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## Introduction

In this note we give a geometrical approach to the theory of Jacobi forms, which was originated in an analytic way by Eichler and Zagier (cf. [4]). There Jacobi forms are introduced as holomorphic functions on  $\mathscr{H} \times \mathbb{C}$  ( $\mathscr{H}$ : upper halfplane) satisfying a certain transformation law with respect to the semi-direct product  $\Gamma \bowtie \mathbb{Z}^2$  ( $\Gamma$ : subgroup of finite index in  $SL_2(\mathbb{Z})$ ) and having distinguished Fourier expansions at the cusps.

We start in the first section by recalling some basic facts about the elliptic modular surface  $X_{\Gamma}$  associated to  $\Gamma$  following the article [9]. To simplify the exposition, we restrict ourselves to the cases, where  $\Gamma$  acts without fixed points.

In the second section, we characterize the space of Jacobi cusp forms of weight  $k \in 2\mathbb{N}$ , index  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  with respect to  $\Gamma$  as the space of global sections of a distinguished subsheaf  $\mathscr{F}_{k,m}$  of a certain line bundle  $\mathscr{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}(D_{k,m})$  on  $X_{\Gamma}$ .

In the third section, we prove the ampleness of the line bundle  $\mathcal{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}(D_{k,m})$  for k, m being large enough. By using the Riemann-Roch Theorem for the surface  $X_{\Gamma}$ , we then determine the dimension of  $H^0(X_{\Gamma}, \mathcal{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}(D_{k,m}))$ . By proving the vanishing of  $H^1(X_{\Gamma}, \mathscr{F}_{k,m})$ , we are finally in position to derive a formula for the dimension of the space of Jacobi cusp forms, which can be made more explicit under the extra hypothesis that the least common multiple of all the cusp widths divides m. Formulas for the dimension of the space of Jacobi cusp forms were already obtained for  $\Gamma = SL_2(\mathbb{Z})$ ,  $\Gamma_0(p)$  (p a prime) by analytic methods in [4], [6] and in full generality, by using a trace formula for Jacobi-Hecke operators (cf. [11]), in the preprint [10]. Our final formula is identical with the one given by Skoruppa in [10].

## 1. Notations and Definitions

Let  $\Gamma$  be a subgroup of finite index in  $SL_2(\mathbb{Z})$  and  $\mathscr{H}$  the upper half-plane. Assume that  $\Gamma$  acts without fixed points and  $-1 \notin \Gamma$ . Let  $Y_{\Gamma}$  be the modular curve associated to  $\Gamma$ , i.e. the compactification of  $\Gamma \backslash \mathscr{H}$  by adding the cusps.

Denote by  $\sigma_{\Gamma}$  the number of cusps and by  $n_i$  the cusp width of the jth cusp

$$P_j \in Y_{\Gamma}, P_j = \Gamma M_j i \infty \text{ with } M_j = \begin{pmatrix} a_j & b_j \\ c_i & d_j \end{pmatrix} \in SL_2(\mathbb{Z}) \ (j = 1, \dots, \sigma_{\Gamma}).$$

Assume furthermore that  $Y_{\Gamma}$  has no cusps of the second kind.

Denote by  $X_{\Gamma}$  the elliptic modular surface associated to  $\Gamma$ , by  $\pi: X_{\Gamma} \to Y_{\Gamma}$  the natural projection and by  $\sigma: Y_{\Gamma} \to X_{\Gamma}$  the zero section. From [5], §8 or [9], Part II, we know the following: Because of our assumption on  $\Gamma$ , the only singular fibres of  $\pi$  lie above the  $\sigma_{\Gamma}$  cusps of  $Y_{\Gamma}$ ; these are  $n_{i}$ -gons, i.e.

$$\pi^{-1}(P_j) = \bigcup_{\nu=0}^{n_j-1} \Theta_{j,\nu},$$

where  $\Theta_{j,\nu} \cong \mathbb{P}^1$  is embedded into  $X_{\Gamma}$  with self-intersection number -2, and otherwise

$$\Theta_{j,v}.\Theta_{j,v'} = \begin{cases} 1 & v' = v \pm 1 \\ 0 & |v - v'| \geqslant 2 \end{cases}$$

(here and below, v, v' have to be understood modulo  $n_i$ ).

In terms of local coordinates the situation above the cusp  $P_j$  can be described as follows:  $\Theta_{j,\nu} \subset X_{\Gamma}$  can be covered by two affine charts  $W^0_{j,\nu}$ ,  $W^1_{j,\nu} \subset X_{\Gamma}$ , where the coordinates  $u_{j,\nu}$ ,  $v_{j,\nu}$  of  $W^0_{j,\nu}$  can be chosen such that  $\Theta_{j,\nu}|_{W^0_{j,\nu}}$  is given by the equation  $v_{j,\nu} = 0$  ( $u_{j,\nu}$ -axis) and hence the coordinates of  $W^1_{j,\nu}$  are  $u^{-1}_{j,\nu}$ ,  $u^2_{j,\nu}v_{j,\nu}$  (note that  $\Theta_{j,\nu}$ .  $\Theta_{j,\nu} = -2$ ). Because  $\Theta_{j,\nu+1}$  and  $\Theta_{j,\nu}$  intersect transversally, we deduce from this the following relations

$$u_{j,\nu+1} = v_{j,\nu}^{-1}$$
  
$$v_{j,\nu+1} = u_{j,\nu}v_{j,\nu}^{2}.$$

Furthermore we note (cf. [2], I.4 or [3], §1)

$$u_{j,\nu}v_{j,\nu} = q_j$$
  
$$u_{j,\nu}^{\nu+1}v_{j,\nu}^{\nu} = \zeta_j$$

with 
$$q_i = e^{2\pi i M_j^{-1} \tau/n_j}$$
,  $\zeta_i = e^{2\pi i z/(-c_j \tau + a_j)}$   $(\tau \in \mathcal{H}, z \in \mathbb{C})$ .

By  $g_{\Gamma}$  resp.  $p_a$  we denote the genus of  $Y_{\Gamma}$  resp. the arithmetic genus of  $X_{\Gamma}$ . We have the formulae (cf. [5], §12 or [9], pp. 35-36)

$$\begin{split} g_{\Gamma} &= \frac{\mu_{\Gamma}}{12} - \frac{\sigma_{\Gamma}}{2} + 1 \quad \text{resp.} \\ p_{a} &= \frac{\mu_{\Gamma}}{12} - 1 \qquad \qquad \text{with } \mu_{\Gamma} = \frac{[SL_{2}(\mathbb{Z}):\Gamma]}{2}. \end{split}$$

Finally, we denote by  $K_{Y_{\Gamma}}$  resp.  $K_{X_{\Gamma}}$  the canonical divisor of  $Y_{\Gamma}$  resp.  $X_{\Gamma}$ .

