Kudla–Rapoport conjecture for Krämer models

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- Summary of the proof: relate theta series and Eisenstein series.
- A simplest instance of the more general Siegel–Weil formula.

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- Extended to complete generality: [Kudla–Rallis, Ikeda, Ichino, Yamana, Gan–Qiu–Takeda, ...] Chao Li (Columbia) 6/13/2023 [Kudla–Rapoport conjecture for Krämer models](#page-0-0) 3/13/2023

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- *X* is a Shimura variety of abelian type. Its étale cohomology and *L*-function are computed in forthcoming [Kisin–Shin–Zhu], under the help of the endoscopic classification for unitary groups [Mok, Kaletha–Minguez–Shin–White].

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- Its degree deg $Z(T, \varphi)$ = geometric intersection number of *n* special divisors.

Theorem (Kudla, 1990s, Geometric Siegel–Weil formula)

Take $n = m - 1$. Assume that X is compact. Then

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