

## 99. On Hilbert Modular Forms

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**Introduction.** In the theory of elliptic modular forms, it is known that every modular form whose Fourier coefficients lie in  $Z[1/6]$  is an isobaric polynomial in  $E_4$  and  $E_6$  with coefficients in  $Z[1/6]$ , where  $E_4$  and  $E_6$  are the normalized Eisenstein series of respective weights four and six.

In this paper, we give an analogous result for Hilbert modular forms for the real quadratic field  $K=Q(\sqrt{5})$ . Namely, we show that every symmetric Hilbert modular form for  $K$  whose Fourier coefficients lie in  $Z[1/2]$  can be represented as an isobaric polynomial in certain forms  $X_2$ ,  $X_6$  and  $X_{10}$  with coefficients in  $Z[1/2]$ .

**§ 1. Hilbert modular forms for  $Q(\sqrt{5})$ .** Let  $\mathfrak{o}_K$  be the ring of integers in  $K=Q(\sqrt{5})$ . Let  $H$  denote the upper half-plane. Put  $\Gamma_K = SL(2, \mathfrak{o}_K)$  and for an element  $\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$  of  $\Gamma_K$ , we put  $\gamma^* = \begin{pmatrix} a^* & b^* \\ c^* & d^* \end{pmatrix}$  where the star denotes the conjugation in  $K$ .

We let  $\Gamma_K$  operate on  $H^2 = H \times H$  by :

$$\gamma \cdot (z_1, z_2) = (\gamma z_1, \gamma^* z_2) = \left( \frac{az_1 + b}{cz_1 + d}, \frac{a^* z_2 + b^*}{c^* z_2 + d^*} \right), \quad (z_1, z_2) \in H^2.$$

Further, for any  $\tau = (z_1, z_2) \in H^2$  and  $\nu \in K$ , we put

$$N(\nu\tau) = \nu z_1 \cdot \nu^* z_2, \quad \text{tr}(\nu\tau) = \nu z_1 + \nu^* z_2.$$

A holomorphic function  $f(\tau)$  on  $H^2$  is called a *symmetric Hilbert modular form of weight  $k$*  if it satisfies the following conditions :

(1) For every element  $\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$  of  $\Gamma_K$ ,  $f(\tau)$  satisfies a functional equation of the form

$$f(\gamma \cdot \tau) = N(c\tau + d)^k f(\tau);$$

(2)  $f((z_1, z_2)) = f((z_2, z_1))$ .

The set of such functions forms a complex vector space  $A_C(\Gamma_K)_k$ . Any element  $f(\tau)$  in  $A_C(\Gamma_K)_k$  admits a Fourier expansion of the form

$$f(\tau) = \sum_{\substack{\nu \equiv 0 \pmod{(1/\sqrt{5})} \\ \nu \gg 0 \text{ or } 0}} a_f(\nu) \exp [2\pi i \text{tr}(\nu\tau)],$$

where the sum extends over all totally positive numbers  $\nu$  in  $K$  satisfying  $\nu \equiv 0 \pmod{(1/\sqrt{5})}$ .

For a subring  $R$  of  $C$ , we put

$$A_R(\Gamma_K)_k = \{f \in A_C(\Gamma_K)_k \mid a_f(\nu) \in R \text{ for all } \nu \equiv 0 \pmod{(1/\sqrt{5})}, \nu \gg 0 \text{ or } 0\}.$$