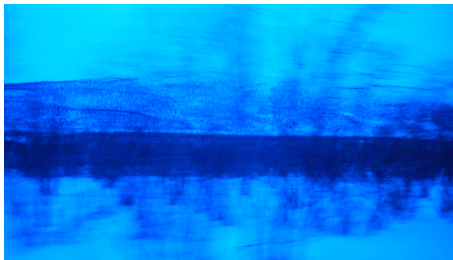


Model Theory for the j -mapping

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CLASSICAL j INVARIANT

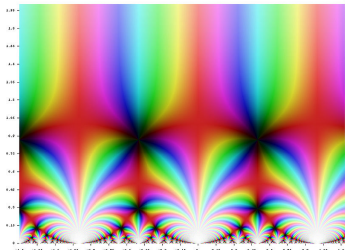
Klein defines the function (we call)
“classical j ”

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

(where \mathbb{H} is the complex upper
half-plane)
through the explicit rational formula

$$j(\tau) = 12^3 \cdot \frac{g_2(\tau)^3}{g_2(\tau)^3 - 27g_3(\tau)^3}$$

with g_2 and g_3 certain **rational** functions
 (“of Eisenstein”).



j -invariant on \mathbb{C}
(Wikipedia article on
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- ▶ Analogies to pseudoexponentiation (“Zilber field”) are strong, **but the structure of j seems to have a much higher degree of complexity even than exp .**

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Really, j is a **cover** from the action structure into the field \mathbb{C} .

THE $L_{\omega_1, \omega}$ -AXIOM - CRUCIAL POINT: STANDARD FIBERS OF THE COVER j

Let then

$$Th_{\omega_1, \omega}(j) := Th(\mathbb{C}_j) \cup \forall x \forall y (j(x) = j(y) \rightarrow \bigvee_{i < \omega} x = \gamma_i(y))$$

for \mathbb{C}_j the “standard model” $(\mathbb{H}, \langle \mathbb{C}, +, \cdot, 0, 1 \rangle, j : \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{C})$.

This captures all the first order theory of j (not the analyticity!) plus the fact that fibers are “standard” (“fibers are orbits”)

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$$\begin{array}{ccc}
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- ▶ then show that the information in the type is contained in a finite subset (“Mumford-Tate” open image theorem used here) ... every point $\tau \in \mathbb{H}$ corresponds to an elliptic curve E — the type of τ is determined by algebraic relations between torsion points of E .

Now,

TO QUANTUM

VERSIONS OF j



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Now, $\mathbb{T}(\mu)$ is equivalent to the elliptic curve $\mathbb{E}(\mu)$ given by $Y^2 = X^3 - g_2(\mu)X - g_3(\mu)$. Here, let

$$G_k(\mu) := \sum_{0 \neq \gamma \in \Lambda(\mu)} \gamma^{-2k} \quad k \geq 2$$

(the so-called Eisenstein series), then

$$g_2(\mu) = 60 \cdot G_2(\mu)$$

$$g_3(\mu) = 140 \cdot G_3(\mu).$$

TOWARD QUANTUM TORI: FROM \mathbb{C} TO \mathbb{R}

Let $\theta \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$, and let Λ_θ be the pseudo-lattice $\langle 1, \theta \rangle$ (the subgroup of \mathbb{R} given as $\Lambda_\theta := \mathbb{Z} + \mathbb{Z} \cdot \theta$). The quotient

$$\mathbb{T}(\theta) := \mathbb{R}/\Lambda_\theta$$

is the “quantum torus”, associated to the irrational number θ . It is a one-parameter subgroup of the (classical) torus $\mathbb{T}(i)$... and also a Riemann surface.

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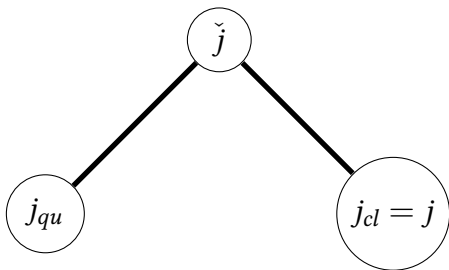
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- ▶ Rational expressions (multivalued functions now - perhaps the average of the (finite?) set of values is the robust invariant).

AN EXAMPLE OF A SHEAF CONSTRUCTION / UNIVERSAL \check{j}

Gendron proposes a detailed construction of a sheaf over a topological space, and a generalization of classical j called “universal j -invariant” - a specific section of a sheaf.



