

SOME EXTENSIONS OF GALLOP'S FORMULAS INCLUDING HOMOGENEOUS OPERATORS

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ABSTRACT

In this study, some relational formulas between homogeneous differential operators, Lorentzian metric and ultra-hyperbolic operators defined in $p + q$ dimensional space are obtained.

1. INTRODUCTION

It is shown by E.G. Gallop [2] that

$$\begin{aligned} & r^{m-n} \Phi_m \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) r^{2n+1} \Psi_n \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) 1 \\ &= \lambda \mu \nu (\lambda^2 + \mu^2 + \nu^2)^{m-n-\frac{1}{2}} \Phi_m \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} \right) (\lambda^2 + \mu^2 + \nu^2)^{n+\frac{1}{2}} \\ & \cdot \Psi_n \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} \right) \frac{1}{\lambda \mu \nu} \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

where Φ_m and Ψ_n are homogeneous polynomial of differential operators with degree m and n , respectively, and $r^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$. Here, λ , μ , and ν are the operators which transform the spherical harmonic $P(a, b, c)$, defined in [2], to the forms $P(a-1, b, c)$, $P(a, b-1, c)$ and $P(a, b, c-1)$ respectively.

In this study, we obtain a new form of the formula (1) by extending it to $p + q$ dimensional space.

Let

$$Lu = \sum_{i=1}^p \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_i^2} - \sum_{j=1}^q \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y_j^2} \quad (2)$$

$$s^2 = \sum_{i=1}^p x_i^2 - \sum_{j=1}^q y_j^2 = |x|^2 - |y|^2 > 0 \quad (3)$$

$$s_1^2 = \sum_{i=1}^p \lambda_i^2 - \sum_{j=1}^q \mu_j^2 = |\lambda|^2 - |\mu|^2 > 0 \quad (4)$$

and

$$P(a_1, \dots, a_p, b_1, \dots, b_q) = (-1)^n \frac{s^{n+p+q-2}}{a_1! \dots a_p! b_1! \dots b_q!} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} \right)^{a_1} \dots \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_p} \right)^{a_p} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y_1} \right)^{b_1} \dots \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y_q} \right)^{b_q} \frac{1}{s^{p+q-2}} \quad (5)$$

where $a_1, \dots, a_p, b_1, \dots, b_q$ are non-negative integers and $a_1 + \dots + a_p + b_1 + \dots + b_q = n$. It is shown in [5] that the function P is a solution of the equation $Lu = 0$ and satisfies the recurrence relations:

$$\sum_{i=1}^p (a_i + 1)(a_i + 2) P(a_1, \dots, a_i + 2, \dots, a_p, b_1, \dots, b_q) - \sum_{j=1}^q (b_j + 1)(b_j + 2) P(a_1, \dots, a_p, b_1, \dots, b_j + 2, \dots, b_q) = 0 \quad (6)$$

and

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} \left[S^n P(a_1, \dots, a_p, b_1, \dots, b_q) \right] = -s^{n-1} \left\{ \sum_{i=2}^p (a_i + 1) P(a_1 + 1, \dots, a_i - 2, \dots, a_p, b_1, \dots, b_q) - \sum_{j=1}^q (a_1 + 1) P(a_1 + 1, \dots, a_p, b_1, \dots, b_j - 2, \dots, b_q) - 2n + p + q - 3 - a_1 P(a_1 - 1, \dots, a_p, b_1, \dots, b_q) \right\}. \quad (7)$$

2. SOME LEMMAS

Lemma 1. Let P be defined as in (5). Then,

$$P(0, 0, \dots, 0) = 1. \quad (8)$$

Proof. It is clear from the definition of P .

