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## MODULAR FORMS AND THE AUTOMORPHISM GROUP OF LEECH LATTICE

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## Dedicated to Professor Michio Kuga on his 60th birthday

This is a continuation of my previous papers [2], [3], [4] concerning to the monstrous moonshine.

The automorphism group  $\cdot O$  of the Leech lattice L plays an important role in the study of moonshine. Especially it is important to study theta functions associated with quadratic sublattices of L consisting of fixed vectors of elements of  $\cdot O$ . In this paper, we discuss the properties that these functions are expected to satisfy in the relation to the monstrous moonshine.

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§1.

1.1. Throughout this paper, we use the same notation as in [4] and [5]. We recall them first.

 $\cdot O$  has a natural 24-dimensional representation over Q induced by the action on the Leech lattice. So each element  $\pi$  of  $\cdot O$  is described by Frame shape with respect to this representation:

$$\pi=\prod_{1\leq t}t^{r_t}, \qquad r_t\in Z$$

Then deg  $\pi = \sum t \cdot r_t = 24$ . Let wt  $\pi = \frac{1}{2} \sum r_t$ . We classify every elements of  $\cdot O$  into the following 3 types:

(1.1)  $\pi$  is called type C if  $r_t \ge 0$  for all  $t \ge 1$ .

(1.2)  $\pi$  is called type E if wt  $\pi$  is positive but there exists some t such that  $r_t < 0$ .

(1.3)  $\pi$  is called type F if wt  $\pi = 0$ .

For each  $\pi$ , we can suitably choose a positive integer N which is a Received March 10, 1987.