

# Modular Forms Via Theta Functions and A Cubic Equation

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## 1 Goal

We focus on the cubic equation

$$C : x^3 = d,$$

where  $d \in \mathbb{N}$  is cubic free. For prime  $p$ , define

$$a_p(C) = \#\{\text{solutions of } C \text{ mod } p\} - 1$$

Then

$$a_p(C) = \begin{cases} 2 & , \text{ if } p \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \text{ and } d \text{ is a cube mod } p; \\ -1 & , \text{ if } p \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \text{ and } d \text{ is not a cube mod } p; \\ 0 & , \text{ if } p \equiv 2 \pmod{3} \text{ or } p \mid 3d. \end{cases}$$

Our goal is to find a modular form  $\theta_\chi$ , whose Fourier coefficient coincides with  $a_p(C)$ . Moreover, we'll see it is actually a normalized eigenform. Lastly, we'll see its image of Galois representation being  $S_3$ .

## 2 Construct $\theta_\chi$

For  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ , denote

$$\mathbf{e}(z) = e^{2\pi iz}.$$

Let  $A = \mathbb{Z}[\mu_3]$ ,  $B = \frac{1}{\sqrt{-3}}A$ , and  $\text{Tr}(z) = z + z^*$  for  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ , where  $z^*$  is the complex conjugate of  $z$ .

For  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\bar{u} \in \frac{1}{3}A/NA$ ,  $\tau \in \mathcal{H}$ , define the holomorphic function

$$\theta^{\bar{u}}(\tau, N) = \sum_{n \in A} \mathbf{e}\left(N \left| \frac{u}{N} + n \right|^2 \tau\right).$$

**Lemma 1.** Let  $d, N \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\bar{u} \in B/NA$ , then we have:

$$\theta^{\bar{u}}(\tau + 1, N) = \mathbf{e}\left(\frac{|u|^2}{N}\right) \theta^{\bar{u}}(\tau, N) \tag{1}$$

$$\theta^{\bar{u}}(\tau, N) = \sum_{\substack{\bar{v} \in B/dNA \\ \bar{v} \equiv \bar{u}(NA)}} \theta^{\bar{v}}(d\tau, dN) \tag{2}$$

$$\theta^{\bar{u}}\left(\frac{-1}{\tau}, N\right) = \frac{-i\tau}{N\sqrt{3}} \sum_{\bar{w} \in B/NA} \mathbf{e}\left(-\frac{\text{Tr}(uw^*)}{N}\right) \theta^{\bar{w}}(\tau, N). \tag{3}$$

*Proof.* (1) Notice that  $N|\frac{u}{N} + n|^2 \equiv \frac{|u|^2}{N}$  in  $\mathbb{Z}$ , so

$$\theta^{\bar{u}}(\tau + 1, N) = \sum_{n \in A} \mathbf{e}(N|\frac{u}{N} + n|^2) \mathbf{e}\left(N|\frac{u}{N} + n|^2 \tau\right) = \mathbf{e}\left(\frac{|u|^2}{N}\right) \theta^{\bar{u}}(\tau, N)$$

(2) Observe that

$$\theta^{\bar{u}}(\tau, N) = \sum_{n \in A} \mathbf{e}\left(N|\frac{u}{N} + n|^2 \tau\right) = \sum_{n \in A} \mathbf{e}\left(Nd|\frac{\frac{u}{N} + n}{d}|^2 \tau d\right)$$

If we let  $n = v + md$  for some  $v, m \in A$ , then

$$\theta^{\bar{u}}(\tau, N) = \sum_{\substack{\bar{v} \in A/dA \\ m \in A}} \mathbf{e}\left(Nd|\frac{u + Nv}{Nd} + m|^2 \tau d\right) = \sum_{\bar{v} \in A/dA} \theta^{\overline{u+Nv}}(d\tau, dN).$$

(3) Note that  $B/NA \subset \frac{1}{3}A/NA \cong A/3NA$ . Then if we identify  $A$  as  $\mathbb{Z}^2$ , for  $v \in B$ ,  $3v \in \sqrt{-3}A \subset A$  can also be recognized as an element in  $\mathbb{Z}^2$ .

