

MODULAR FORMS EXAMPLE SHEET 3

1. Let $M_k(\mathbb{Z})$ be the space of modular forms of weight k with integral q -expansions. Show that the graded ring:

$$\bigoplus M_k(\mathbb{Z})$$

is generated over \mathbb{Z} by E_4 , E_6 , and Δ .

- 2a. Show that the map $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})$ is surjective, for any $N > 1$.

- 2b. Show that the map $\mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})$ is not surjective, for any $N > 6$.

3. Compute the matrix of the Hecke operator T_2 acting on S_{24} with respect to the basis $E_4^3\Delta, \Delta^2$ of S_{24} , and show that its characteristic polynomial is irreducible. What does this mean about the eigenforms of level 24?

4. Let V be a *three* dimensional real vector space, and let \mathcal{L} denote the space of lattices in V . For a, b positive integers with a dividing b , define a correspondence $T_{a,b}$ on \mathcal{L} by letting $T_{a,b}L$ be the sum of the sublattices $L' \subset L$ such that L/L' is isomorphic to $\mathbb{Z}/a \times \mathbb{Z}/b$.

- 4a. Show that if $(b, b') = 1$, then $T_{a,b}T_{a',b'} = T_{aa',bb'}$.

- 4b. Fix a prime p , and express T_{1,p^2} , T_{1,p^3} , and T_{p,p^2} as polynomials in $T_{1,p}$, $T_{p,p}$, and the “rescaling by p ” operator R_p .