

Consider the self-isogenies, we know that  $\mathbb{Z} \subseteq \text{Isog}(E, E)$ .

Complex Multiplication curves are those such that  $\mathbb{Z} \subsetneq \text{Isog}(E, E)$ , and in this case we will have that  $\text{Isog}(E, E) \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K$ , where  $K$  is a quadratic imaginary number field.

## .1. Modular Curves

These are Moduli spaces of elliptic curves.

### Definition .1.1

If  $\Gamma \subseteq \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$ , then  $Y(\Gamma) = \mathcal{H}/\Gamma$ , which we call the modular curve for  $\Gamma$ .

### Exercise .1.1

For  $\Gamma = \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$ , then elliptic curves up to isomorphism are in bijection with  $Y(\Gamma)$ .

Namely  $\tau \in \mathcal{H} \mapsto \mathbb{C}/(\tau\mathbb{Z} + \mathbb{Z})$

### Example .1.2

$\Gamma_0(N), \Gamma_1(N), \Gamma(N)$  are congruence subgroups, and

$$Y_0(N) \cong \{(E, C) \mid E \text{ is an elliptic curve, } C \subseteq E[N], E \text{ cyclic of order } N\} / \sim$$

$$Y_1(N) \cong \{(E, Q) \mid Q \text{ is a point of order } N\} / \sim \cong Y(N) \cong \{(E, (P, Q)) \mid P, Q \text{ generate } E[N], \langle P, Q \rangle$$

where  $\langle P, Q \rangle$  is the Weil pairing (see book/homework). There are of course maps  $Y_1(N) \rightarrow Y_0(N) \rightarrow Y(N) \rightarrow Y(\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}))$ .

We have a map  $\Delta : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  called the modular discriminant defined by  $\Delta = g_2^3 - 27g_3^3, g_2 = 60G_4, g_3 = 140G_6$ . We also may consider

$$j : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$j = \frac{1728g_2^3}{\Delta}$$

which is weight zero and holomorphic on  $\mathcal{H}$  but not at  $\infty$ . We can actually think of  $j$  as  $j : \{E\} / \sim \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  which is an invariant on elliptic curves, called the  $j$ -invariant. The modularity theorem will concern

- Elliptic curves  $E$  where  $j(E) \in \mathbb{Q}$
- CM elliptic curves imply  $j(E)$  is algebraic.

As some examples,  $j(i) = 1728, j(\mu_3) = 0, \mu_N := e^{2\pi i/N}$ . We also can consider moonshine theory—concerning the coefficients of  $j$  and the monster group.

Modular curves can be viewed as Riemann surfaces

- Give  $Y(\gamma)$  a manifold structure
- Compactify  $Y(\Gamma) \subseteq X(\Gamma)$ .

We have a map  $\pi : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow Y(\Gamma)$ , and we give  $Y(\Gamma)$  the quotient topology. How do we show  $Y(\Gamma)$  is Hausdorff?

### Proposition .1.1

If  $\tau_1, \tau_2 \in \mathcal{H}$ , then there exists neighborhoods  $U_i$  containing  $\tau_i$  such that for all  $\gamma \in \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$ ,  $\gamma(U_1) \cap U_2 \neq \emptyset$  implies  $\gamma(\tau_1) = \tau_2$ .

*Proof.* Choose any  $U'_1, U'_2$  containing  $\tau_1, \tau_2$  with compact closure. First we need a claim.

**Claim**

$\gamma(U'_1) \cap U'_2 \neq \emptyset$  for finitely many  $\gamma \in \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$ .

Well we know  $\mathcal{H} = \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})/\mathrm{SO}_2(\mathbb{R})$ . Take a section  $S : x + yi \mapsto \frac{1}{\sqrt{y}} \begin{bmatrix} y & x \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then

$$e_1, e_2 \in \mathcal{H}, \gamma(e_1) = e_2 \iff \gamma \in S(e_1) \mathrm{SO}_2(\mathbb{R}) S(e_2)^{-1}.$$

If we let  $e_1, e_2$  range over  $\overline{U}_1, \overline{U}_2$ , then  $\gamma$  lies in a compact subset of  $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})$

Thus the number of such  $\gamma$  is finite since  $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$  is discrete.  $F$  is the finite set of such  $\gamma$ , for each  $\gamma \in F$ , choose disjoint  $U_{1,\gamma}, U_{2,\gamma}$  containing  $\gamma(\tau_1), \tau_2$  respectively. Then

$$U_1 = U'_1 \cap \bigcap_{\gamma} \gamma^{-1}(U_{1,\gamma}) \qquad U_2 = U'_2 \cap \bigcap_{\gamma} U_{2,\gamma}$$

**Corollary .1.2**

$Y(\Gamma)$  is Hausdorff

We now want to construct charts, that is for each  $\pi(\tau) \in Y(\Gamma)$ , we want  $\tilde{U} \subseteq Y(\Gamma)$ , a homeomorphism  $\varphi : \tilde{U} \rightarrow V \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  onto  $V$  open, and we want holomorphic transition maps.

The  $Y(\Gamma)$  are in fact “ramified covers.” If  $\tau$  is only fixed by  $\Gamma \cap \{\pm I\}$  then take a small neighborhood  $U$  of  $\tau$ , then  $\pi : U \rightarrow \tilde{U}$  is a homeomorphism.

**Definition .1.2**

Let  $\Gamma$  be a congruence subgroup. We say  $\tau$  is elliptic in  $\Gamma$  if  $\mathrm{Stab}_{\Gamma}(\tau) \supsetneq \{\pm I\}$ .

Fact: For each  $\tau$ ,  $\Gamma_{\tau}$  is finite cyclic (of order 1,2,3,4,6).

**Definition .1.3**

$$h_{\tau} = |\Gamma_{\tau}/(\Gamma \cap \{\pm I\})|$$

We may then choose  $U \subseteq \mathcal{H}$  such that  $\gamma(U) \cap U \neq \emptyset$  implies  $\gamma \in \Gamma_{\tau}$ . We also know elliptic points are discrete. Then  $U \xrightarrow{\psi=\rho \circ \delta} \hat{\mathbb{C}}$  where  $\rho(z) = z^{h_{\tau}}$ , and

$$\delta : z \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\tau \\ 1 & -\bar{\tau} \end{bmatrix} z$$

where  $\delta(\tau) = 0, \delta(\bar{\tau}) = \infty$ . This will induce a map  $\varphi : \pi(U) \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{C}}$  giving us a chart.