# 2. Geometrical characterization of Jacobi forms

Let  $k \in 2\mathbb{N}$  and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . From [4], we recall the following

DEFINITION 2.1. A holomorphic function  $f: \mathcal{H} \times \mathbb{C} \to \mathbb{C}$  is called *Jacobi* cusp form of weight k, index m with respect to  $\Gamma$ , if it satisfies the following properties:

(i) 
$$f\left(\frac{a\tau+b}{c\tau+d}, \frac{z+\lambda\tau+\mu}{c\tau+d}\right)(c\tau+d)^{-k} \exp\left(2\pi i m \left[\lambda^2\tau+2\lambda z-\frac{c(z+\lambda\tau+\mu)^2}{c\tau+d}\right]\right)$$
  
=  $f(\tau, z)$ ,  
for all  $\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & \mu \end{bmatrix}\right) \in \Gamma \bowtie \mathbb{Z}^2$ .

(ii) At the cusp  $P_i$   $(j = 1, ..., \sigma_{\Gamma})$ , f has a Fourier expansion of the form

$$f(\tau, z)(-c_{j}\tau + a_{j})^{k} \exp\left(2\pi i m \frac{-c_{j}z^{2}}{-c_{j}\tau + a_{j}}\right) = \sum_{\substack{n > 0, r \in \mathbb{Z} \\ 4mn - n_{j}r^{2} > 0}} c_{j}(n, r)q_{j}^{n}\zeta_{j}^{r}.$$

The  $\mathbb{C}$ -span of these functions is denoted by  $J_{k,m}^{\text{cusp}}(\Gamma)$ .

We are now going to describe the elements of  $J_{k,m}^{\operatorname{cusp}}(\Gamma)$  as distinguished sections of a certain line bundle over  $X_{\Gamma}$ . We put  $Y_{\Gamma}^{0} := \Gamma \setminus \mathscr{H}$  and  $X_{\Gamma}^{0} := \Gamma \bowtie \mathbb{Z}^{2} \setminus \mathscr{H} \times \mathbb{C}$ . We make the following observation: It is immediately checked that

$$\begin{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & \mu \end{bmatrix} \end{pmatrix} \mapsto (c\tau + d)^{-k} \\
\begin{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & \mu \end{bmatrix} \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \exp\left(2\pi i m \left[\lambda^2 \tau + 2\lambda z - \frac{c(z + \lambda \tau + \mu)^2}{c\tau + d}\right]\right)$$

define two 1-cocycles, whence two 1-cohomology classes  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2$  resp. of  $H^1(\Gamma \bowtie \mathbb{Z}^2, \mathbb{C}^*) \cong H^1(X_{\Gamma}^0, \mathcal{O}_{X_{\Gamma}^0}^*) \cong \operatorname{Pic}(X_{\Gamma}^0)$  (cf. [7], Appendix to I.2). The classical

theory of modular forms shows that the isomorphism class in  $Pic(X_{\Gamma}^{0})$  corresponding to  $\gamma_{1}$  can be represented by the line bundle

$$\mathcal{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}\left(\frac{k}{2}\pi^*K_{Y_{\Gamma}}\right)\Big|_{X_{\Gamma}^0}.\tag{1}$$

Now let  $[\mathscr{L}]$  be the isomorphism class in  $\operatorname{Pic}(X_{\Gamma}^0)$  corresponding to  $\gamma_2$ . By restricting  $[\mathscr{L}]$  to an arbitrary fibre  $E_{\tau}$  of  $\Gamma \tau \in Y_{\Gamma}^0$ , we obtain an isomorphism class of line bundles on the elliptic curve  $E_{\tau}$ . The corresponding 1-cohomology class of  $H^1(E_{\tau}, \mathscr{O}_{E_{\tau}}^*) \cong H^1(\Lambda, \mathbb{C}^*)$  (where  $\Lambda$  is the lattice  $\mathbb{Z}\tau \oplus \mathbb{Z}$ ) is determined by the 1-cocycle

$$\lambda \tau + \mu \mapsto \exp(2\pi i m (\lambda^2 \tau + 2\lambda z))$$
  $(\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{Z}).$ 

One checks that this 1-cocyle differs only by a 1-coboundary from the 1-cocyle defined by

$$u := \lambda \tau + \mu \mapsto \exp \left(\frac{\pi}{2} H(u, u) + \pi H(z, u)\right),$$

where

$$H(x, y) := \frac{4mi}{\bar{\tau} - \tau} x \bar{y} \qquad (x, y \in \mathbb{C}).$$

By the theorem of Appel-Humbert, we find that  $[\mathcal{L}]|_{E_{\tau}} = L(H, 1)$  (cf. [7], p. 20) and therefore can be represented by  $\mathcal{O}_{E_{\tau}}(2m \cdot O)$ , where O denotes the origin of  $E_{\tau}$ . Hence  $[\mathcal{L}]$  can be represented by the line bundle

$$\mathcal{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}(2m\sigma(Y_{\Gamma}))|_{X_{\Gamma}^{0}}.$$
 (2)

The problem now consists in finding appropriate extensions of the line bundles (1), (2) to the whole of  $X_{\Gamma}$ . To solve it, we determine the divisor of a suitably chosen (meromorphic) Jacobi form of weight k, index m with respect to  $\Gamma$ .

We first recall two elementary lemmas.

### LEMMA 2.2. The theta function

$$\theta_{1,1}(\tau,z) := \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \exp\left(\pi i \tau \left[ n + \frac{1}{2} \right]^2 + 2\pi i \left[ z + \frac{1}{2} \right] \left[ n + \frac{1}{2} \right] \right)$$

satisfies the functional equation

$$\theta_{1,1} \left( \frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d}, \frac{z + \lambda\tau + \mu}{c\tau + d} \right) (c\tau + d)^{-1/2} \exp\left( \pi i \left[ \lambda^2 \tau + 2\lambda z - \frac{c(z + \lambda\tau + \mu)^2}{c\tau + d} \right] \right)$$

$$= \chi_1 \theta_{1,1}(\tau, z)$$

for all 
$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$
,  $[\lambda \ \mu] \in SL_2(\mathbb{Z}) \bowtie \mathbb{Z}^2$ , with  $\chi_1$  an 8th root of unity.

LEMMA 2.3. The eta function

$$\eta(\tau) := e^{\pi i \tau / 12} \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - e^{2\pi i n \tau})$$

satisfies the functional equation

$$\eta\left(\frac{a\tau+b}{c\tau+d}\right)(c\tau+d)^{-1/2}=\chi_2\eta(\tau)$$

for all  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in SL_2(\mathbb{Z})$ , with  $\chi_2$  a 24th root of unity.

