

On vector differential forms attached to automorphic forms.

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In recent works [2], [3], it was found that the integral of certain vector differential forms, attached to automorphic forms with respect to a Fuchsian group G , is important in the arithmetic theory of modular correspondences. Those vector differential forms ω are defined on the upper half plane and satisfy the transformation formula

$$(1) \quad \omega \circ \sigma = M(\sigma)\omega$$

for every element σ of the group G , where $M(\sigma)$ is a tensor representation of G . The object of the present paper is to determine all holomorphic forms satisfying this relation (1). M being of degree $2m-1$, we can attach to every cusp form of degree $\leq 2m$ a holomorphic form ω with the representation M (Theorem 1). Conversely, any holomorphic form satisfying (1) is expressed as a sum of the forms thus obtained from cusp forms of degree $\leq 2m$; and this expression gives a direct decomposition of the vector space \mathfrak{F} of such holomorphic forms (Theorem 2). Hence the dimension of the vector space \mathfrak{F} is easily obtained if we know the dimension of the linear space of cusp forms for each degree. We note that the integral of the form attached to a cusp form of degree $< 2m$ has a period cohomologous to 0, in the sense described in [3]. This fact distinguishes among such forms the forms attached to cusp forms of degree $2m$, which were the object of the investigation in [3].

§1. Cusp forms with respect to a Fuchsian group.

Let \mathcal{H} denote the upper half plane, the set of all complex numbers with positive imaginary parts. Every element $\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ of $SL(2, \mathbf{R})$ operates on \mathcal{H} , as usual:

$$\sigma(z) = \frac{az + b}{cz + d};$$

we put

$$J(\sigma, z) = (cz + d)^{-1}.$$