

EVALUATION OF COMPLETE ELLIPTIC INTEGRALS OF THE FIRST KIND AT SINGULAR MODULI

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Abstract. The complete elliptic integral of the first kind $K(k)$ is defined for $0 < k < 1$ by

$$K(k) := \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{d\theta}{\sqrt{1 - k^2 \sin^2 \theta}}.$$

The real number k is called the modulus of the elliptic integral. The complementary modulus is $k' = (1 - k^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ($0 < k' < 1$). Let λ be a positive integer. The equation

$$K(k') = \sqrt{\lambda} K(k)$$

defines a unique real number $k(\lambda)$ ($0 < k(\lambda) < 1$) called the singular modulus of $K(k)$. Let $H(D)$ denote the form class group of discriminant D . Let d be the discriminant -4λ . Using some recent results of the authors on values of the Dedekind eta function at quadratic irrationalities, a formula is given for the singular modulus $k(\lambda)$ in terms of quantities depending upon $H(4d)$ if $\lambda \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$; $H(d)$ and $H(4d)$ if $\lambda \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$; $H(d/4)$ and $H(4d)$ if $\lambda \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$. Similarly a formula is given for the complete elliptic integral $K[\sqrt{\lambda}] := K(k(\lambda))$ in terms of quantities depending upon $H(d)$ and $H(4d)$ if $\lambda \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$; $H(d)$ if $\lambda \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$; $H(d/4)$ and $H(d)$ if $\lambda \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$. As an example the complete elliptic integral $K[\sqrt{17}]$ is determined explicitly in terms of gamma values.

1. INTRODUCTION

Let $k \in \mathbb{R}$ be such that

$$(1.1) \quad 0 < k < 1.$$

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The complete elliptic integral $K(k)$ of the first kind is defined by

$$(1.2) \quad K(k) := \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{d\theta}{\sqrt{1 - k^2 \sin^2 \theta}} = \int_0^1 \frac{dt}{\sqrt{(1-t^2)(1-k^2t^2)}}.$$

Clearly

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow 0^+} K(k) = \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow 1^-} K(k) = +\infty.$$

The quantity k is called the modulus of the elliptic integral $K(k)$. The complementary modulus k' is defined by

$$(1.3) \quad k' := \sqrt{1 - k^2}.$$

From (1.1) and (1.3) we see that

$$(1.4) \quad 0 < k' < 1.$$

The complete elliptic integral $K(k')$ of modulus k' is denoted by $K'(k)$ so that

$$(1.5) \quad K'(k) = K(k') = K(\sqrt{1 - k^2})$$

and

$$(1.6) \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow 0^+} K'(k) = +\infty, \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow 1^-} K'(k) = \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

Let $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}$. As k increases from 0 to 1, the function $K'(k)/K(k)$ decreases from $+\infty$ to 0. Hence there is a unique modulus $k = k(\lambda)$ with $0 < k < 1$ such that

$$(1.7) \quad \frac{K'(k)}{K(k)} = \sqrt{\lambda}.$$

The real number $k(\lambda)$ is called the singular modulus corresponding to λ . The value of the complete elliptic integral $K(k)$ of the first kind at the singular modulus $k = k(\lambda)$ is denoted by

$$(1.8) \quad K[\sqrt{\lambda}] := K(k(\lambda)).$$

The first five singular moduli are

$$\begin{aligned} k(1) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \\ k(2) &= \sqrt{2} - 1, \\ k(3) &= \frac{\sqrt{3} - 1}{\sqrt{8}}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 k(4) &= 3 - 2\sqrt{2}, \\
 k(5) &= \frac{\sqrt{\sqrt{5}-1} - \sqrt{3-\sqrt{5}}}{2},
 \end{aligned}$$

see for example [1, p. 139]. The values of $K[\sqrt{\lambda}]$ for $\lambda = 1, 2, \dots, 16$ are given in [1, Table 9.1, p. 298]. Other values can be found scattered in the literature. For example in [2, p. 277] the values

$$(1.9) \quad k(22) = -99 - 70\sqrt{2} + 30\sqrt{11} + 21\sqrt{22}$$

and

$$(1.10) \quad K[\sqrt{22}] = 2^{-5/2} 11^{-1/2} (7 + 5\sqrt{2} + 3\sqrt{22})^{1/2} \pi^{1/2} \left\{ \prod_{m=1}^{88} \Gamma\left(\frac{m}{88}\right)^{\binom{-88}{m}} \right\}^{1/4}$$

are given, where $\Gamma(x)$ is the gamma function and $\binom{d}{n}$ is the Kronecker symbol.

The values of $k(25)$ and $K[\sqrt{25}]$ are given in [5, p. 259].

Let $H(D)$ denote the form class group of discriminant D . Let d be the discriminant -4λ . Using some recent results of the authors on values of the Dedekind eta function at quadratic irrationalities, a formula is given for the singular modulus $k(\lambda)$ in terms of quantities depending upon $H(4d)$ if $\lambda \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$; $H(d)$ and $H(4d)$ if $\lambda \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$; $H(d/4)$ and $H(4d)$ if $\lambda \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, see Theorem 1 in Section 4. Similarly a formula is given for the complete elliptic integral $K[\sqrt{\lambda}] := K(k(\lambda))$ in terms of quantities depending upon $H(d)$ and $H(4d)$ if $\lambda \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$; $H(d)$ if $\lambda \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$; $H(d/4)$ and $H(d)$ if $\lambda \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, see Theorem 1 in Section 4. Zucker [5, p. 258] has determined but not published the values of $K[\sqrt{\lambda}]$ for $\lambda = 17, 18, 19$ and 20 , so as an example we determine explicitly the complete elliptic integral $K[\sqrt{17}]$ in terms of gamma values, see Theorem 2 in Section 5. Our method is different from that of Zucker.

2. PRELIMINARY RESULTS

Let $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}$ and set

$$(2.1) \quad q = e^{-\pi\sqrt{\lambda}}$$

so that $0 < q < 1$. We define

$$(2.2) \quad Q_0 := \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^{2n}),$$

$$(2.3) \quad Q_1 := \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 + q^{2n}),$$

$$(2.4) \quad Q_2 := \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 + q^{2n-1}),$$

$$(2.5) \quad Q_3 := \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^{2n-1}).$$

Since

$$Q_1 Q_2 = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 + q^n), \quad Q_0 Q_3 = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^n),$$

we have

$$Q_0 Q_1 Q_2 Q_3 = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^{2n}) = Q_0,$$

so that

$$(2.6) \quad Q_1 Q_2 Q_3 = 1.$$

Jacobi [3] [4, p. 147] has shown that

$$(2.7) \quad 16qQ_1^8 + Q_3^8 = Q_2^8.$$

He has also shown that the singular modulus $k = k(\lambda)$, the complementary singular modulus $k'(\lambda)$, and the complete elliptic integral $K[\sqrt{\lambda}] = K(k(\lambda))$ are given by

$$(2.8) \quad k(\lambda) = 4\sqrt{q} \left(\frac{Q_1}{Q_2} \right)^4,$$

$$(2.9) \quad k'(\lambda) = \left(\frac{Q_3}{Q_2} \right)^4,$$

and

$$(2.10) \quad K[\sqrt{\lambda}] = \frac{\pi}{2} \left(\frac{Q_0 Q_2}{Q_1 Q_3} \right)^2,$$

see [3] [4, p. 146]. Next we recall that the Dedekind eta function $\eta(z)$ is defined by

$$(2.11) \quad \eta(z) := e^{\pi iz/12} \prod_{m=1}^{\infty} (1 - e^{2\pi imz}), \quad z \in \mathbb{C}, \quad \text{Im}(z) > 0,$$

