

# On the classification of even unimodular lattices with a complex structure

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**ABSTRACT.** This paper classifies the even unimodular lattices that have a structure as a Hermitian  $\mathcal{O}_K$ -lattice of rank  $r \leq 12$  for rings of integers in imaginary quadratic number fields  $K$  of class number 1. The Hermitian theta series of such a lattice is a Hermitian modular form of weight  $r$  for the full modular group, therefore we call them theta lattices. For arbitrary imaginary quadratic fields we derive a mass formula for the principal genus of theta lattices which is applied to show completeness of the classifications.

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# 1 Introduction

The classification of even unimodular  $\mathbb{Z}$ -lattices is explicitly known only in the cases of rank 8, 16 and 24 (cf. [CS]). Given an imaginary quadratic number field  $K$  with discriminant  $d_K$  and ring of integers  $\mathcal{O}_K$ , Cohen and Resnikoff [CR] showed that there exists a free  $\mathcal{O}_K$ -module  $M$  of rank  $r$ , which is even and satisfies  $\det M = (2/\sqrt{d_K})^r$  if and only if  $r \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ , where explicit examples were described in [DK]. Each such  $\mathcal{O}_K$ -module is an even unimodular  $\mathbb{Z}$ -lattice of rank  $2r$  and the associated Hermitian theta series is a Hermitian modular form of weight  $r$  for the full modular group. An explicit description of the isometry classes of these lattices has so far only been obtained for  $r = 4, 8$  and  $12$  for the Gaussian number field  $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-1})$  in [I], [S] and [KM] and for the Eisenstein number field  $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-3})$  in [HKN]. In these cases one can basically use the Niemeier classification and has to look for the exceptional automorphisms with minimal polynomial  $x^2 + 1$  resp.  $x^2 - x + 1$  due to the exceptional units in  $K$ .

In this paper we derive analogous results for  $\mathcal{O}_K$ -modules whenever  $K$  is an arbitrary imaginary quadratic number field. At first we derive a mass formula for the appropriate genus of lattices. In the case of class number 1, either an explicit classification of the isometry classes is given or a large lower bound on the number of isometry classes is derived. We apply the neighboring method to the explicit example given in [DK] in order to obtain a classification. There are two notable effects. At first there are even unimodular  $\mathbb{Z}$ -lattices which do not have the structure of an  $\mathcal{O}_K$ -module. On the other hand there are lattices which are not isometric as  $\mathcal{O}_K$ -modules although the underlying  $\mathbb{Z}$ -lattices are isometric (cf. [SSS], [KM], [HKN]). Finally the results are applied to the associated Hermitian theta series in order to obtain a filtration similar to [NV] and [HKN].

## 2 Mass of even and odd unimodular lattices

Throughout this paper let  $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-d})$ ,  $d \in \mathbb{N}$  squarefree, be an imaginary quadratic number field with discriminant  $d_K$ , Dirichlet character  $\chi_K$  and ring of integers

$$\mathcal{O}_K = \mathbb{Z} + \mathbb{Z}\omega_K, \quad \omega_K = \begin{cases} (1 + \sqrt{-d})/2 & \text{if } d \equiv 3 \pmod{4}, \\ \sqrt{-d} & \text{if } d \equiv 1, 2 \pmod{4}. \end{cases}$$

An  $\mathcal{O}_K$ -lattice  $M$  in a finite dimensional  $K$  vector space  $\mathcal{V}$  is a finitely generated projective  $\mathcal{O}_K$ -submodule  $M$  of  $\mathcal{V}$  that contains a  $K$ -basis of  $\mathcal{V}$ .

Now let  $(\mathcal{V}, h)$  be the  $r$ -dimensional standard Hermitian vector space over  $K$ , so there exists a basis  $(e_1, \dots, e_r)$  of  $\mathcal{V}$  such that  $h(e_i, e_j) = \delta_{ij}$ . In this section we want to use the method from [BN] (for a more structural approach using the theory of Bruhat-Tits buildings see [CNP]) to derive the mass of the genus of all positive definite even unimodular  $\mathcal{O}_K$ -lattices that have a Hermitian structure over  $\mathcal{O}_K$ , from the one of the so called *principal genus*, the genus  $\mathcal{N}_r$  of the Hermitian lattice

