

13. On Siegel's Modular Function of the Higher Stufe.

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In this note we are concerned with modular functions of the degree n , of the dimension $-2r$ and of the *stufe* m , which is an extension of Eisenstein's series of the *stufe* m , due to Mr. Hecke,¹⁾ to the case of the degree n , and deduce some of the corresponding properties.

We call Siegel's modular function of the degree n , of the dimension $-2r$, and of the *stufe* m the following function,

$$f_r(X; P_1, Q_1; m) = \sum_{\substack{P=P_1 \\ Q=Q_1 \pmod{m} \\ (P, Q)_m}} \frac{1}{|PX+Q|^{2r}} \quad ^2)$$

where X is a symmetric matrix with a positive "imaginary part" and P_1, Q_1 form a given symmetrical pair of matrices with rational integral components and have no left common divisor, while \sum sums over mod m non-associated symmetrical pair of matrices P and Q which are congruent to P_1 and Q_1 respectively and have no left common divisor.

Here we call two symmetrical pairs of matrices, P, Q and P_0, Q_0 "associated mod m " when there exists a unimodular matrix U , congruent to $\pm E$ mod m , such that the relations $P_0=UP, Q_0=UQ$ hold.

As in the case of Siegel's modular function of the 1st. *stufe*, it is absolutely and uniformly convergent when the integer $r > \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$ and represents an analytic function of X in the domain H in which X has a positive imaginary part.

The behavior under a modular substitution $M = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}$ is as follows. Let us complete P, Q to a modular substitution $\begin{pmatrix} P & Q \\ U & V \end{pmatrix}$, then

$$\begin{pmatrix} P & Q \\ U & V \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} PA+QC & PB+QD \\ UA+VC & UB+VD \end{pmatrix}$$

is also a modular substitution, so that $K=PA+QC$ and $L=PB+QD$ form a symmetrical pair of matrices without a left common divisor, and

$$K \equiv K_1 = P_1A + Q_1C,$$

$$L \equiv L_1 = P_1B + Q_1D \quad \pmod{m}.$$

1) E. Hecke. Theorie der Eisensteinschen Reihen höherer Stufe and ihre Anwendung auf Funktionentheorie und Arithmetik.

2) Capital letters represent n -dimensional matrices, while small letters represent integers.