

## Solutions: Exercise Sheet 3

1. For  $z$  a complex number denote by  $\text{Im}(z)$  the imaginary part. Define the following functions

$$\begin{aligned} G_2(z) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{1}{(mz + n)^2}, \\ G_2^*(z) &= G_2(z) - \frac{\pi}{2\text{Im}(z)}, \\ G_{2,\varepsilon}(z) &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{(m,n) \neq (0,0)} \frac{1}{(mz + n)^2} \frac{1}{|mz + n|^{2\varepsilon}}, \end{aligned}$$

for  $z \in \mathbf{H}$ , where  $\varepsilon > 0$  is a parameter.

- a) Prove that the series  $G_{2,\varepsilon}(z)$  converges absolutely and locally uniformly for  $z \in \mathbf{H}$ .

**Solution:**

Let  $k > 2$  be an integer and  $z \in \mathbf{H}$  arbitrary. Then

$$\sum_{N=1}^{\infty} \sum_{N < |mz+n| \leq N+1} \frac{1}{|mz+n|^k} \leq \sum_{N=1}^{\infty} \frac{\#\{(m,n) \in \mathbb{Z}^2 \mid N \leq |mz+n| \leq N+1\}}{N^k}.$$

Note that

$$\#\{(m,n) \mid N \leq |mz+n| \leq N+1\} \ll \pi(N+1)^2 - \pi N^2 \ll N.$$

Thus the above sum is, as  $k > 2$

$$\ll \sum_{N=1}^{\infty} N^{1-k} < \infty.$$

Now we see that,

$$G_{2,\varepsilon} \leq \sum_{0 \leq |mz+n| \leq 1} |mz+n|^{-2-2\varepsilon} + \sum_{1 \leq |mz+n|} |mz+n|^{-2-2\varepsilon}.$$

The first sum has a finite number of summands, and the second sum is absolutely and locally uniformly convergent by the previous argument. Thus the sum of  $G_{2,\varepsilon}$  are convergent absolutely and locally uniformly, thus defines a holomorphic function on  $\mathbf{H}$ .

b) Let  $\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$  be an element of  $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z})$ . Show that

$$G_{2,\varepsilon}(\gamma z) = (cz + d)^2 |cz + d|^{2\varepsilon} G_{2,\varepsilon}(z).$$

for any  $z \in \mathbf{H}$ .

**Solution:**

To see the transformation law we first note that every  $\gamma \in \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$  induces a bijection from  $\mathbb{Z}^2 \setminus \{(0,0)\}$  to itself by right multiplication. Also one checks that,

$$m\gamma z + n = \frac{(ma + nc)z + (mb + nd)}{cz + d} = \frac{m'z + n'}{cz + d}.$$

Combining these two facts, we conclude that

$$G_{2,\varepsilon}(\gamma z) = \sum_{(m',n') \neq (0,0)} \frac{(cz + d)^2 |cz + d|^{2\varepsilon}}{(m'z + n') |m'z + n'|^{2\varepsilon}} = (cz + d)^2 |cz + d|^{2\varepsilon} G_{2,\varepsilon}(z).$$

c) For  $\varepsilon > -1/2$  and  $z \in \mathbf{H}$ , define

$$I(\varepsilon, z) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} \frac{dt}{(z + t)^2 |z + t|^{2\varepsilon}}.$$

Prove that the series

$$\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} I(\varepsilon, mz)$$

converges absolutely and locally uniformly for  $\varepsilon > -1/2$  and prove that

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \left( G_{2,\varepsilon}(z) - \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} I(\varepsilon, mz) \right) = G_2(z).$$

**Solution:**

Let

$$f(t) := (mz + t)^{-2} |mz + t|^{-2\varepsilon},$$

with implicit dependence on  $mz$ . Now as we have proved the absolute convergence of the  $\sum f(n)$  we will freely change the order of summations and order of integration and summation, as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{G}_{2,\varepsilon}(z) &= G_{2,\varepsilon}(z) - \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} I(\varepsilon, mz) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{2+2\varepsilon}} + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} (f(n) - \int_n^{n+1} f(t) dt) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{2+2\varepsilon}} + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \int_n^{n+1} (f(n) - f(t)) dt. \end{aligned}$$

By the mean value theorem on  $n \leq t \leq n+1$  we get that

$$|f(n) - f(t)| \leq \sup_{n \leq u \leq n+1} |f'(u)| \ll |mz + n|^{-3-2\varepsilon}.$$

