# **Hyperelliptic Simple Factors of** $J_0(N)$ with Dimension at Least 3

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We develop algorithms for three problems. Starting with a complex torus of dimension  $g \ge 2$ , isomorphic to a principally polarized, simple abelian variety A/ $\mathbb{C}$ , the first problem is to find an algorithmic solution of the hyperelliptic Schottky problem: Is there a hyperelliptic curve C of genus g whose jacobian variety  $\mathcal{J}_{\mathbb{C}}$  is isomorphic to A over  $\mathbb{C}$ ? Our solution is based on [Poor 1994]. If such a hyperelliptic curve C exists, the next problem is the construction of the Rosenhain model C :  $Y^2 = X(X-1)(X-\lambda_1)(X-\lambda_2)\dots(X-\lambda_{2g-1})$  for pairwise distinct numbers  $\lambda_i \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0, 1\}$ . Applying the theory of hyperelliptic theta functions we show that these numbers  $\lambda_i$  can easily be computed by using theta constants with even characteristics. If the abelian variety A is defined over a field k (this field could be the field of rational numbers, an algebraic number field of low degree, or a finite field), we show only in the case  $k = \mathbb{Q}$  for simplicity, how the method in [Mestre 1991] can be generalized to get a minimal equation over  $\mathbb{Z}\left[\frac{1}{2}\right]$  for the hyperelliptic curve C with jacobian variety  $\mathcal{J}_{C} \cong_{\mathbb{C}} A$ . This is our third problem. For some hyperelliptic, principally polarized and simple factors with dimension g = 3, 4, 5 of the jacobian variety  $J_0(N)=\mathcal{J}_{X_0(N)}$  of the modular curve  $X_0(N)$  we compute the corresponding curve equations by applying our algorithms to this special situation.

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

We consider a g-dimensional abelian variety A, with  $g \geq 2$ , which is principally polarized, simple and defined over the rational numbers  $\mathbb{Q}$ . For example, A could be an abelian variety with real multiplication defined over  $\mathbb{Q}$ ; that is, the endomorphism ring  $\operatorname{End}(A)$  is an order in a totally real field  $\mathbb{E}$  of degree  $[\mathbb{E}:\mathbb{Q}]=g$ . Since the generalized Shimura—Taniyama conjecture asserts that any abelian variety with real multiplication defined over  $\mathbb{Q}$  is isogenous to a factor of the jacobian variety  $\mathcal{J}_{X_0(N)}$  of

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the modular curve  $X_0(N)$  for suitable level  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ , we restrict ourselves to these modular abelian varieties. The following three problems will be solved algorithmically in this paper.

In Section 2 we give a solution, based on [Poor 1994], of the hyperelliptic Schottky problem, by showing that an abelian variety  $A/\mathbb{C}$  is isomorphic to the jacobian variety  $\mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{C}}$  of a hyperelliptic curve  $C/\mathbb{C}$  of genus  $g \geq 3$  if and only if a number n(g) of certain even theta constants associated to A vanish (the case g = 2 is trivial, since every curve of genus 2 is hyperelliptic).

Section 3 shows how the corresponding Rosenhain model  $Y^2 = X(X-1)(X-\lambda_1) \dots (X-\lambda_{2g-1})$ , where  $\lambda_i \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0,1\}$ , of the hyperelliptic curve C with  $\mathcal{J}_C \cong_{\mathbb{C}} A$  can be computed by the use of certain other even theta constants.

Section 4 generalizes the method introduced in [Mestre 1991] for computing a  $\mathbb{Z}\left[\frac{1}{2}\right]$ -minimal curve equation of the curve C. This method can also be used for other fields of definition, for example finite fields or algebraic number fields with tolerable arithmetic.

In Section 5 we apply these algorithmic solutions to hyperelliptic, principally polarized and simple factors of  $\mathcal{J}_{X_0(N)}$  with dimension g=3,4,5. The construction of such modular hyperelliptic curves C of genus g is motivated by its use in public key cryptosystems for  $\operatorname{Pic}^0(C)(\mathbb{F}_q)$  based on the discrete logarithm problem. Here  $\mathbb{F}_q$  denotes a finite field with  $q=p^r$  elements and  $\operatorname{Pic}^0(C)(\mathbb{F}_q)$  the  $\mathbb{F}_q$ -rational divisor classes of degree 0 on C. More about this topic can be found in [Weber 1996].

#### 2. THE HYPERELLIPTIC SCHOTTKY PROBLEM

We take the set  $\mathcal{H}_g(\mathbb{C})$  of  $\mathbb{C}$ -isomorphism classes of hyperelliptic curves of fixed genus  $g \geq 2$ . This set is a coarse moduli space and has the structure of a quasi-projective irreducible algebraic variety with dimension 2g-1 [Deligne and Mumford 1969]. We identify  $\mathcal{H}_g(\mathbb{C})$  with the orbit space

$$\{B \subset \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C}) : \#B = 2(q+1)\}/\operatorname{PSL}_2(\mathbb{C}),$$

where the action is given by

$$\gamma \circ P = \frac{a \,\alpha + b}{c \,\alpha + d}$$

for all  $\gamma = \binom{a \ b}{c \ d} \in \mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbb{C})$  and  $P = (\alpha : 1) \in \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C})$ . Abel's map  $J_{P_0} : C \to \mathrm{Pic}^0(C)$  with  $P \mapsto [(P) - (P_0)]$  gives us an embedding (depending on a base point  $P_0 \in C$ ) by sending a moduli point  $C \in \mathcal{H}_g(\mathbb{C})$  into the jacobian variety  $\mathcal{J}_C \cong_{\mathbb{C}} \mathrm{Pic}^0(C)$ . This jacobian variety  $\mathcal{J}_C$  is a principally polarized abelian variety with dimension g and polarization divisor  $W_{g-1} = J_{P_0}^{(g-1)}(C^{(g-1)})$ , that is, the image of the (g-1)-fold symmetric product  $C^{(g-1)}$  under the surjective map  $J_{P_0}^{(g-1)} : C^{(g-1)} \to W_{g-1} \subset \mathrm{Pic}^0(C)$ . This divisor  $W_{g-1}$  is defined uniquely up to translation. For g=2 the curve C is isomorphic to  $W_{g-1}$ . See [Lang 1959] for these results.

We get a morphism  $\mathcal{J}:\mathcal{H}_g(\mathbb{C})\to\mathcal{A}_g(\mathbb{C})$  with  $C\mapsto(\mathcal{J}_C,W_{g-1})$ , where  $\mathcal{A}_g(\mathbb{C})$  is the coarse moduli space of principally polarized abelian varieties with fixed dimension  $g\geq 2$ . Torelli's theorem states that this morphism is injective, that is, a moduli point  $C\in\mathcal{H}_g(\mathbb{C})$  can be uniquely reconstructed from its principally polarized jacobian variety  $(\mathcal{J}_C,W_{g-1})$ .

We observe that a moduli point  $A \in \mathcal{A}_g(\mathbb{C})$  is a complex torus  $\mathbb{C}^g/(\mathbb{Z}^g + \Omega \mathbb{Z}^g)$  with period matrix  $\Omega \in \mathbb{H}_g = \{M \in M_g(\mathbb{C}) : M^t = M, \text{ Im}(M) > 0\}$ . So we get the description  $\mathcal{A}_g(\mathbb{C}) = \mathbb{H}_g/\Gamma_g$ , where the action of the full modular group  $\Gamma_g = \operatorname{Sp}_{2g}(\mathbb{Z})$  is given by

$$\gamma \circ \Omega = (a \Omega + b)(c \Omega + d)^{-1}$$

for all  $\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \Gamma_g$  and  $\Omega \in \mathbb{H}_g$ .

The hyperelliptic Schottky problem asks for a characterization of the hyperelliptic jacobian varieties in  $\mathcal{A}_g(\mathbb{C})$ . Since  $\mathcal{A}_g(\mathbb{C})(\mathfrak{J}(\mathcal{H}_g(\mathbb{C})))$  has codimension  $\frac{1}{2}(g-1)(g-2)$ , this problem is trivial for  $g \leq 2$ . That's the reason why the following question is only interesting in the case  $g \geq 3$ :

**Problem 2.1.** Let  $A \in \mathcal{A}_g(2)(\mathbb{C})$  be a simple moduli point given as a complex torus  $\mathbb{C}^g/(\mathbb{Z}^g + \Omega \mathbb{Z}^g)$  with period matrix  $\Omega \in \mathbb{H}_g$  (where simple means

symplectic irreducible). Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 2g+1, \infty\}$ . Are there distinct numbers  $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$ , for  $i \in \mathcal{B}$ , such that the moduli point  $C \in \mathcal{H}_g(\mathbb{C})$  given by

$$Y^2 = \prod_{i \in \mathcal{B}} (X - \alpha_i)$$

satisfies  $A \cong_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{J}_C$ , and  $\alpha_{\infty}$  corresponds to the base point  $P_0$  of Abel's map  $J_{P_0}$  under the projection to the projective line  $\mathbb{P}^1$ ?

