

## CONSTRUCTION OF CLASS FIELDS OVER IMAGINARY QUADRATIC FIELDS USING $y$ -COORDINATES OF ELLIPTIC CURVES

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ABSTRACT. By a change of variables we obtain new  $y$ -coordinates of elliptic curves. Utilizing these  $y$ -coordinates as meromorphic modular functions, together with the elliptic modular function, we generate the fields of meromorphic modular functions. Furthermore, by means of the special values of the  $y$ -coordinates, we construct the ray class fields over imaginary quadratic fields as well as normal bases of these ray class fields.

### 1. Introduction

Let  $E$  be an elliptic curve over  $\mathbb{C}$ . Then there exist a lattice  $\Lambda = [\omega_1, \omega_2]$  in  $\mathbb{C}$  and a complex analytic isomorphism

$$(1.1) \quad \begin{aligned} \mathbb{C}/\Lambda &\rightarrow E(\mathbb{C}) : y^2 = 4x^3 - g_2(\Lambda)x - g_3(\Lambda) \\ z &\mapsto [\wp(z; \Lambda) : \wp'(z; \Lambda) : 1] \end{aligned}$$

of complex Lie groups, where

$$g_2(\Lambda) = 60 \sum_{\omega \in \Lambda \setminus \{0\}} 1/\omega^4, \quad g_3(\Lambda) = 140 \sum_{\omega \in \Lambda \setminus \{0\}} 1/\omega^6$$

and

$$(1.2) \quad \wp(z; \Lambda) = 1/z^2 + \sum_{\omega \in \Lambda \setminus \{0\}} (1/(z - \omega)^2 - 1/\omega^2) \quad (z \in \mathbb{C})$$

is the Weierstrass  $\wp$ -function (relative to  $\Lambda$ ) with derivative  $\wp'(z; \Lambda)$  [13, Chapter VI, Proposition 3.6(b)].

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For an integer  $N (\geq 2)$  and a pair of rational numbers  $(r_1, r_2) \in (1/N)\mathbb{Z}^2 \setminus \mathbb{Z}^2$ , we define the Fricke function  $f_{(r_1, r_2)}(\tau)$  on the complex upper-half plane  $\mathbb{H}$  as

$$f_{(r_1, r_2)}(\tau) = -(2^7 3^5 g_2(\tau) g_3(\tau) / \Delta(\tau))_{\wp}(r_1 \tau + r_2; [\tau, 1]) \quad (\tau \in \mathbb{H}),$$

where

$$(1.3) \quad g_2(\tau) = g_2([\tau, 1]), \quad g_3(\tau) = g_3([\tau, 1]) \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta(\tau) = g_2(\tau)^3 - 27g_3(\tau)^2.$$

This belongs to the field  $\mathcal{F}_N$  of all meromorphic modular functions of level  $N$  whose Fourier coefficients with respect to  $q_\tau^{1/N} = e^{2\pi i \tau / N}$  lie in the  $N$ th cyclotomic field  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_N)$ , where  $\zeta_N = e^{2\pi i / N}$ . We further define the elliptic modular function  $j(\tau)$  as

$$j(\tau) = 1728g_2(\tau)^3 / \Delta(\tau) \quad (\tau \in \mathbb{H}),$$

which is a generator of  $\mathcal{F}_1$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$  [10, Chaper 6].

Let  $K$  be an imaginary quadratic field of discriminant  $d_K$ . We denote its ring of algebraic integers by  $\mathcal{O}_K$  and set

$$(1.4) \quad \theta_K = \begin{cases} \sqrt{d_K}/2 & \text{if } d_K \equiv 0 \pmod{4}, \\ (-1 + \sqrt{d_K})/2 & \text{if } d_K \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$$

so that  $\theta_K \in \mathbb{H}$  and  $\mathcal{O}_K = [\theta_K, 1]$ . For a positive integer  $N$ , let  $K_{(N)}$  be the ray class field modulo  $(N) (= N\mathcal{O}_K)$  of  $K$ . Then the main theorem of complex multiplication implies that

$$(1.5) \quad K_{(N)} = K(f(\theta_K) ; f \in \mathcal{F}_N \text{ is defined and finite at } \theta_K)$$

$$(1.6) \quad = K(j(\theta_K), h_N(\theta_K)),$$

where

$$h_N(\theta_K) = \begin{cases} (g_2(\theta_K)^2 / \Delta(\theta_K))_{\wp}(1/N; \mathcal{O}_K)^2 & \text{if } K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-1}), \\ (g_3(\theta_K) / \Delta(\theta_K))_{\wp}(1/N; \mathcal{O}_K)^3 & \text{if } K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-3}), \\ (g_2(\theta_K)g_3(\theta_K) / \Delta(\theta_K))_{\wp}(1/N; \mathcal{O}_K) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

([6] or [10, Chapter 10, Theorems 2, 8 and their Corollaries]). Furthermore, Cho and Koo [1] combined these two generators,  $j(\theta_K)$  and  $h_N(\theta_K)$ , by using the result of Gross and Zagier [5] and Dorman [4] to obtain a primitive generator of  $K_{(N)}$  over  $K$ . Note that the value  $h_N(\theta_K)$  comes from the  $x$ -coordinate of some  $N$ -torsion point of the elliptic curve (1.1) with  $\Lambda = [\theta_K, 1]$ . However, it is not known that  $h_N(\theta_K)$  alone generates  $K_{(N)}$  over  $K$ . On the other hand, Jung et al. [7] showed that the special value  $g_{(0, 1/N)}(\theta_K)^{12N}$  generates  $K_{(N)}$  over  $K$  (§2), conjectured by Lang [10, p. 292] and Schertz [11]. But unfortunately, the value is not directly related to a torsion point of an elliptic curve.

Consider the special case when  $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-3})$  and  $\theta_K = (-1 + \sqrt{-3})/2$ . Setting  $\Lambda = [\theta_K, 1]$  and  $z = 1/N$  ( $N \geq 2$ ) in (1.1), one can derive that

$$(1.7) \quad (g_3(\theta_K) / \sqrt{\Delta(\theta_K)})_{\wp}'(1/N; \mathcal{O}_K)^2 / \sqrt{\Delta(\theta_K)} \\ = 4(g_3(\theta_K) / \Delta(\theta_K))_{\wp}(1/N; \mathcal{O}_K)^3 - (g_2(\theta_K)g_3(\theta_K) / \Delta(\theta_K))_{\wp}(1/N; \mathcal{O}_K)$$

$$-g_3(\theta_K)^2/\Delta(\theta_K).$$

Moreover, we get from the fact  $g_2(\theta_K) = 0$  [10, p. 37] and the definition (1.3) that

$$j(\theta_K) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad g_3(\theta_K)/\sqrt{\Delta(\theta_K)} = \pm 1/3\sqrt{-3}.$$

Hence the equation (1.7) becomes

$$\pm(1/3\sqrt{-3})\wp'(1/N; \mathcal{O}_K)^2/\sqrt{\Delta(\theta_K)} = 4h_N(\theta_K) + 1/27,$$

which shows that the value  $\wp'(1/N; \mathcal{O}_K)^2/\sqrt{\Delta(\theta_K)}$  generates  $K_{(N)}$  over  $K$  by (1.6).