Hence, the sum is absolutely convergent for  $\varepsilon > -1/2$  and thus  $\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \tilde{G}_{2,\varepsilon}$  exists and defines a holomorphic function. We calculate,

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \tilde{G}_{2,\varepsilon}(z) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n \neq 0} \frac{1}{n^2} + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left[ \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{1}{(mz + n)^2} + \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \frac{1}{mz + n + 1} - \frac{1}{mz + n} \right) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n \neq 0} \frac{1}{n^2} + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{1}{(mz + n)^2} \\ &= G_2(z) \end{aligned}$$

d) Let

$$I(\varepsilon) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} \frac{dt}{(i+t)^2(1+t)^{2\varepsilon}}$$

for  $\varepsilon > -1/2$ . Prove that

$$I(\varepsilon, z) = \frac{I(\varepsilon)}{\operatorname{Im}(z)^{1+2\varepsilon}}$$

and prove that the function  $I$  is differentiable at 0 with  $I'(0) = -\pi$ .

**Solution:**

Let  $z = x + iy$ . Then changing variable  $t \mapsto yt - x$  we get that,

$$\begin{aligned} I(\varepsilon, x + iy) &= \int_{\mathbf{R}} \frac{dt}{(x + t + iy)^2 |x + t + iy|^{2\varepsilon}} \\ &= \frac{1}{y^{1+2\varepsilon}} \int_{\mathbf{R}} \frac{dt}{(t + i)^2 |t + i|^{2\varepsilon}} = \frac{I(\varepsilon)}{y^{1+2\varepsilon}}. \end{aligned}$$

Differentiating under the integration sign and then integrating by parts we get that,

$$\begin{aligned} I'(0) &= - \int_{\mathbf{R}} \frac{\log(1+t^2)}{(t+i)^2} dt = \frac{\log(1+t^2)}{t+i} \Big|_{-\infty}^{\infty} - \int_{\mathbf{R}} \frac{2tdt}{(t+i)(1+t^2)} \\ &= - \int_{\mathbf{R}} \frac{1}{(t+i)^2} + \frac{1}{1+t^2} = - \int_{\mathbf{R}} \frac{dt}{t^2+1} = -\pi. \end{aligned}$$

Using the above two results we compute that,

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} I(\varepsilon, mz) = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{I(\varepsilon)}{(my)^{1+2\varepsilon}} = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{I(\varepsilon)\zeta(1+2\varepsilon)}{\operatorname{Im}(z)^{1+2\varepsilon}}.$$

Recall the expansion

$$\zeta(1+2\varepsilon) = \frac{1}{2\varepsilon} + O(1).$$

Using that  $I(0) = 0$  we have that above limit equals to

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{I(\varepsilon)}{2\varepsilon \operatorname{Im}(z)^{1+2\varepsilon}} = \frac{I'(0)}{2\operatorname{Im}(z)}.$$

e) Deduce that

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} G_{2,\varepsilon}(z) = G_2^*(z),$$

and that  $G_2^*$  is a (non-holomorphic) modular form of weight 2.

**Solution:**

Compute that

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} G_{2,\varepsilon}(z) = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \left( \tilde{G}_{2,\varepsilon}(z) + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} I(\varepsilon, mz) \right) = G_2(z) - \frac{\pi}{2\operatorname{Im}(z)} = G_2^*(z).$$

Then by part b) together with letting  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ , we obtain that  $G_2^*$  transforms like a modular form of weight 2.

f) Conclude that for  $z \in \mathbf{H}$  and  $g = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \operatorname{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z})$ , we have

$$G_2(gz) = (cz + d)^2 G_2(z) - \pi ic(cz + d).$$

**Solution:**

Since  $G_2^*(z)$  transforms as a modular form of weight 2, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} G_2(\gamma z) - (cz + d)^2 G_2(z) &= \frac{\pi}{2\operatorname{Im}(\gamma z)} - (cz + d)^2 \frac{\pi}{2\operatorname{Im}(z)} \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2\operatorname{Im}(z)} (|cz + d|^2 - (cz + d)^2) \\ &= \pi ic(cz + d), \end{aligned}$$

concluding the result.

**2.** Let  $\Gamma \subset \operatorname{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z})$  be a finite-index subgroup. We denote by  $\bar{\Gamma}$  the image of  $\Gamma$  in  $\operatorname{PSL}_2(\mathbf{Z}) = \operatorname{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z})/\{\pm 1\}$ .

A modular form of weight  $k \in \mathbf{Z}$  for  $\Gamma$  is a holomorphic function  $f: \mathbf{H} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  such that

$$f(gz) = (cz + d)^k f(z)$$

for all  $g \in \Gamma$  and  $z \in \mathbf{H}$ .