Our algorithmic solution of this problem is based on [Poor 1994], where the hyperelliptic jacobian varieties are characterized by a number (depending on the genus g) of vanishing even theta constants.

Write  $\mathbb{F}_2^{2g}$  for the set of characteristics  $\begin{bmatrix} \delta \\ \varepsilon \end{bmatrix}$  with row vectors  $\delta, \varepsilon \in \mathbb{F}_2^g$ . If we choose a symplectic basis for the 2-torsion points A[2] of a moduli point  $A \in \mathcal{A}_g(\mathbb{C})$  by fixing a level-2-structure  $\Psi_2 : \begin{bmatrix} \delta \\ \varepsilon \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \frac{1}{2}(\varepsilon + \delta \Omega)$ , we can identify A[2] with  $\mathbb{F}_2^{2g}$ . We get a pair  $(A, \Psi_2)$  from the orbit space  $\mathcal{A}_g(2)(\mathbb{C}) = \mathbb{H}_g/\Gamma_g(2)$  with  $\Gamma_g(2) = \ker(\Gamma_g \to \operatorname{Sp}_{2g}(\mathbb{F}_2))$ .

We attach to every characteristic  $\begin{bmatrix} \delta \\ \varepsilon \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{F}_2^{2g}$  a theta constant

$$\theta\left[\begin{smallmatrix}\delta\\\varepsilon\end{smallmatrix}\right](\Omega) = \sum_{n\in\mathbb{Z}^g} e^{\pi i \left(\left(n+\frac{1}{2}\delta\right)\Omega\left(n+\frac{1}{2}\delta\right)^t + \left(n+\frac{1}{2}\delta\right)\varepsilon^t\right)}$$

and get  $2^{g-1}(2^g+1)$  even or  $2^{g-1}(2^g-1)$  odd holomorphic functions  $\theta \begin{bmatrix} \delta \\ \varepsilon \end{bmatrix} : \mathbb{H}_g \to \mathbb{C}$ , depending on whether  $\delta \varepsilon^t = 0$  or  $\delta \varepsilon^t = 1$ . It follows that all the odd theta constants vanish; that is,  $\theta \begin{bmatrix} \delta \\ \varepsilon \end{bmatrix} \equiv 0$  when  $\delta \varepsilon^t = 1$ . The following result gives us a condition necessary to our Problem 2.1:

**Theorem 2.2** [Krazer 1903, p. 459]. Let  $(A, \Psi_2) \in \mathcal{A}_g(2)(\mathbb{C})$  be a simple moduli point with torus representation  $\mathbb{C}^g/(\mathbb{Z}^g + \Omega \mathbb{Z}^g)$  and  $A \cong_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{J}_C$  for some moduli point  $C \in \mathcal{H}_g(\mathbb{C})$ . Let  $V(A) = V(A, \Psi_2)$  be the set of vanishing even theta constants,

$$V(A) = \{\theta \left[\begin{smallmatrix} \delta \\ \varepsilon \end{smallmatrix}\right](\Omega) \equiv 0 : \left[\begin{smallmatrix} \delta \\ \varepsilon \end{smallmatrix}\right] \in \mathbb{F}_2^{2g}, \ \delta \varepsilon^t = 0\}$$

Then

$$#V(A) = 2^{g-1}(2^g + 1) - {2g+1 \choose g}.$$

We define n(g) as the number in the right-hand side of this equation.

An azygetic fundamental system is a set  $\eta = \{\eta_1, \ldots, \eta_{2g+1}\}$  of 2g+1 pairwise distinct characteristics  $\eta_i = \begin{bmatrix} \delta_i \\ \varepsilon_i \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{F}_2^{2g} \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $\delta_i \varepsilon_j^t + \delta_j \varepsilon_i^t = 1$  for all  $\eta_i$  and  $\eta_j$  with  $i \neq j$ .

**Proposition 2.3.** (i) The finite group

$$\operatorname{Sp}_{2g}(\mathbb{F}_2) \cong \Gamma_g/\Gamma_g(2)$$

acts transitively on the set of azygetic fundamental systems in  $\mathbb{F}_2^{2g}$ .

(ii) Let

$$\eta_{2g+1}^0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then the set  $\eta^0 = \{\eta^0_1, \dots, \eta^0_{2g+1}\}$  is an azygetic fundamental system in  $\mathbb{F}_2^{2g}$ .

*Proof.* See [Igusa 1972, p. 212] for statement (i) and [Mumford 1983, p. 3.88] for (ii).  $\Box$ 

To state the following necessity and sufficiency criterion from [Poor 1994] we need some notations. Let  $U = \{1, 3, 5, \dots, 2g+1\} \subset \mathcal{B}$  be the set of odd indices and define  $U \bullet S = (U \cup S) \setminus (U \cap S)$  for any set  $S \subset \mathcal{B} \setminus \{\infty\}$ . (That is,  $U \bullet S$  is the symmetric difference of U and S).

Define

$$T_0(2) = \{S \subset \mathcal{B} \setminus \{\infty\} : \#S \equiv 0 \mod 2\}.$$

Then  $T_0(2)$  is a disjoint union  $T_0^{=}(2) \cup T_0^{\neq}(2)$ , where  $T_0^{=}(2) = \{S \subset \mathcal{B} \setminus \{\infty\} : \#(U \bullet S) = g+1\}$  and  $T_0^{\neq}(2)$  is defined analogously.

For an azygetic fundamental system  $\eta$  in  $\mathbb{F}_2^{2g}$  and a set  $S \in T_0^{\neq}(2)$  we put  $\eta_S = \sum_{s \in S} \eta_s$  and call

$$W(A, \eta) = \{\theta[\eta_S](\Omega) \equiv 0 : S \in T_0^{\neq}(2)\}$$

the vanishing set of some moduli point  $A \in \mathcal{A}_g(\mathbb{C})$ .

**Theorem 2.4** [Poor 1994, Main Theorem 2.6.1]. For a moduli point  $(A, \Psi_2) \in \mathcal{A}_g(2)(\mathbb{C})$  the following two statements are equivalent:

- (i) A is simple and there is an azygetic fundamental system  $\eta = \{\eta_1, \dots, \eta_{2g+1}\}$  such that  $V(A) = W(A, \eta)$ .
- (ii) There exists a moduli point  $C \in \mathcal{H}_g(\mathbb{C})$  satisfying the conditions of Problem 2.1.

When (i) and (ii) hold,  $\alpha_i$  corresponds to  $\eta_i$  (that is, if  $P_i$  is a Weierstrass point with x-coordinate  $\alpha_i$ , then  $\Psi_2(J_{P_0}(P_i)) = \eta_i$ ), and  $\alpha_{\infty}$  corresponds to 0.

**Algorithm 2.5.** Input. A simple moduli point  $A \in \mathcal{A}_g(2)(\mathbb{C})$  of dimension  $g \geq 2$  given as a torus  $\mathbb{C}^g/(\mathbb{Z}^g + \Omega \mathbb{Z}^g)$  with the standard polarization.

Output. An answer  $\in \{\text{YES}, \text{NO}\}$  for the question: Is there a moduli point  $C \in \mathcal{H}_g(\mathbb{C})$  with  $\mathcal{J}_C \cong_{\mathbb{C}} A$ ? For g = 2 the answer is always YES and there's nothing to do.

Step 1. Compute the  $2^{g-1}(2^g + 1)$  even theta constants  $\theta \begin{bmatrix} \delta \\ \varepsilon \end{bmatrix}(\Omega)$  with  $\delta \varepsilon^t = 0$  and form the set V(A) (where the vanishing of the theta constants only has been proved numerically).

Step 2. If #V(A) = n(g) continue with Step 3. Otherwise output NO because of Theorem 2.2.

Step 3. Form  $W(A, \eta^0)$  with the azygetic fundamental system  $\eta^0$  from Proposition 2.3. Output YES if  $V(A) = W(A, \eta^0)$ . Otherwise find, if possible, a matrix  $\gamma \in \operatorname{Sp}_{2g}(\mathbb{F}_2)$  such that

$$V(A) = W(A, \gamma \circ \eta^{0}),$$

and output YES. If there is no such  $\gamma$ , output NO.