Let  $\eta(\tau)$  be the Dedekind  $\eta$ -function defined by

$$(1.8) \quad \eta(\tau) = \sqrt{2\pi}\zeta_8 q_\tau^{1/24} \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - q_\tau^n) \quad (\tau \in \mathbb{H}).$$

This satisfies the relation  $\eta(\tau)^{24} = \Delta(\tau)$  [10, Chapter 18, Theorem 5]. In this paper we shall prove that if  $d_K \leq -19$  and  $N \geq 3$ , then any nonzero power of the value

$$y = (\wp'(1/N; \mathcal{O}_K)/\eta(\theta_K)^6)^{4/\gcd(4,N)}$$

generates  $K_{(N)}$  over  $K$  (Theorem 3.4) by using the idea of [7]. The value  $y$  is obtained from certain  $y$ -coordinate of an elliptic curve associated with  $\mathcal{O}_K$ , and is suitable for computing the minimal polynomial because it can be expressed as an infinite product (§2). As an application we shall also find a normal basis of  $K_{(N)}$  over  $K$  (Corollary 3.9).

### 2. Fields of modular functions

In this section we shall examine the fields of modular functions in terms of  $y$ -coordinates of elliptic curves together with the elliptic modular function  $j(\tau)$ .

For a positive integer  $N$ , let  $\mathbb{C}(X(N))$  be the field of meromorphic functions on the modular curve  $X(N) = \Gamma(N)\backslash\mathbb{H}^*$ , where  $\mathbb{H}^* = \mathbb{H} \cup \mathbb{Q} \cup \{\infty\}$ . As is well-known,  $\mathbb{C}(X(N))$  is a Galois extension of  $\mathbb{C}(X(1)) = \mathbb{C}(j(\tau))$  whose Galois group is given by

$$\Gamma(1)/\pm\Gamma(N) \simeq \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})/\{\pm I_2\}$$

as fractional linear transformations [3, Proposition 7.5.1]. Furthermore, the subfield  $\mathcal{F}_N$  of  $\mathbb{C}(X(N))$  is a Galois extension of  $\mathcal{F}_1$  whose Galois group is represented by

$$\text{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})/\{\pm I_2\} = G_N \cdot \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})/\{\pm I_2\} = \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})/\{\pm I_2\} \cdot G_N,$$

where

$$G_N = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} : d \in (\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^* \right\}.$$

First, the matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \in G_N$  acts on  $\sum_{n>-\infty}^{\infty} c_n q_{\tau}^{n/N} \in \mathcal{F}_N$  by

$$\sum_{n>-\infty}^{\infty} c_n q_{\tau}^{n/N} \mapsto \sum_{n>-\infty}^{\infty} c_n^{\sigma_d} q_{\tau}^{n/N},$$

where  $\sigma_d$  is the automorphism of  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_N)$  induced by  $\zeta_N \mapsto \zeta_N^d$ . Second, for an element  $\gamma \in \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})/\{\pm I_2\}$ , let  $\gamma' \in \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$  be a preimage of  $\gamma$  via the natural surjection  $\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})/\{\pm I_2\}$ . Then  $\gamma$  acts on  $h \in \mathcal{F}_N$  by

$$h \mapsto h \circ \gamma'$$

([10, Chapter 6, Theorem 3] or [12, Proposition 6.9(1)]).

For a lattice  $\Lambda$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ , the Weierstrass  $\sigma$ -function (relative to  $\Lambda$ ) is defined by

$$\sigma(z; \Lambda) = z \prod_{\omega \in \Lambda \setminus \{0\}} (1 - z/\omega) e^{z/\omega + (1/2)(z/\omega)^2} \quad (z \in \mathbb{C}).$$

Taking the logarithmic derivative, we define the Weierstrass  $\zeta$ -function (relative to  $\Lambda$ ) as

$$\zeta(z; \Lambda) = \sigma'(z; \Lambda)/\sigma(z; \Lambda) = 1/z + \sum_{\omega \in \Lambda \setminus \{0\}} (1/(z - \omega) + 1/\omega + z/\omega^2) \quad (z \in \mathbb{C}).$$

Differentiating the function  $\zeta(z + \omega; \Lambda) - \zeta(z; \Lambda)$  for any  $\omega \in \Lambda$  results in 0 since  $\zeta'(z; \Lambda) = -\wp(z; \Lambda)$ , by (1.2) and  $\wp(z; \Lambda)$ , is periodic with respect to  $\Lambda$ . Hence there is a constant  $\eta(\omega; \Lambda)$  so that

$$\zeta(z + \omega; \Lambda) = \zeta(z; \Lambda) + \eta(\omega; \Lambda).$$

For  $(r_1, r_2) \in \mathbb{Q}^2 \setminus \mathbb{Z}^2$ , we define the Siegel function  $g_{(r_1, r_2)}(\tau)$  as

$$(2.1) \quad g_{(r_1, r_2)}(\tau) = e^{-(1/2)(r_1 \eta(\tau; [\tau, 1]) + r_2 \eta(1; [\tau, 1]))(r_1 \tau + r_2)} \sigma(r_1 \tau + r_2; [\tau, 1]) \eta(\tau)^2 \quad (\tau \in \mathbb{H}),$$

where  $\eta(\tau)$  is the Dedekind  $\eta$ -function defined in (1.8).

**Proposition 2.1.** *Let  $(r_1, r_2) \in \mathbb{Q}^2 \setminus \mathbb{Z}^2$ .*

(i) *We have*

$$g_{(-r_1, -r_2)}(\tau) = -g_{(r_1, r_2)}(\tau).$$

(ii) *If  $\gamma \in \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$ , then*

$$g_{(r_1, r_2)}(\tau) \circ \gamma = \zeta g_{(r_1, r_2)\gamma}(\tau)$$

*for a 12th root of unity  $\zeta$  depending on  $\gamma$  and  $(r_1, r_2)$ .*

(iii) *If  $(s_1, s_2) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ , then*

$$g_{(r_1 + s_1, r_2 + s_2)}(\tau) = \varepsilon((r_1, r_2), (s_1, s_2)) g_{(r_1, r_2)}(\tau),$$

*where  $\varepsilon((r_1, r_2), (s_1, s_2)) = (-1)^{s_1 s_2 + s_1 + s_2} e^{-\pi i(s_1 r_2 - s_2 r_1)}$ .*

*Proof.* See [9, Chapter 2, §1] and [10, Chapter 18, Theorem 6]. □

A Siegel function has a fairly simple  $q_\tau$ -order formula. Let

$$\mathbf{B}_2(X) = X^2 - X + 1/6$$

be the second Bernoulli polynomial. Using the product formula of the Weierstrass  $\sigma$ -function, we get the product expression

$$(2.2) \quad g_{(r_1, r_2)}(\tau) = -q_\tau^{(1/2)\mathbf{B}_2(r_1)} e^{\pi i r_2(r_1-1)} (1 - q_z) \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - q_\tau^n q_z)(1 - q_\tau^n / q_z),$$

where  $z = r_1\tau + r_2$  [10, Chapter 18, Theorem 4 and Chapter 19, §2]. Regarding (2.2) as a Laurent series expansion with respect to  $q_\tau$ , we see that

$$(2.3) \quad \text{ord}_{q_\tau}(g_{(r_1, r_2)}(\tau)) = (1/2)\mathbf{B}_2(\langle r_1 \rangle) \quad (\in \mathbb{Q}),$$

where  $\langle X \rangle$  is the fractional part of  $X \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $0 \leq \langle X \rangle < 1$  [9, Chapter 2, §1].

**Proposition 2.2.** *Let  $N (\geq 2)$  be an integer and let  $\{m(r)\}_{r=(r_1, r_2) \in (1/N)\mathbb{Z}^2 \setminus \mathbb{Z}^2}$  be a family of integers such that  $m(r) = 0$  except for finitely many  $r$ . Then a product of Siegel functions*

$$\prod_{r \in (1/N)\mathbb{Z}^2 \setminus \mathbb{Z}^2} g_r(\tau)^{m(r)}$$

belongs to  $\mathcal{F}_N$  if  $\{m(r)\}_r$  satisfies the quadratic relation modulo  $N$ , namely,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_r m(r)(Nr_1)^2 &\equiv \sum_r m(r)(Nr_2)^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{\gcd(2, N) \cdot N}, \\ \sum_r m(r)(Nr_1)(Nr_2) &\equiv 0 \pmod{N}, \end{aligned}$$

and 12 divides  $\gcd(12, N) \cdot \sum_r m(r)$ . In particular,  $g_r(\tau)^{12N/\gcd(6, N)}$  belongs to  $\mathcal{F}_N$  for any  $r \in (1/N)\mathbb{Z}^2 \setminus \mathbb{Z}^2$ .

