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We construct and classify all Poisson structures on quasimodular forms that extend the one coming from the first Rankin–Cohen bracket on the modular forms. We use them to build formal deformations on the algebra of quasimodular forms.

1. Introduction

Henri Cohen [1975, Theorem 7.1] defined a collection of bidifferential operators on modular forms. Let n be a positive integer, f a modular form of weight k , and g a modular form of weight ℓ . The n -th Rankin–Cohen bracket of f and g is the modular form of weight $k + \ell + 2n$ defined by

$$\mathrm{RC}_n(f, g) = \sum_{r=0}^n (-1)^r \binom{k+n-1}{n-r} \binom{\ell+n-1}{r} D^r f D^{n-r} g \quad \left(D = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \frac{d}{dz} \right).$$

The algebraic structure of these brackets has been studied in the seminal [Zagier 1994]. That Rankin–Cohen brackets define a formal deformation of the algebra of modular forms has been widely studied. Important contributions are [Unterberger and Unterberger 1996; Cohen et al. 1997; Yao 2007; Bieliavsky et al. 2007; Pevzner 2012; Kobayashi and Pevzner 2013].

In this paper, we construct formal deformations of the algebra $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}$ of quasimodular forms. This algebra is generated over \mathbb{C} by the three Eisenstein series E_2 , E_4 and E_6 . The algebra \mathcal{M}_* of modular forms is the subalgebra generated by E_4 and E_6 . As a first step, we classify the admissible Poisson structures of $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}$. A Poisson bracket $\{ , \}$ on $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}$ is admissible if

- (i) the restriction of $\{ , \}$ to the algebra \mathcal{M}_* of modular forms is the first Rankin–Cohen bracket RC_1 and

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(ii) it satisfies $\{\mathcal{M}_k^{\leq s}, \mathcal{M}_\ell^{\leq t}\} \subset \mathcal{M}_{k+\ell+2}^{\leq s+t}$ for any even integers k, ℓ and any integers s and t ,

where $\mathcal{M}_k^{\leq s}$ is the vector space of quasimodular forms of weight k and depth less than s . The vector space of parabolic modular forms of weight 12 is one-dimensional. We choose $\Delta = E_4^3 - E_6^2$ a generator.

Proposition A (first family of Poisson brackets). *For any $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}^*$, there exists an admissible Poisson bracket $\{, \}_\lambda$ on the algebra of quasimodular forms defined by the following values on the generators:*

$$\begin{aligned} \{E_4, E_6\}_\lambda &= -2\Delta, \\ \{E_2, E_4\}_\lambda &= -\frac{1}{3}(2E_6E_2 - \lambda E_4^2), \\ \{E_2, E_6\}_\lambda &= -\frac{1}{2}(2E_4^2E_2 - \lambda E_4E_6). \end{aligned}$$

Moreover:

- (i) For any $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}^*$, the Poisson bracket $\{, \}_\lambda$ is not unimodular.
- (ii) The Poisson algebras $(\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}, \{, \}_\lambda)$ and $(\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}, \{, \}_{\lambda'})$ are Poisson modular isomorphic for all λ and λ' in \mathbb{C}^* .
- (iii) For any $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}^*$, the Poisson centre of $(\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}, \{, \}_\lambda)$ is \mathbb{C} .

Remark. A Poisson isomorphism φ on $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}$ is modular if $\varphi(\mathcal{M}_*) \subset \mathcal{M}_*$.

Thanks to (ii) in Proposition A, we restrict to the bracket $\{, \}_1$. Following [Zagier 1994, Equation (38)], we consider the derivation w on $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}$ defined by

$$w(f) = \frac{\{\Delta, f\}_1}{12\Delta}.$$

A derivation δ on $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}$ is complex-like if $\delta(\mathcal{M}_k^{\leq s}) \subset \mathcal{M}_{k+2}^{\leq s+1}$ for any k and s . The set of complex-like derivations δ such that $kf\delta(g) - \ell g\delta(f) = 0$ for any $f \in \mathcal{M}_k^{\leq s}$ and $g \in \mathcal{M}_\ell^{\leq t}$, for any k, ℓ, s, t , is a one-dimensional vector space over \mathbb{C} . Let π be a generator. The following theorem provides a first family of formal deformations of the algebra $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}$.

Theorem B. *For any $a \in \mathbb{C}$, let d_a be the derivation on $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}$ defined by $d_a = a\pi + w$.*

(i) For all quasimodular forms f and g of respective weights k and ℓ , we have

$$\{f, g\}_1 = kf d_a(g) - \ell g d_a(f).$$

(ii) More generally, for any $a \in \mathbb{C}$, the brackets defined for any integer $n \geq 0$ by

$$\begin{aligned} [f, g]_{d_a, n} &= \sum_{r=0}^n (-1)^r \binom{k+n-1}{n-r} \binom{\ell+n-1}{r} d_a^r(f) d_a^{n-r}(g) \\ &\quad (f \in \mathcal{M}_k^{\leq \infty}, g \in \mathcal{M}_\ell^{\leq \infty}) \end{aligned}$$

satisfy

$$[\mathcal{M}_k^{\leq \infty}, \mathcal{M}_\ell^{\leq \infty}]_{d_{a,n}} \subset \mathcal{M}_{k+\ell+2n}^{\leq \infty}$$

and define a formal deformation of $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}$.

(iii) Moreover, $[\mathcal{M}_k^{\leq s}, \mathcal{M}_\ell^{\leq t}]_{d_{a,n}} \subset \mathcal{M}_{k+\ell+2n}^{\leq s+t}$ for all n, s, t, k, ℓ if and only if $a = 0$.

Remark. A generator π is defined by linear extension of $\pi(f) = kfE_2$ for f any quasimodular form of weight k . For this choice, the derivation d_a is defined on the generators by

$$d_a E_2 = 2aE_2^2 - \frac{1}{12}E_4, \quad d_a E_4 = 4aE_4E_2 - \frac{1}{3}E_6, \quad d_a E_6 = 6aE_6E_2 - \frac{1}{2}E_4^2.$$

Proposition C (second family of Poisson brackets). *For any $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$, there exists an admissible Poisson bracket $(,)_\alpha$ on the algebra of quasimodular forms defined by the following values on the generators:*

$$(E_4, E_6)_\alpha = -2\Delta, \quad (E_2, E_4)_\alpha = \alpha E_6 E_2, \quad (E_2, E_6)_\alpha = \frac{3}{2}\alpha E_4^2 E_2.$$

Moreover:

- (i) For any $\alpha \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{4\}$, the Poisson bracket $(,)_\alpha$ is not unimodular. For $\alpha = 4$, the Poisson bracket $(,)_4$ is Jacobian (and hence unimodular) of potential $k_0 = -2\Delta E_2$.
- (ii) The Poisson algebras $(\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}, (,)_\alpha)$ and $(\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}, (,)_{\alpha'})$ are Poisson modular isomorphic if and only if $\alpha = \alpha'$.
- (iii) For any $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$,
 - (a) if $\alpha \notin \mathbb{Q}$, the Poisson centre of $(\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}, (,)_\alpha)$ is \mathbb{C} ;
 - (b) if $\alpha = 0$, the Poisson centre of $(\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}, (,)_\alpha)$ is $\mathbb{C}[E_2]$;
 - (c) if $\alpha = p/q$ with $p \in \mathbb{Z}^*$ and $q \in \mathbb{N}^*$, p and q coprimes, the Poisson centre of $(\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}, (,)_\alpha)$ is

$$\begin{cases} \mathbb{C} & \text{if } p < 0, \\ \mathbb{C}[\Delta^p E_2^{4q}] & \text{if } p \geq 1 \text{ is odd,} \\ \mathbb{C}[\Delta^u E_2^{2q}] & \text{if } p = 2u \text{ for odd } u \geq 1, \\ \mathbb{C}[\Delta^v E_2^q] & \text{if } p = 4v \text{ with } v \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

Remark. The bracket $(,)_0$ is the trivial bracket.

