Petersson Inner Product of Binary Theta Series

A computational approach

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Stark's idea

Coming...

Mobius transformations

Let $\mathcal{H}$ be the Poincaré upper-half plane. Recall that $\mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{R})_+$ acts on $\mathcal{H}$ via Mobius transformations :

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} z = \frac{az+b}{cz+d}.$$

Definition

Let $N \geq 1$ and define the Hecke subgroup of level N as

$$\Gamma_0(N) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in SL_2(\mathbb{Z}) | c \equiv 0 \pmod{N} \right\}.$$

Level N modular forms with characters

Definition

Let $N \geq 1$ and $k \geq 0$ be integers and let χ be a Dirichlet character mod N. A modular form of weight k, level N and character χ is a holomorphic function

$$f : \mathcal{H} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

such that

$$f\left(\frac{az+b}{cz+d}\right) = \chi(d)(cz+d)^k f(z)$$

for all $z \in \mathcal{H}$ and all $\gamma \in \Gamma_0(N)$, which satisfies certain growth conditions at the cusps. The $\mathbb{C}$-vector-space of such modular forms is denoted

$$M_k(\Gamma_0(N), \chi).$$

q-expansion of modular forms

Every modular form f has a Taylor (or Fourier) expansion at infinity, called its q-expansion :

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n q^n,$$

where $q = exp(2\pi iz)$. If

$$a_0(f) = 0,$$

(at all cusps) f is called a *cusp form*. The space of cusp forms is denoted

$$S_k(\Gamma_0(N), \chi).$$

Example : weight k Eisenstein series

Let $k \geq 4$ be an even integer. Then the series

$$\sum_{m,n} \frac{1}{(mz+n)^k}$$

converges absolutely and defines a modular form in $M_k(\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}))$. After renormalization, the q-expansion of this Eisenstein series is

$$G_k(z) = -\frac{B_k}{2k} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sigma_{k-1}(n) q^n,$$

where

$$\sigma_{k-1}(n) = \sum_{d|n} d^{k-1}.$$

Important non-example : weight 2 Eisenstein series

In level 1, there are no modular forms of weight 2. However, one can still define the weight 2 Eisenstein series as

$$G_2(z) = \frac{1}{8\pi\Im(z)} - \frac{1}{24} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sigma(n)q^n.$$

It is an example of an *almost holomorphic* modular form of level 1 and weight 2.

Finite dimensionality of spaces of modular forms

Theorem

The space $M_k(\Gamma_0(N), \chi)$ is finite dimensional as a $\mathbb{C}$-vector-space.

Example

In level $N = 1$, we have

- $M_0(SL_2(\mathbb{Z})) = \mathbb{C}$.
- $M_2(SL_2(\mathbb{Z})) = 0$.
- $M_k(SL_2(\mathbb{Z})) = \mathbb{C}G_k$ *for* $4 \leq k \leq 10$.
- $M_{12}(SL_2(\mathbb{Z})) = \mathbb{C}G_{12} \oplus \mathbb{C}\Delta$, *where* $\Delta \in S_{12}(SL_2(\mathbb{Z}))$.
- $\bigoplus_{k=0}^{\infty} M_k(SL_2(\mathbb{Z})) = \mathbb{C}[G_4, G_6]$.

Petersson inner product

Let $f, g \in S_k(\Gamma_0(N), \chi)$ be two cusp forms. The Petersson inner product of f and g is defined as

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int\int_{\Gamma_0(N)\backslash\mathcal{H}} f(x+iy)\overline{g(x+iy)}y^k \mathrm{d}\mu,$$

where

$$\mathrm{d}\mu = \frac{\mathrm{d}x\mathrm{d}y}{y^2}$$

is the $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})$-invariant measure on $\mathcal{H}$. Note that the integral does not converge if neither f nor g is a cusp form.

A half-integral weight theta series

Consider the function

$$\theta(z) = \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}} q^{x^2} = 1 + 2q + 2q^4 + O(q^5).$$

Then

$$\theta(\gamma z) = \epsilon(cz + d)^{1/2}\theta(z),$$

for all $\gamma \in \Gamma_0(4)$ and some $\epsilon_{c,d} \in \{\pm 1, \pm i\}$.