We put  $\chi := (\chi_1 \chi_2^{-1})^{2m}$  and denote by  $\mathcal{O}_{Y_{\Gamma}}(M_{k,\bar{\chi}})$  the line bundle associated to holomorphic modular forms of weight k and character  $\bar{\chi}$  with respect to  $\Gamma$ ; its degree is given by  $k\mu/12$ . For example, for  $\gamma = 1$ , we have

$$M_{k,1} = \frac{k}{2} K_{Y_{\Gamma}} + \sum_{i} \frac{k}{2} P_{j}.$$

**PROPOSITION** 2.4. For any  $f \in J_{k,m}^{\text{cusp}}(\Gamma)$ , we have

div 
$$f \sim \tilde{D}_{k,m} := \pi^* M_{k,\bar{\chi}} + 2m\sigma(Y_{\Gamma}) + \sum_{i,v} \left(-mv + \frac{mn_j}{6}\right) \Theta_{j,v},$$

where  $\sim$  means linear equivalence of divisors.

*Proof.* Let g be any holomorphic modular form of weight k and character  $\bar{\chi}$ 

with respect to  $\Gamma$  and put

$$G(\tau, z) := \left(\frac{\theta_{1,1}(\tau, z)}{\eta(\tau)}\right)^{2m} g(\tau).$$

By construction we have

$$\operatorname{div} f \sim \operatorname{dig} G \sim \pi^* M_{k,\bar{\gamma}} + 2m \operatorname{div} \theta_{1,1} - 2m \operatorname{div} \eta.$$

To complete the proof, we have to compute div  $\theta_{1,1}$  and div  $\eta$ . The only non-trivial part of this calculation is the determination of the multiplicities of  $\theta_{1,1}$  on the components  $\Theta_{i,v}$ : From the Fourier expansion of  $\theta_{1,1}$  we obtain

$$\begin{split} \theta_{1,1}(\tau,z) &(-c_j \tau + a_j)^{1/2} \exp\left(\pi i \frac{-c_j z^2}{-c_j \tau + a_j}\right) = \chi_1^{-1} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{\pi i (n+1/2)} q_j^{n_j/2(n+1/2)^2} \zeta_j^{(n+1/2)} \\ &= \chi_1^{-1} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{\pi i (n+1/2)} u_{j,\nu}^{n_j/2(n+1/2)^2 + (\nu+1)(n+1/2)} v_{j,\nu}^{n_j/2(n+1/2)^2 + \nu(n+1/2)}, \end{split}$$

hence the multiplicity of  $\theta_{1,1}$  on  $\Theta_{j,v}$  equals

$$\min_{n\in\mathbb{Z}}\left(\frac{n_j}{2}n^2+\left(\frac{n_j}{2}+\nu\right)n+\frac{n_j}{8}+\frac{\nu}{2}\right)=\left(-\frac{\nu}{2}+\frac{n_j}{8}\right).$$

Summing up, we get

$$\operatorname{div} f \sim \pi^* M_{k,\bar{\chi}} + 2m\sigma(Y_{\Gamma}) + 2m \sum_{j,\nu} \left( -\frac{\nu}{2} + \frac{n_j}{8} - \frac{n_j}{24} \right) \Theta_{j,\nu} = \tilde{D}_{k,m},$$

as claimed.

THEOREM 2.5. The map  $f \mapsto \text{div } f$  induces an injection

$$\iota \colon J_{k,m}^{\mathrm{cusp}}(\Gamma) \hookrightarrow H^0(X_{\Gamma}, \, \mathcal{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}(D_{k,m})),$$

where

$$D_{k,m} = \pi^* M_{k,\bar{\chi}} + 2m\sigma(Y_{\Gamma}) + \sum_{j,\nu} \left( -\left[ \frac{n_j}{4m} \left\| \frac{2m\nu}{n_j} \right\|^2 + \frac{m\nu}{n_j} (n_j - \nu) \right] + \frac{mn_j}{6} - 1 \right) \Theta_{j,\nu}$$

(||x|| meaning the distance of x to the nearest integer and [x] the greatest integer  $\leq x$ ).

*Proof.* Let  $f \in J_{k,m}^{\text{cusp}}(\Gamma)$ . By definition div  $f|_{X_{\Gamma}^0}$  is effective; therefore it remains

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to determine the multiplicities of f on the components  $\Theta_{j,v}$ : By Definiton 2.1(ii), we obtain

$$f(\tau, z)(-c_{j}\tau + a_{j})^{k} \exp\left(2\pi i m \frac{-c_{j}z^{2}}{-c_{j}\tau + a_{j}}\right)$$

$$= \sum_{\substack{n>0, r\in\mathbb{Z}\\4mn-n, r^{2}>0}} c_{j}(n, r)q_{j}^{n}\zeta_{j}^{r} = \sum_{\substack{n>0, r\in\mathbb{Z}\\4mn-n, r^{2}>0}} c_{j}(n, r)u_{j,\nu}^{n+(\nu+1)r}v_{j,\nu}^{n+\nu r},$$

hence the multiplicity of f on  $\Theta_{i,v}$  is bigger or equal to

$$\min_{\substack{n > 0, r \in \mathbb{Z} \\ 4mn - n_{j}r^{2} > 0}} (n + vr) = \min_{r \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \left[ \frac{n_{j}r^{2}}{4m} \right] + vr + 1 \right)$$

$$= \left[ \min_{r \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \frac{n_{j}}{4m} \left( r + \frac{2mv}{n_{j}} \right)^{2} - \frac{mv^{2}}{n_{j}} + 1 \right) \right] = \left[ \frac{n_{j}}{4m} \left\| \frac{2mv}{n_{j}} \right\|^{2} - \frac{mv^{2}}{n_{j}} \right] + 1 =: \beta_{j,v}.$$

From Proposition 2.4 and the above computation we get

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{div} & f \in \left\{ D \in \operatorname{Div}(X_{\Gamma}) \colon D \sim \widetilde{D}_{k,m}, \ D \geqslant \sum_{j,v} \beta_{j,v} \Theta_{j,v} \right\} \\ & \cong \left\{ D \in \operatorname{Div}(X_{\Gamma}) \colon D \sim D_{k,m}, \ D \geqslant 0 \right\} \cong H^0(X_{\Gamma}, \ \mathcal{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}(D_{k,m})) - \left\{ 0 \right\} / \mathbb{C}^*. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 2.5.

To describe the subspace im  $\iota \subseteq H^0(X_{\Gamma}, \mathcal{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}(D_{k,m}))$  corresponding to the space  $J_{k,m}^{\mathrm{cusp}}(\Gamma)$ , we have to introduce some definitions:

For  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , denote by  $\langle x \rangle$  the nearest integer of x. For  $j = 1, ..., \sigma_{\Gamma}$  and  $v = 0, ..., n_j - 1$  define integers  $v^- \leq 0$ ,  $v^+ \geq 0$  satisfying the properties

(i) the integers in the interval

$$\bigcup_{v=0}^{n_j-1} \left[ v^- - \left\langle \frac{2mv}{n_j} \right\rangle, \, v^+ - \left\langle \frac{2mv}{n_j} \right\rangle \right]$$

form a complete set of representatives of the residue classes modulo 2m,

(ii) the sum

$$\sum_{\nu=0}^{n_j-1} \sum_{\rho=\nu^--\langle 2m\nu/n_j\rangle}^{\nu^+-\langle 2m\nu/n_j\rangle} \left( \left[ \frac{n_j \rho^2}{4m} \right] + \nu \rho - \beta_{j,\nu} + 1 \right)$$

is minimal.

