}} \right) \rho^*(T) \mathbb{P}_{i-1} \rho(T).$$

Since $\rho^*(T) = \pi \circ \rho(T^\top)$ and $\hat{m} = T^\top T$, we have

$$\rho^*(T) \rho(T) = \pi \circ \rho(T^\top) \rho(T) = \pi \circ \rho(T^\top T) = \pi \circ \rho(\hat{m}),$$

and, by Proposition 6.1, for $i = 2, \dots, r$,

$$\rho^*(T) \mathbb{P}_{i-1} \rho(T) = \pi \circ \rho(T^\top J_{i-1}^* T) = \pi \circ \rho \left(\hat{m} - \left[(\hat{m}^{-1})_{\{1:i-1\}} \right]_0^{-1} \right).$$

□

Remark 6.1 Note that the formula for the inverse of the mean map given in Theorem 5.1 is not necessary for the proof of Theorem 6.1. Formula (11) from Proposition 5.1 is sufficient.

Example 6.1 Let us apply Theorem 6.1 to the Wishart exponential families on the Vinberg cone. Let

$$\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}} := \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & 0 & x_{31} \\ 0 & x_{22} & x_{32} \\ x_{31} & x_{32} & x_{33} \end{pmatrix} : x_{11}, x_{22}, x_{33}, x_{31}, x_{32} \in \mathbb{R} \right\}.$$

Conditions (V1)–(V3) are satisfied and we have $n_1 = n_2 = n_3 = 1$, $N = r = 3$. Then,

$$\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}} = \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}} \cap \text{Sym}_+(3, \mathbb{R}) = \{x \in \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}} : x_{11} > 0, x_{22} > 0, \det x > 0 \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

and its dual cone is given by

$$\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}} = \{\xi \in \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}} : \xi_{33} > 0, \xi_{11}\xi_{33} > \xi_{31}^2, \xi_{22}\xi_{33} > \xi_{32}^2\}.$$

The cone $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$ is called the Vinberg cone, while $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$ is called the dual Vinberg cone. The cones $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$ and $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$ are the lowest dimensional non-symmetric homogeneous cones.

For $\xi \in \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_1(\xi) &= \begin{pmatrix} \xi_{11} & \xi_{31} \\ \xi_{31} & \xi_{33} \end{pmatrix} =: \xi_{\{1,3\}}, & \phi_2(\xi) &= \begin{pmatrix} \xi_{22} & \xi_{32} \\ \xi_{32} & \xi_{33} \end{pmatrix} =: \xi_{\{2,3\}}, \\ \phi_3(\xi) &= \check{\phi}_1(\xi) = \check{\phi}_2(\xi) = \xi_{33}, \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_1^* \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 & b \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ b & 0 & c \end{pmatrix}, & \phi_2^* \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a & b \\ 0 & b & c \end{pmatrix}, \\ \phi_3^*(a) &= \check{\phi}_1^*(a) = \check{\phi}_2^*(a) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

for $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$. Therefore, for $m \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$ and $\underline{s} = (s_1, s_2, s_3)$ we obtain by (12)

$$\psi_{\underline{s}}(m) = s_1 \begin{pmatrix} \frac{m_{33}}{|m_{\{1,3\}}|} & 0 & -\frac{m_{31}}{|m_{\{1,3\}}|} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{m_{31}}{|m_{\{1,3\}}|} & 0 & \frac{m_{11}}{|m_{\{1,3\}}|} \end{pmatrix} + s_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{m_{33}}{|m_{\{2,3\}}|} & -\frac{m_{32}}{|m_{\{2,3\}}|} \\ 0 & -\frac{m_{32}}{|m_{\{2,3\}}|} & \frac{m_{22}}{|m_{\{2,3\}}|} \end{pmatrix} + (s_3 - s_1 - s_2) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{m_{33}} \end{pmatrix}.$$

In particular, (14) tells us that

$$(19) \quad \hat{m}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{m_{33}}{|m_{\{1,3\}}|} & 0 & -\frac{m_{31}}{|m_{\{1,3\}}|} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{m_{31}}{|m_{\{1,3\}}|} & 0 & \frac{m_{33}}{|m_{\{1,3\}}|} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{m_{33}}{|m_{\{2,3\}}|} & -\frac{m_{32}}{|m_{\{2,3\}}|} \\ 0 & -\frac{m_{32}}{|m_{\{2,3\}}|} & \frac{m_{22}}{|m_{\{2,3\}}|} \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{m_{33}} \end{pmatrix},$$

where $|m_{\{1,3\}}| = m_{11}m_{33} - m_{31}^2$ and $|m_{\{2,3\}}| = m_{22}m_{33} - m_{32}^2$. This is exactly the Lauritzen formula. Moreover, we have

$$\hat{m} = \begin{pmatrix} m_{11} & \frac{m_{31}m_{32}}{m_{33}} & m_{31} \\ \frac{m_{31}m_{32}}{m_{33}} & m_{22} & m_{32} \\ m_{31} & m_{32} & m_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

and it is easy to see that the projection $\pi: \text{Sym}(3, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$ sets 0 in (1, 2) and (2, 1) entries remaining all other entries unchanged.

