ACTION OF HECKE OPERATORS ON SIEGEL THETA SERIES I

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ABSTRACT. We apply the Hecke operators T(p) and $\widetilde{T}_j(p^2)$ $(1 \le j \le n, p \text{ prime})$ to a degree *n* theta series attached to a rank $2k \mathbb{Z}$ -lattice $L, n \le k$, equipped with a positive definite quadratic form in the case that L/pL is hyperbolic. We show that the image of the theta series under these Hecke operators can be realized as a sum of theta series attached to certain closely related lattices, thereby generalizing the Eichler Commutation Relation (similar to some work of Freitag and of Yoshida). We then show that the average theta series (averaging over isometry classes in a given genus) is an eigenform for these operators. We show the eigenvalue for T(p) is $\epsilon(k - n, n)$, and the eigenvalue for $T'_j(p^2)$ (a specific linear combination of $T_0(p^2), \ldots, T_j(p^2)$) is $p^{j(k-n)+j(j-1)/2}\beta(n,j)\epsilon(k-j,j)$ where $\beta(*,*), \epsilon(*,*)$ are elementary functions (defined below).

1. INTRODUCTION AND STATEMENTS OF RESULTS

Let L be a rank $2k \mathbb{Z}$ -lattice $(k \in \mathbb{Z}_+)$ equipped with a positive definite quadratic form Q. So $L = \mathbb{Z}v_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus \mathbb{Z}v_{2k}$ and with B the symmetric bilinear form associated to Q so that $Q(v) = B(v, v), A = (B(v_i, v_j))$ is a symmetric matrix with

$$Q(a_1v_1 + \dots + a_{2k}v_{2k}) = (a_1 \cdots a_{2k})A\begin{pmatrix}a_1\\\vdots\\a_{2k}\end{pmatrix}.$$

By scaling Q if necessary, we can assume $Q(L) \subseteq 2\mathbb{Z}$ (so L is even integral). Set

$$\theta(L;\tau) = \sum_{C \in \mathbb{Z}^{2k,n}} e\{ {}^{t}CAC\tau \}$$

where $\tau \in \mathcal{H}_n$ (so $\tau = X + iY$, X, Y real, symmetric $n \times n$ matrices with Y > 0) and $e\{*\} = \exp(\pi i Tr(*))$. Then $\theta(L; \tau)$ is a Siegel modular form of weight k, degree n,

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level N and character χ where N is the smallest positive integer so that NA^{-1} is an even integral matrix, and for primes p not dividing N,

$$\chi(p) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } L/pL \text{ is hyperbolic,} \\ -1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(see [1]). Also, one sees that

$$\theta(L;\tau) = \sum_T r(A,T) \ e\{T\tau\}$$

where T varies over all symmetric positive semi-definite even integral $n \times n$ matrices, and

$$r(A,T) = \#\{C \in \mathbb{Z}^{2k,n} : \ ^tCAC = T \}.$$

So $(v_1, \ldots, v_{2k})C$ varies over all $(x_1, \ldots, x_n), x_i \in L$. Let Λ be the (formal) direct sum $\mathbb{Z}x_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus \mathbb{Z}x_n$ equipped with the (possibly semi-definite) quadratic form given by $T = (B(x_i, x_j))$. Let

$$e\{\Lambda\tau\} = \sum_{G} e\{T[G]\tau\}$$

where G varies over $GL_n(\mathbb{Z})$ (or, if k is odd, we equip Λ with an orientation and let G vary over $SL_n(\mathbb{Z})$). Then as the Λ vary, we have

$$\theta(L;\tau) = \sum_{\Lambda} e\{\Lambda\tau\}.$$

When n = 1 and p is a prime not dividing the level N of L, the Eichler Commutation Relation (see [8]; cf. [10]) says that if $\chi(p) = 1$ then

$$\theta(L;\tau)|T(p) = \kappa \sum_{K} \theta(K^{1/p};\tau)$$

where κ is an explicit constant, and K varies over preimages in L of all maximal totally isotropic subspaces of L/pL; here $K^{1/p}$ refers to the lattice K equipped with the scaled quadratic form $\frac{1}{p}Q$. (L/pL) is a quadratic space with induced quadratic form $Q \mod p$; a subspace \overline{C} is totally isotropic if $Q(\overline{C}) = 0$ in $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$.) If $\chi = 1$, then $K^{1/p} \in \text{gen}L$, meaning that for all primes $q, \mathbb{Z}_q K^{1/p} \simeq \mathbb{Z}_q L$, and consequently with

$$\theta(\operatorname{gen} L) = \sum_{\operatorname{cls} L' \in \operatorname{gen} L} \frac{1}{o(L')} \ \theta(L'),$$

o(L') the order of the orthogonal group of L', we have

$$\theta(\operatorname{gen} L)|T(p) = (p^{k-1} + 1) \ \theta(\operatorname{gen} L)$$

If $\chi \neq 1$ then $\theta(\text{gen}L)$ is an eigenform for some of the T(p) and for all $T(p^2)$ (p a prime not dividing the level of L). ($\theta(\text{gen}L)$ is an eigenform for T(p) if $\chi(p) = 1$, and for all primes q|N, either $\left(\frac{p}{q}\right) = 1$ or $\mathbb{Z}_q L$ has no modular components of odd rank.)

So now assume $2 \le n \le k$, and p is a prime not dividing N, the level of L. We have n + 1 Hecke operators associated to p, named T(p), $T_j(p^2)$ $(1 \le j \le n)$. For T one of these operators, there is an associated matrix δ so that

$$F|T = p^{\eta} \sum_{\gamma} F|\delta^{-1}\gamma$$

where γ runs over $(\Gamma \cap \Gamma') \backslash \Gamma$, $\Gamma = \Gamma_1(N)$, $\Gamma' = \delta \Gamma \delta^{-1}$, and p^{η} is a normalizing factor. Here $\delta = \begin{pmatrix} pI_n \\ I_n \end{pmatrix}$ and $\eta = n(k - n - 1)/2$ when T = T(p);

$$\delta = \begin{pmatrix} pI_j & & & \\ & I_{n-j} & & \\ & & \frac{1}{p}I_j & \\ & & & I_{n-j} \end{pmatrix}$$

and $\eta = 0$ when $T = T_j(p^2)$. (Later we normalize particular linear combinations of the $T_j(p^2)$.)

Say F is a degree n, weight k Siegel modular form (with some level and character). For $C \in GL_n(\mathbb{Z})$, $\begin{pmatrix} C^{-1} & \\ & tC \end{pmatrix} \in Sp_n(\mathbb{Z})$; consequently we can write $F(\tau) = \sum_T c(T)e\{T\tau\} = \sum_{C \in \Lambda} c(\Lambda)e^*\{\Lambda\tau\}$

where clsA varies over all isometry classes of even integral rank n positive semidefinite lattices (oriented when k is odd), $e^*{\Lambda\tau} = \sum_C e\{ {}^tCTC\tau \}$ where $\Lambda \simeq T$, $C \in O(T) \setminus GL_n(\mathbb{Z})$ if k is even, and $C \in O^+(T) \setminus SL_n(\mathbb{Z})$ if k is odd. (Here O(T) is the orthogonal group of T.)

Theorem 1.1: Action of Hecke operators on Fourier coefficients.

(1) ([6]) The coefficient of $e^*{\Lambda\tau}$ in F|T(p) is

$$\sum_{p\Lambda\subseteq\Omega\subseteq\Lambda}p^{E(\Lambda,\Omega)}c(\Omega^{1/p})$$

where $E(\Lambda, \Omega) = m(1)k + m(p)(m(p) + 1)/2 - n(n+1)/2$, $m(a) = mult_{\{\Lambda:\Omega\}}(a)$.

