# Computing modular Galois representations 

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Let $\mathcal{H}^{\bullet}=\mathcal{H} \cup \mathbb{Q} \cup\{\infty\}$. Then $\Gamma_{1}(N) \backslash \mathcal{H}^{\bullet}$ is a compact Riemann surface, which is the set of $\mathbb{C}$-points of a nonsingular, complete algebraic curve $X_{1}(N)$ defined over $\mathbb{Q}$ and which has good reduction away from $N$.

We call its Jacobian $J_{1}(N)$.

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Besides, let $\Gamma_{0}(N)=\left\{\gamma \in \mathrm{SL}_{2}(\mathbb{Z}) \left\lvert\, \gamma \equiv\left[\begin{array}{c}* \\ 0 \\ *\end{array}\right] \bmod N\right.\right\}$. Then $\Gamma_{0}(N) / \Gamma_{1}(N) \simeq(\mathbb{Z} / N \mathbb{Z})^{*}$ by $\left[\begin{array}{cc}a & b \\ c & d\end{array}\right] \mapsto d \bmod N$, whence operators $\langle d\rangle$ for $d \in(\mathbb{Z} / N \mathbb{Z})^{*}$. Actually $\langle d\rangle \in \mathbb{T}$.

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$$
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\mathcal{N}_{k}\left(\Gamma_{1}(M)\right) & \stackrel{\hookrightarrow}{\hookrightarrow} \mathcal{S}_{k}\left(\Gamma_{1}(N)\right) \\
f(\tau) \longmapsto & \longleftrightarrow f(t \tau) \quad\left(t \left\lvert\, \frac{N}{M}\right.\right) .
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$$
\forall p \in \mathbb{N}, \quad T_{p} f=a_{p} f,
$$

so that

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For all $\sigma \in \operatorname{Aut}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}})$,

$$
f^{\sigma}=q+\sum_{n \geqslant 2} \sigma\left(a_{n}\right) q^{n} \in \mathcal{N}_{k}\left(\Gamma_{1}(N)\right)
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and $K_{f \sigma}=K_{f}^{\sigma}, \varepsilon_{f \sigma}=\sigma \circ \varepsilon_{f}$.

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## Application (Couveignes, Edixhoven, 2006)

$\rho_{f, l}$ can be computed in time polynomial in $\ell$, and $a_{p} \bmod \mathfrak{l}$ in time polynomial in $\log p$.

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- Fast computation of Fourier coefficients: computation of $a_{p} \bmod \mathfrak{l}=\operatorname{Tr} \rho_{f, \mathfrak{l}}\left(\right.$ Frob $\left._{p}\right)$ in time $(\log p)^{2+\varepsilon(p)}$.


## Example 1

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$$
\begin{aligned}
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& +84687350 x^{53}+3638349286 x^{52}-12617823980 x^{51}-10297265505 x^{50}+155175311479 x^{49}-196432825560 x^{48}-771645455342 x^{47} \\
& +1482783472303 x^{46}+2641351695834 x^{45}+4650870173875 x^{44}-45480241563019 x^{43}-54597672402738 x^{42}+501026042999912 x^{41} \\
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& +128298548281018972743749 x^{7}-50060167623901195766317 x^{6}-45764538130200829948820 x^{5}+18800719945150143916844 x^{4} \\
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- We have the following values:

| $p$ | $\rho_{\Delta, 31}\left(\right.$ Frob $\left._{p}\right)$ similar to | $\tau(p) \bmod 31$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $10^{1000}+453$ | $\left[\begin{array}{cc}30 & 0 \\ 0 & 20\end{array}\right]$ | 19 |
| $10^{1000}+1357$ | $\left[\begin{array}{cc}0 & 2 \\ 1 & 13\end{array}\right]$ | 13 |
| $10^{1000}+4351$ | $\left[\begin{array}{cc}4 & 1 \\ 0 & 4\end{array}\right]$ | 8 |

(30s of CPU time per $p$ ).

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This polynomial and this field were not known before. Its root discriminant is $47.816 \cdots$, whereas the next best known example has root discriminant $69.939 \ldots$.

Conjecture (Roberts, M.)
This field is the one that has the smallest discriminant among all the Galois number fields with Galois group $\mathrm{PGL}_{2}\left(\mathbb{F}_{13}\right)$.