We shall use Theorem 6.1 in order to give explicitly $\mathbb{V}_{F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*)}$. We denote $M_i = \frac{|m_{\{i,3\}}|}{m_{33}} E_{ii}$ for $i = 1, 2$, where E_{ii} is the diagonal 3×3 matrix with 1 in (i, i) entry and all else 0. Then we have by (19)

$$\left[(\hat{m}^{-1})_{\{1:1\}} \right]_0^{-1} = M_1, \quad \left[(\hat{m}^{-1})_{\{1:2\}} \right]_0^{-1} = M_1 + M_2.$$

Theorem 6.1 gives for $\underline{s} \in \mathfrak{X} \cap \mathbb{R}_{>0}^3$,

$$(20) \quad \mathbb{V}_{F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*)}(m) = \pi \circ \left\{ \frac{1}{s_1} \rho(\hat{m}) + \left(\frac{1}{s_2} - \frac{1}{s_1} \right) \rho(\hat{m} - M_1) + \left(\frac{1}{s_3} - \frac{1}{s_2} \right) \rho(\hat{m} - M_1 - M_2) \right\}.$$

Elementary properties of the quadratic operator ρ and of its bilinear extension $\rho(a, b)x = \frac{1}{2}(axb^\top + bxa^\top)$, and the fact that $\rho(M_1, M_2) = 0$ on $\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$, imply the following formula, proven by different methods in [10]:

$$(21) \quad \mathbb{V}_{F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*)}(m) = \pi \circ \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{s_1} + \frac{1}{s_2} - \frac{1}{s_3} \right) \rho(\hat{m}) + \left(\frac{1}{s_3} - \frac{1}{s_1} \right) \rho(\hat{m} - M_1) + \left(\frac{1}{s_3} - \frac{1}{s_2} \right) \rho(\hat{m} - M_2) \right\}.$$

Observe that formulas (20) and (21) imply analogous formulas for the homogeneous cone Q , dual to the cone P in the vector space

$$Z := \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & x_{21} & 0 \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & x_{32} \\ 0 & x_{32} & x_{33} \end{pmatrix} : x_{11}, x_{21}, x_{22}, x_{32}, x_{33} \in \mathbb{R} \right\},$$

i.e. $P = Z \cap \text{Sym}_+(3, \mathbb{R})$. Note that $Z \cap \text{Sym}_+(3, \mathbb{R})$ is not a matrix realization of the cone P , so Theorem 6.1 does not apply directly to Wishart families on Q . Instead, we use the permutation $(1, 3, 2) \mapsto (1, 2, 3)$

and \hat{m} with $\hat{m}_{13} = \frac{m_{21}m_{32}}{m_{22}}$. For example, formula (21) gives the following formula proven in [10]

$$\mathbb{V}_{\mathcal{Q}}(m) = \left(\frac{1}{s_1} + \frac{1}{s_3} - \frac{1}{s_2} \right) \rho(\hat{m}) + \left(\frac{1}{s_2} - \frac{1}{s_1} \right) \rho(\hat{m} - M'_1) + \left(\frac{1}{s_2} - \frac{1}{s_3} \right) \rho(\hat{m} - M'_3),$$

where $M'_1 := \frac{x_{11}x_{22} - x_{21}^2}{x_{22}} E_{11}$ and $M'_3 := \frac{x_{22}x_{33} - x_{32}^2}{x_{22}} E_{33}$. Note that for $\underline{s} = (p, p, p)$ with $p > \frac{1}{2}$, the variance function of $F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*)$ on the Vinberg cone is

$$(22) \quad \mathbb{V}_p(m) = \frac{1}{p} \rho(\hat{m}).$$

Remark 6.2 A formula for the variance function of a Wishart family on a homogeneous cone is announced in the unpublished article [4], Theorem 4.2. That formula does not coincide with the formulas proven in the present article. The conflict is caused by incorrect treatment of inverse elements in T -algebras in [4].

7. VARIANCE FUNCTION OF WISHART EXPONENTIAL FAMILIES ON $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$

We are going to find the variance function of the NEF generated by $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}$ on the cone $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$. Using the similar approach (see (18)) as in the proof of Theorem 6.1, one can show the following Proposition.

Proposition 7.1 Let $\underline{s} \in \Xi \cap \mathbb{R}_{>0}^r$. For any $T \in H_{\mathcal{V}}$ one has

$$\mathbb{V}_{F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}})}(\rho(T)I_N) = \frac{n_r}{s_r} \rho(T)\rho^*(T) + \sum_{k=1}^{r-1} \left(\frac{n_k}{s_k} - \frac{n_{k+1}}{s_{k+1}} \right) \rho(T)\rho(J_k)\rho^*(T).$$

Proof. We have $\Theta(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}) = \mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$ and $M_{F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}})} = \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$. By definition, $m_{\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}}(\theta) = -(\log \delta_{-\underline{s}})'(\theta)$, $\theta \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$. Use Lemma 2.1 to show that $\psi_{\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}}(m) = -(\log \Delta_{-\underline{s}})'(m)$, $m \in \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$ and proceed analogously as in the proof of Theorem 6.1. \square

Now we will use also another approach to this problem. We will use the duality of the cones $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$ and $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$ and a matrix realization of $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$. The objective is to boil down to the results of the preceding Section and apply the formula for the variance function from Theorem 6.1.