$$I_r = \mathcal{O}_K e_1 + \dots + \mathcal{O}_K e_r.$$

This genus consists of all odd  $\mathcal{O}_K$ -lattices  $N \subset \mathcal{V}$  that are Hermitian unimodular, i.e. that are equal to their *Hermitian dual* lattice

$$N^* := \{x \in \mathcal{V}; h(x, N) \subset \mathcal{O}_K\}.$$

We only treat dimensions  $r = 2k$  that are multiples of 4, so  $k$  is even. Let

$$\mathcal{N} := \{N; N \text{ } \mathcal{O}_K\text{-lattice in } \mathcal{V}, N = N^*, \exists x \in N \text{ such that } h(x, x) \notin 2\mathbb{Z}\}$$

be the genus of all odd Hermitian unimodular lattices in  $\mathcal{V}$ . Since

$$h(x + y, x + y) = h(x, x) + h(y, y) + \text{Trace}_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(h(x, y))$$

a unimodular lattice is automatically odd if 2 is not ramified in  $K$ . In the case  $d \not\equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  (when 2 is ramified) there are two genera of unimodular lattices in  $\mathcal{V}$  (see for instance [J]),  $\mathcal{N}_r$  and the genus

$$\mathcal{M}_r := \{M; M \text{ } \mathcal{O}_K\text{-lattice in } \mathcal{V}, M = M^*, h(x, x) \in 2\mathbb{Z} \text{ for all } x \in M\}$$

of even unimodular lattices in  $\mathcal{V}$ .

To avoid clumsy notation we put  $\mathcal{M}_r := \mathcal{N}_r$  if  $d \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ .

**Remark 1.** Let  $p$  be a prime divisor of  $d_K$ . Let  $R$  be the completion of  $\mathcal{O}_K$  at the prime ideal  $\wp \trianglelefteq \mathcal{O}_K$  that divides  $p\mathcal{O}_K$  and  $\pi$  a prime element of  $R$ . For  $M \in \mathcal{M}_r$  we define the non degenerate bilinear  $\mathbb{F}_p$ -space  $V = \pi^{-1}RM/RM$ ,

$$\beta : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_p = R/\wp, \quad \beta(x + RM, y + RM) := ph(x, y) + \wp.$$

If  $p = 2$ , then  $\text{trace}(\frac{1}{\pi}R) \subseteq 2\mathbb{Z}_2$  if and only if  $2 \mid d$ . In that case

$$q : V \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_2 = R/\wp, \quad q(y + RM) := h(y, y) + \wp = \frac{1}{2}\beta(y, y)$$

gives a well-defined quadratic form on the space  $V$  with associated bilinear form  $\beta$ .

Two  $\mathcal{O}_K$ -lattices  $M, N$  are called *isometric* if there exists an *isometry*  $U \in \mathcal{U}(\mathcal{V})$  such that

$$N = UM.$$

The (unitary) *automorphism group* of  $M$  is defined by

$$\text{Aut}(M) := \{U \in \mathcal{U}(\mathcal{V}); UM = M\}.$$

The *mass* of a genus  $\mathcal{G}$  is

$$\mu(\mathcal{G}) := \sum_{[M] \in \mathcal{G}} \frac{1}{\#\text{Aut}(M)},$$

where we sum over representatives  $M$  of the isometry classes  $[M]$  in  $\mathcal{G}$ .

We quote the particular case  $r \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$  from [HK, Theorem 5.6] as

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $r = 2k \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ . Then the mass*

$$\mu_r^{(\text{odd})} := \mu(\mathcal{N}_r) = \sum_{[N] \in \mathcal{N}_r} \frac{1}{\#\text{Aut}(N)}$$

is equal to

$$\frac{1}{2^{t+r-1} \cdot r!} \prod_{j=1}^k |B_{2j} \cdot B_{2j-1}, \chi_K| \prod_{2 \neq p \mid d} (p^k + 1) \cdot \begin{cases} (2^r - 1) & \text{if } d \equiv 1 \pmod{4}, \\ 2^k(2^r - 1) & \text{if } d \equiv 2 \pmod{4}, \\ 1 & \text{if } d \equiv 3 \pmod{4}, \end{cases}$$

where  $t$  is the number of distinct prime divisors of the discriminant  $d_K$  and  $B_j$  (resp.  $B_j, \chi_K$ ) are the (generalized) Bernoulli numbers.

For the definition of the (generalized) Bernoulli numbers confer [M, p.89 resp. p.94].

Next we want to compute the mass of the genus  $\mathcal{M}_r$ .