- a) With the usual rules for  $x = \infty$ , prove that  $\text{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z})$  acts on the set  $\mathbf{P}^1(\mathbf{Q}) = \mathbf{Q} \cup \{\infty\}$  by

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot x = \frac{ax + b}{cx + d}.$$

Solution:

We can define an action on  $\infty$  by setting

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot \infty = \frac{a}{c},$$

with  $ad - bc = 1$ , if  $c \neq 0$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot \infty = \infty$  if  $c = 0$ . and

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot \frac{-d}{c} = \infty.$$

Since clearly

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot x = \frac{ax + b}{cx + d} \in \mathbf{Q},$$

this operation is well-defined. What is left to show is if  $A, B \in \text{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z})$ , then

$$A \cdot (B \cdot z) = (AB) \cdot z.$$

Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ c_1 & d_1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} a_2 & b_2 \\ c_2 & d_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Applying  $B$  to  $z$ , we obtain:

$$B \cdot z = \frac{a_2 z + b_2}{c_2 z + d_2}.$$

Now applying  $A$  to  $B \cdot z$ :

$$A \cdot (B \cdot z) = A \cdot \left( \frac{a_2 z + b_2}{c_2 z + d_2} \right).$$

By the definition of the Möbius action:

$$A \cdot \left( \frac{a_2 z + b_2}{c_2 z + d_2} \right) = \frac{a_1 \frac{a_2 z + b_2}{c_2 z + d_2} + b_1}{c_1 \frac{a_2 z + b_2}{c_2 z + d_2} + d_1}.$$

Multiplying numerator and denominator by  $c_2 z + d_2$ :

$$A \cdot (B \cdot z) = \frac{a_1(a_2 z + b_2) + b_1(c_2 z + d_2)}{c_1(a_2 z + b_2) + d_1(c_2 z + d_2)}.$$

Expanding both terms:

$$A \cdot (B \cdot z) = \frac{(a_1 a_2 + b_1 c_2)z + (a_1 b_2 + b_1 d_2)}{(c_1 a_2 + d_1 c_2)z + (c_1 b_2 + d_1 d_2)}.$$

The matrix product  $AB$  is:

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ c_1 & d_1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_2 & b_2 \\ c_2 & d_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1a_2 + b_1c_2 & a_1b_2 + b_1d_2 \\ c_1a_2 + d_1c_2 & c_1b_2 + d_1d_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Applying  $AB$  to  $z$ :

$$(AB) \cdot z = \frac{(a_1a_2 + b_1c_2)z + (a_1b_2 + b_1d_2)}{(c_1a_2 + d_1c_2)z + (c_1b_2 + d_1d_2)}.$$

Since the expressions for  $A \cdot (B \cdot z)$  and  $(AB) \cdot z$  are identical, we conclude that:

$$A \cdot (B \cdot z) = (AB) \cdot z.$$

Thus, the Möbius action of  $\text{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z})$  on  $\mathbf{Q}$  is compatible with matrix multiplication.

- b) Show that this action is transitive for  $\Gamma = \text{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z})$ , and has finitely many orbits in general. Give an example where it is not transitive. (Hint: use a subgroup from Exercise 2 of Exercise Sheet 1.)

Solution:

We start by showing the action is transitive. By the solution of part a) it is enough to show transitivity for elements in  $\mathbf{Q}$ . Let  $z_1, z_2 \in \mathbf{Q}$  be arbitrary. Choose  $a, b \in \mathbf{Z}$  such that  $z_1 = \frac{-b}{a}$ , and  $c, d \in \mathbf{Z}$  such that  $ad - bc = 1$ . Then

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot z_1 = 0.$$

Further choose  $b', d' \in \mathbf{Z}$  such that  $z_1 = \frac{b'}{d'}$ , and  $a', c' \in \mathbf{Z}$  such that  $a'd' - b'c' = 1$ . Then

$$\begin{pmatrix} a' & b' \\ c' & d' \end{pmatrix} \cdot 0 = \frac{b'}{d'} = z_2.$$

Hence

$$\begin{pmatrix} a' & b' \\ c' & d' \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot z_1 = z_2,$$

so the action is transitive.

