

Computation of central value of quadratic twists of modular L -functions

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1 Introduction

Let $f \in S_2(p)$ be a newform of weight two, prime level p . If $f(z) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} a(m)q^m$, where $q = e^{2\pi iz}$, and D is a fundamental discriminant, we define the twisted L -function

$$L(f, D, s) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{a(m)}{m^s} \left(\frac{D}{m} \right).$$

It will be convenient to also allow $D = 1$ as a fundamental discriminant, in which case we write simply $L(f, s)$ for $L(f, 1, s)$.

In this paper we consider the question of computing the twisted central values $\{L(f, D, 1) : |D| \leq x\}$ for some x .

It is well known that the fact that f is an eigenform for the Fricke involution yields a rapidly convergent series for $L(f, D, 1)$. Computing $L(f, D, 1)$ by means of this series, which we call the *standard method*, takes time very roughly proportional to $|D|$ and therefore time very roughly proportional to x^2 to compute $L(f, D, 1)$ for $|D| \leq x$. We will see that this can be improved to $x^{3/2}$ by using an explicit version of Waldspurger's theorem [W]; this theorem relates the central values $L(f, D, 1)$ to the $|D|$ -th Fourier coefficient of weight $3/2$ modular forms in Shimura correspondence with f .

Concretely, the formulas we use have the basic form

$$L(f, D, 1) = \star \kappa_{\mp} \frac{|c_{\mp}(|D|)|^2}{\sqrt{|D|}}, \quad \text{sign}(D) = \mp, \quad (1.1)$$

where $\star = 1$ if $p \nmid D$, $\star = 2$ if $p \mid D$, κ_- and κ_+ are positive constants independent of D , and $c_- (|D|)$ (resp. $c_+ (|D|)$) is the $|D|$ -th Fourier coefficient of a certain modular form g_- (resp. g_+) of weight $3/2$.

Gross [G] proves such a formula, and gives an explicit construction of the corresponding form g_- , in the case that $L(f, 1) \neq 0$. The purpose of this paper is to extend Gross's work to all cases. Specifically, we give an explicit construction of both g_- and g_+ , regardless of the value of $L(f, 1)$, together with the corresponding values of κ_- and κ_+ in (1.1). The proof of the validity

of this construction will be given in a later publication and relies partly in the results of [BM].

The construction gives g_- and g_+ as linear combinations of (generalized) theta series associated to positive definite ternary quadratic forms. Computing the Fourier coefficients of these theta series up to x is tantamount to running over all lattice points in an ellipsoid of volume proportional to $x^{3/2}$. Doing this takes time roughly proportional to $x^{3/2}$ which yields our claim above.

This approach to computing $L(f, D, 1)$ has several other advantages over the standard method. First, the numbers $c(|D|)$ are algebraic integers and are computed with exact arithmetic. Once $c(|D|)$ is known it is trivial to compute $L(f, D, 1)$ to any desired precision. Second, the $c(|D|)$'s have extra information; if f has coefficients in \mathbb{Z} , for example, (1.1) gives a specific square root of $L(f, D, 1)$ (if non-zero), whose sign remains a mystery.

Moreover, the actual running time of our method vs. the standard method is, in practice, significantly better even for small x .

2 Quaternion algebras and Brandt matrices

A quaternion algebra B over a field K is a central simple algebra of dimension 4 over K . When $2 \neq 0$ in K we can give B concretely by specifying a K -basis $\{1, i, j, k\}$ such that

$$i^2 = \alpha, \quad j^2 = \beta, \quad \text{and} \quad k = ij = -ji,$$

for some non-zero $\alpha, \beta \in K$. If $K = \mathbb{Q}$ we typically rescale and assume that $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{Z}$. A general element of B then has the form $b = b_0 + b_1i + b_2j + b_3k$, with $b_i \in K$ and multiplication in B is determined by the above defining relations and K -linearity.

The *conjugate* of b is defined as

$$\bar{b} = b_0 - b_1i - b_2j - b_3k.$$

We define the (reduced) norm and trace of b by

$$\mathcal{N}b := b\bar{b} = b_0^2 - \alpha b_1^2 - \beta b_2^2 + \alpha\beta b_3^2, \quad \text{Tr}b := b + \bar{b} = 2b_0.$$

Let B be a quaternion algebra over $K = \mathbb{Q}$. For ν a rational prime we let \mathbb{Q}_ν be the field of ν -adic numbers and for $\nu = \infty$ we let $\mathbb{Q}_\nu = \mathbb{R}$. We call ν , a rational prime or ∞ , a *place* of \mathbb{Q} .

The localization $B_\nu := B \otimes \mathbb{Q}_\nu$ is a quaternion algebra over \mathbb{Q}_ν . It is a fundamental fact of Number Theory that B_ν is either isomorphic to the algebra $M_2(\mathbb{Q}_\nu)$ of 2×2 matrices, or a division algebra, which is unique up to isomorphism. (A *division algebra* is an algebra in which every non-zero element has a multiplicative inverse.) The two options are encoded in the *Hilbert symbol* $(\alpha, \beta)_\nu$, defined as $+1$ if B_ν is a matrix algebra, -1 if it is a

division algebra. In the first case we say that B is *split* at ν , in the second, that B is *ramified* at ν .

