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Talk ^{Alg.} ~~Arithmetic~~ cycles on ^{Picard} moduli spaces of abelian varieties, ~~off~~
Road type

Joint with S. Kudla.

(1) Moduli space.

$k =$ imag-quadr. field, $\mathcal{O}_k$.

Fix $n \geq 1$ and r with $0 \leq r \leq n$.

$M(n-r, r) =$ moduli space over $\mathcal{O}_k$, parametrizing tuples (A, λ)

where $(A, \lambda) =$ princ. polar. abelian var. of dim n

$\alpha: \mathcal{O}_k \rightarrow \text{End}(A)$ action of $\mathcal{O}_k$.

s.t.

(i) $\text{Rosati}_\lambda|_{\alpha(\mathcal{O}_k)} = \text{conj. on } \mathcal{O}_k$

(ii) $\det(\alpha(x)|_{\text{Lie } A}) = (T-x)^{n-r} (T-\bar{x})^r, \forall x \in \mathcal{O}_k$

Represented by DM / stack ^{smooth} $\mathcal{V}$ of relative dimension $(n-r)r$
over $\text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_k$

over  smooth over $\text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_k[[2\Delta]]$.

Example: $n=1, r=0$ i.e.

$M_0 = \{ \text{elliptic curves w. CM by } \mathcal{O}_k \}$

Then $|M_0| = \text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_H$.

We are especially interested in $M(n-1, 1)$.

Complex uniformization of $M(n-1, 1)$: Make simplifying assumption:

$h_k = 1$ and if n even then $2 \nmid \Delta$.

Fix $\tau : k \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}$. Then ← orbifold.

$$M(n-1, 1)(\mathbb{C}) = [\Gamma(L) \backslash \mathcal{D}(L)],$$

where $L =$ (unique up to iso) selfdual hermit. $\mathcal{O}_k$ -lattice of rank n , of sign $(n-1, 1)$.

$$\Gamma(L) = \text{Aut}(L)$$

$$\mathcal{D}(L) = \text{space of negative lines in } L \otimes_{k, \tau} \mathbb{C}$$

$n=3$: Picard

$\approx$ complex unit ball of dim $n-1$.

Special subvarieties of $[\Gamma(L) \backslash \mathcal{D}(L)]$: Fix $x \in L$ with $(x, x) > 0$

$$\mapsto [\Gamma(L)_x \backslash \mathcal{D}(L)_x] \hookrightarrow [\Gamma \backslash \mathcal{D}],$$

where

$$\mathcal{D}(L)_x = \{ l \in \mathcal{D} \mid l \perp x \}$$

$$\Gamma(L)_x = \text{Stab}_{\Gamma}(x).$$

Divisor, roughly like $M(n-2, 1)$

More convenient to fix $t \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ and consider

$$\left[\Gamma(L) \setminus \coprod_{(x,x)=t} \mathcal{G}(L)_x \right] \xrightarrow{\text{unramified.}} [\Gamma \setminus \mathcal{G}].$$

More generally, let $m \leq n-1$ and $T \in \text{Herm}_m(\mathcal{O}_k)_{>0}$

$$m, \left[\Gamma(L) \setminus \coprod_{(\underline{x}, \underline{x})=T} \mathcal{G}(L)_{\text{span}(\underline{x})} \right]$$

codimension m alg. cycle.

If $m=n-1$, then get points, and can form generating series with mult. of these points, etc. (Kudla-Hallson).

We are interested in arithmetic version of these alg. cycles.

They will only exist after base change to HCF,

so form

$$\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{M}(n-1, 1) \times_{\text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_k} \mathcal{M}_0.$$

Let $(A, \lambda, \iota), (E, \lambda_0, \iota_0) \in \mathcal{M}(S)$, S connected.

Free $\mathcal{O}_k$ -module $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_k}(E, A)$ with positive hermitian form $h(x, y) = \lambda_0^* \circ y \circ \lambda_0 \circ x \in \mathcal{O}_k$.

For $t > 0 \mapsto Z(t) = \{ (A, \lambda, z), (E, \lambda_0, z_0), x: E \rightarrow A \mid$
 $h(x, x) = t \}$.

Prop.: $Z(t)$ is a relative divisor in $\mathcal{M}$, at least over $\mathcal{O}_k[[2\Delta]]$.

NB: if $t=1$, then x defines decomp. $A = E \times A'$,

hence roughly $Z(1) = \text{locus in } \mathcal{M} \text{ where } A \text{ splits off } E$.

More generally, for $T \in \text{Herm}_m(\mathcal{O}_k) \mapsto Z(T)$.

Recursive property: $Z(t_1) \cap \dots \cap Z(t_m) = \coprod_{\text{diag}(T) = (t_1, \dots, t_m)} Z(T)$.

Dimension: ~~Wrong~~: $T \in \text{Herm}_m(\mathcal{O})_{>0}$. Then $Z(T)_{\mathbb{C}}$
 has pure codimension m in $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{C}}$.

Since $\dim(\mathcal{M}) = n$, would naively expect that for

$T \in \text{Herm}_n(\mathcal{O}_k)_{>0}$, the cycle $Z(T)$ is finite.

Totally wrong! ^{for $n > 2$} depends on p -divis. of T .

