

# CUSP FORMS AND NUMBER OF REPRESENTATIONS OF POSITIVE INTEGERS BY DIRECT SUM OF BINARY QUADRATIC FORMS

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**Abstract-** In this study, we calculated all reduced primitive binary quadratic forms which are  $F_1 = x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + 8x_2^2$ ,  $\Phi_1 = 2x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + 4x_2^2$ ,  $\Phi'_1 = 2x_1^2 - x_1x_2 + 4x_2^2$ . We find the theta series  $\Theta_Q$ , Eisenstein part of  $\Theta_Q$  and the generalized theta series which are cusp forms by computing some spherical functions of second order with respect to  $Q$ . We obtain a basis of the subspace of  $S_4(\Gamma_0(31))$ . Explicit formulas are obtained for the number of representations of positive integers by all direct sum of three quadratic forms  $F_1 = x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + 8x_2^2$ ,  $\Phi_1 = 2x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + 4x_2^2$ ,  $\Phi'_1 = 2x_1^2 - x_1x_2 + 4x_2^2$ .

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Modular forms have played an significant role in the mathematics of the 19th and 20th centuries, mostly in the theory of elliptic functions and quadratic forms. Quadratic forms occupy a central place in number theory, linear algebra, group theory, differential geometry, differential topology, Lie theory, coding theory and cryptology.

In this study, we focus on how to find a formula which solve problem of representation numbers of quadratic forms with discriminant  $-31$ . All calculations have been done by Maple.

Here, we will follow the method described in [1,2,6] to determine the number of representations of some direct sum of quadratic forms of discriminant  $-31$ .

Let  $\Delta$  be a negative integer such that

$$\Delta = \begin{cases} 4d & \text{if } d \equiv 2,3 \pmod{4} \\ d & \text{if } d \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$$

where  $d$  is square-free integer. It is called fundamental discriminant. Let  $r(n; Q)$  denote the number of representations of  $n$  by  $Q$ .

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$$Q = ax^2 + bxy + cy^2$$

with integral coefficients of fundamental discriminant  $\Delta$  and ideal classes of imaginary quadratic field  $Q(\sqrt{d})$ . In this correspondence, the number  $r(n; Q)$  of representations of integer  $n$  by  $Q$

$$Q = n$$

is equal to the number  $w$  of roots of 1 in  $Q(\sqrt{d})$  times the number of ideals in the corresponding ideal class of norm  $n$ . Let

$$\Theta_Q(q) = \sum_{(x,y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}} q^{Q(x,y)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r(n; Q) q^n$$

be the theta function associated to positive definite quadratic form  $Q$ .

In this formulas  $\Phi_1$  can be replaced by its

It is known that it is a modular form of weight 1 with Dirichlet character

$$\chi(a) = \left(\frac{\Delta}{a}\right)$$

expressed by Kronecker symbol. In fact it is Legendre symbol if  $a$  is an odd prime. There exist 3 inequivalent classes of binary quadratic forms of discriminant  $-31$  whose reduced primitive binary quadratic forms are

$$F_1 = x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + 8x_2^2$$

$$\Phi_1 = 2x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + 4x_2^2$$

$$\Phi_1' = 2x_1^2 - x_1x_2 + 4x_2^2$$

Here,  $F_1$  is the identity element.  $\Phi_1'$  is the inverse of  $\Phi_1$ .

Since  $-31$  is prime number then there is only one genus, i.e., the principal genus.

$F_k, \Phi_k$  denote the  $k$  direct sum of  $F_1, \Phi_1$  respectively for  $k \geq 1$ . These binary quadratic forms form a group whose order is 3 such that

$$\Phi_1, \Phi_1^2 = \Phi_1', \Phi_1^3 = F_1$$

In this paper, formulas for  $r(n; Q)$  are derived for any positive integer associated to the following quadratic forms

$$Q = F_4, \Phi_4, F_1 \oplus \Phi_3, F_2 \oplus \Phi_2, F_3 \oplus \Phi_1.$$

### 1. The theta function

$$\theta_Q(q) = \sum_{(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}} q^{Q(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k)} = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r(n; Q) q^n, q = e^{2\pi iz} \quad (*)$$

is a modular form on  $\Gamma_0(N)$  of weight  $k$  and character  $\chi_\Delta$ , i.e.,  $\theta_Q \in M_k(\Gamma_0(N), \chi_\Delta)$ , where  $\chi_\Delta(d) := \left(\frac{\Delta}{d}\right)$ ,  $d \in (\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^\times$ ,  $\left(\frac{\Delta}{d}\right)$  is the Kronecker character.