For example, if $\nu = \infty$ so $\mathbb{Q}_\nu = \mathbb{R}$ then $(\alpha, \beta)_\infty = -1$ if and only if $\alpha < 0, \beta < 0$ in which case B_∞ is isomorphic to the usual Hamilton quaternions. A quaternion algebra B is *definite* if it ramifies at ∞ otherwise it is *indefinite* (this notation is consistent with the nature of the quadratic form on B_∞ determined by the norm \mathcal{N}).

A quaternion algebra B is ramified at a finite number of places and the total number of ramified places must be even (e.g. the *Hilbert reciprocity law* says that $\prod_\nu (\alpha, \beta)_\nu = 1$). The set of ramified places determines B up to isomorphism (the *local-global principle*). For any finite set S with an even number of places there is a (unique up to isomorphism) B which ramifies exactly at places in S .

Let B be a quaternion algebra over \mathbb{Q} . An *order* in B is a (full rank) lattice $R \subseteq B$ which is also a ring with $1 \in R$. As for number fields, an element of an order must be integral over \mathbb{Z} , i.e., must satisfy a monic equation with coefficients in \mathbb{Z} (or even more concretely must have integral trace and norm). Unlike in the commutative case, however, the set of all integral elements of B is *not* a ring. The best next thing is to consider maximal orders (which always exist), i.e., orders not properly contained in another order. But maximal orders are not unique. In fact, if B is definite, a maximal order is in general not even unique up to isomorphism though there always is only a finite number of isomorphism classes of maximal orders in B .

As an illustration consider the classical case $\alpha = \beta = -1$ of the Hamilton quaternions. The algebra is definite and hence ramifies at $\nu = \infty$. It must ramify at a least one other prime, which turns out to be only $\nu = 2$. To see this note that

$$\mathcal{N}(b_0 + b_1i + b_2j + b_3k) = b_0^2 + b_1^2 + b_2^2 + b_3^2.$$

There always is a non-trivial solution to the congruence $b_0^2 + b_1^2 + b_2^2 + b_3^2 \equiv 0 \pmod p$ for p prime. If p is odd we can lift this solution to a solution in \mathbb{Z}_p by Hensel's lemma obtaining a non-zero quaternion in B_p of zero norm. This implies that B_p cannot be a division algebra and hence $(-1, -1)_p = 1$ for p odd. We must necessarily have then that $(-1, -1)_2 = -1$.

If we want to study the representation of numbers as sum of four squares it is natural to consider, as Lipschitz did, the arithmetic of the quaternions with $b_i \in \mathbb{Z}$. These quaternions form an order R' , but, as it turns out, it is not maximal. Indeed, as Hurwitz noted, $\rho := \frac{1}{2}(1 + i + j + k)$ is integral ($\mathcal{N} \rho = 1$ and $\text{Tr} \rho = 1$) and $R := R' + \mathbb{Z}\rho$ is also an order of B strictly containing R' .

Moreover, R is maximal and hence its arithmetic is significantly simpler than that of R' . Hurwitz showed, for example, that there is a left and right division algorithm in R , from which it follows that every positive integer is a sum of four squares.

Fix a prime p and let B be the quaternion algebra over \mathbb{Q} ramified precisely

at ∞ and p . Let R be a fixed maximal order in B . A right ideal I of R is a lattice in B that is stable under right multiplication by R . Two right ideals I and J are in the same *class* if $J = bI$ with $b \in B^\times$. The set of right ideal classes is finite; let n be its number. Chose a set of representatives $\{I_1, \dots, I_n\}$ of the classes. (We should emphasize here that contrary to the commutative setting there is *no* natural group structure on the set of classes.)

Consider the vector space V of formal linear combinations

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i [I_i], \quad a_i \in \mathbb{C}$$

(here $[I]$ denotes the class of I).

For each integer m there is an $n \times n$ matrix B_m acting on V . Pizer [P] gives an efficient algorithm for computing these *Brandt matrices*: its coefficients are given by the representation numbers of the norm form for certain quaternary lattices in B .

The Brandt matrices commute with each other and are self-adjoint with respect to the *height pairing* on V (see §1 and §2 of [G] for an account of this.) From this it follows that there is basis of V consisting of simultaneous eigenvectors of all B_m .

It follows from Eichler's trace formula that there is a one to one correspondence between Hecke eigenforms of weight 2 and level p (cf. [G, §5]) and eigenvectors in V of all Brandt matrices (up to a constant multiple).

If f is the Hecke eigenform we let e_f be the corresponding eigenvector (well defined up to a constant). Then $B_m e_f = a_m e_f$ where $T_m f = a_m f$ and T_m is the m -th Hecke operator.

3 Construction of g_- and g_+

Let e_f be the eigenvector for the Brandt matrices for R corresponding to f as in the last section. One can use linear algebra to find its coefficients

$$e_f = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i [I_i],$$

by computing the Brandt matrices, and from the knowledge of a few eigenvalues (i.e. Fourier coefficients) of f .

We will describe below the construction of certain generalized theta series $\Theta_{l^*}([I_i])$ corresponding to each ideal class $[I_i]$, and then define

$$\Theta_{l^*}(e_f) := \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \Theta_{l^*}([I_i]) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_{l^*}(n) q^n.$$

Here l^* is a fundamental discriminant for which we will consider three cases: $l^* = 1$, which is Gross's construction of g_- ; $l^* = l$ for an odd prime $l \neq p$

such that $l \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, which will generalize Gross's construction of g_- ; and $l^* = -l$ for an odd prime $l \neq p$ such that $l \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, which will give a construction of g_+ .