(2) ([5]) Set $\widetilde{T}_{j}(p^{2}) = p^{j(k-n-1)} \sum_{0 \leq \ell \leq j} \beta(n-\ell, j-\ell) T_{\ell}(p^{2})$ where $\beta(m,t) = \prod_{i=0}^{t-1} \frac{p^{m-i}-1}{p^{t-i}-1}$, the number of t-dimensional subspaces of an m-dimensional space over $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$, and $T_{0}(p^{2}) = 1$. The coefficient on $e^{*}\{\Lambda\tau\}$ in $F|\widetilde{T}_{j}(p^{2})$ is

$$\sum_{p\Lambda\subseteq\Omega\subseteq\frac{1}{p}\Lambda}p^{E_j(\Lambda,\Omega)}\alpha_j(\Lambda,\Omega)c(\Omega).$$

Here $\alpha_j(\Lambda, \Omega)$ is the number of codimension n - j totally isotropic subspaces of $\Lambda \cap \Omega/p(\Lambda + \Omega)$, and $E_j(\Lambda, \Omega) = k(m(1/p) - m(p) + j) + m(p)(m(p) + m(1) + 1) + m_j(1)(m_j(1) + 1)/2 - j(n + 1), m_j(1) = m(1) - n + j.$

In [5] we proved this by computing a set of coset representatives giving the action of each Hecke operator. We encountered incomplete character sums, so we introduced the modified operators $\widetilde{T}_j(p^2)$. In this paper, we apply these coset representatives to $\theta(L)$, obtaining

Theorem 2.1. Let p be a prime with $\chi(L) = 1$. Set

$$\beta(m,r) = \prod_{i=0}^{r-1} \frac{(p^{m-i}-1)}{(p^{r-i}-1)}$$

(the number of r-dimensional subspaces of an m-dimensional space over $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$), and set

$$\epsilon(m,r) = \prod_{i=0}^{r-1} (p^{m+i}+1).$$

(1) $\theta(L;\tau)|T(p) = \frac{1}{\epsilon(0,k-n)} \sum_{K} \theta(K;\tau/p)$ where K varies over the preimages

in L of all maximal, totally isotropic subspaces of L/pL. (2) Fix j and set

$$u_i = u_i(j) = (-1)^i p^{i(i-1)/2} \beta(n-j+i,i),$$

$$v_i = v_i(j) = (-1)^i \beta(k-n+i-1,i) \epsilon(k-j,i).$$

Then with

$$T'_j(p^2) = \sum_{i=0}^j u_i \widetilde{T}_j(p^2),$$

we have

$$\theta(L)|T'_j(p^2) = \sum_{i=0}^j v_i \left(\sum_{K_{j-i}} \theta(K_{j-i})\right)$$

where K_{j-i} varies over all lattices K satisfying $pL \subseteq K \subseteq \frac{1}{p}L$, $mult_{\{L:K\}}(\frac{1}{p}) = mult_{\{L:K\}}(p) = j - i$, $K \in genL$.

Note that the sets $\{T(p), T_j(p^2)\}, \{T(p), \widetilde{T}_j(p^2)\}, \{T(p), T'_j(p^2)\} \ (0 \le j \le n)$ generate the same (local) Hecke algebra.

Averaging over the isometry classes in the genus of L, we get the average theta series

$$\theta(\text{gen}L) = \frac{1}{\text{mass}L} \sum_{\text{cls}L'} \frac{1}{o(L')} \theta(L')$$

where clsL' varies over genL, o(L') is the order of the isometry group of L', and

$$\mathrm{mass}L = \sum_{\mathrm{cls}L'} \frac{1}{o(L')}.$$

Also, averaging across the equation in the above theorem, we get:

Corollary 2.2. Let p be a prime such that $\chi(p) = 1$. Then

$$\theta(genL;\tau)|T(p) = \epsilon(k-n,n)\theta(genL;\tau).$$

Also,

$$\theta(genL)|T'_{j-i}(p^2) = \lambda_j(p^2) \ \theta(genL)$$

where

$$\lambda_j(p^2) = p^{j(k-n)+j(j-1)/2}\beta(n,j)\epsilon(k-j,j)$$

To prove the theorem, we apply to $\theta(L)$ the coset representatives giving the action of T(p) and of $\widetilde{T}_i(p^2)$. Initially, we have

$$\theta(L;\tau)|T(p) = \sum_{\Lambda \subseteq L} \left(\sum_{p\Lambda \subseteq \Omega \subseteq \Lambda} p^{E(\Omega,\Lambda)} \right) e(\Omega \tau/p)$$
$$= \sum_{\Omega^{\Omega \subseteq L} \atop \Omega^{1/p \text{ integral}}} \left(\sum_{p\Omega \subseteq p\Lambda \subseteq \Omega} p^{E(\Omega,\Lambda)} \right) e\{\Omega \tau/p\},$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \theta(L;\tau)|\widetilde{T}_{j}(p^{2}) &= \sum_{\Lambda \subseteq L} \left(\sum_{\substack{p\Lambda \subseteq \Omega \subseteq \frac{1}{p}\Lambda\\\Omega \text{ integral}}} p^{E_{j}(\Omega,\Lambda)} \alpha_{j}(\Lambda,\Omega) \right) e\{\Omega\tau\} \\ &= \sum_{\substack{\Omega \subseteq \frac{1}{p}L\\\Omega \text{ integral}}} \left(\sum_{\substack{p\Omega \subseteq \Lambda \subseteq (\frac{1}{p}\Omega \cap L)}} p^{E_{j}(\Omega,\Lambda)} \alpha_{j}(\Lambda,\Omega) \right) e\{\Omega\tau\}. \end{aligned}$$

Fixing some integral $\Omega \subseteq L$ or $\Omega \subseteq \frac{1}{p}L$, we will prove this by using elementary lattice techniques to construct all the Λ in the inner sums, as we simultaneously compute $\alpha_j(\Lambda, \Omega)$. First, we decompose Ω as $\frac{1}{p}\Omega_0 \oplus \Omega_1 \oplus p\Omega_2$, $\Omega_i \subseteq L$, with Ω_0, Ω_1 primitive in L mod p, meaning $(\Omega_0 \oplus \Omega_1) \cap pL = p(\Omega_0 \oplus \Omega_1)$. Set $\varphi_\ell(\overline{V}) =$ the number of ℓ -dimensional totally isotropic subspaces of \overline{V} , where \overline{V} is a quadratic space over $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$. (We agree that $\epsilon(m, 0) = 1$.) Also set

$$A_j(\ell, t, \Omega) = p^E \varphi_\ell(\overline{\Omega}_1) \epsilon(k - j + t, j - r_0 - \ell - t) \beta(r_2, j - r_0 - \ell - t)$$

where $\overline{\Omega}_1 = \Omega_1 / p \Omega_1$ and

$$E = E_j(\ell, t, \Omega) = (k - n)(j - r_0 - t) + (j - r_0 - t)(j - r_0 - t - 1)/2 + \ell(\ell + n - j - r_1 + t).$$

Then, as we prove in $\S3$, we get:

Proposition 3.1. (1) Write

$$\theta(L;\tau)|T(p) = \sum_{\Omega} c^*(\Omega)e\{\Omega\tau/p\}$$

where $\Omega \subseteq L$ varies over all lattices with (formal) rank n and $Q(\Omega) \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$; write $\Omega = \Omega_1 \oplus p\Omega_2$, $\Omega_i \subseteq L$, Ω_1 primitive in L modulo p, meaning $\Omega_1 \cap pL = p\Omega_1$. Then

$$c^*(\Omega) = \epsilon(k - n, r_2)$$

where $r_2 = rank\Omega_2$.

(2) Write

$$\theta(L)|\widetilde{T}_{j}(p^{2}) = \sum_{\Omega} c_{j}^{*}(\Omega)e\{\Omega\tau\}$$

where Ω varies over all integral lattices $\Omega \subseteq \frac{1}{p}L$ with (formal) rank n. Decompose Ω as $\frac{1}{p}\Omega_0 \oplus \Omega_1 \oplus p\Omega_1$ where $\Omega_i \subseteq L$, Ω_0, Ω_1 primitive in L modulo p, meaning $(\Omega_0 \oplus \Omega_1) \cap pL = p(\Omega_0 \oplus \Omega_1)$. Then

$$c_j^*(\Omega) = \sum_{\ell,t} A_j(\ell, t, \Omega) \beta(n - j + t, t)$$

where $0 \leq \ell \leq j - r_0$ and $0 \leq t \leq j - r_0 - \ell$, $r_0 = rank\Omega_0$.

Proposition 3.2. Suppose $1 \le j \le n \le k$ and $\chi(p) = 1$ (so L/pL is hyperbolic).

(1) Let K vary over the preimages in L of all maximal, totally isotropic subspaces of L/pL. Then

$$\sum_{K} \theta(K; \tau/p) = \epsilon(0, k-n) \sum_{\Omega} \epsilon(k-n, r_2) e\{\Omega \tau/p\}$$

where Ω vary as in Proposition 3.1 (1), $r_2 = \operatorname{rank}\Omega_2$.