Dual cone $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$ to a homogeneous cone is also homogeneous. Thus, due to [13, Theorem D] it admits (under suitable linear isomorphism) a matrix realization. There exists a family $\tilde{\mathcal{V}} = \{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}_{lk}\}_{1 \leq k < l \leq \tilde{r}}$ satisfying (V1)-(V3) and a linear isomorphism $l: \mathcal{Z}_{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}} \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$ such that $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}} = l(\mathcal{P}_{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}})$. It can be shown that $\tilde{r} = r$.

Since $l(\mathcal{P}_{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}}) = \mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$ and l is an isomorphism, for any $T \in H_{\mathcal{V}}$ there exists a unique $\tilde{T} \in H_{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}}$ such that

$$l(\rho(T)I_N^{\mathcal{V}}) = \rho^*(\tilde{T})I_N^{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}}.$$

The linear isomorphism l can be taken in such a way that if T has diagonal (t_{11}, \dots, t_{rr}) then \tilde{T} has diagonal (t_{rr}, \dots, t_{11}) (see the choice of the permutation w in Proposition 7.4). In such case we have $\chi_{\underline{s}}^{\mathcal{V}}(\tilde{T}) = \chi_{\underline{s}^*}^{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}}(\tilde{T})$, where $\underline{s}^* = (s_r, \dots, s_1)$. This implies the following Proposition

Proposition 7.2 There exists a family $\tilde{\mathcal{V}} = \{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}_{lk}\}_{1 \leq k < l \leq r}$ satisfying (V1)-(V3) and a linear isomorphism $l: \mathcal{Z}_{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}} \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$ such that $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}} = l(\mathcal{P}_{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}})$ and

$$(23) \quad \Delta_{\underline{s}^*}^{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}}(x) = \delta_{\underline{s}}^{\mathcal{V}}(l(x)), \quad x \in \mathcal{P}_{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}}.$$

In this case, $\underline{s} \in \Xi_{\mathcal{V}}$ if and only if $\underline{s}^* \in \mathfrak{X}_{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}}$.

The adjoint map $l^*: \mathcal{Z}_V \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}_V^* \equiv \mathcal{Z}_{\tilde{V}}$ is a linear isomorphism such that $l^*(\mathcal{P}_V) = \mathcal{Q}_{\tilde{V}}$ and

$$\Delta_{\underline{s}}^V(x) = \delta_{\underline{s}^*}^{\tilde{V}}(l^*(x)), \quad x \in \mathcal{P}_V.$$

Consider the Riesz measure $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}$ on \mathcal{P}_V . Then for any $\xi \in \mathcal{Q}_V$

$$L_{\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}}(\xi) = \delta_{\underline{s}}^V(\xi) = \Delta_{\underline{s}^*}^{\tilde{V}}((l^*)^{-1}(\xi)) = L_{\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}^*}}((l^*)^{-1}(\xi)),$$

where $L_{\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}^*}}$ is the Laplace transform of the Riesz measure on $\mathcal{P}_{\tilde{V}}$. We have proven the following

Theorem 7.1 *Let $\underline{s} \in \Xi \cap \mathbb{R}_{>0}^r$. Then the variance function of $F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}})$ is given by*

$$\mathbb{V}_{F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}})}(\theta) = (l^*)^{-1} \circ \mathbb{V}_{F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}^*})}(l^*(\theta)) \circ l^{-1}, \quad \theta \in M_{F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}})} = \mathcal{P}_V.$$

Here $\mathbb{V}_{F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}^*})}$ is the variance function of the Riesz measure defined on $\mathcal{P}_{\tilde{V}}$, which can be written using Theorem 6.1. The drawback of this result is that the map l and so l^* is generically not explicit. In the second part of this Section we propose a practical construction of a matrix realization of the cone \mathcal{Q}_V . Consequently, the maps l and l^* will be available and Theorem 7.1 will become useful in statistical practice.