Furthermore, for any fundamental discriminant D such that $Dl^* < 0$, the following formula holds

$$L(f, l^*, 1) L(f, D, 1) = \star \kappa_f \frac{|c_{l^*}(|D|)|^2}{\sqrt{|Dl^*|}}, \tag{3.1}$$

where $\star = 1$ if $p \nmid D$, $\star = 2$ if $p \mid D$, and $\kappa_f := \frac{\langle f, f \rangle}{\langle e_f, e_f \rangle}$ is a positive constant independent of D or l^* . Here $\langle e_f, e_f \rangle$ is the height of e_f , and $\langle f, f \rangle$ is the Petersson norm of f (cf. §4 and §7 of [G].) For $l = 1$, this formula was proved by Gross in [G, Proposition 13.5]. The proof of this formula for the case $l \neq 1$ will be given in a later publication.

Note that, as a corollary, we have $\Theta_{l^*}(e_f) \neq 0$ if and only if $L(f, l^*, 1) \neq 0$, and this happens for infinitely many $l^* > 0$ and for infinitely many $l^* < 0$, as follows from [BFH].

3.1 Gross's construction of Θ_1

Let $R_i := \{b \in B : bI_i \subset I_i\}$ be the left order of I_i . The R_i are maximal orders in B , and each conjugacy class of maximal orders has a representative R_i for some i . For $b \in B$, we use $\mathcal{N}b$ and $\text{Tr} b$ to denote the reduced norm and reduced trace of b , namely

$$\mathcal{N}b := b\bar{b}, \quad \text{Tr} b := b + \bar{b}.$$

We let $S_i^0 := \{b \in \mathbb{Z} + 2R_i : \text{Tr} b = 0\}$, a ternary lattice, and define

$$\Theta_1([I_i]) := \frac{1}{2} \sum_{b \in S_i^0} q^{\mathcal{N}b}.$$

Then $\Theta_1([I_i])$ is a weight $\frac{3}{2}$ modular form of level $4p$ and trivial character.

3.2 Weight functions and Θ_l

Fix an odd prime $l \neq p$. In order to generalize Gross's method, we need to construct certain weight functions $\omega_l(I_i, \cdot)$ on S_i^0 with values in $\{0, \pm 1\}$. There is a choice of sign in the construction, and some care is needed to ensure that the choice is consistent from one ideal to another. It will be the case that $\omega_l(I_i, b) = 0$ unless $l \mid \mathcal{N}b$, and thus we define a *generalized theta series*

$$\Theta_l([I_i]) := \frac{1}{2} \sum_{b \in S_i^0} \omega_l(I_i, b) q^{\mathcal{N}b/l},$$

a modular form of weight $\frac{3}{2}$ and level $4p$ with trivial character. In addition, $\Theta_l([I_i])$ is already a cusp form whenever $l \neq 1$, although it might be zero.

Definition 3.1. *Given a pair (L, v) , where L is an integral \mathbb{Z}_l -lattice of rank 3 with $l \nmid \det L$, and $v \in L$ is such that $l \mid \mathcal{N} v$ but $v \notin lL$, we define its weight function $\omega_{l,v} : L \rightarrow \{0, \pm 1\}$ to be*

$$\omega_{l,v}(v') := \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } l \nmid \mathcal{N} v', \\ \chi_l(\langle v, v' \rangle) & \text{if } l \nmid \langle v, v' \rangle, \\ \chi_l(k) & \text{if } v' - kv \in lL. \end{cases}$$

Here χ_l is the quadratic character of conductor l , and $\mathcal{N} v := \frac{1}{2} \langle v, v \rangle$.

This is well defined, because if $v, v' \in L$ are such that $\mathcal{N} v \equiv \mathcal{N} v' \equiv \langle v, v' \rangle \equiv 0 \pmod{l}$, then v and v' must be collinear modulo l , since L is unimodular. This means that, assuming $v \notin lL$, there is indeed a well defined $k \in \mathbb{Z}/l\mathbb{Z}$ such that $v' - kv \in lL$.

Note that there are, for different choices of v , two different weight functions for each L , opposite to each other; the definition above singles out the one for which $\omega_{l,v}(v) = +1$.

We will apply the above definition to the ternary lattices $S_i^0(\mathbb{Z}_l) := S_i^0 \otimes \mathbb{Z}_l$. Fix a quaternion $b_0 \in S^0 := \{b \in \mathbb{Z} + 2R : \text{Tr } b = 0\}$, and such that $l \mid \mathcal{N} b_0$ but $b_0 \notin lS^0$. For each I_i , find $x_i \in I_i$ such that $l \nmid n_i := \mathcal{N} x_i / \mathcal{N} I_i$. Then x_i is a local generator of I_i , and $b_i := x_i b_0 x_i^{-1} \in S_i^0(\mathbb{Z}_l)$. We finally set

$$\omega_l(I_i, b) := \chi_l(n_i) \omega_{l,b_i}(b),$$

where ω_{l,b_i} is the weight function of the pair $(S_i^0(\mathbb{Z}_l), b_i)$.