2. The homogeneous quadratic polynomials in  $2k$  variables  $\varphi_{ij} = x_i x_j - \frac{1}{2k} \frac{A_{ij}}{D} 2Q, 1 \leq i, j \leq 2k$  are spherical functions of second order with respect to  $Q$ . (\*\*)

3. The theta series  $\Theta_{Q, \varphi_{ij}}(q) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\sum_{Q=n} \varphi_{ij}) q^n$  is a cusp form in  $S_{k+2}(\Gamma_0(N), \chi_\Delta)$ . (\*\*\*)

4. If two quadratic forms  $Q_1, Q_2$  have the same level  $N$  and the characters  $\chi_1(d), \chi_2(d)$  respectively, then the direct sum  $Q_1 \oplus Q_2$  of the quadratic forms has the same level  $N$  and the character  $\chi_1(d), \chi_2(d)$ .

inverse  $\Phi_1'$ .

## 2. POSITIVE DEFINITE FORMS

Let  $Q = ax^2 + bxy + cy^2$ . A binary quadratic form is primitive if the integer  $a, b$  and  $c$  are relatively prime. Moreover, if  $\Delta = b^2 - 4ac < 0$  and  $a > 0$  then  $Q(x, y)$  is positive definite.  $M_k(\Gamma_0(N), \chi_\Delta)$  denotes the space of modular forms on  $\Gamma_0(N)$  of weight  $k$ , with character  $\chi_\Delta$ .  $S_{k+2}(\Gamma_0(N), \chi_\Delta)$  denotes the space of all cusp forms of weight  $k$ , with character  $\chi_\Delta$ . Definition 1 Let  $Q$  be a positive definite quadratic form of  $2k$  variables

$$Q = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq j \leq 2k}^{2k} b_{ij} x_i x_j, b_{ij} \in \mathbb{Z}$$

and the matrix  $A$  defined by

$$a_{ii} = 2b_{ii}, a_{ji} = a_{ij} = b_{ij} \text{ for } i < j$$

Let  $D$  be the determinant of the matrix  $A$  and  $A_{ij}$  the cofactors of  $A$  for  $1 \leq i, j \leq 2k$ . If  $\delta = gcd\left(\frac{A_{ii}}{2}, A_{ij} \text{ for } 1 \leq i, j \leq 2k\right)$ , then  $N := \frac{D}{\delta}$  is the smallest positive integer, called the level of  $Q$ , for which  $NA^{-1}$  is again an even integral matrix like  $A$ .  $\Delta = (-1)^k D$  is called the discriminant of the form  $Q$ .

Theorem 1 Let  $Q: \mathbb{Z}^{2k} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  be a positive definite integer valued form of  $2k$  variables of level  $N$  and discriminant  $\Delta$ . Then

Now, let's look at the positive definite quadratic forms of discriminant  $-31$ .

1- For the quadratic form  $F_1 = x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + 8x_2^2$ ,

$$2F_1 = 2x_1^2 + 2x_1x_2 + 16x_2^2 = (x_1, x_2) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 16 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

the determinant of the matrix and cofactors are  $D = 31, A_{11} = 16, A_{12} = A_{21} = -1, A_{22} = 2$ .

So  $\delta = 1, N = D = 31$  and the discriminant is  $\Delta = (-1)^{2/2}31 = -31$ . The character of  $F_1$  is the Kronecker Symbol  $\chi(d) = \left(\frac{-31}{d}\right)$ .

2. For the quadratic form  $\Phi_1 = 2x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + 4x_2^2$ ,

$$2\Phi_1 = 4x_1^2 + 2x_1x_2 + 8x_2^2 = (x_1, x_2) \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 1 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

the determinant of the matrix and cofactors are  $D = 31, A_{11} = 8, A_{12} = A_{21} = -1, A_{22} = 4$ .

So  $\delta = 1, N = D = 31$  and the discriminant is  $\Delta = (-1)^{2/2}31 = -31$ . The character of  $\Phi_1$  is the Kronecker Symbol  $\chi(d) = \left(\frac{-31}{d}\right)$ .

Consequently,  $F_1, \Phi_1$  are quadratic forms whose theta series are in  $M_1\left(\Gamma_0(31), \left(\frac{-31}{d}\right)\right)$ .

Hence  $F_2, \Phi_2, F_1 \oplus \Phi_1$  are quadratic forms whose theta series are in  $M_2(\Gamma_0(31))$ .

Obviously there are only two inequivalent cusps  $i\infty$  and  $0$  for  $\Gamma_0(31)$ .

