

### 39. Zeta Zeros, Hurwitz Zeta Functions and $L(1, \chi)$

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**§ 1. Introduction.** Let  $a$  be a positive number  $<1$ . We are concerned with the value distribution of the Hurwitz zeta function  $\zeta(s, a) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+a)^s}$  (for  $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 1$ ), at the zeros of the Riemann zeta function  $\zeta(s)$ .

Although  $\zeta(s, a)$  has many good properties like  $\zeta(s)$ , it fails to have the Euler product formula except when  $a = 1/2$ , in which case we have  $\zeta(s, 1/2) = (2^s - 1)\zeta(s)$ . So it might be interesting to clarify how any problem concerning  $\zeta(s, a)$  depends on  $a$ . We assume the Riemann Hypothesis throughout this article and prove the following theorem. To state our theorem, we put  $L_a(1) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{e(-na)}{n}$  with  $e(y) = e^{2\pi i y}$  and  $A(x) = \log p$  if  $x = p^k$  with a prime number  $p$  and an integer  $k \geq 1$ , and  $=0$  otherwise. We denote the imaginary parts of the zeros of  $\zeta(s)$  by  $\gamma$ .

**Theorem.** *For any positive  $a < 1$ ,*

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2\pi}{T} \sum_{0 < \gamma \leq T} \zeta\left(\frac{1}{2} + i\gamma, a\right) = -A\left(\frac{1}{a}\right) - L_a(1).$$

From this theorem we see first that for any integer  $k \geq 2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \cdots + \frac{1}{k-1} - \frac{k-1}{k} + \frac{1}{k+1} + \frac{1}{k+2} + \cdots \\ + \frac{1}{2k-1} - \frac{k-1}{2k} + \frac{1}{2k+1} + \cdots \\ = \log k, \end{aligned}$$

since  $\sum_{b=1}^{k-1} \zeta(s, b/k) = (k^s - 1)\zeta(s)$  and  $\sum_{b=1}^{k-1} A(k/b) = \sum_{m|k} A(m) = \log k$ . (We know, of course, that this can be proved in an elementary way.)

We see next that for any primitive character  $\chi \pmod{q \geq 3}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2\pi}{T} \sum_{b=1}^{q-1} \bar{\chi}(b) \sum_{0 < \gamma \leq T} \zeta\left(\frac{1}{2} + i\gamma, \frac{b}{q}\right) \\ = - \sum_{b=1}^{q-1} \bar{\chi}(b) A\left(\frac{q}{b}\right) - \sum_{b=1}^{q-1} L_{b/q}(1) \bar{\chi}(b) \\ = -A(q) - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{b=1}^{q-1} e\left(-\frac{b}{q} n\right) \bar{\chi}(b) \\ = -A(q) - \tau(\chi) L(1, \chi), \end{aligned}$$

where  $L(s, \chi)$  is the Dirichlet  $L$ -function and  $\tau(\chi) = \sum_{b=1}^q \chi(b) e(b/q)$ . Moreover since  $\zeta(s, b/q)$  can be written as a linear combination of  $L$ -functions, we get the following new expressions of  $L(1, \chi)$  (cf. also [5] and [6] for other type of expressions).

**Corollary.** *For any primitive character  $\chi \pmod{q \geq 3}$ ,*

$$\begin{aligned} L(1, \chi) &= -\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2\pi}{T} \sum_{0 < r \leq T} \left( \sum_{b=1}^{q-1} \bar{\chi}(b) \zeta\left(\frac{1}{2} + ir, \frac{b}{q}\right) - q^{(1/2)+ir} \right) \frac{1}{\bar{\tau}(\chi)} \\ &= -\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2\pi}{T} \sum_{0 < r \leq T} \frac{q^{(1/2)+ir}}{\bar{\tau}(\chi)} \left( L\left(\frac{1}{2} + ir, \bar{\chi}\right) - 1 \right). \end{aligned}$$