Let  $f = e^{-\pi|x|^2}$ . For  $\bar{v} \in (\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^2, \gamma \in \text{GL}_2(\mathbb{R})$ , define

$$\theta_0^{\bar{v}}(\gamma) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^2} f((v/N + n)\gamma).$$

Also, recall the Fourier transformation of a function  $F : (\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is defined as

$$\hat{F}(\bar{v}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\bar{w} \in (\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^2} F(\bar{w}) \mu_N^{-\langle w, vS \rangle},$$

where  $S = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . We compute, for  $r > 0$ ,

$$r\theta_0^{\bar{v}}(\gamma r) = r \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^2} f((v/N + n)\gamma r) = r \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^2} \phi(v/N + n),$$

where  $\phi(x) = f(x\gamma r)$ . Then  $\hat{\phi}(x) = r^{-2}f(x(\gamma^{-1})^T r^{-1})$ . The Poisson summation formula thus gives

$$\begin{aligned} r\theta_0^{\bar{v}}(\gamma r) &= r^{-1} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^2} f(nS(\gamma^{-1})^T r^{-1}) e^{2\pi i \langle nS, v/N \rangle} \\ &= r^{-1} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^2} f(n\gamma r^{-1}) \mu_N^{\langle n, -vS \rangle} \\ &= r^{-1} \sum_{\bar{w} \in (\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^2} \sum_{\substack{n \in \mathbb{Z}^2 \\ n \equiv w(N)}} f(n\gamma r^{-1}) \mu_N^{\langle n, -vS \rangle} \\ &= r^{-1} \sum_{\bar{w} \in (\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})^2} \theta_0^{\bar{w}}(\gamma N r^{-1}) \mu_N^{\langle n, -vS \rangle} = Nr^{-1} \hat{\theta}_0^{\bar{v}}(\gamma N r^{-1}). \end{aligned}$$

Back to our problem, let  $\gamma \in \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})$  be the positive square root of  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , then observe

$$\theta_0^{3\bar{v}}\left(\gamma\sqrt{3N}\sqrt{t/\sqrt{3}}\right) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^2} e^{-\pi\sqrt{3N}|(3v/3N+n)\gamma|^2 t} = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^2} e^{-2\pi N|(v/N+n)|^2 t} = \theta^{\bar{v}}(it, N).$$

Then the above formula by Poisson summation formula indicates

$$\theta^{\bar{v}}\left(\frac{-1}{i\tau}, N\right) = \frac{t}{N\sqrt{3}} \sum_{\bar{u} \in \frac{1}{3}A/NA} \mathbf{e}\left(-\frac{3(vu^*)_2}{N}\right) \theta^{\bar{u}}(3it, N),$$

where  $vu^* = (vu^*)_1 + (vu^*)_2\mu_3$ . Extend the function of  $t \in \mathbb{R}^+$  analytically to  $-i\tau$  for  $\tau \in \mathcal{H}$ , we get

$$\theta^{\bar{v}}\left(\frac{-1}{\tau}, N\right) = \frac{-i\tau}{N\sqrt{3}} \sum_{\bar{u} \in \frac{1}{3}A/NA} \mathbf{e}\left(-\frac{(\sqrt{-3}v(\sqrt{-3}u^*))_2}{N}\right) \theta^{\bar{u}}(3\tau, N)$$