*Proof.* See [9, Chapter 3, Theorems 5.2 and 5.3]. □

**Proposition 2.3.** *Let  $N (\geq 2)$  be an integer and let  $r \in (1/N)\mathbb{Z}^2 \setminus \mathbb{Z}^2$ .*

- (i) Both  $g_r(\tau)$  and  $N/g_r(\tau)$  are integral over  $\mathbb{Z}[j(\tau)]$ .
- (ii) If  $\alpha \in \text{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})/\{\pm I_2\} \simeq \text{Gal}(\mathcal{F}_N/\mathcal{F}_1)$ , then

$$(g_r(\tau)^{12N/\gcd(6, N)})^\alpha = g_{r\alpha}(\tau)^{12N/\gcd(6, N)}.$$

*Proof.* (i) See [8, §3].

(ii) This follows from Proposition 2.1 and (2.2). □

Let  $\Lambda$  be a lattice in  $\mathbb{C}$  of the form  $\Lambda = [\tau, 1]$  with  $\tau \in \mathbb{H}$ . Dividing both sides of the equation

$$\wp'(z; \Lambda)^2 = 4\wp(z; \Lambda)^3 - g_2(\tau)\wp(z; \Lambda) - g_3(\tau)$$

by the nonzero constant  $\eta^{12}(\tau)$  and using the relation

$$\wp'(z; \Lambda) = -\sigma(2z; \Lambda)/\sigma(z; \Lambda)^4$$

[13, p. 166], we get

$$\begin{aligned} & (\sigma(2z; \Lambda)\eta(\tau)^2/\sigma(z; \Lambda)^4\eta(\tau)^8)^2 \\ &= 4(\wp(z; \Lambda)/\eta(\tau)^4)^3 - (g_2(\tau)/\eta(\tau)^8)(\wp(z; \Lambda)/\eta(\tau)^4) - g_3(\tau)/\eta(\tau)^{12}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence we obtain a change of variables

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{C}/\Lambda &\xrightarrow{\sim} y^2 = 4x^3 - (g_2(\tau)/\eta(\tau)^8)x - g_3(\tau)/\eta(\tau)^{12} \\ z &\mapsto [\wp(z; \Lambda)/\eta(\tau)^4 : \sigma(2z; \Lambda)\eta(\tau)^2/\sigma(z; \Lambda)^4\eta(\tau)^8 : 1]. \end{aligned}$$

If  $z = r_1\tau + r_2$  with  $(r_1, r_2) \in \mathbb{Q}^2 \setminus \mathbb{Z}^2$ , then the corresponding  $y$ -coordinate satisfies

$$\sigma(2r_1\tau + 2r_2; \Lambda)\eta(\tau)^2/\sigma(r_1\tau + r_2; \Lambda)^4\eta(\tau)^8 = g_{(2r_1, 2r_2)}(\tau)/g_{(r_1, r_2)}(\tau)^4$$

by (2.1). Regarding  $\tau$  as a variable on  $\mathbb{H}$ , we define the function  $y_{(r_1, r_2)}(\tau)$  on  $\mathbb{H}$  as

$$(2.4) \quad y_{(r_1, r_2)}(\tau) = g_{(2r_1, 2r_2)}(\tau)/g_{(r_1, r_2)}(\tau)^4.$$

**Lemma 2.4.** *Let  $N (\geq 2)$  be an integer and let  $(r_1, r_2) \in (1/N)\mathbb{Z}^2 \setminus \mathbb{Z}^2$ . Then  $y_{(r_1, r_2)}(\tau)^{4/\gcd(4, N)}$  belongs to  $\mathcal{F}_N$ .*

*Proof.* If  $(2r_1, 2r_2) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ , then  $y_{(r_1, r_2)}(\tau)^{4/\gcd(4, N)} = 0 \in \mathcal{F}_N$ . So we assume  $(2r_1, 2r_2) \notin \mathbb{Z}^2$ . Now that the product of Siegel functions

$$(g_{(2r_1, 2r_2)}(\tau)/g_{(r_1, r_2)}(\tau)^4)^{4/\gcd(4, N)}$$

satisfies the quadratic relation modulo  $N$  and

$$\gcd(12, N) \cdot \text{sum of exponents} = -12 \gcd(12, N)/\gcd(4, N) \equiv 0 \pmod{12},$$

it belongs to  $\mathcal{F}_N$  by Proposition 2.2. □

*Remark 2.5.* Note that a Siegel function has no zeros or poles on  $\mathbb{H}$  by (2.2). Hence the special value  $y_{(r_1, r_2)}(\theta_K)^{4/\gcd(4, N)}$  lies in  $K_{(N)}$  by the definition (2.4), Lemma 2.4 and (1.5).

**Lemma 2.6.** *Let  $N (\geq 3)$  and  $m (\neq 0)$  be integers. If  $\gamma \in \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$  acts trivially on both  $y_{(1/N, 0)}(\tau)^m$  and  $y_{(0, 1/N)}(\tau)^m$  as a fractional linear transformation, then  $\gamma \in \pm\Gamma(N)$ .*

*Proof.* For convenience, we use the notation  $\doteq$  to denote the equality up to a root of unity. Letting  $\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$ , we derive by the definition (2.4) and Proposition 2.1(ii) that

$$\begin{aligned} (y_{(1/N, 0)}(\tau)^m)^\gamma &\doteq g_{(2/N, 0)\gamma}(\tau)^m/g_{(1/N, 0)\gamma}(\tau)^{4m} \\ &= g_{(2a/N, 2b/N)}(\tau)^m/g_{(a/N, b/N)}(\tau)^{4m}, \\ (y_{(0, 1/N)}(\tau)^m)^\gamma &\doteq g_{(0, 2/N)\gamma}(\tau)^m/g_{(0, 1/N)\gamma}(\tau)^{4m} \\ &= g_{(2c/N, 2d/N)}(\tau)^m/g_{(c/N, d/N)}(\tau)^{4m}. \end{aligned}$$

Since we are assuming that the action of  $\gamma$  on  $y_{(1/N,0)}(\tau)^m$  and  $y_{(1/N,0)}(\tau)^m$  is trivial, we get

$$(2.5) \quad g_{(2a/N,2b/N)}(\tau)^m / g_{(a/N,b/N)}(\tau)^{4m} \doteq g_{(2/N,0)}(\tau)^m / g_{(1/N,0)}(\tau)^{4m},$$

$$(2.6) \quad g_{(2c/N,2d/N)}(\tau)^m / g_{(c/N,d/N)}(\tau)^{4m} \doteq g_{(0,2/N)}(\tau)^m / g_{(0,1/N)}(\tau)^{4m}.$$