Since the action is transitive, for any  $x \in \mathbf{P}^1(\mathbf{Q})$  we have a bijection:

$$\text{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z})/\text{Stab}_x(\text{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z})) \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^1(\mathbf{Q})$$

which sends  $g\text{Stab}_x(\text{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z}))$  to  $g \cdot x$ . Since the index of  $\Gamma$  in  $\text{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z})$  is finite, we have that the cardinality of  $\Gamma \setminus \mathbf{P}^1(\mathbf{Q})$ , which is equal to the cardinality of  $\Gamma \setminus \text{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z})/\text{Stab}_x(\text{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z}))$ , is finite. Hence there are only finitely many orbits.

To give an example of a group for which the action is not transitive, we consider the congruence subgroup  $\Gamma_0(p)$  from Exercise sheet 1 (for  $p$  a prime). Let  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \Gamma_0(p)$ , so that  $d \neq 0$ . Then

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot 0 = \frac{b}{d} \in \mathbf{Q}$$

is a fraction whose denominator is not divisible by  $p$  (as otherwise  $ad - bc \neq 1$ , since  $p \mid c$ ). On the other hand,

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot \infty = \frac{a}{c} \in \mathbf{P}^1(\mathbf{Q})$$

is equal to  $\infty$  if  $c = 0$  or a fraction in  $\mathbf{Q}$  whose denominator is divisible by  $p$ . Hence  $0$  and  $\infty$  lie in different orbits and the action is not transitive.

By definition, a *cusp* of  $\Gamma$  is an orbit of the action of  $\Gamma$  on  $\mathbf{P}^1(\mathbf{Q})$ .

- c) Let  $x \in \mathbf{P}^1(\mathbf{Q})$ . Prove that the image in  $\bar{\Gamma}$  of the stabilizer  $\Gamma_x$  of  $x$  is infinite cyclic, and more precisely that there exists  $\sigma_x \in \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z})$  and  $h \in \mathbf{Z}$  such that  $\sigma_x \infty = x$  and

$$\sigma_x^{-1} \Gamma_x \sigma_x = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & hn \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mid n \in \mathbf{Z} \right\} \quad \text{or} \quad \sigma_x \Gamma_x \sigma_x^{-1} = \left\{ \pm \begin{pmatrix} 1 & hn \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mid n \in \mathbf{Z} \right\}.$$

(Hint: consider first the case  $x = \infty$ .)

**Solution:**

Let  $x \in \mathbf{P}^1(\mathbf{Q})$ . By part a) we know that there is a  $\sigma_x \in \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z})$  for which  $\sigma_x \cdot \infty = x$ .

Note that for all  $g \in \Gamma_x$  we have that

$$(\sigma_x^{-1} g \sigma_x) \cdot \infty = (\sigma_x^{-1} g) \cdot x = \infty,$$

so that  $\sigma_x^{-1} \Gamma_x \sigma_x \subseteq \Gamma_\infty$ . To obtain the other inclusion, note that for  $\gamma \in \Gamma_\infty$ , we have  $\sigma_x^{-1} \gamma \sigma_x \in \Gamma_x$ , so that  $g = \sigma_x^{-1} \gamma \sigma_x \in \sigma_x^{-1} \Gamma_x \sigma_x$ , which implies the other inclusion as well.

Let  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z})$ . Note that

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \cdot \infty = \infty$$

if and only if  $c = 0$ , in which case  $ad = \pm 1$ . Hence the stabilizer of  $\infty$  in  $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z})$  is given by

$$\left\{ \pm \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} : b \in \mathbf{Z} \right\}$$

Now note that  $\Gamma_\infty < \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z})_\infty$  is of finite index  $h$ , so that  $\Gamma_\infty$  must be of the form

$$\left\{ \pm \begin{pmatrix} 1 & hn \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} : n \in \mathbf{Z} \right\}$$

or

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & hn \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} : n \in \mathbf{Z} \right\}.$$

- d) What are  $\sigma_x$  and  $h$  in the case of the unique cusp of  $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z})$ ?

**Solution:**

By the explicit description we gave in part a), together with part c), where we have  $h = 1$ .

- e) Let  $f: \mathbf{H} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  be meromorphic and modular of weight  $k$ . Show that for every cusp  $x$  of  $\Gamma$ , there exists a function  $\tilde{f}_x: D^* \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  such that

$$(f|_k \sigma_x)(z) = \tilde{f}_x(e^{2i\pi z/h})$$

for  $z \in \mathbf{H}$ , where  $\sigma_x$  and  $h$  are as in Question c).