This second family provides a new set of formal deformations of the algebra of quasimodular forms. Following [Zagier 1994, Equation (38)], we consider the derivation v defined on $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}$ by

$$v(f) = \frac{(\Delta, f)_\alpha}{12\Delta}.$$

Let us define $\mathcal{H}_\alpha : \mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ by setting $\mathcal{H}_\alpha(f) = k - (3\alpha + 2)s$ if f has weight k and depth s . The set of complex-like derivations δ such that

$$\mathcal{H}_\alpha(f)f\delta(g) - \mathcal{H}_\alpha(g)g\delta(f) = 0$$

for any $f \in \mathcal{M}_k^{\leq s}$ and $g \in \mathcal{M}_\ell^{\leq t}$, for any k, ℓ, s, t , is a one-dimensional vector space over \mathbb{C} . Let π_α be a generator. We define

$$\mathcal{M}_k^s = \mathcal{M}_{k-2s}\mathbb{E}_2^s.$$

Theorem D. *Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$. For any $b \in \mathbb{C}$, let $\delta_{\alpha,b}$ be the derivation on $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}$ defined by $\delta_{\alpha,b} = b\pi_\alpha + v$.*

(i) *For all $f \in \mathcal{M}_k^s$ and $g \in \mathcal{M}_\ell^t$, we have*

$$(f, g)_\alpha = (k - (3\alpha + 2)s)f\delta_{\alpha,b}(g) - (\ell - (3\alpha + 2)t)g\delta_{\alpha,b}(f)$$

for any $f \in \mathcal{M}_k^s$ and $g \in \mathcal{M}_\ell^t$.

(ii) *Moreover, the brackets defined for any integer $n \geq 0$ by*

$$\begin{aligned} [f, g]_{\delta_{\alpha,b},n}^{\mathcal{H}_\alpha} &= \sum_{r=0}^n (-1)^r \binom{k - (3\alpha + 2)s + n - 1}{n-r} \binom{\ell - (3\alpha + 2)t + n - 1}{r} \delta_{\alpha,b}^r(f) \delta_{\alpha,b}^{n-r}(g) \end{aligned}$$

for any $f \in \mathcal{M}_k^s$ and $g \in \mathcal{M}_\ell^t$ define a formal deformation of $\mathcal{M}_^{\leq \infty}$ satisfying*

$$[\mathcal{M}_k^{\leq s}, \mathcal{M}_\ell^{\leq t}]_{\delta_{\alpha,b},n}^{\mathcal{H}_\alpha} \subset \mathcal{M}_{k+\ell+2n}^{\leq s+t}$$

for all k, ℓ in $2\mathbb{N}$ and s, t in \mathbb{N} if and only if $b = 0$.

Remark. A generator π_α is defined by linear extension of

$$\pi_\alpha(f) = [k - (3\alpha + 2)s]f\mathbb{E}_2 \quad (f \in \mathcal{M}_k^s).$$

For this choice, the derivation $\delta_{\alpha,b}$ is defined on the generators by

$$\delta_{\alpha,b}\mathbb{E}_2 = -3b\alpha\mathbb{E}_2^2, \quad \delta_{\alpha,b}\mathbb{E}_4 = 4b\mathbb{E}_4\mathbb{E}_2 - \frac{1}{3}\mathbb{E}_6, \quad \delta_{\alpha,b}\mathbb{E}_6 = 6b\mathbb{E}_6\mathbb{E}_2 - \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{E}_4^2.$$

To complete the classification of Poisson structures, we introduce a third family of Poisson brackets. We note, however, that when $\mu \neq 0$ this third family does not lead to a formal deformation of $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}$ with the shape of Rankin–Cohen brackets (see Section 4.3).

Proposition E (third family of Poisson brackets). *For any $\mu \in \mathbb{C}$, there exists an admissible Poisson bracket $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_\mu$ on the algebra of quasimodular forms defined by*

the following values on the generators:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle E_4, E_6 \rangle_\mu &= -2\Delta, \\ \langle E_2, E_4 \rangle_\mu &= 4E_6E_2 + \mu E_4^2, \\ \langle E_2, E_6 \rangle_\mu &= 6E_4^2E_2 - 2\mu E_4E_6. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover:

(i) This Poisson bracket is Jacobian with potential

$$k_\mu = -2\Delta E_2 + \mu E_4^2 E_6.$$

(ii) The Poisson algebras $(\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_\mu)$ and $(\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{\mu'})$ are Poisson modular isomorphic for all μ and μ' in \mathbb{C}^* .

(iii) For any $\mu \in \mathbb{C}$, the Poisson centre of $(\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_\mu)$ is the polynomial algebra $\mathbb{C}[k_\mu]$.

Remark. We note that $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_0 = (\cdot, \cdot)_4$.

Finally, the following result implies that our classification is complete.

Theorem F. *Up to Poisson modular isomorphism, the only distinct admissible Poisson brackets on the algebra of quasimodular forms are $\{ \cdot, \cdot \}_1$, $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_1$ and the family $(\cdot, \cdot)_\alpha$ for any $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$.*

Remark. We could endow the algebra of modular forms with another Poisson structure \mathfrak{b} . If we require $\mathfrak{b}(\mathcal{M}_k, \mathcal{M}_\ell) \subset \mathcal{M}_{k+\ell+2}$, then \mathfrak{b} is necessarily defined by $\mathfrak{b}(E_4, E_6) = \alpha E_4^3 + \beta E_6^2$ for some complex numbers α and β . If $\alpha\beta \neq 0$, then $(\mathcal{M}_*, \mathfrak{b})$ is Poisson isomorphic to $(\mathcal{M}_*, \text{RC}_1)$ and is indeed studied by this work. If $\alpha\beta = 0$, the Poisson algebras are no longer Poisson isomorphic (they do not have the same group of automorphisms). This degenerate case deserves another study.

Remark. From an algebraic point of view, classifications of Poisson structures and associated (co)homology for polynomial algebras in two variables appear in [Monnier 2002; Pichereau 2006a; Roger and Vanhaecke 2002] for a Poisson bracket on $\mathbb{C}[x, y]$ defined by $\{x, y\} = \varphi(x, y)$ with φ a homogeneous or square-free weight-homogeneous polynomial in $\mathbb{C}[x, y]$. The algebra of modular forms $\mathcal{M}_* = \mathbb{C}[E_4, E_6]$ with the Poisson bracket defined by RC_1 is the case A_2 in the classification theorem 3.8 in [Monnier 2002]. Applying Propositions 4.10 and 4.11 of [Pichereau 2006a], or Theorems 4.6 and 4.11 of [Monnier 2002], we can deduce that the Poisson cohomology spaces $\text{HP}^1(\mathcal{M}_*)$ and $\text{HP}^2(\mathcal{M}_*)$ are of respective dimensions 1 and 2. In three variables, the Poisson structures on the algebra $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty} = \mathbb{C}[E_2, E_4, E_6]$ of quasimodular forms arising from Theorem F do not fall under the classification of [Dufour and Haraki 1991] since they are not quadratic. The (co)homological study of Pichereau [2006a; 2006b] does not apply to the brackets $\{ \cdot, \cdot \}_1$ and $(\cdot, \cdot)_\alpha$, since

they are not Jacobian, or to the Jacobian bracket $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_1$, because its potential k_1 does not admit an isolated singularity at the origin.