Notice that for any  $\bar{w} \in B/NA$ ,  $\sum_{n \in A} \mathbf{e}\left(N \mid \frac{w/N+n}{\sqrt{-3}} \mid^2 3\tau\right)$ , so

$$\theta^{\bar{w}}(\tau, N) = \sum_{\substack{\bar{r} \in A/\sqrt{-3}A \\ m \in A}} \mathbf{e}\left(N \mid \frac{(w + Nr)/\sqrt{-3}}{N} + m \mid^2 3\tau\right) = \sum_{\bar{r} \in A/\sqrt{-3}A} \theta^{\overline{(w+Nr)/\sqrt{-3}}}(3\tau, N)$$

Then noting that  $(\sqrt{-3}vw^*)_2 = \text{Tr}(vw^*)$ , substituting this formula to the above equation completes the proof.  $\square$

We now present a useful lemma computing the sum of exponential:

**Lemma 2.** For  $b, d \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $(3b, d) = 1$ , let  $\phi_{b,d} = \sum_{\bar{v} \in A/dA} \mathbf{e}\left(\frac{b|v|^2}{d}\right)$ , then  $\phi_{b,d} = d \left(\frac{d}{3}\right)$

*Proof.* First consider the case  $d$  is a prime  $\neq 3$ . If  $d = 2$ ,  $\phi_{b,d} = \mathbf{e}(b \cdot |0|^2/2) + \mathbf{e}(b \cdot |1|^2/2) + \mathbf{e}(b \cdot |\mu_3|^2/2) + \mathbf{e}(b \cdot |1 + \mu_3|^2/2) = -2 = 2 \cdot \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)$  since  $b$  is odd.

For  $d > 4$ , there is an isomorphism  $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-3}]/d\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-3}]$  to  $A/dA$ , so

$$\phi_{b,d} = \sum_{r_1, r_2 \in \mathbb{Z}/d\mathbb{Z}} \mathbf{e}\left(\frac{b(r_1^2 + 3r_2^2)}{d}\right)$$

If  $d \nmid m$ , note that the number of  $r \in \mathbb{Z}/d\mathbb{Z}$  such that  $s \equiv r^2 \pmod{d}$  is  $1 + \left(\frac{s}{d}\right)$  for  $s \in \mathbb{Z}/d\mathbb{Z}$ , then we have

$$\sum_{r \in \mathbb{Z}/d\mathbb{Z}} \mathbf{e}\left(\frac{mr^2}{d}\right) = \sum_{r \in \mathbb{Z}/d\mathbb{Z}} \left(1 + \left(\frac{ms}{d}\right)\right) \mathbf{e}\left(\frac{s}{d}\right) = \left(\frac{m}{d}\right) g(\chi),$$

where  $\chi = \left(\frac{\bullet}{d}\right)$ . But  $g(\chi)^2 = \chi(-1)|g(\chi)|^2 = \left(\frac{-1}{d}\right) d$ , we conclude

$$\phi_{b,d} = \left(\frac{b}{d}\right) \sqrt{\left(\frac{-1}{d}\right) d} \cdot \left(\frac{3b}{d}\right) \sqrt{\left(\frac{-1}{d}\right) d} = \left(\frac{-3}{d}\right) d = \left(\frac{d}{3}\right) d$$

by the quadratic reciprocity.

Observe that for  $x \in N^{-1}B$ ,

$$\sum_{\bar{w} \in A/NA} \mathbf{e}(\text{Tr}(xw^*)) = \begin{cases} N^2 & x \in B, \\ 0 & x \notin B; \end{cases}$$

$$\sum_{\bar{v} \in B/NA} \mathbf{e}(\mathrm{Tr}(vx^*)) = \begin{cases} 3N^2 & x \in A, \\ 0 & x \notin A. \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

We now return to the original statement of lemma. If  $d = p^t$  for some prime  $p \neq 3$  and  $t > 1$ , we apply induction on  $t$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_{b,p^t} &= \sum_{\bar{v} \in A/p^{t-1}A} \sum_{\bar{w} \in A/pA} \mathbf{e}\left(\frac{b|v + p^{t-1}w|^2}{p^t}\right) \\ &= \sum_{\bar{v} \in A/p^{t-1}A} \mathbf{e}\left(\frac{b|v|^2}{p^t}\right) \sum_{\bar{w} \in A/dA} \mathbf{e}\left(\frac{\mathrm{Tr}(bvw^*)}{p^t}\right) = \phi_{b,p^{t-2}} p^2 = \left(\frac{p^t}{3}\right) p^t. \end{aligned}$$

