# The functional equation <br> for L-functions of hyperelliptic curves <br> Jahrestagung SPP 1489, Osnabrück 

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Next: Class of hyperelliptic curves over $\mathbb{Q}$ with semistable reduction everywhere

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