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Introduction to
The Kudla Program

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0. General

It has a lot of mixture of arithmetic + geometry
Explain how it arose historically

1. BSD Conjecture

BSD Conjecture

Let $E = \text{elliptic curve} / \mathbb{Q}$.

$$\text{rank } E(\mathbb{Q}) = \text{ord}_{s=1} L(E, s), \quad L(E, s) = r_1$$

Then

$$L^{(r)}(E, 1)$$

$$\Omega_E \leftarrow$$

$$\sim |\text{III}_E| \text{Reg}_E$$

↑ Tate-Shafarevich order

regular

Means:
other
multiplicities
correction
term
Taniyama
conjecture
et.

Here take

P_1, P_2, \dots, P_r generators for $E(\mathbb{Q}) / (\text{torsion})$

where

$$\text{Reg}_E = \det \left[\langle P_i, P_j \rangle \right]_{1 \leq i, j \leq r = \text{rank}}$$

where

\langle, \rangle Néron-Tate height pairing

Example If rank $r=1$, then

$$L'(E, 1) \sim |\text{III}_E| \langle P, P \rangle$$

Here need the height pairing

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2. Height Pairings

Aside on Height pairings

\mathbb{P}^n = height func

$\mathbb{P}^n(\mathbb{Q})$ $P = [a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n]$ with $a_i \in \mathbb{Z}$
 $\gcd(a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n) = 1$.

$H = \max(|a_i|)$ is (naive) height

$h = \log H$ is logarithmic height

For an algebraic number field K inside $\mathbb{P}^n(\bar{\mathbb{Q}})$

$$P \in \bar{\mathbb{Q}}^{n+1}$$

$$H_K(P) = \prod_{v \in M_K} \max(1, \|a_0\|_v, \dots, \|a_n\|_v)$$

normalized height ↗

$$h(P) := \frac{1}{[K:\mathbb{Q}]} \log H_K(P)$$

It is
(independent of choice of field K
that P belongs to.

Now let X be smooth projective variety. Define height map

\mathcal{I} = very ample line bundle.

Gives map

$$X \xrightarrow{\phi_{\mathcal{I}}} \mathbb{P}^n$$

Now can define $h_{\mathcal{I}}$ is well defined as $\mathcal{O}(1) \leftarrow$

(between two embeddings
on the $\bar{\mathbb{Q}}$ -points of variety

$$|h_{\mathcal{I}} - h_{\mathcal{I}'}| = \mathcal{O}(1)$$

for all $P \in X(\bar{\mathbb{Q}})$

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$$h_{L \otimes M} = h_L + h_M.$$

Extend defn to all ample L .

Then define for all L (line bundle)

$$L = L_1 \otimes L_2^{-1}$$

Fact $h_L = \frac{1}{n} h_{L^n}.$

L_1, L_2 ample.

Defn $H_L = h_{L_1} - h_{L_2}.$

Now define canonical height

when $X = A$ is an abelian variety.

Fact. If L is a symmetric (ample) line bundle.

$$[m]^* L = L^{m^2}$$

Now Néron-Tate height

$$P \mapsto \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{m^2} h_L([m]P) = \hat{h}_L(P)$$

exists.

Remark. For elliptic curve, take line bundle associated to origin of E , to define Néron-Tate height.

$$E(\mathbb{Q}) \otimes \mathbb{R} \xrightarrow{\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle} \mathbb{R}$$

$$\langle P, Q \rangle := \hat{h}(P+Q) - \hat{h}(P) - \hat{h}(Q)$$

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3. Gross-Zagier Thm

Theorem (Modularity theorem)

Suppose E/\mathbb{Q} is elliptic curve of conductor N , squarefree,

Assuming modularity, there is a map

$X_0(N)$ differential of a modular form.

$\mu \downarrow$

E canonical differential

(requires Faltings isogeny theorem) [Exists by Taylor-Wiles]

Now the moduli interpretation of $X_0(N)$: N squarefree
space

Points on $X_0(N)$ correspond to cyclic isogeny

$$A \xrightarrow{\phi} A$$

where ϕ is cyclic isogeny of degree N .

CM case [CM = complex multiplication]

Let K be an imaginary quadratic field.