Definition 1. λ_i , ($i = 1, 2, \dots, p$) and μ_j , ($j = 1, 2, \dots, q$) are such operators that when applied to P the following relations hold:

$$\lambda_i P(a_1, \dots, a_{i-1}, a_i, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_p, b_1, \dots, b_{j-1}, b_j, b_{j+1}, \dots, b_q) = P(a_1, \dots, a_{i-1}, a_i - 1, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_p, b_1, \dots, b_{j-1}, b_j, b_{j+1}, \dots, b_q) \quad (9)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_j P(a_1, \dots, a_{j-1}, a_{j+1}, \dots, a_p, b_1, \dots, b_{j-1}, b_j, b_{j+1}, \dots, b_q) \\ = P(a_1, \dots, a_{j-1}, a_{j+1}, \dots, a_p, b_1, \dots, b_{j-1}, b_j - 1, b_{j+1}, \dots, b_q). \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

Lemma 2. The following equality holds:

$$P(a_1, \dots, a_p, b_1, \dots, b_q) = \lambda_1^{-a_1} \dots \lambda_p^{-a_p} \mu_1^{-b_1} \dots \mu_q^{-b_q} \tag{11}$$

Proof. In view of (9) and (10), by applying the operators $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_p$ to the function $P(a_1, \dots, a_p, b_1, \dots, b_q)$ respectively a_1, \dots, a_p times and then by applying the operators μ_1, \dots, μ_q again to the function $P(a_1, \dots, a_p, b_1, \dots, b_q)$ respectively b_1, \dots, b_q times, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_1^{a_1} \dots \lambda_p^{a_p} \mu_1^{b_1} \dots \mu_q^{b_q} P(a_1, \dots, a_p, b_1, \dots, b_q) = P(a_1 - a_1, \dots, a_p - a_p, b_1 - b_1, \dots, b_q - b_q) \\ = P(0, \dots, 0). \end{aligned}$$

Hence (11) follows from Lemma 1.

Lemma 3. Let Ψ_n be a homogeneous polynomial of degree n , and s^2 be as in (3). Then,

$$\begin{aligned} s^{n+p+q-2} \Psi_n \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right) \frac{1}{s^{p+q-2}} = (-1)^n a_1! \dots a_p! b_1! \dots b_q! \Psi_n \left(\lambda_1^{-1}, \dots, \lambda_p^{-1}, \mu_1^{-1}, \dots, \mu_q^{-1} \right) \\ = \lambda_1 \dots \lambda_p \mu_1 \dots \mu_q \Psi_n \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \right) \frac{1}{\lambda_1 \dots \lambda_p \mu_1 \dots \mu_q} \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

where $x = (x_1, \dots, x_p)$, $y = (y_1, \dots, y_q)$, $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_p)$, $\mu = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_q)$ and

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_p} \right), \frac{\partial}{\partial y} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial y_q} \right), \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda_p} \right), \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu_q} \right).$$

Proof. By using the representation (11) in formula (5), we get

$$s^{n+p+q-2} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} \right)^{a_1} \dots \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_p} \right)^{a_p} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y_1} \right)^{b_1} \dots \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y_q} \right)^{b_q} \frac{1}{s^{p+q-2}} = (-1)^n a_1! \dots a_p! b_1! \dots b_q! \lambda_1^{-a_1} \dots \lambda_p^{-a_p} \mu_1^{-b_1} \dots \mu_q^{-b_q}. \tag{13}$$

By using $\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda_1} \right)^{a_1} \lambda_1^{-a_1} = (-1)^{a_1} a_1! \lambda_1^{-a_1-1}$ on the right hand side of (13), we have

$$\begin{aligned} s^{n+p+q-2} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} \right)^{a_1} \dots \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_p} \right)^{a_p} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y_1} \right)^{b_1} \dots \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y_q} \right)^{b_q} \frac{1}{s^{p+q-2}} = (-1)^n a_1! \dots a_p! b_1! \dots b_q! \lambda_1^{-a_1-1} \dots \lambda_p^{-a_p-1} \mu_1^{-b_1} \dots \mu_q^{-b_q} \\ = \lambda_1 \dots \lambda_p \mu_1 \dots \mu_q \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda_1} \right)^{a_1} \dots \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda_p} \right)^{a_p} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu_1} \right)^{b_1} \dots \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu_q} \right)^{b_q} \lambda_1^{-1} \dots \lambda_p^{-1} \mu_1^{-1} \dots \mu_q^{-1}. \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

By replacing $a_1, \dots, a_p, b_1, \dots, b_q$ by $a_1^i, \dots, a_p^i, b_1^i, \dots, b_q^i$ respectively, and by multiplying all sides by the coefficients of the homogeneous differential operator $\Psi_n\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}\right)$ and taking the sum over i covering all of the coefficients, we obtain (12).