If  $d = d_1 d_2 > 0$  for some  $d_1, d_2 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $(d_1, d_2) = 1$ , consider the bijection from  $A/d_1 A \times A/d_2 A$  to  $A/dA$  by  $(\bar{u}_1, \bar{u}_2) \mapsto \overline{d_2 u_1 + d_1 u_2}$ . Then

$$\phi_{b,d} = \sum_{\bar{v} \in A/dA} \mathbf{e}\left(\frac{b|v|^2}{d_1 d_2}\right) = \sum_{\bar{u}_1 \in A/d_1 A} \mathbf{e}\left(\frac{b|u_1|^2}{d_1}\right) \sum_{\bar{u}_2 \in A/d_2 A} \mathbf{e}\left(\frac{b|u_2|^2}{d_2}\right) = \phi_{bd_2, d_1} \phi_{bd_1, d_2}$$

Thus, for general  $d = \prod_i p_i^{\alpha_i} > 0$ ,  $\phi_{b,d} = \prod_i \left(\frac{p_i^{\alpha_i}}{3}\right) p_i^{\alpha_i} = \left(\frac{d}{3}\right) d$  via induction to the number of prime factor. Lastly, for  $d < 0$ ,  $\phi_{b,d} = \phi_{-b, -d} = \left(\frac{-d}{3}\right) (-d)$  by  $\left(\frac{-1}{3}\right) = -1$ .  $\square$

For  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ , define  $\Gamma_0(3N, N) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \in \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}) \mid b \equiv 0 \pmod{N}, c \equiv 0 \pmod{3N} \right\}$ .

**Proposition 2.1.** For  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\bar{u} \in A/NA$ ,  $\gamma = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \in \Gamma_0(3N, N)$ ,

$$(\theta^{\bar{u}}[\gamma]_1)(\tau, N) = \left(\frac{d}{3}\right) \theta^{\overline{au}}(\tau, N),$$

where  $\left(\frac{d}{3}\right)$  is the Legendre symbol.

*Proof.* May assume  $d > 0$  since  $\theta^{\overline{au}} = \theta^{-\overline{au}}$ . Observe that  $\frac{a\tau+b}{c\tau+d} = \frac{1}{d} \left(\frac{1}{d/\tau+c} + b\right)$ , then by lemma,

$$\begin{aligned} \theta^{\bar{u}}(\gamma(\tau), N) &= \sum_{\substack{\bar{v} \in B/dNA \\ \bar{v} \equiv \bar{u}(NA)}} \theta^{\bar{u}} \left( \frac{1}{d/\tau+c} + b, dN \right) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{\bar{v} \in B/dNA \\ \bar{v} \equiv \bar{u}(NA)}} \mathbf{e}\left(\frac{b|v|^2}{dN}\right) \theta^{\bar{v}} \left( -\frac{1}{-d/\tau-c}, dN \right) \\ &= \frac{i(d/\tau+c)}{dN\sqrt{3}} \sum_{\substack{\bar{v}, \bar{w} \in B/dNA \\ \bar{v} \equiv \bar{u}(NA)}} \mathbf{e}\left(\frac{b|v|^2 - \mathrm{Tr}(vw^*)}{dN}\right) \theta^{\bar{w}} \left( -\frac{d}{\tau} - c, dN \right) \\ &= \frac{i(c\tau+d)}{dN\tau\sqrt{3}} \sum_{\substack{\bar{v}, \bar{w} \in B/dNA \\ \bar{v} \equiv \bar{u}(NA)}} \mathbf{e}\left(\frac{b|v|^2 - \mathrm{Tr}(vw^*) - c|w|^2}{dN}\right) \theta^{\bar{w}} \left( -\frac{d}{\tau}, dN \right) \end{aligned}$$

