

Lecture 21 (2. June. 2023)

Review of section 7

The purpose of sect. 7 was to motivate the study of non-holomorphic modular functions by showing their application to the theory of quadratic forms and class numbers

① Binary quadratic forms (integral, primitive)

An integral, primitive, binary quad. form is

$$Q(x, y) = Ax^2 + Bxy + Cy^2 \in \mathbb{Z}[x, y]$$

with $\gcd(A, B, C) = 1$

Notation: $Q = [A, B, C]$

Def: The discriminant of $Q = [A, B, C]$ is $D := B^2 - 4AC$

Note that $D \equiv B^2 \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{4}$

Exercise: $[A, B, C]$ is irred. in $\mathbb{Z}[x]$ $\Leftrightarrow D$ is not a perfect square (assuming $\gcd(A, B, C) = 1$) (in \mathbb{Z})

We assume D not a perfect square in what follows (" $D \neq \square$ ")

If $D < 0 \leadsto A > 0$: Q positive definite, ie $Q(x, y) > 0 \forall (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 - \{0, 0\}$
or

$A < 0$: Q negative definite, ie $Q(x, y) < 0 \forall (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 - \{0, 0\}$

Since we can change $[A, B, C]$ to $[-A, -B, -C]$, we assume $A > 0$

If $D > 0 \leadsto Q$ is indefinite, ie has positive and negative values

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Given D -disc. ($D \neq 0, D \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{4}$) define

$$\mathcal{Q}_D = \left\{ [A, B, C] \text{ integral, primitive, binary quad. forms} \right. \\ \left. \text{of disc } B^2 - 4AC = D \text{ (with } A > 0 \text{ if } D < 0) \right\}$$

$\Gamma = \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$ acts on \mathcal{Q}_D via

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot Q(x, y) = Q\left((x, y) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}^t\right) \\ = Q(ax + by, cx + dy) \quad \text{(this is a left action)}$$

Matrix representation

$$Q = [A, B, C] \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} A & B/2 \\ B/2 & C \end{pmatrix} =: M_Q \quad Q(x, y) = (x \ y) \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} A & B/2 \\ B/2 & C \end{pmatrix}}_{M_Q} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

If $\gamma \in \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$ then $M_{\gamma Q} = \gamma^t M_Q \gamma$

Note that $\text{disc}(Q) = B^2 - 4AC = -4 \cdot \det(M_Q)$. In particular $\text{disc}(\gamma \cdot Q) = \text{disc}(Q)$.

Theorem 7.1 (Lecture 16): $\Gamma \backslash \mathcal{Q}_D$ is finite

$h(D) := \#(\Gamma \backslash \mathcal{Q}_D)$ is called the class number of disc. D

When $D < 0$ a set of reps for $\Gamma \backslash \mathcal{Q}_D$ can be found using the following:

Theorem 7.3 (Lecture 17) Assume $D < 0$. Any form in \mathcal{Q}_D is Γ -equivalent to a unique form $[A, B, C]$ which satisfies

\ast $|B| \leq A \leq C$, and $B \geq 0$ if either $|B| = A$ or $A = C$

If $[A, B, C]$ satisfies \ast then we call it "reduced"

The map $\mathcal{Q}_D \rightarrow \mathbb{H} \quad (D < 0)$

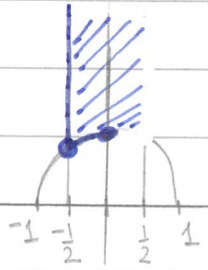
Define $\mathcal{Q}_D \rightarrow \mathbb{H}$

$Q \mapsto \tau_Q =$ unique point in \mathbb{H} solution of $Q(x, 1) = 0$

If $Q = [A, B, C]$ then $\tau_Q = \frac{-B + i\sqrt{|D|}}{2A}$

Ex: If $\gamma \in \Gamma$ then $\tau_{\gamma Q} = \gamma^{-1} \cdot \tau_Q$

Prop 7.3 (Lecture 17) A form $Q \in \mathcal{Q}_D \quad (D < 0)$ is reduced iff $\tau_Q \in \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C} : |\operatorname{Re}(z)| \leq \frac{1}{2}, |z| \geq 1 \text{ and } \operatorname{Re}(z) \leq 0 \text{ if } |\operatorname{Re}(z)| = \frac{1}{2} \text{ or } |z| = 1 \right\}$



Representation of integers by quadratic forms

A quadratic form Q represents $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ if $\exists (x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ such that $Q(x, y) = n$. The representation is primitive if $\gcd(x, y) = 1$.

The group $\Gamma_Q := \{ \gamma \in \Gamma = \operatorname{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}) : \gamma Q = Q \}$ acts on representations of n and also on primitive representations

$$\rightsquigarrow \Gamma_Q(n) := \# \left(\Gamma_Q \backslash \{ (x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2 \text{ primitive, } Q(x, y) = n \} \right)$$

Rmk: ① $\# \left(\Gamma_Q \backslash \{ (x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2, Q(x, y) = n \} \right) = \sum_{\substack{m|n \\ \frac{n}{m} = \square}} \Gamma_Q(m)$

② $\Gamma_{\gamma Q}(n) = \Gamma_Q(n) \quad \forall \gamma \in \Gamma, \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$ so $\Gamma_Q(n)$ is well defined for $[Q] \in \Gamma \backslash \mathcal{Q}_D$

How large is Γ_Q ?