(2) Let K_j vary over all lattices such that $pL \subseteq K_j \subseteq \frac{1}{p}L$, $mult_{\{L:K_j\}}(\frac{1}{p}) = mult_{\{L:K_j\}}(p) = j$, and $K_j \in genL$. Write

$$\sum_{K_j} \theta(K_j) = \sum_{\Omega} b_j(\Omega) e\{\Omega\tau\}$$

where Ω varies as in Proposition 3.1 (2). Then

$$b_j(\Omega) = \sum_{\ell,t} A_j(\ell,t,\Omega) p^{t(t-1)/2} \beta(k-n,t) \epsilon(k-j,t)$$

where $0 \leq \ell \leq j - r_0$ and $0 \leq t \leq j - r_0 - \ell$. The number of K_j in this sum is $p^{j(j-1)/2}\beta(k,j)\epsilon(k-j,j)$.

Critical to proving Proposition 3.2 will be the following:

Lemma 4.1 (Reduction Lemma). Let U be a dimension d space over $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$, \mathbb{H} a hyperbolic plane (so $\mathbb{H} \simeq \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$). Then:

$$\varphi_{\ell}(U \perp \mathbb{H}^{t}) = \sum_{0 \le r \le t} p^{(t-r)(\ell-r)} \epsilon(d+t-\ell,r)\beta(t,r)\varphi_{\ell-r}(U).$$

(Note that the summand on r is 0 unless $r \leq t, \ell$, and thus we can let r vary subject to $r \geq 0$.)

Remark. In [4], Freitag used the theory of singular forms to give a simple description of the action of T(p) on theta series of level 1. Then in [11] and [12] (cf. [9]), Yoshida used representation theory to generalize and extend Freitag's result (omitting the spherical harmonics Freitag allowed) to describe the action of T(p) and of $T_j(p^2)$ on theta series of arbitrary level $(p \not/N)$. Yoshida's formula is presented in a simple form when k = n. While our formulas are presented more simply when $k \neq n$ and our methods are more elementary than those of Yoshida, our methods only allow us to treat $n \leq k$ whereas Yoshida apparently can treat $n \leq 2k$. Also, in this paper we treat only the case $\chi(p) = 1$; in current work we are using the methods of this paper to treat the case $\chi(p) = -1$. We are also investigating the case $k < n \leq 2k$, seeking elementary arguments that yield explicit eigenvalues.

The reader is referred to [1] and [3] for facts about Siegel modular forms, and to [2] and [7] for facts about quadratic forms.

2. Proofs of Theorem 2.1 and Corollary 2.2

Proof of Theorem 2.1. (1) This is easily seen from Propositions 3.1 and 3.2. (2) The theorem states that for all Ω ,

$$\sum_{i=0}^{j} (-1)^{i} p^{i(i+1)/2} \beta(n-j+i,i) c_{j-i}^{*}(\Omega)$$
$$= \sum_{i=0}^{j} (-1)^{i} \beta(k-n+i-1,i) \epsilon(k-j,i) b_{j-i}(\Omega).$$

To establish this, we set $S_0(\Omega) = c_i^*(\Omega) - b_j(\Omega)$, and for $q \ge 1$,

$$S_{q}(\Omega) = S_{q-1}(\Omega) + (-1)^{q} p^{q(q+1)/2} \beta(n-j+q,q) c_{j-q}^{*}(\Omega) + \beta(k-n+q-1,q) \epsilon(k-j,q) b_{j-q}(\Omega).$$

We want to show $S_j = 0$. We use induction on q to show that for q < j,

$$S_q(\Omega) = \sum_{\ell,t} A_{j-(q+1)}(\ell,t,\Omega)\beta(t+q,q)$$
$$\cdot \left[(-1)^q p^{q(q+1)/2}\beta(n-j+t+q+1,t+q+1) - (-1)^q p^{t(t+1)/2}\beta(k-n+q,t+q+1)\epsilon(k-j,t+q+1) \right]$$

where $0 \le \ell \le j - (q+1) - r_0$ and $0 \le t \le j - (q+1) - r_0 - \ell$. Using the formulas for $c_i^*(\Omega)$ and $b_j(\Omega)$, we get

$$S_0(\Omega) = \sum_{\ell,t} A_j(\ell,t,\Omega) \left[\beta(n-j+t,t) - p^{t(t-1)/2} \beta(k-n,t) \epsilon(k-j,t) \right].$$

When t = 0, the summand is 0, and necessarily t=0 when $\ell = j - r_0$. Replacing t by t + 1 and using that $A_j(\ell, t + 1, \Omega) = A_{j-1}(\ell, t, \Omega)$ we establish the claim for q = 0.

Now assume the formula holds for $S_q(\Omega)$; we evaluate $S_{q+1}(\Omega)$ using the above assumption and our formulas for $c_m^*(\Omega)$, $b_m(\Omega)$. We can write $S_{q+1}(\Omega)$ as a sum on ℓ and t; the summand is 0 when t = 0, and we necessarily have t = 0 when $\ell = j - r_0$. Thus we can write $S_{q+1}(\Omega)$ as a sum on $\ell < j - r_0$, t > 0. By Lemma 5.1(b),

$$\begin{split} \beta(n-j+q+1,q+1)\beta(n-j+t+q+1,t) \\ &= \beta(n-j+t+q+1,t+q+1)\beta(t+q+1,t). \end{split}$$

Also, one can easily verify that

$$\beta(t+q+1,t) - \beta(t+q,q) = p^{q+1}\beta(t+q,q+1).$$

We have $\epsilon(j-j, q+1)\epsilon(k-j+q+1, t) = \epsilon(k-j, t+q+1)$, and by Lemma 5.1(d),

$$p^{t}\beta(k-n+q,t+q+1,t+q+1)\beta(t+q,q) - \beta(k-n+q,q+1)\beta(k-n,t) \\ = -\beta(k-n+q+1,t+q+1)\beta(t+q,q+1).$$

Using these identities, replacing t by t + 1, and using that $A_{j-(q+1)}(\ell, t+1, \Omega) = A_{j-(q+2)}(\ell, t, \Omega)$ yields the claim for q < j. In particular,

$$S_{j-1}(\Omega) = (-1)^{j-1} p^{j(j-1)/2} \beta(n,j) - (-1)^{j-1} \beta(k-n+j-1,j) \epsilon(k-j,j).$$

We have $\theta(L)|T_0(p^2) = \theta(L)$ and $K_0 = L$, so $c_0^*(\Omega) = b_0(\Omega) = 1$, and thus the inductive definition shows $S_j(\Omega) = 0$. This proves the theorem. \Box

Proof of Corollary 2.2. (1) This is virtually identical, although a little simpler, than the proof of (2), and so we omit this proof.

(2) With o(L') the order of the orthogonal group for L', we set

$$\theta(\text{gen}L) = \frac{1}{\text{mass}L} \sum_{L'} \frac{1}{o(L')} \theta(L')$$

where $\operatorname{cls} L'$ varies over the isometry classes in $\operatorname{gen} L$, and $\operatorname{mass} L = \sum_{L'} \frac{1}{o(L')}$. Consider the effect averaging over $\operatorname{gen} L$ has on $\sum_{K_m} \theta(K_m)$ where K_m varies over all lattices in $\operatorname{gen} L$ with $pL \subseteq K_m \subseteq \frac{1}{p}L$ and $\operatorname{mult}_{\{L:K_m\}}(1/p) = \operatorname{mult}_{\{L:K_m\}}(p) =$ m. First, note that the condition $\operatorname{mult}_{\{L:K_m\}}(1/p) = m$ is automatically met when the other conditions are met. Then, note that we can classify the K_m into isometry classes; so with $K_m \in \operatorname{cls} K$, we have an isometry σ so that $\sigma(K) = K_m$, meaning $\operatorname{mult}_{\{L:\sigma K\}}(1/p) = \operatorname{mult}_{\{L:\sigma K\}}(p) = m$. Given isometries $\sigma, \sigma', \sigma K = \sigma' K$ if and only if $\sigma^{-1}\sigma' \in O(K)$, the orthogonal group of K. Thus the number of σ that map K to the same lattice is o(K), and so with L fixed,

$$\sum_{K_m} \theta(K_m) = \sum_{\text{cls}K} \frac{\#\{\sigma: \ pL \subseteq K_m \subseteq \frac{1}{p}L, \ \text{mult}_{\{L:\sigma K\}}(p) = m \ \}}{o(K)} \theta(K).$$

