## NON-HYPERELLIPTIC MODULAR CURVES OF GENUS 3

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ABSTRACT. A curve C defined over  $\mathbb Q$  is modular of level N if there exists a nonconstant morphism  $X_1(N) \longrightarrow C$  defined over  $\mathbb Q$  for some positive integer N. We present an algorithm to compute explicitly equations for modular non-hyperelliptic curves defined over  $\mathbb Q$  of genus 3. Let C be a modular curve of level N, we say that C is new if the corresponding morphism between  $J_1(N)$  and Jac(C) factorizes through the new part of  $J_1(N)$ . We compute equations of 44 non-hyperelliptic new modular curves of genus 3, that we conjecture to be the complete list of this kind of curves. Furthermore, we describe some aspects of non-new modular curves.