# 3. CONSTRUCTION OF THE ROSENHAIN MODEL OVER $\ensuremath{\mathbb{C}}$

Take a simple moduli point  $(A, \Psi_2) \in \mathcal{A}_g(2)(\mathbb{C})$  given as a torus  $\mathbb{C}^g/(\mathbb{Z}^g + \Omega \mathbb{Z}^g)$  with an azygetic fundamental system  $\eta = \{\eta_1, \ldots, \eta_{2g+1}\}$  such that  $V(A) = W(A, \eta)$ . An application of Theorem 2.4 gives a moduli point C and numbers  $\alpha_i$ , for  $i = 1, 2, \ldots, 2g+1, \infty$ , as in the statement of the same theorem.

**Theorem 3.1** [Mumford 1983, Thomae's theorem, p. 3.120]. The value of  $(\theta[\eta_S](\Omega))^4$  is 0 for  $S \in T_0^{\neq}(2)$  and

$$c \cdot (-1)^{\#(U \cap S)} \prod_{i \in (U \bullet S)} \prod_{j \notin (U \bullet S)} \frac{1}{(\alpha_i - \alpha_j)}$$

for all  $S \in T_0^=(2)$ , where  $c \in \mathbb{C}^*$  is a constant that does not depend on S.

We introduce, for  $\mu = 1, \dots, 2g - 1$ , the analytic moduli

$$\lambda_{\mu} = \frac{\alpha_{\mu+2} - \alpha_1}{\alpha_2 - \alpha_1},$$

to get the new model

$$Y^{2} = X(X - 1)(X - \lambda_{1}) \dots (X - \lambda_{2g-1})$$
 (3-1)

for the moduli point  $C \in \mathcal{H}_g(\mathbb{C})$  with pairwise distinct numbers  $\lambda_{\mu} \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0,1\}$ . Equation (3–1) is called the *Rosenhain model* of C.

**Problem 3.2.** Compute the Rosenhain model of  $C \in \mathcal{H}_q(\mathbb{C})$ .

This problem can easily be solved by using the next result, for which we introduce some more notation. For all  $\mu = 1, \ldots, 2g-1$  write  $\mathcal{B}$  as some disjoint union

$$\mathcal{B} = \{1,2,\mu\!+\!2,\infty\} \cup \mathcal{B}_0^\mu \cup \mathcal{B}_1^\mu,$$

where  $\mathcal{B}_0$  and  $\mathcal{B}_1$  have g-1 elements. Set

$$S_1^{\mu} = \{1, 2\} \cup \mathcal{B}_0^{\mu}, \qquad S_2^{\mu} = \{1, 2\} \cup \mathcal{B}_1^{\mu},$$

$$S_3^{\mu} = \{1, \mu + 2\} \cup \mathcal{B}_0^{\mu}, \qquad S_4^{\mu} = \{1, \mu + 2\} \cup \mathcal{B}_1^{\mu},$$

$$S_5^{\mu} = \{2, \mu + 2\} \cup \mathcal{B}_0^{\mu}, \qquad S_6^{\mu} = \{2, \mu + 2\} \cup \mathcal{B}_1^{\mu}.$$

Finally, for  $\nu = 1, \ldots, 6$  we set  $\theta^{\mu}_{\nu} = \theta[\eta_{U \bullet S^{\mu}_{\nu}}](\Omega)$ .

**Theorem 3.3.** With the notation just introduced,

$$\lambda_{\mu} = \frac{(\theta_1^{\mu} \theta_2^{\mu})^4 + (\theta_3^{\mu} \theta_4^{\mu})^4 - (\theta_5^{\mu} \theta_6^{\mu})^4}{2 (\theta_1^{\mu} \theta_2^{\mu})^4},$$

for  $\mu = 1, \dots, 2g-1$ .

*Proof.* Consider for some  $k \in \mathcal{B} \setminus \{\infty\}$  the disjoint decomposition  $\mathcal{B} \setminus \{\infty\} = S \cup T \cup \{k\}$  for sets S, T

where S and T each have cardinality g. As an application of Theorem 3.1 we get the identity

$$\frac{(\theta[\eta_{U\bullet(T\cup\{k\})}](\Omega))^4}{(\theta[\eta_{U\bullet(S\cup\{k\})}](\Omega))^4} = (-1)^{k+1} \frac{\prod_{i\in T} (\alpha_i - \alpha_k)}{\prod_{j\in S} (\alpha_j - \alpha_k)}.$$
(3-

We fix  $\mu \in \{1, \dots, 2g-1\}$ . Then we apply (3-2) with k = 1 and  $S = S_1^{\mu} \setminus \{1\}$  and  $T = S_3^{\mu} \setminus \{1\}$ , obtaining

$$\frac{\theta_3^{\mu}}{\theta_1^{\mu}} = \frac{\prod_{i \in S_3^{\mu} \setminus \{1\}} (\alpha_i - \alpha_1)}{\prod_{j \in S_1^{\mu} \setminus \{1\}} (\alpha_j - \alpha_1)}.$$
 (3–3)

If we do the same for k=1 and  $S=S_2^{\mu}\setminus\{1\}$  and  $T=S_4^{\mu}\setminus\{1\}$  we get from (3–2) the equation

$$\frac{\theta_4^{\mu}}{\theta_2^{\mu}} = \frac{\prod_{i \in S_4^{\mu} \setminus \{1\}} (\alpha_i - \alpha_1)}{\prod_{j \in S_2^{\mu} \setminus \{1\}} (\alpha_j - \alpha_1)}.$$
 (3-4)

Multiplying (3-3) and (3-4) we get

$$\frac{\theta_3^{\mu} \theta_4^{\mu}}{\theta_1^{\mu} \theta_2^{\mu}} = \frac{(\alpha_{\mu+2} - \alpha_1)^2}{(\alpha_2 - \alpha_1)^2}.$$
 (3-5)

Applying (3–2) in the same manner to k=2 and the cases  $S=S_1^{\mu}\setminus\{2\}$  and  $T=S_5^{\mu}\setminus\{2\}$ , on the one hand, and  $S=S_2^{\mu}\setminus\{2\}$ ,  $T=S_6^{\mu}\setminus\{2\}$ , on the other, we get an analogous equation

$$\frac{\theta_5^{\mu} \theta_6^{\mu}}{\theta_1^{\mu} \theta_2^{\mu}} = \frac{(\alpha_{\mu+2} - \alpha_2)^2}{(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)^2}.$$
 (3-6)

We use (3-5) and (3-6) in the easily verified identity

$$\frac{\alpha_{\mu+2} - \alpha_1}{\alpha_2 - \alpha_1} = \frac{(\alpha_2 - \alpha_1)^2 + (\alpha_{\mu+2} - \alpha_1)^2 - (\alpha_{\mu+2} - \alpha_2)^2}{2(\alpha_2 - \alpha_1)^2},$$

and see that our statement is true for the given  $\mu$ .

**Algorithm 3.4.** Input. A simple moduli point  $A \in \mathcal{A}_g(2)(\mathbb{C})$  of dimension  $g \geq 2$  given as a torus  $\mathbb{C}^g/(\mathbb{Z}^g + \Omega \mathbb{Z}^g)$  with an azygetic fundamental system  $\eta$  such that  $V(A) = W(A, \eta)$ .

Output. The Rosenhain model (3–1) for some moduli point  $C \in \mathcal{H}_q(\mathbb{C})$  with  $\mathcal{J}_C \cong_{\mathbb{C}} A$ .

Step. Compute the roots  $\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_{2g-1}$  using Theorem 3.3 and output (3-1).

# 4. CONSTRUCTION OF A MINIMAL CURVE EQUATION OVER $\mathbb{Z}\left[\frac{1}{2}\right]$

We now state and solve our third problem:

**Problem 4.1.** Let  $C \in \mathcal{H}_g(\mathbb{Q})$  be a moduli point of genus  $g \geq 2$  with projective model

$$Z^{2g} Y^2 = F(X, Z), (4-1)$$

where  $F \in \mathbb{C}[X, Z]$  is the binary form of degree 2(g+1) given by

$$F(X,Z) = \sum_{i=0}^{2(g+1)} F_i X^i Z^{2(g+1)-i}.$$
 (4-2)

Decide whether C has an affine model over  $\mathbb{Q}$  and, if so, compute a curve equation that is minimal over  $\mathbb{Z}\left[\frac{1}{2}\right]$ .

Given an element  $\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$  in  $SL_2(\mathbb{C})$  and a form as in (4–2), we can write

$$F(aX+b, cZ+d) = \sum_{i=0}^{2(g+1)} \tilde{F}_i X^i Z^{2(g+1)-i},$$

where each  $\tilde{F}_i$  can be expressed as a polynomial with integer coefficients on the  $F_i$  and the entries of  $\gamma$ . Then we can define an action of  $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{C})$  on  $\mathbb{C}[X,Z,F_0,\ldots,F_{2(g+1)}]$  by setting

$$(\gamma \circ \varphi)(X, Z, F_0, \dots, F_{2(g+1)})$$

$$= \varphi(dX - bZ, -cX + aZ, \tilde{F}_0, \dots, \tilde{F}_{2(g+1)}),$$

for  $\varphi \in \mathbb{C}[X, Z, F_0, \dots, F_{2(g+1)}]$  and  $\gamma = \binom{a \ b}{c \ d}$ . The homogeneous polynomials that are invariant under this action form a finitely generated algebra

$$\mathcal{K}_{g}(\mathbb{C}) \subset \mathbb{C}[X, Z, F_{0}, \dots, F_{2(g+1)}]$$

over  $\mathbb{C}$ , called the covariant algebra of binary forms of degree 2(g+1).