Now take the identity of the preceeding theorem and average both sides over $\operatorname{cls} L' \in \operatorname{gen} L$. So with K'_m varying over all lattices in $\operatorname{gen} L' = \operatorname{gen} L$ with

$$\operatorname{mult}_{\{L':K'_m\}}(1/p) = \operatorname{mult}_{\{L':K'_m\}}(p) = m$$

we have

$$\begin{split} \sum_{\operatorname{cls}L'} \frac{1}{o(L')} \sum_{K'_m} \theta(K'_m) \\ &= \sum_{\operatorname{cls}L', \operatorname{cls}K'} \frac{\#\{\sigma: \ pL' \subseteq \sigma K' \subseteq \frac{1}{p}L', \ \operatorname{mult}_{\{L':\sigma K'\}}(p) = m \ \}}{o(L')o(K')} \theta(K') \\ &= \sum_{\operatorname{cls}K'} \Big(\sum_{\operatorname{cls}L'} \frac{\#\{\sigma: \ pK' \subseteq \sigma L' \subseteq \frac{1}{p}K', \ \operatorname{mult}_{\{K':\sigma L'\}}(p) = m \ \}}{o(L')} \Big) \frac{1}{o(K')} \theta(K') \end{split}$$

(the last equality follows from replacing σ by σ^{-1}). The inner sum on L' is the number of lattices $K_m \in \text{gen}L$ so that $pK' \subseteq K_m \subseteq \frac{1}{p}K'$ and $\text{mult}_{\{K':K_m\}}(p) = m$, and by Proposition 3.2, this is $p^{m(m-1)/2}\varphi_m(L/pL)$, and since $L/pL \simeq \mathbb{H}^k$, this is

$$p^{m(m-1)/2}\beta(k,m)\epsilon(k-m,m)$$

Thus

$$\lambda_j = \epsilon(k-j,j) \sum_{i=0}^{j} (-1)^i p^{(j-i)(j-i-1)/2} \beta(k,j-i) \beta(k-n+i-1,i)$$

We claim that the sum on i is equal to

$$p^{j(k-n)+j(j-1)/2}\beta(n,j);$$

we argue by induction on k $(k \ge n \ge j \ge 0)$. For k = 0, this is trivial. So assume k > 0 and the formula holds for k - 1 whenever $k - 1 \ge n \ge j \ge 0$. When j = k

or j = 0 the claim is trivially verified. Thus we now consider k > j > 0. We make use of the easily verified identity

$$\beta(m,r) = \beta(m-1,r) + p^{m-r}\beta(m-1,r-1)$$

(where $m \ge r \ge 1$). This allows us to rewrite:

$$\begin{split} \sum_{i=0}^{j} (-1)^{i} p^{(j-i)(j-i-1)/2} \beta(k,j-i) \beta(k-n+i-1,i) \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{j} (-1)^{i} p^{(j-i)(j-i-1)/2} \beta(k-1,j-i) \beta(k-n+i-1,i) \\ &+ p^{k-1} \sum_{i=0}^{j-1} (-1)^{i} p^{(j-i-1)(j-i-2)/2} \beta(k-1,j-i-1) \beta(k-n+i-1,i) \end{split}$$

and then, by the induction hypothesis

$$= p^{j(k-n)+j(j-1)/2}\beta(n-1,j) + p^{k-1+(j-1)(k-n)+(j-1)(j-2)/2}\beta(n-1,j-1)$$

= $p^{j(k-n)+j(j-1)/2} \left[\beta(n-1,j) + p^{n-j}\beta(n-1,j-1)\right]$

and again using our identity (with n replaced by n-1)

$$= p^{j(k-n)+j(j-1)/2}\beta(n,j). \qquad \Box$$

3. Proofs of Propositions 3.1 and 3.2

Proof of Proposition 3.1. (1) From [5] we know

 $\theta(L;\tau)|T(p)$

$$= p^{n(k-n-1)/2} \sum_{B,C} \theta(L;\tau) \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{p}I_n \\ I_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I_d & B \\ pI_{n-d} & 0 \\ I_d \\ I_{n-d} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} C^{-1} \\ tC \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= p^{-n(n+1)/2} \sum_{\Lambda,G} p^{k(n-d)} e \left\{ T \begin{bmatrix} G \begin{pmatrix} I_d \\ pI_{n-d} \end{bmatrix} C^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \tau/p \right\}.$$

Here $C = C(\Delta')$ varies over all Δ' , $p\Delta \subseteq \Delta' \subseteq \Delta$, Δ a fixed reference lattice of rank $n, \Delta' = \Delta C \begin{pmatrix} pI_d \\ I_{n-d} \end{pmatrix}$; for each such C, B varies over all integral, symmetric, $d \times d$ matrices modulo p; Λ varies over all sublattices of L with (formal) rank $n, \Lambda \simeq T$; and G varies over $GL_n(\mathbb{Z})$ (or, if k is odd, Λ is equipped with an orientation and G varies over $SL_n(\mathbb{Z})$). The sum on B is either 0 or $p^{d(d+1)/2}$, depending on whether the upper left $d \times d$ block of T[G] is 0 modulo p.

Fix d and let \mathcal{G} be the subgroup of $GL_n(\mathbb{Z})$ (or, if k is odd, of $SL_n(\mathbb{Z})$) of all matrices of the form $\begin{pmatrix} E_1 & E_2 \\ pE_3 & E_4 \end{pmatrix}$ with $E_3 \in \mathbb{Z}^{n-d,d}$. Then the cosets of $GL_n(\mathbb{Z})/\mathcal{G}$ (or of $SL_n(\mathbb{Z})/\mathcal{G}$) correspond to the lattices Ω where $p\Lambda \subseteq \Omega \subseteq \Lambda$, $[\Lambda : \Omega] = p^{n-d}$, as the matrices G so that

$$\Omega = \Lambda G \begin{pmatrix} I_d & \\ & pI_{n-d} \end{pmatrix}$$

comprise one coset. Similarly, the matrices $C = C(\Delta')$ give us a complete list of coset representatives for $GL_n(\mathbb{Z})/{}^t\mathcal{G}$ (or for $SL_n(\mathbb{Z})/{}^t\mathcal{G}$), as Δ' varies subject to $p\Delta \subseteq \Delta' \subseteq \Delta$, $[\Delta : \Delta'] = p^d$ (so $\Delta' = \Delta C \begin{pmatrix} pI_d \\ I_{n-d} \end{pmatrix}$ for some C). Consequently as C varies and as G' varies over \mathcal{G} , $C {}^tG'$ varies over $GL_n(\mathbb{Z})$ (or $SL_n(\mathbb{Z})$), and thus so does ${}^tG'C^{-1}$. Hence as G varies over $GL_n(\mathbb{Z})$ (or $SL_n(\mathbb{Z})$),

$$\sum_{G,C} e \left\{ T \left[G \left(\begin{matrix} I_d \\ pI_{n-d} \end{matrix} \right) C^{-1} \right] \tau / p \right\}$$
$$= \sum_{\Omega} \sum_{G',C} e \left\{ T' \left[\begin{matrix} {}^t G' C^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \tau / p \right\}$$

where G' varies over \mathcal{G} , Ω varies over all lattices subject to $p\Lambda \subseteq \Omega\Lambda$, $[\Lambda : \Omega] = p^{n-d}$, and $\Omega \simeq T'$. Thus

$$\theta(L;\tau)|T(p) = p^{-n(n+1)/2} \sum_{\Lambda,\Omega} p^{k(n-d)+d(d+1)/2} e\{\Omega\tau/p\}$$

where Λ varies over all sublattices of L with (formal) rank n, Ω is as above with $Q(\Omega) \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$. So $c^*(\Omega) = p^{-n(n+1)/2} \sum_{\Lambda} p^{k(n-d)+d(d+1)/2}$ where Λ varies over all lattices with (formal) rank n, $\Omega \subseteq \Lambda \subseteq (\frac{1}{p}\Omega \cap L)$. Write $\Omega = \Omega_1 \oplus p\Omega_2$ where $\Omega_1, \Omega_2 \subseteq L, \Omega_1 \cap pL = p\Omega_1$. Thus $\frac{1}{p}\Omega \cap L = \Omega_1 \oplus \Omega_2$, so the Λ correspond to rank n - d subspaces of $\Omega_2/p\Omega_2$ where $[\Lambda : \Omega] = p^{n-d}$. Thus with $r_2 = \operatorname{rank}\Omega_2$, and recalling that $\beta(r_2, r_2 - n + d) = \beta(r_2, n - d)$,

$$c^*(\Omega) = p^{-n(n+1)/2} \sum_{d=0}^{r_2} p^{k(n-d)+d(d+1)/2} \beta(r_2, n-d)$$

(and replacing n - d by d)

$$=\sum_{d=0}^{r_2} p^{(k-n)d+d(d-1)/2} \beta(r_2,d)$$

(and then by Lemma 5.2)

$$=\epsilon(k-n,r_2)$$

(2) We have

$$\theta(L;\tau)|\widetilde{T}_{j}(p^{2}) = \sum_{\substack{\Omega \subseteq \frac{1}{p}L\\\Omega \text{ integral}}} \left(\sum_{p\Omega \subseteq \Lambda \subseteq (\frac{1}{p}\Omega \cap L)} p^{E_{j}(\Omega,\Lambda)} \alpha_{j}(\Lambda,\Omega) \right) e\{\Omega\tau\}.$$

Fix some integral $\Omega \subseteq \frac{1}{p}L$; decompose Ω as $\frac{1}{p}\Omega_0 \oplus \Omega_1 \oplus p\Omega_2$, $\Omega_i \subseteq L$, with Ω_0, Ω_1 primitive in L mod p, meaning $(\Omega_0 \oplus \Omega_1) \cap pL = p(\Omega_0 \oplus \Omega_1)$.