**Theorem 2** Let  $Q$  be a positive definite form of  $2k$  variables,  $k = 4, 6, 8, \dots$ , whose theta series  $\Theta_Q$  is in  $M_k(\Gamma_0(p))$ ,  $p$  prime, then the Eisenstein part of  $\Theta_Q$  is

$$E(q; Q) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\alpha \sigma_{k-1}(n) q^n + \beta \sigma_{k-1}(n) q^{pn})$$

Where

$$\alpha = \frac{i^k p^{k/2} - i^k}{\rho_k p^{k-1}}$$

$$\beta = \frac{1 - p^k - i^k p^{k/2}}{\rho_k p^{k-1}}$$

$$\rho_k = (-1)^{k/2} \frac{(k-1)!}{(2\pi)^k} \zeta(k)$$

**Corollary 1** Let  $Q$  be a positive definite quadratic form of  $8$  variables whose theta series  $\Theta_Q$  is in  $M_4(\Gamma_0(31))$ , then the Eisenstein

part of  $\Theta_Q$  is

$$E(q; Q) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\alpha \sigma_3(n) q^n + \beta \sigma_3(n) q^{31n})$$

Where

$$\rho_4 = \frac{3!}{(2\pi)^4} \zeta(4) = \frac{1}{240}$$

$$\alpha = 240 \frac{31^2 - 1}{31^4 - 1} = \frac{120}{481}$$

$$\beta = 240 \frac{31^4 - 31^2}{31^4 - 1} = \frac{115320}{481}$$

### 3. SELECTION OF SPHERICAL FUNCTIONS

In order to find the generalized theta series corresponding to spherical functions, we will determine the spherical functions of second order with respect to  $Q$ , see [3,9].

1. For the quadratic form

$$2F_2 = 2x_1^2 + 2x_1x_2 + 16x_2^2 + 2x_3^2 + 2x_3x_4 + 16x_4^2$$

$$= (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 16 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 16 \end{pmatrix}$$

the determinant  $D = 31^2, A_{11} = 16.31$ .

$$\varphi_{11} = x_1x_1 - \frac{1A_{11}}{4D} 2F_2 = x_1^2 - \frac{8}{31} F_2$$

which will be spherical function of second order with respect to  $F_2$ .

2. For the quadratic form

$$2\Phi_2 = 4x_1^2 + 2x_1x_2 + 8x_2^2 + 4x_3^2 + 2x_3x_4 + 8x_4^2$$

$$= (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 8 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

the determinant

$$D = 31^2, A_{11} = 8.31, A_{12} = -31$$

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi_{11} &= x_1x_1 - \frac{1A_{11}}{4D}2\Phi_2 = x_1^2 - \frac{4}{31}\Phi_2 \\ \varphi_{12} &= x_1x_2 - \frac{1A_{12}}{4D}2\Phi_2 = x_1x_2 + \frac{1}{62}\Phi_2\end{aligned}$$

which will be spherical functions of second order with respect to  $\Phi_2$ .

3. For the quadratic form

$$\begin{aligned}2(F_1 \oplus \Phi_1) &= 2x_1^2 + 2x_1x_2 + 16x_2^2 + 4x_3^2 + 2x_3x_4 + 8x_4^2 \\ &= (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 16 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 8 \end{pmatrix},\end{aligned}$$

the determinant

$$D = 31^2, A_{11} = 16.31, A_{12} = -31, A_{33} = 8.31$$

$$\varphi_{11} = x_1x_1 - \frac{1A_{11}}{4D}2(F_1 \oplus \Phi_1) = x_1^2 - \frac{8}{31}(F_1 \oplus \Phi_1)$$

$$\varphi_{12} = x_1x_2 - \frac{1A_{12}}{4D}2(F_1 \oplus \Phi_1) = x_1x_2 + \frac{1}{62}(F_1 \oplus \Phi_1)$$

$$\varphi_{33} = x_3x_3 - \frac{1A_{33}}{4D}2(F_1 \oplus \Phi_1) = x_3^2 - \frac{4}{31}(F_1 \oplus \Phi_1)$$

which will be spherical functions of second order with respect to  $(F_1 \oplus \Phi_1)$ .

Now, we will construct a basis of a subspace  $S_4(\Gamma_0(31))$  of dimension 6. The general information about the modular forms  $M_k(\Gamma_0(N), \chi)$  of weight  $k$  of the group  $\Gamma_0(N)$  with Dirichlet character  $\chi$  and the cusp forms  $S_k(\Gamma_0(N), \chi)$  of weight  $k$  of the group  $\Gamma_0(N)$  with Dirichlet character  $\chi$  are given in details in [5,3,4,8].