It then follows from the action of  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$  on both sides of (2.5) and (2.6) as a fractional linear transformation that

$$(2.7) \quad g_{(2b/N,-2a/N)}(\tau)^m / g_{(b/N,-a/N)}(\tau)^{4m} \doteq g_{(0,-2/N)}(\tau)^m / g_{(0,-1/N)}(\tau)^{4m},$$

$$(2.8) \quad g_{(2d/N,-2c/N)}(\tau)^m / g_{(d/N,-c/N)}(\tau)^{4m} \doteq g_{(2/N,0)}(\tau)^m / g_{(1/N,0)}(\tau)^{4m}$$

by Proposition 2.1(ii). Now by using the  $q_\tau$ -order formula (2.3), we can compare the  $q_\tau$ -orders of both sides of (2.5)~(2.8) to conclude

$$\begin{aligned} m(1/2)\mathbf{B}_2(\langle 2a/N \rangle) - 4m(1/2)\mathbf{B}_2(\langle a/N \rangle) &= m(1/2)\mathbf{B}_2(2/N) - 4m(1/2)\mathbf{B}_2(1/N), \\ m(1/2)\mathbf{B}_2(\langle 2c/N \rangle) - 4m(1/2)\mathbf{B}_2(\langle c/N \rangle) &= m(1/2)\mathbf{B}_2(0) - 4m(1/2)\mathbf{B}_2(0), \\ m(1/2)\mathbf{B}_2(\langle 2b/N \rangle) - 4m(1/2)\mathbf{B}_2(\langle b/N \rangle) &= m(1/2)\mathbf{B}_2(0) - 4m(1/2)\mathbf{B}_2(0), \\ m(1/2)\mathbf{B}_2(\langle 2d/N \rangle) - 4m(1/2)\mathbf{B}_2(\langle d/N \rangle) &= m(1/2)\mathbf{B}_2(2/N) - 4m(1/2)\mathbf{B}_2(1/N). \end{aligned}$$

Considering the fact  $\det(\gamma) = ad - bc = 1$ , we achieve  $a \equiv d \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{N}$  and  $b \equiv c \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$ . Hence  $\gamma$  lies in  $\pm\Gamma(N)$ , as desired.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.7.** *Let  $N (\geq 3)$  and  $m (\neq 0)$  be integers.*

- (i)  $\mathbb{C}(X(N)) = \mathbb{C}(j(\tau), y_{(1/N,0)}(\tau)^{4m/\gcd(4,N)}, y_{(0,1/N)}(\tau)^{4m/\gcd(4,N)})$ .
- (ii)  $\mathcal{F}_N = \mathbb{Q}(j(\tau), \zeta_N y_{(1/N,0)}(\tau)^{4m/\gcd(4,N)}, y_{(0,1/N)}(\tau)^{4m/\gcd(4,N)})$ .

*Proof.* (i) Put  $F = \mathbb{C}(j(\tau), y_{(1/N,0)}(\tau)^{4m/\gcd(4,N)}, y_{(0,1/N)}(\tau)^{4m/\gcd(4,N)})$ , which is a subfield of  $\mathbb{C}(X(N))$  containing  $\mathbb{C}(X(1)) = \mathbb{C}(j(\tau))$  by Lemma 2.4. Assume that an element  $\gamma \in \Gamma(1)$  acts trivially on  $F$ . Then  $\gamma$  must be in  $\pm\Gamma(N)$  by Lemma 2.6. Thus  $F$  is all of  $\mathbb{C}(X(N))$  by the fact  $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{C}(X(N))/\mathbb{C}(X(1))) \simeq \Gamma(1)/\pm\Gamma(N)$  and Galois theory.

(ii) Set  $F = \mathbb{Q}(j(\tau), \zeta_N y_{(1/N,0)}(\tau)^{4m/\gcd(4,N)}, y_{(0,1/N)}(\tau)^{4m/\gcd(4,N)})$ , which is a subfield of  $\mathcal{F}_N$  containing  $\mathcal{F}_1 = \mathbb{Q}(j(\tau))$  by Lemma 2.4. By (i) and [8, Lemma 4.1], we have  $\mathcal{F}_N = F(\zeta_N)$ . Hence  $\text{Gal}(\mathcal{F}_N/F)$  is isomorphic to a subgroup of  $G_N = \{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} : d \in (\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^* \}$ . Assume that  $\beta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \in G_N$  acts trivially on  $F$ . Since

$$\begin{aligned} y_{(1/N,0)}(\tau) &= \frac{g_{(2/N,0)}(\tau)}{g_{(1/N,0)}(\tau)^4} \\ &= \frac{-q_\tau^{(1/2)\mathbf{B}_2(2/N)}(1 - q_\tau^{2/N}) \prod_{n=1}^\infty (1 - q_\tau^{n+2/N})(1 - q_\tau^{n-2/N})}{(-q_\tau^{(1/2)\mathbf{B}_2(2/N)}(1 - q_\tau^{2/N}) \prod_{n=1}^\infty (1 - q_\tau^{n+2/N})(1 - q_\tau^{n-2/N}))^4} \end{aligned}$$

has rational Fourier coefficients by (2.2), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta_N y_{(1/N,0)}(\tau)^{4m/\gcd(4,N)} &= (\zeta_N y_{(1/N,0)}(\tau)^{4m/\gcd(4,N)})^\beta \\ &= \zeta_N^d y_{(1/N,0)}(\tau)^{4m/\gcd(4,N)}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $d \equiv 1 \pmod{N}$ , which implies that  $F$  is all of  $\mathcal{F}_N$  by Galois theory.  $\square$

### 3. Ray class invariants over imaginary quadratic fields

Throughout this section, let  $K$  be an imaginary quadratic field of discriminant  $d_K$  and let  $\theta_K$  be as in (1.4). We shall prove our main theorem which claims that if  $d_K \leq -19$  and  $N \geq 3$ , then for any nonzero integer  $m$ , the special value  $y_{(0,1/N)}(\theta_K)^{4m/\gcd(4,N)}$  generates the ray class field  $K_{(N)}$  over  $K$ . To this end, we shall introduce an explicit description of Shimura’s reciprocity law due to Steinhilber [14], from which we are able to determine all the conjugates of the special value of a meromorphic modular function.

Let  $C(d_K)$  be the group of all reduced (binary quadratic) forms  $Q = [a, b, c] = aX^2 + bXY + cY^2 \in \mathbb{Z}[X, Y]$  characterized by the conditions

$$(3.1) \quad b^2 - 4ac = d_K, \quad \gcd(a, b, c) = 1 \text{ and } (-a < b \leq a < c \text{ or } 0 \leq b \leq a = c)$$

[2, §2, A]. Note that the above conditions imply

$$(3.2) \quad a \leq \sqrt{-d_K/3}$$

[2, p. 29], and the identity of  $C(d_K)$  is

$$\begin{cases} [1, 0, -d_K/4] & \text{if } d_K \equiv 0 \pmod{4}, \\ [1, 1, (1 - d_K)/4] & \text{if } d_K \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$$

[2, Theorem 3.9]. For a reduced form  $Q = [a, b, c] \in C(d_K)$ , we let

$$(3.3) \quad \theta_Q = (-b + \sqrt{d_K})/2a,$$

and define  $u_Q = (u_p)_p \in \prod_{p : \text{prime}} \text{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}_p)$  by

Case 1 :  $d_K \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$

$$(3.4) \quad u_p = \begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} a & b/2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} & \text{if } p \nmid a, \\ \begin{pmatrix} -b/2 & -c \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \text{if } p \mid a \text{ and } p \nmid c, \\ \begin{pmatrix} -a - b/2 & -c - b/2 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} & \text{if } p \mid a \text{ and } p \mid c. \end{cases}$$

Case 2 :  $d_K \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$

$$(3.5) \quad u_p = \begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} a & (b-1)/2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} & \text{if } p \nmid a, \\ \begin{pmatrix} -(b+1)/2 & -c \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \text{if } p \mid a \text{ and } p \nmid c, \\ \begin{pmatrix} -a - (b+1)/2 & -c - (b-1)/2 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} & \text{if } p \mid a \text{ and } p \mid c. \end{cases}$$