We proceed by constructing all Λ in the above sum on Λ , sorted according to their invariant factors $\{\Omega : \Lambda\}$ in Ω , simultaneously constructing all the subspaces of $\Lambda \cap \Omega/p(\Lambda + \Omega)$ counted by $\alpha_j(\Omega, \Lambda)$.

We have $\Omega \subseteq \frac{1}{p}L$ with Ω integral, so we can decompose Ω as $\Omega = \frac{1}{p}\Omega_0 \oplus \Omega_1 \oplus p\Omega_2$ where $\Omega_0, \Omega_1, \Omega_2 \subseteq L$ with Ω_0, Ω_1 primitive in L modulo p, meaning $(\Omega_0 \oplus \Omega_1) \cap pL = p(\Omega_0 \oplus \Omega_1)$. Since Ω is integral, we must have $Q(\Omega_0) \simeq 0 \pmod{p^2}$ and $B(\Omega_0, \Omega_1) \simeq 0 \pmod{p}$. Note that Ω_0 is only well-determined up to $p(\Omega_1 \oplus \Omega_2)$ and $\Omega_0 \oplus \Omega_1$ is only well-determined up to $p\Omega_2$.

Define $\Delta = \frac{1}{p}\Omega \cap L$; so $\Delta = \Omega_0 \oplus \Omega_1 \oplus \Omega_2$. Also, $\Omega \cap L = \Omega \cap \Delta = \Omega_0 \oplus \Omega_1 \oplus p\Omega_2$, and $p(\Omega + \Delta) = \Omega_0 \oplus p\Omega_1 \oplus p\Omega_2$. Given Λ with $p\Omega \subseteq \Lambda \subseteq (\frac{1}{p}\Omega \cap L)$, we must have

$$\Lambda = \Omega_0 \oplus (\Lambda_1 \oplus p \Lambda_1') \oplus (\Lambda_2 \oplus p \Lambda_2' \oplus p^2 \Lambda_2'')$$

where $\Lambda_1 \oplus \Lambda'_1 = \Omega_1$, $\Lambda_2 \oplus \Lambda'_2 \oplus \Lambda''_2 = \Omega_2$. Notice such Λ is necessarily integral.

We now proceed to construct all such Λ , simultaneously counting the totally isotropic, co-dimension n - j subspaces of

$$\Lambda \cap \Omega/p(\Lambda + \Omega) \simeq (\Lambda_1 \oplus p\Lambda'_2)/p(\Lambda_1 \oplus p\Lambda'_2).$$

Let $r_i = \operatorname{rank}\Omega_i$, $d_1 + d'_1 = r_1$, $d_2 + d'_2 + d''_2 = r_2$. We will construct all Λ so that when decomposed as above, $d_i = \operatorname{rank}\Lambda_i$, $d'_i = \operatorname{rank}\Lambda'_i$, and $d''_2 = \operatorname{rank}\Lambda''_2$.

In $\Delta/p\Delta$, extend $\overline{\Omega \cap \Delta} = \overline{\Omega_0 \oplus \Omega_1}$ to $\overline{\Omega_0 \oplus \Omega_1 \oplus \Delta_2}$ with dim $\Delta_2 = d_2 + d'_2$. (We have $\beta(r_2, d_2 + d'_2) = \beta(r_2, d''_2)$ choices.) Let

$$\Delta' = \text{preimage in } \Delta \text{ of } \overline{\Omega_0 \oplus \Omega_1 \oplus \Delta_2}$$
$$= \Omega_0 \oplus \Omega_1 \oplus (\Delta_2 \oplus p \Lambda_2'')$$

where dim $p\Lambda_2'' = d_2''$. In $\Delta'/p\Delta'$, extend $\overline{\Omega}_0 = \overline{p\Omega}$ to

$$\overline{\Omega_0 \oplus U} \subseteq \overline{\Omega \cap \Delta} = \overline{\Omega_0 \oplus \Omega_1 \oplus p\Lambda_2''}$$

so that \overline{U} is totally isotropic of dimension ℓ and independent of $\overline{p\Delta} = \overline{p\Lambda_2''}$ (later we let ℓ vary). (We have $\varphi_\ell(\overline{\Omega}_1)p^{\ell d_2''}$ choices.) Now extend $\overline{\Omega}_0 \oplus \overline{U}$ to $\overline{\Omega}_0 \oplus \overline{\Lambda}_1 \subseteq \overline{\Omega} \cap \overline{\Delta}$ so that dim $\overline{\Lambda}_1 = d_1$ with $\overline{\Lambda}_1$ independent of $\overline{p\Delta}$. (We have $\beta(r_1 - \ell, d_1 - \ell)p^{(d_1 - \ell)d_2''}$

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choices.) Extend $\overline{\Omega_0 \oplus \Lambda_1}$ to $\overline{\Omega_0 \oplus \Lambda_1 \oplus \Lambda_2}$ with dim $\overline{\Lambda_2} = d_2$ and $\overline{\Lambda_2}$ independent of $\overline{\Omega \cap \Delta} = \overline{\Omega_0 \oplus \Omega_1 \oplus p \Lambda_2''}$. (We have $\beta(d_2 + d'_2, d_2) p^{d_2(d'_1 + d''_2)}$ choices.) So

$$\overline{\Delta}' = \overline{\Omega_0 \oplus (\Lambda_1 \oplus \Lambda_1') \oplus (\Lambda_2 \oplus \Lambda_2' \oplus p\Lambda_2'')}$$

where $\overline{\Delta}_1 = \overline{\Lambda}_1 \oplus \overline{\Lambda}'_1, \ \overline{\Delta}_2 = \overline{\Lambda}_2 \oplus \overline{\Lambda}'_2.$ Now let

$$\begin{split} \Lambda &= \text{preimage in } \overline{\Delta}' \text{ of } \overline{\Omega_0 \oplus \Lambda_1 \oplus \Lambda_2} \\ &= \Omega_0 \oplus (\Lambda_1 \oplus p\Lambda_1') \oplus (\Lambda_2 \oplus p\Lambda_2' \oplus p^2\Lambda_2''). \end{split}$$

As noted above, $\Omega \cap \Lambda/p(\Omega + \Lambda) \simeq \Lambda_1/p\Lambda_1 \oplus p\Lambda'_2/p^2\Lambda'_2$ and $p\Lambda'_2/p^2\Lambda'_2$ is totally isotropic over $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$. Given a dimension ℓ subspace \overline{U} in $\Lambda_1/p\Lambda_1$ with basis $\{x_1, \ldots, x_\ell\}$, there are $\beta(d'_2, d-\ell)p^{\ell(d'_2-d+\ell)}$ dimension $d = d_1 + d'_2 - n + j$ subspaces of $\Lambda_1/p\Lambda_1 \oplus p\Lambda'_2/p^2\Lambda'_2$ that project onto \overline{U} in $\Lambda_1/p\Lambda_1$. So for each Λ , $\alpha_j(\Omega, \Lambda)$ is the number of \overline{U} constructed above, times $\beta(d'_2, d-\ell)p^{\ell(d'_2-d+\ell)}$.