Lemma 4. Let f_N be a homogeneous polynomial of degree N . Then,

$$\lambda_1 \dots \lambda_p \mu_1 \dots \mu_q \left(\sum_{i=1}^p \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \lambda_i^2} - \sum_{j=1}^q \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mu_j^2} \right) f_N(\lambda_1^{-1}, \dots, \lambda_p^{-1}, \mu_1^{-1}, \dots, \mu_q^{-1}) = 0. \quad (15)$$

Proof. The recurrence relation given by (6) can be written as

$$\lambda_1 \dots \lambda_p \mu_1 \dots \mu_q \left(\sum_{i=1}^p \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \lambda_i^2} - \sum_{j=1}^q \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mu_j^2} \right) \lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p+1)} \mu_1^{-(b_1+1)} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q+1)} = 0. \quad (16)$$

To see this, take the derivatives on the left hand side in (16) and use the representation (11). Now, in (16), by replacing $a_1, \dots, a_p, b_1, \dots, b_q$ and $a_1^i, \dots, a_p^i, b_1^i, \dots, b_q^i$ respectively, and by multiplying both sides by the coefficients of the polynomial f_N and then by taking the sum over i covering all of the coefficients, we obtain (15).

3. MAIN THEOREMS

Theorem 1. Let Φ_m and Ψ_n be homogeneous polynomials of differential operators with degree m and n , respectively, and let s^2 and s_1^2 be defined as in (3) and (4). Then

$$\begin{aligned} & s^{m-n} \Phi_m \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right) s^{2n+p+q-2} \Psi_n \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right) \frac{1}{s^{p+q-2}} \\ &= \lambda_1 \dots \lambda_p \mu_1 \dots \mu_q (s_1^2)^{m-n-\frac{p+q-2}{2}} \Phi_m \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \right) (s_1^2)^{n+\frac{p+q-2}{2}} \Psi_n \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \right) \lambda_1^{-1} \dots \lambda_p^{-1} \mu_1^{-1} \dots \mu_q^{-1} \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

where $\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda}$ and $\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu}$ as defined in Lemma 3.

Proof. To prove the theorem, we use (11) in the open form of (7). Hence, we obtain

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} \left[s^{n_1} \lambda_1^{-a_1} \dots \lambda_p^{-a_p} \mu_1^{-b_1} \dots \mu_q^{-b_q} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= -s^{n-1} \left\{ (a_1 + 1) \left[\lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \lambda_2^{-(a_2-2)} \dots \lambda_p^{-a_p} \mu_1^{-b_1} \dots \mu_q^{-b_q} + \dots + \lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \lambda_2^{-a_2} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p-2)} \mu_1^{-b_1} \dots \mu_q^{-b_q} \right] \right. \\
 &- (a_1 + 1) \left[\lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-a_p} \mu_1^{-(b_1-2)} \mu_2^{-b_2} \dots \mu_q^{-b_q} + \dots + \lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-a_p} \mu_1^{-b_1} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q-2)} \right] \\
 &\left. - (2n + p + q - 3 - a_1) \lambda_1^{-(a_1-1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-a_p} \mu_1^{-b_1} \mu_2^{-b_2} \dots \mu_q^{-b_q} \right\}. \tag{18}
 \end{aligned}$$