## Explicit construction of the representation

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For $p \nmid \ell N$, the characteristic polynomial of the image of Frob $p_{p}$ is

$$
X_{2}-T_{p} X+p\langle p\rangle \in\left(\mathbb{T} \otimes \mathbb{Q}_{\ell}\right)[X]
$$

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## Properties

- $I_{f \sigma}=I_{f}$, so $A_{f \sigma}=A_{f}$.
- $A_{f}$ is a simple Abelian variety defined over $\mathbb{Q}$.
- $\operatorname{dim} A_{f}=\left[K_{f}: \mathbb{Q}\right]$.
- $K_{f} \hookrightarrow \operatorname{End}\left(A_{f}\right) \otimes \mathbb{Q}$ via $a_{p} \mapsto T_{p}, \varepsilon_{f}(d) \mapsto\langle d\rangle$. Indeed, $K_{f} \simeq\left(\mathbb{T} / I_{f}\right) \otimes \mathbb{Q}$.
- $L\left(A_{f}, s\right)=\prod_{\sigma} L\left(f^{\sigma}, s\right) \stackrel{\text { def }}{=} \prod_{\sigma} \sum_{n \geqslant 1} \frac{\sigma\left(a_{n}\right)}{n^{s}}$.


## The decomposition of $J_{1}(N)$

Over $\mathbb{Q}, J_{1}(N)$ is isogenous to

$$
\prod_{M \mid N} \prod_{f \in G_{\mathbb{Q}} \backslash \mathcal{N}_{2}\left(\Gamma_{1}(M)\right)} A_{f}^{\sigma_{0}(N / M)} .
$$

So

$$
V_{\ell} J_{1}(N) \simeq \prod_{M \mid N} \prod_{f \in G_{\mathbb{Q}} \backslash \mathcal{N}_{2}\left(\Gamma_{1}(M)\right)}\left(V_{\ell} A_{f}\right)^{\sigma_{0}(N / M)}
$$

as $G_{\mathbb{Q}}$-modules.

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Example: $N=22$
$\mathcal{S}_{2}\left(\Gamma_{1}(1)\right)=\mathcal{S}_{2}\left(\Gamma_{1}(2)\right)=0$.
At level 11, we have one rational newform

$$
f_{11}=q-2 q^{2}-q^{3}+O\left(q^{4}\right) .
$$

At level 22, the newforms are

$$
f_{22}=q+\zeta_{5} q^{2}+\left(\zeta_{5}^{3}-\zeta_{5}-1\right) q^{3}+O\left(q^{4}\right)
$$

and its Galois conjugates.
$\rightsquigarrow \mathcal{S}_{2}\left(\Gamma_{1}(22)\right)=\underbrace{\left\langle f_{11}(\tau), f_{11}(2 \tau)\right\rangle}_{\text {Old }} \oplus \underbrace{\left\langle\text { Galois conjugates of } f_{22}\right\rangle}_{\text {New }}$,

$$
J_{1}(22) \sim A_{f_{11}}^{2} \times A_{f_{22}} .
$$

$A_{f_{11}}$ is the elliptic curve of conductor 11; $A_{f_{22}}$ is a simple Abelian variety of dimension 4.
So $\operatorname{genus}\left(X_{1}(22)\right)=6$.

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In particular, if $\mathfrak{l}$ is of degree $1, \rho_{f, l}$ is afforded by

$$
V_{f, \mathfrak{l}}=\bigcap_{p} \operatorname{Ker}\left(\left.T_{p}\right|_{\left.J_{1}(N) \ell \ell\right]}-a_{p}(f) \bmod \mathfrak{l}\right) \subset J_{1}(N)[\ell] .
$$

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## Example

Take $f=\Delta \in \mathcal{N}_{12}\left(\Gamma_{1}(1)\right)$. If $\ell \geqslant 13$, there exists

$$
f_{2} \in \mathcal{N}_{2}\left(\Gamma_{1}(\ell)\right), \quad \mathfrak{l}_{2} \subset K_{f_{2}}
$$

such that

$$
f_{2} \bmod \mathfrak{l}_{2}=\Delta \bmod \ell \operatorname{in} \mathbb{F}_{\ell}[[q]]
$$

so that $\rho_{\Delta, \ell}$ is afforded in $J_{1}(\ell)[\ell]$.