**Theorem 3** *The set of the following generalized 6 generalized theta series is a basis of the subspace of  $S_4(\Gamma_0(31))$  spanned by all generalized theta series of the form (\*\*) induced by spherical functions of the form (\*\*\*)*.

$$\Theta_{F_2, \varphi_{11}} = \frac{1}{31} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{F_2=n} 31x_1^2 - 8F_2 \right)$$

$$\Theta_{\Phi_2, \varphi_{11}} = \frac{1}{31} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{F_2=n} 31x_1^2 - 4\Phi_2 \right)$$

$$\Theta_{\Phi_2, \varphi_{12}} = \frac{1}{62} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{F_2=n} 62x_1x_2 + \Phi_2 \right)$$

$$\Theta_{(F_1 \oplus \Phi_1), \varphi_{11}} = \frac{1}{31} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{F_2=n} 31x_1^2 - 8(F_1 \oplus \Phi_1) \right)$$

$$\Theta_{(F_1 \oplus \Phi_1), \varphi_{12}} = \frac{1}{62} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{F_2=n} 62x_1x_2 + (F_1 \oplus \Phi_1) \right)$$

$$\Theta_{(F_1 \oplus \Phi_1), \varphi_{33}} = \frac{1}{31} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{F_2=n} 31x_3^2 - 4(F_1 \oplus \Phi_1) \right)$$

Proof. The series are cusp forms because of Theorem 1.

Therefore, the generalized theta series associated to spherical functions can be calculated as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\Theta_{F_2, \varphi_{11}} &= \frac{1}{31} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{F_2=n} 31x_1^2 - 8F_2 \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{31} (30q + 60q^2 + 120q^4 + 300q^5 + \dots)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Theta_{\Phi_2, \varphi_{11}} &= \frac{1}{31} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{F_2=n} 31x_1^2 - 4\Phi_2 \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{31} (30q^2 - 4q^4 - 18q^5 - 68q^6 - 26q^7 + \dots)\end{aligned}$$

$$\Theta_{\Phi_2, \varphi_{12}} = \frac{1}{62} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{F_2=n} 62x_1x_2 + \Phi_2 \right)$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{31}(4q^2 + 16q^4 - 52q^5 + 24q^6 - 20q^7 + \dots) \\
 \theta_{(F_1 \oplus \Phi_1), \varphi_{11}} &= \frac{1}{31} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{F_2=n} 31x_1^2 - 8(F_1 \oplus \Phi_1) \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{31}(46q - 32q^2 + 28q^3 + 120q^4 - 116q^5 + 236q^6 - 112q^7 + \dots) \\
 \theta_{(F_1 \oplus \Phi_1), \varphi_{12}} &= \frac{1}{62} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{F_2=n} 62x_1x_2 + (F_1 \oplus \Phi_1) \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{31}(q + 2q^2 + 6q^3 + 8q^4 + 15q^5 + 24q^6 + 7q^7 + \dots) \\
 \theta_{(F_1 \oplus \Phi_1), \varphi_{33}} &= \frac{1}{31} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{F_2=n} 31x_2^2 - 4(F_1 \oplus \Phi_1) \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{31}(-8q + 46q^2 + 76q^3 - 64q^4 - 58q^5 + 56q^6 + 6q^7 + \dots)
 \end{aligned}$$

4.CONCLUSION

According to (\*) we can obtain  $\theta_{F_1} = 1 + 2q + 2q^4 + \dots$  and  $\theta_{\Phi_1} = 1 + 2q^2 + 2q^4 + 2q^5 + 2q^7 + \dots$ .

Then we can obtain theta series of quadratic forms  $F_4, \Phi_4, F_1 \oplus \Phi_3, F_2 \oplus \Phi_2, F_3 \oplus \Phi_1$  by direct sum of  $\theta_{F_1}$  and  $\theta_{\Phi_1}$ . By subtracting any one of these theta series by Eisenstein series, we get a linear combination of the generalized theta series.

$$r(n; Q) = \theta_Q(q) - E(q; Q) = c_1 \theta_{F_2, \varphi_{11}}(q) + c_2 \theta_{\Phi_2, \varphi_{11}}(q) + c_3 \theta_{\Phi_2, \varphi_{12}}(q) + c_4 \theta_{F_1 \oplus \Phi_1, \varphi_{11}}(q) + c_5 \theta_{F_1 \oplus \Phi_1, \varphi_{12}}(q) + c_6 \theta_{F_1 \oplus \Phi_1, \varphi_{33}}(q)$$

By equating the coefficients of  $q^n$  in both sides for  $n = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7$ , we can find out  $c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4, c_5, c_6$ .

From these identities, we get the formulas for  $r(n; F_4), r(n; \Phi_4), r(n; F_1 \oplus \Phi_3), r(n; F_2 \oplus \Phi_2), r(n; F_3 \oplus \Phi_1)$ .

(See [6])

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