After making the necessary simplifications on the right hand side of (18), by using definition (4), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} \left[s^n \lambda_1^{-a_1} \dots \lambda_p^{-a_p} \mu_1^{-b_1} \dots \mu_q^{-b_q} \right] \\
 &= -s^{n-1} \left\{ (a_1 + 1) \lambda_1^{-1} s_1^2 - (2n + p + q - 2) \lambda_1 \right\} \lambda_1^{-a_1} \dots \lambda_p^{-a_p} \mu_1^{-b_1} \dots \mu_q^{-b_q}. \tag{19}
 \end{aligned}$$

Since the right hand side of the above equality can be written as

$$\begin{aligned}
 &-s^{n-1} \left\{ (a_1 + 1) \lambda_1^{-1} s_1^2 - (2n + p + q - 2) \lambda_1 \right\} \lambda_1^{-a_1} \dots \lambda_p^{-a_p} \mu_1^{-b_1} \dots \mu_q^{-b_q} \\
 &= s^{n-1} \lambda_1 \dots \lambda_p \mu_1 \dots \mu_q (s_1^2)^{-\left(\frac{n+p+q-2}{2}-1\right)} \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda_1} (s_1^2)^{\frac{n+p+q-2}{2}} \lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p+1)} \mu_1^{-(b_1+1)} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q+1)} \tag{20}
 \end{aligned}$$

from (19) and (20), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} \left[s^n \lambda_1^{-a_1} \dots \lambda_p^{-a_p} \mu_1^{-b_1} \dots \mu_q^{-b_q} \right] \\
 &= s^{n-1} \lambda_1 \dots \lambda_p \mu_1 \dots \mu_q (s_1^2)^{-\left(\frac{n+p+q-2}{2}-1\right)} \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda_1} (s_1^2)^{\frac{n+p+q-2}{2}} \lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p+1)} \mu_1^{-(b_1+1)} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q+1)} \tag{21}
 \end{aligned}$$

Now the derivative with respect to x_1 in (18) gives us

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_1^2} \left[s^n \lambda_1^{-a_1} \dots \lambda_p^{-a_p} \mu_1^{-b_1} \dots \mu_q^{-b_q} \right] &= -(a_1 + 1) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} \left[s^{n-1} \lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \lambda_2^{-(a_2-2)} \dots \lambda_p^{-a_p} \mu_1^{-b_1} \dots \mu_q^{-b_q} \right] \\
 &- \dots - (a_1 + 1) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} \left[s^{n-1} \lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p-2)} \mu_1^{-b_1} \dots \mu_q^{-b_q} \right] \\
 &+ (a_1 + 1) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} \left[s^{n-1} \lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-a_p} \mu_1^{-(b_1-2)} \mu_2^{-b_2} \dots \mu_q^{-b_q} \right] \\
 &+ \dots + (a_1 + 1) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} \left[s^{n-1} \lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-a_p} \mu_1^{-b_1} \mu_2^{-b_2} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q-2)} \right] \\
 &+ (2n + p + q - 3) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} \left[s^{n-1} \lambda_1^{-(a_1-1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-a_p} \mu_1^{-b_1} \mu_2^{-b_2} \dots \mu_q^{-b_q} \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

In view of (21), by making the necessary arrangements and simplifications, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_1^2} \left[s^n \lambda_1^{-a_1} \dots \lambda_p^{-a_p} \mu_1^{-b_1} \dots \mu_q^{-b_q} \right] \\ &= s^{n-2} \lambda_1 \dots \lambda_p \mu_1 \dots \mu_q (s_1^2)^{\left(n + \frac{p+q-2}{2}\right)} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \lambda_1^2} \left[(s_1^2)^{n + \frac{p+q-2}{2}} \lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p+1)} \mu_1^{-(b_1+1)} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q+1)} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Proceeding in this way, the k_1 -th derivative of (18) yields