## The modular curve $X_{H}(\ell N)$

The condition

$$
f \bmod \mathfrak{l}=f_{2} \bmod \mathfrak{l}_{2}
$$

implies that

$$
\forall x, \varepsilon_{f_{2}}(x) \bmod \mathfrak{l}_{2}=x^{k-2} \varepsilon_{f}(x)
$$

$\rho_{f, 1}$ actually occurs in the Jacobian of the modular curve $X_{H}(\ell N)$ attached to

$$
\Gamma_{H}(\ell N)=\left\{\left.\left[\begin{array}{ll}
a & b \\
c & d
\end{array}\right] \in \Gamma_{0}(\ell N) \right\rvert\, d \in H\right\}
$$

where $H=\operatorname{Ker}\left(\varepsilon_{f_{2}} \bmod \mathfrak{l}_{2}\right) \leqslant(\mathbb{Z} / \ell N \mathbb{Z})^{*}$.
The genus of this curve is sometimes much smaller than that of $X_{1}(\ell N)$.

## Computing in the modular Jacobian

## Divisors on curves

Let $X$ be a proper, nonsingular, absolutely integral curve of genus $g$ over a field $K$.

A divisor on $X$ is a formal $\mathbb{Z}$-linear combination of points of $X$.
The degree of $\sum_{P \in X} n_{P} P$ is $\sum_{P \in X} n_{P} \in \mathbb{Z}$.
Divisors of degree 0 form a subgroup $\operatorname{Div}^{0}(X)$ of the group $\operatorname{Div}(X)$ of divisors on $X$.

A divisor is principal if it is the divisor $(f)$ of a function $f \in K(X)^{*}$. Principal divisors form a subgroup $\operatorname{Ppal}(X)$ of $\operatorname{Div}^{0}(X)$.
We define $\operatorname{Pic}^{0}(X)=\operatorname{Div}^{0}(X) / \operatorname{Ppal}(X)$.

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$$
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$$

## Lemma (Basic blocks)

- If $\operatorname{deg} D_{1}, \operatorname{deg} D_{2} \geqslant 2 g+1$, then the multiplication map

$$
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$$

is surjective.

- $f \cdot H^{0}(D)=H^{0}(D-(f))$.
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From now on, we assume that $f \in \mathcal{N}_{k}\left(\Gamma_{1}(N)\right)$ and $\mathfrak{l} \subset K_{f}$ are such that

- $\operatorname{deg} \mathfrak{l}=1$,
- $\ell \nmid N$ and $k \leqslant \ell$,
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There is no $\wp$, so we must invert $\jmath$ "by hand".

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Credit: W. Stein

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Split the integration path, move the endpoints to $\infty$. $\rightsquigarrow$ integrals of the form

$$
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$$

which converge best for $\operatorname{Im} z \gg 0$.

## Using the Hecke-module structure

$\mathbb{T}$ also acts on modular symols, and integration is equivariant:

$$
\int_{T_{w}} \omega=\int_{w} T \omega .
$$

So, if we have a $\mathbb{T}$-generating family of symbols $\left(w_{i}\right)$ which are easy to integrate along, we can compute the periods:

$$
\begin{gathered}
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## Theorem (Khare+Wintenberger, 2009)

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$$
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$$

be an irreducible Galois representation such that $\operatorname{det} \rho(c)=-1$. Then there exists a newform $f \in S_{k_{\rho}}\left(\Gamma_{1}\left(N_{\rho}\right), \varepsilon_{\rho}\right)$ and a prime $\mathfrak{l} \mid \ell$ such that

$$
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$$
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- $H_{\uparrow}=\left\{\left.\left[\begin{array}{c}x \\ 0 \\ 0\end{array}\right] \right\rvert\, x \in \mathbb{F}_{\ell}^{* 2}\right\}$, or
- $H_{\downarrow}=\left\{\left.\left[\begin{array}{c}* \\ 0 \\ { }_{y}^{*}\end{array}\right] \right\rvert\, y \in \mathbb{F}_{\ell}^{* 2}\right\}$, or
- $H_{\hat{\imath}}=\left\{\left.\left[\begin{array}{ll}x & * \\ 0 & y\end{array}\right] \right\rvert\, x y \in \mathbb{F}_{\ell}^{* 2}\right\}$.
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After twisting by the automorphism $A \mapsto \frac{1}{\operatorname{det} A} A$ which swaps $H_{\uparrow}$ and $H_{\downarrow}$, we can suppose that the stabilizer is $H_{\uparrow}$.


## Are the representations correct?

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$$
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$$

in a compatible way, we get a compatible collection of representations

$$
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$$

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For each of these, we compute one coefficient of one resolvent $\Gamma_{C}(x)$. All but one clash with archimedian bounds.