Let  $\min(\theta_K, \mathbb{Q}) = X^2 + BX + C$ . For a positive integer  $N$ , we define a matrix group

$$W_{N,K} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} t - Bs & -Cs \\ s & t \end{pmatrix} \in \text{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z}) : t, s \in \mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z} \right\}.$$

**Proposition 3.1** (Shimura’s reciprocity law). *Let  $K$  be an imaginary quadratic field other than  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-1})$  and  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-3})$ , and let  $N$  be a positive integer. There is a one-to-one correspondence*

$$\begin{aligned} W_{N,K}/\{\pm I_2\} \times C(d_K) &\rightarrow \text{Gal}(K_{(N)}/K) \\ (\alpha, Q) &\mapsto (h(\theta_K) \mapsto h^{\alpha \cdot u_Q}(\theta_Q) ; \\ &\quad h \in \mathcal{F}_N \text{ is defined and finite at } \theta_K). \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* See [14, §3 and 6]. □

**Remark 3.2.** (i) There exists a  $2 \times 2$  integral matrix  $\beta$  such that  $\det(\beta) > 0$  and  $\beta \equiv u_p \pmod{N\mathbb{Z}_p}$  for all  $p$  dividing  $N$  by the Chinese remainder theorem. The action of  $u_Q$  on  $\mathcal{F}_N$  is understood as the action of  $\beta \in \text{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})/\{\pm I_2\}$  on  $\mathcal{F}_N$ .

(ii) The identity of  $W_{N,K}/\{\pm I_2\} \times C(d_K)$  corresponds to the identity of  $\text{Gal}(K_{(N)}/K)$  by the definitions (3.3)~(3.5).

For simplicity, we let

$$A = |e^{2\pi i \theta_K}| = e^{-\pi \sqrt{-d_K}} \quad \text{and} \quad D = \sqrt{-d_K/3}.$$

Then one can readily verify the inequality

$$(3.6) \quad 1/(1 - A^{X/a}) < 1 + A^{X/1.03a} \quad \text{for } a, X \in \mathbb{R} \text{ such that } 1 \leq a \leq D \text{ and } X \geq 1/2.$$

It is also obvious that

$$(3.7) \quad 1 + X < e^X \quad \text{for all } X > 0.$$

**Lemma 3.3.** (i) *Assume that  $d_K \leq -20$  and  $N \geq 3$ . Let  $Q = [a, b, c] \in C(d_K)$ . If  $a \geq 2$ , then the inequality*

$$|g_{(2s/N, 2t/N)}(\theta_Q)/g_{(s/N, t/N)}(\theta_Q)^4| < 0.996 |g_{(0, 2/N)}(\theta_K)/g_{(0, 1/N)}(\theta_K)^4|$$

*holds for any  $(s, t) \in \mathbb{Z}^2 \setminus N\mathbb{Z}^2$ .*

(ii) *Assume that  $d_K \leq -11$  and  $N \geq 3$ . Then the inequality*

$$|g_{(2s/N, 2t/N)}(\theta_K)/g_{(s/N, t/N)}(\theta_K)^4| < 0.614 |g_{(0, 2/N)}(\theta_K)/g_{(0, 1/N)}(\theta_K)^4|$$

*holds for any  $(s, t) \in \mathbb{Z}^2 \setminus N\mathbb{Z}^2$  such that  $(s, t) \not\equiv (0, \pm 1) \pmod{N}$ .*

*Proof.* (i) We may assume that  $0 \leq s \leq N/2$  and  $0 \leq t < N$  by Proposition 2.1(i) and (iii). Also note that  $2 \leq a \leq D$  by (3.2) and  $A \leq e^{-\pi \sqrt{20}} < 1$ . It follows from (2.2) that

$$\left| \frac{g_{(2s/N, 2t/N)}(\theta_Q)/g_{(s/N, t/N)}(\theta_Q)^4}{g_{(0, 2/N)}(\theta_K)/g_{(0, 1/N)}(\theta_K)^4} \right|$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\leq A^{1/4+(1/a)(s/N-1/4)} \left| \frac{(1-\zeta_N)^4}{1-\zeta_N^2} \right| \left| \frac{1-e^{2\pi i((2s/N)\theta_Q+2t/N)}}{(1-e^{2\pi i((s/N)\theta_Q+t/N)})^4} \right| \\
 &\quad \times \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1+A^n)^8(1+A^{(1/a)(n+2s/N)})(1+A^{(1/a)(n-2s/N)})}{(1-A^n)^2(1-A^{(1/a)(n+s/N)})^4(1-A^{(1/a)(n-s/N)})^4} \\
 &\leq T(N, s, t) \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1+A^n)^8(1+A^{n/a})(1+A^{(1/a)(n-1)})}{(1-A^n)^2(1-A^{n/a})^4(1-A^{(1/a)(n-1/2)})^4} \\
 &\quad \text{by the fact } 0 \leq s \leq N/2 \\
 &\leq T(N, s, t) \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1+A^n)^8(1+A^{n/D})(1+A^{(1/D)(n-1)})}{(1-A^n)^2(1-A^{n/D})^4(1-A^{(1/D)(n-1/2)})^4} \\
 &\quad \text{by the fact } 2 \leq a \leq D,
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$T(N, s, t) = A^{1/4+(1/a)(s/N-1/4)} \left| \frac{(1-\zeta_N)^3}{1+\zeta_N} \right| \left| \frac{1+e^{2\pi i((s/N)\theta_Q+t/N)}}{(1-e^{2\pi i((s/N)\theta_Q+t/N)})^3} \right|.$$

If  $s = 0$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(N, s, t) &= A^{1/4-1/4a} \left| \left( \frac{1-\zeta_N}{1-\zeta_N^t} \right)^3 \right| \left| \frac{1+\zeta_N^t}{1+\zeta_N} \right| \\
 &= A^{1/4-1/4a} \left| \left( \frac{\sin(\pi/N)}{\sin(t\pi/N)} \right)^3 \right| \left| \frac{\cos(t\pi/N)}{\cos(\pi/N)} \right| \\
 &\leq A^{1/8} \quad \text{by the fact } 2 \leq a \leq D \\
 &\leq e^{-\pi\sqrt{20}/8} \quad \text{by the fact } d_K \leq -20 \\
 &< 0.173.
 \end{aligned}$$

If  $s \neq 0$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(N, s, t) &\leq A^{1/4+(1/a)(1/N-1/4)} \left| \frac{(1-\zeta_N)^3}{1+\zeta_N} \right| \frac{1+A^{1/Na}}{(1-A^{1/Na})^3} \\
 &\quad \text{by the fact } 1 \leq s \leq N/2 \\
 &\leq A^{1/4+(1/2)(1/N-1/4)} \left| \frac{(1-\zeta_N)^3}{1+\zeta_N} \right| \frac{1+A^{1/ND}}{(1-A^{1/ND})^3} \\
 &\quad \text{by the fact } 2 \leq a \leq D \\
 &= e^{-\pi\sqrt{20}(1/8+1/2N)} \frac{4\sin^3(\pi/N)}{\cos(\pi/N)} \frac{1+e^{-\pi\sqrt{3}/N}}{(1-e^{-\pi\sqrt{3}/N})^3} \\
 &\quad \text{by the facts } d_K \leq -20 \text{ and } A^{1/D} = e^{-\pi\sqrt{3}} \\
 &< 0.267 \quad \text{from the graph for } N \geq 3 \text{ (Figure 1)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we derive that