7.1. Matrix realization of the cone \mathcal{Q}_V . One general way to get a matrix realization of the cone \mathcal{Q}_V as $\mathcal{P}_{\tilde{V}}$ is as follows. Recall that $m_i = \dim W_i$, which was defined in Section 3.3. Noting that $\sum_{i=1}^r m_i$ equals the dimension d of the cone \mathcal{Q}_V , we define a linear map

$$\Phi: \mathcal{Z}_V \ni \xi \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1(\xi) & & & \\ & \phi_2(\xi) & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \phi_r(\xi) \end{pmatrix} \in \text{Sym}(d, \mathbb{R}),$$

and put

$$\mathcal{A}_V := \left\{ \Phi(I_N)^{-1/2} \Phi(\xi) \Phi(I_N)^{-1/2} : \xi \in \mathcal{Z}_V \right\}.$$

Proposition 7.3 *By an appropriate permutation of rows and columns, the subspace \mathcal{A}_V of $\text{Sym}(d, \mathbb{R})$ gives a matrix realization of \mathcal{Q}_V , thus we have $l^{-1} = \rho(w \Phi(I_d)^{-1/2}) \circ \Phi$ for some permutation matrix $w \in GL(d, \mathbb{R})$.*

Proof. We note that $\Phi(\xi)$ is positive definite if and only if $\xi \in \mathcal{Q}_V$. Indeed, the 'only if' part follows from the fact that $\xi \in \mathcal{Q}_V$ is characterized by the positivity of $\det \phi_i(\xi)$ for all $i = 1, \dots, r$ (see [9, Proposition 3.1 (iv)]). To show Proposition 7.3, we shall introduce an algebra structure on the space $\text{Sym}(N, \mathbb{R})$ of symmetric matrices, and apply [16, Theorem 2]. For $X \in \text{Sym}(N, \mathbb{R})$, let \underline{X} be a unique lower triangular matrix for which $X = \underline{X} + \underline{X}^\top$. For $X, Y \in \text{Sym}(N, \mathbb{R})$, define

$$X \triangle Y := \underline{X}Y + Y\underline{X}^\top \in \text{Sym}(N, \mathbb{R}).$$

It is not difficult to see that the conditions (V1) – (V3) are satisfied if and only if the space $\mathcal{Z}_V \subset \text{Sym}(N, \mathbb{R})$ forms a subalgebra of $(\text{Sym}(N, \mathbb{R}), \triangle)$, that is, $X \triangle Y \in \mathcal{Z}_V$ for all $X, Y \in \mathcal{Z}_V$. On the other hand, [16, Theorem 2] states that, if $\mathcal{A} \subset \text{Sym}(N, \mathbb{R})$ is a subalgebra of $(\text{Sym}(N, \mathbb{R}), \triangle)$ containing I_N , then there exists a permutation matrix $w \in GL(N, \mathbb{R})$ such that $\rho(w)\mathcal{A} = \{\rho(w)X : X \in \mathcal{A}\}$ is of the form $\mathcal{Z}_{\tilde{V}}$ with some $\tilde{V} = \{\tilde{V}_{lk}\}$. Therefore, for the proof of Proposition 7.3, it suffices to show that $\mathcal{A}_V^0 := \{\rho(w_0)X : X \in \mathcal{A}_V\}$ is a subalgebra of $(\text{Sym}(d, \mathbb{R}), \triangle)$ containing I_d , where w_0 is the anti-diagonal matrix corresponding to the permutation $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & d \\ d & d-1 & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. Clearly $I_d \in \mathcal{A}_V^0$ because $\Phi(I_N)^{-1/2} \Phi(\xi) \Phi(I_N)^{-1/2} = I_d$ with $\xi = I_N$.

For $T \in H_{\mathcal{V}}$ and $x \in W_i$, then $Tx \in W_i$ by (V1). Thus, for each $T \in H_{\mathcal{V}}$, there exists $\sigma_i(T) \in GL(m_i, \mathbb{R})$ such that

$$\text{vec}(Tx) = \sigma_i(T) \text{vec}(x)$$

for all $x \in W_i$. Here $\sigma_i(T)$ is a lower triangular matrix. By Definition 3.4, we have for $\xi \in \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{vec}(x)^\top \phi_i(\rho^*(T)\xi) \text{vec}(x) &= \langle \rho^*(T)\xi, q_i(x) \rangle = \langle \xi, \rho(T)q_i(x) \rangle = \langle \xi, q_i(Tx) \rangle = \text{vec}(Tx)^\top \phi_i(\xi) \text{vec}(Tx) \\ &= \text{vec}(x)^\top \sigma_i(T)^\top \phi_i(\xi) \sigma_i(T) \text{vec}(x), \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\phi_i(\rho^*(T)\xi) = \sigma_i(T)^\top \phi_i(\xi) \sigma_i(T).$$

For $T \in H_{\mathcal{V}}$, we write

$$\tilde{T} := \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1(T)^\top & & & \\ & \sigma_2(T)^\top & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \sigma_r(T)^\top \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then \tilde{T} is an upper triangular matrix and we have

$$(24) \quad \Phi(\rho^*(T)\xi) = \tilde{T}\Phi(\xi)\tilde{T}^\top = \rho(\tilde{T})\Phi(\xi) \quad (T, \xi) \in H_{\mathcal{V}} \times \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}.$$

Let $\mathcal{HA}_{\mathcal{V}}$ be the set $\left\{ \Phi(I_N)^{-1/2} \tilde{T} \Phi(I_N)^{1/2} : T \in H_{\mathcal{V}} \right\}$. Then $\mathcal{HA}_{\mathcal{V}}$ forms a Lie group and we have

$$\rho(S)X \in \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{V}}, \quad (S, X) \in \mathcal{HA}_{\mathcal{V}} \times \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{V}}.$$