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial^{k_1}}{\partial x_1^{k_1}} \left[s^n \lambda_1^{-a_1} \dots \lambda_p^{-a_p} \mu_1^{-b_1} \dots \mu_q^{-b_q} \right] \\ &= s^{n-k_1} \lambda_1 \dots \lambda_p \mu_1 \dots \mu_q (s_1^2)^{\left(n + \frac{p+q-2}{2} - k_1\right)} \frac{\partial^{k_1}}{\partial \lambda_1^{k_1}} \left[(s_1^2)^{n + \frac{p+q-2}{2}} \lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p+1)} \mu_1^{-(b_1+1)} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q+1)} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

By taking the derivatives of both sides of the above equality with respect to $x_2, \dots, x_p, y_1, \dots, y_q$ respectively $k_2, \dots, k_p, \ell_1, \dots, \ell_q$ times ($k_1 + \dots + k_p + \ell_1 + \dots + \ell_q = m$), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} \right)^{k_1} \dots \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_p} \right)^{k_p} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y_1} \right)^{\ell_1} \dots \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y_q} \right)^{\ell_q} \left[s^n \lambda_1^{-a_1} \dots \lambda_p^{-a_p} \mu_1^{-b_1} \dots \mu_q^{-b_q} \right] \\ &= s^{n-m} \lambda_1 \dots \lambda_p \mu_1 \dots \mu_q (s_1^2)^{m-n - \frac{p+q-2}{2}} \\ & \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda_1} \right)^{k_1} \dots \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda_p} \right)^{k_p} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu_1} \right)^{\ell_1} \dots \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu_q} \right)^{\ell_q} \left[(s_1^2)^{n + \frac{p+q-2}{2}} \lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p+1)} \mu_1^{-(b_1+1)} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q+1)} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Replacement of $k_1, \dots, k_p, \ell_1, \dots, \ell_q$ by $k_1^v, k_2^v, \dots, k_p^v, \ell_1^v, \dots, \ell_q^v$ above and multiplication of both sides by the coefficients of the homogeneous differential operator Φ_m yields us

$$\begin{aligned} & \Phi_m \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right) \left[s^n \lambda_1^{-a_1} \dots \lambda_p^{-a_p} \mu_1^{-b_1} \dots \mu_q^{-b_q} \right] \\ &= s^{n-m} \lambda_1 \dots \lambda_p \mu_1 \dots \mu_q (s_1^2)^{m-n - \frac{p+q-2}{2}} \Phi_m \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \right) \left[(s_1^2)^{n + \frac{p+q-2}{2}} \lambda_1^{-a_1} \lambda_1^{-1} \lambda_2^{-a_2} \lambda_2^{-1} \dots \mu_1^{-b_1} \mu_1^{-1} \dots \mu_q^{-b_q} \mu_q^{-1} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

For each i with $a_1^i + \dots + a_p^i + b_1^i + \dots + b_q^i = n$, replacing $a_1, \dots, a_p, b_1, \dots, b_q$ by $a_1^i, \dots, a_p^i, b_1^i, \dots, b_q^i$ and multiplying both sides of the above equality by the coefficients of the function Ψ_n and then taking the sum over i covering the coefficients of Ψ_n , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \phi_m \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right) s^n \Psi_n \left(\lambda_1^{-1}, \dots, \lambda_p^{-1}, \mu_1^{-1}, \dots, \mu_q^{-1} \right) \\ &= s^{n-m} \lambda_1 \dots \lambda_p \mu_1 \dots \mu_q (s_1^2)^{m-n} \frac{p+q-2}{2} \phi_m \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \right) \left[\frac{(s_1^2)^{n+\frac{p+q-2}{2}}}{\lambda_1 \dots \lambda_p \mu_1 \dots \mu_q} \Psi_n \left(\lambda_1^{-1}, \dots, \lambda_p^{-1}, \mu_1^{-1}, \dots, \mu_q^{-1} \right) \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{22}$$

Finally, by multiplying both sides of (22) by $(-1)^n a_1! a_2! \dots a_p! b_1! \dots b_q!$ and by using (12), we obtain (17) which proves the theorem.

