

A Kaneko-Zagier equation for Jacobi forms

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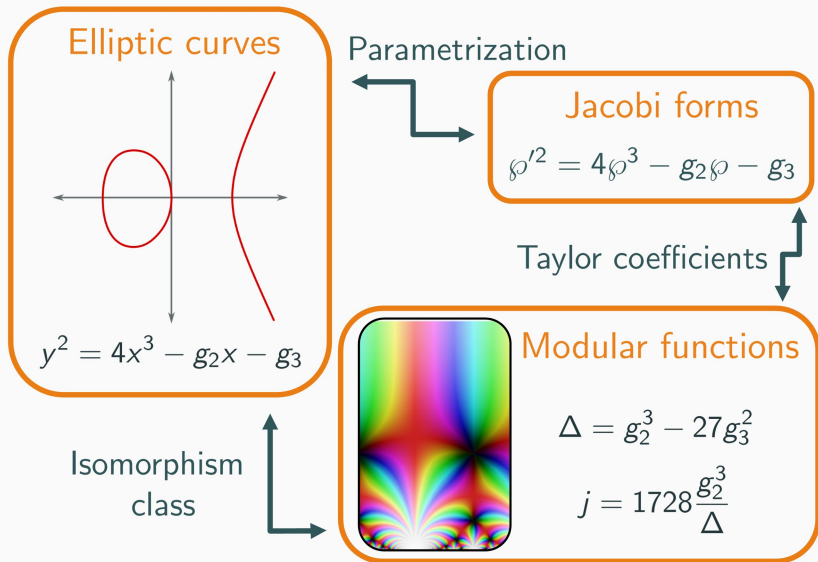
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The classical picture



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elliptic curves

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Example ($p = 37$)

$$f_{37} = \Delta^3(2945j^3 - 7879680j^2 + 5446434816j - 660451885056).$$

$$2945j^3 - 7879680j^2 + 5446434816j - 660451885056 \equiv 22(j - 8)(j^2 - 6j - 6) \pmod{37}.$$

The roots over \mathbb{F}_{37^2} are the supersingular j -invariants.

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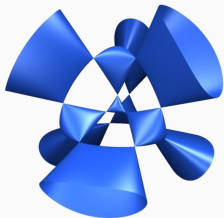
Theorem (Kaneko–Zagier)

The functions f_p

- (i) satisfy the Kaneko–Zagier equation for all $p \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$
- (ii) determine supersingular j -invariants for all primes $p \geq 5$
(as in the example).

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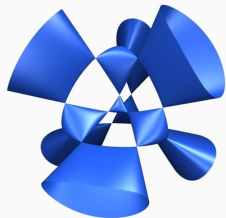
$$\varphi_m = \operatorname{Res}_{x=0} \left(\frac{\Theta(x+z)}{\Theta(x)} \right)^m$$

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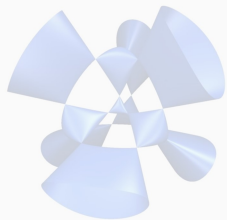
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Example

$$\varphi_4 = (16 D_z(\Theta)^3 - 12 \wp D_z(\Theta) \Theta^2 - \wp' \Theta^3) \Theta$$

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Theorem (Oberdieck–Pixton–vI)

The functions φ_m

- (i) satisfy the the above differential equation for all $m \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$;
- (ii) admit quasimodular Taylor coefficients depending polynomially on m .

Conjectural relation to Gromov–Witten theory of K3 surfaces

Conjecture (Oberdieck–Pandharipande)

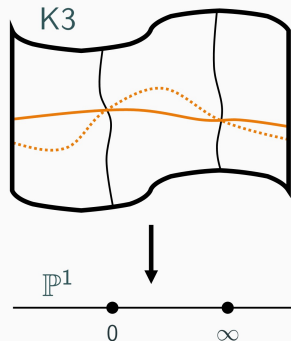
All double ramification cycle integrals in the Gromov–Witten theory of K3 surfaces are given by an explicit formula in terms of the quasi-Jacobi forms φ_m and their derivatives.

Example

For the double ramification cycle integral of type $(n, -n)$ (conjecturally) the computation boils down to computing

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow n} \left(\varphi_n \varphi_m + \frac{n}{m-n} D_\tau(\varphi_m) \varphi_n - \frac{m}{m-n} \varphi_m D_\tau(\varphi_n) \right)$$

as an element of $\mathbb{C}[\wp, \wp', D_z(\Theta), \Theta, E_2, g_2]$.



Thank you!