We observe that

$$\phi_i(I_N) = \begin{pmatrix} n_i & & & \\ & n_{i+1} I_{\dim \mathcal{V}_{i+1,i}} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & n_r I_{\dim \mathcal{V}_{ri}} \end{pmatrix},$$

so that $\Phi(I_N)$ is a diagonal matrix. Thus, elements of $\mathcal{HA}_{\mathcal{V}}$ are upper triangular matrices. It follows that $\mathcal{HA}_{\mathcal{V}}^0 := \{ w_0 S w_0^{-1} : S \in \mathcal{HA}_{\mathcal{V}} \}$ is a Lie group whose elements are lower triangular matrices and we have

$$\rho(S)X \in \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{V}}^0, \quad (S, X) \in \mathcal{HA}_{\mathcal{V}}^0 \times \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{V}}^0.$$

The $\rho(\mathcal{HA}_{\mathcal{V}}^0)$ -orbit through I_d coincides with the image of $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}} \subset \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$ by the linear map $\xi \mapsto \rho(w_0 \Phi(I_N)^{-1/2}) \Phi(\xi)$, so it is an open orbit. Let $\text{Lie}(\mathcal{HA}_{\mathcal{V}}^0)$ be the Lie algebra of the Lie group $\mathcal{HA}_{\mathcal{V}}^0$. Then $L \in \text{Lie}(\mathcal{HA}_{\mathcal{V}}^0)$ is a lower triangular matrix, and the infinitesimal action is given by $\dot{\rho}(L)Y = LY + YL^\top \in \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{V}}^0$ for $Y \in \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{V}}^0$. In particular, we have a linear isomorphism

$$\text{Lie}(\mathcal{HA}_{\mathcal{V}}^0) \ni L \mapsto \dot{\rho}(L)I_d = L + L^\top \in \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{V}}^0,$$

which implies that $\text{Lie}(\mathcal{HA}_{\mathcal{V}}^0) = \{ \underline{X} : X \in \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{V}}^0 \}$. Therefore, for $X, Y \in \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{V}}^0$, we have

$$X \triangle Y = \dot{\rho}(\underline{X})Y \in \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{V}}^0,$$

so that $\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{V}}^0$ is a subalgebra of $(\text{Sym}(d, \mathbb{R}), \Delta)$. Hence Proposition 7.3 is verified. \square

The permutation giving a matrix realization in Proposition 7.3 is not unique. We shall present a practical method of finding such a permutation. For $k = 1, \dots, r$, we put $\nu_k := 1 + \sum_{i < k} \dim \mathcal{V}_{ki}$.

Proposition 7.4 *Let $w \in GL(d, \mathbb{R})$ be a permutation matrix such that*

$$(25) \quad \rho(w \Phi(I_N)^{-1/2})\Phi(\xi) = \begin{pmatrix} \xi_{rr} I_{\nu_r} & & & \\ & \xi_{r-1, r-1} I_{\nu_{r-1}} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \xi_{11} I_{\nu_1} \end{pmatrix}$$

holds for any diagonal $\xi \in \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$. Then $\rho(w)\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{V}} = \mathcal{Z}_{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}}$ with some vector spaces $\tilde{\mathcal{V}}_{lk} \subset \text{Mat}(\nu_l, \nu_k, \mathbb{R})$ ($1 \leq k < l \leq r$), which satisfy (V1)–(V3).

Proof. In the proof of Proposition 7.3, we find a permutation matrix w such that $\rho(w)\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{V}} = \mathcal{Z}_{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}}$ by applying [16, Theorem 2]. And, in view of the proof of [16, Theorem 2], we see that this w satisfies condition (25). Let $w' \in GL(d, \mathbb{R})$ be another permutation matrix satisfying (25). Then there exist permutation matrices $u_k \in GL(\nu_k, \mathbb{R})$ for $k = 1, \dots, r$ such that

$$w' = uw \quad \text{with} \quad u := \begin{pmatrix} u_1 & & & \\ & u_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & u_r \end{pmatrix} \in GL(d, \mathbb{R}).$$

Then $\rho(u)\mathcal{Z}_{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}} = \mathcal{Z}_{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}'}$, where $\tilde{\mathcal{V}}'_{lk} := u_l \tilde{\mathcal{V}}_{lk} u_k^\top$ ($1 \leq k < l \leq r$). On the other hand, noting that $u_k^\top = u_k^{-1}$, we see that the family of $\tilde{\mathcal{V}}'_{lk}$ satisfies (V1)–(V3). In conclusion, we have

$$\rho(w')\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{V}} = \rho(u)\mathcal{Z}_{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}} = \mathcal{Z}_{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}'}$$

which means that any permutation w' satisfying (25) gives a matrix realization of $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$. \square

Let us note that condition (25) is rather easy to check, since the matrix $\rho(\Phi(I_N)^{-1/2})\Phi(\xi)$ is diagonal if ξ is diagonal.