Theorem 7.5 (Lecture 18) For $Q = [A, B, C] \in \mathcal{Q}_D$ we have bijection $\{ (t, u) \in \mathbb{Z}^2 : t^2 - Du^2 = 4 \} \longrightarrow \Gamma_Q$

$$(t, u) \longmapsto \begin{pmatrix} \frac{t-Bu}{2} & -Cu \\ Au & \frac{t+Bu}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

Moreover: If $D > 0$ then $\Gamma_Q \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$

$$\text{If } D < 0 \text{ then } \#\Gamma_Q = \begin{cases} 6 & \text{if } D = -3 \\ 4 & \text{if } D = -4 \\ 2 & \text{if } D < -4 \end{cases}$$

For $D < 0$ we have

$$\Gamma_Q(n) = \frac{1}{w_D} \# \{ (x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2 \text{ primitive, } Q(x, y) = n \} \text{ with}$$

$$w_D = \begin{cases} 6 & \text{if } D = -3 \\ 4 & \text{if } D = -4 \\ 2 & \text{if } D < -4 \end{cases}$$

Def: Given D disc define $\Gamma_D(n) = \sum_{[Q] \in \mathcal{P}^1 \mathcal{Q}_D} \Gamma_Q(n)$

Theorem 7.7 (Lecture 18) For $D < 0$ disc and $n \geq 1$ integer $\Gamma_D(n) = \# \{ b \bmod 2n \mid b^2 \equiv D \bmod 4n \}$

② Kronecker symbol

To connect quadratic forms with analytic number theory we need to introduce the Kronecker symbol $\left(\frac{D}{\cdot}\right)$ for D fundamental discriminant

Def: A discriminant $D \in \mathbb{Z}$ ($D \neq 0, D \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{4}$) is called fundamental if either $D \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and D is square-free or $D \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ and $\frac{D}{4} \equiv 2 \text{ or } 3 \pmod{4}$ with $\frac{D}{4}$ square-free.

Remark: Fundamental discriminants are exactly discriminants of quadratic extensions of \mathbb{Q}

(Any K/\mathbb{Q} quad is $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{d})$ $d \in \mathbb{Z}$ square-free with $d \neq 1$
ring of integers $\mathcal{O}_K = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{d}] & \text{if } d \equiv 2,3 \pmod{4} \\ \mathbb{Z}\left[\frac{1+\sqrt{d}}{2}\right] & \text{if } d \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$)

$$\text{hence } D := \text{disc}(K) := \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \sqrt{d} \\ 1 & -\sqrt{d} \end{pmatrix}^2 \text{ or } \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{1+\sqrt{d}}{2} \\ 1 & \frac{1-\sqrt{d}}{2} \end{pmatrix}^2$$

$$= 4d \quad \text{or} \quad d$$

Def Given D fund discriminant define $\chi_D: \mathbb{Z}^+ \rightarrow \{-1, 0, 1\}$
as $\chi_D(p) = \left(\frac{D}{p}\right)$ if p odd prime

$$\chi_D(2) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } D \equiv 0 \pmod{8} \\ 1 & \text{if } D \equiv 1 \pmod{8} \\ -1 & \text{if } D \equiv 5 \pmod{8} \end{cases}$$

and extend χ_D to \mathbb{Z}^+ as a completely multiplicative function

This is the Kronecker symbol of the discriminant D

Theorem 7.8 (Lecture 19) For $D < 0$ fundamental and $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

$$\Gamma_D(n) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } p^2 | n \text{ for some prime } p | D \\ \prod_{p|n} (1 + \chi_D(p)) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Analytic formulation of Theorem 7.8: For $s \in \mathbb{C}$ with $\text{Re}(s) > 1$

$$\zeta(2s) \cdot \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma_D(n)}{n^s} = \zeta(s) \cdot L(\chi_D, s)$$

where $L(\chi_D, s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\chi_D(n)}{n^s}$ Dirichlet L-function

associated to χ_D (χ_D is a Dirichlet character mod $|D|$)
i.e. it is the lift to \mathbb{Z} of $(\mathbb{Z}/|D|\mathbb{Z})^\times \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$
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③ Non-holomorphic Eisenstein series and Epstein zeta functions

For $z \in \mathbb{H}$ and $s \in \mathbb{C}$ with $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 1$ define (Lecture 19)

$$G(z, s) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\substack{m, n \in \mathbb{Z} \\ (m, n) \neq (0, 0)}} \frac{y^s}{|mz + n|^{2s}} = \frac{\zeta(2s)}{2} \sum_{\substack{c, d \in \mathbb{Z} \\ \gcd(c, d) = 1}} \frac{y^s}{|cz + d|^{2s}}$$

Then $G(z, s)$ is Γ -invariant in z and has meromorphic continuation to $s \in \mathbb{C}$.