and that Weber's functions $f(z)$, $f_1(z)$ and $f_2(z)$ are defined in terms of the Dedekind eta function by

$$(2.12) \quad f(z) = e^{-\pi i/24} \frac{\eta\left(\frac{1+z}{2}\right)}{\eta(z)},$$

$$(2.13) \quad f_1(z) := \frac{\eta\left(\frac{z}{2}\right)}{\eta(z)},$$

$$(2.14) \quad f_2(z) := \sqrt{2} \frac{\eta(2z)}{\eta(z)},$$

see [9, p. 114]. It is convenient to set

$$f_0(z) := f(z)$$

so that $f_j(z)$ is defined for $j = 0, 1, 2$. From (2.1)-(2.5) and (2.11), we deduce that

$$(2.15) \quad \eta(\sqrt{-\lambda}) = q^{1/12} Q_0,$$

$$(2.16) \quad \eta(2\sqrt{-\lambda}) = q^{1/6} Q_0 Q_1,$$

$$(2.17) \quad \eta(\sqrt{-\lambda}/2) = q^{1/24} Q_0 Q_3,$$

$$(2.18) \quad \eta((1 + \sqrt{-\lambda})/2) = e^{\pi i/24} q^{1/24} Q_0 Q_2.$$

From (2.12)-(2.18) we obtain

$$(2.19) \quad Q_0 = q^{-1/12} \eta(\sqrt{-\lambda}),$$

$$(2.20) \quad Q_1 = 2^{-1/2} q^{-1/12} f_2(\sqrt{-\lambda}),$$

$$(2.21) \quad Q_2 = q^{1/24} f_0(\sqrt{-\lambda}),$$

$$(2.22) \quad Q_3 = q^{1/24} f_1(\sqrt{-\lambda}).$$

Then, from (2.6), (2.7), (2.20), (2.21) and (2.22), we obtain

$$(2.23) \quad f_0(\sqrt{-\lambda}) f_1(\sqrt{-\lambda}) f_2(\sqrt{-\lambda}) = \sqrt{2}$$

and

$$(2.24) \quad f_0(\sqrt{-\lambda})^8 = f_1(\sqrt{-\lambda})^8 + f_2(\sqrt{-\lambda})^8,$$

see [9, p, 114]. Then, from (2.8), (2.10) and (2.19) – (2.23), we obtain $k(\lambda)$ and $K[\sqrt{\lambda}]$ in terms of λ , namely,

$$(2.25) \quad k(\lambda) = \left(\frac{f_2(\sqrt{-\lambda})}{f_0(\sqrt{-\lambda})} \right)^4$$

and

$$(2.26) \quad K[\sqrt{\lambda}] = \frac{\pi}{2} \eta(\sqrt{-\lambda})^2 f_0(\sqrt{-\lambda})^4.$$

Recent results of Muzaffar and Williams [6] give the values of $\eta(\sqrt{-\lambda})$, $f_0(\sqrt{-\lambda})$, $f_1(\sqrt{-\lambda})$ and $f_2(\sqrt{-\lambda})$ for all $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}$, see Section 3. Using these values in (2.25) and (2.26), we obtain the singular modulus $k(\lambda)$ and the complete elliptic integral of the first kind $K[\sqrt{\lambda}]$ in Section 4.

3. EVALUATION OF $\eta(\sqrt{-\lambda})$, $f_0(\sqrt{-\lambda})$, $f_1(\sqrt{-\lambda})$ and $f_2(\sqrt{-\lambda})$

Let d be an integer satisfying

$$(3.1) \quad d < 0, \quad d \equiv 0 \text{ or } 1 \pmod{4}.$$

Let f be the largest positive integer such that

$$(3.2) \quad f^2 \mid d, \quad d/f^2 \equiv 0 \text{ or } 1 \pmod{4}.$$

We set $\Delta = d/f^2 \in \mathbb{Z}$ so that

$$(3.3) \quad d = \Delta f^2, \quad \Delta \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{4}.$$

For a prime p , the nonnegative integer $v_p(f)$ is defined by $p^{v_p(f)} \mid f$, $p^{v_p(f)+1} \nmid f$. We set

$$(3.4) \quad \alpha_p(\Delta, f) = \frac{(p^{v_p(f)} - 1) \left(1 - \left(\frac{\Delta}{p} \right) \right)}{p^{v_p(f)-1} (p - 1) \left(p - \left(\frac{\Delta}{p} \right) \right)},$$

where $\left(\frac{\Delta}{p} \right)$ is the Legendre symbol modulo p . The quantity $\alpha_p(\Delta, f)$ is used in Proposition 1 below.

The positive-definite, primitive, integral, binary quadratic form $ax^2 + bxy + cy^2$ is denoted by (a, b, c) . Its discriminant is the quantity $d = b^2 - 4ac$, which satisfies (3.1). The class of the form (a, b, c) is

$$(3.5) \quad [a, b, c] = \{ (a(p, r), b(p, q, r, s), c(q, s)) \mid p, q, r, s \in \mathbb{Z}, ps - qr = 1 \},$$

where

$$a(p, r) = ap^2 + bpr + cr^2, \quad b(p, q, r, s) = 2apq + bps + bqr + 2crs, \quad c(q, s) = aq^2 + bqs + cs^2.$$

The group of classes of positive-definite, primitive, integral, binary quadratic forms of discriminant d under Gaussian composition is denoted by $H(d)$. $H(d)$ is a finite abelian group. We denote its order by $h(d)$. The identity I of the group $H(d)$ is the principal class

$$(3.6) \quad I = \begin{cases} [1, 0, -d/4], & \text{if } d \equiv 0 \pmod{4}, \\ [1, 1, (1-d)/4], & \text{if } d \equiv 1 \pmod{4}. \end{cases}$$

The inverse of the class $K = [a, b, c] \in H(d)$ is the class $K^{-1} = [a, -b, c] \in H(d)$. If p is a prime with $\left(\frac{d}{p}\right) = 1$, we let h_1 and h_2 be the solutions of $h^2 \equiv d \pmod{4p}$, $0 \leq h < 2p$, with $h_1 < h_2$. The class K_p of $H(d)$ is defined by

$$K_p = \left[p, h_1, \frac{h_1^2 - d}{4p} \right].$$

Then

$$K_p^{-1} = \left[p, -h_1, \frac{h_1^2 - d}{4p} \right] = \left[p, h_2, \frac{h_2^2 - d}{4p} \right],$$

as $h_1 + h_2 = 2p$. If p is a prime with $\left(\frac{d}{p}\right) = 0$, $p \nmid f$, the class K_p of $H(d)$ is defined by

$$K_p = \begin{cases} [p, 0, -d/4p], & \text{if } p > 2, d \equiv 0 \pmod{4}, \\ [p, p, (p^2 - d)/4p], & \text{if } p > 2, d \equiv 1 \pmod{4}, \\ [2, 0, -d/8], & \text{if } p = 2, d \equiv 8 \pmod{16}, \\ [2, 2, (4 - d)/8], & \text{if } p = 2, d \equiv 12 \pmod{16}, \end{cases}$$

so that $K_p = K_p^{-1}$. We do not define K_p for any other primes p .