**Lemma 1.** *Let  $r = 2k \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$  and  $d \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ . Then one has*

$$\mu_r^{(\text{even})} := \mu(\mathcal{M}_r) = (2^k(2^k - 1))^{-1} \mu_r^{(\text{odd})}.$$

*Proof.* The idea of the proof is that any odd unimodular lattice is a 2-neighbor of some even unimodular lattice and vice versa. Since the two genera  $\mathcal{N}_r$  and  $\mathcal{M}_r$  are only different on the completion  $R$  of  $\mathcal{O}_K$  at the prime ideal over 2, we extend scalars to  $R$ . Remark 1 implies that the situation is exactly the same as for  $\mathbb{Z}$ -lattices (see for instance [Bo]): For  $N \in \mathcal{N}_r$  the  $R$ -lattice  $RN$  is isometric to  $RI_r$  with orthonormal basis  $(e_1, \dots, e_r)$ . Its even sublattice is

$$N_0 := \{x \in RN; h(x, x) \in 2\mathbb{Z}_2\} = \langle \sqrt{-d}e_1, e_1 + e_2, \dots, e_1 + e_r \rangle_R$$

and

$$N_0^* = \langle N_0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{-d}}(e_1 + \dots + e_r), e_1 \rangle_R.$$

So the three unimodular lattices that contain  $N_0$  are

$$N = \langle N_0, e_1 \rangle, \quad N_1 = \langle N_0, z \rangle, \quad M = \langle N_0, y \rangle$$

where  $y := \frac{1}{\sqrt{-d}}(e_1 + \dots + e_r)$  and  $z := y + e_1$ . One computes

$$h(z, z) = \frac{1}{d}(r - 1 + (1 + d)) = \frac{r}{d} + 1 \in R^*$$

and

$$h(y, y) = \frac{r}{d} \in 2R.$$

By assumption  $r$  is a multiple of 4 so  $N$  and  $N_1$  are odd unimodular lattices and  $M$  is the unique even neighbor of  $N$ .

Now let  $M \in \mathcal{M}_r$  be an even unimodular lattice and  $X \subset M$  a sublattice of index 2 such that  $X^*$  contains an odd unimodular lattice. Then

$$RX^*/RM \subset R \frac{1}{\sqrt{-d}} M/RM$$

is a one-dimensional anisotropic subspace of the quadratic space from Remark 1. Again by [T], Exercise 11.3, the number of such anisotropic subspaces is

$$(2^{2k} - 1) - (2^k - 1)(2^{k-1} - 1) = 2^{k-1}(2^k - 1).$$

Each such  $X$  defines 2 odd neighbors of  $M$ , so

$$\mu(\mathcal{N}_r) = 2^k(2^k - 1)\mu(\mathcal{M}_r). \quad \square$$

In the case where  $d \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  one may apply the same strategy to compare the mass of  $\mathcal{N}_r$  and  $\mathcal{M}_r$ .

**Lemma 2.** *Let  $r = 2k \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$  and  $d \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Then one has*

$$\mu_r^{(odd)} = \frac{2^r - 1}{2} \mu_r^{(even)}.$$

*Proof.* The proof is similar to the one of Lemma 1 but there are two major differences:

(1) The prime element  $\pi := (1 + \sqrt{-d}) \in R$  in the 2-adic completion  $R$  now has trace 2. Therefore the dual of the even sublattice of the standard lattice is

$$N_0^* = \langle N_0, y := \frac{1}{\pi}(e_1 + \dots + e_r), e_1 \rangle_R$$

where

$$h(y, y) = \frac{r}{1+d} \quad \text{and} \quad h(y + e_1, y + e_1) = \frac{r+2}{1+d} + 1$$

are both even. So any odd unimodular lattice  $N$  has 2 even neighbors.