We remark that some ϕ_i 's can be omitted from Φ : this is the ‘‘optimization’’ of matrix realizations of homogeneous cones, recently developed by Nomura and Yamasaki [23], see Example 7.1 below.

Example 7.1 *Consider the same space $\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$ as in Example 6.1. The variance function of a Wishart family on $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$ was derived in Example 6.1. The objective of this example is to give the variance function of a Wishart family on $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$. We start with constructing a convenient matrix realization of $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$, using Propositions 7.2, 7.3 and 7.4.*

For the dual Vinberg cone, the map Φ is as follows (see [15]):

$$\begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 & & \xi_4 \\ & \xi_2 & \xi_5 \\ \xi_4 & \xi_5 & \xi_3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 & \xi_4 & & \\ \xi_4 & \xi_3 & & \\ & & \xi_2 & \xi_5 \\ & & \xi_5 & \xi_3 \\ & & & & \xi_3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since $\Phi(I_3) = I_5$ in this case, $\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{V}}^0$ is the set of matrices of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} \xi_3 & & & & \\ & \xi_3 & \xi_5 & & \\ & \xi_5 & \xi_2 & & \\ & & & \xi_3 & \xi_4 \\ & & & \xi_4 & \xi_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

and applying Proposition 7.4, we get a matrix realization of $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$ is given on the space $\mathcal{Z}_{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}}$ of the form

$$(26) \quad \begin{pmatrix} \xi_3 & & & & \\ & \xi_3 & & \xi_5 & \\ & & \xi_3 & & \xi_4 \\ & \xi_5 & & \xi_2 & \\ & & \xi_4 & & \xi_1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thanks to Proposition 7.4, we have another matrix realization of $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$ as

$$\begin{pmatrix} \xi_3 & & & & \xi_4 \\ & \xi_3 & & & \\ & & \xi_3 & \xi_5 & \\ & & \xi_5 & \xi_2 & \\ \xi_4 & & & & \xi_1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

On the other hand, an optimal matrix realization is obtained by omitting the first diagonal ξ_3 in (26). In order to give the variance function for Wishart families on the dual Vinberg cone $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$ we will use this optimal matrix realization. The isomorphism $l: \mathcal{Z}_{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}} \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$ is then such that

$$l^{-1}: \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}} \ni \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 & & \xi_4 \\ & \xi_2 & \xi_5 \\ \xi_4 & \xi_5 & \xi_3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \xi_3 & & \xi_5 \\ & \xi_3 & \xi_4 \\ \xi_5 & & \xi_2 \\ & \xi_4 & \xi_1 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{Z}_{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}}.$$

It is easy to verify by direct computation that $\delta_{\underline{s}}^{\mathcal{V}}(l(x)) = \Delta_{\underline{s}^*}^{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}}(x)$ for any $x \in \mathcal{P}_{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}}$, where $\underline{s}^* = (s_r, \dots, s_1)$. This relation is ensured by formula (23). The adjoint map $l^*: \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}} \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}_{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}}$ is, for $\theta \in \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$

$$l^* \begin{pmatrix} \theta_1 & & \theta_4 \\ & \theta_2 & \theta_5 \\ \theta_4 & \theta_5 & \theta_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\theta_3}{2} & & \theta_5 \\ & \frac{\theta_3}{2} & \theta_4 \\ \theta_5 & & \theta_2 \\ & \theta_4 & \theta_1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (l^*)^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} x & & u \\ & x & v \\ u & & y \\ & v & z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} z & 0 & v \\ 0 & y & u \\ v & u & 2x \end{pmatrix}.$$

For $\mathcal{Z}_{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}}$ we have $\tilde{N} = 4$, $\tilde{r} = 3$, $\tilde{n}_1 = 2$ and $\tilde{n}_2 = \tilde{n}_3 = 1$. Theorems 7.1 and 6.1 imply that for $\underline{s} \in \Xi$ and $\theta \in \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$

$$\mathbb{V}_{F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}})}(\theta) = (l^*)^{-1} \circ \mathbb{V}_{F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}^*}^*)}(l^*(\theta)) \circ l^{-1},$$

where $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}^*}^*$ is the Riesz measure defined on $\mathcal{P}_{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}}$ and for $m \in \mathcal{Q}_{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}}$,

$$\mathbb{V}_{F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}^*}^*)}(m) = \pi \circ \left\{ \frac{2}{s_3} \rho(\hat{m}) + \left(\frac{1}{s_2} - \frac{2}{s_3} \right) \rho(\hat{m} - M_1) + \left(\frac{1}{s_1} - \frac{1}{s_2} \right) \rho(\hat{m} - M_{1,2}) \right\},$$