We should remark that this corollary can be proved directly by evaluating the sum  $\sum_{0 < r \leq T} x^{(1/2)+ir} (L((1/2)+ir, \bar{\chi}) - 1)$ . In fact, it should be compared with the result (cf. [2] and [3]) for  $x=1$ :

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2\pi}{T} \sum_{0 < r \leq T} \left( L\left(\frac{1}{2} + ir, \bar{\chi}\right) - 1 \right) = -L(1, \chi) \bar{\tau}(\chi) \frac{\mu(q)}{\varphi(q)} + \frac{L'}{L}(1, \bar{\chi}),$$

where  $\mu(q)$  is the Möbius function and  $\varphi(q)$  is the Euler function. We remark also that our results can be extended to the zeros of Dirichlet  $L$ -functions. These will appear elsewhere.

To prove our theorem we shall use the following lemmas which are the refinements of Theorems 1' and 2' in [2] and can be obtained by refining the author's proof in [1] (cf. [4]).

**Lemma A.** *For  $x > 1$  and  $T > T_0$ , we have*

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{0 < r \leq T} x^{ir} &= -\frac{T}{2\pi} \frac{\Lambda(x)}{\sqrt{x}} + M(x, T) + O(\sqrt{x} \log(2x)) \\ &\quad + O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \sum_{\substack{(x/2) < n < 2x \\ n \neq x}} \Lambda(n) \text{Min}\left(T, \frac{1}{|\log\left(\frac{x}{n}\right)|}\right)\right) \\ &\quad + O\left(\sqrt{x} \sqrt{\frac{\log T}{\log \log T}}\right) + O\left(x^{1/\log \log T} \log(2x) \frac{\log T}{\log \log T}\right), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} M(x, T) &\equiv \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_1^T x^{it} \log\left(\frac{t}{2\pi}\right) dt \\ &= \begin{cases} \frac{x^{it} \log(T/2\pi)}{2\pi i \log x} + O\left(\frac{1}{\log x} + \frac{1}{\log^2 x}\right) & \text{if } \frac{1}{\log T} \ll \log x \\ O\left(\text{Min}\left(\frac{\log T}{\log x}, T \log T\right)\right) & \text{if } \log x \ll \frac{1}{\log T}. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma B.** *Suppose that  $0 < (2\pi\alpha/b) \leq Y < T$ ,  $(T/2\pi\alpha) \gg 1$  and  $T > T_0$ . Then we have for any positive  $b \leq 2$ ,*

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{Y < r \leq T} e\left(\frac{br}{2\pi} \log \frac{br}{2\pi e\alpha}\right) &= -e^{\pi i/4} \frac{\sqrt{\alpha}}{b} \sum_{(Yb/2\pi\alpha)^b \leq n \leq (Tb/2\pi\alpha)^b} \Lambda(n) n^{(1/2)((1/b)-1)} e(-\alpha n^{1/b}) \\ &\quad + O\left(T^{2/5} \left(\frac{T}{2\pi\alpha}\right)^{b/2}\right) + O\left(\left(T^{1/2} \left(\frac{T}{2\pi\alpha}\right)^{-b/2} + Y^{1/2} \left(\frac{Y}{2\pi\alpha}\right)^{-b/2}\right) \log \frac{T}{2\pi\alpha}\right) \\ &\quad + O\left(\log T \cdot \text{Min}\left(\frac{1}{\log \frac{Y}{2\pi\alpha}}, \sqrt{\alpha} + 1\right)\right). \end{aligned}$$