Observe the sum above fixing  $w$ . Notice that  $cw \in NA$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\substack{\bar{v} \in B/dNA \\ \bar{v} \equiv \bar{u}(NA)}} \mathbf{e}\left(\frac{b|v|^2 - \text{Tr}(vw^*) - c|w|^2}{dN}\right) &= \sum_{\substack{\bar{v} \in B/dNA \\ \bar{v} \equiv \bar{u}(NA)}} \mathbf{e}\left(\frac{b|v - cw|^2 - \text{Tr}((v - cw)w^*) - c|w|^2}{dN}\right) \\ &= \mathbf{e}\left(-\frac{\text{Tr}(auw^*)}{N}\right) \sum_{\substack{\bar{v} \in B/dNA \\ \bar{v} \equiv \bar{u}(NA)}} \mathbf{e}\left(\frac{b|v|^2}{dN}\right), \end{aligned}$$

since  $ad - bc = 1$ . Notice that the summand depends only on  $v \pmod{dA}$  since  $N \mid b$ , and the fact that  $(d, N) = 1$ , we see from Lemma 2

$$\sum_{\substack{\bar{v} \in B/dNA \\ \bar{v} \equiv \bar{u}(NA)}} \mathbf{e}\left(\frac{b|v|^2}{dN}\right) = \sum_{\bar{v} \in A/dA} \mathbf{e}\left(\frac{b|v|^2}{dN}\right) = \left(\frac{d}{3}\right) d.$$

Back to the original formula, the above induces

$$\begin{aligned} \theta^{\bar{u}}(\gamma(\tau), N) &= \frac{i(c\tau + d)}{N\tau\sqrt{3}} \left(\frac{d}{3}\right) \sum_{\bar{w} \in B/dNA} \mathbf{e}\left(-\frac{\text{Tr}(auw^*)}{N}\right) \theta^{\bar{w}}\left(-\frac{d}{\tau}, dN\right) \\ &= \frac{i(c\tau + d)}{N\tau\sqrt{3}} \left(\frac{d}{3}\right) \sum_{\bar{v} \in B/NA} \mathbf{e}\left(-\frac{\text{Tr}(auv^*)}{N}\right) \theta^{\bar{v}}\left(-\frac{1}{\tau}, N\right) \\ &= \frac{c\tau + d}{3N^2} \left(\frac{d}{3}\right) \sum_{\bar{v}, \bar{w} \in B/NA} \mathbf{e}\left(-\frac{\text{Tr}(vw^* + auv^*)}{N}\right) \theta^{\bar{v}}(\tau, N) \end{aligned}$$

By equation (4),  $\sum_{\bar{v} \in B/NA} \mathbf{e}\left(-\frac{\text{Tr}(vw^* + auv^*)}{N}\right) = \begin{cases} 3N^2 & \text{if } \bar{w} = -\bar{a}\bar{u}, \\ 0 & \text{if } \bar{w} \neq -\bar{a}\bar{u}. \end{cases}$  Therefore,

$$(\theta^{\bar{u}}[\gamma]_1)(\tau, N) = (c\tau + d)^{-1} \theta^{\bar{u}}(\gamma(\tau), N) = \left(\frac{d}{3}\right) \theta^{\bar{a}\bar{u}}(\tau, N).$$

□

Observe that if  $\delta = \begin{bmatrix} N & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $\delta\Gamma_0(3N^2)\delta^{-1} = \Gamma_0(3N, N)$ . This inspires the following construction:

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\chi : (A/NA)^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$  be a character extended multiplicatively to  $A$ . Define

$$\theta_\chi(\tau) = \frac{1}{6} \sum_{\bar{u} \in A/NA} \chi(u) \theta^{\bar{u}}(N\tau, N).$$

Then  $\theta_\chi \in \mathcal{M}_1(3N^2, \psi)$ , where  $\psi = \chi \cdot \left(\frac{\bullet}{3}\right)$ .