Finally, define the subsheaf  $\mathscr{F}_{k,m}$  of  $\mathscr{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}(D_{k,m})$  to consist of those sections s having the property that in their Taylor expansions

$$\sum_{k,l \ge 0} b_{j,\nu}(k, l) u_{j,\nu}^k v_{j,\nu}^l \tag{3}$$

on  $W_{j,\nu}^0$ , i.e. around the vertices  $Q_{j,\nu} := \Theta_{j,\nu-1} \cap \Theta_{j,\nu}$  of the  $n_j$ -gons  $\pi^{-1}(P_j)$ , the coefficients  $b_{j,\nu}(k,l)$  vanish for

$$l < \left\lceil \frac{n_j \rho^2}{4m} \right\rceil + \nu \rho - \beta_{j,\nu} + 1, \tag{4}$$

where  $\rho := k - l + \beta_{j,v+1} - \beta_{j,v}$  is running from

$$v^- - \langle 2mv/n_i \rangle, \dots, v^+ - \langle 2mv/n_i \rangle$$

 $(j=1,\ldots,\sigma_{\Gamma}; \nu=0,\ldots,n_j-1)$ . We note that  $\mathscr{F}_{k,m}$  is not an  $\mathscr{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}$ -submodule of  $\mathscr{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}(D_{k,m})$  in general.

With these definitions we prove

THEOREM 2.6. There is an isomorphism

$$J_{k,m}^{\operatorname{cusp}}(\Gamma) \cong H^0(X_{\Gamma}, \mathscr{F}_{k,m}).$$

*Proof.* Let  $s \in H^0(X_{\Gamma}, \mathcal{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}(D_{k,m}))$  be a global section belonging to im  $\iota$ . From the proof of Theorem 2.5 we know that the Fourier expansion at the cusp  $P_j$  of the Jacobi form corresponding to s is obtained by taking one of the Taylor expansions (3) of s (around the vertices  $Q_{j,\nu}$ ), multiplying it by  $u_{j,\nu}^{\beta_j} + v_{j,\nu}^{\beta_j} + v_$ 

$$\sum_{k,l\geq 0} b_{j,\nu}(k,l) q_j^{l+\beta_{j,\nu}-\nu\rho} \zeta_j^{\rho}.$$

The above analysis shows:  $s \in \text{im } l$ , if and only if the coefficients  $b_{j,\nu}(k, l)$  in the Taylor expansions (3) vanish for

$$l + \beta_{j,\nu} - \nu \rho < \left[\frac{n_j \rho^2}{4m}\right] + 1 \tag{5}$$

 $(j=1,\ldots,\sigma_{\Gamma};\ \nu=0,\ldots,n_j-1)$ . The number of the conditions (5) can now be minimized as follows: By the argument of [4], p. 23, we know that (5) has to be fulfilled only for  $\rho$  running through a complete set of representatives of the

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residue classes modulo 2m. Observing that the  $n_j$  Taylor expansions (3) around the vertices  $Q_{j,0}, \ldots, Q_{j,n_j-1}$  determine the Fourier expansion of the corresponding Jacobi form at the cusp  $P_j$ , we optimize the problem by distributing the conditions (5) in a minimal way among the  $n_j$  Taylor expansions (3). Recalling the definitions preceding Theorem 2.6, we see that the optimal result is achieved by imposing at each vertex  $Q_{i,v}$  the conditions  $b_{i,v}(k, l) = 0$  for

$$l < \left\lceil \frac{n_j \rho^2}{4m} \right\rceil + \nu \rho - \beta_{j,\nu} + 1,$$

where  $\rho$  is running from

$$v^- - \langle 2mv/n_i \rangle, \dots, v^+ - \langle 2mv/n_i \rangle,$$

i.e., 
$$s \in \text{im } \iota$$
, if and only if  $s \in H^0(X_{\Gamma}, \mathscr{F}_{k,m})$ .

REMARK 2.7. From inequality (4) and the estimate

$$l = k - \rho + \beta_{i,v+1} - \beta_{i,v} \ge -\rho + \beta_{i,v+1} - \beta_{i,v}$$

we note that the number  $C_j$  of conditions for each cusp  $P_j$ , which define the sheaf  $\mathscr{F}_{k,m}$  as a subsheaf of  $\mathscr{O}_{X_r}(D_{k,m})$ , is given by the formula

$$C_{j} = \sum_{\nu=0}^{n_{j}-1} \sum_{\rho=\nu^{-}-\langle 2m\nu/n_{j}\rangle}^{\nu^{+}-\langle 2m\nu/n_{j}\rangle} \left( \left[ \frac{n_{j}\rho^{2}}{4m} \right] + \nu\rho - \beta_{j,\nu} + 1 - \max(0, -\rho + \beta_{j,\nu+1} - \beta_{j,\nu}) \right). \quad (6)$$

### 3. Dimension computations

To compute dim  $H^0(X_{\Gamma}, \mathcal{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}(D_{k,m}))$  and dim  $H^0(X_{\Gamma}, \mathcal{F}_{k,m})$ , we need the following LEMMA 3.1. Define  $\alpha_{j,v}$  and  $\gamma_{j,v}$  by

$$\alpha_{j,v} := -\left[\frac{n_j}{4m} \left\| \frac{2mv}{n_j} \right\|^2 + \frac{mv}{n_j} (n_j - v) \right] + \frac{mn_j}{6} - 1 \tag{7}$$

for  $j = 1, ..., \sigma_{\Gamma}$  and  $v = 0, ..., n_j - 1$ , extended to all  $v \in \mathbb{Z}$  by periodicity in v with period  $n_i$ , and

$$\gamma_{j,\nu} := \alpha_{j,\nu-1} - 2\alpha_{j,\nu} + \alpha_{j,\nu+1} + \begin{cases} 2m & \nu \equiv 0 \bmod n_j \\ 0 & otherwise \end{cases}.$$

If  $m \ge n_j$ , then  $\gamma_{j,\nu} > 0$  for all  $\nu \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

*Proof.* The case  $m = n_j$  being easily treated by direct computation, we assume from now on  $m > n_j$ . With  $0 \le \rho_{j,\nu} < 1$ , (7) equals

$$\alpha_{j,\nu} = -\frac{m\nu}{n_j}(n_j - \nu) + \frac{mn_j}{6} - 1 - \frac{n_j}{4m} \left\| \frac{2m\nu}{n_j} \right\|^2 + \rho_{j,\nu}. \tag{8}$$

Introducing the polynomial  $P_j(v) := -mv(n_j - v)/n_j + mn_j/6 - 1$  and  $\lambda_j := 2m/n_j$ , we can rewrite (8) as

$$\alpha_{j,\nu} = P_j(\nu) - \frac{1}{2\lambda_j} \|\lambda_j \nu\|^2 + \rho_{j,\nu}.$$