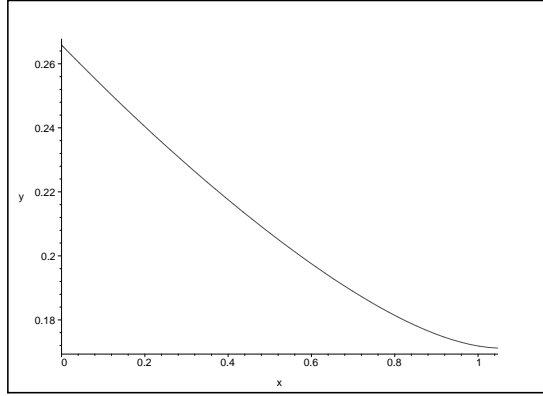


FIGURE 1.  $Y = e^{-\pi\sqrt{20}(1/8+X/2\pi)} \frac{4\sin^3 X}{\cos X} \frac{1+e^{-\sqrt{3}X}}{(1-e^{-\sqrt{3}X})^3}$  for  $0 < X \leq \pi/3$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left| \frac{g(2s/N, 2t/N)(\theta_Q)/g(s/N, t/N)(\theta_Q)^4}{g(0, 2/N)(\theta_K)/g(0, 1/N)(\theta_K)^4} \right| \\
 & < 0.267 \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1+A^n)^8(1+A^{n/D})(1+A^{(1/D)(n-1)})}{(1+A^{n/1.03})^{-2}(1+A^{n/1.03D})^{-4}(1+A^{(1/1.03D)(n-1/2)})^{-4}} \\
 & \quad \text{by (3.6)} \\
 & < 0.267 \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} e^{8A^n + A^{n/D} + A^{(1/D)(n-1)} + 2A^{n/1.03} + 4A^{n/1.03D} + 4A^{(1/1.03D)(n-1/2)}} \\
 & \quad \text{by (3.7)} \\
 & = 0.267 e^{8A/(1-A) + (A^{1/D} + 1)/(1-A^{1/D}) + 2A^{1/1.03}/(1-A^{1/1.03}) + (4A^{1/1.03D} + 4A^{1/2.06D})/(1-A^{1/1.03D})} \\
 & \leq 0.267 e^{8e^{-\pi\sqrt{20}}/(1-e^{-\pi\sqrt{20}}) + (e^{-\pi\sqrt{3}} + 1)/(1-e^{-\pi\sqrt{3}}) + 2e^{-\pi\sqrt{20}/1.03}/(1-e^{-\pi\sqrt{20}/1.03})} \\
 & \quad \times e^{(4e^{-\pi\sqrt{3}/1.03} + 4e^{-\pi\sqrt{3}/2.06})/(1-e^{-\pi\sqrt{3}/1.03})} \\
 & \quad \text{by the facts } A \leq e^{-\pi\sqrt{20}} \text{ and } A^{1/D} = e^{-\pi\sqrt{3}} \\
 & < 0.996.
 \end{aligned}$$

(ii) We may also assume that  $0 \leq s \leq N/2$  and  $0 \leq t < N$  by Proposition 2.1(i) and (iii). We establish by (2.2) that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left| \frac{g(2s/N, 2t/N)(\theta_K)/g(s/N, t/N)(\theta_K)^4}{g(0, 2/N)(\theta_K)/g(0, 1/N)(\theta_K)^4} \right| \\
 & \leq A^{s/N} \left| \frac{(1-\zeta_N)^4}{1-\zeta_N^2} \right| \left| \frac{1-e^{2\pi i((2s/N)\theta_K + 2t/N)}}{(1-e^{2\pi i((s/N)\theta_K + t/N)})^4} \right| \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1+A^n)^8(1+A^{n+2s/N})(1+A^{n-2s/N})}{(1-A^n)^2(1-A^{n+s/N})^4(1-A^{n-s/N})^4}
 \end{aligned}$$

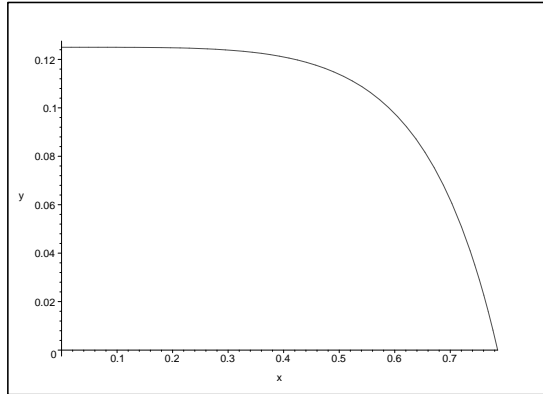


FIGURE 2.  $Y = \frac{2 \cos^2 X - 1}{8 \cos^4 X}$  for  $0 < X \leq \pi/4$

$$\leq T(N, s, t) \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1 + A^n)^9(1 + A^{n-1})}{(1 - A^n)^6(1 - A^{n-1/2})^4} \quad \text{by the fact } 0 \leq s \leq N/2,$$

where

$$T(N, s, t) = A^{s/N} \left| \frac{(1 - \zeta_N)^3}{1 + \zeta_N} \right| \left| \frac{1 + e^{2\pi i((s/N)\theta_K + t/N)}}{(1 - e^{2\pi i((s/N)\theta_K + t/N)})^3} \right|.$$

If  $s = 0$ , then  $N \geq 4$  and  $2 \leq t \leq N - 2$  by the assumption  $(s, t) \not\equiv (0, \pm 1) \pmod{N}$ ; hence

$$\begin{aligned} T(N, s, t) &= \left| \left( \frac{1 - \zeta_N}{1 - \zeta_N^t} \right)^3 \right| \left| \frac{1 + \zeta_N^t}{1 + \zeta_N} \right| \\ &= \left| \left( \frac{\sin(\pi/N)}{\sin(t\pi/N)} \right)^3 \right| \left| \frac{\cos(t\pi/N)}{\cos(\pi/N)} \right| \\ &\leq \left( \frac{\sin(\pi/N)}{\sin(2\pi/N)} \right)^3 \frac{\cos(2\pi/N)}{\cos(\pi/N)} \\ &= \frac{2 \cos^2(\pi/N) - 1}{8 \cos^4(\pi/N)} \\ &< 0.125 \quad \text{from the graph for } N \geq 4 \text{ (Figure 2)}. \end{aligned}$$

If  $s \neq 0$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} T(N, s, t) &\leq A^{1/N} \left| \frac{(1 - \zeta_N)^3}{1 + \zeta_N} \right| \frac{1 + A^{1/N}}{(1 - A^{1/N})^3} \\ &= \frac{4 \sin^3(\pi/N)}{\cos(\pi/N)} \frac{A^{1/N}(1 + A^{1/N})}{(1 - A^{1/N})^3} \end{aligned}$$

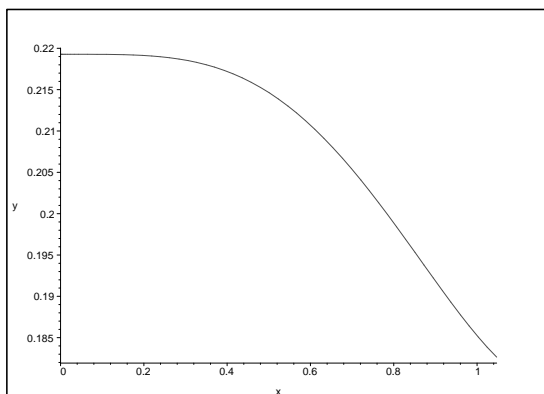


FIGURE 3.  $Y = \frac{4 \sin^3 X}{\cos X} \frac{e^{-\sqrt{11}X}(1+e^{-\sqrt{11}X})}{(1-e^{-\sqrt{11}X})^3}$  for  $0 < X \leq \frac{\pi}{3}$

$$\leq \frac{4 \sin^3(\pi/N)}{\cos(\pi/N)} \frac{e^{-\pi\sqrt{11}/N}(1+e^{-\pi\sqrt{11}/N})}{(1-e^{-\pi\sqrt{11}/N})^3} \quad \text{by the fact } d_K \leq -11$$

$< 0.22$  from the graph for  $N \geq 3$  (Figure 3).