*Proof.* Observe that for  $\gamma = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \in \Gamma_0(3N^2)$ ,

$$(\theta^{\bar{u}}[\delta\gamma]_1)(\tau, N) = (\theta^{\bar{u}}[(\delta\gamma\delta^{-1})\delta]_1)(\tau, N) = \left(\frac{d}{3}\right) (\theta^{\bar{a}\bar{u}}[\delta]_1)(\tau, N),$$

since  $\delta\gamma\delta^{-1} \in \Gamma_0(3N, N)$  and  $d_{\delta\gamma\delta^{-1}} = d$ . Thereby,

$$\begin{aligned}\theta_\chi[\gamma]_1(\tau) &= \frac{1}{6} \sum_{\bar{u} \in A/NA} \chi(u)\theta^{\bar{u}}[\gamma]_1(N\tau, N) \\ &= \frac{1}{6} \sum_{\bar{u} \in A/NA} \chi(u)\theta^{\bar{u}}[\delta\gamma]_1(\tau, N) \\ &= \frac{1}{6} \sum_{\bar{u} \in A/NA} \chi(u) \left(\frac{d}{3}\right) \theta^{\bar{u}}[\delta]_1(\tau, N) \\ &= \frac{1}{6} \left(\frac{d}{3}\right) \chi(a)^{-1} \sum_{\bar{u} \in A/NA} \chi(u)\theta^{\bar{u}}(N\tau, N) = \left(\frac{d}{3}\right) \chi(d)\theta_\chi(\tau).\end{aligned}$$

It's left to check the growth of the Fourier coefficient. In fact,

$$\theta_\chi(\tau) = \frac{1}{6} \sum_{n \in A} \chi(n) \mathbf{e}(|n|^2\tau) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} a_m(\theta_\chi) q^m.$$

So the Fourier coefficient  $a_m(\theta_\chi) = \frac{1}{6} \sum_{\substack{n \in A \\ |n|^2=m}} \chi(n) = \mathcal{O}(m)$ , which indicates the last necessary condition of modular form.  $\square$

The unit group of  $A$  is  $A^* = \{\pm 1, \pm\mu_3, \pm\mu_3^2\}$ . By the formula Fourier coefficient,  $\theta_\chi = 0$  unless  $\chi \mid_{A^*}$  trivial, so we'll assume this in the following.

Let  $\pi \in A$  be a prime such that  $|\pi|^2 \neq 3$ . For any  $\alpha$  relatively prime to  $\pi$ , the analog of Fermat's Little Theorem states that

$$\alpha^{|\pi|^2-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{\pi}$$

Thus,

$$\alpha^{\frac{|\pi|^2-1}{3}} \equiv \mu_3^k \pmod{\pi}$$

for some  $k = 0, 1, 2$ . Therefore, we define the cubic residue character  $\chi_\pi$  of  $\alpha$  modulo  $\pi$  by  $\chi_\pi(\alpha) = \mu_3^k$ . Additionally,  $\chi_\pi(\alpha) = 0$  if  $\pi \mid \alpha$ . We have the following properties (without proof, ref. Kenneth Ireland and Michael Rosen, A Classical Introduction to Modern Number Theory, Chapter 9):

**Proposition 2.3.** Let  $\pi, \pi' \in A$  be primes such that  $|\pi|^2 \neq |\pi'|^2 \neq 3$ . For any  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2$  relatively prime to  $\pi$ ,

1.  $\chi_\pi(\alpha) = 1$  if and only if  $x^3 \equiv \alpha \pmod{\pi}$  has a solution.
2.  $\chi_\pi(\alpha_1\alpha_2) = \chi_\pi(\alpha_1)\chi_\pi(\alpha_2)$ .
3. If  $\alpha_1 \equiv \alpha_2 \pmod{\pi}$ , then  $\chi_\pi(\alpha_1) = \chi_\pi(\alpha_2)$ .
4. (Cubic Reciprocity)  $\chi_\pi(\pi') = \chi_{\pi'}(\pi)$ .