As $H(d)$ is a finite abelian group, there exist positive integers h_1, h_2, \dots, h_ν and generators $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_\nu \in H(d)$ such that

$$h_1 h_2 \cdots h_\nu = h(d), \quad 1 < h_1 \mid h_2 \mid \dots \mid h_\nu, \quad \text{ord}(A_i) = h_i \quad (i = 1, \dots, \nu),$$

and, for each $K \in H(d)$, there exist unique integers k_1, \dots, k_ν with

$$K = A_1^{k_1} \cdots A_\nu^{k_\nu} \quad (0 \leq k_j < h_j, j = 1, \dots, \nu).$$

We fix once and for all the generators A_1, \dots, A_ν of the group $H(d)$. For $j = 1, \dots, \nu$ we set

$$\text{ind}_{A_j}(K) := k_j,$$

and for $K, L \in H(d)$, we define $\chi : H(d) \times H(d) \rightarrow \Omega_{h_\nu}$ (group of h_ν th roots of unity) by

$$\chi(K, L) = e^{2\pi i \sum_{j=1}^{\nu} \frac{\text{ind}_{A_j}(K) \text{ind}_{A_j}(L)}{h_j}}$$

The function χ has the properties

$$\begin{aligned} \chi(K, L) &= \chi(L, K), \text{ for all } K, L \in H(d), \\ \chi(K, I) &= 1, \text{ for all } K \in H(d), \\ \chi(KL, M) &= \chi(K, M)\chi(L, M), \text{ for all } K, L, M \in H(d), \\ \chi(K^r, L^s) &= \chi(K, L)^{rs}, \text{ for all } K, L \in H(d) \text{ and all } r, s \in \mathbb{Z}, \end{aligned}$$

see [6, Lemma 6.2]. It is known that for $K(\neq I) \in H(d)$ the limit

$$(3.7) \quad j(K, d) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 1^+} \prod_{\left(\frac{d}{p}\right)=1} \left(1 - \frac{\chi(K, K_p)}{p^s}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\chi(K^{-1}, K_p)}{p^s}\right)$$

exists and is a nonzero real number such that $j(K, d) = j(K^{-1}, d)$, see [6, Lemma 7.6]. For $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $L \in H(d)$ we define

$$H_L(n) := \text{card}\{h \mid 0 \leq h < 2n, \quad h^2 \equiv d \pmod{4n}, \quad \left[n, h, \frac{h^2 - d}{4n}\right] = L\}.$$

The properties of $H_L(n)$ are developed in [6, Section 5]. Then, for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $K \in H(d)$, we set

$$Y_K(n) := \sum_{L \in H(d)} \chi(K, L) H_L(n).$$

Properties of $Y_K(n)$ are given in [6, Section 7]. Further, for a prime p and a class $K(\neq I) \in H(d)$, we set

$$(3.8) \quad A(K, d, p) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{Y_K(p^j)}{p^j}.$$

Next, for $K(\neq I) \in H(d)$, we set

$$(3.9) \quad l(K, d) = \prod_{\substack{p|d \\ p \nmid f}} \left(1 + \frac{\chi(K, K_p)}{p} \right) \prod_{p|f} A(K, d, p),$$

where the products are over all primes p satisfying the stated conditions. Finally, for $K \in H(d)$, we define

$$(3.10) \quad E(K, d) = \frac{\pi \sqrt{|d|} w(d)}{48h(d)} \sum_{\substack{L \in H(d) \\ L \neq I}} \chi(L, K)^{-1} \frac{t_1(d)}{j(L, d)} l(L, d),$$

see [6, Section 9], where

$$(3.11) \quad w(d) = 6, 4 \text{ or } 2 \text{ according as } d = -3, d = -4 \text{ or } d < -4,$$

and

$$(3.12) \quad t_1(d) := \prod_{\substack{p \\ \left(\frac{d}{p}\right) = 1}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^2} \right).$$

The following evaluation of $\eta(\sqrt{-\lambda})$ follows immediately from [6, Theorem 1], as $\eta(\sqrt{-\lambda})$ is real and positive for $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}$.

Proposition 1. *Let $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}$. Let $d = -4\lambda = \Delta f^2$, where Δ and f are defined in (3.2) and (3.3). Let $K = [1, 0, \lambda] \in H(d)$. Then*

$$\eta(\sqrt{-\lambda}) = 2^{-3/4} \pi^{-1/4} \lambda^{-1/4} \prod_{p|f} p^{\alpha_p(\Delta, f)/4} \left(\prod_{m=1}^{|\Delta|} \Gamma \left(\frac{m}{|\Delta|} \right)^{\left(\frac{\Delta}{m}\right)} \right)^{\frac{w(\Delta)}{8h(\Delta)}} e^{-E(K, d)},$$

where $\alpha_p(\Delta, f)$ is defined in (3.4) and $\left(\frac{\Delta}{m}\right)$ is the Kronecker symbol.

The following result is Theorem 3 of [6].

Proposition 2. *Let $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}$. Let $d = -4\lambda$. Let $K = [1, 0, \lambda] \in H(d)$.*

(a) $\lambda \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$. Set

$$M_0 = [4, 4, \lambda + 1] \in H(4d),$$

$$M_1 = \left[1, 0, \frac{\lambda}{4} \right] \in H \left(\frac{d}{4} \right),$$

$$M_2 = [1, 0, 4\lambda] \in H(4d).$$

Let $\lambda = 4^\alpha \mu$, where α is a positive integer and $\mu \equiv 1, 2 \text{ or } 3 \pmod{4}$.

(i) $\mu \equiv 1$ or $2 \pmod{4}$ (so that Δ is even and $v_2(f) = \alpha$). We have

$$f_0(\sqrt{-\lambda}) = 2^{\frac{1}{2\alpha+3}} e^{E(K,d)-E(M_0,4d)},$$

$$f_1(\sqrt{-\lambda}) = 2^{\frac{2\alpha+1}{2\alpha+2}} e^{E(K,d)-E(M_1,d/4)},$$

$$f_2(\sqrt{-\lambda}) = 2^{\frac{1}{2\alpha+3}} e^{E(K,d)-E(M_2,4d)}.$$

(ii) $\mu \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ (so that $\Delta \equiv -\mu \pmod{8}$) and $v_2(f) = \alpha + 1$. If $\mu \equiv 3 \pmod{8}$, we have

$$f_0(\sqrt{-\lambda}) = 2^{\frac{1}{3 \cdot 2\alpha+2}} e^{E(K,d)-E(M_0,4d)},$$

$$f_1(\sqrt{-\lambda}) = 2^{\frac{3 \cdot 2\alpha-1}{3 \cdot 2\alpha+1}} e^{E(K,d)-E(M_1,d/4)},$$

$$f_2(\sqrt{-\lambda}) = 2^{\frac{1}{3 \cdot 2\alpha+2}} e^{E(K,d)-E(M_2,4d)}.$$

If $\mu \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$, we have

$$f_0(\sqrt{-\lambda}) = e^{E(K,d)-E(M_0,4d)},$$

$$f_1(\sqrt{-\lambda}) = \sqrt{2} e^{E(K,d)-E(M_1,d/4)},$$

$$f_2(\sqrt{-\lambda}) = e^{E(K,d)-E(M_2,4d)}.$$

(b) $\lambda \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ (so that Δ is even and f is odd). Set

$$M_0 = \left[2, 2, \frac{\lambda+1}{2} \right] \in H(d),$$

$$M_1 = [4, 0, \lambda] \in H(4d),$$

$$M_2 = [1, 0, 4\lambda] \in H(4d).$$

Then

$$f_0(\sqrt{-\lambda}) = 2^{1/4} e^{E(K,d)-E(M_0,d)},$$

$$f_1(\sqrt{-\lambda}) = 2^{1/8} e^{E(K,d)-E(M_1,4d)},$$

$$f_2(\sqrt{-\lambda}) = 2^{1/8} e^{E(K,d)-E(M_2,4d)}.$$

(c) $\lambda \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ (so that Δ is even and f is odd). Set

$$M_0 = [4, 4, \lambda+1] \in H(4d),$$

$$M_1 = \left[2, 0, \frac{\lambda}{2} \right] \in H(d),$$

$$M_2 = [1, 0, 4\lambda] \in H(4d).$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} f_0(\sqrt{-\lambda}) &= 2^{1/8} e^{E(K,d)-E(M_0,4d)}, \\ f_1(\sqrt{-\lambda}) &= 2^{1/4} e^{E(K,d)-E(M_1,d)}, \\ f_2(\sqrt{-\lambda}) &= 2^{1/8} e^{E(K,d)-E(M_2,4d)}. \end{aligned}$$