Theta series attached to ideals

Let K be an imaginary quadratic field of discriminant $D < -4$ and let $\mathcal{O}_K$ be its ring of integers. Fix an integer $\ell \geq 0$.
To each integral ideal $\mathfrak{a}$ of K, one can attach the following theta series :

$$\theta_{\mathfrak{a}}^{(2\ell)}(z) = \theta_{\mathfrak{a}}(z) = \sum_{x \in \mathfrak{a}} x^{2\ell} q^{N(x)/N(\mathfrak{a})}.$$

Basic properties of these theta series

1. We have

$$\theta_{\mathfrak{a}} = \sum_{x \in \mathfrak{a}} x^{2\ell} q^{N(x)/N(\mathfrak{a})} \in M_{2\ell+1}(\Gamma_0(|D|), \chi_D),$$

   where χ_D is the Kronecker symbol. If $\ell \neq 0$, then

$$\theta_{\mathfrak{a}} \in S_{2\ell+1}(\Gamma_0(|D|), \chi_D).$$

2. If $\lambda \in K^\times$, then

$$\theta_{\lambda\mathfrak{a}} = \lambda^{2\ell}\theta_{\mathfrak{a}}.$$

   So there are essentially h_K theta series attached to K.
3. In general, the $\theta_{\mathfrak{a}}$ are *not* newforms.

Theta series attached to Hecke characters of K

Let I_K denote the group of fractionnal ideals of K. A Hecke character ψ of K of infinity type 2ℓ (and conductor 1) is a homomorphism

$$\psi : I_K \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times$$

such that

$$\psi((\alpha)) = \alpha^{2\ell}, \qquad \forall \alpha \in K^\times.$$

One can define

$$\theta_\psi = \sum_{\mathfrak{a} \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K} \psi(\mathfrak{a}) q^{N(\mathfrak{a})}.$$

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2. The θ_ψ are newforms.
3. We have the identities
$$\theta_\psi = \frac{1}{w_K} \sum_{[\mathfrak{a}] \in \mathrm{Cl}_K} \psi^{-1}(\mathfrak{a}) \theta_{\mathfrak{a}} \quad \text{and} \quad \theta_{\mathfrak{a}} = \frac{w_K}{h_K} \sum_{\psi} \psi(\mathfrak{a}) \theta_\psi.$$

Some questions

- Can we efficiently compute the Petersson inner product of theta series (whenever it makes sense) ?
- Can we find explicit formulas for it ?
- Can we use those formulas/computations to study the arithmetic properties of those quantities ?
- What about the p-adic properties of these quantities ?

Petersson norm of the θ_ψ (with $\ell > 0$)

Theorem

Let ψ be a Hecke character of K of infinity type 2ℓ, where $\ell > 0$. Then

$$\langle \theta_\psi, \theta_\psi \rangle = h_K (|D|/4)^\ell \sum_{[\mathfrak{a}] \in Cl_K} \psi^2(\mathfrak{a}) \partial^{2\ell-1} G_2(\mathfrak{a}).$$

Here,

$$\partial f = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} - \frac{k}{4\pi \Im(z)} f$$

is the Shimura-Mass diffential operator, which preserves the graded algebra of almost holomorphic modular forms.

Petersson inner product of the theta series $\theta_{\mathfrak{a}}$

Theorem

Let $\mathfrak{a}$ and $\mathfrak{b}$ be ideals of K and suppose $\ell > 0$. Then

$$\langle \theta_{\mathfrak{a}}, \theta_{\mathfrak{b}} \rangle = C_K^{(2\ell)} N(\mathfrak{b})^{2\ell} \sum_{\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b}^{-1}\mathfrak{c}^2 = \lambda_{\mathfrak{c}} \mathcal{O}_K} \lambda_{\mathfrak{c}}^{2\ell} \partial^{2\ell-1} G_2(\mathfrak{c}),$$

where

$$C_K^{(2\ell)} = 4(|D|/4)^{\ell}.$$

A few direct consequences of the formula

Corollary

For $\ell > 0$,

$$\langle \theta_{\mathfrak{a}}, \theta_{\mathfrak{b}} \rangle = 0$$

whenever $\mathfrak{a}$ and $\mathfrak{b}$ are not in the same genus (i.e. the classes of $\mathfrak{a}$ and $\mathfrak{b}$ are distinct in the genus group Cl_K/Cl_K^2).

Corollary

For $\ell > 0$,

$$\langle \theta_{\mathfrak{ac}}, \theta_{\mathfrak{bc}} \rangle = N(\mathfrak{bc})^{2\ell} \langle \theta_{\mathfrak{a}}, \theta_{\mathfrak{b}} \rangle.$$

Arithmetic consequences

Let

$$\Omega_K = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi|D|}} \left(\prod_{j=1}^{|D|-1} \Gamma\left(\frac{j}{|D|}\right)^{\chi_D(j)} \right)^{w_K/4h_k}$$

be the Chowla-Selberg period attached to K.