Lemma (Lecture 19) For $D < 0$ disc, $[Q] \in \Gamma \backslash \mathcal{Q}_D$ (so $[\tau_Q] \in \Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}$) we have

$$G(\tau_Q, s) = \left(\frac{|D|}{4} \right)^{s/2} Z_Q(s)$$

where $Z_Q(s) := \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\substack{m, n \in \mathbb{Z} \\ (m, n) \neq (0, 0)}} \frac{1}{Q(m, n)^s} = \frac{\omega_D}{2} \cdot \zeta(2s) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma_Q(n)}{n^s}$

is the Epstein zeta function associated to Q (or $[Q]$)

Def: $Z_D(s) = \frac{2}{\omega_D} \sum_{[Q] \in \Gamma \backslash \mathcal{Q}_D} Z_Q(s) = \zeta(2s) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma_D(n)}{n^s} = \zeta(s) L(\chi_D, s)$

From Exercise Sheet #6 we know

$$E^*(z, s) := \pi^{-s} \Gamma(s) \sum_{\substack{(m, n) \in \mathbb{Z} \\ (m, n) \neq (0, 0)}} \frac{y^s}{|mz + n|^{2s}} = \pi^{-s} \Gamma(s) \cdot 2G(z, s)$$

has simple poles at $s=0, 1$ with residues -1 and 1

$$\leadsto \operatorname{Res}_{s=1} G(z, s) = \frac{\pi}{2} \quad \leadsto \operatorname{Res}_{s=1} Z_Q(s) = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{|D|}}$$

$$\leadsto \operatorname{Res}_{s=1} Z_D(s) = \frac{2}{\omega_D} \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{|D|}} h(D)$$

$L(\chi_D, 1)$ if $D < 0$ fundamental

This proves:

Theorem (Analytic class number formula) For $D < 0$ fundamental

$$L(\chi_D, 1) = \frac{2\pi h(D)}{w_D \cdot \sqrt{|D|}}$$

where $L(\chi_D, 1) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\chi_D(n)}{n} = \prod_p (1 - \chi_D(p)p^{-1})^{-1}$

(conditionally convergent)

Rmk: For $D > 0$ one can prove $L(\chi_D, 1) = \frac{2h(D) \log(\epsilon_0)}{\sqrt{D}}$

where $\epsilon_0 := \frac{t_0 + u_0 \sqrt{D}}{2}$ and (t_0, u_0)

is the smallest positive solution of $t^2 - Du^2 = 4$.

④ Maass forms (Hans Maass, 1911-1992)

$G(z, s)$ is an example of Maass form for $\Gamma = SL_2(\mathbb{Z})$

It is not holomorphic in z but satisfies

$$\Delta G(z, s) = s(s-1)G(z, s)$$

where $\Delta = y^2 \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \right)$, $z = x + iy$ hyperbolic Laplacian (of weight 0)

so $G(z, s)$ is eigenvector of Δ with eigenvalue $s(s-1)$ (for $s \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0, 1\}$ fixed)

Fact: For any smooth $f: \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ any $\gamma \in \Gamma$: $\Delta(f|_{\gamma}) = \Delta(f)|_{\gamma}$
 where $(f|_{\gamma})z := f(\gamma z)$

Def: A Maass form for Γ (of weight 0) is a smooth function $f: \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ satisfying

- i) f is Γ -invariant
- ii) $\Delta f = \lambda f$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ ($\leadsto \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$)
- iii) $f(z) = O(y^A)$ for some $A > 0$ when $\text{Im}(z) \rightarrow \infty$.

Fact: The \mathbb{C} -vector space $M_{0, \lambda}(\Gamma) = \{ \text{Maass forms wt. } 0, \Delta\text{-eigenvalue} = \lambda \}$ is of finite dimension.

Ex: $G(z, s) \in M_{0, s(1-s)}(\Gamma)$

Theorem: Any $f \in M_{0,\lambda}(\Gamma)$ with $\lambda = s(1-s)$ has Fourier expansion of the form

$$f(z) = a_0^+ y^s + a_0^- y^{1-s} + \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}} a_n W_s(nz) \quad (*)$$

where $W_s(nz) := 2\sqrt{y} K_{s-\frac{1}{2}}(2\pi|ny|) e^{2\pi imx}$

and $K_\nu(y) := \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty e^{-y(t+t^{-1})/2} t^\nu \frac{dt}{t}$ (K-Bessel function)

Def: $f \in M_{0,\lambda}(\Gamma)$ is a cusp form if $a_0^+ = a_0^- = 0$ in $(*)$

One can define Hecke operators and show that the spaces of Maass cusp forms have bases formed by simultaneous eigenfunctions (Hecke-Maass forms), but still the Fourier coeffs a_n ($n \neq 0$) are very mysterious