Every covariant  $\varphi \in \mathcal{K}_g(\mathbb{C})$  can be characterized by its *order* i, which is its degree in X, Z, and its *degree* e, which is its degree in  $F_0, \ldots, F_{2(g+1)}$ . Thus we can represent the covariant algebra as a bihomogeneous graded algebra

$$\mathcal{K}_g(\mathbb{C}) = \bigoplus_{i,e>0} \mathcal{K}_g(i,e)(\mathbb{C}).$$

This graded algebra contains a subalgebra

$$\mathbb{J}_g(\mathbb{C}) = \bigoplus_{e \geq 0} \mathcal{K}_g(0, e)(\mathbb{C}),$$

the invariant algebra of binary forms with degree 2(g+1). This subalgebra is also finitely generated over  $\mathbb{C}$ . Some of these results can be found in the classical papers of Hilbert.

The right-hand side of (4-2) can be regarded as an element of  $\mathbb{C}[X, Z, F_0, \ldots, F_{2(g+1)}]$ , which we denote by  $\mathcal{F}$  and call the *generic binary form*. It is, by construction, a covariant of order 2(g+1) and index 1.

The *überschiebung* operation on covariants is defined as follows (see also [Vinberg and Popov 1994, p. 182]). If  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in \mathcal{K}_g(\mathbb{C})$  have orders  $i_1, i_2$  and degrees  $e_1, e_2$ , and if  $h \in \{0, \ldots, \min(i_1, i_2)\}$ , we set

$$(\varphi_1, \varphi_2)_h = \lambda \sum_{j=0}^h \binom{h}{j} \frac{\partial^h \varphi_1}{\partial X^{h-j} \partial Z^j} \frac{\partial^h \varphi_2}{\partial X^j \partial Z^{h-j}},$$

with

$$\lambda = \frac{(i_1 - h)! (i_2 - h)!}{i_1! i_2!};$$

this is a new covariant with order  $i_1 + i_2 - 2h$  and degree  $e_1 + e_2$ . (The factor  $\lambda$  is traditional.)

**Theorem 4.2** [Clebsch 1872, p. 101]. The covariant algebra  $\mathcal{K}_g(\mathbb{C})$  is generated by iterated überschiebungen of the generic binary form

$$\mathfrak{F} \in \mathfrak{K}_g(2(g+1),1)(\mathbb{C}).$$

Now we generalize the method of Mestre [1991] to the case where the genus is greater than 2 and the field of definition of the moduli point is  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Suppose that the automorphism group  $\operatorname{Aut}(C)$  of the moduli point  $C \in \mathcal{H}_g(\mathbb{C})$  is trivial, which means  $\operatorname{Aut}(C) = \{\operatorname{id}, \iota\}$ , where  $\iota$  denotes the hyperelliptic involution. Then Mestre's method (for g = 2) gives us an affine model over  $\mathbb{Q}$ , provided that such a model exists.

We now recall results from the classical invariant theory that are fundamental for this method and its generalization. Let  $\psi_1, \psi_2, \psi_3 \in \mathcal{K}_g(\mathbb{C})$  be three covariants of order  $2 = i_1 = i_2 = i_3$  and degrees  $0 < e_1 < e_2 < e_3$ . Following [Clebsch 1872, p. 201], we have the following corresponding simultaneous system of generators:

• 3 covariants

$$\varphi_{1} = (\psi_{2}, \psi_{3})_{1} \in \mathcal{K}_{g}(2, e_{2} + e_{3})(\mathbb{C}), 
\varphi_{2} = (\psi_{3}, \psi_{1})_{1} \in \mathcal{K}_{g}(2, e_{3} + e_{1})(\mathbb{C}), 
\varphi_{3} = (\psi_{1}, \psi_{2})_{1} \in \mathcal{K}_{g}(2, e_{1} + e_{2})(\mathbb{C});$$

- 6 invariants  $Q_{l,m} = (\psi_l, \psi_m)_2 \in \mathfrak{I}_g(e_l + e_m)(\mathbb{C}),$  for  $l \leq m = 1, 2, 3$ ; and
- 1 invariant

$$R_{123} = -\varphi_1 \star \varphi_2 \star \varphi_3 \in \mathfrak{I}_q(e_1 + e_2 + e_3)(\mathbb{C}),$$

with  $R_{123}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \det(Q_{l,m})$  for  $Q_{2,1} = Q_{1,2}$ ,  $Q_{3,1} = Q_{1,3}$ , and  $Q_{3,2} = Q_{2,3}$ . The operation  $\star$  is defined in [Mestre 1991].

Proposition 4.3 [Clebsch 1872, p. 201].

- (i)  $\sum_{l,m=1}^{3} Q_{l,m} \varphi_l \varphi_m = 0$ .
- (ii)  $R_{123} \mathfrak{F} = \sum_{l=1}^{3} (\mathfrak{F}, \psi_l)_2 \varphi_l$ .
- (iii) For fixed values of the indeterminates  $F_1, \ldots, F_{2(g+1)}$ , the covariants  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2$ , and  $\varphi_3$  are linearly independent if and only if  $R_{123} \neq 0$  (here  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \varphi_3$ , and  $R_{123}$  are specialized at the given values).

Mestre recognized that relation (ii) is a special case of

$$R_{123}^{g+1}\mathfrak{F} = \sum_{l_1,\dots,l_{g+1}=1}^3 H_{l_1,\dots,l_{g+1}}\varphi_{l_1}\dots\varphi_{l_{g+1}},$$

with

$$H_{l_1,\dots,l_{g+1}} = (\dots((\mathfrak{F},\psi_{l_1})_2,\psi_{l_2})_2,\dots,\psi_{l_{g+1}})_2$$
  
$$\in \mathfrak{I}_g(\sum_{i=1}^{g+1} e_{l_i} + 1)(\mathbb{C})$$

for  $g \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . This led him to the idea that we now describe.

**Proposition 4.4** [Mestre 1991, pp. 322 and 324]. Let C and F be as in Problem 4.1, and consider the specialization of the various covariants discussed above to the given  $F_1, \ldots, F_{2(g+1)}$ . Assume that F has trivial automorphism group. (In this case  $R_{123}$  is nonzero). Let  $\mathcal{V}(Q)$  be the conic defined by the irreducible quadratic form  $Q \in \mathbb{C}[X_1, X_2, X_3]$  such that

$$Q(X_1, X_2, X_3) = \sum_{l,m=1}^{3} Q_{l,m} X_l X_m,$$

and let  $\mathcal{V}(H)$  be the curve of degree g+1 defined by the form  $H \in \mathbb{C}[X_1, X_2, X_3]$  such that

$$H(X_1, X_2, X_3) = \sum_{l_1, \dots, l_{g+1} = 1}^{3} H_{l_1, \dots, l_{g+1}} X_{l_1} \dots X_{l_{g+1}}.$$

Then:

- (i) The map  $\Phi: \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C}) \to \mathcal{V}(Q)$  taking (X:Z) to  $(\varphi_1:\varphi_2:\varphi_3)$  is an isomorphism defined over  $\mathbb{C}$ , and it maps the set of  $(X:Z) \in \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C})$  such that F(X,Z) = 0 to the set of  $(X_1:X_2:X_3) \in \mathbb{P}^2(\mathbb{C})$  such that  $Q(X_1,X_2,X_3) = H(X_1,X_2,X_3)$ .
- (ii) The moduli point  $C \in \mathcal{H}_g(\mathbb{Q})$  possesses an affine model over  $\mathbb{Q}$  if and only if the conic  $\mathcal{V}(Q)$  has a rational point over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

The discriminant  $\Delta_g \in \mathcal{I}_g(2(g+1))(\mathbb{C})$  is the invariant of degree 2(g+1). Following [Geyer 1974], we have  $\mathcal{H}_q(\mathbb{C}) \cong_{\mathbb{C}} \operatorname{Spec}_{\mathbb{C}}(\mathcal{I}_q[\Delta_q^{-1}]_0)$ .