3.3 Odd weight functions and Θ_{-l}

When $l \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ the weight functions $\omega_l(I_i, \cdot)$ are odd, since χ_l is odd. Therefore, we will have $\Theta_l = 0$. To address this problem, we will construct a different kind of weight function $\omega_p(I_i, \cdot)$, and then define

$$\Theta_{-l}([I_i]) := \frac{1}{2} \sum_{b \in S_i^0} \omega_p(I_i, b) \omega_l(I_i, b) q^{\mathcal{N} b/l},$$

which will be a modular form of weight $\frac{3}{2}$, this time of level $4p^2$. Again, $\Theta_{-l}([I_i])$ is a cusp form, which might be zero. Note that we could have used the product of two odd weight functions ω_{l_1} and ω_{l_2} , but this construction would only lead us to the same g_- . By using the weight functions ω_p we get a construction of g_+ instead.

Definition 3.2. Given a triple (L, v, ψ) where L is an integral \mathbb{Z}_p -lattice of rank 3 with level p and determinant p^2 (i.e. L is \mathbb{Z}_p -equivalent to $S^0(\mathbb{Z}_p)$), $v \in L$ is such that $p \nmid \mathcal{N}v$, and $\psi : \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a periodic function modulo p , the weight function $\omega_{\psi, v} : L \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is defined by

$$\omega_{\psi, v}(v') := \psi(\langle v, v' \rangle).$$

Clearly, the weight function $\omega_{\psi, v}$ will be odd if and only if ψ itself is odd. From now on we assume that ψ is a fixed odd periodic function such that

$$|\psi(t)| = 1 \quad \text{for } t \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}. \quad (3.2)$$

Now fix $b_0 \in S^0$ such that $p \nmid \mathcal{N}b_0$. Find $x_i \in I_i$ such that $p \nmid \mathcal{N}x_i/\mathcal{N}I_i$; since B is ramified at p , the maximal order at p is unique, and so $b_i := x_i b_0 x_i^{-1} \in S^0(\mathbb{Z}_i) = S_i^0(\mathbb{Z}_p)$. We define

$$\omega_p(I_i, b) := \omega_{\psi, b_i}(b),$$

to be the weight function for the triple $(S_i^0(\mathbb{Z}_p), b_i, \psi)$. In practice, one can use the same b_0 and b_i for the definitions of both $\omega_l(I_i, \cdot)$ and $\omega_p(I_i, \cdot)$.

Note that different choices of ψ will, in general, yield different forms $\Theta_{-l}([I_i])$, but as long as (3.2) holds their coefficients will be the same up to a constant of absolute value 1; thus formula (3.1) will not be affected. Moreover, given two such odd periodic functions it is not difficult to produce another *periodic* function χ with the property that the ratio of the m -th coefficients of the respective theta series will be $\chi(m)$.

The case when ψ is actually a character of conductor p is of particular interest, since the generalized theta series $\Theta_{-l}([I_i])$ will be a modular form of level $4p^2$ and character ψ_1 , where $\psi_1(m) = \left(\frac{-1}{m}\right) \psi(m)$. From a computational point of view, however, it will always be preferable to choose a real ψ , whose values will be 0 or ± 1 , and so that the coefficients of $\Theta_{-l}([I_i])$ will be rational integers. Only in case $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ it is possible to satisfy both requirements at the same time, by taking for ψ the quadratic character of conductor p .

4 Examples

4.1 11A

Let $f = f_{11A}$, the modular form of level 11, and consider $B = B(-1, -11)$, the quaternion algebra ramified precisely at ∞ and 11. A maximal order, and representatives for its right ideals classes, are given by

$$R = I_1 = \left\langle 1, i, \frac{1+j}{2}, \frac{i+k}{2} \right\rangle \quad \text{with } \mathcal{N} I_1 = 1,$$

$$I_2 = \left\langle 2, 2i, \frac{1+2i+j}{2}, \frac{2+3i+k}{2} \right\rangle \quad \text{with } \mathcal{N} I_2 = 2.$$

By computing the Brandt matrices, we find a vector

$$e_f = [I_2] - [I_1]$$

of height $\langle e_f, e_f \rangle = 5$ corresponding to f . Since $L(f, 1) \approx 0.25384186$, Gross's method works, and it's easy to compute

$$\Theta_1(e_f) = \Theta_1([I_2]) - \Theta_1([I_1]) = q^3 - q^4 - q^{11} - q^{12} + q^{15} + 2q^{16} + O(q^{20}),$$

as the difference of two regular theta series corresponding to the ternary quadratic forms (4.1) and (4.2).

4.1.1 Real twists in a case of rank 0

Let $l = 3$. One can compute $L(f, -3, 1) \approx 1.6844963$, and thus expect $\Theta_{-3}(e_f)$ to be nonzero. We can choose $b_0 = i + k \in S^0$ with norm 12, and let $\psi = \chi_{11}$ be the quadratic character of conductor 11.

Clearly we can take $x_1 = 1$ and $x_2 = 2$, so that $n_1 = 1$, $n_2 = 2$ and $b_1 = b_2 = i + k$. Bases for S_1^0 and S_2^0 are given by

$$S_1^0 = \langle 2i, j, i + k \rangle \quad \text{with } b_1 = (0, 0, 1),$$

$$S_2^0 = \left\langle 4i, 2i + j, \frac{7i + k}{2} \right\rangle \quad \text{with } b_2 = (-\frac{3}{2}, 0, 2).$$

The norm form in the given bases will be

$$\mathcal{N}_1(x_1, x_2, x_3) = 4x_1^2 + 11x_2^2 + 12x_3^2 + 4x_1x_3, \tag{4.1}$$

$$\mathcal{N}_2(x_1, x_2, x_3) = 16x_1^2 + 15x_2^2 + 15x_3^2 + 14x_2x_3 + 28x_1x_3 + 16x_1x_2. \tag{4.2}$$

