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Distinguished Root Formulas for Generalized Calabi-Yau Projective Hypersurfaces. Preliminary report.

Let X be a non-singular projective hypersurface of degree d and dimension n . When $n+2$ is a multiple of d , say $n+2 = (r+1)d$, the first non-vanishing hodge number in dimension n is $h^{r,n-r} = 1$. If we work over the finite field of q elements, and write $Z(X, T)$ for the zeta function of X , it is known that $(Z(X, T) \prod_{i=0}^n (1 - q^i T))^{(-1)^{n+1}}$ is a polynomial for general X with a (distinguished) unique reciprocal root u_X satisfying $\text{ord}_q(u_X) = r$. In this work, we describe a formula for this unique reciprocal zero in terms of a distinguished p -adic solution to a particular A -hypergeometric system. (Received August 22, 2016)