The elements of the algebra  $\mathfrak{I}_g[\Delta_g^{-1}](\mathbb{C})$  are called absolute invariants (that is, quotients of invariants with the same degree) with discriminant power in the denominator. If we choose an embedding

$$\mathfrak{I}_q(\mathbb{C}) \hookrightarrow \mathfrak{I}_q[\Delta_q^{-1}](\mathbb{C})$$

and specialize at  $F(X,Z) \in \mathcal{H}_g(\mathbb{Q})$ , the invariants  $Q_{l,m}$  and  $H_{l_1,\dots,l_{g+1}}$  are then elements in  $\mathbb{Q}$  with restricted denominator and so a conversion from  $\mathbb{C}$  to  $\mathbb{Q}$  is possible. We will give the precise definition of the embedded coefficients (depending on the genus g) in the last section and fix for these embedded coefficients the same notation.

**Lemma 4.5** [Mordell 1969, p. 47]. Suppose that  $Q \in \mathbb{Z}[Z_1, Z_2, Z_3]$  is an irreducible quadratic form with a nontrivial solution  $(Z_1^0, Z_2^0, Z_3^0) \in \mathbb{Z}^3 \setminus \{0\}$ . Then every other nontrivial solution has the form

$$(Z_1, Z_2, Z_3) = (h_1(T), h_2(T), h_3(T))$$

with polynomials  $h_1, h_2, h_3 \in \mathbb{Z}[T]$  of degree two, depending also on  $(Z_1^0, Z_2^0, Z_3^0)$ .

**Algorithm 4.6.** Input. A binary form  $F(X,Z) \in \mathbb{C}[X,Z]$  with trivial automorphism group, which corresponds to a moduli point  $C \in \mathcal{H}_g(\mathbb{Q})$  of genus  $g \geq 2$ .

Output. An answer in {YES, NO} for the question: Has C an affine model over  $\mathbb{Q}$ ? If the answer is YES, output an affine model  $Y^2 = h(T) = \sum_{i=0}^{\deg(h)} h_i T^i \in \mathbb{Z}[T]$  with these properties:

- (1) deg(h) = 2g+1 if C has a Q-rational Weierstrass point, and 2(g+1) otherwise.
- (2)  $\sum_{i=0}^{\deg(h)} |h_i| \in \mathbb{Z}$  is minimal for C.
- (3)  $|\overline{\Delta}_g(h(T))| \in \mathbb{Z}\left[\frac{1}{2}\right]$  is minimal for C.

Step 1. Compute the embedded coefficients  $Q_{l,m} \in \mathbb{Q}$  for  $l \leq m = 1, 2, 3$ . They are elements in  $\mathbb{Z}[S^{-1}]$ , where S denotes the set of primes with bad reduction of the moduli point  $C \in \mathcal{H}_g(\mathbb{Q})$ .

Step 2. Using Lemma 4.5, compute the parametrization

$$(Z_1, Z_2, Z_3) = (h_1(T), h_2(T), h_3(T))$$
 (4-3)

for the irreducible quadratic form  $Q(Z_1, Z_2, Z_3) \in \mathbb{Z}[Z_1, Z_2, Z_3]$ . Output NO if  $(Z_1, Z_2, Z_3) = (0, 0, 0)$  and YES otherwise.

Step 3. Compute the embedded coefficients

$$H_{l_1,...,l_{g+1}} \in \mathbb{Q}$$

for  $l_1, \ldots, l_{g+1} = 1, 2, 3$ . Without loss of generality, they are elements in  $\mathbb{Z}[S^{-1}]$ . Plug into (4–3) to get a squarefree polynomial

$$h^{(3)}(T) = H(h_1(T), h_2(T), h_3(T)) \in \mathbb{Z}[T]$$

of degree  $deg(h^{(3)}) = 2(g+1)$ .

Step 4. Factor  $\Delta_q(h^{(3)}(T))$ , which has the form

$$|\Delta_g(h^{(3)}(T))| = 2^{\nu_2} m^{2(2g+1)(g+1)} \prod_{p \in S} p^{\nu_p}$$

for  $\nu_2, \nu_p, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$ .

Step 5. Minimize  $|\Delta_g(h^{(3)}(T))|$  by iterated computations of roots  $T_0$  of the congruence  $h^{(3)}(T) \equiv 0 \mod n$  for some  $n \in \{2, m\} \cup S$  and afterwards by doing the transformation

$$h^{(3)}(T) \mapsto n^{-2(g+1)} h^{(3)}(T_0 + n T).$$

The result is a polynomial  $h^{(2)}(T)$  with property (3).

Step 6. Minimize  $\sum_{i=0}^{\deg(h^{(2)})} |h_i^{(2)}| \in \mathbb{Z}$  by iterated computations of roots  $\beta \in \mathbb{C}$  and afterwards by doing the transformation  $h^{(2)}(T) \mapsto h^{(2)}(T + \operatorname{Re}(\beta))$  under the assumption  $h_{2g+1}^{(2)} \leq h_0^{(2)}$ . The result is a polynomial  $h^{(1)}(T)$  with property (2).

Step 7. Find a root  $\gamma \in \mathbb{Z}$  of the polynomial  $h^{(1)}(T)$  (if C has a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -rational Weierstrass point) and apply the transformation  $h^{(1)}(T) \mapsto h^{(1)}(T^{-1}+T_0) T^{2(g+1)}$  to get a polynomial  $h(T) \in \mathbb{Z}[T]$  with property (3). Output the affine model  $Y^2 = h(T)$ .

Remark 4.7. Only for simplicity have we considered the case that the moduli point  $C \in \mathcal{H}_g(k)$  is defined over  $k = \mathbb{Q}$ . If k is a finite field or a number field of low degree, it's also possible to construct curve equations over these fields. In [Weber 1996] there is an example of a moduli point  $C \in \mathcal{H}_2(k)$ , which is defined over a real quadratic number field  $k = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{d})$  with class number  $h_k = 1$ . The jacobian variety  $\mathfrak{J}_C$  of this moduli point is isomorphic to an abelian variety A with complex multiplication.

#### 5. APPLICATION TO MODULAR CURVES

Our aim in this section is to construct (as an application of Algorithms 2.5, 3.4, and 4.6) hyperelliptic curves with real multiplication and genus g = 3, 4, 5. The jacobian varieties of these curves are principally polarized, simple factors of the jacobian variety  $J_0(N) = \mathcal{J}_{X_0(N)}$  of the modular curve  $X_0(N)$ . We recall the definition of this modular curve.

Let  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  be a fixed natural number and let  $\Gamma_0(N)$  be the subgroup of matrices  $\binom{a \ b}{c \ d} \in SL_2(\mathbb{Z})$  with  $c \equiv 0 \mod N$ . The modular curve  $X_0(N)/\mathbb{C}$  can be regarded as the orbit space  $\mathbb{H}^*/\Gamma_0(N)$ , where  $\mathbb{H}^* = \{\omega \in \mathbb{C} : \operatorname{Im}(\omega) > 0\} \cup \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{Q})$  and the action of  $\Gamma_0(N)$  is given by

$$\gamma \circ \omega = \frac{a \,\omega + b}{c \,\omega + d}$$

for all  $\gamma = \binom{a\ b}{c\ d} \in \Gamma_0(N)$  and  $\omega \in \mathbb{H}^*$ . If we denote by  $S_2(N)$  the space of cusp forms of weight 2 for the group  $\Gamma_0(N)$ , we get [Shimura 1971] for some fixed newform  $f(z) = 1 + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n e^{(2\pi i\ n/N)\ z} \in S_2(N)$  a simple abelian variety  $A_f/\mathbb{Q}$  satisfying these conditions:

- End $(A_f)$  is an order in the totally real field  $\mathbb{E}_f = \mathbb{Q}(a_2, \dots, a_\infty)$  with degree  $[\mathbb{E}_f : \mathbb{Q}] = \dim(A_f)$ .
- $A_f$  is isogenous to a simple factor of the jacobian variety  $J_0(N)$ .

Using the programs of X. Wang and M. Müller we can compute the decomposition of  $J_0(N)$  into simple factors of dimension  $g \geq 1$ , the Fourier coefficients of new forms  $f \in S_2(N)$ , and the period matrices  $\Omega_f$  of simple factors  $A_f$  of  $J_0(N)$  with dimension  $g \geq 1$ . See [Wang 1995] for more details, including the definition of polarization and a criterion to test the principality given a period matrix of dimension g > 2.

For those modular curves  $X_0(N)$  that are hyperelliptic (classified in [Ogg 1974]), affine models in the form  $Y^2 = f(T) \in \mathbb{Z}[T]$  have been computed by Gonzàlez Rovira [1991] and independently by M. Shimura [1995], who also considered the nonhyperelliptic case. The methods used in these papers don't leave the arithmetic of the modular curve  $X_0(N)$ , so they don't allow us to treat simple factors of  $J_0(N)$ . We show now that by applying our algorithms to hyperelliptic, principally polarized and simple factors of  $J_0(N)$ , we can construct affine models for these factors and for the cases treated by Gonzàlez Rovira and M. Shimura. The case g=2 was solved in [Wang 1995].