This information is all that we need to compute Θ_{-3} . As an example, we show how to compute $\Theta_{-3}([I_1])$. A simple calculation shows that

$$\langle (x_1, x_2, x_3), b_1 \rangle = 4x_1 + 24x_3 \equiv x_1 \pmod{3},$$

d	$c_{-3}(d)$	$L(f, d, 1)$	d	$c_{-3}(d)$	$L(f, d, 1)$	d	$c_{-3}(d)$	$L(f, d, 1)$
1	1	0.253842	92	-5	0.661621	141	-10	2.137734
5	-5	2.838038	93	5	0.658054	152	-10	2.058929
12	-5	1.831946	97	5	0.644343	157	-15	4.558227
37	5	1.043284	104	10	2.489124	168	10	1.958432
53	10	3.486786	113	-5	0.596986	177	5	0.476998
56	10	3.392105	124	-5	0.569892	181	-15	4.245281
60	-5	0.819271	133	10	2.201088	185	-5	0.466571
69	15	6.875768	136	10	2.176676	188	-10	1.851332
89	-5	0.672680	137	-5	0.542179			

Table 1: Coefficients of $\Theta_{-3}(e_f)$ and central values for $f = f_{11A}$

and thus $\omega_3(I_1, \cdot)$ can be computed by

$$\omega_3(I_1, (x_1, x_2, x_3)) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 3 \nmid \mathcal{N}_1(x_1, x_2, x_3), \\ \chi_3(x_1) & \text{if } x_1 \not\equiv 0 \pmod{3}, \\ \chi_3(x_3) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Similarly, $\omega_{11}(I_1, \cdot)$ will be given by

$$\omega_{11}(I_1, (x_1, x_2, x_3)) = \chi_{11}(4x_1 + 2x_3).$$

Hence we compute

$$\Theta_{-3}([I_1]) = -2q^4 + 2q^5 + 2q^9 + 2q^{12} + 2q^{20} + 2q^{25} - 2q^{37} + O(q^{48}).$$

In a similar way one can easily get

$$\Theta_{-3}([I_2]) = q + q^4 - 3q^5 - 3q^{12} + 4q^{16} - 3q^{20} + 2q^{25} - 6q^{36} + 3q^{37} + O(q^{48}).$$

Table 1 shows the values of $c_{-3}(d)$ and $L(f, d, 1)$, where $0 < d < 200$ is a fundamental discriminant such that $\left(\frac{d}{11}\right) = 1$. The formula

$$L(f, d, 1) = k_{-3} \frac{c_{-3}(d)^2}{\sqrt{d}}$$

is satisfied, where

$$k_{-3} = \frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{(f, f)}{L(f, -3, 1)\sqrt{3}} = L(f, 1) \approx 0.2538418608559106843377589233509\dots$$

Note that when $\left(\frac{d}{11}\right) \neq 1$ it is trivial that $c_{-3}(d) = L(f, d, 1) = 0$.

4.2 37 A

Let $f = f_{37A}$, the modular form of level 37 and rank 1, and consider $B = B(-2, -37)$, the quaternion algebra ramified precisely at ∞ and 37. A maximal order, and representatives for its right ideal classes, are given by

$$\begin{aligned} R = I_1 &= \left\langle 1, i, \frac{1+i+j}{2}, \frac{2+3i+k}{4} \right\rangle && \text{with } \mathcal{N} I_1 = 1, \\ I_2 &= \left\langle 2, 2i, \frac{1+3i+j}{2}, \frac{6+3i+k}{4} \right\rangle && \text{with } \mathcal{N} I_2 = 2, \\ I_3 &= \left\langle 4, 2i, \frac{3+3i+j}{2}, \frac{6+i+k}{2} \right\rangle && \text{with } \mathcal{N} I_3 = 4. \end{aligned}$$

By computing the Brandt matrices, we find a vector

$$e_f = \frac{[I_3] - [I_2]}{2}$$

of height $\langle e_f, e_f \rangle = 1/2$ corresponding to f . Since $L(f, 1) = 0$ we know that $2\Theta_1(e_f) = \Theta_1([I_3]) - \Theta_1([I_2]) = 0$. Indeed, one checks that R_2 and R_3 are conjugate, which explains the identity $\Theta_1([I_2]) = \Theta_1([I_3])$.

4.2.1 Imaginary twists in a case of rank 1

Let $l = 5$. One can compute $L(f, 5, 1) \approx 5.3548616$, and thus we expect $\Theta_5(e_f)$ to be nonzero. We note that, by the same reason that the orders are conjugate, we have $\Theta_5([I_3]) = -\Theta_5([I_2])$, except now there's an extra sign, ultimately coming from the fact that $\left(\frac{37}{5}\right) = -1$. Thus, $\Theta_5(e_f) = \Theta_5([I_3])$. A basis for S_3^0 is given by

$$S_3^0 = \left\langle 4i, 3i + j, \frac{3i + 2j + k}{4} \right\rangle,$$

with the norm in this basis

$$\mathcal{N}_3(x_1, x_2, x_3) = 32x_1^2 + 55x_2^2 + 15x_3^2 + 46x_2x_3 + 12x_1x_3 + 48x_1x_2.$$