**Solution:**

Write  $\sigma_x = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z})$ . By part c) the matrix  $\pm \begin{pmatrix} 1 & h \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  is in  $\Gamma_\infty$ , and also in  $\Gamma$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} (f|_k \sigma_x) \left( \pm \begin{pmatrix} 1 & h \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot z \right) &= (cz + d)^{-k} f \left( \pm \begin{pmatrix} 1 & h \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot (\sigma_x \cdot z) \right) \\ &= (\pm 1)^k (cz + d)^{-k} f(\sigma_x \cdot z) \\ &= (\pm 1)^k (f|_k \sigma_x)(z) \end{aligned}$$

Hence if  $g \in \Gamma$ , then  $f|_k \sigma_x$  is  $h$ -periodic, and moreover one can construct a function  $\tilde{f}_x$  as it was done in the lectures for classical modular forms. If  $-\begin{pmatrix} 1 & h \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in \Gamma$ , then the function  $e^{-\pi z/h}(f|_k \sigma_x)$  is  $h$ -periodic in the sense that

$$e^{\pi(z+h)/h} = -e^{-\pi z/h},$$

so that we can construct a function  $\tilde{f}$  such that  $f(z) = \tilde{f}(e(z/h))$ . Then we set  $\tilde{f}_x = e^{\pi z/h} \tilde{f}(z)$  to obtain the required function.

One says that  $f$  is *holomorphic at the cusp  $x$*  if  $\tilde{f}_x$  is holomorphic at 0. The space of all modular forms of weight  $k$  for  $\Gamma$  which are holomorphic on  $\mathbf{H}$  and at all cusps is denoted  $M_k(\Gamma)$ .

- f) Check that  $M_k(\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z}))$  coincides with the space  $M_k$  of the lecture.

**Solution:**

Since the action of  $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z})$  is transitive and hence only has one orbit, it also has only one cusp. Thus it is enough to consider the cusp at  $\infty$ ; the construction is then the same as the one that was done in the lectures. Then  $M_k(\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z})) = M_k$ .

- g) Let  $C \subset \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z})$  be a set of coset representatives of  $\Gamma \backslash \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z})$ . Prove that if  $f \in M_k(\Gamma)$ , then

$$\prod_{g \in C} f|_k g$$

is an element of  $M_{|C|k} = M_{|C|k}(\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z}))$ , which is non-zero if  $f$  is non-zero.

**Solution:**



Denote  $G(z) = \prod_{g \in C} (f|_k g)(z)$  and  $\gamma_k \left( \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}, z \right) = (cz + d)^{-k}$ . Since  $f$  is holomorphic at infinity, it is bounded, so that the product remains bounded as well. Let  $h \in \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z})$ . Then using the cocycle relation from Exercise sheet 1 for  $\gamma$

$$\begin{aligned}
G(h \cdot z) &= \prod_{g \in C} (f|_k g)(h \cdot z) \\
&= \prod_{g \in C} (c(h \cdot z) + d)^{-k} f(g \cdot (h \cdot z)) \\
&= \prod_{g \in C} \gamma_k(h, z) \gamma_{-k}(gh, z) f(g \cdot (h \cdot z)) \\
&= \gamma_k(h, z)^{|C|k} \prod_{g \in C} \gamma_{-k}(gh, z) f(g \cdot (h \cdot z)) \\
&= \gamma_k(h, z)^{|C|k} \prod_{g \in C} (f|_k g)(z) = \gamma_k(h, z)^{|C|k} G(z)
\end{aligned}$$

Hence  $G(z) \in M_{|C|k}$ . From the expression above we see that  $G$  is non-zero if  $f$  is non-zero.

h) Deduce that there exists a constant  $A_k \geq 0$  such that

$$\sum_{z \in \Gamma \backslash \mathbf{H}} \frac{v_z(f)}{e_z} \leq A_k$$

for all non-zero  $f \in M_k(\Gamma)$ , where  $e_z = |\mathrm{Stab}_z(\Gamma)|$ .

Solution:

For  $C$  as in part g) we have that  $h(z) \prod_{g \in C} (f|_k g) \in M_k(\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z}))$ . Then by the  $k/12$  (or the valence formula) from the lectures, we have

$$v_\infty(h) + \sum_{z \in \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z}) \backslash \mathbf{H}} \frac{v_z(h)}{e_z} = \frac{|C|k}{12},$$

from which we obtain

$$\sum_{z \in \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z}) \backslash \mathbf{H}} \frac{v_z(h)}{e_z} \leq \frac{|C|k}{12}.$$

