

Computing Heegner Points ‡

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Ref.: §8.6 of Cohen's new book, Number theory I, II
by Delaunay

• which is almost identical to Watkins's paper

E - elliptic curve over \mathbb{Q}

$$f_E = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n q^n \quad \text{modular form}$$

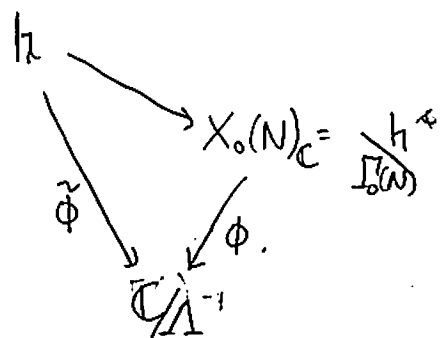
h -

$$\int \tilde{\phi}(\tau) = 2\pi i \int_{i\infty}^{\tau} f_E(z) dz = \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{a_n}{n} q^n$$

$$\mathbb{C}/\Lambda \cong \mathbb{C}/\Lambda$$

$$\downarrow (\vartheta, \vartheta')$$

$$E(\mathbb{C})$$



Heegner Point:

K - qi. field

$\mathcal{M} \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K$ ideal with $\mathcal{O}_K/\mathcal{M} \cong \mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}$

Heegner Point: $\left[\left(\mathbb{C}/\mathcal{O}_K, \mathcal{M}^{-1}/\mathcal{O}_K \right) \right] \in X_0(N)(\mathbb{C}) = \Gamma_0(N) \backslash h$.

Alternative concrete perspective (starting with Birch)

Defn.: $\tau \in h$ is a CM point if τ is a root of an equation

$$Ax^2 + Bx + C = 0 \quad \text{with } A, B, C \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad B^2 - 4AC < 0$$

- If so, choose A, B, C so $\gcd(A, B, C) = 1$ and $A > 0$ - so unique -

The discriminant of τ is $\Delta(\tau) = B^2 - 4AC$.

• $\tau \in h$ is a Heegner point of level N if $\Delta(N\tau) = \Delta(\tau)$.

Prop: (1) If $\gamma \in SL_2(\mathbb{Z})$ then
 $\Delta(\gamma(\tau)) = \Delta(\tau)$
 for all $\tau \in \mathcal{H}$

|| easy to see
 using determinants,
 since $\gamma(\tau)$ corr.
 to conj a matrix by γ , and disc
 is a det.

(2) If $\tau \in \mathcal{H}$ is a Heegner point, so is $\gamma(\tau)$ for all $\gamma \in \Gamma_0(N)$.

Proof of 2: We have $\Gamma_0(N) = \Gamma \cap \begin{pmatrix} N & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \Gamma \begin{pmatrix} N & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ for $\Gamma = SL_2(\mathbb{Z})$

$$N\tau = \begin{pmatrix} N & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}(\tau)$$

Suppose $\gamma \in \Gamma_0(N)$ and write $\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} N & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \gamma' \begin{pmatrix} N & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ for $\gamma' \in SL_2(\mathbb{Z})$

Then $\Delta(\gamma'(N\tau)) = \Delta(N\tau)$ by (1).

But $\gamma' \begin{pmatrix} N & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} N & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \gamma$, so $\Delta(\tau)$ since τ is Heegner point

$$\Delta(\gamma(N\tau)) = \Delta(N(\gamma\tau)) = \Delta(\gamma\tau) \quad \square$$

Prop: Let $\tau \in \mathcal{H}$ be a quadratic irrational, with corresponding quadratic form (A, B, C) of discriminant $D = \Delta(\tau)$.

(τ is a Heegner point of level N)



$N|A$ and any of the following equivalent statements holds:

- $\gcd(\frac{A}{N}, B, CN) = 1$
- $\gcd(N, B, AC/N) = 1$
- $\exists F \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $B^2 - 4NF = D$ with $\gcd(N, B, F) = 1$.

Assume D is a fundamental discriminant, i.e. disc of a maximal order of quad. imag. field, so $D \equiv 0$ or $1 \pmod{4}$
and either $4 \parallel D$, $\frac{D}{4} \equiv 2$ or $3 \pmod{4}$, and $\frac{D}{4}$ is square free
 or D is square free.

Gauss: $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{D})$

$$\underbrace{Cl(K)}_{\substack{\text{(fractional ideals)} \\ \text{principal fractional ideals}}} \xrightarrow{\cong} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{primitive quad forms } (A, B, C) \\ \text{of discriminant } D \end{array} \right\} / SL_2(\mathbb{Z})\text{-equiv.}$$

$$\underbrace{\left[\mathbb{Z} + \frac{-B + \sqrt{D}}{2A} \mathbb{Z} \right]}_{\text{fractional ideal}} \longleftrightarrow (A, B, C)$$

Prop:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Heegner Points of} \\ \text{Discriminant } D \text{ and} \\ \text{Level } N \end{array} \right\} / \Gamma_0(N) \xrightarrow{\cong} \left\{ (\beta, [\alpha]) : \begin{array}{l} \beta \in \mathbb{Z}/2N\mathbb{Z}, \\ [\alpha] \in Cl(K) \end{array} \right\}$$

such that
 $\beta^2 \equiv D \pmod{4N}$
 for all lifts α of β .

$$\tau = \frac{-B + \sqrt{D}}{2A}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} (\beta, [\alpha]) \\ \downarrow \\ (A, B, C) \\ \text{with } B \equiv \beta \pmod{2N} \text{ and } N|A \end{array}$$

$$\tau \leftrightarrow (A, B, C) \longmapsto \begin{array}{l} \beta \equiv B \pmod{2N} \\ \alpha = \mathbb{Z} + \mathbb{Z}\tau \end{array}$$

Recall: $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{D})$

$H =$ Hilbert class field of K \Rightarrow
 $=$ maximal unramified abelian extension of K .

$$\text{Gal}(H/K) \cong \text{Cl}(K)$$

Heegner points in $X_0(N)(H)$.

Theorem:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Gal}(K) & \longrightarrow & \text{Gal}(H/K) \\ \mathfrak{b} & \longmapsto & \text{Artin}(\mathfrak{b}) \end{array}$$

$\tau \Leftrightarrow (\beta, [\alpha])$ Heegner point of level N and discriminant D

$$\varphi((\beta, [\alpha]))^{\text{Artin}(\mathfrak{b})} = \varphi((\beta, [\alpha \mathfrak{b}^{-1}]))$$

Thus

$$y_K = \text{Tr}_{H/K}(\varphi((\beta, [\alpha]))) = \sum_{[\mathfrak{b}] \in \text{Cl}(K)} \varphi((\beta, [\alpha \mathfrak{b}^{-1}]))$$

$$= \sum_{[\mathfrak{b}] \in \text{Cl}(K)} \varphi((\beta, [\mathfrak{b}])).$$

Lemma: In fact if $\epsilon_E = -1$, then $y_K \in E(\mathbb{Q})$, since y_K is fixed by conjugation.

In book: ~~reference~~ reference to reduction, enumeration, etc.