Choose $b_3 = (0, 0, 1)$, with norm 15. Then

$$\langle (x_1, x_2, x_3), b_3 \rangle = 12x_1 + 46x_2 + 30x_3 \equiv 2x_1 + x_2 \pmod{5}, \quad (4.3)$$

so that

$$\omega_5(I_3, (x_1, x_2, x_3)) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 5 \nmid \mathcal{N}_3(x_1, x_2, x_3), \\ \chi_5(2x_1 + x_2) & \text{if } 2x_1 + x_2 \not\equiv 0 \pmod{5}, \\ \chi_5(x_3) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$-d$	$c_5(d)$	$L(f, -d, 1)$	$-d$	$c_5(d)$	$L(f, -d, 1)$	$-d$	$c_5(d)$	$L(f, -d, 1)$
-3	1	2.830621	-95	0	0.000000	-139	0	0.000000
-4	1	2.451389	-104	0	0.000000	-148	-3	7.254107
-7	-1	1.853076	-107	0	0.000000	-151	-2	1.595930
-11	1	1.478243	-111	1	0.930702	-152	-2	1.590671
-40	2	3.100790	-115	-6	16.458713	-155	2	1.575203
-47	-1	0.715144	-120	-2	1.790242	-159	1	0.388816
-67	6	21.562911	-123	3	3.978618	-164	-1	0.382843
-71	1	0.581853	-127	1	0.435051	-184	0	0.000000
-83	-1	0.538150	-132	3	3.840589	-195	2	1.404381
-84	-1	0.534937	-136	4	6.726557			

Table 2: Coefficients of $\Theta_5(e_f)$ and central values for $f = f_{37A}$

Table 2 shows the values of $c_5(d)$ and $L(f, -d, 1)$, where $-200 < -d < 0$ is a fundamental discriminant such that $\left(\frac{-d}{37}\right) \neq -1$. The formula

$$L(f, -d, 1) = k_5 \frac{c_5(d)^2}{\sqrt{d}} \cdot \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \left(\frac{-d}{37}\right) = +1, \\ 2 & \text{if } \left(\frac{-d}{37}\right) = 0, \\ 0 & \text{if } \left(\frac{-d}{37}\right) = -1, \end{cases}$$

is satisfied, where

$$k_5 = 2 \cdot \frac{(f, f)}{L(f, 5, 1)\sqrt{5}} \approx 4.902778763973580121708449663733\dots$$

Note that in the case $\left(\frac{-d}{37}\right) = -1$ it is trivial that $c_5(d) = L(f, -d, 1) = 0$.

4.2.2 Real twists in a case of rank 1

Let $l = 3$, since $L(f, -3, 1) \approx 2.9934586$. Keep b_3 as above, and let ψ be the odd periodic function modulo 37 such that

$$\psi(x) = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if } 1 \leq x \leq 18, \\ -1 & \text{if } 19 \leq x \leq 36. \end{cases}$$

Using again (4.3), we have that

$$\omega_3(I_1, (x_1, x_2, x_3)) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 3 \nmid \mathcal{N}_1(x_1, x_2, x_3), \\ \chi_3(x_2) & \text{if } x_2 \not\equiv 0 \pmod{3}, \\ \chi_3(3) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

and $\omega_{11}(I_1, \cdot)$ will be given by

$$\omega_{37}(I_1, (x_1, x_2, x_3)) = \psi(12x_1 + 9x_2 + 30x_3).$$

d	$c_{-3}(d)$	$L(f, d, 1)$	d	$c_{-3}(d)$	$L(f, d, 1)$	d	$c_{-3}(d)$	$L(f, d, 1)$
5	1	5.354862	76	1	1.373493	133	-1	1.038263
8	1	4.233390	88	1	1.276415	140	-3	9.107764
13	-1	3.320944	89	-1	1.269224	156	-1	0.958674
17	1	2.904081	92	2	4.993434	161	-2	3.774681
24	-1	2.444149	93	2	4.966515	165	1	0.932162
29	2	8.893941	97	0	0.000000	168	-1	0.923801
56	-1	1.600071	105	1	1.168527	172	1	0.912996
57	1	1.585973	109	-1	1.146885	177	0	0.000000
60	-1	1.545815	113	0	0.000000	193	-1	0.861895
61	0	0.000000	124	0	0.000000			
69	0	0.000000	129	1	1.054237			

Table 3: Coefficients of $\Theta_{-3}(e_f)$ and central values for $f = f_{37A}$

Table 3 shows the values of $c_{-3}(d)$ and $L(f, d, 1)$, where $0 < d < 200$ is a fundamental discriminant such that $(\frac{d}{37}) = -1$. The formula

$$L(f, d, 1) = k_{-3} \frac{c_{-3}(d)^2}{\sqrt{d}}$$

is satisfied, where

$$k_{-3} = 2 \cdot \frac{(f, f)}{L(f, -3, 1)\sqrt{3}} \approx 11.97383458492783851932803991781\dots$$

Note that in the case $(\frac{d}{37}) \neq -1$ it is trivial that $c_{-3}(d) = L(f, d, 1) = 0$.