THE SPECIFIC CONSTRUCTION OF UNIVERSAL j

(Castaño-Bernard, Gendron)

Let ${}^*\mathbb{Z} := \mathbb{Z}^{\mathbb{N}}/\mathfrak{u}$ for some nonprincipal ultrafilter \mathfrak{u} on \mathbb{N} . Define

$$\mathcal{H} := \{[F_i] \subset {}^*\mathbb{Z}^2 \text{ hyperfinite}\}.$$

This set is partially ordered with respect to inclusion so we may consider the Stone space

$$\mathcal{R} := \text{Ult}(\mathcal{H}).$$

For each $\mathfrak{p} \in \mathcal{R}$ and $\mu \in \mathbb{H}$ one may define the j -invariant

$$j(\mu, \mathfrak{p})$$

as follows:

THE CONSTRUCTION

The idea: the classical j -invariant is an algebraic expression involving Eisenstein series which is a function of $\mu \in \mathbb{H}$. We can associate to $[F_i] \subset {}^*\mathbb{Z}^2$ a hyperfinite sum modelled on the formula of the classical j -invariant, denoted

$$j(\mu)_{[F_i]} \in {}^*\mathbb{C}.$$

We get a net

$$\{j(\mu)_{[F_i]}\}_{[F_i] \in \mathcal{H}} \subset {}^*\mathbb{C}.$$

Consider the sheaf $\diamond\check{\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$ for which the stalk over \mathfrak{p} is

$$\diamond\mathbb{C}_{\mathfrak{p}} := ({}^*\mathbb{C})^{\mathcal{H}} / \mathfrak{p}.$$

Then we may define a section:

$$\check{j}: \mathbb{H} \times \mathcal{R} \longrightarrow \diamond\check{\mathbb{C}}, \quad \check{j}(\mu, \mathfrak{p}) := \{j(\mu)_{[F_i]}\}_{[F_i] \in \mathcal{H}} / \mathfrak{p}.$$

GROUP ACTIONS - CHOOSING AN IRRATIONAL ANGLE

What really is at stake in these constructions is the invariance under various group actions.

For each $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ there is a distinguished subset $\mathcal{R}_\theta \subset \mathcal{R}$ of ultrafilters which “see” θ :

$$\mathcal{R}_\theta = \{\mathfrak{p} \mid \mathfrak{p} \supset \mathfrak{c}_\theta\}$$

where \mathfrak{c}_θ is the cone filter generated by the cones

$$\text{cone}_\theta([F_i]) = \{[F_i]' \supset [F_i] \mid [F_i] \subset [F_i]' \subset {}^*\mathbb{Z}^2(\theta)\}.$$

In the above,

$${}^*\mathbb{Z}^2(\theta) = \{({}^*n^\perp, {}^*n) \mid {}^*n\theta - {}^*n^\perp \simeq 0\}.$$

RESTRICTING TO QUANTUM AND CLASSICAL j

The quantum j -invariant is defined as the restriction:

$$\check{j}^{\text{qu}}(\theta) := \check{j}|_{\mathcal{R}_\theta}(i, \cdot).$$

If we denote

$$\mathcal{R}_{\text{cl}} = \{\mathfrak{p} \mid \mathfrak{p} \supset \mathfrak{c}\}$$

where \mathfrak{c} is the filter generated by *all* cones over hyperfinite sets in ${}^*\mathbb{Z}^2$:

$$\text{cone}([F_i]) = \{[F_i]' \supset [F_i] \mid [F_i]' \subset {}^*\mathbb{Z}^2\}.$$

Then the restriction

$$\check{j}^{\text{cl}} := \check{j}|_{\mathcal{R}_{\text{cl}}}$$

satisfies

$$\check{j}^{\text{cl}}(\mu, \mathfrak{p}) \simeq j(\mu), \quad \forall \mu \in \mathbb{H},$$

where j is the usual j -invariant.

DUALITY I

Note the duality in the way of recovering the classical and quantum invariants:

- ▶ the classical invariant is recovered along a unique fiber $\diamond \check{\mathbb{H}}_u$ (i.e., a leaf of the quotient of sheaves \widehat{Mod}),
- ▶ the quantum invariant is obtained by fixing the fiber parameter $i \in \mathbb{H}$ and letting $u \in Cone(\theta)$ vary: it therefore arises from a local section defined by i (a transversal of \widehat{Mod}).