2. Number theoretic and algebraic background

2.1. Quasimodular forms. The aim of this section is to provide the necessary background on quasimodular forms. For details, the reader is advised to refer to [Zagier 2008] or [Martin and Royer 2005]. On $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$, a modular form of weight $k \in 2\mathbb{N}$, $k \neq 2$, is a holomorphic function on the Poincaré upper half-plane $\mathcal{H} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \Im z > 0\}$ satisfying

$$(cz + d)^{-k} f\left(\frac{az + b}{cz + d}\right) = f(z)$$

for any $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ and having Fourier expansion

$$f(z) = \sum_{n \geq 0} \widehat{f}(n) e^{2\pi i n z}.$$

We denote by \mathcal{M}_k the finite-dimensional space of modular forms of weight k . The algebra of modular forms is defined as the graded algebra

$$\mathcal{M}_* = \bigoplus_{\substack{k \in 2\mathbb{N} \\ k \neq 2}} \mathcal{M}_k.$$

Let $k \geq 2$ be even. We define the Eisenstein series of weight k by

$$E_k(z) = 1 - \frac{2k}{B_k} \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \sigma_{k-1}(n) e^{2\pi i n z}.$$

Here the rational numbers B_k are defined by their exponential generating series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} B_n \frac{t^n}{n!} = \frac{t}{e^t - 1}$$

and σ_{k-1} is the divisor function defined by

$$\sigma_{k-1}(n) = \sum_{\substack{d \mid n \\ d > 0}} d^{k-1} \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}^*).$$

If $k \geq 4$, the Eisenstein series E_k is a modular form of weight k and \mathcal{M}_* is the polynomial algebra in the two algebraically independent Eisenstein series E_4 and E_6 . In other words,

$$\mathcal{M}_* = \mathbb{C}[E_4, E_6], \quad \mathcal{M}_k = \bigoplus_{\substack{(i,j) \in \mathbb{N}^2 \\ 4i + 6j = k}} \mathbb{C} E_4^i E_6^j.$$

However, the Eisenstein series E_2 is not a modular form. It satisfies

$$(cz + d)^{-2}E_2\left(\frac{az + b}{cz + d}\right) = E_2(z) + \frac{6}{\pi i} \frac{c}{cz + d} \quad (z \in \mathcal{H})$$

for any $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{Z})$. Moreover, the algebra of modular forms is not stable by the normalised complex derivation

$$D = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \frac{d}{dz}.$$

For example, we have the Ramanujan differential equations

$$DE_2 = \frac{1}{12}(E_2^2 - E_4), \quad DE_4 = \frac{1}{3}(E_4E_2 - E_6), \quad DE_6 = \frac{1}{2}(E_6E_2 - E_4^2).$$

To account for these observations, and using the fact that E_2, E_4 and E_6 are algebraically independent, we introduce the algebra $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}$ of quasimodular forms defined as the polynomial algebra

$$\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty} = \mathbb{C}[E_2, E_4, E_6] = \mathcal{M}_*[E_2].$$

More intrinsically, if for $\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{Z})$ we define

$$X(\gamma) = z \mapsto \frac{c}{cz + d}$$

and

$$f|_k\gamma = z \mapsto (cz + d)^{-k} f\left(\frac{az + b}{cz + d}\right),$$

then a quasimodular form of weight $k \in 2\mathbb{N}$ and depth $s \in \mathbb{N}$ is a holomorphic function f on \mathcal{H} such that there exist holomorphic functions f_0, \dots, f_s ($f_s \neq 0$) satisfying

$$f|_k\gamma = \sum_{j=0}^s f_j X(\gamma)^j$$

for any $\gamma \in \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{Z})$. Moreover, it is required that any f_j have a Fourier expansion

$$f_j(z) = \sum_{n \geq 0} \widehat{f}_j(n) e^{2\pi i n z} \quad (z \in \mathcal{H}).$$

The zero function is supposed to have arbitrary weight and depth 0. We write $\mathcal{M}_k^{\leq \infty}$ for the space of quasimodular forms of weight k and $\mathcal{M}_k^{\leq s}$ for the space of quasimodular forms of weight k and depth less than or equal to s . We have $\mathcal{M}_k^{\leq 0} = \mathcal{M}_k$ and

$$\mathcal{M}_k^{\leq s} = \bigoplus_{j=0}^s \mathcal{M}_{k-2j} E_2^j, \quad \mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty} = \bigoplus_{k \in 2\mathbb{N}} \mathcal{M}_k^{\leq k/2}.$$

Moreover, $\mathcal{DM}_k^{\leq s} \subset \mathcal{M}_{k+2}^{\leq s+1}$. Since the depth of a quasimodular form is nothing but its degree as a polynomial in E_2 with modular coefficients, we note that

$$\mathcal{M}_k^{\leq s} = \bigoplus_{t=0}^s \mathcal{M}_k^t, \quad \mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty} = \bigoplus_{k \in 2\mathbb{N}} \bigoplus_{t=0}^{k/2} \mathcal{M}_k^t,$$

where

$$\mathcal{M}_k^t = \mathcal{M}_{k-2t} E_2^t = \bigoplus_{\substack{(i,j) \in \mathbb{N}^2 \\ 4i+6j=k-2t}} \mathbb{C} E_4^i E_6^j E_2^t.$$

An important element in our study will be the discriminant function $\Delta = E_4^3 - E_6^2$. We note that $D\Delta = \Delta E_2$.

Let n be a nonnegative integer, f a modular form of weight k , and g a modular form of weight ℓ . The n -th Rankin–Cohen bracket of f and g is

$$\text{RC}_n(f, g) = \sum_{r=0}^n (-1)^r \binom{k+n-1}{n-r} \binom{\ell+n-1}{r} D^r f D^{n-r} g.$$

This is a modular form of weight $k + \ell + 2n$. If f and g are quasimodular forms of respective weights k and ℓ and respective depths s and t , their n -th Rankin–Cohen bracket is defined in [Martin and Royer 2009] by

$$\text{RC}_n(f, g) = \sum_{r=0}^n (-1)^r \binom{k-s+n-1}{n-r} \binom{\ell-t+n-1}{r} D^r f D^{n-r} g. \tag{1}$$

This is a quasimodular form of weight $k + \ell + 2n$ and minimal depth (that is $s + t$).

2.2. Poisson algebra. The aim of this section is to give a brief account of what is needed about Poisson algebra. For more details, the reader is advised to refer to [Laurent-Gengoux et al. 2013]. A commutative \mathbb{C} -algebra A is a Poisson algebra if there exists a bilinear skew-symmetric map $b : A \times A \rightarrow A$ satisfying the two conditions

- (Leibniz rule) $b(fg, h) = fb(g, h) + b(f, h)g$ and
- (Jacobi identity) $b(f, b(g, h)) + b(g, b(h, f)) + b(h, b(f, g)) = 0$

for all f, g and h in A . The bilinear map b is given the name of Poisson bracket. If A is a finitely generated algebra with generators x_1, \dots, x_N , a Poisson bracket b is entirely determined by its values $b(x_i, x_j)$ for $i < j$, where A is generated by x_1, \dots, x_N . More precisely, we have

$$b(f, g) = \sum_{0 \leq i < j \leq N} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial g}{\partial x_j} - \frac{\partial g}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j} \right) b(x_i, x_j) \tag{2}$$

for f and g expressed as polynomials in x_1, \dots, x_N .

If $A = \mathbb{C}[x, y]$, any $p \in A$ determines a Poisson bracket satisfying $b(x, y) = p$. However, if $A = \mathbb{C}[x, y, z]$, for any p, q and r in A , there exists a Poisson bracket on A defined by

$$b(x, y) = r, \quad b(y, z) = p \quad \text{and} \quad b(z, x) = q$$

if and only if

$$\text{curl}(p, q, r) \cdot (p, q, r) = 0, \tag{3}$$

where

$$\text{curl}(p, q, r) = \left(\frac{\partial r}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial q}{\partial z}, \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial r}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} \right).$$

If condition (3) is satisfied, then (p, q, r) is called a Poissonian triple. A particular case is obtained if there exists $k \in \mathbb{C}[x, y, z]$ such that $\text{curl}(p, q, r) = (p, q, r) \wedge \text{grad } k$. The bracket b is said then to be unimodular. Among unimodular brackets are the Jacobian brackets. A bracket b is Jacobian if $(p, q, r) = \text{grad } k$ for some polynomial k . The bracket b then satisfies

$$b(f, g) = \text{jac}(f, g, k) \quad (f, g \in A).$$

In this case, $\mathbb{C}[x, y, z]$ is said to have a Jacobian Poisson structure of potential (or Casimir function) k . The Poissonian triple (p, q, r) is said then to be exact.