Observing

$$P_{j}(v-1) - 2P_{j}(v) + P_{j}(v+1) = \begin{cases} \lambda_{j} - 2m & v \equiv 0 \mod n_{j} \\ \lambda_{j} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and  $\rho_{i,\nu-1}-2\rho_{i,\nu}+\rho_{i,\nu+1}>-2$ , we derive the estimate

$$\gamma_{j,\nu} > \lambda_j - 2 - \frac{1}{2\lambda_j} (\|\lambda_j \nu - \lambda_j\|^2 - 2\|\lambda_j \nu\|^2 + \|\lambda_j \nu + \lambda_j\|^2).$$

Noting that for all real x and  $-1/2 \le \xi \le +1/2$ , we have

$$\|\xi - x\|^2 - 2\|\xi\|^2 + \|\xi + x\|^2 \le (\xi - x)^2 - 2\xi^2 + (\xi + x)^2 = 2x^2,$$

which by periodicity also holds for all real x and  $\xi$ , we obtain (by taking  $x = \lambda_j - 2$  and  $\xi = \lambda_j v$ )

$$\gamma_{j,v} > \lambda_j - 2 - \frac{(\lambda_j - 2)^2}{\lambda_j} = \frac{2(m - n_j)}{m} > 0.$$

This completes the proof of the lemma.

PROPOSITION 3.2. If  $k \ge m+4$  and  $m \ge n_j$  (all j), the line bundle  $\mathcal{O}_{X_r}(D_{k,m}-K_{X_r})$  is ample.

Proof. We have (cf. Theorem 2.5 and (7))

$$D_{k,m} = \pi^* M_{k,\bar{\chi}} + 2m\sigma(Y_{\Gamma}) + \sum_{j,\nu} \alpha_{j,\nu} \Theta_{j,\nu}.$$

By the criterion of Nakai-Moishezon, we have to show that the intersection numbers of  $D_{k,m}-K_{X_{\Gamma}}$  with all irreducible curves  $C \subset X_{\Gamma}$  are positive. We distinguish the following three cases:

-C = E, a regular fibre of  $\pi$ , i.e. an elliptic curve

$$-C = \Theta_{i,v}$$
 (all  $j, v$ )

—C is a horizontal divisor, i.e.,  $\pi(C) = Y_{\Gamma}$ .

In the first case, we have

$$(D_{km} - K_{X_{-}}) \cdot E = 2m > 0.$$

In the second case, we have by Lemma 3.1

$$(D_{k,m} - K_{X_r}) \cdot \Theta_{i,v} = \gamma_{i,v} > 0.$$

Before treating the last case, we recall from [5], §12 that  $K_{X_{\Gamma}} = \pi^*(K_{Y_{\Gamma}} - F)$  with  $F \in \text{Div}(Y_{\Gamma})$ , deg  $F = -p_a - 1$ ; with the adjunction formula we therefore obtain

$$\sigma(Y_{\Gamma}). \, \sigma(Y_{\Gamma}) = -K_{X_{\Gamma}}. \, \sigma(Y_{\Gamma}) + 2g_{\Gamma} - 2 = -p_a - 1 = -\frac{\mu_{\Gamma}}{12}.$$

For the last case we distinguish  $C = \sigma(Y_{\Gamma})$  and  $C \neq \sigma(Y_{\Gamma})$ . In the first subcase, we have

$$\begin{split} (D_{k,m}-K_{X_\Gamma}).\,\sigma(Y_\Gamma) &= \deg M_{k,\bar\chi}-K_{X_\Gamma}.\,\sigma(Y_\Gamma) + 2m\sigma(Y_\Gamma).\,\sigma(Y_\Gamma) + \sum_j \alpha_{j,0} \\ &= \frac{k\mu_\Gamma}{12} - (2g_\Gamma-2+p_a+1) - \frac{m\mu_\Gamma}{6} + \sum_j \left(\frac{mn_j}{6}-1\right). \end{split}$$

The formulae for the genus  $g_{\Gamma}$  and the arithmetic genus  $p_a$  given in the first section and the relation  $\mu_{\Gamma} = \sum_i n_i$  now imply

$$(D_{k,m} - K_{X_{\Gamma}}) \cdot \sigma(Y_{\Gamma}) = \frac{\mu_{\Gamma}}{12}(k-3) > 0.$$

For the second subcase, we first note that  $\Theta_{j,v}$ . C equals zero for all but one  $v =: v_j$ , where we have  $\Theta_{j,v_j}$ . C = 1. We now obtain the estimate

$$\begin{split} &(D_{k,m}-K_{X_{\Gamma}}).\,C=\deg M_{k,\bar{\chi}}-K_{X_{\Gamma}}.\,C+\sum_{j}\alpha_{j,\nu_{j}}\\ &=\frac{k\mu_{\Gamma}}{12}-(2g_{\Gamma}-2+p_{a}+1)+\sum_{j}\bigg(-\left[\frac{n_{j}}{4m}\left\|\frac{2m\nu_{j}}{n_{j}}\right\|^{2}+\frac{m\nu_{j}}{n_{j}}(n_{j}-\nu_{j})\right]+\frac{mn_{j}}{6}-1\bigg)\\ &\geqslant\frac{\mu_{\Gamma}}{12}(k-3)+\sum_{j}\bigg(-\frac{m\nu_{j}}{n_{j}}(n_{j}-\nu_{j})+\frac{mn_{j}}{6}-\frac{1}{16}\bigg)\\ &>\frac{\mu_{\Gamma}}{12}(k-3)+\sum_{j}\bigg(-\frac{mn_{j}}{12}-\frac{n_{j}}{12}\bigg)=\frac{\mu_{\Gamma}}{12}(k-m-4)\geqslant0. \end{split}$$

This finishes the proof of the proposition.

THEOREM 3.3. If  $k \ge m + 4$  and  $m \ge n_i$  (all j), we have the dimension formula

$$\dim H^0(X_{\Gamma}, \mathcal{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}(D_{k,m}))$$

$$= \frac{\mu_{\Gamma}}{6} km + \frac{\mu_{\Gamma}}{6} m^2 - \left(\frac{\mu_{\Gamma}}{4} + \sigma_{\Gamma}\right) m + \frac{\mu_{\Gamma}}{12} + \sum_{j,\nu} \frac{\alpha_{j,\nu}}{2} (\alpha_{j,\nu-1} - 2\alpha_{j,\nu} + \alpha_{j,\nu+1}).$$

*Proof.* By Proposition 3.2 the line bundle  $\mathcal{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}(D_{k,m}-K_{X_{\Gamma}})$  is ample and therefore we have by the Kodaira Vanishing Theorem

$$\dim H^1(X_{\Gamma}, \mathcal{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}(D_{k,m})) = \dim H^2(X_{\Gamma}, \mathcal{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}(D_{k,m})) = 0.$$