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We check that

$$
\operatorname{Tr} \varrho_{r}\left(\operatorname{Frob}_{v}\right) \in\left(a_{v}(f) \bmod \mathfrak{l}\right) S_{r}
$$

for some small $v \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\langle v\rangle=\mathbb{F}_{\ell}^{*}$ and $a_{v}(f) \not \equiv 0 \bmod \mathfrak{l}$.

## Examples of results

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| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $10^{1000}+453$ | $\left[\begin{array}{cc}0 & 5 \\ 1 & 21\end{array}\right]$ | 21 |
| $10^{1000}+1357$ | $\left[\begin{array}{cc}0 & 28 \\ 1 & 8\end{array}\right]$ | 8 |
| $10^{1000}+2713$ | $\left[\begin{array}{cc}0 & 9 \\ 1 & 11\end{array}\right]$ | 11 |
| $10^{1000}+4351$ | $\left[\begin{array}{cc}0 & 26 \\ 1 & 0\end{array}\right]$ | 0 |
| $10^{1000}+5733$ | $\left[\begin{array}{cc}20 & 0 \\ 0 & 2\end{array}\right]$ | 22 |
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| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 22798241520242687999 | $\left[\begin{array}{cc}0 & 26 \\ 1 & 3\end{array}\right]$ | 3 |
| 60707199950936063999 | $\left[\begin{array}{cc}0 & 19 \\ 1 & 9\end{array}\right]$ | 9 |
| 93433753964906495999 | $\left[\begin{array}{cc}0 & 14 \\ 1 & 4\end{array}\right]$ | 4 |
| 102797608484376575999 | $\left[\begin{array}{cc}0 & 23 \\ 1 & 4\end{array}\right]$ | 4 |

## Example: $\rho_{f_{24}, 31}($ genus $g=26)$

$$
\begin{gathered}
f_{24}=\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \tau_{24}(n) q^{n} \in \mathcal{S}_{24}(1) \\
\tau_{24}(n) \in K_{f_{24}}=\mathbb{Q}(\alpha), \quad \alpha=\frac{1+\sqrt{144169}}{2}
\end{gathered}
$$

## Example: $\rho_{f_{24}, 31}$ (genus $g=26$ )

| $p$ | $\rho_{f_{24}, l_{5}}\left(\operatorname{Frob}_{p}\right)$ | $\rho_{f_{24}, \mathrm{l}_{27}}\left(\operatorname{Frob}_{p}\right)$ | $\tau_{24}(p) \bmod 31 \mathbb{Z}[\alpha]$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $10^{1000}+453$ | $\left[\begin{array}{cc}0 & 10 \\ 1 & 5\end{array}\right]$ | $\left[\begin{array}{cc}20 & 0 \\ 0 & 15\end{array}\right]$ | $1+7 \alpha$ |
| $10^{1000}+1357$ | $\left[\begin{array}{cc}18 & 0 \\ 0 & 3\end{array}\right]$ | $\left[\begin{array}{cc}25 & 0 \\ 0 & 22\end{array}\right]$ | $1+4 \alpha$ |
| $10^{1000}+2713$ | $\left[\begin{array}{cc}24 & 0 \\ 0 & 2\end{array}\right]$ | $\left[\begin{array}{cc}29 & 0 \\ 0 & 7\end{array}\right]$ | $4+23 \alpha$ |
| $10^{1000}+4351$ | $\left[\begin{array}{cc}17 & 0 \\ 0 & 13\end{array}\right]$ | $\left[\begin{array}{cc}11 & 0 \\ 0 & 6\end{array}\right]$ | $9+29 \alpha$ |
| $10^{1000}+5733$ | $\left[\begin{array}{cc}19 & 0 \\ 0 & 12\end{array}\right]$ | $\left[\begin{array}{cc}15 & 0 \\ 0 & 9\end{array}\right]$ | $3+18 \alpha$ |
| $10^{1000}+7383$ | $\left[\begin{array}{cc}0 & 17 \\ 1 & 27\end{array}\right]$ | $\left[\begin{array}{cc}7 & 0 \\ 0 & 2\end{array}\right]$ | $17+2 \alpha$ |
| $10^{1000}+10401$ | $\left[\begin{array}{cc}22 & 0 \\ 0 & 5\end{array}\right]$ | $\left[\begin{array}{cc}0 & 14 \\ 1 & 7\end{array}\right]$ | $9+16 \alpha$ |

## Thank you!