The Poisson centre (or zeroth Poisson cohomology group) of a Poisson algebra A is the Poisson subalgebra

$$\text{HP}^0(A) = \{g \in A : b(f, g) = 0, \forall f \in A\}.$$

The Poisson centre is contained in the Poisson centraliser of any element in the algebra: let $f \in A$; its Poisson centraliser is $\{g \in A : b(f, g) = 0\}$. The following lemma computes the Poisson centre of polynomial algebras in three variables equipped with a Jacobian Poisson structure. It allows one to recover, for example, Proposition 4.2 of [Pichereau 2006b] in the particular case where the potential is a weight-homogeneous polynomial with an isolated singularity. A polynomial $h \in \mathbb{C}[x, y, z]$ is indecomposable if there is no polynomial $p \in \mathbb{C}[x]$ with $\deg p \geq 2$ such that $h = p \circ \ell$ for some $\ell \in \mathbb{C}[x, y, z]$.

Lemma 1. *Let $\mathbb{C}[x, y, z]$ be endowed with a Jacobian Poisson structure of nonconstant potential k . Its Poisson centre is $\mathbb{C}[k]$ if and only if k is indecomposable.*

Proof. Assume that k is not indecomposable: $k = p \circ \ell$ with $p \in \mathbb{C}[x]$, $\deg p = 2$. Then $\text{jac}(\ell, g, k) = (p' \circ \ell) \text{jac}(\ell, g, \ell)$, and hence ℓ is in the Poisson centre, but not in $\mathbb{C}[k]$. Assume conversely that k is indecomposable. Let f be in the Poisson centre; then the rank of the Jacobian matrix of (f, g, k) is at most 2 for any g . If it is 1 for any g then $\text{grad } f$ and $\text{grad } k$ are zero, which contradicts the fact that k is not constant. Hence, for some g , the rank is 2. It follows (see, for example,

[Gutierrez and Sevilla 2006, Theorem 6]) that there exist $q \in \mathbb{C}[x, y, z]$, $F \in \mathbb{C}[x]$ and $K \in \mathbb{C}[x]$ such that $f = F \circ q$ and $k = K \circ q$. Since k is indecomposable and nonconstant, we have $\deg K = 1$, and hence q and f are polynomials in k . \square

If A and B are two Poisson algebras with respective Poisson brackets \mathfrak{b}_A and \mathfrak{b}_B , a map $\varphi : A \rightarrow B$ is a morphism of Poisson algebras when it is a morphism of algebras that satisfies

$$\varphi(\mathfrak{b}_A(f, g)) = \mathfrak{b}_B(\varphi(f), \varphi(g))$$

for any f and g in A . Two Poisson-isomorphic Poisson algebras have isomorphic Poisson centres.

We detail now a canonical way to extend a Poisson structure from an algebra A to a polynomial algebra $A[x]$. This construction is due to Sei-Qwon Oh [2006]. A Poisson derivation of A is a derivation σ of A satisfying

$$\sigma(\mathfrak{b}(f, g)) = \mathfrak{b}(\sigma(f), g) + \mathfrak{b}(f, \sigma(g))$$

for all f and g in A . If σ is a Poisson derivation of A , a Poisson σ -derivation is a derivation δ of A such that

$$\delta(\mathfrak{b}(f, g)) = \mathfrak{b}(\delta(f), g) + \mathfrak{b}(f, \delta(g)) + \sigma(f)\delta(g) - \delta(f)\sigma(g)$$

for all f and g in A .

Theorem 2 [Oh 2006]. *Let (A, \mathfrak{b}_A) be a Poisson algebra. Let σ and δ be linear maps on A . The polynomial ring $A[x]$ becomes a Poisson algebra with Poisson brackets \mathfrak{b} defined by*

$$\mathfrak{b}(f, g) = \mathfrak{b}_A(f, g), \quad \mathfrak{b}(x, f) = \sigma(f)x + \delta(f)$$

for all f and g in A if and only if σ is a Poisson derivation and δ is a Poisson σ -derivation. In this case, the Poisson algebra $A[x]$ is said to be a Poisson–Ore extension of A . It is denoted by $A[x]_{\sigma, \delta}$.

We describe also a general process to obtain Poisson brackets from a pair of derivations. A pair (δ, \mathfrak{d}) of two derivations of A is solvable if there exists some scalar α such that $\delta \circ \mathfrak{d} - \mathfrak{d} \circ \delta = \alpha \mathfrak{d}$. In particular, a solvable pair (δ, \mathfrak{d}) is abelian when $\alpha = 0$.

Proposition 3. *Let A be a commutative algebra, and \mathfrak{d} and δ two derivations of A . Let $\mathfrak{b} : A \times A \rightarrow A$ be defined by*

$$\mathfrak{b}(f, g) = \delta(f)\mathfrak{d}(g) - \mathfrak{d}(f)\delta(g) \quad (f, g \in A).$$

Then:

- (i) *The map \mathfrak{b} is bilinear skew-symmetric and satisfies the Leibniz rule.*

(ii) If (δ, d) is solvable, then b satisfies the Jacobi identity and so becomes a Poisson bracket.

(iii) If (δ, d) is solvable, then d is a Poisson derivation for b .

Proof. Point (i) is immediate. Point (ii) is a consequence of the following computation. If (δ, d) is solvable with $\delta d - d\delta = \alpha d$ and if $B : A \otimes A \otimes A \rightarrow A$ is defined by $B(f, g, h) = b(f, b(g, h))$, then

$$B = \alpha(d \otimes d \otimes \delta - d \otimes \delta \otimes d) + (\delta \otimes (d \circ \delta) \otimes d - d \otimes \delta \otimes (d \circ \delta)) \\ + (d \otimes (d \circ \delta) \otimes \delta - \delta \otimes d \otimes (d \circ \delta)) + (\delta \otimes \delta \otimes d^2 - \delta \otimes d^2 \otimes \delta) + (d \otimes d \otimes \delta^2 - d \otimes \delta^2 \otimes d).$$

Point (iii) is obtained by direct computation. □

A direct consequence of this proposition is the following corollary. If $A = \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} A_n$ is a commutative graded algebra, a map $\kappa : A \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is graded-additive if for any $f \in A_k$ and $g \in A_\ell$ (for any k and ℓ) we have $\kappa(fg) = \kappa(f) + \kappa(g)$.

Corollary 4. *Let $A = \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} A_n$ be a commutative graded algebra. Let $\kappa : A \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a graded-additive map. Let d be a homogeneous derivation of A (there exists $e \geq 0$ such that $dA_n \subset A_{n+e}$ for any $e \geq 0$). Then the bracket defined on A by the bilinear extension of*

$$b(f, g) = \kappa(f)fd(g) - \kappa(g)gd(f) \quad (f \in A_k, g \in A_\ell)$$

is a Poisson bracket for which d is a Poisson derivation.

We turn to formal deformations of a commutative \mathbb{C} -algebra A . Assume we have a family $\mu = (\mu_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ of bilinear maps $\mu_i : A \times A \rightarrow A$ such that μ_0 is the product. Let $A[[\hbar]]$ be the commutative algebra of formal power series in one variable \hbar with coefficients in A . The family μ is a formal deformation of A if the noncommutative product on $A[[\hbar]]$ defined by extension of

$$f * g = \sum_{j \geq 0} \mu_j(f, g)\hbar^j \quad (f, g \in A)$$

is associative. This condition is equivalent to

$$\sum_{r=0}^n \mu_{n-r}(\mu_r(f, g), h) = \sum_{r=0}^n \mu_{n-r}(f, \mu_r(g, h)) \quad (\text{for all } f, g, h \in A) \quad (4)$$

for all $n \geq 0$. In this case, the product $*$ is called a star product. If μ is a formal deformation and if moreover μ_1 is skew-symmetric and μ_2 is symmetric, then (A, μ_1) is a Poisson algebra.

2.3. Problems at issue. The first Rankin–Cohen bracket

$$RC_1(f, g) = kfD(g) - D(f)lg \quad (f \in \mathcal{M}_k, g \in \mathcal{M}_\ell)$$

gives \mathcal{M}_* a structure of Poisson algebra. This is a consequence of [Corollary 4. Cohen, Manin and Zagier \[Cohen et al. 1997\]](#) and [Yao \[2007\]](#) (see also [Rochberg, Tang and Yao \[Rochberg et al. 2011\]](#)) proved that the family of Rankin–Cohen brackets is a formal deformation of \mathcal{M}_* . In this case, the star product is called the Eholzer product. This subject has been widely studied. See for example [\[Olver and Sanders 2000; Pevzner 2008\]](#).