4.3 43A

Let $f = f_{43A}$, the modular form of level 43 and rank 1. Let $B = B(-1, -43)$, the quaternion algebra ramified precisely at ∞ and 43. A maximal order, and representatives for its right ideals classes, are given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 R = I_1 &= \left\langle 1, i, \frac{1+j}{2}, \frac{i+k}{2} \right\rangle && \text{with } \mathcal{N} I_1 = 1, \\
 I_2 &= \left\langle 2, 2i, \frac{1+2i+j}{2}, \frac{2+3i+k}{2} \right\rangle && \text{with } \mathcal{N} I_2 = 2, \\
 I_3 &= \left\langle 3, 3i, \frac{1+2i+j}{2}, \frac{2+5i+k}{2} \right\rangle && \text{with } \mathcal{N} I_3 = 3, \\
 I_4 &= \left\langle 3, 3i, \frac{1+4i+j}{2}, \frac{4+5i+k}{2} \right\rangle && \text{with } \mathcal{N} I_4 = 3.
 \end{aligned}$$

By computing the Brandt matrices, we find a vector

$$e_f = \frac{[I_4] - [I_3]}{2}$$

$-d$	$c_5(d)$	$L(f, -d, 1)$	$-d$	$c_5(d)$	$L(f, -d, 1)$	$-d$	$c_5(d)$	$L(f, -d, 1)$
-3	1	3.148135	-91	-1	0.571601	-151	-1	0.443737
-7	1	2.060938	-104	1	0.534684	-155	-1	0.437974
-8	-1	1.927831	-115	-3	4.576227	-159	1	0.432430
-19	2	5.003768	-116	-1	0.506273	-163	7	20.927447
-20	-1	1.219267	-119	-1	0.499851	-168	-2	1.682749
-39	-1	0.873136	-120	0	0.000000	-179	-1	0.407556
-43	2	6.652268	-123	-5	12.291402	-184	-3	3.617825
-51	1	0.763535	-131	0	0.000000	-191	0	0.000000
-55	1	0.735246	-132	3	4.271393	-199	0	0.000000
-71	0	0.000000	-136	-1	0.467568			
-88	3	5.231366	-148	-4	7.171386			

Table 4: Coefficients of $\Theta_5(e_f)$ and central values for $f = f_{43A}$

of height $\langle e_f, e_f \rangle = 1/2$ corresponding to f .

4.3.1 Imaginary twists in a case of rank 1

We can use $l = 5$, since $L(f, 5, 1) \approx 4.8913446$ is nonzero; again, we find $\Theta_5(e_f) = \Theta_5([I_4])$. Table 4 shows the values of $c_5(d)$ and $L(f, -d, 1)$, where $-200 < -d < 0$ is a fundamental discriminant such that $(\frac{-d}{43}) \neq -1$. The formula

$$L(f, -d, 1) = k_5 \frac{c_5(d)^2}{\sqrt{d}} \cdot \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (\frac{-d}{43}) = +1, \\ 2 & \text{if } (\frac{-d}{43}) = 0, \\ 0 & \text{if } (\frac{-d}{43}) = -1, \end{cases}$$

is satisfied, where

$$k_5 = 2 \cdot \frac{(f, f)}{L(f, 5, 1)\sqrt{5}} \approx 5.452729672681734385570722785283\dots$$

Note that in the case $(\frac{-d}{43}) = -1$ it is trivial that $c_5(d) = L(f, -d, 1) = 0$.

4.3.2 Real twists in a case of rank 1

We can use $l = 3$, since $L(f, -3, 1) \approx 3.1481349$, and let $\psi = \chi_{43}$ be the quadratic character of conductor 43. Table 5 shows the values of $c_{-3}(d)$ and $L(f, d, 1)$, where $0 < d < 200$ is a fundamental discriminant such that $(\frac{d}{43}) = -1$. The formula

$$L(f, d, 1) = k_{-3} \frac{c_{-3}(d)^2}{\sqrt{d}}$$

is satisfied, where

$$k_{-3} = 2 \cdot \frac{(f, f)}{L(f, -3, 1)\sqrt{3}} \approx 10.937379059935167648758735438779\dots$$

Note that in the case $(\frac{d}{43}) \neq -1$ it is trivial that $c_{-3}(d) = L(f, d, 1) = 0$.

d	$c_{-3}(d)$	$L(f, d, 1)$	d	$c_{-3}(d)$	$L(f, d, 1)$	d	$c_{-3}(d)$	$L(f, d, 1)$
5	1	4.891345	76	0	0.000000	137	2	3.737773
8	-1	3.866947	77	-3	11.217870	141	-2	3.684374
12	1	3.157349	85	1	1.186325	149	0	0.000000
28	-1	2.066970	88	-1	1.165929	156	1	0.875691
29	-1	2.031020	89	1	1.159360	157	2	3.491592
33	-1	1.903953	93	3	10.207380	161	-1	0.861986
37	2	7.192376	104	1	1.072498	168	-2	3.375348
61	1	1.400388	105	0	0.000000	177	-2	3.288415
65	-1	1.356615	113	-2	4.115608	184	1	0.806314
69	-1	1.316706	120	0	0.000000			
73	1	1.280123	136	1	0.937873			

Table 5: Coefficients of $\Theta_{-3}(e_f)$ and central values for $f = f_{43A}$

4.4 389A

Let $f = f_{389A}$, the modular form of level 389 and rank 2. Let $B = B(-2, -389)$, the quaternion algebra ramified precisely at ∞ and 389. A maximal order, with 33 ideal classes, is given by

$$R = \left\langle 1, i, \frac{1+i+j}{2}, \frac{2+3i+k}{4} \right\rangle.$$

There is a vector e_f of height $\langle e_f, e_f \rangle = 5/2$ corresponding to f .