Now we obtain by the Riemann-Roch Theorem

$$\begin{split} \dim \, H^0(X_\Gamma, \, \mathcal{O}_{X_\Gamma}(D_{k,m})) &= \chi(X_\Gamma, \, \mathcal{O}_{X_\Gamma}(D_{k,m})) = \tfrac{1}{2} D_{k,m} \, . \, (D_{k,m} - K_{X_\Gamma}) + p_a + 1 \\ &= 2m \deg \, M_{k,\bar{\chi}} + 2m^2 \sigma(Y_\Gamma) \, . \, \sigma(Y_\Gamma) + 2m \sum_j \alpha_{j,0} - m K_{X_\Gamma} \, . \, \sigma(Y_\Gamma) \\ &+ \sum_{j,\nu} \frac{\alpha_{j,\nu}}{2} (\alpha_{j,\nu-1} - 2\alpha_{j,\nu} + \alpha_{j,\nu+1}) + p_a + 1 = \frac{\mu_\Gamma}{6} \, km + \frac{\mu_\Gamma}{6} \, m^2 - \left(\frac{\mu_\Gamma}{4} + \sigma_\Gamma\right) m \\ &+ \frac{\mu_\Gamma}{12} + \sum_{i,\nu} \frac{\alpha_{j,\nu}}{2} (\alpha_{j,\nu-1} - 2\alpha_{j,\nu} + \alpha_{j,\nu+1}). \end{split}$$

We denote by  $\mathscr{S}_{k,m}$  the quotient sheaf  $\mathscr{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}(D_{k,m})/\mathscr{F}_{k,m}$ . It is a skyscraper sheaf supported on the vertices  $Q_{j,\nu}$  of the  $n_{j}$ -gons  $\pi^{-1}(P_{j})$ . By definition we have

$$\dim H^0(X_{\Gamma}, \mathcal{S}_{k,m}) = \sum_j C_j \tag{9}$$

with  $C_j$  given by (6). We are now able to prove

THEOREM 3.4. If  $k \gg 0$  and  $m \geqslant n_j$  (all j), we have the dimension formula

$$\begin{split} \dim J_{k,m}^{\mathrm{cusp}}(\Gamma) &= \frac{\mu_{\Gamma}}{6} \, km + \frac{\mu_{\Gamma}}{6} \, m^2 - \left(\frac{\mu_{\Gamma}}{4} + \sigma_{\Gamma}\right) m + \frac{\mu_{\Gamma}}{12} \\ &+ \sum_{j,\nu} \frac{\alpha_{j,\nu}}{2} (\alpha_{j,\nu-1} - 2\alpha_{j,\nu} + \alpha_{j,\nu+1}) - \sum_{j} C_{j}. \end{split}$$

Proof. Consider the exact sequence of sheaves

$$0 \to \mathscr{F}_{k,m} \to \mathscr{O}_{X_r}(D_{k,m}) \to \mathscr{S}_{k,m} \to 0. \tag{10}$$

If we are able to show  $H^1(X_{\Gamma}, \mathscr{F}_{k,m}) = \{0\}$ , the long exact sequence in

cohomology associated to (10) implies

$$\dim H^0(X_{\Gamma}, \mathscr{F}_{k,m}) = \dim H^0(X_{\Gamma}, \mathscr{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}(D_{k,m})) - \dim H^0(X_{\Gamma}, \mathscr{S}_{k,m}).$$

The claim then follows immediately from Theorems 2.6, 3.3 and formula (9). We are left to show  $H^1(X_{\Gamma}, \mathscr{F}_{k,m}) = \{0\}$ . This will be done in two steps:

Ist step. We introduce an auxiliary subsheaf  $\mathscr{F}'_{k,m}$  of  $\mathscr{F}_{k,m}$  as follows: With  $\rho^{(\pm)} := \nu^{(\pm)} - \langle 2m\nu/n_i \rangle$  put

$$\begin{split} l_{j,v}^{(\pm)} &:= \left[ \frac{n_j \rho^{(\pm)^2}}{4m} \right] + v \rho^{(\pm)} - \beta_{j,v} + 1 \\ k_{j,v}^{(\pm)} &:= l_{j,v}^{(\pm)} + \rho^{(\pm)} - \beta_{j,v+1} + \beta_{j,v} \\ h_j &:= \max_{v} \max(k_{j,v}^+, k_{j,v}^-, l_{j,v}^+, l_{j,v}^-). \end{split}$$

Define the  $\mathcal{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}$ -submodule  $\mathscr{F}'_{k,m}$  of  $\mathcal{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}(D_{k,m})$  to consist of those sections s having the property that in their Taylor expansions (3) around the vertices  $Q_{j,v}$  of the  $n_j$ -gons  $\pi^{-1}(P_j)$ , the coefficients  $b_{j,v}(k,l)$  vanish for

$$0 \leq k, l \leq h_i$$

 $(j=1,\ldots,\sigma_{\Gamma}; \nu=0,\ldots,n_j-1)$ . By construction  $\mathscr{F}'_{k,m}$  is a subsheaf of  $\mathscr{F}_{k,m}$  and the quotient  $\mathscr{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}(D_{k,m})/\mathscr{F}'_{k,m}$  is again a skyscraper sheaf  $\mathscr{S}'_{k,m}$  supported on the vertices  $Q_{j,\nu}$ . We have the following exact sequences of sheaves

$$\begin{array}{c}
0 \\
\downarrow \\
0 \to \mathscr{F}'_{k,m} \to \mathscr{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}(D_{k,m}) \to \mathscr{S}'_{k,m} \to 0 \\
\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow \text{id} \qquad \downarrow \\
0 \to \mathscr{F}_{k,m} \to \mathscr{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}(D_{k,m}) \to \mathscr{S}_{k,m} \to 0. \\
\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow \\
0
\end{array}$$
(11)

The first part of the long exact sequence in cohomology associated to (11) leads to the diagram

$$\cdots \to H^{0}(X_{\Gamma}, \mathcal{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}(D_{k,m})) \to H^{0}(X_{\Gamma}, \mathcal{S}'_{k,m}) \to H^{1}(X_{\Gamma}, \mathcal{F}'_{k,m}) \to 0$$

$$\downarrow^{\mathrm{id}} \qquad \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow$$

$$\cdots \to H^{0}(X_{\Gamma}, \mathcal{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}(D_{k,m})) \to H^{0}(X_{\Gamma}, \mathcal{S}_{k,m}) \to H^{1}(X_{\Gamma}, \mathcal{F}_{k,m}) \to 0. \tag{12}$$

$$\downarrow$$

From (12) we easily derive that  $H^1(X_{\Gamma}, \mathscr{F}'_{k,m}) = \{0\}$  implies  $H^1(X_{\Gamma}, \mathscr{F}_{k,m}) = \{0\}$ . 2nd step. To prove the vanishing of  $H^1(X_{\Gamma}, \mathscr{F}'_{k,m})$ , we introduce the auxiliary line bundle  $\mathscr{L}'_{k,m} := \mathscr{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}(D'_{k,m})$  with

$$D'_{k,m} := D_{k,m} - \sum_{j,\nu} h_j \Theta_{j,\nu} \in \operatorname{Div}(X_{\Gamma}).$$