with $M_1 = [(\hat{m}^{-1})_{\{1:1\}}]_0^{-1}$ and $M_{1,2} = [(\hat{m}^{-1})_{\{1:2\}}]_0^{-1}$. Recall that $\{1:i\}$ notation corresponds to blocks of $\mathcal{Z}_{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}}$, thus $\{1:1\} = \{1,2\}$ and $\{1:2\} = \{1,2,3\}$. The projection $\pi: \text{Sym}(4, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}_{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}}$ is given by

$$\pi: \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & x_{21} & x_{31} & x_{41} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & x_{32} & x_{42} \\ x_{31} & x_{32} & x_{33} & x_{43} \\ x_{41} & x_{42} & x_{43} & x_{44} \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \frac{x_{11}+x_{22}}{2} & & x_{31} & \\ & \frac{x_{11}+x_{22}}{2} & & x_{42} \\ x_{31} & & x_{33} & \\ & x_{42} & & x_{44} \end{pmatrix}.$$

For $m = \begin{pmatrix} m_3 & & m_5 \\ & m_3 & & m_4 \\ m_5 & & m_2 & \\ & m_4 & & m_1 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$ we have $\hat{m} = \begin{pmatrix} m_3 - c & & m_5 \\ & m_3 + c & & m_4 \\ m_5 & & m_2 & \\ & m_4 & & m_1 \end{pmatrix}$ with $c = \frac{1}{2}(\frac{m_4^2}{m_1} - \frac{m_5^2}{m_2})$.

Explicit formulas for matrices M_1 and $M_{1,2}$ can be easily found. In particular, for $\underline{s} = (p, p, p)$ one has

$$\mathbb{V}_{F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}})}(\theta) = \frac{1}{p}(l^*)^{-1} \circ \pi \circ [2\rho(\hat{m}) - \rho(\hat{m} - M_1)] \circ l^{-1}$$

where $m = l^*(\theta)$ and $\theta \in \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$. The last formula, compared with (22), confirms the fact that analysis of Wishart laws on homogeneous cones $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$ is technically more difficult than on the cones $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}}$.

8. APPLICATIONS

8.1. Classical Wishart families $F(\mu_p)$ on $\text{Sym}_+(n, \mathbb{R})$. In this case, $\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}} = \text{Sym}(r, \mathbb{R})$, $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{V}} = \text{Sym}_+(n, \mathbb{R})$, all $n_i = 1$, the projection π is the identity map from $\text{Sym}(n, \mathbb{R})$ to itself and $\hat{m} = m$. We have $\underline{s} = p\mathbf{1}$, the measure μ_p is the Riesz measure $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*$ and $\underline{s} \in \mathfrak{X}$ if and only if $p \in \Lambda$. Formula (1) from the Introduction is instantly recovered using Theorem 6.1.

8.2. Wishart families on symmetric cones, indexed by $\underline{s} \in \mathbb{R}^r$. The cone $\text{Sym}_+(n, \mathbb{R})$ is the prime example of a symmetric cone, that is, a homogeneous cone Ω which is self-dual ($\Omega^* = \Omega$).

The matrix realization of homogeneous cones (see Section 3.1) does not coincide with the usual setting in which symmetric cones are considered, that is, Jordan algebras, except the $\text{Sym}_+(n, \mathbb{R})$ cone. This is the reason why there is no “automatic” correspondence between formulas for variance functions in this two settings. However, the techniques developed in this article apply in the symmetric cone setting.

Here we use the standard notation of [7]. Let V be a simple Euclidean Jordan algebra of rank r and let Ω be its associated irreducible symmetric cone. If c is an idempotent in V , we denote by $V(c, 1)$ the eigenspace corresponding to the eigenvalue 1 of the linear operator $\mathbb{L}(x)$ on V , which is defined using the Jordan product $\mathbb{L}(x) = xy$. For a fixed Jordan frame $\mathbf{c} = (c_1, \dots, c_r)$ define subspaces $V^{(k)} = V(c_1 + \dots + c_k, 1)$ and $W^{(k)} = V(c_{r-k+1} + \dots + c_r, 1)$. Denote by P_k and P_k^* the orthogonal projections of V onto $V^{(k)}$ and $W^{(k)}$, respectively.

Let $\Delta_{\underline{s}}$ be the generalized power function with respect to \mathbf{c} and \mathbb{P} be the quadratic representation of Ω . We consider natural exponential families generated by the Riesz measure $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*$ with the Laplace transform $\Delta_{-\underline{s}}$ and $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}$ with the Laplace transform $\theta \mapsto \Delta_{\underline{s}}(\theta^{-1})$. Using the same techniques as in Theorem 6.1, but in the Euclidean Jordan algebra framework, we prove the following

Proposition 8.1 For $m \in \Omega = \Omega^*$,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{V}_{F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}^*)}(m) &= \frac{1}{s_1} \mathbb{P}(m) + \sum_{i=2}^r \left(\frac{1}{s_i} - \frac{1}{s_{i-1}} \right) \mathbb{P}(m - [P_{i-1}m^{-1}]_0^{-1}). \\ (27) \quad \mathbb{V}_{F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}})}(m) &= \frac{1}{s_r} \mathbb{P}(m) + \sum_{k=1}^{r-1} \left(\frac{1}{s_k} - \frac{1}{s_{k+1}} \right) \mathbb{P}(m - [P_{r-k}^*m^{-1}]_0^{-1}). \end{aligned}$$

Here $[\cdot]_0$ denotes the inclusion map from the subalgebras $V^{(k)}$ and $W^{(k)}$ to V .