(d) $\lambda \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ (so that $\lambda \equiv -\Delta \pmod{8}$ and $f \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$). Set

$$\begin{aligned} M_0 &= \left[1, 1, \frac{\lambda+1}{4} \right] \in H\left(\frac{d}{4}\right), \\ M_1 &= [4, 0, \lambda] \in H(4d), \\ M_2 &= [1, 0, 4\lambda] \in H(4d). \end{aligned}$$

Then, for $\lambda \equiv 3 \pmod{8}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} f_0(\sqrt{-\lambda}) &= 2^{1/3} e^{E(K,d)-E(M_0,d/4)}, \\ f_1(\sqrt{-\lambda}) &= 2^{1/12} e^{E(K,d)-E(M_1,4d)}, \\ f_2(\sqrt{-\lambda}) &= 2^{1/12} e^{E(K,d)-E(M_2,4d)}, \end{aligned}$$

and, for $\lambda \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} f_0(\sqrt{-\lambda}) &= \sqrt{2} e^{E(K,d)-E(M_0,d/4)}, \\ f_1(\sqrt{-\lambda}) &= e^{E(K,d)-E(M_1,4d)}, \\ f_2(\sqrt{-\lambda}) &= e^{E(K,d)-E(M_2,4d)}. \end{aligned}$$

4. FORMULAE FOR $k(\lambda)$ AND $K[\sqrt{\lambda}]$

From (2.25), (2.26), Proposition 1 and Proposition 2, we obtain the main result of this paper, namely, the formulae for the singular modulus $k(\lambda)$ and the complete elliptic integral of the first kind $K[\sqrt{\lambda}]$ at the singular modulus valid for every $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}$.

Theorem 1. Let $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}$. Let $d = -4\lambda$. Let $K = [1, 0, \lambda] \in H(d)$.

(a) $\lambda \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$. Set

$$M_0 = [4, 4, \lambda + 1] \in H(4d), \quad M_2 = [1, 0, 4\lambda] \in H(4d).$$

Then

$$k(\lambda) = e^{4(E(M_0,4d)-E(M_2,4d))}.$$

Let $\lambda = 4^\alpha \mu$, where α is a positive integer and $\mu \equiv 1, 2$ or $3 \pmod{4}$. Then

$$K[\sqrt{\lambda}] = 2^\beta \pi^{1/2} \lambda^{-1/2} \prod_{p|f} p^{\alpha_p(\Delta, f)/2} \left(\prod_{m=1}^{|\Delta|} \Gamma \left(\frac{m}{|\Delta|} \right)^{\binom{\Delta}{m}} \right)^{\frac{w(\Delta)}{4h(\Delta)}} e^{2E(K, d) - 4E(M_0, 4d)},$$

where

$$\beta = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2^{\alpha+1}} - \frac{5}{2}, & \text{if } \mu \equiv 1 \text{ or } 2 \pmod{4}, \\ \frac{1}{3 \cdot 2^\alpha} - \frac{5}{2}, & \text{if } \mu \equiv 3 \pmod{8}, \\ -\frac{5}{2}, & \text{if } \mu \equiv 7 \pmod{8}, \end{cases}$$

(b) $\lambda \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. Set

$$M_0 = \left[2, 2, \frac{\lambda + 1}{2} \right] \in H(d), \quad M_2 = [1, 0, 4\lambda] \in H(4d).$$

Then

$$k(\lambda) = 2^{-1/2} e^{4(E(M_0, d) - E(M_2, 4d))}$$

and

$$K[\sqrt{\lambda}] = 2^{-3/2} \pi^{1/2} \lambda^{-1/2} \prod_{p|f} p^{\alpha_p(\Delta, f)/2} \left(\prod_{m=1}^{|\Delta|} \Gamma \left(\frac{m}{|\Delta|} \right)^{\binom{\Delta}{m}} \right)^{\frac{w(\Delta)}{4h(\Delta)}} e^{2E(K, d) - 4E(M_0, d)}.$$

(c) $\lambda \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$. Set

$$M_0 = [4, 4, \lambda + 1] \in H(4d), \quad M_2 = [1, 0, 4\lambda] \in H(4d).$$

Then

$$k(\lambda) = e^{4(E(M_0, 4d) - E(M_2, 4d))}$$

and

$$K[\sqrt{\lambda}] = 2^{-2} \pi^{1/2} \lambda^{-1/2} \prod_{p|f} p^{\alpha_p(\Delta, f)/2} \left(\prod_{m=1}^{|\Delta|} \Gamma \left(\frac{m}{|\Delta|} \right)^{\binom{\Delta}{m}} \right)^{\frac{w(\Delta)}{4h(\Delta)}} e^{2E(K, d) - 4E(M_0, 4d)}.$$

(d) $\lambda \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$. Set

$$M_0 = \left[1, 1, \frac{\lambda + 1}{4} \right] \in H \left(\frac{d}{4} \right), \quad M_2 = [1, 0, 4\lambda] \in H(4d).$$

Then, for $\lambda \equiv 3 \pmod{8}$, we have

$$k(\lambda) = 2^{-1} e^{4(E(M_0, d/4) - E(M_2, 4d))}$$

and

$$K[\sqrt{\lambda}] = 2^{-7/6} \pi^{1/2} \lambda^{-1/2} \prod_{p|f} p^{\alpha_p(\Delta, f)/2} \left(\prod_{m=1}^{|\Delta|} \Gamma\left(\frac{m}{|\Delta|}\right)^{\left(\frac{\Delta}{m}\right)} \right)^{\frac{w(\Delta)}{4h(\Delta)}} e^{2E(K, d) - 4E(M_0, d/4)},$$

and, for $\lambda \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$, we have

$$k(\lambda) = 2^{-2} e^{4(E(M_0, d/4) - E(M_2, 4d))}$$

and

$$K[\sqrt{\lambda}] = 2^{-1/2} \pi^{1/2} \lambda^{-1/2} \prod_{p|f} p^{\alpha_p(\Delta, f)/2} \left(\prod_{m=1}^{|\Delta|} \Gamma\left(\frac{m}{|\Delta|}\right)^{\left(\frac{\Delta}{m}\right)} \right)^{\frac{w(\Delta)}{4h(\Delta)}} e^{2E(K, d) - 4E(M_0, d/4)}.$$

5. EVALUATION OF $K[\sqrt{17}]$

In this section we use Theorem 1 to evaluate the complete elliptic integral of the first kind $K[\sqrt{17}]$. Thus $\lambda = 17$, $d = -4\lambda = -68$, $\Delta = -68$ and $f = 1$ in the notation of Sections 3 and 4. The group $H(-68)$ of classes of positive-definite, primitive, integral binary quadratic forms of discriminant -68 under composition is

$$H(-68) = \{I, A, A^2, A^3\}, \quad A^4 = I,$$

where

$$I = [1, 0, 17], \quad A = [3, -2, 6], \quad A^2 = [2, 2, 9], \quad A^3 = [3, 2, 6].$$

In order to determine $K[\sqrt{17}]$ explicitly using Theorem 1, we must determine $E(I, -68)$ and $E(A^2, -68)$ (see Lemma 14). This requires finding $j(A^m, -68)$ ($m = 1, 2, 3$) (see Lemma 13). To compute $j(A^m, -68)$ ($m = 1, 2, 3$) from (3.7) we must determine those primes p satisfying $\left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{p}{17}\right) = 1$ for which $K_p = I$ and those for which $K_p = A^2$. This depends upon whether p is of the form $x^2 + 17y^2$ for integers x and y or of the form $2x^2 + 2xy + 9y^2$ for integers x and y . By class field theory the former occurs if and only if the quartic polynomial $x^4 + x^2 + 2x + 1$ is the product of four linear factors (mod p). This leads us to consider the arithmetic of the field $K = \mathbb{Q}(\theta)$, where θ is a root of $x^4 + x^2 + 2x + 1$.