4.4.1 Imaginary twists in a case of rank 2

We can use $l = 5$, since $L(f, 5, 1) \approx 8.9092552$. We have omitted the 33 ideal classes; however, the computation of $\Theta_l(e_f)$ involves only 14 distinct theta series. In table 6 we give the value of e_f and the coefficients of the norm form \mathcal{N}_i and of b_i on chosen bases of S_i^0 .

Each row in the table allows one to compute an individual theta series

$$h_i(z) := \frac{1}{2} \sum_{b \in \mathbb{Z}^3} w_5(I_i, b) q^{\mathcal{N}_i(b)/5}.$$

The ternary form corresponding to a sextuple $(A_1, A_2, A_3, A_{23}, A_{13}, A_{12})$ is

$$\mathcal{N}_i(x_1, x_2, x_3) = A_1 x_1^2 + A_2 x_2^2 + A_3 x_3^2 + A_{23} x_2 x_3 + A_{13} x_1 x_3 + A_{12} x_1 x_2,$$

and $\omega_5(I_i, \cdot)$ is the weight function of the pair (\mathbb{Z}^3, b_i) . As an example, we show how to compute $h_1(z)$. First, we have

$$\mathcal{N}_1(x_1, x_2, x_3) = 15x_1^2 + 107x_2^2 + 416x_3^2 - 100x_2x_3 - 8x_1x_3 - 14x_1x_2.$$

A simple calculation shows that

$$\langle (x_1, x_2, x_3), (2, 4, 0) \rangle \equiv 4x_1 + 3x_2 + 4x_3 \pmod{5}.$$

i	a_i	\mathcal{N}_i	b_i
1	1/2	15, 107, 416, -100, -8, -14	2, 4, 0
2	-1/2	15, 104, 415, 104, 2, 4	0, 4, 1
3	-1/2	23, 136, 203, 68, 2, 8	2, 1, 4
4	1/2	23, 72, 407, 72, 10, 20	1, 1, 0
5	-1/2	31, 51, 407, -46, -26, -10	1, 2, 0
6	1/2	31, 103, 204, 56, 20, 18	2, 0, 3
7	1/2	39, 128, 160, -116, -8, -36	1, 1, 4
8	-1/2	39, 40, 399, 40, 2, 4	1, 0, 1
9	1/2	40, 47, 399, 18, 40, 36	4, 3, 0
10	-1/2	47, 107, 135, 42, 22, 38	4, 3, 1
11	-1/2	56, 84, 139, 56, 4, 12	3, 1, 4
12	1/2	56, 92, 151, 76, 52, 44	4, 2, 3
13	1/2	71, 83, 132, -16, -12, -70	2, 3, 4
14	-1/2	71, 103, 124, -36, -64, -66	4, 0, 2

Table 6: Coefficients of the ternary forms and of b_i

Thus, ω_5 can be computed as

$$\omega_5(I_1, (x_1, x_2, x_3)) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 5 \nmid \mathcal{N}_1(x_1, x_2, x_3), \\ \chi_5(4x_1 + 3x_2 + 4x_3) & \text{if } \not\equiv 0 \pmod{5}, \\ \chi_5(x_2) & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

and we have

$$h_1(z) = q^3 - q^{12} - q^{27} + q^{39} + q^{40} + q^{48} - q^{83} - 2q^{92} + O(q^{100}).$$

Finally, we combine all of the theta series in

$$\Theta_5(e_f) = \sum_{i=1}^{14} a_i h_i(z)$$

Table 7 shows the values of $c_5(d)$ and $L(f, -d, 1)$, where $0 < -d < 200$ is a fundamental discriminant such that $\left(\frac{-d}{389}\right) \neq +1$. The formula

$$L(f, -d, 1) = k_5 \frac{c_5(d)^2}{\sqrt{d}} \cdot \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \left(\frac{-d}{389}\right) = -1, \\ 2 & \text{if } \left(\frac{-d}{389}\right) = 0, \\ 0 & \text{if } \left(\frac{-d}{389}\right) = +1, \end{cases}$$

is satisfied, where

$$k_5 = \frac{2}{5} \cdot \frac{(f, f)}{L(f, 5, 1)\sqrt{5}} \approx 7.886950806206592817689630792605\dots$$

Note that when $\left(\frac{-d}{389}\right) = +1$ it is trivial that $c_5(d) = L(f, -d, 1) = 0$.

$-d$	$c_5(d)$	$L(f, -d, 1)$	$-d$	$c_5(d)$	$L(f, -d, 1)$	$-d$	$c_5(d)$	$L(f, -d, 1)$
-3	1	4.553533	-83	-1	0.865705	-139	-1	0.668962
-8	-1	2.788458	-84	1	0.860537	-148	6	23.338921
-15	-1	2.036402	-88	-4	13.452028	-151	2	2.567324
-23	1	1.644543	-103	0	0.000000	-152	-1	0.639716
-31	1	1.416538	-104	-1	0.773379	-155	3	5.701456
-39	1	1.262923	-107	0	0.000000	-163	8	39.536232
-40	1	1.247036	-115	-1	0.735462	-167	-1	0.610311
-43	-3	10.824738	-116	-2	2.929140	-191	1	0.570680
-47	0	0.000000	-123	3	6.400282	-195	1	0.564796
-51	-2	4.417576	-131	1	0.689086	-199	-1	0.559091
-56	1	1.053938	-132	-2	2.745884			
-71	1	0.936009	-136	-2	2.705202			

Table 7: Coefficients of $\Theta_5(e_f)$ and central values for $f = f_{389A}$

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