By the multiplicativity of the valuation, note that

$$v_z(h) = \sum_{g \in C} v_z(f|_k g),$$

so that there exists a  $g \in C$  such that

$$v_z(f) \leq |C| v_z(f|_k g),$$

so that altogether

$$\sum_{z \in \Gamma \backslash \mathbf{H}} \frac{v_z(f)}{e_z} \leq |C| \sum_{z \in \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbf{Z}) \backslash \mathbf{H}} \frac{v_z(h)}{e_z} \leq \frac{|C|^2 k}{12} =: A_k$$

*Alternative solution:*

Let  $f \in M_k(\Gamma)$  be non-zero. From the valence formula in the lectures note that we have

$$\sum_{z \in \Gamma \backslash \mathbf{H}} \frac{v_z(f)}{|\text{Stab}_z(\bar{\Gamma})|} + \sum_{P \in \text{Cusps}(\Gamma)} v_P(f) = \frac{k[\text{PSL}_2(\mathbf{Z}) : \bar{\Gamma}]}{12},$$

so by setting  $A_k := \frac{k[\text{PSL}_2(\mathbf{Z}) : \bar{\Gamma}]}{12}$ , we have  $\sum_{z \in \Gamma \backslash \mathbf{H}} v_z(f) \leq A_k$ .

- i) Prove that  $\dim M_k(\Gamma) \leq A_k + 1$ .

*Solution:*

Let  $z_0 \in \mathbf{C}$ . With  $A_k$  as in the solution of the previous exercise, consider the linear map  $M_k(\Gamma) \rightarrow \mathbf{C}^{A_k+1}$ , mapping  $f$  to the coefficients  $(f(z_0), f'(z_0), \dots, f^{(A_k)}(z_0))$ . We claim that this map is injective. Let  $f$  and  $g$  be modular forms of weight  $k$  and level  $\Gamma$ , such that their  $q$ -expansions agree up to degree  $\lfloor A_k \rfloor$ . We will show that then  $f = g$ . Note that then

$$v_\infty(f - g) \geq 1 + \lfloor A_k \rfloor > A_k.$$

This yields a contradiction to the valence formula (stated in part h)), unless  $f - g = 0$ . This proves the injectivity of the map. Hence  $\dim M_k(\Gamma) \leq A_k + 1$ .

3. Let  $k \geq 2$  be an even integer. Recall that the Bessel function  $J_k$  is defined for  $z \in \mathbf{C}$  by

$$J_k(z) = \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{(-1)^n}{n!(n+k)!} \left(\frac{z}{2}\right)^{k+2n}.$$

- a) Prove that for all  $z \in \mathbf{C}$ , we have

$$J_k(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{iz \sin(\vartheta) - ik\vartheta} d\vartheta,$$

and deduce that  $|J_n(x)| \leq 1$  for all  $x \in \mathbf{R}$ .

*Solution:*

We start by writing out the power series expansion for the exponential  $e^{iz \sin(\vartheta)}$  explicitly, followed by writing out the binomial expansion of  $\sin(\vartheta) = \frac{e^{i\vartheta} - e^{-i\vartheta}}{2i}$  as follows

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{iz \sin(\vartheta) - ik\vartheta} d\vartheta &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{-ik\vartheta} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} (iz)^n \sin(\vartheta)^n d\vartheta \\
&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} (iz)^n \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{-ik\vartheta} \sin(\vartheta)^n d\vartheta \\
&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} (iz)^n \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{-ik\vartheta} \left( \frac{e^{i\vartheta} - e^{-i\vartheta}}{2i} \right)^n d\vartheta \\
&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \left( \frac{z}{2} \right)^n \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{-ik\vartheta} \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} (-1)^l e^{i\vartheta(n-l)} e^{-i\vartheta l} d\vartheta \\
&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \left( \frac{z}{2} \right)^n \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} (-1)^l \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{-ik\vartheta} e^{i\vartheta(n-l)} e^{-i\vartheta l} d\vartheta \\
&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{z}{2} \right)^n \sum_{l=0}^n \frac{1}{l!(n-l)!} (-1)^l \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{-ik\vartheta + i\vartheta(n-l) - i\vartheta l} d\vartheta
\end{aligned}$$

For any integer  $a$  the integral  $\int_0^{2\pi} e^{ia\vartheta} d\vartheta$  is non-zero if and only if  $a = 0$ . Hence only for  $n = k + 2l$  the integral above will be non-zero. Moreover

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\vartheta = 1.$$

Thus

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{z}{2} \right)^n \sum_{l=0}^n \frac{1}{l!(n-l)!} (-1)^l \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{-ik\vartheta + i\vartheta(n-l) - i\vartheta l} d\vartheta = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{z}{2} \right)^{k+2l} \frac{1}{l!(k+2l-l)!} (-1)^l$$

