

Models of $X_0(N)$ and beyond via modular forms
and some applications
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Let $g(\Gamma_0(N)) \geq 2$. Ogg has determined all $X_0(N)$ which are hyperelliptic curves. In view of Ogg's paper, we see that $X_0(N)$ is not hyperelliptic for $N \in \{34, 38, 42, 43, 44, 45, 51 - 58, 60 - 70\}$ or $N \geq 72$. This implies $g(\Gamma_0(N)) \geq 3$.

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$$\sum_{\mathfrak{a} \in X_0(14)} \min(c_f(\mathfrak{a}), c_g(\mathfrak{a}), c_h(\mathfrak{a})) \geq \min(c_f(\mathfrak{a}_\infty), c_g(\mathfrak{a}_\infty), c_h(\mathfrak{a}_\infty)) = 1.$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\implies 1 \leq d(f, g, h) \cdot \deg \mathcal{C}(f, g, h) \leq \\ &\leq \dim S_4(\Gamma_0(14)) + g(\Gamma_0(14)) - 1 - \epsilon_4 - 1 = 3 \\ &\implies g(\Gamma_0(14)) = 1 \implies \deg \mathcal{C}(f, g, h) \in \{1, 2, 3\}. \end{aligned}$$

But $\deg \mathcal{C}(f, g, h) = 1$ means that $\mathcal{C}(f, g, h)$ is a line which is clearly impossible since f, g , and h are linearly independent. The case $\deg \mathcal{C}(f, g, h) = 2$ means that $\mathcal{C}(f, g, h)$ is an irreducible conic. Using

$$2d(f, g, h) = d(f, g, h) \cdot \deg \mathcal{C}(f, g, h) \leq 3,$$

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Let $m \geq 2$ be an even integer. Assume that one of the following holds:

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(In either case, $\dim S_m(\Gamma_0(N)) \geq 3$.) Let $f, g \in S_m(\Gamma_0(N))$ be linearly independent with integral q -expansions. Then, there exists infinitely many $h \in S_m(\Gamma_0(N))$ with integral q -expansion such that we have the following:

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for all $M \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$. For $M \geq 1$, we order elements of S_M using the lexicographical order.

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The algorithm:

- (1) Let $M = 1$. Repeat the following:
- (2) For $a \in S_M$, we repeat the following: compute $\deg \mathcal{C}(f, g, h)$ (by means of computing the equation), and check if $\deg \mathcal{C}(f, g, h) > \frac{\dim S_m(\Gamma) + g(\Gamma) - 1 - \epsilon_m}{2}$ for $h = h_a$. If the holds, then the algorithm stops. OUTPUT: h such that h/f is a primitive element for the extension $K \subset L$.
- (3) Increase M by one, and return to step (2).

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As an example, we consider the case $N = 72$. Then, $g(\Gamma_0(72)) = 5$, and we may take

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Applying above algorithm, we obtain the following:

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- (2) For $M = 2$, in the lexicographical order, we have the following:
 1. $a = (0, 0, 2)$, $\deg \mathcal{C}(f, g, h_a) = 3 \leq g(\Gamma_0(72)) - 1 = 4$;
 2. $a = (0, 1, 1)$, $\deg \mathcal{C}(f, g, h_a) = 3 \leq 4$;
 3. $a = (0, 2, 0)$, $\deg \mathcal{C}(f, g, h_a) = 2 \leq 4$;
 4. $a = (1, 0, 1)$, $\deg \mathcal{C}(f, g, h_a) = 7 > 4$; STOP.

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hence, for $h = h_{(1,0,1)}$ is a birational equivalence of $X_0(72)$ and $\mathcal{C}(f, g, h_{(1,0,1)})$. The reduced equation of $\mathcal{C}(f, g, h_{(1,0,1)})$ is given by the irreducible polynomial

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Thank you!