Corollary

For $\ell > 0$, the complex numbers

$$\frac{\langle \theta_\psi, \theta_\psi \rangle}{\Omega_K^{4\ell}} \quad \textit{and} \quad \frac{\langle \theta_{\mathfrak{a}}, \theta_{\mathfrak{b}} \rangle}{\Omega_K^{4\ell}}$$

are algebraic.

The case $\ell = 0$

If $\ell = 0$, the modular form $\theta_{\mathfrak{a}}$ is not a cusp form. But for θ_ψ, we have the following

Theorem

Let θ_ψ be a Hecke character of infinity type 0 and suppose that $\psi^2 \neq 1$. Then

$$\langle \theta_\psi, \theta_\psi \rangle = -h_K \sum_{[\mathfrak{a}] \in Cl_K} \psi^2(\mathfrak{a}) \log(\Im(\tau_{\mathfrak{a}})^{1/2} |\eta(\tau_{\mathfrak{a}})|^2),$$

where $\tau_{\mathfrak{a}} \in \mathcal{H}$ is the complex root attached to $\mathfrak{a}$ and

$$\eta(z) = exp(2\pi i/24) \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^n).$$

Formally obtaining the case $\ell = 0$ from the case $\ell > 0$

Strictly speaking, the formula

$$\langle \theta_\psi, \theta_\psi \rangle = h_K(|D|/4)^\ell \sum_{[\mathfrak{a}] \in \mathrm{Cl}_K} \psi^2(\mathfrak{a}) \partial^{2\ell-1} G_2(\mathfrak{a}).$$

does not make sense for $\ell = 0$, since the expression

$$\partial^{-1} G_2$$

is not well-defined. However, we observe that

$$\partial_0 \log(\Im(z)^{1/2} |\eta(z)|^2) = -G_2(z),$$

so

$$\text{"}\partial^{-1} G_2 = -\log(\Im(z)^{1/2} |\eta(z)|^2)\text{"}$$

and we *formally* obtain the case $\ell = 0$ from the case $\ell > 0$.

Computing $\partial^n G_2$

To compute

$$\partial^n G_2$$

we have the following formulas :

$$\partial G_2 = \frac{5}{6} G_4 - 2 G_2^2 \quad \partial G_4 = \frac{7}{10} G_6 - 8 G_2 G_4 \quad \partial G_6 = \frac{400}{7} G_4^2 - 12 G_2 G_6.$$

For example,

$$\partial^3 G_2 = -48 G_2^4 + 120 G_4 G_2^2 - 14 G_6 G_2 + 25 G_4^2.$$

Class number 1

In this case,

$$\theta_{\mathcal{O}_K} = \theta_{\psi_0}$$

and we only need to compute

$$\langle \theta_{\mathcal{O}_K}, \theta_{\mathcal{O}_K} \rangle / \Omega_K^{4\ell} \in \overline{\mathbb{Q}}.$$

Class number 1 case

Computation of $\langle \theta_{\mathcal{O}_K}, \theta_{\mathcal{O}_K} \rangle / \Omega_K^{4\ell}$:

		$\ell = 1$	$\ell = 2$
D	-7	$2^2 3$	-2^2
	-8	-2	$-2^2 5$
	-11	-2^2	$-2^3 5$
	-19	$-2^2 3^{-1} 13$	$-2^3 71$
	-43	$-2^3 3^{-1} 107$	$-2^4 5647$
	-67	$-2^2 3^{-1} 7^2 31$	$-2^3 5 \cdot 86629$
	-163	$-2^3 3^{-1} 150473$	$-2^4 11 \cdot 461681471$

Class number 2

In this case, K has two genera. If $\mathfrak{a}$ is a representative of the non-trivial class in Cl_K, we have

$$\langle \theta_{\mathfrak{a}}, \theta_{\mathcal{O}_K} \rangle = \langle \theta_{\mathcal{O}_K}, \theta_{\mathfrak{a}} \rangle = 0$$

and

$$\langle \theta_{\mathfrak{a}}, \theta_{\mathfrak{a}} \rangle = N(\mathfrak{a})^{2\ell} \langle \theta_{\mathcal{O}_K}, \theta_{\mathcal{O}_K} \rangle,$$

so it suffices to compute the quantity

$$\langle \theta_{\mathcal{O}_K}, \theta_{\mathcal{O}_K} \rangle / \Omega_K^{4\ell} \in \overline{\mathbb{Q}}.$$

Class number 2

As in the class number 1 case, the quantity

$$\langle \theta_{\mathcal{O}_K}, \theta_{\mathcal{O}_K} \rangle / \Omega_K^{4\ell}$$

is an integer, except for $\ell = 1$ and $D = -91, -403$ and -427.