We know that $E_j(\Omega, \Lambda) = j(k-n-1)+k(d_2-r_0-t)+(r_0+t)(n-d_2+1)+d(d+1)/2$. Also, by several applications of Lemma 5.1 (a), we find that

$$\beta(r,a)\beta(r-a,b)\beta(r-a-b,c) = \beta(r,b+c)\beta(b+c,b)\beta(r-b-c,a).$$

Thus with $r = r_2$, $a = d_2''$, $b = d_2$, $c = d - \ell$, and $x = d_2 + d - \ell = j - r_0 - \ell - t$ we have $d = j - r_0 - d_2 - t$ so

$$c_{j}^{*}(\Omega) = p^{j(k-n-1)} \sum_{\ell,d_{2},t} \varphi_{\ell}(\overline{\Omega}_{1}) p^{k(d_{2}-r_{0}-t)+(r_{0}+t)(n-d_{2}+1)+d(d+1)/2+d_{2}t+\ell(\ell-d+r_{2}-d_{2})} \\ \cdot \beta(r_{2},x)\beta(x,d_{2}) \sum_{d_{1}'+d_{2}''=t} p^{d_{2}''(r_{1}-d_{1}'-\ell)} \beta(r_{2}-x,d_{2}'')\beta(r_{1}-\ell,d_{1}').$$

By Lemma 5.1 (c), the sum on $d'_1 + d''_2 = t$ reduces to $\beta(r_1 + r_2 - x - \ell, t) = \beta(n - j + t, t)$. Thus, after substituting for d and simplifying, we have

$$c_j^*(\Omega) = \sum_{\ell,t} \varphi_\ell(\overline{\Omega}_1) p^E \beta(r_2, x) \beta(n - j + t, t)$$
$$\cdot \sum_{d_2} p^{d_2(k - j + t) + d_2(d_2 - 1)/2} \beta(x, d_2)$$

where

$$E = (k-n)(j-r_0-t) + (j-r_0-t)(j-r_0-t-1)/2 + \ell(\ell+n-j-r_1+t).$$

By Lemma 5.2 the sum on d_2 is

$$\prod_{i=1}^{x} (p^{k-r_0-\ell-i}+1) = \epsilon(k-j+t, j-r_0-\ell-t),$$

proving the proposition. \Box

Proof of Proposition 3.2. (1) Let K vary over the preimages in L of all maximal, totally isotropic subspaces \overline{C} of L/pL. We are assuming $\chi(p) = 1$, which means $L/pL \simeq \mathbb{H}^k$, and so there are $\varphi_k(\mathbb{H}^k) = \epsilon(0,k)$ such K. Note that when scaled by 1/p, $K/pK \simeq \mathbb{H}^k$. Thus $\mathbb{Z}_p K^{1/p} \simeq \mathbb{Z}_p L$, and for q any prime not equal to p, $\mathbb{Z}_q K \simeq \mathbb{Z}_q L$. (So if for all q, either all the modular components of $\mathbb{Z}_q L$ are of even rank or $\binom{p}{q} = 1$, then $K^{1/p} \in \text{gen}L$. This is necessarily the case if $\chi = 1$.) Take $\Omega = \Omega_1 \oplus p\Omega_2$, $r_i = \text{rank}\Omega_i$, Ω_1 primitive in L modulo p, $Q(\Omega) \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ (as in Proposition 3.1 (1)). Then $\Omega \subseteq K$ if and only if $\overline{\Omega}_1 \subseteq \overline{C}$ in L/pL. The number of such \overline{C} is the number of ways to extend $\overline{\Omega}_1$ to a dimension k totally isotropic subspace of L/pL. We know $\overline{\Omega}_1 \equiv \text{totally isotropic of dimension } r_1$, so $L/pL = (\overline{\Omega}_1 \oplus \overline{\Delta}_1) \perp \mathbb{H}^{k-r_1}$ where $\overline{\Omega}_1 \oplus \overline{\Delta}_1 \simeq \mathbb{H}^{r_1}$. Thus the number of ways to extend $\overline{\Omega}_1$ to \overline{C} is the number of dimension $k - r_1$ totally isotropic subspaces of \mathbb{H}^{k-r_1} , which is

$$\epsilon(0, k - r_1) = \epsilon(0, k - n + r_2) = \epsilon(0, k - n)\epsilon(k - n, r_2).$$

(2) We now construct all lattices K_j such that $pL \subseteq K_j \subseteq \frac{1}{p}L$, $\operatorname{mult}_{\{L:K_j\}}(p) = \operatorname{mult}_{L:K_j\}}(1/p) = j$, and $K_j \in \operatorname{gen}L$. We count how many K_j contain any given integral $\Omega \subseteq \frac{1}{p}L$. Then we compare $\theta(L)|\widetilde{T}_j(p^2)$ to the sum $\sum_{K_j} \theta(K_j)$.

To construct all K_j , we take a dimension j totally isotropic subspace \overline{C} of L/pL, and let K' be the preimage in L of \overline{C} . The number of choices for \overline{C} is $\varphi_j(L/pL)$. Since L/pL is regular, there is some \overline{D} so that $\overline{C} \oplus \overline{D} \simeq \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I \\ I & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ (over $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$). So $\overline{C} \oplus \overline{D}$ is regular and thus splits L/pL: $L/pL = (\overline{C} \oplus \overline{D}) \perp \overline{J}$. So $K' = (C \oplus pD) \oplus pJ$, and in K'/pK' (scaled by 1/p), $\overline{pJ} = \operatorname{rad} K'/pK'$. Also, $\overline{C} \oplus p\overline{D} \simeq \mathbb{H}^j$ ($\mathbb{H} \simeq \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ a hyperbolic plane) and \overline{pD} is totally isotropic. Thus there is a totally isotropic $\overline{C'}$ so that $\overline{C' \oplus pD} = \overline{C \oplus pD}$.

In fact, the number of such $\overline{C'}$ is the number of dimension \underline{j} totally isotropic sub spaces of $\overline{C \oplus pD}$ (scaled by 1/p) that are independent of \overline{pD} . To count, choose isotropic $\overline{x}_1 \in \overline{C \oplus pD}$, $\overline{x}_1 \notin \overline{pD}$ (we have $(p^j - 1)(p^{j-1} + 1)$ choices); then choose any $\overline{y}_1 \in \overline{pD}$ so that $\langle \overline{x}_1, \overline{y}_1 \rangle \simeq \mathbb{H}$. (So $\overline{C \oplus pD} = \langle \overline{x}_1, \overline{y}_1 \rangle \perp W$, $W \simeq \mathbb{H}^{j-1}$.) Then for $1 < i \leq j$, we have $\overline{C \oplus pD} = \langle \overline{x}_1, \overline{y}_1, \dots, \overline{x}_{i-1}, \overline{y}_{i-1} \rangle \perp (\overline{C_i \oplus D_i})$, $\langle \overline{x}_1, \overline{y}_1, \dots, \overline{x}_{i-1}, \overline{y}_{i-1} \rangle \simeq \mathbb{H}^{i-1}$, $\overline{C}_i \subseteq \overline{D}$, and $\overline{pD_i} \subseteq \overline{pD}$. Choose isotropic $\overline{x}_i \in$ $\langle \overline{x}_1, \dots, \overline{x}_{i-1} \rangle^{\perp} = \overline{x}_i \in \langle \overline{x}_1, \dots, \overline{x}_{i-1} \rangle \perp (\overline{C}_i \oplus \overline{pD_i})$, $\overline{x}_i \notin \langle \overline{x}_1, \dots, \overline{x}_{i-1} \rangle \oplus \overline{pD_i}$, and choose $\overline{y}_i \in \overline{pD}$, $\overline{y}_i \notin \langle \overline{y}_1, \dots, \overline{y}_{i-1} \rangle$, so that $\langle \overline{x}_i, \overline{y}_i \rangle \simeq \mathbb{H}$. When counting the number of $\overline{C'} = \langle \overline{x}_1, \dots, \overline{x}_j \rangle$, the choices of \overline{y}_i are inconsequential, and we find that the number of (ordered) bases $\overline{x}_1, \dots, \overline{x}_j$ we construct is

$$\prod_{i=0}^{j-1} p^i (p^{j-i} - 1)(p^{j-i-1} + 1) - p^i (p^{j-i} - 1).$$

The number of $\overline{C'}$ is this divided by $\prod_{i=0}^{j-1} p^i (p^{j-i} - 1)$, the number of bases for any given $\overline{C'}$. Thus the number of $\overline{C'}$ is $p^{j(j-1)/2}$.

Let pK_j be the preimage in K' of $\overline{C'}^{\perp} = \overline{C' \oplus pJ}$. Thus $L = C' \oplus D \oplus J$ and $K_j = \frac{1}{p}C' \oplus pD \oplus J$; since $\overline{C'}$ is totally isotropic in K'/pK' (which is scaled by 1/p), we have $Q(C') \equiv 0 \pmod{p^2}$. Also, in L/pL we have $B(\overline{C}, \overline{J}) = 0$, so $B(C, J) \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$. Hence K_j is integral.