Then the theorem follows:

**Theorem 2.4.** Let  $d \in \mathbb{N}$  be a cubic free integer,  $N = 3 \prod_{p|d} p$ . Then there exist a character  $\chi : (A/NA)^* \rightarrow \{1, \mu_3, \mu_3^2\}$ , such that the multiplicative extension of  $\chi$  to  $A$  is trivial on  $A^*$  and on primes  $p \nmid N$ , while on elements  $\pi$  of  $A$  such that  $\pi\bar{\pi}$  is a prime  $p \nmid N$  it is trivial if and only if  $d$  is a cube modulo  $p$ .

**Corollary.** With the character  $\chi$  defined in the theorem,  $a_p(\theta_\chi) = a_p(C)$ , for all  $p \in \mathcal{P}$ .

### 3 Normalized Eigenform

Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be the set of all primes in  $\mathbb{N}$ . Recall Theorem 5.9.2.:

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $f \in \mathcal{M}_k(N, \chi)$ ,  $f(\tau) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} a_m(f)q^m$ , then the following are equivalent:

1.  $f$  is a normalized eigenform.
2.  $L(s, f)$  has an Euler product expansion

$$L(s, f) = \prod_{p \in \mathcal{P}} (1 - a_p p^{-s} + \chi(p) p^{k-1-2s})^{-1}.$$

Note that  $A$  is a principal ideal domain, so every maximal ideal is generated by an irreducible element  $t = a + b\mu_3$  of  $A$ . Then  $|t|^2 = a^2 - ab + b^2$  is either  $p$  or  $p^2$  for some prime  $p$ .

Notice that  $a^2 - ab + b^2 = \frac{1}{4}((2a - b)^2 + 3b^2)$ , so  $\exists t \in A$  such that  $|t|^2 = p$  for  $p \neq 3$  is equivalent to  $\left(\frac{-3}{p}\right) = 1$ , which is again equivalent to  $3 \mid p - 1$ . With this discussion, we may separate  $p$  into three cases:

1. For  $p = 3$ ,  $|t|^2 = a^2 - ab + b^2 = 3$  gives solutions  $(a, b) = \pm(1, 2), \pm(2, 1), \pm(1, -1)$ , which induce  $t = \pm\sqrt{-3}, \frac{\pm 3 \pm \sqrt{-3}}{2}$ . In fact, this solution set is just  $\sqrt{-3}A^*$ , so every  $t$  generates the same maximal ideal  $\langle \sqrt{-3} \rangle$ . Also,

$$a_3(\theta_\chi) = \frac{1}{6} \sum_{\substack{n \in A \\ |n|^2=3}} \chi(n) = \chi(\sqrt{-3}), \psi(3) = 0.$$

2. For  $3 \mid p - 1$ , there exists  $\pi_p \in A$  such that  $|\pi_p|^2 = p$ , and  $\langle \pi_p \rangle, \langle \bar{\pi}_p \rangle$  are both maximal ideal. Also,

$$a_p(\theta_\chi) = \frac{1}{6} \sum_{\substack{n \in A \\ |n|^2=p}} \chi(n) = \chi(\pi_p) + \chi(\bar{\pi}_p),$$

since  $\{n \in A \mid |n|^2 = p\} = \pi_p A^* \sqcup \bar{\pi}_p A^*$ . In addition,

$$\psi(p) = \chi(p) \left(\frac{p}{3}\right) = \chi(p).$$

3. For  $3 \nmid p - 1$ , there isn't any  $t \in A$  such that  $|t|^2 = p$ . But we still get  $\langle p \rangle$  as a maximal ideal. Also,