(2) If  $M \in \mathcal{M}_r$  is an even unimodular lattice, then the space

$$\left( \frac{1}{\pi} RM / RM, \beta \right) \quad (\text{defined as in Remark 1})$$

is a symplectic vector space and any sublattice  $X \subset M$  of index 2 defines a unique odd neighbor of  $M$ . So the number of odd neighbors of  $M$  is  $2^r - 1$ .  $\square$

### 3 Theta lattices.

Any Hermitian  $\mathcal{O}_K$ -lattice  $(L, h)$  defines a positive definite  $\mathbb{Z}$ -lattice  $(L, F_h)$  where

$$F_h(x, y) := \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \text{Trace}_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(h(x, y)) & \text{if } d \equiv 1, 2 \pmod{4} \text{ (so if 2 is ramified),} \\ \text{Trace}_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(h(x, y)) & \text{if } d \equiv 3 \pmod{4}. \end{cases}$$

The *integral dual lattice* of  $L$  is

$$\begin{aligned} (L, F_h)^\# &:= \{x \in \mathbb{Q}L; F_h(x, L) \subset \mathbb{Z}\} \\ &= \{x \in KL; h(x, L) \subset \frac{1}{\sqrt{-d}} \mathcal{O}_K\} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{-d}} L^*. \end{aligned}$$

**Definition 1.** The  $\mathcal{O}_K$ -lattice  $(L, h)$  is called a *theta lattice*, if  $(L, F_h)$  is an even unimodular lattice, so if  $L = (L, F_h)^\#$  and  $F_h(x, x) \in 2\mathbb{Z}$  for all  $x \in L$ .

Since even unimodular  $\mathbb{Z}$ -lattices only exist if the  $\mathbb{Q}$ -dimension  $2r$  is a multiple of 8, we are only interested in the case where  $r$  is a multiple of 4. Let

$$\mathcal{L}_r := \{L; L \text{ } \mathcal{O}_K\text{-lattice in } \mathcal{V}, (L, F_h) = (L, F_h)^\#, F_h(x, x) \in 2\mathbb{Z} \text{ for all } x \in L\}$$

be the set of all theta lattices in  $\mathcal{V}$ , where  $\mathcal{V}$  is the  $r$ -dimensional standard Hermitian  $K$  vector space from the previous section.

**Remark 2.** The genus  $\mathcal{L}_r$  of theta lattices in  $\mathcal{V}$  always contains a free  $\mathcal{O}_K$ -lattice.

*Proof.* We give an example of a free theta lattice  $L$  of rank 4 just as in [DK]. Then the orthogonal sum of  $r/4$  copies of  $L$  is a free theta lattice in  $\mathcal{L}_r$ . We work with coordinates with respect to an orthonormal basis  $(e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4)$  of  $\mathcal{V}$ .

We choose  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that

$$d + 1 + \alpha^2 + \beta^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{d_K}$$

and set  $u = \alpha + \beta + \sqrt{-d}$ ,  $v = \alpha - \beta + \sqrt{-d} \in \mathcal{O}_K$  as well as

$$L = \mathcal{O}_K \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \mathcal{O}_K \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \mathcal{O}_K \frac{1}{\sqrt{d_K}} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \mathcal{O}_K \frac{1}{\sqrt{d_K}} \begin{pmatrix} -\bar{v} \\ \bar{u} \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

**Remark 3.** a) Let  $L \in \mathcal{L}_r$ . If  $d \equiv 1, 2 \pmod{4}$  then  $h(x, x) \in 2\mathbb{Z}$  for any  $x \in L$ , so any sublattice of  $L$  is automatically even as a Hermitian lattice.

b) Let  $p$  be a prime divisor of  $d$  and  $R$  be the completion of  $\mathcal{O}_K$  at the prime ideal  $(p, \sqrt{-d}) =: \wp$ . For a theta lattice  $L \in \mathcal{L}_r$  we define the non degenerate symplectic  $\mathbb{F}_p$ -space  $W = RL/\sqrt{-d}RL$ ,

$$f : W \times W \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_p = R/\wp, f(x + RL, y + RL) := \sqrt{-d}h(x, y) + \wp.$$

If  $M = M^*$  is a Hermitian unimodular sublattice of  $L$ , then  $RM/\sqrt{-d}RL$  is a maximal totally isotropic subspace of  $(W, f)$ . On the other hand if  $M \in \mathcal{M}_r$

is an (even) unimodular Hermitian lattice and  $(V, q)$  the quadratic space as in Remark 1 then the maximal totally singular subspaces of  $(V, q)$  are in bijection with the  $R$ -lattices  $RL$

$$M \subset L \subset \frac{1}{\sqrt{-d}}M \text{ and } L \in \mathcal{L}$$

The number  $c_V$  resp.  $c_W$  of maximal totally singular subspaces of  $(V, q)$  resp.  $(W, f)$  is given in [T]. For  $r = 2k$  we find

$$c_V = \prod_{j=0}^{k-1} (p^j + 1), \quad c_W = \prod_{j=1}^k (p^j + 1) \text{ and hence } \frac{c_W}{c_V} = \frac{p^k + 1}{2}.$$