Let  $x \in \mathbf{R}$ . Then  $|J_n(x)| \leq 1$  follows from the inequality

$$\begin{aligned}
|J_k(x)| &\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |e^{i(x \sin(\vartheta) - k\vartheta)}| d\vartheta \\
&= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |\cos(x \sin(\vartheta) - k\vartheta) + i \sin(x \sin(\vartheta) - k\vartheta)| d\vartheta \\
&= 1
\end{aligned}$$

b) Prove that the function  $f(z) = J_n(z)$  satisfies the differential equation

$$z^2 f''(z) + z f'(z) + (z^2 - n^2) f(z) = 0.$$

Solution:

Taking the derivative of  $J_n(z)$ :

$$J'_n(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{2k!(n+k)!} \cdot (2k+n) \left( \frac{z}{2} \right)^{2k+n-1}$$

Multiplying by  $z$ , we obtain:

$$zJ'_n(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{k!(n+k)!} \cdot (2k+n) \left(\frac{z}{2}\right)^{2k+n}$$

Taking the derivative again:

$$J''_n(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{4k!(n+k)!} \cdot (2k+n)(2k+n-1) \left(\frac{z}{2}\right)^{2k+n-2}$$

Multiplying by  $z^2$ , we get:

$$z^2 J''_n(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{k!(n+k)!} \cdot (2k+n)(2k+n-1) \left(\frac{z}{2}\right)^{2k+n}$$

Then

$$z^2 J''_n(z) + zJ'_n - n^2 J_n = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{k!(n+k)!} \left(\frac{z}{2}\right)^{2k+n} \cdot 4k(k+n).$$

On the other hand

$$\begin{aligned} z^2 J_n(z) &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{k!(n+k)!} \left(\frac{z}{2}\right)^{2(k+1)+n} \cdot 4 \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{(k+1)!(n+k+1)!} \left(\frac{z}{2}\right)^{2(k+1)+n} \cdot (-4(k+1)(n+k+1)) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(k)!(n+k)!} \left(\frac{z}{2}\right)^{2k+n} \cdot (-4k(n+k)) \end{aligned}$$

Hence we are only left with the 0-term in the sum over  $k$ :

$$z^2 J''_n(z) + zJ'_n(z) + (z^2 - n^2)J_n(z) = \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{z}{2}\right)^n \cdot 4 \cdot 0 \cdot n = 0.$$

Thus, the Bessel function satisfies the differential equation.

4. Let  $p$  be a prime number. Recall that the Kloosterman sum  $S(m, n; p)$  is defined by

$$S(m, n; p) = \sum_{x \in \mathbf{F}_p^\times} e\left(\frac{mx + n\bar{x}}{p}\right), \quad x\bar{x} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}.$$

a) Show that  $S(m, n; p) \in \mathbf{R}$ .

Solution:

We have to show that  $S(m, n; p)$  doesn't change under complex-conjugation. Note that

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{S(m, n; p)} &= \sum_{x \in \mathbf{F}_p^\times} e\left(\frac{m(-x) + n(-\bar{x})}{p}\right) \\ &= \sum_{x \in \mathbf{F}_p^\times} e\left(\frac{m(-x) + n(\overline{-x})}{p}\right), \quad \text{as } (-x)(\overline{-x}) \equiv (-x)(-\bar{x}) \equiv 1 \pmod{p} \\ &= \sum_{-x \in \mathbf{F}_p^\times} e\left(\frac{mx + n\bar{x}}{p}\right) = S(m, n; p).\end{aligned}$$

b) Show that

$$\sum_{m, n \in \mathbf{F}_p} |S(m, n; p)|^4 = p^2 N(p)$$

where  $N(p)$  is the number of solutions  $(a, b, c, d) \in (\mathbf{F}_p^\times)^4$  of the equations

$$\begin{cases} a + b = c + d \\ a^{-1} + b^{-1} = c^{-1} + d^{-1}. \end{cases}$$

Solution:

For  $h$  an integer we will use the formula

$$\frac{1}{p} \sum_{m \in \mathbf{F}_p} e\left(\frac{mh}{p}\right) = \delta_{0,h} = \begin{cases} 1, & h = 0 \\ 0, & \text{else.} \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

We compute the fourth power:

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{m, n \in \mathbf{F}_p} |S(m, n; p)|^4 &= \sum_{m, n \in \mathbf{F}_p} \sum_{a, b, c, d \in (\mathbf{F}_p^\times)^\times} e\left(\frac{m(a + b - c - d)}{p}\right) e\left(\frac{n(a^{-1} + b^{-1} - c^{-1} - d^{-1})}{p}\right) \\ &= \sum_{a, b, c, d \in (\mathbf{F}_p^\times)^\times} \left( \sum_{m \in \mathbf{F}_p} e\left(\frac{m(a + b - c - d)}{p}\right) \right) \left( \sum_{n \in \mathbf{F}_p} e\left(\frac{n(a^{-1} + b^{-1} - c^{-1} - d^{-1})}{p}\right) \right) \\ &= p^2 \sum_{\substack{(a, b, c, d) \in ((\mathbf{F}_p^\times)^\times)^4 \\ a+b=c+d \\ a^{-1}+b^{-1}=c^{-1}+d^{-1}}} 1 = p^2 N(p),\end{aligned}$$

where when going from the second to the third row we used the formula (1).

c) For  $(m_0, n_0) \in (\mathbf{F}_p^\times)^2$ , prove that

$$(p-1)|S(m_0, n_0; p)|^4 \leq \sum_{m, n \in \mathbf{F}_p} |S(m, n; p)|^4.$$

Solution:

Let  $a, m_0, n_0 \in \mathbf{F}_p^\times$  be arbitrary. Then

$$\begin{aligned} S(am_0, a^{-1}n_0; p) &= \sum_{x \in \mathbf{F}_p^\times} e\left(\frac{m_0ax + n_0a^{-1}\bar{x}}{p}\right), \quad x\bar{x} \equiv 1 \pmod{p} \\ &= \sum_{ax \in \mathbf{F}_p^\times} e\left(\frac{m_0ax + n_0\overline{ax}}{p}\right) \\ &= S(m_0, n_0; p). \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\tilde{m} \in \mathbf{F}_p^\times$  be such that  $|S(\tilde{m}, n; p)|$  is minimal under all  $|S(m, n; p)|$ , for  $m \in \mathbf{F}_p^\times$ . Let  $a \in \mathbf{F}_p^\times$  be such that  $a\tilde{m} = m_0$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{m, n \in \mathbf{F}_p} |S(m, n; p)|^4 &\geq \sum_{n \in \mathbf{F}_p} \sum_{m \in \mathbf{F}_p^\times} |S(\tilde{m}, n; p)|^4 \\ &= \sum_{n \in \mathbf{F}_p} (p-1) |S(\tilde{m}, n; p)|^4 \\ &= \sum_{n \in \mathbf{F}_p} (p-1) |S(a\tilde{m}, a^{-1}n; p)|^4 \\ &= \sum_{n \in \mathbf{F}_p} (p-1) |S(m_0, a^{-1}n; p)|^4 \\ &\geq (p-1) |S(m_0, n_0; p)|^4. \end{aligned}$$

d) Deduce that for  $(m_0, n_0) \in (\mathbf{F}_p^\times)^2$ , we have

$$S(m_0, n_0; p) = O(p^{3/4}).$$

Solution:

Let  $m_0, n_0 \in \mathbf{F}_p^\times$  be arbitrary.

It suffices to prove that  $N(p) = O(p^2)$ , since then by part b) we obtain

$$\sum_{m, n \in \mathbf{F}_p} |S(m, n; p)|^4 = p^2 N(p) = O(p^4).$$

Then from part c) it follows that

$$|S(m_0, n_0; p)|^4 = O(p^3),$$

so that  $S(m_0, n_0; p) = O(p^{3/4})$ .

Now we will prove  $N(p) = O(p^2)$ . First fix values  $a, b \in \mathbf{F}_p^\times$  with  $a + b \neq 0$ . If  $(c, d) \in (\mathbf{F}_p^\times)^2$  satisfy

$$a + b = c + d \tag{2}$$

$$a^{-1} + b^{-1} = c^{-1} + d^{-1}, \tag{3}$$

then the value of  $c + d$  is fixed and  $a^{-1} + b^{-1} \neq 0$ . Hence

$$cd = \frac{c + d}{a^{-1} + b^{-1}} \in \mathbf{F}_p^\times$$

is fixed. Since we know both  $c + d$  and  $cd$ , there are at most 2 pairs  $(c, d)$  that satisfy (2) and (3). Hence the number of choices for  $a, b, c, d$  in this case is bounded by a constant times  $p^2$ .

If  $a + b = 0$ , then  $c + d = 0$ , so that the solution is determined by  $(a, c)$ , which in total leaves us with  $p^2$  choices. Taking both cases into account, we obtain our claim.