Now fix K_j and, as in the preceeding section, fix integral $\Omega \subset \frac{1}{p}L$, and decompose Ω as $\frac{1}{p}\Omega_0 \oplus \Omega_1 \oplus p\Omega_2$, $\Omega_0, \Omega_1, \Omega_2 \subseteq L$, with Ω_0, Ω_1 primitive in L modulo p. We want to determine when $\Omega \subseteq K_j$. First note that to have $\Omega \subseteq K_j$, we need $\overline{\Omega}_0 \subseteq \overline{C}$ in L/pL; when this holds, $\overline{\Omega}_0$ must extend to $\overline{C'}$ since $\overline{\Omega}_0$ is totally isotropic in K'/pK'. Also, for $x \in L$, we have $x \in K_j$ if and only if $x \notin D + pL$; so $x \in K_j$ if and only if in L/pL, $\overline{x} \in \overline{C} \oplus \overline{J} = \overline{C}^{\perp}$. Consequently $\Omega \subseteq K_j$ if and only if in $L/pL, \overline{\Omega}_0 \subseteq \overline{C} \subseteq \overline{\Omega}_1^{\perp}$ and in $K'/pK', \overline{\Omega}_0 \subseteq \overline{C'}$.

Now we count the number of K_j containing a given Ω . Counting the number of ways to extend $\overline{\Omega}_0$ to $\overline{C'}$ in K'/pK' is essentially identical to counting the $\overline{C'}$, giving us $p^{(j-r_0)(j-r_0-1)/2}$ choices. Thus we are left with counting the number of ways to extend $\overline{\Omega}_0$ to a dimension j totally isotropic subspace $\overline{C} \subseteq \overline{\Omega}_1^{\perp}$ in L/pL. First observe that $L/pL = (\overline{\Omega_0 \oplus \Delta_0}) \perp \overline{J}$ for some totally isotropic subspace Δ_0 with $\overline{\Omega_0 \oplus \Delta_0} \simeq \mathbb{H}^{r_0}$ $(r_0 = \dim \overline{\Omega}_0)$. Since L/pL is regular, so is \overline{J} , and since $\overline{\Omega}_1 \subseteq \overline{\Omega}_0^{\perp} = \overline{C \oplus J}$ with $\overline{\Omega}_1$ independent of $\overline{\Omega}_0$, we can choose $\overline{\Delta}_0$ and \overline{J} so that $\overline{\Omega}_1 \subseteq \overline{J}$. So extending $\overline{\Omega}_0$ to $\overline{C} \subseteq \overline{\Omega}_1^{\perp}$ is equivalent to choosing a dimension $j - r_0$ totally isotropic subspace of $\overline{\Omega}_1^{\perp} \cap \overline{J}$. Let $\overline{R} = \operatorname{rad}(\overline{\Omega}_1^{\perp} \cap \overline{J}; \operatorname{thus} \overline{\Omega}_1^{\perp} \cap \overline{J} = \overline{R} \perp \overline{U}$ where \overline{U} is regular. Since \overline{J} is regular, we have $\overline{J} = (\overline{R} \oplus \overline{R'}) \perp \overline{U} \perp \overline{U'}$ where $\overline{R} \oplus \overline{R'} \simeq \mathbb{H}^s$ where $s = \dim \overline{R}$, and $\overline{U'}$ is regular. Also, $\overline{\Omega}_1^{\perp} \cap \overline{J} = \overline{R} \perp \overline{U'}$, and this has dimension $2(k - r_0) - r_1$. We know $\overline{U} \perp \overline{U'}$ is regular, and it is hyperbolic exactly when L/pL is. Thus if \overline{U} is hyperbolic, $\overline{U'}$ is hyperbolic exactly when L/pLis. Recalling that the number of dimension ℓ totally isotropic subspaces of an odd dimensional, regular space depends only on its dimension, we find

$$\varphi_{j-r_0}(\overline{\Omega}_1^{\perp} \cap \overline{J}) = \begin{cases} \varphi_{j-r_0}(\overline{\Omega}_1 \perp \mathbb{H}^{k-r_0-r_1}) & \text{if } L/pL \simeq \mathbb{H}^k, \\ \varphi_{j-r_0}(\overline{\Omega}_1 \perp \mathbb{H}^{k-r_0-r_1-1} \perp \mathbb{A} & \text{if } \Lambda/pL \simeq \mathbb{H}^{k-1} \perp \mathbb{A}. \end{cases}$$

(Recall that we have assumed $n \leq k$, thus $\dim \overline{U}' \geq \dim \overline{U}$. Also, here \mathbb{A} denotes an anisotropic plane, i.e. $\mathbb{A} \simeq \langle 1, -\delta \rangle$ where $\left(\frac{\delta}{p}\right) = -1$.) So when $L/pL \simeq \mathbb{H}^k$, the number of K_j containing Ω is

$$b_j(\Omega) = p^{(j-r_0(j-r_0-1)/2}\varphi_{j-r_0}(\overline{\Omega}_1 \perp \mathbb{H}^{k-r_0-r_1})$$

and by the Reduction Lemma (Lemma 4.1),

$$= p^{(j-r_0(j-r_0-1)/2} \sum_{\ell} \varphi_{\ell}(\overline{\Omega}_1) p^{\ell(k-j-r_1+\ell)} \\ \cdot \epsilon(k-j, j-r_0-\ell) \beta(k-r_0-r_1, j-r_0-\ell).$$

On the other hand,

$$\sum_{\ell,t} A_j(\ell,t,\Omega) p^{t(t-1)/2} \beta(k-n,t) \epsilon(k-j,t)$$

= $\sum_{\ell} p^{(j-r_0(j-r_0-1)/2+\ell(k-j-r_1+\ell))} \varphi_\ell(\overline{\Omega}_1) \epsilon(k-j,j-r_0-\ell)$
 $\cdot \sum_t p^{(k-n-t)(j-r_0-\ell-t)} \beta(k-n,t) \beta(r_2,j-r_0-\ell-t)$

and by Lemma 5.1(c)

$$= p^{(j-r_0(j-r_0-1)/2} \sum_{\ell} \varphi_{\ell}(\overline{\Omega}_1) p^{\ell(k-j-r_1+\ell)}$$
$$\cdot \epsilon(k-j, j-r_0-\ell) \beta(k-r_0-r_1, j-r_0-\ell)$$
$$= b_j(\Omega). \qquad \Box$$

4. PROOF OF LEMMA 4.1 (THE REDUCTION LEMMA)

Say V is isometric to a hyperbolic plane orthogonal to U. Take W to be a totally isotropic, dimension ℓ subspace of $U \perp V$. Then $W = \langle u_1 + v + 1, \ldots, u_\ell + v_\ell \rangle$ where $u_i \in U, v_i \in V$. Consider $W' = \langle u_1, \ldots, u_\ell \rangle$ (so W' is the projection of W onto U). We cannot have u_1 and u_2 equal to 0, for this would require $\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle$ to be totally isotropic of degree 2. So assume $u_2 \neq 0$.

We want to examine how many W project to the same W'. Suppose first that $W' = \langle u_2, \ldots, u_\ell \rangle$ has dimension $\ell - 1$. Then v_1 must be (nonzero and) isotropic in V with $B(v_1, v_i) = B(v_1, u_i + v_i) = 0$ for all $i \geq 2$. Since $\langle v_1 \rangle^{\perp} = \langle v_1 \rangle$ when v_1 is isotropic (recall that V is a hyperbolic plane), we must have $v_i \in \langle v_1 \rangle$ for all $i \geq 2$ and hence

$$W' = < v_1, u_2, \ldots, u_\ell > .$$

Since there are 2 isotropic lines $\langle v_1 \rangle$ in V, there are 2 subspaces W that project onto this W'. Notice that $\langle u_2, \ldots, u_\ell \rangle$ must be totally isotropic.

Now say $W' = \langle u_1, u_2, \ldots, u_\ell \rangle$ is totally isotropic of dimension ℓ . Then $Q(v_i) = Q(u_i + v_i) = 0$ for all i and $B(v_i, v_j) = B(u_i + v_i, u_j + v_j) = 0$. Hence the v_i all lie on the same isotropic line. Thus there are p^ℓ spaces W that project onto this W' with v_i on a given line; one of these W is W'. Hence there are $2p^{\ell} - 1$ distinct W that project onto W'.