Can we construct formal deformations of $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq\infty}$? In other words, can we construct suitable families $(\mu_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of bilinear maps on $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq\infty}$ that increase the weight by $2n$, preserve the depth and define an analogue of the Eholzer product? The brackets defined in (1) do not lead to a solution since RC_1 does not even provide $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq\infty}$ with a Poisson structure. Our first step is to obtain admissible Poisson brackets on $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq\infty}$ with the following definition.

Definition 5. A Poisson bracket b on $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq\infty}$ is admissible if

- (1) $b(f, g) = RC_1(f, g)$ if f and g are in \mathcal{M}_* ;
- (2) it satisfies $b(\mathcal{M}_k^{\leq s}, \mathcal{M}_\ell^{\leq t}) \subset \mathcal{M}_{k+\ell+2}^{\leq s+t}$ for all k, ℓ, s, t .

Remark. We could have replaced condition (2) by the following one: there exists $e \geq 0$ such that $b(\mathcal{M}_k^{\leq s}, \mathcal{M}_\ell^{\leq t}) \subset \mathcal{M}_{k+\ell+e}^{\leq s+t}$ for all k, ℓ, s, t . However, condition (1) implies that necessarily $e = 2$.

Equivalently, a Poisson bracket b on $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq\infty}$ is admissible if and only if

$$\begin{aligned} b(E_4, E_6) &= -2\Delta, \\ b(E_2, E_4) &\in \mathcal{M}_8^{\leq\infty}, \quad b(E_2, E_6) \in \mathcal{M}_{10}^{\leq\infty}, \\ b(E_2, \mathcal{M}_*) &\subset \mathcal{M}_*E_2 + \mathcal{M}_*. \end{aligned}$$

In order to classify the admissible Poisson brackets, we introduce the notion of Poisson modular isomorphism.

Definition 6. A Poisson isomorphism $\varphi : (\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq\infty}, b_1) \rightarrow (\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq\infty}, b_2)$ is called a Poisson modular isomorphism if $\varphi(\mathcal{M}_*) \subset \mathcal{M}_*$.

Indeed, if φ is a Poisson modular isomorphism, then its restriction to the subalgebra \mathcal{M}_* is the identity. This is a consequence of the following proposition.

Proposition 7. *The group of Poisson automorphisms of Poisson algebra (\mathcal{M}_*, RC_1) is trivial.*

Proof. Let φ be a Poisson automorphism of \mathcal{M}_* . There exist two polynomials s and t in $\mathbb{C}[x, y]$ such that $\varphi(E_4) = s(E_4, E_6)$ and $\varphi(E_6) = t(E_4, E_6)$. By (2), we have

$$RC_1(\varphi(E_4), \varphi(E_6)) = \text{jac}(s, t)(E_4, E_6) \cdot RC_1(E_4, E_6).$$

Since φ is an automorphism, $\text{jac}(s, t)$ is a nonzero scalar, say λ . We get

$$\varphi(RC_1(E_4, E_6)) = \lambda RC_1(E_4, E_6) \quad \text{and hence} \quad s^3 - t^2 = \lambda(x^3 - y^2) \quad \text{in } \mathbb{C}[x, y]. \tag{5}$$

We develop s and t into homogeneous components with respect to the weight:

$$s = \sum_{\substack{i=0 \\ i \neq 1}}^m s_{2i} \quad \text{and} \quad t = \sum_{\substack{i=0 \\ i \neq 1}}^n t_{2i},$$

where

$$s_{2i} = \sum_{\substack{(a,b) \in \mathbb{N}^2 \\ 2a+3b=i}} \sigma_{a,b} x^a y^b \quad \text{and} \quad t_{2i} = \sum_{\substack{(a,b) \in \mathbb{N}^2 \\ 2a+3b=i}} \tau_{a,b} x^a y^b \quad (\sigma_{a,b}, \tau_{a,b} \in \mathbb{C})$$

for all i (where $m = 0$ or $m \geq 2$ and $n = 0$ or $n \geq 2$). Equation (5) implies that $t(E_4, E_6)^2 - s(E_4, E_6)^3$ has weight 12. Then only three cases are possible.

- (1) If $3m > 2n$ then $m = 2$ and so $n \in \{0, 2\}$. This implies that $s = \sigma_{00} + \sigma_{10}x$ and $t = \tau_{00} + \tau_{10}x$. This contradicts $\text{jac}(s, t) \neq 0$.
- (2) If $3m < 2n$ then $n = 3$ and $m = 0$. This contradicts $\text{jac}(s, t) \neq 0$.
- (3) If $3m = 2n$, we differentiate (5) with respect to x and y and get

$$3s^2 \frac{\partial s}{\partial x} - 2t \frac{\partial t}{\partial x} = 3\lambda x^2, \quad 3s^2 \frac{\partial s}{\partial y} - 2t \frac{\partial t}{\partial y} = -2\lambda y.$$

This implies

$$2t = 3x^2 \frac{\partial s}{\partial y} + 2y \frac{\partial s}{\partial x}, \quad 3s^2 = 3x^2 \frac{\partial t}{\partial y} + 2y \frac{\partial t}{\partial x}. \tag{6}$$

From the first differential equation of (6) we have

$$2t(E_4, E_6) = 3E_4^2 \frac{\partial s}{\partial y}(E_4, E_6) + 2E_6 \frac{\partial s}{\partial x}(E_4, E_6).$$

The highest weight of the right-hand side is less than or equal to $2m + 2$. This implies $n \leq m + 1$. From the second differential equation of (6), we have

$$3s^2(E_4, E_6) = 3E_4^2 \frac{\partial t}{\partial y}(E_4, E_6) + 2E_6 \frac{\partial t}{\partial x}(E_4, E_6);$$

hence $2m \leq n + 1$. We deduce $(m, n) \in \{(0, 0), (2, 3)\}$. Since $n = m = 0$ would imply $\text{jac}(s, t) = 0$, we have $n = 3$ and $m = 2$. Then $s = \sigma_{00} + \sigma_{10}x$ and $t = \tau_{00} + \tau_{10}x + \tau_{01}y$. The first differential equation in (6) implies that $\tau_{00} = \tau_{10} = 0$ and $\tau_{01} = \sigma_{10}$, whereas

the second one implies that $\sigma_{00} = 0$ and $\sigma_{10} = 1$. Finally, $\varphi(E_4) = s(E_4, E_6) = E_4$ and $\varphi(E_6) = s(E_4, E_6) = E_6$. \square

Since $RC_1(\Delta, f) = (12D(f) - kfE_2)\Delta$ for any $f \in \mathcal{M}_k$, the first Rankin–Cohen bracket defines a derivation on \mathcal{M}_* called Serre’s derivative by linear extension of

$$\vartheta f = \frac{RC_1(\Delta, f)}{12\Delta} = D(f) - \frac{k}{12}fE_2 \quad (f \in \mathcal{M}_k). \tag{7}$$

This derivation is characterised by its values on the generators

$$\vartheta E_4 = -\frac{1}{3}E_6, \quad \vartheta E_6 = -\frac{1}{2}E_4^2.$$

We shall need the following result.

Proposition 8. *The kernel of Serre’s derivative is the Poisson centraliser of Δ for the first Rankin–Cohen bracket. This is $\mathbb{C}[\Delta]$.*

Proof. If $f \in \mathcal{M}_k$ is in $\ker \vartheta$ then $kfD(\Delta) = 12\Delta D(f)$. Solving the differential equation, we find that 12 divides k and that $f \in \mathbb{C}\Delta^{k/12}$. \square

We note that for any $g \in \mathcal{M}_\ell$ we have

$$RC_1(\Delta^m, g) = m\Delta^m(12D(g) - \ell gE_2)$$

and deduce that for any $f \in \mathbb{C}[\Delta]$ and $g \in \mathcal{M}_*$ we have

$$RC_1(f, g) = 12\xi(f)\vartheta(g), \tag{8}$$

where ξ is the Eulerian derivative on $\mathbb{C}[\Delta]$ defined by $\xi = \Delta \frac{\partial}{\partial \Delta}$.