Let $f(x)$ be the irreducible quartic polynomial given by

$$(5.1) \quad f(x) = x^4 + x^2 + 2x + 1 \in \mathbb{Z}[x].$$

The discriminant of $f(x)$ is $272 = 2^4 \cdot 17$ and its Galois group is D_8 (the dihedral group of order 8) [8, p. 441]. The four roots of $f(x)$ are

$$\frac{1}{2}(i + (-1 + 4i)^{\frac{1}{2}}), \quad \frac{1}{2}(i - (-1 + 4i)^{\frac{1}{2}}), \\ \frac{1}{2}(-i + (-1 - 4i)^{\frac{1}{2}}), \quad \frac{1}{2}(-i - (-1 - 4i)^{\frac{1}{2}}),$$

where $z^{\frac{1}{2}}$ denotes the principal value of the square root of the complex number z . Let

$$\theta = \frac{1}{2}(i + (-1 + 4i)^{\frac{1}{2}})$$

and set

$$(5.2) \quad K = \mathbb{Q}(\theta)$$

so that K is the totally complex quartic field $\mathbb{Q}((-1 + 4i)^{\frac{1}{2}})$. Thus the number of real embeddings of K is $r_1 = 0$ and the number of imaginary embeddings is $2r_2 = 4$. The ring of integers of K is

$$(5.3) \quad \mathcal{O}_K = \mathbb{Z} + \mathbb{Z}\theta + \mathbb{Z}\theta^2 + \mathbb{Z}\theta^3,$$

see [8, p. 441]. As K is monogenic, its discriminant $d(K) = \text{disc}(f(x)) = 272$. It is known that \mathcal{O}_K has classnumber $h_K = 1$ [8, p. 435] so that it is a principal ideal domain. As $r_1 + r_2 - 1 = 0 + 2 - 1 = 1$ we know by Dirichlet's unit theorem that \mathcal{O}_K has a single fundamental unit. This unit can be taken to be θ [8, p. 441]. The regulator

$$R(K) = 2 \log |\theta| = \log \left| \frac{i + (-1 + 4i)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{2} \right|^2 = \log \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{2 + 2\sqrt{17} + \sqrt{17}}}{4} \right) \approx 0.732,$$

see [8, p. 441]. The quartic field K contains a unique subfield ($\neq \mathbb{Q}, K$), namely, $\mathbb{Q}(i)$. The only roots of unity in \mathcal{O}_K are ± 1 and $\pm i$. Thus the number of roots of unity in \mathcal{O}_K is $w(K) = 4$.

We now give the factorization of $f(x)$ modulo a prime p . We use the notation (m) to denote a monic irreducible polynomial of degree m with integer coefficients. Thus $g(x) \equiv (2)(2) \pmod{p}$ means that $g(x)$ is the product of two distinct monic irreducible quadratic polynomials modulo p and $h(x) \equiv (2)^2 \pmod{p}$ means that $h(x)$ is the square of a monic irreducible quadratic polynomial modulo p . From class field theory or indeed by elementary arguments one can show that the factorization of $f(x) \pmod{p}$, where p is a prime $\neq 2, 17$, is given as follows:

If

$$\left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{p}{17}\right) = 1 \text{ and } p = u^2 + 17v^2 \text{ for some integers } u \text{ and } v$$

then

$$f(x) \equiv (1)(1)(1)(1) \pmod{p}.$$

If

$$\left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{p}{17}\right) = 1 \text{ and } p = 2u^2 + 2uv + 9v^2 \text{ for some integers } u \text{ and } v$$

then

$$f(x) \equiv (2)(2) \pmod{p}.$$

If

$$\left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = -1, \left(\frac{p}{17}\right) = 1$$

then

$$f(x) \equiv (2)(2) \pmod{p}.$$

If

$$\left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = 1, \left(\frac{p}{17}\right) = -1$$

then

$$f(x) \equiv (1)(1)(2) \pmod{p}.$$

If

$$\left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{p}{17}\right) = -1$$

then

$$f(x) \equiv (4) \pmod{p}.$$

For $p = 2$

$$f(x) \equiv (2)^2 \pmod{2}$$

and for $p = 17$

$$f(x) \equiv (1)(1)(1)^2 \pmod{17}.$$

Using these results, a standard algebraic number theoretic argument gives the factorization of the principal ideal pO_K into prime ideals in O_K , where p is a prime.

Lemma 1. *Let p be a prime $\neq 2, 17$.*

(i) If

$$\left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{17}{p}\right) = 1 \text{ and } p = x^2 + 17y^2 \text{ for some integers } x \text{ and } y$$

then

$$pO_K = PQRS, \quad N(P) = N(Q) = N(R) = N(S) = p,$$

where P, Q, R, S are distinct prime ideals of O_K .

(ii) If

$$\left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{17}{p}\right) = 1 \text{ and } p = 2x^2 + 2xy + 9y^2 \text{ for some integers } x \text{ and } y$$

then

$$pO_K = PQ, \quad N(P) = N(Q) = p^2,$$

where P and Q are distinct prime ideals of O_K .

(iii) If

$$\left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = -1, \quad \left(\frac{17}{p}\right) = 1$$

then

$$pO_K = PQ, \quad N(P) = N(Q) = p^2,$$

where P and Q are distinct prime ideals of O_K .

(iv) If

$$\left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = 1, \quad \left(\frac{17}{p}\right) = -1$$

then

$$pO_K = PQR, \quad N(P) = N(Q) = p, \quad N(R) = p^2,$$

where P, Q and R are distinct prime ideals of O_K .

(v) If

$$\left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{17}{p}\right) = -1$$

then

$$pO_K = P, \quad N(P) = p^4,$$

where P is a prime ideal.

(vi) $2O_K = P^2$, $N(P) = 2^2$, where P is a prime ideal.

(vii) $17O_K = PQR^2$, $N(P) = N(Q) = N(R) = 17$, where P, Q and R are distinct prime ideals.

The next lemma determines the class K_p of $H(-68)$ when p is a prime such that $\left(\frac{-68}{p}\right) = 1$.

Lemma 2. *Let p be a prime such that $\left(\frac{-68}{p}\right) = 1$. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} K_p = I &\iff p = x^2 + 17y^2 \text{ for some integers } x \text{ and } y, \\ K_p = A^2 &\iff p = 2x^2 + 2xy + 9y^2 \text{ for some integers } x \text{ and } y, \\ K_p = A \text{ or } A^3 &\iff p = 3x^2 \pm 2xy + 6y^2 \text{ for some integers } x \text{ and } y. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. As $\left(\frac{-68}{p}\right) = 1$ there exist integers x and y such that

$$p = x^2 + 17y^2 \text{ or } 2x^2 + 2xy + 9y^2, \text{ if } \left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{17}{p}\right) = 1,$$

and such that

$$p = 3x^2 \pm 2xy + 6y^2, \text{ if } \left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{17}{p}\right) = -1.$$

We recall that as p is a prime the only classes representing p are K_p and K_p^{-1} . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} p = x^2 + 17y^2 &\implies [1, 0, 17] \text{ represents } p \implies I = K_p \text{ or } K_p^{-1} \implies K_p = I, \\ p = 2x^2 + 2xy + 9y^2 &\implies [2, 2, 9] \text{ represents } p \implies A^2 = K_p \text{ or } K_p^{-1} \implies K_p = A^2, \\ p = 3x^2 \pm 2xy + 6y^2 &\implies [3, 2, 6] \text{ represents } p \implies A^3 = K_p \text{ or } K_p^{-1} \implies K_p = A \text{ or } A^3. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of Lemma 2. ■