Theorem 2. Let L , s and P be defined as in (2), (3) and (11), respectively. Then,

$$L(s^n P) = 0. \tag{23}$$

Proof. By using the definitions of L , s and P , we can rewrite (23) as

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^p \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i^2} - \sum_{j=1}^q \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y_j^2} \right) s^n \lambda_1^{-a_1} \dots \lambda_p^{-a_p} \mu_1^{-b_1} \dots \mu_q^{-b_q} = 0.$$

Now, to prove the theorem, in (22) let specifically

$$\phi_m \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right) = \sum_{i=1}^p \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i^2} - \sum_{j=1}^q \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y_j^2} = L$$

and

$$\Psi_n \left(\lambda_1^{-1}, \dots, \lambda_p^{-1}, \mu_1^{-1}, \dots, \mu_q^{-1} \right) = \lambda_1^{-a_1} \dots \lambda_p^{-a_p} \mu_1^{-b_1} \dots \mu_q^{-b_q} = P.$$

Thus, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\sum_{i=1}^p \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i^2} - \sum_{j=1}^q \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y_j^2} \right) s^n \lambda_1^{-a_1} \dots \lambda_p^{-a_p} \mu_1^{-b_1} \dots \mu_q^{-b_q} = s^{n-2} \lambda_1 \dots \lambda_p \mu_1 \dots \mu_q (s_1^2)^{2-n-\frac{p+q-2}{2}} \\ & \cdot \left(\sum_{i=1}^p \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \lambda_i^2} - \sum_{j=1}^q \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mu_j^2} \right) \left[(s_1^2)^{n+\frac{p+q-2}{2}} \lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p+1)} \mu_1^{-(b_1+1)} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q+1)} \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{24}$$

On the other hand, for $1 \leq i \leq p$ and $1 \leq j \leq q$,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \lambda_1^2} \left[(s_1^2)^{n+\frac{p+q-2}{2}} \lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_i^{-(a_i+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p+1)} \mu_1^{-(b_1+1)} \dots \mu_j^{-(b_j+1)} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q+1)} \right] \\
&= (2n+p+q-2)(2n+p+q-4) (s_1^2)^{n+\frac{p+q-2}{2}-2} \lambda_1^{-a_1+1} \dots \lambda_i^{-(a_i+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p+1)} \mu_1^{-(b_1+1)} \dots \mu_j^{-(b_j+1)} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q+1)} \\
&\quad - a_i (2n+p+q-2) (s_1^2)^{n+\frac{p+q-2}{2}-1} \lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_i^{-(a_i+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p+1)} \mu_1^{-(b_1+1)} \dots \mu_j^{-(b_j+1)} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q+1)} \\
&\quad - (a_i+1)(2n+p+q-2) (s_1^2)^{n+\frac{p+q-2}{2}-1} \lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_i^{-(a_i+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p+1)} \mu_1^{-(b_1+1)} \dots \mu_j^{-(b_j+1)} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q+1)} \\
&\quad + (s_1^2)^{n+\frac{p+q-2}{2}} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \lambda_1^2} \left[\lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_i^{-(a_i+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p+1)} \mu_1^{-(b_1+1)} \dots \mu_j^{-(b_j+1)} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q+1)} \right] \quad (25)
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mu_j^2} \left[(s_1^2)^{n+\frac{p+q-2}{2}} \lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_i^{-(a_i+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p+1)} \mu_1^{-(b_1+1)} \dots \mu_j^{-(b_j+1)} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q+1)} \right] \\
&= (2n+p+q-2)(2n+p+q-4) (s_1^2)^{n+\frac{p+q-2}{2}-2} \lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_i^{-(a_i+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p+1)} \mu_1^{-(b_1+1)} \dots \mu_j^{-(b_j+1)} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q+1)} \\
&\quad + b_j (2n+p+q-2) (s_1^2)^{n+\frac{p+q-2}{2}-1} \lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_i^{-(a_i+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p+1)} \mu_1^{-(b_1+1)} \dots \mu_j^{-(b_j+1)} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q+1)} \\
&\quad + (b_j+1)(2n+p+q-2) (s_1^2)^{n+\frac{p+q-2}{2}-1} \lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_i^{-(a_i+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p+1)} \mu_1^{-(b_1+1)} \dots \mu_j^{-(b_j+1)} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q+1)} \\
&\quad + (s_1^2)^{n+\frac{p+q-2}{2}} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mu_j^2} \left[\lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_i^{-(a_i+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p+1)} \mu_1^{-(b_1+1)} \dots \mu_j^{-(b_j+1)} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q+1)} \right] \quad (26)
\end{aligned}$$