## **5.1.** Three-Dimensional Factors of $J_0(N)$

We explain in detail how our algorithms must be applied to get affine models of hyperelliptic curves  $C/\mathbb{Q}$  with real multiplication and genus g=3.

We start with the newform

$$f = 1 + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n q^n \in S_2(284)$$

whose Fourier coefficients belong to the totally real field

$$\mathbb{E}_f = \mathbb{Q}(\{a_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}) = \mathbb{Q}(\beta)$$

with irreducible equation  $\beta^3 + 3\beta^2 - 3 = 0$ . The first few of these coefficients are

$$\begin{array}{lll} a_2 &= 0, & a_3 &= \beta, \\ a_5 &= -\beta^2 - 3\beta - 1, & a_7 &= 2\beta^2 + 2\beta - 6, \\ a_{11} &= 2\beta, & a_{13} &= -4\beta^2 - 6\beta + 4, \\ a_{17} &= 4\beta^2 + 6\beta - 6, & a_{19} &= -\beta^2 - 2, \\ a_{23} &= -2\beta^2 + 8, & a_{29} &= 6\beta^2 + 9\beta - 8, \\ a_{31} &= -2\beta - 8, & a_{37} &= -\beta^2 - 4\beta - 2, \\ a_{41} &= -4\beta^2 - 8\beta + 4, & a_{43} &= -\beta^2 - 3\beta + 1, \\ a_{47} &= -4\beta^2 - 8\beta + 8, & \dots \end{array}$$

By Shimura's construction we get an associated simple abelian variety  $A_f$  isogenous to a three-dimensional simple factor of the jacobian variety  $J_0(284)$  of the modular curve  $X_0(284)$ . In general a factor  $A_f$  is simple over  $\mathbb Q$  and simple over  $\mathbb C$  only if the level N is squarefree. If the level N contains a square we have to show that  $\operatorname{End}(A_f)$  has no zero-divisors to assume that  $A_f$  is simple over  $\mathbb C$ .

 $A_f$  is principally polarized and possesses the torus representation  $\mathbb{C}^3/(\mathbb{Z}^3 + \Omega_f \mathbb{Z}^3)$ , where

$$\Omega_f = (w_{ij})_{1 \le i, j \le 3}$$

is the period matrix, whose entries (truncated to five decimal places) are

$$w_{11} = -1.39675 + 1.71195 i,$$
  
 $w_{22} = -0.36574 + 0.28982 i,$   
 $w_{33} = 1.61009 + 1.33956 i,$ 

$$w_{12} = w_{21} = -0.48286 + 0.49444 i,$$
  
 $w_{13} = w_{31} = -0.59993 + 0.16233 i,$   
 $w_{23} = w_{32} = 0.66735 + 0.30210 i.$ 

We use this torus  $\mathbb{C}^3/(\mathbb{Z}^3 + \Omega_f \mathbb{Z}^3)$  as an input for Algorithm 2.5. In Step 1 we compute the 36 even theta constants  $\theta \begin{bmatrix} \delta \\ \varepsilon \end{bmatrix} (\Omega_f)$  for  $\begin{bmatrix} \delta \\ \varepsilon \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{F}_2^6$  and  $\delta \varepsilon^t = 0$  and build the set  $V(A_f)$ . As an abbreviation we use binary notation (by rows) for the theta constants; for example, the theta constant  $\theta \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} (\Omega_f)$  will be denoted by  $\theta [4, 0](\Omega_f)$ .

In Step 2 we notice that because of  $V(A_f) = \{\theta[5,5](\Omega_f)\}$  (this has been proven numerically) our condition  $\#V(A_f) = n(g) = 1$  is fulfilled. The canonical azygetic fundamental system  $\eta = \{\eta_1^0, \ldots, \eta_7^0\}$  for Step 3 is given by

$$\begin{split} \eta_1^0 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \eta_2^0 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \eta_3^0 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \\ \eta_4^0 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \eta_5^0 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \eta_6^0 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \\ \eta_7^0 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \end{split}$$

and shows us that the vanishing set  $W(A_f, \eta^0) = \{\theta[7, 5](\Omega_f)\}$  and the set  $V(A_f)$  are different. By a computer search we find a transformation matrix  $\gamma \in \operatorname{Sp}_6(\mathbb{F}_2)$  with

$$\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and  $\gamma \circ \eta^0 = \tilde{\eta} = \{\tilde{\eta}_1, \dots, \tilde{\eta}_7\}$  for

$$\tilde{\eta}_{1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \tilde{\eta}_{2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \tilde{\eta}_{3} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\tilde{\eta}_{4} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \tilde{\eta}_{5} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \tilde{\eta}_{6} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\tilde{\eta}_{7} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

such that  $W(A_f, \tilde{\eta}) = \{\theta[5, 5](\Omega_f)\} = V(A_f)$ . So we can produce the output YES and stop.

To apply Algorithm 3.4 we choose the sets

$$\begin{split} S_1^1 &= \{1,2,4,6\}, \quad S_2^1 = \{1,2,5,7\}, \quad S_3^1 = \{1,3,4,6\}, \\ S_4^1 &= \{1,3,5,7\}, \quad S_5^1 = \{2,3,4,6\}, \quad S_6^1 = \{2,3,5,7\}, \\ S_1^2 &= \{1,2,3,5\}, \quad S_2^2 = \{1,2,6,7\}, \quad S_3^2 = \{1,4,3,5\}, \\ S_4^2 &= \{1,4,6,7\}, \quad S_5^2 = \{2,4,3,5\}, \quad S_6^2 = \{2,4,6,7\}, \\ S_1^3 &= \{1,2,3,4\}, \quad S_2^3 = \{1,2,6,7\}, \quad S_3^3 = \{1,5,3,4\}, \\ S_4^3 &= \{1,5,6,7\}, \quad S_5^3 = \{2,5,3,4\}, \quad S_6^3 = \{2,5,6,7\}, \\ S_1^4 &= \{1,2,3,4\}, \quad S_2^4 = \{1,2,5,7\}, \quad S_3^4 = \{1,6,3,4\}, \\ S_4^4 &= \{1,6,5,7\}, \quad S_5^4 = \{2,6,3,4\}, \quad S_6^6 = \{2,6,5,7\}, \\ S_1^5 &= \{1,2,3,5\}, \quad S_5^5 = \{1,2,4,6\}, \quad S_3^5 = \{1,7,3,5\}, \\ S_4^5 &= \{1,7,4,6\}, \quad S_5^5 = \{2,7,3,5\}, \quad S_6^6 = \{2,7,4,6\}. \end{split}$$

Then the roots  $\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_5$  of the Rosenhain model (3–1) have the numerical values shown in the table below. The associated binary form

$$F(X,Y) = X(X-Y) \prod_{i=1}^{5} (X - \lambda_i Y)$$

corresponds to a moduli point  $\mathcal{C} \in \mathcal{H}_3(\mathbb{Q})$  with trivial automorphism group (in the case of real multiplication the automorphism group is always simple since there are no nontrivial roots of unity in  $\mathbb{E}_f$ ).

This Rosenhain model is then fed into Algorithm 4.6. In Step 1 we define the three covariants  $\psi_1 =$ 

 $(k, m)_3 \in \mathcal{K}_3(2, 5)(\mathbb{C}), \ \psi_2 = (k, \psi_1)_2 \in \mathcal{K}_3(2, 7)(\mathbb{C})$ and  $\psi_3 = (k, \psi_2)_2 \in \mathcal{K}_3(2, 9)(\mathbb{C})$  with the help of the covariants  $k = (\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F})_6 \in \mathcal{K}_3(4, 2)(\mathbb{C})$  and m = $(\mathcal{F}, k)_4 \in \mathcal{K}_3(4, 3)(\mathbb{C})$ . For the überschiebung we use the parameter  $\lambda = 1/(h!)^2$ . Then we get with  $I_2 = (\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F})_8 \in \mathcal{I}_3(2)(\mathbb{C})$  the embedded coefficients

$$Q_{l,m} \mapsto \frac{Q_{l,m} I_2^{11-(l+m)}}{\Delta_3^2}, \quad \text{for } l, m = 1, 2, 3,$$

as elements in the algebra  $\mathcal{I}_3[\Delta_3^{-1}]_0(\mathbb{C})$ ; we denoted them by  $Q_{l,m}$  as well.