3. Poisson structures on quasimodular forms

3.1. First family. This section is devoted to the proof of [Proposition A](#).

We fix $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}^*$ and introduce in $\mathbb{C}[x, y, z]$ the three polynomials

$$\begin{aligned} r(x, y, z) &= \frac{1}{3}(\lambda y^2 - 2xz), \\ p(x, y, z) &= -2(y^3 - z^2), \\ q(x, y, z) &= -\frac{1}{2}(\lambda yz - 2xy^2). \end{aligned}$$

Since $(p, q, r) \cdot \text{curl}(p, q, r) = 0$, we define a Poisson bracket on $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}$ if we set

$$\begin{aligned} \{E_4, E_6\}_\lambda &= p(E_2, E_4, E_6), \\ \{E_2, E_4\}_\lambda &= r(E_2, E_4, E_6), \\ \{E_6, E_2\}_\lambda &= q(E_2, E_4, E_6). \end{aligned}$$

Let us prove that $\{, \}_\lambda$ is not unimodular. If it were, we would have $k \in \mathbb{C}[x, y, z]$ such that $\text{curl}(p, q, r) = (p, q, r) \wedge \text{grad } k$. Identifying the first components would lead to

$$\frac{7}{6}\lambda y = \frac{1}{2}(-\lambda yz + 2y^2x) \frac{\partial k}{\partial z} - \frac{1}{3}(\lambda y^2 - 2zx) \frac{\partial k}{\partial y},$$

which has no solution in $\mathbb{C}[x, y, z]$.

A Poisson modular isomorphism φ_λ between $(\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}, \{, \}_\lambda)$ and $(\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}, \{, \}_1)$ is determined by

$$\varphi_\lambda(E_2) = \lambda E_2, \quad \varphi_\lambda(E_4) = E_4, \quad \varphi_\lambda(E_6) = E_6.$$

Finally, we determine the Poisson centre of the Poisson algebra $(\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}, \{, \}_1)$. Let us define a derivation on \mathcal{M}_* by $\sigma = 2\vartheta$ (see (7)) and a derivation on \mathcal{M}_* by linear extension of

$$\delta(f) = \frac{k}{12} f E_4 \quad (f \in \mathcal{M}_k).$$

We note that $(\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}, \{, \}_1)$ is the Poisson–Ore extension $\mathbb{C}[E_4, E_6][E_2]_{\sigma, \delta}$. Now consider any $f \in \mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}$ written as

$$f = \sum_{i=0}^s f_i E_2^i \quad (f_i \in \mathcal{M}_*).$$

We compute

$$\{E_2, f\}_1 = \delta(f_0) + \sum_{i=1}^s (\sigma(f_{i-1}) + \delta(f_i)) E_2^i + \sigma(f_s) E_2^{s+1}.$$

If $\{E_2, f\}_1 = 0$ then $\delta(f_0) = 0$, and hence $f_0 \in \mathbb{C}$ and $\sigma(f_0) = 0$. We obtain inductively that $f_i \in \mathbb{C}$ for all $0 \leq i \leq s$, so the Poisson centraliser of E_2 is $\mathbb{C}[E_2]$. Suppose that the Poisson centre contains a nonscalar element. Then it is in the Poisson centraliser of E_2 and can be written

$$f = \sum_{j=0}^p \alpha_j E_2^j \quad (p \geq 1, \alpha_j \in \mathbb{C}, \alpha_p \neq 0).$$

We compute

$$\{E_4, f\}_1 = \sum_{j=0}^p j \alpha_j E_2^{j-1} \cdot \{E_4, E_2\}_1$$

and find that the coefficient of E_2^p is nonzero. It follows that f is not in the Poisson centre.

3.2. Second family. This section is devoted to the proof of [Proposition C](#). We fix $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ and introduce in $\mathbb{C}[x, y, z]$ the three polynomials

$$\begin{aligned} r(x, y, z) &= \alpha xz, \\ p(x, y, z) &= -2(y^3 - z^2), \\ q(x, y, z) &= -\frac{3}{2}\alpha xy^2. \end{aligned}$$

Since $(p, q, r) \cdot \text{curl}(p, q, r) = 0$, we define a Poisson bracket on $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}$ if we set

$$\begin{aligned} (E_4, E_6)_\alpha &= p(E_2, E_4, E_6), \\ (E_2, E_4)_\alpha &= r(E_2, E_4, E_6), \\ (E_6, E_2)_\alpha &= q(E_2, E_4, E_6). \end{aligned}$$

Assume $\alpha \neq 4$. Let us prove that $(,)_\alpha$ is not unimodular. If it were, we would have $k \in \mathbb{C}[x, y, z]$ such that $\text{curl}(p, q, r) = (p, q, r) \wedge \text{grad } k$. Identifying the second components would lead to

$$(4 - \alpha)z = \alpha xz \frac{\partial k}{\partial x} + 2(y^3 - z^2) \frac{\partial k}{\partial z},$$

which has no solution in $\mathbb{C}[x, y, z]$.

If $\alpha = 4$, then $(p, q, r) = \text{grad } k_0$, where $k_0 = -2(y^3 - z^2)x$. As a consequence, the bracket $(,)_4$ provides $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}$ with a Jacobian Poisson structure of potential $k_0 = -2\Delta E_2 = -2D(\Delta)$.

If $\varphi : (\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}, (,)_\alpha) \rightarrow (\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}, (,)_{\alpha'})$ is a Poisson modular isomorphism, let us prove that $\alpha = \alpha'$. By [Proposition 7](#), we have $\varphi(E_4) = E_4$ and $\varphi(E_6) = E_6$. By surjectivity, it follows that $\varphi(E_2) = \eta E_2 + F$ for some $\eta \in \mathbb{C}^*$ and $F \in \mathcal{M}_*$. We compute

$$\varphi((E_2, E_4)_\alpha) = \alpha \eta E_6 E_2 + \alpha E_6 F$$

and

$$(\varphi(E_2), \varphi(E_4))_{\alpha'} = \alpha' \eta E_6 E_2 + (F, E_4)_{\alpha'}.$$

Since $(F, E_4)_{\alpha'} \in \mathcal{M}_*$ we get $\alpha' = \alpha$.

Finally, we determine the Poisson centre of the Poisson algebra $(\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}, (,)_\alpha)$. We note that $(\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}, (,)_\alpha)$ is the Poisson–Ore extension $\mathbb{C}[E_4, E_6][E_2]_{\sigma, \delta}$, where $\sigma = -3\alpha\vartheta$ (see [\(7\)](#)) and $\delta = 0$. Let

$$f = \sum_{j=0}^s f_j E_2^j \quad (f_j \in \mathcal{M}_*).$$

We have

$$(E_2, f)_\alpha = \sum_{j=0}^s \sigma(f_j) E_2^{j+1},$$

and hence f is in the Poisson centraliser of E_2 if and only if each f_j is in the Poisson centraliser of Δ for RC_1 . By [Proposition 8](#), we deduce that the centraliser of E_2 is $\mathbb{C}[\Delta, E_2]$. Let

$$f = \sum_{j=0}^s f_j(\Delta)E_2^j \in \mathbb{C}[\Delta, E_2].$$

We use [\(8\)](#) to compute

$$(f, E_4)_\alpha = \sum_{j=0}^s (-4\xi(f_j) + j\alpha f_j)E_6E_2^j,$$

$$(f, E_6)_\alpha = \frac{3}{2} \sum_{j=0}^s (-4\xi(f_j) + j\alpha f_j)E_4^2E_2^j.$$

We deduce that f is in the Poisson centre of $(,)_\alpha$ if and only if

$$\xi(f_j) = \frac{j\alpha}{4} f_j$$

for all j , that is, if and only if any f_j is of the form $f_j = \lambda_j \Delta^{m_j}$ for some $\lambda_j \in \mathbb{C}$ and $m_j \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $j\alpha = 4m_j$. If $\alpha \notin \mathbb{Q}$ or if $\alpha < 0$ then $j = 0$ and $m_j = 0$, and hence $f = f_0 \in \mathbb{C}$. If $\alpha = p/q$ with $p \geq 1, q \geq 1$ and $(p, q) = 1$, then $\lambda \Delta^{m_j} E_2^j$ is in the Poisson centre if and only if $pj = 4qm_j$. The result follows by obvious arithmetical consideration. Finally, if $\alpha = 0$, then $(,)_0$ is the trivial bracket and its Poisson centre is $\mathbb{C}[E_2]$.