$K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-23})$ (class number 3, one genus)

In K, the prime 2 splits as

$$2\mathcal{O}_K = \mathfrak{p}_2\bar{\mathfrak{p}}_2$$

and

$$\mathrm{Cl}_K = \{1, [\mathfrak{p}_2], [\bar{\mathfrak{p}}_2]\}.$$

Moreover, we have $\langle \theta_{\bar{\mathfrak{p}}_2}, \theta_{\mathcal{O}_K} \rangle = \overline{\langle \theta_{\mathfrak{p}_2}, \theta_{\mathcal{O}_K} \rangle}$, so we only care about

$$\langle \theta_{\mathfrak{p}_2}, \theta_{\mathcal{O}_K} \rangle \quad \text{and} \quad \langle \theta_{\mathcal{O}_K}, \theta_{\mathcal{O}_K} \rangle.$$

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$$a(\ell) = \langle \theta_{\mathcal{O}_K}, \theta_{\mathcal{O}_K} \rangle / \Omega_K^{4\ell}.$$

For $\ell = 1, 2$ and 4, we find that $a(\ell)^3$ is a root of a monic cubic polynomial and generates the Hilbert class field over K.

Example

$a(1)$ is a root of the polynomial

$$x^9 - 2816x^6 - 905216x^3 - 89915392.$$

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$a(3)$ is a root of

$$x^3 - 6740x^2 - 169034720x - 1027491892288.$$

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A few computations of the Gramm matrix for this basis.

ℓ	$\det(\langle \theta_{\mathfrak{a}_i}^{(2\ell)}, \theta_{\mathfrak{a}_j}^{(2\ell)} \rangle)_{\mathfrak{a}_i,\mathfrak{a}_j \in \mathrm{Cl}_K} / (\Omega_K^{4\ell})^3$
1	$-2^{10}23$
2	$-2^{14}19 \cdot 23 \cdot 619$
3	$-2^{18}5^2 11 \cdot 23 \cdot 337 \cdot 27299$
4	$-2^{22}7^2 23 \cdot 163 \cdot 2113 \cdot 117741979$
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Consider now the algebraic number

$$N(\psi, \ell) = \langle \theta_\psi, \theta_\psi \rangle / \Omega_K^{4\ell}$$

For $\ell = 1, 2, 4$ and 5, the numbers $N(\psi_i, \ell)$, for $0 \leq i \leq 2$, are distinct and their cube are the three real roots of a monic cubic polynomial.

Example

The numbers $N(\psi_i, 1)^3$, for $0 \leq i \leq 2$, are the three roots of the irreducible polynomial

$$x^3 - 6966x^2 + 11569230x - 239483061.$$

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For $\ell = 3, 6$ and 9, one of the characters, say ψ_0, the algebraic number $N(\psi_0, \ell)$ is an *integer*. For the two others, we find that their cube are the roots of a monic quadratic polynomial.

Example

We have

$$N(\psi_0, 3) = 5055 = 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 337$$

and $N(\psi_1, 3)^3$ *and* $N(\psi_2, 3)^3$ *are the roots of*

$$x^2 - 16287872873193x + 300219792486510782968458 75.$$

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Example of computation : $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-23})$, $N(\psi_0, 3)$

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(13:14) gp > \r ../lfunc/Qhc.gp
(13:15) gp > \r ../lfunc/qhlfun-eisender.gp ;
(13:15) gp > \p 500
   realprecision = 500 significant digits
(13:15) gp > #
   timer = 1 (on)
(13:15) gp > K=bnfinit(x^2+23); OmK=CSperiod(-23);
time = 130 ms.
(13:15) gp > data = pipinit(K);
time = 267 ms.
(13:15) gp > pnorm(data,[[0],[6,0]])/OmK^12
time = 3 ms.
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4. Find $\langle \theta_\mathfrak{a}, \theta_\mathfrak{b} \rangle$ using $\langle \theta_\psi, \theta_\psi \rangle$.

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3. What are the p-adic properties of those quantities as ℓ varies ? In particular, does the case $\ell > 0$ tend to the case $\ell = 0$ p-adically ?

Thank you !

Code available at :

https://github.com/NicolasSimard/ENT

Notes available at :

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