Definition 1. For $s > 1$ and $\epsilon, \eta \in \{-1, +1\}$ we define

$$A_{\epsilon, \eta}(s) := \prod_{\substack{p \neq 2, 17 \\ \left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = \epsilon, \left(\frac{17}{p}\right) = \eta}} \left(1 + \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-1}$$

and

$$B_{\epsilon, \eta}(s) := \prod_{\substack{p \neq 2, 17 \\ \left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = \epsilon, \left(\frac{17}{p}\right) = \eta}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-1}.$$

For brevity we just write $A_{+1,+1}(s), A_{+1,-1}(s), \dots$ as $A_{++}(s), A_{+-}(s), \dots$ respectively. In view of Lemmas 1 and 2 we can split each of $A_{++}(s)$ and $B_{++}(s)$ into two products as

$$A_{++}(s) = A'_{++}(s)A''_{++}(s), \quad B_{++} = B'_{++}(s)B''_{++}(s),$$

where

$$A'_{++}(s) := \prod_{\substack{p \neq 2, 17 \\ K_p = I}} \left(1 + \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-1}, \quad A''_{++}(s) := \prod_{\substack{p \neq 2, 17 \\ K_p = A^2}} \left(1 + \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-1}$$

and

$$B'_{++}(s) := \prod_{\substack{p \neq 2, 17 \\ K_p = I}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-1}, \quad B''_{++}(s) := \prod_{\substack{p \neq 2, 17 \\ K_p = A^2}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-1}.$$

Lemma 3. For $s > 1$ we have

$$A_{\epsilon,\eta}(s) = \frac{B_{\epsilon,\eta}(2s)}{B_{\epsilon,\eta}(s)}, \quad \text{where } \epsilon, \eta \in \{-1, +1\},$$

and

$$A'_{++}(s) = \frac{B'_{++}(2s)}{B'_{++}(s)}, \quad A''_{++}(s) = \frac{B''_{++}(2s)}{B''_{++}(s)}.$$

Proof. We just prove the first equality as the other two equalities can be proved similarly. We have

$$\begin{aligned} A_{\epsilon,\eta}(s)B_{\epsilon,\eta}(s) &= \prod_{\substack{p \neq 2, 17 \\ \left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = \epsilon, \left(\frac{17}{p}\right) = \eta}} \left(1 + \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-1} \prod_{\substack{p \neq 2, 17 \\ \left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = \epsilon, \left(\frac{17}{p}\right) = \eta}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-1} \\ &= \prod_{\substack{p \neq 2, 17 \\ \left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = \epsilon, \left(\frac{17}{p}\right) = \eta}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^{2s}}\right)^{-1} \\ &= B_{\epsilon,\eta}(2s), \end{aligned}$$

from which the asserted result follows. ■

For $s > 1$ the Riemann zeta function is given by

$$\zeta(s) = \prod_p \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-1},$$

where the product is taken over all primes p . If D is an integer with $D \equiv 0$ or $1 \pmod{4}$ the Dirichlet L -series $L(s, D)$ ($s > 1$) is given by

$$L(s, D) = \prod_p \left(1 - \frac{\left(\frac{D}{p}\right)}{p^s}\right)^{-1}.$$

We prove

Lemma 4. For $s > 1$ we have

- (i) $\zeta(s) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^s}\right)^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{1}{17^s}\right)^{-1} B_{--}(s)B_{-+}(s)B_{+-}(s)B_{++}(s),$
- (ii) $L(s, -4) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{17^s}\right)^{-1} \frac{B_{--}(2s)}{B_{--}(s)} \frac{B_{-+}(2s)}{B_{-+}(s)} B_{+-}(s)B_{++}(s),$
- (iii) $L(s, 17) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^s}\right)^{-1} \frac{B_{--}(2s)}{B_{--}(s)} B_{-+}(s) \frac{B_{+-}(2s)}{B_{+-}(s)} B_{++}(s),$
- (iv) $L(s, -68) = B_{--}(s) \frac{B_{-+}(2s)}{B_{-+}(s)} \frac{B_{+-}(2s)}{B_{+-}(s)} B_{++}(s).$

Proof. We just give the proofs of (i) and (ii). Equations (iii) and (iv) can be proved similarly. Let

$$X = \{(-1, -1), (-1, +1), (+1, -1), (+1, +1)\}.$$

First we prove (i). We have

$$\begin{aligned} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^s}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{17^s}\right) \zeta(s) &= \prod_{p \neq 2, 17} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-1} \\ &= \prod_{(\epsilon, \eta) \in X} \prod_{\substack{p \neq 2, 17 \\ \left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = \epsilon, \left(\frac{17}{p}\right) = \eta}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-1}, \end{aligned}$$

from which (i) now follows by Definition 1.

Next we prove (ii). We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 L(s, -4) &= \prod_p \left(1 - \frac{\left(\frac{-4}{p}\right)}{p^s} \right)^{-1} \\
 &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{17^s} \right)^{-1} \prod_{p \neq 2, 17} \left(1 - \frac{\left(\frac{-4}{p}\right)}{p^s} \right)^{-1} \\
 &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{17^s} \right)^{-1} \prod_{(\epsilon, \eta) \in X} \prod_{\substack{p \neq 2, 17 \\ \left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = \epsilon, \left(\frac{17}{p}\right) = \eta}} \left(1 - \frac{\epsilon}{p^s} \right)^{-1} \\
 &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{17^s} \right)^{-1} A_{--}(s)A_{-+}(s)B_{+-}(s)B_{++}(s),
 \end{aligned}$$

and (ii) follows using Lemma 3. ■

Lemma 5. For $s > 1$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 B_{--}(s)^4 &= L(s, -4)^{-1}L(s, 17)^{-1}L(s, -68)B_{--}(2s)^2\zeta(s), \\
 B_{-+}(s)^4 &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^s} \right)^2 L(s, -4)^{-1}L(s, 17)L(s, -68)^{-1}B_{-+}(2s)^2\zeta(s), \\
 B_{+-}(s)^4 &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{17^s} \right)^2 L(s, -4)L(s, 17)^{-1}L(s, -68)^{-1}B_{+-}(2s)^2\zeta(s), \\
 B_{++}(s)^4 &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^s} \right)^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{17^s} \right)^2 L(s, -4)L(s, 17)L(s, -68) \\
 &\quad \times B_{--}(2s)^{-2}B_{-+}(2s)^{-2}B_{+-}(2s)^{-2}\zeta(s),
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof. We obtain the asserted equalities by solving the equations (i)-(iv) in Lemma 4 for $B_{--}(s)$, $B_{-+}(s)$, $B_{+-}(s)$ and $B_{++}(s)$. ■

The Dedekind zeta function for the field K is given by

$$\zeta_K(s) = \prod_P \left(1 - \frac{1}{N(P)^s} \right)^{-1},$$

where the product is taken over all prime ideals of O_K .