Therefore, we get that

$$\left| \frac{g_{(2s/N, 2t/N)}(\theta_K)/g_{(s/N, t/N)}(\theta_K)^4}{g_{(0, 2/N)}(\theta_K)/g_{(0, 1/N)}(\theta_K)^4} \right|$$

$$< 0.22 \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1+A^n)^9(1+A^{n-1})}{(1+A^{n/1.03})^{-6}(1+A^{(1/1.03)(n-1/2)})^{-4}} \quad \text{by (3.6)}$$

$$< 0.22 \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} e^{9A^n + A^{n-1} + 6A^{n/1.03} + 4A^{(1/1.03)(n-1/2)}} \quad \text{by (3.7)}$$

$$= 0.22e^{(9A+1)/(1-A) + (6A^{1/1.03} + 4A^{1/2.06})/(1-A^{1/1.03})}$$

$$\leq 0.22e^{(9e^{-\pi\sqrt{11}}+1)/(1-e^{-\pi\sqrt{11}}) + (6e^{-\pi\sqrt{11}/1.03} + 4e^{-\pi\sqrt{11}/2.06})/(1-e^{-\pi\sqrt{11}/1.03})}$$

by the facts  $A \leq e^{-\pi\sqrt{11}}$

$$< 0.614.$$

This proves the lemma. □

**Theorem 3.4.** *Let  $K$  be an imaginary quadratic field of discriminant  $d_K$  ( $\leq -19$ ) and let  $N$  ( $\geq 3$ ) be an integer. Then for any nonzero integer  $m$ , the special value  $y_{(0, 1/N)}(\theta_K)^{4m/\gcd(4, N)}$  generates the ray class field  $K_{(N)}$  over  $K$ .*

*Proof.* Put  $y(\tau) = y_{(0,1/N)}(\tau)^{4m/\gcd(4,N)}$ . Then we get  $y(\tau) \in \mathcal{F}_N$  by Lemma 2.4 and  $y(\theta_K) \in K_{(N)}$  by Remark 2.5. Hence if we show that the only element of  $\text{Gal}(K_{(N)}/K)$  leaving  $y(\theta_K)$  fixed is the identity, then we can conclude that  $y(\theta_K)$  generates  $K_{(N)}$  over  $K$  by Galois theory.

Any conjugate of  $y(\theta_K)$  is of the form  $y^{\alpha \cdot u_Q}(\theta_Q)$  for some  $\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} t-Bs & -Cs \\ s & t \end{pmatrix} \in W_{N,K}$  and a reduced form  $Q = [a, b, c] \in C(d_K)$  by Proposition 3.1. Assume that  $y(\theta_K) = y^{\alpha \cdot u_Q}(\theta_Q)$ . If  $d_K = -19$ , then  $h_K = 1$  [2, Theorem 12.34], and so  $a = 1$ . If  $d_K \leq -20$ , then Lemma 3.3(i) leads us to take  $a = 1$ . Also, we derive from the condition (3.1) for reduced forms that

$$Q = \begin{cases} [1, 0, -d_K/4] & \text{for } d_K \equiv 0 \pmod{4}, \\ [1, 1, (1 - d_K)/4] & \text{for } d_K \equiv 1 \pmod{4}, \end{cases}$$

which is the identity of  $C(d_K)$ . It follows that  $\theta_Q = \theta_K$  and that

$$u_Q = \begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b/2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} & \text{if } d_K \equiv 0 \pmod{4}, \\ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & (b-1)/2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} & \text{if } d_K \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$$

as an element of  $\text{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})$  by the definitions (3.3)~(3.5). Thus we deduce by the definition (2.4) and Proposition 2.3(ii) that

$$\begin{aligned} y(\theta_K) &= y^{\alpha \cdot u_Q}(\theta_Q) \\ &\doteq \left( \frac{g_{(0,2/N)\alpha u_Q}(\theta_Q)}{g_{(0,1/N)\alpha u_Q}(\theta_Q)^4} \right)^{4m/\gcd(4,N)} \\ &\doteq \begin{cases} \left( \frac{g_{(2s/N, (2s/N)(b/2)+2t/N)}(\theta_K)}{g_{(s/N, (s/N)(b/2)+t/N)}(\theta_K)^4} \right)^{4m/\gcd(4,N)} & \text{if } d_K \equiv 0 \pmod{4}, \\ \left( \frac{g_{(2s/N, (2s/N)(b-1)/2+2t/N)}(\theta_K)}{g_{(s/N, (s/N)(b-1)/2+t/N)}(\theta_K)^4} \right)^{4m/\gcd(4,N)} & \text{if } d_K \equiv 1 \pmod{4}, \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\doteq$  stands for the equality up to a root of unity. We get  $(s, t) \equiv (0, \pm 1) \pmod{N}$  by Lemma 3.3(ii), which shows that  $\alpha$  is the identity of  $W_{N,K}/\{\pm I_2\}$ . Hence  $(\alpha, Q) \in W_{N,K}/\{\pm I_2\} \times C(d_K)$  represents the identity of  $\text{Gal}(K_{(N)}/K)$  by Remark 3.2(ii). Therefore,  $y(\theta_K)$  indeed generates  $K_{(N)}$  over  $K$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.5.** *Let  $K$  be an imaginary quadratic field of discriminant  $d_K$  ( $\leq -19$ ) and let  $N$  ( $\geq 3$ ) be an odd integer. Then for any nonzero integer  $m$ , the special value  $g_{(0,1/N)}(\theta_K)^{12Nm/\gcd(6,N)}$  generates  $K_{(N)}$  over  $K$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $g(\tau) = g_{(0,1/N)}(\tau)^{12Nm/\gcd(6,N)}$ . Since  $g(\tau) \in \mathcal{F}_N$  by Proposition 2.2, its special value  $g(\theta_K)$  lies in  $K_{(N)}$  by (1.5). On the other hand, since  $K(g(\theta_K))$  is an abelian extension of  $K$  as a subfield of  $K_{(N)}$ , it contains all the conjugates of  $g(\theta_K)$ . Now that we are assuming  $N$  ( $\geq 3$ ) is odd,  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \in$

$\mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})/\{\pm I_2\}$  belongs to  $W_{N,K}$  and satisfies

$$g(\theta_K) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = g_{(0,1/N)} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} (\theta_K)^{12Nm/\mathrm{gcd}(6,N)} = g_{(0,2/N)}(\theta_K)^{12Nm/\mathrm{gcd}(6,N)}$$

by Proposition 2.3(ii). Thus  $K(g(\theta_K))$  contains the value

$$\begin{aligned} & (g_{(0,2/N)}(\theta_K)/g_{(0,1/N)}(\theta_K)^4)^{12Nm/\mathrm{gcd}(6,N)} \\ &= (y_{(0,1/N)}(\theta_K)^{4m/\mathrm{gcd}(4,N)})^{3N\mathrm{gcd}(4,N)/\mathrm{gcd}(6,N)}, \end{aligned}$$

which implies that  $K(g(\theta_K))$  is all of  $K_{(N)}$  by Theorem 3.4. □

**Proposition 3.6.** *Let  $K$  be an imaginary quadratic field and let  $N (\geq 3)$  be an integer. Then the special values  $g_{(0,1/N)}(\theta_K)^{12N/\mathrm{gcd}(6,N)}$  and*

$$\begin{cases} y_{(0,1/N)}(\theta_K)^{12N/\mathrm{gcd}(6,N)} & \text{if } N \text{ has at least two distinct} \\ & \text{prime factors in } \mathbb{Z}, \\ N^{48N/\mathrm{gcd}(6,N)} y_{(0,1/N)}(\theta_K)^{12N/\mathrm{gcd}(6,N)} & \text{if } N \text{ is a prime power} \end{cases}$$

are real algebraic integers. Hence their minimal polynomials over  $K$  have integer coefficients.