Condition K is split at all primes ~~dividing~~ dividing N

Given \mathcal{O}_K , α an ideal in \mathcal{O}_K .

$N = \eta \bar{\eta}$ for η ideal in \mathcal{O}_K of norm N

$(\mathcal{O}/\alpha \mapsto \mathcal{O}/\eta^{-1}\alpha)$ gives a point on $X_0(N)(H)$ Hilbert class field of K

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The different choices of η relate to action of the
Atkin-Lehner operator action on $X_0(N)$
(subsets the p-part of N ~~denotes~~ part of η)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Here } X_0(N) & & P_a \\ & \downarrow \times & \downarrow \\ & E & E(H) \end{array}$$

Here denotes a point

$$P_K = \sum \mu(P_a) \in E_K$$

[or] ideal
class in \mathcal{O}_K

Theorem (Gross-Zagier) 1984. Let E_K base change of $E_{\mathbb{Q}}$ to K .

Then

$$L'(K, 1) \stackrel{?}{=} \langle P_K, P_K \rangle \times (\text{multiplicative correction terms})$$

Remark

$$L(E_K, s) = L(E_{\mathbb{Q}}, s) L(E_d, s) \quad \begin{array}{l} \swarrow \text{quadratic twist} \\ \text{of } E_{\mathbb{Q}} \text{ at } \\ d = |d_K| \end{array}$$

(sign of functional equation
must be -1
for application)

has a zero
at $s=1$

Now assume $L(E, s)$ has $\text{sign} +$.
 $L(E_d, s)$ has $\text{sign} +$

Functional eq: $s \rightarrow 2-s$

(so $s=1$ is center
of critical strip)

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Can also study action of complex conjugation on K .

Assuming that $L(E, s)$ has sign -1 , then

$$P_K \in E(\mathbb{Q})$$

So we get:

$$\langle P_K, P_K \rangle \doteq L'(1, E) L(1, E_d) \times \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{no terms} \\ \text{multiplication} \\ \text{terms} \end{array} \right)$$

4. Varying the ^{imaginary} quadratic field K

Question What happens if one varies the quadratic field ^{hence varies $d = d_K$ in Gauss-taget} while holding $E = E_Q$ fixed?

Theorem (Waldspurger (1980))

There exists a modular form h of weight $3/2$ whose d -th Fourier coefficient $a_d(h)$ satisfies

$$a_d(h)^2 \sim \text{proportional to } L(1, E_d)$$

(The square roots of $L(1, E_d)$ appear in $a_d(h)$, and there is an ambiguity of the square root sign.)

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Theorem. (Gross-Kohnen-Zagier (1987))

Assume that N is prime (Avoids Atkin-Lehner sign ambiguity ± 1 choice of η).

Then $P_K = \text{point}$ is well-defined (in \mathbb{Q}) independent of the choice of η , $N = \eta\bar{\eta}$ is K .

$$P_K \in E(\mathbb{Q}) \otimes \mathbb{R}.$$

[Theorem answers
How are the P_K related as K varies.]

(i) The P_K live on a line as K varies, they are proportional to each other.

(ii) There is a modular form H of wt. $3/2$ in the Mordell-Weil group $MW(E) \otimes \mathbb{R}$

such that Fourier coefficients

$a_d(H)$ is proportional to P_K .

$MW(E) \otimes \mathbb{R}$ means every coordinate is modular vector space.

Recall P_K well defined up to ~~sign ± 1~~ no sign ambiguity.

Sign must be correct to fall on a line in vector space $E(\mathbb{Q}) \otimes \mathbb{R}$

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5. Hirzebruch - Zagier

Work on Hilbert Modular surface. Let $F = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{d})$ \mathbb{Q}
real quadratic field

$$X = h \times h / SL_2(\mathcal{O}_F).$$

They constructed a sequence $T_1, T_2, T_3, \dots \in P_1(X) = CH^1(X)$
Such that the generating function

$$\sum_n [T_n] q^n \in M_2(\Gamma_0(d), \begin{pmatrix} p \\ d \end{pmatrix}) \otimes H^2(X, \mathbb{C})$$

class $\in H^2(X, \mathbb{C})$
or

class $\in H^{1,1}(X, \mathbb{C})$ Hodge structure
mixed.