Lemma 6. For $s > 1$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \zeta_K(s) &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^{2s}} \right)^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{1}{17^s} \right)^{-3} \\
 B_{--}(4s)B_{-+}(2s)^2B_{+-}(2s)B''_{++}(2s)^2B_{+-}(s)^2B'_{++}(s)^4.
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof. We split $\zeta_K(s)$ into seven products and make use of Lemma 1 to recognize each of these products in terms of the $B_{\epsilon,\eta}$. We have

$$\zeta_K(s) = \Pi_1\Pi_2\Pi_3\Pi_4\Pi_5\Pi_6\Pi_7,$$

where

$$\Pi_1 := \prod_{P|2O_K} \left(1 - \frac{1}{N(P)^s}\right)^{-1} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{4^s}\right)^{-1} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^{2s}}\right)^{-1},$$

$$\Pi_2 := \prod_{P|17O_K} \left(1 - \frac{1}{N(P)^s}\right)^{-1} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{17^s}\right)^{-3},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi_3 &:= \prod_{\substack{p \neq 2, 17 \\ \left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{17}{p}\right) = -1}} \prod_{P|pO_K} \left(1 - \frac{1}{N(P)^s}\right)^{-1} \\ &= \prod_{\substack{p \neq 2, 17 \\ \left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{17}{p}\right) = -1}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^{4s}}\right)^{-1} = B_{--}(4s), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi_4 &:= \prod_{\substack{p \neq 2, 17 \\ \left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = -1, \left(\frac{17}{p}\right) = 1}} \prod_{P|pO_K} \left(1 - \frac{1}{N(P)^s}\right)^{-1} \\ &= \prod_{\substack{p \neq 2, 17 \\ \left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = -1, \left(\frac{17}{p}\right) = 1}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^{2s}}\right)^{-2} = B_{-+}(2s)^2, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi_5 &:= \prod_{\substack{p \neq 2, 17 \\ \left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = 1, \left(\frac{17}{p}\right) = -1}} \prod_{P|pO_K} \left(1 - \frac{1}{N(P)^s}\right)^{-1} \\ &= \prod_{\substack{p \neq 2, 17 \\ \left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = 1, \left(\frac{17}{p}\right) = -1}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^{2s}}\right)^{-1} = B_{+-}(s)^2 B_{+-}(2s), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi_6 &:= \prod_{\substack{p \neq 2, 17 \\ \left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{17}{p}\right) = 1 \\ p = x^2 + 17y^2}} \prod_{P|pO_K} \left(1 - \frac{1}{N(P)^s}\right)^{-1} \\ &= \prod_{\substack{p \neq 2, 17 \\ \left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{17}{p}\right) = 1 \\ K_p = I}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-4} = B'_{++}(s)^4, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi_7 &:= \prod_{\substack{p \neq 2, 17 \\ \left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{17}{p}\right) = 1 \\ p=2x^2+2xy+9y^2}} \prod_{P|pO_K} \left(1 - \frac{1}{N(P)^s}\right)^{-1} \\ &= \prod_{\substack{p \neq 2, 17 \\ \left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{17}{p}\right) = 1 \\ K_p = A^2}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^{2s}}\right)^{-2} = B''_{++}(2s)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Multiplying $\Pi_1, \Pi_2, \dots, \Pi_7$ together, we obtain the asserted equality. \blacksquare

Lemma 7. For $s > 1$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} B'_{++}(s)^8 &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^s}\right)^2 \left(1 + \frac{1}{2^s}\right)^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{17^s}\right)^4 L(s, -4)^{-1} L(s, 17) L(s, -68) \\ &\quad \times B_{--}(4s)^{-2} B_{-+}(2s)^{-4} B_{+-}(2s)^{-4} B''_{++}(2s)^{-4} \zeta_K(s)^2 \zeta(s)^{-1}, \\ B''_{++}(s)^8 &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^s}\right)^2 \left(1 + \frac{1}{2^s}\right)^{-2} L(s, -4)^3 L(s, 17) L(s, -68) \\ &\quad \times B_{--}(4s)^2 B_{--}(2s)^{-4} B''_{++}(2s)^4 \zeta_K(s)^{-2} \zeta(s)^3. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. The first equality follows by replacing $B_{+-}(s)^4$ in the square of the equality in Lemma 6 by its value given in Lemma 5. The second equality then follows from $B'_{++}(s)^8 B''_{++}(s)^8 = B_{++}(s)^8$ and the value of $B_{++}(s)^8$ given by Lemma 5. \blacksquare

Lemma 8.

$$\begin{aligned} (i) \quad & B_{--}(2) B_{-+}(2) B_{+-}(2) B_{++}(2) = \frac{36\pi^2}{289}, \\ (ii) \quad & t_1(-68) = \frac{289}{36\pi^2} B_{-+}(2) B_{+-}(2). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. By Lemma 4(i) we have (as $\zeta(2) = \pi^2/6$)

$$B_{--}(2) B_{-+}(2) B_{+-}(2) B_{++}(2) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{17^2}\right) \zeta(2) = \frac{36}{289} \pi^2,$$

which is (i). Then

$$t_1(-68) = \frac{1}{B_{--}(2) B_{++}(2)} = \frac{289}{36\pi^2} B_{-+}(2) B_{+-}(2).$$

by (3.12), Definition 1 and (i). \blacksquare

Lemma 9.

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow 1^+} \left(\frac{\zeta_K(s)}{\zeta(s)} \right) = \frac{\pi^2}{4\sqrt{17}} \log \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{2 + 2\sqrt{17} + \sqrt{17}}}{4} \right).$$

Proof. By [7, Theorem 7.1, p. 326] we have

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow 1^+} (s - 1)\zeta_K(s) = \frac{2^{r_1+r_2}\pi^{r_2}R(K)h(K)}{w(K)|d(K)|^{1/2}} = \frac{\pi^2}{4\sqrt{17}} \log \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{2 + 2\sqrt{17} + \sqrt{17}}}{4} \right).$$

As

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow 1^+} (s - 1)\zeta(s) = 1$$

the asserted result follows. ■

Lemma 10.

$$L(1, -4) = \frac{\pi}{4}, \quad L(1, 17) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{17}} \log(4 + \sqrt{17}), \quad L(1, -68) = \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{17}}.$$

Proof. Dirichlet’s class number formula [7, Theorem 7.1, p. 326] for the quadratic field $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{d})$ of discriminant d asserts that

$$L(1, d) = \frac{2h(d) \log \eta(d)}{\sqrt{d}}, \quad \text{if } d > 0,$$

and

$$L(1, d) = \frac{2\pi h(d)}{w(d)\sqrt{|d|}}, \quad \text{if } d < 0,$$

where $h(d)$ is the class number of $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{d})$, $\eta(d)$ is the fundamental unit > 1 of $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{d})$ when $d > 0$, and $w(d) = 2, 4$ or 6 according as $d < -4$, $d = -4$ or $d = -3$ when $d < 0$. As

$$h(-4) = 1, \quad h(17) = 1, \quad h(-68) = 4, \quad \eta(17) = 4 + \sqrt{17}$$

the asserted result follows. ■

Lemma 11.

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow 1^+} \left(\frac{B_{--}(s)}{B_{++}(s)} \right)^2 = \frac{17\sqrt{17}B_{--}(2)^2B_{-+}(2)B_{+-}(2)}{4\pi \log(4 + \sqrt{17})}.$$

Proof. By Lemma 5 we have

$$\left(\frac{B_{--}(s)}{B_{++}(s)}\right)^2 = \left(1 - \frac{1}{2s}\right)^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{1}{17s}\right)^{-1} L(s, -4)^{-1} L(s, 17)^{-1} \\ \times B_{--}(2s)^2 B_{-+}(2s) B_{+-}(2s).$$

Letting $s \rightarrow 1^+$ and appealing to Lemma 10, we obtain the asserted limit. ■

Lemma 12.