Remark 8.1 Natural exponential families generated by the Riesz measure on symmetric cones were treated in [11]. In that paper a complicated formula (3.2), Th.3.2, p.935, for $\mathbb{V}_{F(\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}})}(m)$ is announced. It is different from (27) and its proof has gaps (on p.946 it is only proven that for any \underline{s} there exists \underline{s} such that the variance function of the NEF generated by $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{s}}$ is equal to the function $V_{\underline{s}}$ in (3.2), p.935. In the present paper we have shown that actually $\underline{S} = \underline{s}$. Note also misleading misprints, “Thm. 3.2” in place of “Thm. 3.6”, in the title of Section 4 and on page 945.)

8.3. Graphical homogeneous cones. Let $G = (V, E)$ be an undirected graph, where $V = \{1, \dots, r\}$ is the set of vertices and $E \subset V \times V$ is the set of undirected edges, that is, if $(i, j) \in E$ then $(j, i) \in E$, $i, j \in V$. For statisticians, the parameter space of interest for covariance graph models is the cone P_G of positive definite matrices with fixed zeros corresponding to the missing edges of G . More precisely, if

$$\mathcal{Z}_G := \{(x_{ij}) \in \text{Sym}(r, \mathbb{R}) : x_{ij} = 0 \text{ if } (i, j) \notin E\}$$

then P_G is defined by

$$P_G := \mathcal{Z}_G \cap \text{Sym}_+(r, \mathbb{R}).$$

It is known that the cone P_G is homogeneous if and only if G is decomposable (chordal) and does not contain the graph $\bullet - \bullet - \bullet - \bullet$, denoted by A_4 , as an induced subgraph (for details see [21, 14]). For $1 \leq k < l \leq r$, we set $\mathcal{V}_{lk} := \mathbb{R}$ if $(k, l) \in E$, and $\mathcal{V}_{lk} := \{0\}$ otherwise. Then it can be shown that (possibly after renumeration of vertices), the family $\{\mathcal{V}_{lk}\}_{1 \leq k < l \leq r}$ satisfies (V1)-(V3). One sees ([14]) that $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{V}}$ is a graphical cone if and only if $n_1 = \dots = n_r = 1$. Thus the trace inner product coincides with the standard inner product.

The results of the present paper apply to homogeneous graphical cones. However, in the present paper $\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}^*$ was identified with $\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{V}}$, whereas in the statistical approach to graphical cones one proceeds as follows.

Let I_G be the real linear space of G -incomplete symmetric matrices, that is, functions $(i, j) \mapsto x_{ij}$ from E to \mathbb{R} such that $x_{ij} = x_{ji}$. The dual space \mathcal{Z}_G^* is identified with I_G through

$$\langle y, x \rangle = \sum_{(i,j) \in E} x_{ij} y_{ij}, \quad (x, y) \in \mathcal{Z}_G \times I_G$$

and the dual cone is denoted by $Q_G := \{y \in I_G : \langle y, x \rangle > 0 \forall x \in \overline{P_G} \setminus \{0\}\}$.

Let $\pi : \mathcal{Z}_G \rightarrow I_G$ be such that $\pi(x)_{ij} = x_{ij}$ for any $(i, j) \in E$. For any $m \in Q_G$ there exists a unique $\hat{m} \in \text{Sym}_+(r, \mathbb{R})$ such that for all $(i, j) \in E$ one has $\hat{m}_{ij} = x_{ij}$ and such that $\hat{m}^{-1} \in P_G$ (see [21] p.1279). The last definitions of π and \hat{m} on graphical cones agree with the ones given in Definitions 3.2 and 3.3. One can check ([17]) that the function $Q_G \ni \eta \mapsto H(\alpha, \beta, \eta)$ considered in [21] equals to the generalized power function $\delta_{\underline{s}}$ for some $\underline{s} \in \mathbb{R}^r$, by comparing formula (9) with the definition of $H(\alpha, \beta, \eta)$.

Thus Theorem 6.1 applies to the cone $Q_G \subset I_G$ with $n_i = 1$.

Similarly, by formula (7), the function $P_G \ni y \mapsto H(\alpha, \beta, \pi(y^{-1}))$ introduced in [21] on the cone P_G coincides with the generalized power function $\Delta_{\underline{s}}$ for some \underline{s} and the results of Section 7 apply to the cone P_G .

8.4. Non-homogeneous graphical cones. Recently, the variance function was also computed for the cones Q_G , corresponding to non-homogeneous graphs $G = A_n$, $n \geq 4$, see [10]. The techniques are partly the same, but the lack of an analogue of the equivariance formula (15) must be overcome.

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