Séminaire de théorie des nombres

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The modularity of Calabi–Yau threefolds over Q

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Résumé : We will discuss the modularity of Galois representations associated to Calabi–Yau threefolds over \mathbf{Q} . We can show that any rigid Calabi–Yau threefold over \mathbf{Q} is modular i.e., its two-dimensional Galois representation comes from a modular form of weight 4 on some some congruence subgroup of $PSL_2(\mathbf{Z})$. However, when a Calabi–Yau threefold is non-rigid, the dimension of the Galois representation gets rather large, and the modularity question poses a serious challenge. We will construct explicit examples of non-rigid Calabi–Yau threefolds fibered over \mathbf{P}^1 by non-constant semi-stable K3 surfaces and reaching the Arakelov–Yau upper bound. For these examples, we prove that the "interesting" part of their *L*-series do come from modular forms.