AN EXPLICIT FORMULA FOR $N_p(L, M)$

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For $k \in \{12, 16, 18, 20, 22\}$, let $\Delta_k = q + \sum_{n \geq 2} \tau_k(n)q^n$ be the normalized generator of the space of cuspforms of weight k for the group $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$. In particular, the modular form $\Delta_{12} = q \prod_{n \geq 1} (1-q^n)^{24}$ is Jacobi's Δ function. Moreover, we have

$$\Delta_{16} = \mathcal{E}_4 \Delta, \ \Delta_{18} = \mathcal{E}_6 \Delta, \ \Delta_{20} = \mathcal{E}_4^2 \Delta, \ \Delta_{22} = \mathcal{E}_4 \mathcal{E}_6 \Delta.$$

Here, we have set $E_4 = 1 + 240 \sum_{n \ge 1} \sigma_3(n) q^n$, $E_6 = 1 - 504 \sum_{n \ge 1} \sigma_5(n) q^n$ and $\sigma_k(n) = \sum_{d|n} d^{k-1}$.

For $(j,k) \in \{(6,8), (4,10), (8,8), (12,6)\}$ let $\Delta_{j,k}$ be a generator of the space $S_{j,k}(Sp_4(\mathbb{Z}))$ of Siegel cusp forms of genus 2 and coefficient $Sym^j \otimes det^k$, and let $\tau_{j,k}(p)$ be the eigenvalue of the standard Hecke operator ¹ T_p on $\Delta_{j,k}$. As far as we know, there is no simple explicit formula for $\tau_{j,k}(p)$.

Following [C-L], for each even unimodular lattices L and M in \mathbb{R}^{24} , there are unique polynomials with rational coefficients P, P_k for $k \in \{12, 16, 18, 20, 22\}$, $P_{j,k}$ for $(j, k) \in \{(6, 8), (4, 10), (8, 8), (12, 6)\}$, and a constant $c \in \mathbb{Q}$, such that for all primes p we have :

$$N_p(L, M) = P(p) + \sum_k \tau_k(p) P_k(p) + \sum_{j,k} \tau_{j,k}(p) P_{j,k}(p) + c \left(\tau_{12}(p)^2 - p^{11}\right),$$

where $N_p(L, M)$ denotes the number of *p*-neighbors of *L* which are isometric to *M*. The polynomial *P* has degree 22 and is the dominant term in this formula.

Let us write $(Q_1, \ldots, Q_{11}) = (P_{12}, P_{16}, P_{18}, P_{20}, P_{22}, c, P_{6,8}, P_{8,8}, P_{4,10}, P_{12,6}, P)$. Each Q_s depends on (the isometry class of) L and M, hence should really be denoted by $Q_s(L, M)$. Let us order the Niemeier lattices as before. The list of all tuples $[s, i, j, Q_s(L(i), L(j))]$ is here :

http://gaetan.chenevier.perso.math.cnrs.fr/niemeier/matrice.

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