By substituting (25) and (26) in the right hand side of (24), after necessary simplifications, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left(\sum_{i=1}^p \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i^2} - \sum_{j=1}^q \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y_j^2} \right) s^n \lambda_1^{-a_1} \dots \lambda_p^{-a_p} \mu_1^{-b_1} \dots \mu_q^{-b_q} = s^{n-2} \left\{ -4(2n+p+q-2) s_1^2 \lambda_1^{-a_1} \dots \lambda_p^{-a_p} \mu_1^{-b_1} \dots \mu_q^{-b_q} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \lambda_1 \dots \lambda_p \mu_1 \dots \mu_q (s_1^2)^2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^p \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \lambda_i^2} - \sum_{j=1}^q \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mu_j^2} \right) \lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p+1)} \mu_1^{-(b_1+1)} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q+1)} \right\}. \quad (27)
\end{aligned}$$

Now, since

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \lambda_i^2} \left[(s_1^2)^2 \lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_i^{-(a_i+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p+1)} \mu_1^{-(b_1+1)} \dots \mu_j^{-(b_j+1)} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q+1)} \right] \\ &= 8 \lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_i^{-a_i+1} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p+1)} \mu_1^{-(b_1+1)} \dots \mu_j^{-(b_j+1)} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q+1)} \\ & - 4(2a_i + 1)(s_1^2) \lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_i^{-(a_i+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p+1)} \mu_1^{-(b_1+1)} \dots \mu_j^{-(b_j+1)} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q+1)} \\ & + (s_1^2)^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \lambda_i^2} \left[\lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_i^{-(a_i+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p+1)} \mu_1^{-(b_1+1)} \dots \mu_j^{-(b_j+1)} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q+1)} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mu_j^2} \left[(s_1^2)^2 \lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_i^{-(a_i+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p+1)} \mu_1^{-(b_1+1)} \dots \mu_j^{-(b_j+1)} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q+1)} \right] \\ &= 8 \lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_i^{-(a_i+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p+1)} \mu_1^{-(b_1+1)} \dots \mu_j^{-b_j+1} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q+1)} \\ & + 4(2b_j + 1)(s_1^2) \lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_i^{-(a_i+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p+1)} \mu_1^{-(b_1+1)} \dots \mu_j^{-(b_j+1)} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q+1)} \\ & + (s_1^2)^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mu_j^2} \left[\lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_i^{-(a_i+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p+1)} \mu_1^{-(b_1+1)} \dots \mu_j^{-(b_j+1)} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q+1)} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

the equation (27) becomes, on substitution,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\sum_{i=1}^p \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i^2} - \sum_{j=1}^q \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y_j^2} \right) s^n \lambda_1^{-a_1} \dots \lambda_p^{-a_p} \mu_1^{-b_1} \dots \mu_q^{-b_q} \\ &= s^{n-2} \lambda_1 \dots \lambda_p \mu_1 \dots \mu_q \left(\sum_{i=1}^p \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \lambda_i^2} - \sum_{j=1}^q \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mu_j^2} \right) (s_1^2)^2 \lambda_1^{-(a_1+1)} \dots \lambda_p^{-(a_p+1)} \mu_1^{-(b_1+1)} \dots \mu_q^{-(b_q+1)}. \end{aligned}$$

The right hand side vanishes by Lemma 4. Hence the proof is complete.

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