*Proof.* Let  $g(\tau) = g_{(0,1/N)}(\tau)^{12N/\mathrm{gcd}(6,N)}$  and

$$h(\tau) = \begin{cases} y_{(0,1/N)}(\tau)^{12N/\mathrm{gcd}(6,N)} & \text{if } N \text{ has at least two distinct} \\ & \text{prime factors in } \mathbb{Z}, \\ N^{48N/\mathrm{gcd}(6,N)} y_{(0,1/N)}(\tau)^{12N/\mathrm{gcd}(6,N)} & \text{if } N \text{ is a prime power.} \end{cases}$$

Then  $g(\tau)$  and  $h(\tau)$  are integral over  $\mathbb{Z}[j(\tau)]$  by Proposition 2.3(i) and the definition (2.4); hence their special values  $g(\theta_K)$  and  $h(\theta_K)$  are algebraic integers since  $j(\theta_K)$  is an algebraic integer [10, Chapter 5, Theorem 4]. On the other hand, the infinite product formula (2.2) yields

$$\begin{aligned} & g(\theta_K) \\ &= q_{\theta_K}^{N/\mathrm{gcd}(6,N)} (2 \sin(2\pi/N))^{12N/\mathrm{gcd}(6,N)} \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - 2 \cos(4\pi/N) q_{\theta_K}^n + q_{\theta_K}^{2n})^{12N/\mathrm{gcd}(6,N)}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & y(\theta_K)^{12N/\mathrm{gcd}(6,N)} \\ &= \frac{q_{\theta_K}^{N/\mathrm{gcd}(6,N)} (2 \sin(2\pi/N))^{12N/\mathrm{gcd}(6,N)} \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - 2 \cos(4\pi/N) q_{\theta_K}^n + q_{\theta_K}^{2n})^{12N/\mathrm{gcd}(6,N)}}{q_{\theta_K}^{4N/\mathrm{gcd}(6,N)} (2 \sin(\pi/N))^{48N/\mathrm{gcd}(6,N)} \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - 2 \cos(2\pi/N) q_{\theta_K}^n + q_{\theta_K}^{2n})^{48N/\mathrm{gcd}(6,N)}}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$q_{\theta_K} = e^{2\pi i \theta_K} = \begin{cases} e^{-\pi \sqrt{-d_K}} & \text{if } d_K \equiv 0 \pmod{4}, \\ -e^{-\pi \sqrt{-d_K}} & \text{if } d_K \equiv 1 \pmod{4}. \end{cases}$$

Therefore,  $g(\theta_K)$  and  $h(\theta_K)$  are real numbers. If we set  $x = g(\theta_K)$  or  $h(\theta_K)$ , then

$$[\mathbb{Q}(x) : \mathbb{Q}] = \frac{[K(x) : K] \cdot [K : \mathbb{Q}]}{[K(x) : \mathbb{Q}(x)]} = \frac{[K(x) : K] \cdot 2}{2} = [K(x) : K],$$

which implies that the coefficients of the minimal polynomial of  $x$  over  $K$  are integers.  $\square$

**Example 3.7.** Let  $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-10})$  and  $\theta_K = \sqrt{-10}$ . The reduced forms of discriminant  $d_K = -40$  are exactly  $Q_1 = [1, 0, 10]$  and  $Q = [2, 0, 5]$ , and we find

$$\theta_{Q_1} = \sqrt{-10}, u_{Q_1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \theta_{Q_2} = \sqrt{-10}/2, u_{Q_2} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Furthermore, if  $N = 6$ , then

$$W_{6,K}/\{\pm I_2\} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 5 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \right. \\ \left. \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

The special value  $y_{(0,1/6)}(\theta_K)^{12}$  generates  $K_{(6)}$  over  $K$  by Theorem 3.4, and one can find its minimal polynomial as follows (by using MAPLE 8 for the numerical computation of infinite products):

$$\begin{aligned} & \min(y_{(0,1/6)}(\theta_K)^{12}, K) \\ &= \prod_{r=1}^2 \prod_{\alpha \in W_{6,K}/\{\pm I_2\}} (X - (g_{(0,2/6)}(\tau)^{12}/g_{(0,1/6)}(\tau)^{48})^{\alpha u_{Q_r}}(\theta_{Q_r})) \\ &= \prod_{r=1}^2 \prod_{\alpha \in W_{6,K}/\{\pm I_2\}} (X - g_{(0,2/6)\alpha U_{Q_r}}(\theta_{Q_r})^{12}/g_{(0,1/6)\alpha U_{Q_r}}(\theta_{Q_r})^{48}) \\ &= X^{16} - 56227499765918216689444911216X^{15} \\ & \quad + 28198738767573877103982180845427211416X^{14} \\ & \quad - 61006294392822456973543787353433426528859172752X^{13} \\ & \quad + 24191545040559618198685578078066621024919984909895925564X^{12} \\ & \quad - 1457219992512158403396945180026448081831307850098282381377715440X^{11} \\ & \quad - 1875247086634588418900161009847749757705491090331618598955145878499352X^{10} \\ & \quad - 3204258054536691403559566745682638856959186166279206475927474345038453779344X^9 \\ & \quad + 383798110212800409840846851392850879043779134397546083788605170327010622235878X^8 \\ & \quad - 115423974200159134410244151892157361168179592425853550820710288184072396692478416X^7 \\ & \quad + 334107284582565793933974554285013907697215168114012280251572770023994260474295208X^6 \\ & \quad - 2413062017539132381926952150397596657649211631905734942002508919329018160X^5 \\ & \quad + 5947186157319106561144943221021199418610488121986658654341036924X^4 \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 & - 5317595247800083950930014176690955051475061944750295248X^3 \\
 & + 797299465586120177639706616225451835994220376X^2 \\
 & - 29812156397602328057777202393119664X + 282429536481.
 \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 3.8.** *Let  $L$  be a finite Galois extension of a number field  $K$  with  $G = \text{Gal}(L/K)$ . Assume that there exists an element  $x \in L$  such that*

$$|x^\gamma/x| < 1 \quad \text{for all } \gamma \in G \setminus \{\text{Id}\}.$$

*Take a suitably large positive integer  $s$  such that*

$$|x^\gamma/x|^s \leq 1/|G| \quad \text{for all } \gamma \in G \setminus \{\text{Id}\}.$$

*Then the conjugates of  $x^s$  form a normal basis of  $L$  over  $K$  (that is,  $\{(x^s)^\gamma; \gamma \in \text{Gal}(L/K)\}$  is a basis of the vector space  $L$  over  $K$ ).*

*Proof.* See [7, Theorem 2.4]. □

**Corollary 3.9.** *Let  $K$  be an imaginary quadratic field of discriminant  $d_K$  ( $\leq -19$ ) and let  $N$  ( $\geq 3$ ) be an integer. If  $s$  is any positive integer such that*

$$s \geq (\text{gcd}(4, N)/4) \log_{1/0.996}[K_{(N)} : K],$$

*then the conjugates of the special value  $y_{(0,1/N)}(\theta_K)^{4s/\text{gcd}(4,N)}$  form a normal basis of  $K_{(N)}$  over  $K$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $x = y_{(0,1/N)}(\theta_K)^{4/\text{gcd}(4,N)}$ . In the proof of Theorem 3.4, we showed that

$$|x^\gamma/x| < 0.996^{4/\text{gcd}(4,N)} \quad \text{for all } \gamma \in \text{Gal}(K_{(N)}/K) \setminus \{\text{Id}\}$$

by virtue of Lemma 3.3. Hence Lemma 3.8 proves the assertion. □

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