Say W' has dimension ℓ , W' $\simeq < \varepsilon > \perp < 0, \ldots, 0 >$ with $\varepsilon \neq 0$. Then $Q(v_1) = -Q(u_1) = -\varepsilon$, $Q(v_i) = 0$ for all $i \ge 2$, and $B(v_1, v_i) = 0$ for all $i \ge 2$. There are

(p-1)/2 anisotropic lines in V that represent squares, and (p-1)/2 that represent non-squares. Each anisotropic line represents a nonzero value either twice or not at all. So there are p-1 vectors $v_1 \in V$ with $Q(v_1) = -\varepsilon$. For such $v_1, < v_1 >^{\perp}$ is anisotropic, so $v_2, \ldots, v_{\ell} = 0$. Thus there are p-1 dimension ℓ , totally isotropic spaces W that project onto W'.

Finally, say W' has dimension ℓ with $W' \simeq \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \perp < 0, \ldots, 0 >$. Then $Q(v_1) = Q(u_1 + v_1) = 0 = Q(u_2 + v_2) = Q(v_2) = 0, B(v_1, v_2) = -B(u_1, u_2) = -1,$ $B(v_1, v_i) = B(v_2, v_i) = 0$ for all $i \geq 3$. So v_1, v_2 span V, and $v_3, \ldots, v_\ell \in < v_1, v_2 >^{\perp} = \{0\}$. Given u_1, u_2 , there are 2(p-1) isotropic v_1 in V; having chosen v_1 , there is exactly one isotropic $v_2 \in V$ so that $B(v_1, v_2) = -1$. Thus ther are 2(p-1) spaces W that project onto W'.

We can classify all dimension ℓ , totally isotropic W in $U \perp V$ by their projections onto U. We have:

$$\begin{split} \varphi_{\ell}(U \perp \mathbb{H}) &= 2 \cdot \# \{ \dim \ell - 1, \text{totally isotropic } W' \subseteq U \} \\ &+ (2p^{\ell} - 1) \cdot \# \{ \dim \ell, \text{totally isotropic } W' \subseteq U \} \\ &+ (p - 1) \cdot \# \{ \dim \ell \ W' \subseteq U, W' \simeq \langle \varepsilon \rangle \perp \langle 0, \dots, 0 \rangle \} \\ &+ 2(p - 1) \cdot \{ \dim \ell \ W' \subseteq U, W' \simeq \mathbb{H} \perp \langle 0, \dots, 0 \rangle \}. \end{split}$$

On the other hand, we can take each dimension $\ell - 1$ totally isotropic $U' \subseteq U$ and extend to a dimension ℓ subspace $W' \subseteq U$. We get:

$$\begin{split} \varphi_{\ell-1}(U)\beta(\dim U+1-\ell,1) \\ &= \#\{(U',W'): \ U',W' \subseteq U, \dim U' = \ell - 1, \dim W' = \ell, U' \text{ totally isotropic}\} \\ &= \#\{\dim \ell, \text{ totally isotropic } W' \subseteq U\}\beta(\ell,\ell-1) \\ &+ \#\{\dim \ell \ W' \subseteq U,W' \simeq < \varepsilon > \bot < 0, \dots, 0 > \} \\ &+ \#\{\dim \ell \ W' \subseteq U,W' \simeq \mathbb{H} \perp < 0, \dots, 0 > \} \cdot 2. \end{split}$$

Therefore

$$\varphi_{\ell}(U \perp \mathbb{H}) - (p-1)\varphi_{\ell-1}(U)\beta(\dim U + 1 - \ell, 1)$$
$$= 2\varphi_{\ell-1}(U) + p^{\ell}\varphi_{\ell}(U),$$

that is, $\varphi_{\ell}(U \perp \mathbb{H}) = (p^{\dim U + 1 - \ell} + 1)\varphi_{\ell - 1}(U) + p^{\ell}\varphi_{\ell}(U).$

This shows that the proposition holds for t = 1. Now we argue by induction on t. We know the identity holds for all ℓ when t = 1. Take t > 1. Using the induction hypothesis and our formula for $\varphi_*(U \perp \mathbb{H})$, we get

$$\varphi_{\ell}(U \perp \mathbb{H}^{t}) = \varphi_{\ell}((U \perp \mathbb{H}) \perp \mathbb{H}^{t-1})$$
$$= \sum_{0 \le r \le t-1} p^{(t-1-r)(\ell-r)} \epsilon(d+1+t-\ell,r)\beta(t-1,r)$$
$$\cdot (\epsilon(d+1+r-\ell,1)\varphi_{\ell-r-1}(U) + p^{\ell-r}\varphi_{\ell-r}(U)).$$

Split this into two sums on r, and in the first replace r by r-1. Then we have a linear combination of the $\varphi_{\ell-r}(U)$; the coefficient on $\varphi_{\ell}(U)$ is $p^{t\ell}$, the coefficient on $\varphi_{\ell-t}(U)$ is $\epsilon(d+t-\ell,t)$, and for 0 < r < t, the coefficient on $\varphi_{\ell-r}(U)$ is

$$p^{(t-r)(\ell-r)} \frac{\beta(t-1,r-1)}{(p^r-1)} \epsilon(d+t+1-\ell,r-1)$$

$$\cdot \left[p^{t-r}(p^r-1)(p^{d+r-\ell}+1) + (p^{t-r}-1)(p^{d+t+r-\ell}+1) \right]$$

$$= p^{(t-r)(\ell-r)}\beta(t,r)\epsilon(d+t-\ell,r).$$

The lemma now follows.

5. Supplementary Lemmas

Lemma 5.1.

- (a) $\beta(r,m)\beta(r-m,m') = \beta(r,m')\beta(r-m',m).$ (b) $\beta(r,m)\beta(r-m,m') = \beta(r,m+m')\beta(m+m',m).$ (c) $\sum_{0 \le d \le r} p^{d(r-t+d)}\beta(r,t-d)\beta(r',d) = \beta(r+r',t).$
- (d) $\beta(r-m+1,m'+1)\beta(r+1,m) \beta(m+m',m')\beta(r+1,m+m'+1) = p^{m'+1}\beta(m+m',m'+1)\beta(r+1,m+m'+1).$

Proof. (a) Use that

$$\beta(r,m) = \prod_{i=0}^{m-1} \frac{p^{r-i} - 1}{p^{m-i} - 1}.$$

(b) Choose an m + m'-dimensional subspace of an r-dimensional space by first choosing an m-dimensional subspace, then extending that to a m + m'-dimensional space. Thus each m + m'-dimensional subspace is constructed $\beta(m + m', m) = \beta(m + m', m')$ times, proving identity (b).

(c) Let $r = \dim V$, $r' = \dim V'$. We construct all dimension t subspaces of $V \oplus V'$ by first choosing a dimension t - d subspace J of V (we have $\beta(r, t - d)$ choices for each d, $0 \le d \le t$), then we extend J to $J \oplus J'$ where dim J' = d and J' is independent of V (we have $p^{d(r-t+d)}\beta(r', d)$ choices.

(d) Begin with the identity from (b). Thus

$$\beta(r-m+1,m'+1)\beta(r+1,m) - \beta(m+m',m')\beta(r+1,m+m'+1) = \beta(r+1,m+m'+1)[\beta(m+m'+1,m'+1) - \beta(m+m',m')].$$

Using the formula for $\beta(*,*)$ (or arguing combinatorially), one easily verifies that $\beta(m+m'+1,m'+1) - \beta(m+m',m') = p^{m'+1}\beta(m+m',m'+1)$. Substituting this value in the previous equation yields the result. \Box

Lemma 5.2.

$$\sum_{0 \le d \le m} p^{d(y-m)+d(d-1)/2} \beta(m,d) = \prod_{i=1}^m (p^{y-i}+1) = \epsilon(y-m,m).$$

Proof. We argue by induction on m, first noting that the identity trivially holds for m = 0, 1. Take $m \ge 1$. Then

$$\sum_{0 \le d \le m+1} p^{d(d-m-1)+d(d-1)/2} \beta(m+1,d)$$

= 1 + p^{(m+1)(y-m-1)+m(m+1)/2}
+ $\sum_{1 \le d \le m} p^{d(y-m-1)+d(d-1)/2} \left(\beta(m,d) + p^{m-d}\beta(m,d-1)\right)$

by (c) of Lemma 5.1 and with y' = y - 1,

$$= (p^{y'} + 1) \sum_{0 \le d \le m} p^{d(y'-m) + d(d-1)/2} \beta(m, d)$$

and by the induction hypothesis

$$= (p^{y'} + 1) \prod_{i=1}^{m} (p^{y'-i} + 1)$$
$$= \prod_{i=1}^{m+1} (p^{y-i} + 1).\Box$$

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