

BOSTON UNIVERSITY NUMBER THEORY SEMINAR

Λ -adic Waldspurger Packets

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Abstract: Waldspurger has shown that the genuine automorphic cuspidal representations of the metaplectic cover S of SL_2 are divided naturally into packets, and that these packets are indexed by the cuspidal automorphic representations of PGL_2 . We construct packets of Λ -adic modular forms of half integral weight, indexed by Λ -adic forms on PGL_2 . The elements of the Λ -adic packets are nonzero, but they have specializations that vanish, owing to a trivial zero phenomenon and the sign of a complex root number. This is in contrast to the usual trivial zero phenomenon which arises from the vanishing of a p -adic factor.