Define for $T \in \text{Herm}_n(\mathcal{O}_k)_{>0}$

$\text{Diff}_0(T) = \{ p \mid p \text{ prime in } k, \text{ord}_p(\det T) \text{ odd} \}$ finite set

Thm 1: (i) Let $T \in \text{Herm}_n(\mathbb{Q}_k)_{>0}$.

a) If $|\text{Diff}_0(T)| > 1$, then $\mathcal{Z}(T) = \emptyset$

b) If $\text{Diff}_0(T) = \{p\}$, then
 $\mathcal{Z}(T) \subset (M \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{F}_{p^2})^{ss}$ $\leftarrow \dim = \left\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \right\rfloor$, hence weak upper bd
 $\leftarrow n=2$: good, $n>2$: not good.

c) If $\text{Diff}_0(T) = \emptyset$, then

$$\mathcal{Z}(T) \subset \bigcup_{p \text{ ramif.}} (M \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{F}_p)^{ss}$$

(ii) Assume we are in case b) and $p > 2$. Then $\mathcal{Z}(T)$

is zero-dim. (i.e. T non-degenerate) if and only if

$$T \sim \text{diag}(\mathbb{1}_{n-2}, p^a, p^b) \quad 0 \leq a < b, a+b \text{ odd}$$

(in general $\mathcal{Z}(T)$ equi-dim., have formula for dimension)

(iii) Let T be non-degenerate. Then

$$\mathcal{Z}(T) = \coprod_{\mathfrak{p} \in \mathcal{Z}(T)(\overline{\mathbb{F}}_p)} \mathcal{Z}(T)_{\mathfrak{p}},$$

where $\mathcal{Z}(T)_{\mathfrak{p}}$ local artin scheme of length

$$l(\mathcal{Z}(T)_{\mathfrak{p}}) = \sum_{i=0}^a p^i (a+b+1-2i), \quad \forall \mathfrak{p}.$$

Explanations: a) Supersingular locus for $n=3$ is a curve

of the form $M_p^{ss} = \tilde{M}_p^{ss} / \Gamma'$

($\Gamma' =$ discrete p -adic gp, acts prop. discount. for Zariski topol.)

and

Vollard, Wedhorn

$\tilde{M}_p^{ss} =$

Building of unit-gr.



$p+1$ branches

$|C(\mathbb{F}_{p^2})| = p^3 + 1$

$C: X_0^{p+1} + X_1^{p+1} + X_2^{p+1} = 0$

gen. DL-variety

Similar picture for $n=4$.

General case

b) Diff-set: make 2 observations,

4. For $(A, \dots; E, \dots) \in Z(T)(K)$ get $E^n \rightarrow A$, isogeny.

1. Compare Lie algebras as $\mathcal{O}$ -modules $\Rightarrow \text{char } K = p$, and f unramified, and A separ.

2. Note that $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_f}(E, A)_{\mathbb{Q}} \cong V_T$. OTOH, $V_T \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{A}_f^{\times} = \text{Hom}(T^*(E), T^*(A)) \otimes \mathbb{A}_f^{\times}$

contains a selfdual lattice. $\Rightarrow$ (i).

c) (ii) + (iii) are reduced via RZ-uniformisation to statement on formal groups.

Then one crucial ingredient is Zink's theory of displays + Gross-Katz theory of q -c. liftings

Finally, relation to Eisenstein series

For selfdual L of sign $(n-1, 1)$ no incoherent Eisenstein series

$$E_L(z, s) \quad , \quad \text{where } z \in \mathcal{D}_{n,n} = \text{hermit. space for } U_n$$

only dep. on iso-class of L

$$= \{z \in \mathcal{H}_n(\mathbb{C}) \mid v(z) > 0\}$$

$$v(z) = \frac{1}{2i} \cdot (z - \bar{z})$$

In particular, $E_L(z, 0) \equiv 0$.

Let

$$E(z, s) = \sum_{L/\sim} E_L(z, s)$$

Fourier expansion

$$E(z, s) = \sum_{\substack{T \in \text{Her}_n(\mathbb{Q}) \\ k > 0}} a(T) q^T + \sum_{T \text{ other}} a(T, v(z)) \cdot q^T$$

$$\text{where } q^T = \exp(2\pi i \text{tr}(Tz))$$

Theorem 2: Let $\text{Diff}_0(T) = \{p\}$, $p > 2$, and assume T non-degenerate. Then

$$a(T) = C \cdot \lg(Z(T)) \cdot \log p$$

where C const. indep't of T . In fact, if $t_1, \dots, t_n$ are the diagonal ~~main~~ entries of T , then

$$\lg(Z(T)) = (\lg(t_1), \dots, \lg(t_n))_{\top} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{part along} \\ Z(T) \end{array}$$

(int.-product of divisions, no higher for - terms).

OTOH, if $|\text{Diff}_0(T)| > 1$, then $a(T) = 0$ - checks again

Conjecture: Let $T \in \text{Herm}_n(\mathbb{O}_k)_{>0}$ with $\text{Diff}_0(T) = \{p\}$, $p > 2$.
Let $t_1, \dots, t_n$ diag. entries. Then

$$a(T) = C \cdot (\lg(t_1), \dots, \lg(t_n))_{\top} \cdot \log p, \text{ same constant}$$

Toschev: proved this for $n=3$ (first non-trivial case).

Stems: need to understand inductive structure of cycles, as n varies (ongoing work with Kudla).