From the exact sequence of  $\mathcal{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}$ -modules

$$0 \to \mathcal{L}'_{k,m} \to \mathcal{F}'_{k,m} \to \mathcal{L}'_{k,m} := \mathcal{F}'_{k,m}/\mathcal{L}'_{k,m} \to 0$$

we deduce that the vanishing of  $H^1(X_{\Gamma}, \mathcal{L}'_{k,m})$  and  $H^1(X_{\Gamma}, \mathcal{L}'_{k,m})$  implies the triviality of  $H^1(X_{\Gamma}, \mathcal{F}'_{k,m})$ . The vanishing of  $H^1(X_{\Gamma}, \mathcal{L}'_{k,m})$  follows from the ampleness of the line bundle  $\mathcal{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}(D'_{k,m} - K_{X_{\Gamma}})$  for k being large enough, which is proved along the same lines as Proposition 3.2; a crude estimate shows

$$k \geqslant \left(72\frac{\sigma_{\Gamma}}{\mu_{\Gamma}} + 1\right)m + 204\frac{\sigma_{\Gamma}}{\mu_{\Gamma}} + 4.$$

To prove  $H^1(X_{\Gamma}, \mathcal{L}'_{k,m}) = \{0\}$ , we note (after a short calculation) that the quotient  $\mathcal{L}'_{k,m} = \mathcal{F}'_{k,m}/\mathcal{L}'_{k,m}$  is isomorphic to

$$\bigoplus_{i,v} \mathcal{O}_{h_j\Theta_{j,v}}(h_j),$$

whence

$$H^1(X_{\Gamma},\,\mathcal{Z}_{k,m}')\cong\bigoplus_{j,\nu}\,H^1(h_j\Theta_{j,\nu},\,\mathcal{O}_{h_j\Theta_{j,\nu}}(h_j))=\big\{0\big\},$$

because  $\Theta_{j,v} \cong \mathbb{P}^1$  has self-intersection number -2 and  $h_j > 0$  (all j). This finishes the proof of the theorem.

From Theorem 3.4 we are able to deduce an explicit formula for dim  $J_{k,m}^{\text{cusp}}(\Gamma)$  assuming  $k \gg 0$  and  $n_j \mid m$  (all j). To do this, we use a slight generalization of the lemma proved in [4], p. 124. Actually, we will prove a little more than we finally need. As in [4] we introduce the function

$$((x)) := \begin{cases} x - [x] - 1/2 & \text{if } x \notin \mathbb{Z}, \\ 0 & \text{if } x \in \mathbb{Z}. \end{cases}$$

LEMMA 3.5. For positive integers n, N, we have the formula

$$\sum_{\substack{\kappa \bmod N}} \left( \left( \frac{n\kappa^2}{N} \right) \right) = -(n, N) \sum_{\substack{\Delta \mid N/(n,N), \Delta < 0 \\ N/(n,N) \land \text{ squarefree}}} \left( \frac{\Delta}{n/(n,N)} \right) H(\Delta), \tag{13}$$

where  $H(\Delta)$  denotes the Hurwitz class number, i.e. the (weighted) number of  $SL_2(\mathbb{Z})$  equivalence classes of all positive definite, integral, binary quadratic forms of discriminant  $\Delta$ .

*Proof.* First suppose (n, N) = 1 and N is a prime. Then, as in [4], p. 124, we observe that the cases N = 2 and  $N \equiv 1 \mod 4$  are trivial; in the case  $N \equiv 3 \mod 4$ , we obtain for the left-hand side of (13)

$$\sum_{x \bmod N} \left( \left( \frac{x}{N} \right) \right) \sum_{\substack{x \bmod N \\ \kappa^2 \equiv n^{-1} x \bmod N}} 1 = \sum_{x \bmod N} \left( \left( \frac{x}{N} \right) \right) \left( 1 + \left( \frac{n^{-1} x}{N} \right) \right)$$
$$= \sum_{x=1}^{N-1} \left( \frac{n}{N} \right) \left( \frac{x}{N} - \frac{1}{2} \right) \left( \frac{x}{N} \right) = \left( \frac{n}{-N} \right) \sum_{x=1}^{N-1} \frac{x}{N} \left( \frac{x}{N} \right) = -\left( \frac{-N}{n} \right) H(-N),$$

by the quadratic reciprocity law and Dirichlet's class number formula. The case of composite N and (n, N) = 1 is then treated following the sketch given in [4], p. 125. To prove (13) in the general case, we observe that the function  $\left(\left(\frac{n\kappa^2}{N}\right)\right)$  is periodic in  $\kappa$  with period N/(n, N); this gives

$$\sum_{\kappa \bmod N} \left( \left( \frac{n\kappa^2}{N} \right) \right) = (n, N) \sum_{\kappa \bmod N/(n, N)} \left( \left( \frac{n/(n, N) \cdot \kappa^2}{N/(n, N)} \right) \right).$$

Now formula (13) follows from the preceding case.

LEMMA 3.6. For  $m, n_i$  as above, the following formula holds

$$(m, n_j) \sum_{\kappa \mod 2m/(m,n_j)} \left( \frac{n_j \kappa^2}{4m} - \left[ \frac{n_j \kappa^2}{4m} \right] - \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$= -\frac{(4m, n_j)}{4} Q \left( \frac{4m}{(4m, n_j)} \right) - \frac{(4m, n_j)}{2} \sum_{\substack{\Delta \mid 4m/(4m,n_j), \Delta < 0 \\ 4m/(4m,n_j), \Delta \text{ squarefree}}} \left( \frac{\Delta}{n_j/(4m, n_j)} \right) H(\Delta),$$

where Q(N) denotes the largest integer, whose square divides N. *Proof.* Applying Lemma 3.5 with  $n = n_j$  and N = 4m, we obtain

$$\sum_{\kappa \bmod 4m} \left( \left( \frac{n_j \kappa^2}{4m} \right) \right) = -(4m, n_j) \sum_{\substack{\Delta \mid 4m/(4m, n_j), \Delta < 0 \\ 4m/(4m, n_j) \Delta \text{ squarefree}}} \left( \frac{\Delta}{n_j/(4m, n_j)} \right) H(\Delta). \tag{14}$$

Observing that the function  $\left(\left(\frac{n_j\kappa^2}{4m}\right)\right)$  is periodic in  $\kappa$  with period  $2m/(m, n_j)$ , we

can rewrite the left-hand side of (14) to

$$2(m, n_j) \sum_{\kappa \mod 2m/(m,n_j)} \left( \left( \frac{n_j \kappa^2}{4m} \right) \right).$$

A short calculation shows that this equals

$$2(m, n_j) \left( \sum_{\text{Kmod}, 2m/(m,n_j)} \left( \frac{n_j \kappa^2}{4m} - \left[ \frac{n_j \kappa^2}{4m} \right] - \frac{1}{2} \right) + \frac{(4m, n_j)}{4(m, n_j)} Q\left( \frac{4m}{(4m, n_j)} \right) \right),$$

which completes the proof of the lemma.

