

Classical Modular Forms in Pari/GP

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```
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This is in fact used by the function `mfsearch`:

```
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```

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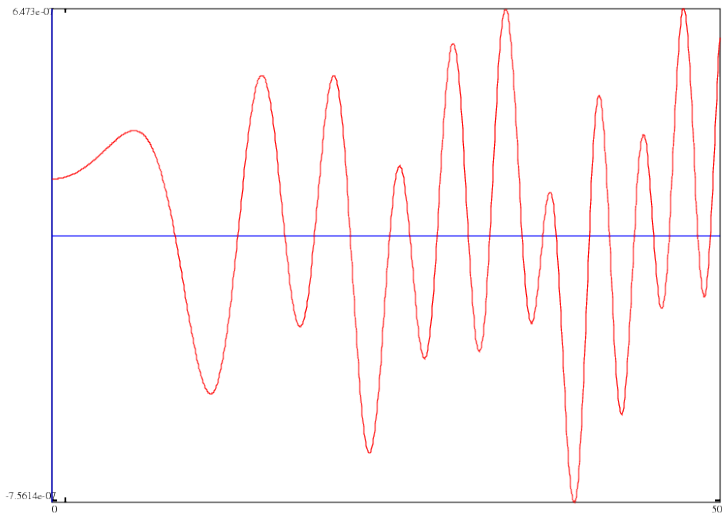
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