CONJECTURES

The main goal is to check that if $\theta \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$ is quadratic, then Hilbert's classfield H_K of $K = \mathbb{Q}(\theta)$ (K 's maximal unramified extension) equals

$$K(j(\theta)).$$

This would give a solution to Hilbert's 12th problem for quadratic real extension (unramified case).

Again, the main point is to prove the analog of “complex multiplication” (keypoint: the algebraicity of $j(\mu)$, when $\mu \in \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{D})$, for $D < 0$ square free - and the fact that $j(\mu)$ essentially generates the Hilbert classfield $H(\mu)$ of $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{D})$).

We conjecture (with Gendron) that for $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ there exists a duality relation between the classical invariant $j(i\theta)$ and the quantum invariant $j(\theta)$.

DUALITY II

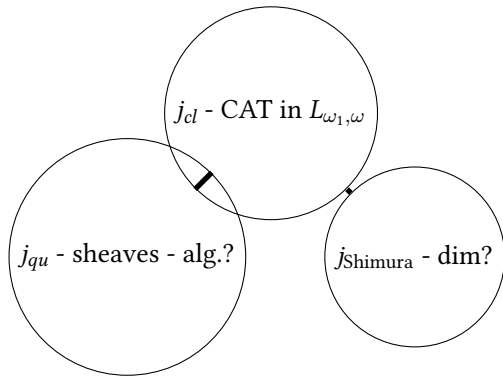
More precisely, we associate to $j(i\theta)$ and $j(\theta)$ two nets

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whose elements are algebraically interdependent. The two nets converge to a common limit. The classical net $\{j(i\theta)_\alpha\}$ lives along a fixed leaf of $\widehat{\diamond Mod}$; the quantum net $\{j(\theta)_\alpha\}$ lives on a fixed transversal of $\widehat{\diamond Mod}$.

THROUGH THE SHEAVES

The current model theoretic analysis of j looks at two possible extensions:



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- ▶ The model theory of sheaves. A tool for (topological) “limit” structures.

MODEL THEORY FOR EQUIVARIANT SHEAVES

- **Theorem:** [Padilla, V., extending Caicedo] Fix a first order vocabulary τ . Let X be a topological space, \mathfrak{A} a sheaf of τ -structures over X , \mathcal{F} a filter of open sets generic for \mathfrak{A} , and $\varphi(v_1, \dots, v_n)$ a τ -formula. Then, given sections $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n$ of the sheaf (defined on some open set in \mathcal{F}), we have

If a group G acts **equivariantly** on fibers (coherently) then (requiring that \mathcal{F} is G -invariant)

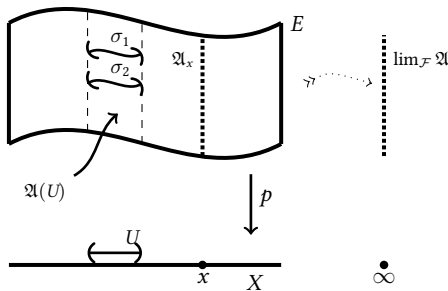
$$\mathfrak{A}^X/\mathcal{F}/G \models \varphi(\sigma_1^G/\sim_{\mathcal{F}}, \dots, \sigma_n^G/\sim_{\mathcal{F}}) \Leftrightarrow \exists U \in \mathcal{F}, \mathfrak{A} \Vdash_U \varphi(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n).$$

- **Stability theory for quotients of sheaves (foliations, etc.)**

A TOPOLOGICAL REPRESENTATION

A topological representation of our sheaf: let $E \xrightarrow{p} X$ be a local homeomorphism. We call fibers (or stalks) the preimages $p^{-1}(x)$. They are always discrete subspaces of E .

(Continuous) sections σ (the elements of the structures $\mathfrak{A}(U)$ over every open set U) are partial inverses of p : $p \circ \sigma = id_U$. As usual, we identify sections σ with their images; these images form a basis for the topology of E .



MODEL-THEORETIC GEOMETRY?

Model Theoretic properties that correspond to known theorems of mathematics:

- ▶ In Harris/Zilber, Serre's **Open Image Theorem** corresponds to **categoricity**.
- ▶ More generally, Zilber has claimed that **categoricity** may be construed as a **21st century version of analyticity**. Of course, a vague statement, but the “regularity” arising from analyticity for number fields, for number theoretical questions, is recovered



Thank you for your attention!