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For Part III Essay. Topic 97. Modular forms and representation theory

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1 Abstract

The goal of the essay will be to give an introduction to the spectral adelic generalization of classic modular forms. To justify this generalization, we aim to give 2 applications of the new framework. First, we would like to describe how this setting completes the theory of Hecke operators. Second, we will see a reinterpretation of the theory of newforms.

The primary references for this essay (so far) have been [Gel75] and [Del73]. We have also consulted [KL06] and [Bum97] and a set of online notes on Atkin-Lehmer theory by Andreea Mocanu [Moc].

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1. Introduction	~ 1 page
• Historical introduction	
• Relation to the Langlands' program	
2. Modular Forms Revisited	~ 6 pages
2.1 Functions on lattices	~ 1 page
• Following [Del73, p.8-20]. For arbitrary level, work on a universal cover.	
• Comment on how this generalizes for Hilbert modular forms	
2.2 The decomposition of $L^2(\Gamma \backslash \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{R}))$	~ 2 pages
• Discrete and continuous spectrum	
• Casimir operator and K -action	
• Wave forms	
• Multiplicities are finite	
• [Gel75, Chapter 2] and [Del73, Section 2.1]	
2.3 Hecke Theory for $\Gamma_0(N)$	~ 2 pages
• Hecke operators as a double coset action or as an averaging operator over sublattices	
• Detailed computation of the proof of $T(p)$ being self-adjoint, to see what breaks when $(p, N) \neq 1$.	

- [KL06, p.20, p.39] and [Gel75, p.17, p.20]
- 2.4 Atkin–Lehner Theory of Newforms ~ 1 page
 - Show the full computation of $\Delta(z)$ and $\Delta(2z)$ have the same eigenvalues at $p \neq 2$ to motivate theory of new-forms.
 - No classical proofs, only statements. [Moc]
 - [Gel75, Section 1.D]
- 3. **Automorphic Forms of $GL_2(\mathbb{A})$** ~ 8 pages
 - 3.1 Functions on Adelic Lattices ~ 1 page
 - Strong Approximation Theorem for $GL_2(\mathbb{A})$ [KL06, p. 6.3]
 - Relation between classical lattices and adelic lattices [Del73, Section 1.2 and 2]
 - 3.2 The Spectrum of $GL_2(\mathbb{A})$ ~ 3 pages
 - [Del73, Section 2.2-2.4] and [Gel75, Section 3.A]
 - 3.3 Jacquet-Langlands’ theory ~ 4 pages
 - Kirillov and Whittaker models [Del73, page 24-30]
 - [Gel75, Section 6]
- 4. **Applications** ~ 3 pages
 - 4.1 Hecke Operators Revisited ~ 2 pages
 - I want to give the detailed computations for $\Gamma_0(N)$, which is now $K_0(N)$.
 - [Gel75, Section 5, page 86]
 - 4.2 Newforms revisited ~ 1 page
 - You can use Jacquet-Langlands’ main theorem to prove the multiplicity one theorem of Atkin Lehner
 - [Gel75, Section 6. D]
- 5. **Further reading** ~ 1 page
 - Jacquet Langland’s Theory, L-functions and meromorphic continuation
 - Arthur-Selberg Trace formula

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