Applying the argument from [BN] for all prime divisors of  $d$  we hence obtain the following formula for the mass  $\mu_r := \mu(\mathcal{L}_r)$  of the theta lattices:

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $r \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ . The mass of the genus of theta lattices in  $\mathcal{V}$  is given by*

$$\mu_r := \mu(\mathcal{L}_r) = \frac{1}{2^{r-1} \cdot r!} \cdot \prod_{j=1}^{r/2} |B_{2j} \cdot B_{2j-1, \chi_K}|,$$

where  $B_j$  (resp.  $B_{j, \chi_K}$ ) are the (generalized) Bernoulli numbers.

## 4 Classification of theta lattices for class number 1

In this section we assume that the class number of  $K$  is equal to 1, i.e.

$$d_K = -3, -4, -7, -8, -11, -19, -43, -67, -163.$$

In this case any  $\mathcal{O}_K$ -lattice is a free  $\mathcal{O}_K$ -module

$$M = \mathcal{O}_K b_1 + \cdots + \mathcal{O}_K b_r.$$

If  $M$  is even then  $M$  is a theta lattice if and only if

$$\det(h(b_\nu, b_\mu)) = (2/\sqrt{d_K})^r$$

(cf. [CR]).



Now we evaluate the formulas from Theorem 2 and start with  $r = 4$ . We obtain the theta lattice given in Remark 2. Then we apply the neighboring method described in [S] to this lattice at the ideal  $(1 + \sqrt{-d}) \subset \mathcal{O}_K$  if  $d$  is odd resp.  $(\sqrt{-2}) \subset \mathcal{O}_K$  if  $d = 2$ . The result is

**Corollary 1.** *If  $r = 4$  we obtain the following table of masses and numbers of isometry classes of theta lattices.*

$d_K$	-3	-4	-7	-8	-11	-19	-43	-67	-163
$\mu_4$	$\frac{1}{155.520}$	$\frac{1}{46.080}$	$\frac{1}{5.040}$	$\frac{1}{3.840}$	$\frac{1}{1.920}$	$\frac{11}{5.760}$	$\frac{83}{5.760}$	$\frac{251}{5.760}$	$\frac{463}{1.152}$
$\sharp$	1	1	1	1	1	2	4	6	16

The underlying  $\mathbb{Z}$ -lattice is in any case of course the  $E_8$ -lattice. A list of representatives of the isometry classes can be found in [H2].

We proceed in the same way for  $r = 8$ . The result is

**Corollary 2.** *If  $r = 8$  we obtain the following numbers of isometry classes of theta lattices.*

$d_K$	-3	-4	-7	-8	-11	-19	-43	-67	-163
$\sharp$	1	3	3	6	7	83	$> 480.000$	$> 2 \cdot 10^7$	$> 3 \cdot 10^{13}$

The estimates are obtained trivially from the value of  $\mu_8$  and  $\sharp \text{Aut } M \geq 2$ .

The analogous procedure yields

**Corollary 3.** *If  $r = 12$  we obtain the following numbers of isometry classes of theta lattices*

$d_K$	-3	-4	-7	-8	-11	-19	-43	-67	-163
$\sharp$	5	28	464	$> 3.882$	$> 2 \cdot 10^8$	$> 10^{16}$	$> 3 \cdot 10^{27}$	$> 6 \cdot 10^{33}$	$> 2 \cdot 10^{46}$

The results on  $d_K = -3$  are contained in [HKN], on  $d_K = -4$  in [I], [S] and [KM]. Representatives are given in [H1].

**Remark 4.** a) The orders of the automorphism groups of the theta lattices for  $r = 4$  are given by the mass if  $d_K = -3, -4, -7, -8, -11$ , resp. In the other cases they are

$$\begin{aligned} & 720 \text{ or } 1.920 \text{ if } d_K = -19, \\ & 120, 240, 720 \text{ or } 1.920 \text{ if } d_K = -43, \\ & 48, 120, 120, 240, 720 \text{ or } 1.920 \text{ if } d_K = -67. \end{aligned}$$

The group of order 1920 is isomorphic to  $2_-^{1+4}.A_5$ , the automorphism group of the quaternionic structure of the  $E_8$  lattice over the Hurwitz order (see [BN]).