$$a_p(\theta_\chi) = 0, \psi(p) = \chi(p) \left(\frac{p}{3}\right) = -\chi(p).$$

Let  $\mathcal{S} = \{\sqrt{-3}\} \sqcup \{\pi_p, \bar{\pi}_p \mid p \equiv 1 \pmod{3}\} \sqcup \{p \mid p \equiv 2 \pmod{3}\}$  be the set of all generators of maximal ideals of  $A$ , then  $\forall x \in A$ ,  $x$  can be uniquely written as  $u \prod_{\pi \in \mathcal{S}} \pi^{a_\pi}$  for some  $u \in A^*$ ,  $a_\pi \in \mathbb{N}_0$ ,  $a_\pi = 0$  for all but finitely many  $\pi$ .

By the definition, we compute

$$L(s, \theta_\chi) = \frac{1}{6} \sum_{n \in A/\{0\}} \chi(n) |n|^{-2s} = \prod_{\pi \in \mathcal{S}} (1 - \chi(\pi) |\pi|^{-2s})^{-1} = \prod_p L_p(s, \theta_\chi).$$

1. For  $p = 3$ ,

$$L_p(s, \theta_\chi) = (1 - \chi(\sqrt{-3}) |\sqrt{-3}|^{-2s})^{-1} = (1 - \chi(\sqrt{-3}) 3^{-s})^{-1};$$

2. For  $3 \mid p - 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} L_p(s, \theta_\chi) &= (1 - \chi(\pi_p) |\pi_p|^{-2s})^{-1} (1 - \chi(\bar{\pi}_p) |\bar{\pi}_p|^{-2s})^{-1} \\ &= ((1 - \chi(\pi_p) p^{-s})(1 - \chi(\bar{\pi}_p) p^{-s}))^{-1} \\ &= ((1 - (\chi(\pi_p) + \chi(\bar{\pi}_p)) p^{-s} + \chi(p) p^{-2s})^{-1} \\ &= (1 - a_p(\theta_\chi) p^{-s} + \psi(p) p^{-2s})^{-1}; \end{aligned}$$

3. For  $3 \nmid p - 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} L_p(s, \theta_\chi) &= (1 - \chi(p) |p|^{-2s})^{-1} \\ &= (1 - a_p(\theta_\chi) p^{-s} + \psi(p) p^{-2s})^{-1}; \end{aligned}$$

In either case, the second condition in the Theorem 5.9.2. is verified. Therefore, we may conclude

**Theorem 3.2.** For any  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  and a character  $\chi : (A/NA)^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$  extended multiplicatively to  $A$ ,  $\theta_\chi$  is a normalized eigenform.

**Remark.** One can prove that  $\theta_\chi$  is actually a cusp form when  $d > 1$ .

## 4 Galois Representation

Embed  $S_3$  into  $\text{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$  by

$$(1\ 2\ 3) \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, (2\ 3) \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let  $F = \mathbb{Q}[d^{\frac{1}{3}}, \mu_3]$ , then the above gives a representation  $\rho : \text{Gal}(F/\mathbb{Q}) \rightarrow \text{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$ . Then

$$\text{Tr } \rho(\text{Frob}_p) = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{if } p \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \text{ and } d \text{ is a cube mod } p; \\ -1 & \text{if } p \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \text{ and } d \text{ is not a cube mod } p \\ 0 & \text{if } p \equiv 2 \pmod{3}. \end{cases}$$



matches the formula of  $a_p(\theta_\chi)$ . Also, the determinant of  $\rho$  is defined on conjugacy classes over unramified primes,

$$\det \rho(\text{Frob}_p) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } p \equiv 1 \pmod{3}; \\ -1 & \text{if } p \equiv 2 \pmod{3}. \end{cases}$$

This coincides with  $\psi(p)$ . So the Galois group representation  $\rho$ , as described by its trace and determinant on Frobenius elements, arises from the modular form  $\theta_\chi$ .