3.3. Third family. In this section, we study the third family, that is, we prove [Proposition E](#).

For any $\mu \in \mathbb{C}$, let us introduce

$$k_\mu = -2\Delta E_2 + \mu E_4^2 E_6.$$

Then

$$\text{jac}(E_4, E_6, k_\mu) = \frac{\partial k_\mu}{\partial E_2} = -2E_4^3 + 2E_6^2,$$

$$\text{jac}(E_2, E_4, k_\mu) = \frac{\partial k_\mu}{\partial E_6} = 4E_6E_2 + \mu E_4^2,$$

$$\text{jac}(E_2, E_6, k_\mu) = -\frac{\partial k_\mu}{\partial E_4} = 6E_4^2E_2 - 2\mu E_4E_6.$$

The third family of Poisson brackets is then defined by $\langle f, g \rangle_\mu = \text{jac}(f, g, k_\mu)$. With the notation of [Proposition C](#), we have in particular $\langle f, g \rangle_0 = (f, g)_4$.

For any $\mu \in \mathbb{C}^*$, define a Poisson modular isomorphism φ_μ between $(\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}, \langle , \rangle_\mu)$ and $(\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}, \langle , \rangle_1)$ by setting $\varphi_\mu(E_2) = \mu E_2, \varphi_\mu(E_4) = E_4$ and $\varphi_\mu(E_6) = E_6$.

Since the degree in E_2 of k_μ as a polynomial in E_2, E_4, E_6 is 1, [Lemma 1](#) implies that the Poisson centre of $(\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq\infty}, \langle, \rangle_\mu)$ is $\mathbb{C}[k_\mu]$.

3.4. Classification. This section is devoted to the proof of [Theorem F](#).

Let $\{, \}$ be an admissible bracket on $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq\infty}$. By [Definition 5](#) and [Theorem 2](#), there exist a Poisson derivation σ of \mathcal{M}_* and a Poisson σ -derivation δ of \mathcal{M}_* such that

$$\{E_2, f\} = \sigma(f)E_2 + \delta(f) \quad (f \in \mathcal{M}_*).$$

By definition, $\sigma(\mathcal{M}_k) \subset \mathcal{M}_{k+2}$ and $\delta(\mathcal{M}_k) \subset \mathcal{M}_{k+4}$ for any k . The admissible bracket $\{, \}$ is then defined by the four scalars α, β, γ and ε such that

$$\sigma(E_4) = \alpha E_6, \quad \delta(E_4) = \beta E_4^2, \quad \sigma(E_6) = \gamma E_4^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \delta(E_6) = \varepsilon E_4 E_6.$$

The condition that σ is a Poisson derivation imposes the condition

$$\{\sigma(E_4), E_6\} + \{E_4, \sigma(E_6)\} = -2\sigma(E_4^3 - E_6^2),$$

or equivalently, $3\alpha = 2\gamma$. The condition that δ is a Poisson σ -derivation imposes

$$\delta(\{E_4, E_6\}) = (2\beta + \varepsilon)E_4\{E_4, E_6\} + \alpha\varepsilon E_4 E_6^2 - \beta\gamma E_4^4,$$

or equivalently,

$$\begin{cases} 4\beta + (\alpha - 2)\varepsilon = 0, \\ (3\alpha - 4)\beta + 4\varepsilon = 0. \end{cases}$$

Either $\beta = \varepsilon = 0$ is the only solution, or $\alpha \in \{-\frac{2}{3}, 4\}$ and $\varepsilon = \frac{4}{2-\alpha}\beta$.

- The case $\beta = \varepsilon = 0$ leads to the second family: $\{, \} = (\cdot, \cdot)_\alpha$.
- The case $\alpha = -\frac{2}{3}$ and $\varepsilon = 3\beta/2 \neq 0$ leads to the first family: $\{, \} = \{, \}_{3\beta}$.
- The case $\alpha = 4$ and $\varepsilon = -2\beta \neq 0$ leads to the third family: $\{, \} = \langle, \rangle_\beta$.

Using [Propositions C](#) and [E](#), we conclude that the only admissible Poisson brackets, up to Poisson modular isomorphisms, are $\{, \}_1, \langle, \rangle_1$ and $(\cdot, \cdot)_\alpha$ for any $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$. Looking at the centres, it is clear that the Poisson algebras $(\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq\infty}, \langle, \rangle_1)$ and $(\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq\infty}, \{, \}_1)$ are not Poisson modular isomorphic. Suppose that there exists a Poisson modular isomorphism φ from $(\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq\infty}, (\cdot, \cdot)_\alpha)$ to $(\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq\infty}, \{, \}_1)$. We know (see [Section 3.2](#)) that

$$\varphi(E_4) = E_4, \quad \varphi(E_6) = E_6 \quad \text{and} \quad \varphi(E_2) = \eta E_2 + F$$

for some $\eta \in \mathbb{C}^*$ and $F \in \mathcal{M}_*$. From $\varphi((E_2, E_4)_\alpha) = \{\varphi(E_2), \varphi(E_4)\}_1$ we obtain

$$\alpha\eta E_6 E_2 + \alpha F E_6 = -\frac{2}{3}\eta E_6 E_2 + \frac{1}{3}\eta E_4^2 + \{F, E_4\}_1,$$

and hence

$$\alpha = -\frac{2}{3}, \quad \frac{1}{3}\eta E_4^2 = -\frac{2}{3}F E_6 - \{F, E_4\}_1 = -\frac{2}{3}F E_6 + 2(E_4^3 - E_6^2) \frac{\partial F}{\partial E_6}$$

by (2). We get a contradiction. Replacing $\{, \}_1$ by \langle, \rangle_1 , we get

$$\alpha = 4, \quad \eta E_4^2 = 4FE_6 - 2(E_4^3 - E_6^2) \frac{\partial F}{\partial E_6},$$

and again we get a contradiction.

4. Star products on quasimodular forms

4.1. Extension of the first family. This section is devoted to proving [Theorem B](#). We will use the following result of Zagier [[1994](#), Example 1]. Let $A = \bigoplus A_k$ be a commutative graded algebra with a derivation d homogeneous of degree 2 (that is, $d(A_k) \subset A_{k+2}$). Let us define, for any $f \in A_k, g \in A_\ell, r \geq 0$:

$$[f, g]_{d,r} = \sum_{i=0}^r (-1)^i \binom{k+r-1}{r-i} \binom{\ell+r-1}{i} d^i(f) d^{r-i}(g) \in A_{k+\ell+2r}. \quad (9)$$

Then A equipped with these brackets is a Rankin–Cohen algebra, which means that all algebraic identities satisfied by the usual Rankin–Cohen brackets on modular forms are also satisfied, in particular those expressing the associativity of the corresponding star product. We obtain the following result.

Theorem 9. *The star product defined by*

$$f \# g = \sum_{n \geq 0} [f, g]_{d,n} \hbar^n$$

defines a formal deformation on A .

In particular, we recover the fact, given by [Corollary 4](#), that $[,]_{d,1}$ is a Poisson bracket. Note also that this theorem can be obtained from Connes and Moscovici’s result cited below (see [Section 4.2](#)).

Let $a \in \mathbb{C}$ and d_a be the homogeneous derivation of degree 2 on $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}$ defined by

$$d_a(E_2) = 2aE_2^2 - \frac{1}{12}E_4, \quad d_a(E_4) = 4aE_4E_2 - \frac{1}{3}E_6, \quad d_a(E_6) = 6eE_6E_2 - \frac{1}{2}E_4^2.$$

A direct computation proves that the two Poisson brackets $[,]_{d_a,1}$ and $\{, \}_1$ coincide on generators and hence are equal on $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}$.

