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Bryden R. Cais* (bryden.cais@gmail.com), 805 Sherbrooke St. West, Montreal, Quebec H2K4A1, Canada. *Modular curves and modular representations of SL_2 .*

Abstract: Fix a prime p and let $X(p)$ be the modular curve over the integers classifying elliptic curves with full-level p structure. The group $G := SL_2(\mathbf{F}_p)$ acts on $X(p)$ and hence on its (sheaf) cohomology. In this talk, we will investigate the structure of the $\mathbf{Z}[G]$ -module M given by the global sections of the canonical sheaf. In particular, we will describe the reduction modulo p of M as a mod p (modular) representations of G . This description relies heavily on the geometry of $X(p)$ in characteristic p and uses Rosenlicht's description of the dualizing sheaf in terms of regular differential forms. (Received September 04, 2009)