First kind of result of generating series ^(of cycles) giving a
claimed modular form. (weight 2), in $\Gamma_0(2)$

For later generalization, view this construction:
 $\dim(V)=4$

$$SL_2(F) \sim O(V)$$

↑
real quadratic

↑
4-dim.
orthogonal group
or
 $Spin(2, 2)$

Take vector v with $\langle v, v \rangle > 0$.
with

$$V = \mathbb{Q}v \oplus \mathbb{Q}w$$

↑
orthogonal complement of $\mathbb{Q}v$

$O(1, 2)$

Schur has

$$O(W) \hookrightarrow O(V)$$

$$O(1, 2) \hookrightarrow O(2, 1)$$

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6. Kudla-Millson Generalization

They did n -dim generalization

$$O(p, q) \quad [\text{or} \quad U(p, q)]$$

They formed
symmetric
matrix

$$[\langle v_i, v_j \rangle]$$

gram matrix
of
position
vectors

$$v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$$

index \perp to

$$O(p-n, q)$$

Theorem (Kudla-Millson)

There is a ^{holomorphic} Siegel modular form on $Sp(2n)$

of weight $= \frac{p+q}{2}$ valued in $H^{\text{top}}(X, \mathbb{C})$

where Fourier coefficients

(indexed by symmetric matrices)
Siegel parabolic

are given by classes of "Special cycles"

^{Proof}
(Uses the theta function.)
consequence

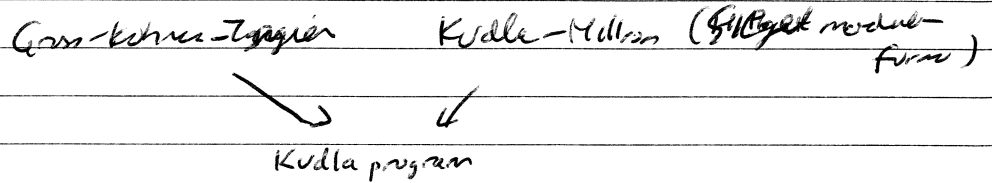
(Green's functions) (not holomorphic / weak harmonic
are constructed) Green's functions are
Poincaré-Lefschetz.

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7. Kudla Program

This program combines both theories:



Conjecture 1.

Modularity holds at the level of cycles \mathbb{Z}
"Chow group"

Conjecture 2. (something on heights)

(Arithmetic Modularity): Modularity holds at
level of arithmetic Chow group \mathbb{Z}
("Arithmetic Chow group")

To explain Conjecture 2

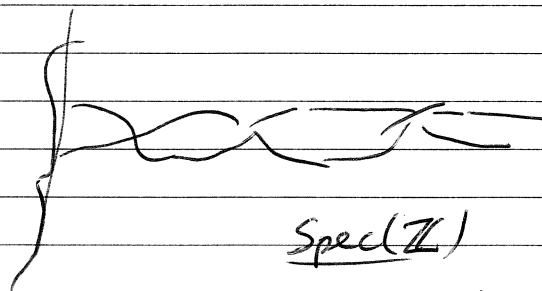
Aside on Heights:

Tate defn of height:

$$h : E(\mathbb{Q}) \xrightarrow{ht} \mathbb{R}.$$

Neron defn: Global height is a sum of local heights
of height

- At finite places, the Neron pairing corresponds to intersection pairing in a regular model.



spread out over Spec

- At infinite places
Green's functions.

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At (infinite place), need some measure how close the points are, you need a Green's function for intersection points.

Takes cycles, extend to (integral model). Then at infinite place, with Green's function.

Subject of Arakelov theory: $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Green's function} \\ \mathbb{C} \end{array} \right.$

Have a $\hat{\mathbb{Z}}$ (Arakelov cycle)
(special cycles)

The conjecture \mathcal{Z} is the intended culmination of Kudla Program. The idea of the Kudla program is to get a different proof of Gross-Zagier formula (19) by winding back ^{from Kudla Conjectures} to recover Gross-Kohnen-Zagier formula.

Using approach method coming from theta correspondence.