Using the procedure isolve in Maple we get in Step 2 the irreducible quadratic form  $Q(Z_1, Z_2, Z_3)$  in the diagonalized representation shown at the top of the next page. Therefore we output YES, meaning that C has an affine model over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

For Step 3 we compute the embedded coefficients (fixing the same notation) of the curve  $\mathcal{V}(H)$  by using the embedding

$$H_{l_1,\dots,l_4} \mapsto \frac{H_{l_1,\dots,l_4} I_5 I_2^{12-(l_1+l_2+l_3+l_4)}}{\Delta_3^3}$$

with invariant  $I_5 = (k, m)_4 \in \mathcal{I}_3(5)(\mathbb{C})$ . Using the coordinates  $Z_1, Z_2, Z_3$  for  $X_1, X_2, X_3$  that have diagonalized the quadratic form, we plug in the parametrization and get the squarefree polynomial  $h^{(3)}(T)$  given at the bottom of the next page.

$$\lambda_{1} = \frac{(\theta[1,0](\Omega_{f}) \theta[3,0](\Omega_{f}))^{4} + (\theta[0,0](\Omega_{f}) \theta[2,0](\Omega_{f}))^{4} - (\theta[0,1](\Omega_{f}) \theta[2,1](\Omega_{f}))^{4}}{2 (\theta[1,0](\Omega_{f}) \theta[3,0](\Omega_{f}))^{4}} = 0.83032 - 2.04464i,$$

$$\lambda_{2} = \frac{(\theta[1,2](\Omega_{f}) \theta[3,4](\Omega_{f}))^{4} + (\theta[0,2](\Omega_{f}) \theta[2,4](\Omega_{f}))^{4} - (\theta[0,3](\Omega_{f}) \theta[2,5](\Omega_{f}))^{4}}{2 (\theta[1,2](\Omega_{f}) \theta[3,4](\Omega_{f}))^{4}} = 2.41472 - 1.37352i,$$

$$\lambda_{3} = \frac{(\theta[5,2](\Omega_{f}) \theta[3,4](\Omega_{f}))^{4} + (\theta[4,2](\Omega_{f}) \theta[2,4](\Omega_{f}))^{4} - (\theta[4,3](\Omega_{f}) \theta[2,5](\Omega_{f}))^{4}}{2 (\theta[5,2](\Omega_{f}) \theta[3,4](\Omega_{f}))^{4}} = -1.37026 - 0.83267i,$$

$$\lambda_{4} = \frac{(\theta[5,2](\Omega_{f}) \theta[3,0](\Omega_{f}))^{4} + (\theta[4,2](\Omega_{f}) \theta[2,0](\Omega_{f}))^{4} - (\theta[4,3](\Omega_{f}) \theta[2,1](\Omega_{f}))^{4}}{2 (\theta[5,2](\Omega_{f}) \theta[3,0](\Omega_{f}))^{4}} = -0.15599 - 1.87981i,$$

$$\lambda_{5} = \frac{(\theta[1,2](\Omega_{f}) \theta[1,0](\Omega_{f}))^{4} + (\theta[0,2](\Omega_{f}) \theta[0,0](\Omega_{f}))^{4} - (\theta[0,3](\Omega_{f}) \theta[0,1](\Omega_{f}))^{4}}{2 (\theta[1,2](\Omega_{f}) \theta[1,0](\Omega_{f}))^{4}} = 2.45210 - 0.92310i.$$

Roots of the Rosenhain model (3–1) for the example of Section 5.1.

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\begin{split} Q(Z_1,Z_2,Z_3) &= -310146482690273725409\,Z_1^2 + Z_2^2 + 113922743\,Z_3^2, \text{with squarefree coefficients} \\ Z_1 &= h_1(T) = 5408438734746610874028937383516975917117472 + 47474618257274676699357014108385504\,T^2, \\ Z_2 &= h_2(T) = 88093297856830518212763482347330720171053905689804927 \\ &- 6786519614930089882898902557690696309599959734634\,T - 773272268003856949026968937601254212875245689\,T^2, \\ Z_3 &= h_3(T) = -3393259807465044941449451278845348154799979867317 \\ &- 1546544536007713898053937875202508425750491378\,T + 29785622414876763820982183327918536466419\,T^2. \end{split}
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Quadratic form produced by Step 2 of Algorithm 4.6 for the example of Section 5.1.

The factorization of the discriminant in Step 4, which has over 2000 digits, was carried out using the computer algebra program LiDIA [1996]. We get  $\Delta_3(h^{(3)}(T)) = -2^{236} m^{56} 71^3$ , with

 $m=3\cdot11\cdot59\cdot67\cdot79\cdot149\cdot1993\cdot7187\cdot45757\cdot16215770450329.$ 

Finally, after minimizing this polynomial in Steps 5, 6, and 7, we get an affine model

$$Y^2 = g(T) = T^7 + 3T^6 + 2T^5 - T^4 - 2T^3 - 2T^2 - T - 1$$

for our moduli point  $C \in \mathcal{H}_3(\mathbb{Q})$  with  $\mathcal{J}_C \cong_{\mathbb{C}} A_f$ .

We have investigated 228 three-dimensional simple factors of  $J_0(N)$  up to level  $N \leq 500$ . Only 26 of them were principally polarized. For those factors that are isomorphic to hyperelliptic jacobians of dimension g=3 we have computed the corresponding curve equations with endomorphism fields  $\mathbb{E}_f = \operatorname{End}(A_f) \otimes \mathbb{Q}$  (f denotes here a newform); see Table 1. Our result for N=41 is the same one that appears in [Gonzàlez Rovira 1991;

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h^{(3)}(T) = \sum_{i=0}^{8} h_i^{(3)} T^i \in \mathbb{Z}[T], with coefficients
h_3^{(3)} = 545485656312720261658668387978285496873098732561291294620283260390367935912590603344031205
                         31884519283982507149139230108128357890874000642828718145000\\
6915405047245504450865009231594542643350885484721455686
h_{5}^{(3)} = 790987028435054085783060904170360181468862221473517625495854403566263530462619899648934171 
                            542410693902695032603650101661182395886508813476392
h_{6}^{(3)} = -513961847531856347240393860381315890092669916607668216423675988960751605597684364873850531
                                81625578918264790156206694021859969165064814204
h_7^{(3)} = 221540933088014339204476848833284885332655901902118189341769144664641839349319103761445514
                                 6317987921412272748592467135373560827316824\\
37751674911801455587757292693422566801
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Polynomial produced by Step 3 of Algorithm 4.6 for the example of Section 5.1.

$$N = 41$$

$$\operatorname{curve} = Y^2 = X^8 + 4X^7 - 8X^6 - 66X^5 - 120X^4 - 56X^3 + 53X^2 + 36X - 16$$

$$\Delta_3 = (-1) \cdot 2^{16} \cdot 41^6$$

$$\mathbb{E}_f = \mathbb{Q}(\beta), \text{ with } \beta^3 + \beta^2 - 5\beta - 1 = 0$$

$$D = 148 = 2^2 \cdot 37$$

$$N = 95 = 5 \cdot 19$$

$$\operatorname{curve} = Y^2 = 19X^8 - 262X^7 + 1507X^6 - 4784X^5 + 9202X^4 - 10962X^3 + 7844X^2 - 3040X + 475$$

$$\Delta_3 = 2^{16} \cdot 5^6 \cdot 19^4$$

$$\mathbb{E}_f = \mathbb{Q}(\beta), \text{ with } \beta^3 - \beta^2 - 3\beta + 1 = 0$$

$$D = 148 = 2^2 \cdot 37$$

$$N = 284 = 2^2 \cdot 71$$

$$\operatorname{curve} = Y^2 = X^7 + 3X^6 + 2X^5 - X^4 - 2X^3 - 2X^2 - X - 1$$

$$\Delta_3 = (-1) \cdot 71^3$$

$$\mathbb{E}_f = \mathbb{Q}(\beta), \text{ with } \beta^3 + 3\beta^2 - 3 = 0$$

$$D = 81 = 3^4$$

$$N = 385 = 5 \cdot 7 \cdot 11$$

$$\operatorname{curve} = Y^2 = X^8 + 12X^7 + 68X^6 + 114X^5 + 282X^4 + 176X^3 - 123X^2 - 170X + 25$$

$$\Delta_3 = (-1) \cdot 2^{16} \cdot 5^4 \cdot 7^{19} \cdot 11^6$$

$$\mathbb{E}_f = \mathbb{Q}(\beta), \text{ with } \beta^3 + 4\beta^2 + 2\beta - 2 = 0$$

$$D = 148 = 2^2 \cdot 37$$

**TABLE 1.** Hyperelliptic curves of genus 3 with real multiplication.

Shimura 1995]. More detailed tables can be found in [Weber 1996].