Finally, we need

LEMMA 3.7. If  $n_i \mid m$ , we have

$$C_{j} = n_{j} \sum_{\kappa = -m/n_{j}+1}^{m/n_{j}} \left[ \frac{n_{j}\kappa^{2}}{4m} \right].$$

Proof. We have

$$\beta_{j,v} = -\frac{mv^2}{n_i} + 1$$

and, by symmetry,

$$v^- = -\frac{m}{n_j} + 1, \qquad v^+ = \frac{m}{n_j}$$

for  $v=0,\ldots,n_j-1$ . Therefore we have  $\max(0,-\rho+\beta_{j,\nu+1}-\beta_{j,\nu})=0$  for  $\rho$  running from  $v^--2mv/n_j,\ldots,v^+-2mv/n_j$ , and we obtain

$$C_{j} = \sum_{v=0}^{n_{j}-1} \sum_{\rho=v--2mv/n_{j}}^{v+-2mv/n_{j}} \left( \left[ \frac{n_{j}\rho^{2}}{4m} \right] + v\rho + \frac{mv^{2}}{n_{j}} \right) = n_{j} \sum_{\kappa=-m/n_{j}+1}^{m/n_{j}} \left[ \frac{n_{j}\kappa^{2}}{4m} \right]. \quad \Box$$

We now prove

THEOREM 3.8. If  $k \gg 0$  and  $n_j \mid m$  (all j), we have the dimension formula

$$\dim J_{k,m}^{\text{cusp}}(\Gamma) = \frac{\mu_{\Gamma}}{6} km - \frac{\mu_{\Gamma}}{4} m - \sum_{j} \left( \frac{n_{j}}{4} Q\left(\frac{4m}{n_{j}}\right) + \frac{n_{j}}{2} \sum_{\substack{\Delta \mid 4m/n_{j}, \Delta < 0 \\ 4m/n_{j}\Delta \text{ squarefree}}} H(\Delta) \right).$$

*Proof.* Because  $n_i \mid m$  (all j), we have

$$\alpha_{j,v} = \frac{mv}{n_i}(v - n_j) + \frac{mn_j}{6} - 1,$$

whence

$$\sum_{j,\nu} \frac{\alpha_{j,\nu}}{2} (\alpha_{j,\nu-1} - 2\alpha_{j,\nu} + \alpha_{j,\nu+1}) = \frac{m^2}{6} \sum_{j} \left( \frac{1}{n_j} - n_j \right).$$

By Theorem 3.4 and Lemma 3.7, we then obtain

$$\dim J_{k,m}^{\text{cusp}}(\Gamma) = \frac{\mu_{\Gamma}}{6} km - \frac{\mu_{\Gamma}}{4} m + \sum_{j} \left( \frac{m^{2}}{6n_{j}} - m + \frac{n_{j}}{12} - n_{j} \sum_{\kappa = -m/n_{j} + 1}^{m/n_{j}} \left[ \frac{n_{j}\kappa^{2}}{4m} \right] \right). \tag{15}$$

Using Lemma 3.6, we have

$$\frac{m^2}{6n_j} - m + \frac{n_j}{12} - n_j \sum_{\kappa = -m/n_j + 1}^{m/n_j} \left[ \frac{n_j \kappa^2}{4m} \right]$$

$$= -\frac{n_j}{4} Q\left(\frac{4m}{n_j}\right) - \frac{n_j}{2} \sum_{\substack{\Delta \mid 4m/n_j, \Delta < 0 \\ 4m/n_j, \Delta \leq 0}} \left(\frac{\Delta}{1}\right) H(\Delta). \tag{16}$$

By substituting (16) into (15), we derive the desired formula.  $\Box$ 

REMARK 3.9. The formula for dim  $J_{k,m}^{\text{cusp}}(\Gamma)$  proved in Theorem 3.8 is identical with the one given by Skoruppa in [10], derived by means of a trace formula (cf. [11]).

## 4. Concluding remarks

1. A particularly simple situation is the so-called geometric case, where  $\Gamma = \Gamma(m)$  is the full congruence subgroup of level  $m \ge 3$ . Then  $n_j = m$  for all j, and Lemma 3.7 shows  $C_j = 0$ , i.e.,

$$\mathscr{F}_{k,m}=\mathscr{O}_{X_{\Gamma(m)}}(D_{k,m})$$

and therefore

$$J_{k,m}^{\operatorname{cusp}}(\Gamma(m)) \cong H^0(X_{\Gamma(m)}, \mathcal{O}_{X_{\Gamma(m)}}(D_{k,m})).$$

- 2. Because we were only able to find explicit formulas for the numbers  $\alpha_{j,v}$  and  $C_j$  in the case  $n_j \mid m$  (all j), it is still an open problem to derive Skoruppa's formula for dim  $J_{k,m}^{\text{cusp}}(\Gamma)$  of [10] in the more general case  $m \ge n_j$  by geometrical methods, using Theorem 3.4 and Lemma 3.6.
- 3. If we allow  $Y_{\Gamma}$  to have elliptic fixed points and cusps of the second kind (still assuming  $-1 \notin \Gamma$ ), we have in addition to take into account the following new types of singular fibres (cf. [5], §6)

$$II, II^*; III, III^*; IV, IV^*; I_{n_i}^*$$

Using the corresponding local coordinates, which are explicitly given in [5], §8, we easily find the appropriate modifications of Theorems 2.5 and 2.6. The dimension computations are more delicate; one needs analogues of Lemma 3.1 and Proposition 3.2. We have not touched this problem.

If we allow in addition  $-1 \in \Gamma$ , the surface  $X_{\Gamma}$  will not be elliptic any more; the fibres of  $\pi$  become rational curves. Respecting the changed geometrical nature of  $X_{\Gamma}$ , we are able to find the analogues of Theorems 2.5 and 2.6. Again, the dimension computations are more difficult to handle; we have done this in the simple case  $\Gamma = SL_2(\mathbb{Z})$ , where we rediscover the formula for dim  $J_{k,m}^{\text{cusp}}(\Gamma)$  given in [4].

4. We finish this series of remarks by mentioning the following problem: The Jacobi-Hecke operators, introduced in [4], can be interpreted as being induced by certain correspondences of the elliptic surface  $X_{\Gamma}$  on the space of sections  $H^0(X_{\Gamma}, \mathscr{F}_{k,m})$ . Although the sheaf  $\mathscr{F}_{k,m}$  is not an  $\mathscr{O}_{X_{\Gamma}}$ -module, we wonder if the trace of the Jacobi-Hecke operators can be computed by means of the Lefschetz-Verdier trace formula (cf. [12], p. 133).

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