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modular L -functions modulo ℓ .*

Let $F(z)$ be a newform of integer weight $2k$, and let $L(F_D, s)$ be the L -function of F twisted by the Kronecker character corresponding to the quadratic field of discriminant D . We study the algebraic parts of the central critical values of these twists modulo primes ℓ . In particular, we show that if there are 2 fundamental discriminants D with the property that $L(F_D, k)$ is not divisible by ℓ , then there infinitely many fundamental D with this property. (Received February 14, 2006)