b) If  $r = 8$  the lattices  $E_8 \oplus E_8$  and  $D_{16}^+$  have got the structure of an  $\mathcal{O}_K$ -lattice for  $d_K = -7, -8, -11, -19$ , but  $D_{16}^+$  does not occur for  $d_K = -3, -4$ .

c) If  $r = 12$  and  $d_K = -7$  there are exactly 9 isometry classes of  $\mathcal{O}_K$ -lattices whose  $\mathbb{Z}$ -lattice is isometric to the Leech lattice. They were used in [N] in order to construct a 72-dimensional extremal even unimodular lattice.

d) Not all 24 Niemeier lattices have got a structure of an  $\mathcal{O}_K$ -module. The number is given by the following table

$d_K$	$-3$	$-4$	$-7$
$\sharp$	5	19	21

## 5 The Hermitian theta series

We consider the Hermitian half-space of degree  $n$

$$\mathcal{H}_n = \left\{ Z \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}; \frac{1}{2i}(Z - \bar{Z}^{tr}) > 0 \right\}.$$

The Hermitian modular group

$$\Gamma_n(\mathcal{O}_K) := \{U \in \mathrm{SL}(2n; \mathcal{O}_K); UJ\bar{U}^{tr} = J\}, \quad J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I \\ -I & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

acts on  $\mathcal{H}_n$  by the usual fractional linear transformation. The space  $[\Gamma_n(\mathcal{O}_K), r]$  of Hermitian modular forms of degree  $n$  and weight  $r$  consists of all holomorphic functions  $f : \mathcal{H}_n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  satisfying

$$f(U\langle Z \rangle) = \det(CZ + D)^r \cdot f(Z) \quad \text{for all } U = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} \in \Gamma_n(\mathcal{O}_K)$$

with the additional condition of boundedness for  $n = 1$  (cf. [B3]).

It was shown in [CR] and [HN] that for a theta lattice  $M$  of rank  $r$ , the associated Hermitian theta series

$$\begin{aligned}\Theta^{(n)}(Z, M) &:= \sum_{(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n) \in M^n} e^{\pi i \operatorname{trace}((h(\lambda_\nu, \lambda_\mu)) \cdot Z)}, \quad Z \in \mathcal{H}_n, \\ &= \sum_{T \geq 0} \sharp(H, T) e^{\pi i \operatorname{trace}(TZ)},\end{aligned}$$

with the Fourier coefficients

$$\sharp(H, T) := \sharp\{(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n) \in M^n; (h(\lambda_\nu, \lambda_\mu))_{\nu, \mu} = T\} \in \mathbb{N}_0$$

belongs to

$$[\Gamma_n(\mathcal{O}_K), r].$$

Just as in the case of Siegel modular forms (cf. [E]) we obtain the analytic version of Siegel's main theorem involving the Siegel Eisenstein series in  $[\Gamma_n(\mathcal{O}_K), r]$ , because cusp forms can be defined as the kernel of the Siegel  $\phi$ -operator in the case of class number 1 (cf. [K]).

**Corollary 4.** *Let  $M_1, \dots, M_s$  be representatives of the isometry classes of theta lattices of rank  $r$  and let the class number of  $K$  be equal to 1. If  $r > 2n$  one has*

$$\frac{1}{\mu_r} \sum_{j=1}^s \frac{1}{\sharp \operatorname{Aut}(M_j)} \Theta^{(n)}(Z, M_j) = E_r^{(n)}(Z) = \sum_{\begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} \in \begin{pmatrix} * & * \\ 0 & * \end{pmatrix} \backslash \Gamma_n} \det(CZ + D)^{-r}.$$

Hel Braun [B2, Theorem] proved a more general version, without the assumption that the class number be 1, where the analytic part is not as explicit as in Corollary 4.

Computing a few Fourier coefficients for  $n = 2$  yields

**Corollary 5.** *The Hermitian theta series  $\Theta^{(2)}(\cdot, M_j)$  of the representatives of the isometry classes of theta lattices of rank 4 are linearly independent, whenever*

$$d_K = -19, -43, -67.$$

If  $d_K = -163$  we conjecture the following filtration (cf. [NV]) of the space spanned by Hermitian theta series of weight 4, i.e. the dimension of spaces of cusp forms spanned by theta series of theta lattices:

$n$	0	1	2	3
dim	1	0	13	2

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