

# Zeta Function of Elliptic Curves (7)

- The **zeta function** (**L-function**) of an elliptic curve is defined by

$$L(E, s) = \left( \prod_P \frac{1}{1 - (P + 1 - N_P) P^{-s} + P^{-2s}} \right) \times (\text{Bad Factors})$$

## Modularity Theorem (2<sup>nd</sup> form)

For an elliptic curve  $E$ , there is a **modular form**  $f$  satisfying

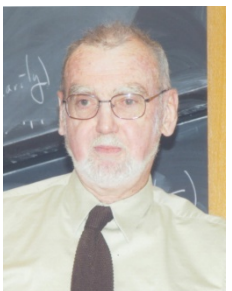
$$L(E, s) = L(f, s).$$

# Zeta Function of Elliptic Curves (8)

- Modularity is only the beginning of the whole story.
- We have more general **symmetric power L-functions**  $L(\text{Sym}^N E, s)$  for  $N \geq 1$ .
- General Reciprocity Laws proposed by Langlands (**Langlands's program**) predict they are related to **automorphic forms**.

# Zeta Function of Elliptic Curves (9)

- Partial solutions of Langlands's Conj implies striking applications, e.g., the **Sato-Tate Conj** (solved in 2011).



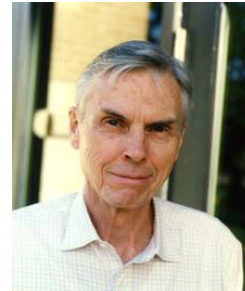
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Langlands  
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Andrew John  
Wiles  
(1953-)



Mikio Sato  
(1928-)



John Torrence  
Tate, Jr. (1925-)

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# Interlude: Five Fundamental Operations

“There are **five fundamental operations** in mathematics: **addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, and modular forms.**” (Martin Eichler, 1912-1992)