Remark. A derivation d on $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}$ is complex-like if $d\mathcal{M}_k^{\leq s} \subset \mathcal{M}_{k+2}^{\leq s+1}$ for all k and s . Let π be the derivation on $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}$ defined by linear extension of $\pi(f) = kfE_2$ for all $f \in \mathcal{M}_k^{\leq \infty}$. The set of complex-like derivations d such that $[,]_{d,1} = 0$ is the vector space of dimension 1 over \mathbb{C} generated by π . Let us define w on $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}$ by

$$w(f) = \frac{\{\Delta, f\}_1}{12\Delta}.$$

Then

$$d_a = w + a\delta.$$

This implies in particular that if a complex-like derivation d satisfies $[\cdot, \cdot]_{d,1} = \{\cdot, \cdot\}_1$, then $d = d_a$ for some $a \in \mathbb{C}$.

Point (ii) of **Theorem B** is obtained by a direct application of **Theorem 9**. We prove now (iii). The term of highest degree with respect to E_2 in $[E_2, E_4]_{d_a,2}$ is $8a^2E_4E_2^3$. This forces $a = 0$. Conversely, if $a = 0$, then $d_0M_*^{\leq \infty} \subset M_*$. For any $f = f_iE_2^i$ with $f_i \in M_*$, we have

$$d_0(f) = d_0(f_i)E_2^i - \frac{1}{12}if_iE_4E_2^{i-1},$$

and hence $\deg_{E_2} d_0(f) \leq \deg_{E_2} f$ and $\deg_{E_2} d_0^j(f) \leq \deg_{E_2} f$ for any $f \in M_*^{\leq \infty}$ and $j \geq 0$. This implies that

$$[M_k^{\leq s}, M_\ell^{\leq t}]_{d_0,n} \subset M_{k+\ell+2n}^{\leq s+t}.$$

4.2. Extension of the second family. The aim of this section is to prove **Theorem D**. The proof of (i) is similar to the proof of (i) in **Theorem B**. Let $\mathcal{H} : M_*^{\leq \infty} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a graded-additive map. For any integer $n \geq 0$, we define a bilinear application $[\cdot, \cdot]_{d,n}^{\mathcal{H}}$ by bilinear extension of

$$[f, g]_{d,n}^{\mathcal{H}} = \sum_{r=0}^n (-1)^r \binom{\mathcal{H}(f)+n-1}{n-r} \binom{\mathcal{H}(g)+n-1}{r} d^r f d^{n-r} g.$$

By **Corollary 4**, we know that $[f, g]_{d,1}^{\mathcal{H}}$ is a Poisson bracket.

Let us fix \mathcal{H}_α to be the linear extension on $M_*^{\leq \infty} = \bigoplus_k \bigoplus_s M_k^s$ of

$$\mathcal{H}_\alpha(f) = (k - (3\alpha + 2)s) \quad (f \in M_k^s). \tag{10}$$

Let π_α be the derivation on $M_*^{\leq \infty}$ defined by $\pi_\alpha(f) = \mathcal{H}_\alpha(f) f E_2$ for all $f \in M_*^{\leq \infty}$. The set of complex-like derivations such that $[\cdot, \cdot]_{d,1}^{\mathcal{H}_\alpha} = 0$ is the vector space of dimension 1 over \mathbb{C} generated by π_α . Define derivations v and $\delta_{\alpha,b}$ on $M_*^{\leq \infty}$ by

$$v(f) = \frac{(\Delta, f)_\alpha}{12\Delta}$$

and

$$\delta_{\alpha,b} = v + b\pi_\alpha.$$

Note that v does not depend on α . By comparing the values on the generators, it is immediate that $(\cdot, \cdot)_\alpha = [\cdot, \cdot]_{\delta_{\alpha,b},1}^{\mathcal{H}_\alpha}$.

Remark. Direct computations show that if d is a homogeneous derivation of degree 2 and \mathcal{H} is such that $(\cdot, \cdot)_\alpha = [\cdot, \cdot]_{d,1}^{\mathcal{H}}$, then we necessarily have $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_\alpha$ and $d = \delta_{\alpha,b}$ for some $b \in \mathbb{C}$.

The condition that $[E_4, E_6]_{\delta_{\alpha,b},2}^{\mathcal{H}}$ has to be a modular form implies $b = 0$ or $\alpha = -\frac{1}{3}$. For $\alpha = -\frac{1}{3}$, condition (4) for $\mu_r = [\cdot, \cdot]_{\delta_{\alpha,b},r}^{\mathcal{H}}$ and $n = 3$ is not satisfied

(this can be shown with computer assistance, for example with Sage [Stein et al. 2013]). We assume then that $b = 0$.

Connes and Moscovici [2004, Remark 14] (see also [Yao 2007, §II.2] for a nice presentation of this result) proved that if E and H are two derivations of an algebra R such that $HE - EH = E$, then the applications $\mu_n : R \times R \rightarrow R$ defined by

$$\mu_n(f, g) = \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{(-1)^r}{r!(n-r)!} [E^r \circ (2H+r)^{(n-r)}(f)] \cdot [E^{n-r} \circ (2H+n-r)^{(r)}(g)] \quad (11)$$

define a formal deformation on R with the notation

$$F^{(m)} = F \circ (F + 1) \circ (F + 2) \circ \dots \circ (F + m - 1).$$

Let ϖ be the derivation defined on $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}$ by $\varpi(f) = \mathfrak{H}(f)f$. Then we have

$$\varpi \circ \delta_{\alpha,0} - \delta_{\alpha,0} \circ \varpi = 2\delta_{\alpha,0}.$$

We use Connes and Moscovici’s result with $E = \delta_{\alpha,0}$ and $H = \varpi/2$ to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_n(f, g) &= \sum_{r=0}^n (-1)^r \binom{k - (3\alpha + 2)s + n - 1}{n-r} \binom{\ell - (3\alpha + 2)t + n - 1}{r} \delta_{\alpha,0}^r(f) \delta_{\alpha,0}^{n-r}(g). \end{aligned}$$

This implies [Theorem D](#).

Remark. We could have applied Connes and Moscovici’s result to extend the first family. Indeed Zagier’s result is a consequence of Connes and Moscovici’s. Let d be a derivation homogeneous of degree 2 of the commutative graded algebra $A = \bigoplus A_k$. It is obvious that the linear map defined on each A_k by $H(f) = (k/2)f$ is a derivation of A . It is also clear that it satisfies $H \circ d - d \circ H = d$. In particular, for any $f \in A_k$ and $g \in A_\ell$ we calculate

$$\begin{aligned} (2H + r)^{(n-r)}(f) &= \frac{(k + n - 1)!}{(k + r - 1)!} f, \\ (2H + (n - r))^{(r)}(g) &= \frac{(\ell + n - 1)!}{(\ell + n - r - 1)!} g. \end{aligned}$$

Hence a direct application of formula (11) gives formula (9).

4.3. Extension of the third family. We do not extend the third family, since for $\mu \neq 0$, the bracket $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_\mu$ does not have the shape of a Rankin–Cohen bracket. More precisely, if there exist a function $\kappa : \mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ and a complex-like derivation δ of $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq \infty}$ such that

$$\langle f, g \rangle_\mu = \kappa(f) f \delta(g) - \kappa(g) g \delta(f)$$

for all f and g in $\mathcal{M}_*^{\leq\infty}$, then $\mu = 0$. Indeed, assume κ and δ exist; then

$$\begin{cases} \delta(E_2) = AE_2^2 + BE_4, \\ \delta(E_4) = CE_4E_2 + DE_6, \\ \delta(E_6) = EE_6E_2 + FE_2^2 \end{cases}$$

for some complex numbers A, B, C, D, E and F . Since we know the values of \langle, \rangle_μ on the generators, we get a system depending on $A, B, C, D, E, F, \kappa(E_2), \kappa(E_4)$ and $\kappa(E_6)$. It is not difficult to prove that this system has a solution if and only if $\mu = 0$.

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