### **5.2. Four-Dimensional Factors of** $J_0(N)$

In this section we mention only the main algorithmic differences from the case g=3. If we consider a generic four-dimensional hyperelliptic factor  $A_f$  of  $J_0(N)$ , the corresponding vanishing set  $W(A_f, \eta^0)$  consists of 10 even theta constants, namely,

$$\begin{split} &\theta[13,9](\Omega_f),\,\theta[7,5](\Omega_f),\,\theta[14,11](\Omega_f),\,\theta[7,13](\Omega_f),\\ &\theta[11,13](\Omega_f),\,\theta[15,5](\Omega_f),\,\theta[14,10](\Omega_f),\\ &\theta[13,11](\Omega_f),\,\theta[15,10](\Omega_f),\,\theta[11,9](\Omega_f) \end{split}$$

(recall the binary notation for thetas on page 281). We define covariants  $\psi_1 = (\mathfrak{F}, k)_8 \in \mathcal{K}_4(2,3)(\mathbb{C}),$   $\psi_2 = (m, \psi_1)_2 \in \mathcal{K}_4(2,5)(\mathbb{C}),$  and  $\psi_3 = (m, \psi_2)_2 \in \mathcal{K}_4(2,7)(\mathbb{C})$  with the help of the covariants

$$k = (\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F})_6 \in \mathcal{K}_4(8, 2)(\mathbb{C}),$$
  
$$m = (\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F})_8 \in \mathcal{K}_4(4, 2)(\mathbb{C}),$$

and choose for the überschiebung the parameter value  $\lambda = (h-1)!/(h!)^3$ . Using the invariant  $I_2 = (\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F})_{10} \in \mathcal{I}_4(2)(\mathbb{C})$  we get an embedding

$$Q_{l,m} \mapsto \frac{Q_{l,m} \cdot I_2^{8-(l+m)}}{\Delta_4}$$

for l, m = 1, 2, 3 into the algebra  $\mathcal{I}_4[\Delta_4^{-1}]_0(\mathbb{C})$ . The embedding of the coefficients of the curve  $\mathcal{V}(H)$  of degree 5 has the form

$$H_{l_1,\dots,l_5} \mapsto \frac{H_{l_1,\dots,l_5} \cdot I_2^{15-(l_1+l_2+l_3+l_4+l_5)}}{\Delta_4^2},$$

for  $l_1, \ldots, l_5 = 1, 2, 3$ . We found 114 four-dimensional simple factors of  $J_0(N)$  up to level  $N \leq 500$ , and 11 of them were principally polarized. Table 2 includes all curve equations with endomorphism

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N = 47
\operatorname{curve} = Y^2 = X^{10} + 6X^9 + 11X^8 + 24X^7 + 19X^6 + 16X^5 - 13X^4 - 30X^3 - 38X^2 - 28X - 11
\Delta_4 = 2^{20} \cdot 47^8
\mathbb{E}_f = \mathbb{Q}(\beta), \text{ with } \beta^4 - \beta^3 - 5\beta^2 + 5\beta - 1 = 0
D = 1957 = 19 \cdot 103
N = 119 = 7 \cdot 17
\operatorname{curve} = Y^2 = X^{10} + 2X^8 - 11X^6 - 14X^5 - 40X^4 - 42X^3 - 48X^2 - 28X - 7
\Delta_4 = 2^{20} \cdot 7^6 \cdot 17^6
\mathbb{E}_f = \mathbb{Q}(\beta), \text{ with } \beta^4 + \beta^3 - 5\beta^2 - \beta + 3 = 0
D = 9301 = 71 \cdot 131
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**TABLE 2.** Hyperelliptic curves of genus 4 with real multiplication.

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N = 59
\text{curve} = Y^2 = X^{12} + 8X^{11} + 22X^{10} + 28X^9 + 3X^8 - 40X^7 - 62X^6 - 40X^5 - 3X^4 + 24X^3 + 20X^2 + 4X - 8
\Delta_5 = (-1) \cdot 2^{24} \cdot 59^9
\mathbb{E}_f = \mathbb{Q}(\beta), \text{ with } \beta^5 - 9\beta^3 + 2\beta^2 + 16\beta - 8 = 0
D = 138136 = 2^3 \cdot 31 \cdot 557
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**TABLE 3.** Hyperelliptic curve of genus 5 with real multiplication.

fields  $\mathbb{E}_f = \operatorname{End}(A_f) \otimes \mathbb{Q}$  (f denoting a newform) up to level  $N \leq 500$ . Our result for N = 47 is the same one found in [Fricke 1924–28, p. 491; Gonzàlez Rovira 1991; Shimura 1995].

# **5.3. Five-Dimensional factors of** $J_0(N)$

Our method is theoretically useful for all  $g \in \mathbb{N}$ . In practice we're restricted to the case  $g \leq 5$  since the computation of the even theta constants requires in practice a precision of approximately  $50\,g$  digits and a great deal of computing time already for g=5 (roughly 55 hours per theta constant on a parallel IBM SP1 with four processors).

The rarity of hyperelliptic factors of  $J_0(N)$  for genus  $g \geq 5$  is another reason for the restriction to  $g \leq 5$ . Up to level  $N \leq 800$  we found only the five-dimensional simple factor  $J_0(59)$ , which belongs to the classical hyperelliptic modular curve  $X_0(59)$ ; see Table 3.

We discuss with the algorithmic differences between the case g=5 and the preceding ones. The vanishing set  $W(A_f, \eta^0)$  of a generic hyperelliptic factor  $A_f$  of  $J_0(N)$  consists of 66 even theta constants, corresponding to the following pairs, where (i, j) stands for  $\theta[i, j](\Omega_f)$ :

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 \begin{array}{l} (30,11),\,(15,10),\,(27,9),\,(15,5),\,(14,10),\,(28,20),\\ (11,29),\,(31,10),\,(29,20),\,(22,19),\,(7,29),\,(13,27),\\ (26,22),\,(19,17),\,(31,20),\,(28,21),\,(13,9),\,(25,21),\\ (26,23),\,(21,25),\,(31,5),\,(14,26),\,(29,11),\,(15,21),\\ (25,19),\,(30,20),\,(7,5),\,(21,19),\,(19,25),\,(25,23),\\ (30,21),\,(25,17),\,(27,22),\,(28,22),\,(13,11),\,(28,23),\\ (11,9),\,(19,29),\,(15,26),\,(23,5),\,(11,13),\,(31,23),\\ (23,18),\,(21,17),\,(7,21),\,(30,10),\,(14,27),\,(14,11),\\ (26,18),\,(21,27),\,(27,13),\,(23,13),\,(7,13),\,(11,25),\\ (29,9),\,(27,18),\,(31,17),\,(26,19),\,(22,27),\,(23,26),\\ (31,29),\,(13,25),\,(19,21),\,(22,18),\,(22,26),\,(29,22). \end{array}
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To define the embedded coefficients of the conic  $\mathcal{V}(Q)$  and the curve  $\mathcal{V}(H)$  of degree 6 we need the covariants  $\psi_1 = (m, n)_3 \in \mathcal{K}_5(2, 5)(\mathbb{C}), \ \psi_2 = (n, \psi_1)_2 \in \mathcal{K}_5(2, 7)(\mathbb{C}), \ \text{and}$ 

$$\psi_3 = (n, \psi_2)_2 \in \mathcal{K}_5(2, 9)(\mathbb{C}),$$

with

$$k = (\mathfrak{F}, \mathfrak{F})_6 \in \mathcal{K}_5(12, 2)(\mathbb{C}),$$
  

$$m = (\mathfrak{F}, k)_{10} \in \mathcal{K}_5(4, 3)(\mathbb{C}),$$
  

$$n = (\mathfrak{F}, \mathfrak{F})_{10} \in \mathcal{K}_5(4, 3)(\mathbb{C}).$$

For the überschiebung we choose the parameter value  $\lambda = 1/(h!)^2$ . Then with the help of the invariant  $I_2 = (\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F})_{12} \in \mathcal{I}_5(2)(\mathbb{C})$  we get the embedding

$$Q_{l,m} \mapsto \frac{Q_{l,m} I_2^{8-(l+m)}}{\Delta_5}$$

for l, m = 1, 2, 3 into the algebra  $\mathcal{I}_5[\Delta_5^{-1}]_0(\mathbb{C})$ . The other embedded coefficients have the form

$$H_{l_1,\dots,l_6} \mapsto \frac{H_{l_1,\dots,l_6}\,I_3\,I_2^{22-(l_1+l_2+l_3+l_4+l_5+l_6)}}{\Delta_5^3},$$

for  $l_1, \ldots, l_6 = 1, 2, 3$ , with the invariant

$$I_3 = (\mathfrak{F}, \mathfrak{F})_6 \in \mathfrak{I}_5(3)(\mathbb{C}).$$

Our result for N = 59 (see Table 3) is the same one found in [Gonzàlez Rovira 1991; Shimura 1995].

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