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow 1^+} \left(\frac{B'_{++}(s)}{B''_{++}(s)}\right)^2 = \frac{24\pi}{17\sqrt{17}} \log \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{2 + 2\sqrt{17}} + \sqrt{17}}{4}\right) \\ \times B_{--}(4)^{-1} B_{--}(2) B_{-+}(2)^{-1} B_{+-}(2)^{-1} B''_{++}(2)^{-2}.$$

Proof. By Lemma 7 we have

$$\left(\frac{B'_{++}(s)}{B''_{++}(s)}\right)^2 = \left(1 + \frac{1}{2s}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{17s}\right) L(s, -4)^{-1} B_{--}(4s)^{-1} B_{--}(2s) B_{-+}(2s)^{-1} \\ \times B_{+-}(2s)^{-1} B''_{++}(2s)^{-2} \left(\frac{\zeta_K(s)}{\zeta(s)}\right).$$

Letting $s \rightarrow 1+$ and appealing to Lemmas 9 and 10, we obtain the asserted limit. ■

We note (in the notation of Section 3) that

$$K_2 = [2, 2, 9] = A^2, \\ K_{17} = [17, 0, 1] = [1, 0, 17] = I, \\ \chi(A^j, A^k) = i^{jk}, \\ l(A^j, -68) = \left(1 + \frac{\chi(A^j, A^2)}{2}\right) \left(1 + \frac{\chi(A^j, I)}{17}\right) = \left(1 + \frac{(-1)^j}{2}\right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{17}\right) \\ = \begin{cases} \frac{9}{17}, & \text{if } j = 1, 3, \\ \frac{27}{17}, & \text{if } j = 2. \end{cases}$$

Lemma 13.

$$j(A, -68) = j(A^3, -68) = \frac{17\sqrt{17}B_{-+}(2)B_{+-}(2)}{24\pi \log \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{2 + 2\sqrt{17}} + \sqrt{17}}{4}\right)},$$

$$j(A^2, -68) = \frac{17\sqrt{17}B_{-+}(2)B_{+-}(2)}{4\pi \log(4 + \sqrt{17})}.$$

Proof. For $r = 1, 2, 3$ we have by (3.7)

$$j(A^r, -68) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 1^+} \prod_{\substack{p \neq 2, 17 \\ \left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{17}{p}\right)}} \left(1 - \frac{\chi(A^r, K_p)}{p^s}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\chi(A^{-r}, K_p)}{p^s}\right).$$

Thus, by Lemmas 1 and 2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} j(A^r, -68) &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 1^+} \prod_{\substack{\left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{17}{p}\right) = 1 \\ K_p = I}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^2 \prod_{\substack{\left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{17}{p}\right) = 1 \\ K_p = A^2}} \left(1 - \frac{(-1)^r}{p^s}\right)^2 \\ &\times \prod_{\substack{\left(\frac{-1}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{17}{p}\right) = -1}} \left(1 - \frac{i^r}{p^s}\right) \left(1 - \frac{i^{-r}}{p^s}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} j(A^2, -68) &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 1^+} B_{++}(s)^{-2} A_{--}(s)^{-2} \\ &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{1}{B_{--}(2s)^2} \left(\frac{B_{--}(s)}{B_{++}(s)}\right)^2 \quad (\text{by Lemma 3}) \\ &= \frac{1}{B_{--}(2)^2} \lim_{s \rightarrow 1^+} \left(\frac{B_{--}(s)}{B_{++}(s)}\right)^2. \end{aligned}$$

The determination of $j(A^2, -68)$ now follows by Lemma 11.

Finally

$$\begin{aligned} j(A, -68) &= j(A^3, -68) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 1^+} B'_{++}(s)^{-2} A''_{++}(s)^{-2} A_{--}(2s)^{-1} \\ &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{B_{--}(2s)}{B''_{++}(2s)^2 B_{--}(4s)} \left(\frac{B'_{++}(s)}{B''_{++}(s)}\right)^{-2} \quad (\text{by Lemma 3}) \\ &= \frac{B_{--}(2)}{B''_{++}(2)^2 B_{--}(4)} \lim_{s \rightarrow 1^+} \left(\frac{B'_{++}(s)}{B''_{++}(s)}\right)^{-2}. \end{aligned}$$

The determination of $j(A, -68)$ now follows by Lemma 12. ■

Lemma 14.

$$\begin{aligned} E(I, -68) &= \frac{1}{4} \log \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{2 + 2\sqrt{17}} + \sqrt{17}}{4} \right) + \frac{1}{16} \log(4 + \sqrt{17}), \\ E(A^2, -68) &= -\frac{1}{4} \log \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{2 + 2\sqrt{17}} + \sqrt{17}}{4} \right) + \frac{1}{16} \log(4 + \sqrt{17}). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. From (3.10) we have for $r = 0, 1, 2, 3$

$$\begin{aligned} E(A^r, -68) &= \frac{\pi\sqrt{68}w(-68)}{48h(-68)} \sum_{m=1}^3 \chi(A^m, A^r)^{-1} \frac{t_1(-68)}{j(A^m, -68)} l(A^m, -68) \\ &= \frac{289\sqrt{17}}{1728\pi} B_{-+}(2)B_{+-}(2) \sum_{m=1}^3 i^{-mr} \frac{l(A^m, -68)}{j(A^m, -68)} \quad (\text{by Lemma 8(ii)}) \\ &= \frac{17\sqrt{17}}{192\pi} B_{-+}(2)B_{+-}(2) \left(\frac{i^{-r}}{j(A, -68)} + 3 \frac{i^{-2r}}{j(A^2, -68)} + \frac{i^{-3r}}{j(A^3, -68)} \right). \end{aligned}$$

The asserted results now follow by taking $r = 0$ and $r = 2$ and appealing to Lemma 13. ■

From Proposition 2(b) and Lemma 14 we obtain

$$f_0(\sqrt{-17}) = 2^{1/4} \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{2 + 2\sqrt{17}} + \sqrt{17}}{4} \right)^{1/2}$$

in agreement with [9, p. 721].

Theorem 2.

$$\begin{aligned} K[\sqrt{17}] &= 2^{-9/2} 17^{-1/2} \pi^{1/2} (\sqrt{17} - 4)^{1/8} \\ &\quad \times (1 + \sqrt{2 + 2\sqrt{17}} + \sqrt{17})^{3/2} \left\{ \prod_{m=1}^{68} \Gamma\left(\frac{m}{68}\right)^{\binom{-68}{m}} \right\}^{1/8}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. We apply Theorem 1(b) with $\lambda = 17$ so that $K = [1, 0, 17] = I$ and $M_0 = [2, 2, 9] = A^2$. We obtain

$$K[\sqrt{17}] = 2^{-3/2} \pi^{1/2} 17^{-1/2} \left\{ \prod_{m=1}^{68} \Gamma\left(\frac{m}{68}\right)^{\binom{-68}{m}} \right\}^{1/8} e^{2E(I, -68) - 4E(A^2, -68)}.$$

By Lemma 14 we have

$$2E(I, -68) - 4E(A^2, -68) = \frac{3}{2} \log \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{2 + 2\sqrt{17}} + \sqrt{17}}{4} \right) - \frac{1}{8} \log(4 + \sqrt{17}),$$

so that

$$e^{2E(I, -68) - 4E(A^2, -68)} = \frac{\left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{2 + 2\sqrt{17}} + \sqrt{17}}{4} \right)^{3/2}}{(4 + \sqrt{17})^{1/8}}$$

$$= 2^{-3}(\sqrt{17} - 4)^{1/8} \left(1 + \sqrt{2 + 2\sqrt{17} + \sqrt{17}} \right)^{3/2},$$

and Theorem 2 follows. ■

In a similar manner it can be shown that the singular modulus $k(17)$ is given by

$$k(17) = \frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{U} - \sqrt{V}) = 0.006156\dots,$$

where

$$U = 21 + 5\sqrt{17} - 8\sqrt{2 + 2\sqrt{17}} - 6\sqrt{2\sqrt{17} - 2}$$

and

$$V = -19 - 5\sqrt{17} + 8\sqrt{2 + 2\sqrt{17}} + 6\sqrt{2\sqrt{17} - 2}.$$

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