**§ 2. Proof of Theorem.** We suppose that  $(1/T) \ll \log 1/a$ . Using the approximate functional equation of  $\zeta(s, a)$  due to Rane (cf. p. 204 of [9]), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{0 < r \leq T} \zeta\left(\frac{1}{2} + ir, a\right) &= \sum_{0 < r \leq T} \sum_{0 \leq n \leq \sqrt{r}/2\pi} (n+a)^{-(1/2)-ir} \\
&\quad + \sum_{0 < r \leq T} e\left(-\frac{r}{2\pi} \log \frac{r}{2\pi e}\right) e^{\pi i/4} \sum_{1 \leq m \leq \sqrt{r}/2\pi} e(-ma)m^{-(1/2)+ir} \\
&\quad + O\left(\sum_{0 < r \leq T} r^{-1/4}\right) \\
&= a^{-1/2} \sum_{0 < r \leq T} a^{-ir} + \sum_{1 \leq n \leq \sqrt{T}/2\pi} (n+a)^{-1/2} \sum_{2\pi n^2 \leq r \leq T} (n+a)^{-ir} \\
&\quad + e^{\pi i/4} \sum_{1 \leq m \leq \sqrt{T}/2\pi} e(-ma)m^{-1/2} \sum_{2\pi m^2 \leq r \leq T} e\left(-\frac{r}{2\pi} \log \frac{r}{2\pi em}\right) \\
&\quad + O(T^{3/4} \log T) \\
&= S_1 + S_2 + S_3 + O(T^{3/4} \log T), \text{ say.}
\end{aligned}$$

Using Lemma A, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
S_1 &= -\frac{T}{2\pi} \Lambda\left(\frac{1}{a}\right) + O\left(\frac{1}{a} \log\left(\frac{2}{a}\right)\right) + O\left(\frac{\log T}{\log \frac{1}{a} \cdot \sqrt{a}}\right) \\
&\quad + O\left(\sum_{\substack{(1/2a) < n < 2(1/a) \\ n \neq 1/a}} \Lambda(n) \min\left(T, \frac{1}{|\log(\frac{1}{na})|}\right)\right) \\
&\quad + O\left(\frac{1}{a} \sqrt{\frac{\log T}{\log \log T}}\right) + O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} \left(\frac{1}{a}\right)^{1/\log \log T} \log\left(\frac{2}{a}\right) \frac{\log T}{\log \log T}\right) \\
&= -\frac{T}{2\pi} \Lambda\left(\frac{1}{a}\right) + O\left(\frac{1}{a} \log\left(\frac{2}{a}\right) \log \log\left(\frac{3}{a}\right)\right) + O\left(\frac{\log T}{\log \frac{1}{a} \cdot \sqrt{a}}\right) \\
&\quad + O\left(\frac{1}{a} \sqrt{\frac{\log T}{\log \log T}}\right) + O\left(\Lambda(n(a)) \min\left(T, \frac{1/a}{|\frac{1}{a} - n(a)|}\right)\right) \\
&\quad + O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} \left(\frac{1}{a}\right)^{1/\log \log T} \log\left(\frac{2}{a}\right) \frac{\log T}{\log \log T}\right),
\end{aligned}$$

where  $n(a)$  is the nearest integer to  $1/a$  other than  $1/a$  itself.

Using Lemma A, we get also

$$\begin{aligned}
S_2 &= \sum_{1 \leq n \leq \sqrt{T}/2\pi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+a}} \left\{ O(\sqrt{n+a} \log(n+a)) + O\left(\frac{\log T}{\log(n+a)}\right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n+a}} \sum_{\substack{(1/2)(n+a) < m < 2(n+a) \\ m \neq n+a}} \Lambda(m) \frac{1}{|\log(\frac{m}{n+a})|}\right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + O\left((n+a)^{1/\log \log T} \log(2(n+a)) \frac{\log T}{\log \log T}\right)\right\} \\
&= O(\sqrt{T} \log T) + O\left(\sum_{1 \leq n \leq \sqrt{T}/2\pi} \sum_{\substack{(1/2)(n+a) < m < 2(n+a) \\ m \neq n, n+1}} \frac{\Lambda(m)}{|n+a-m|}\right) + O\left(\sum_{1 \leq n \leq \sqrt{T}/2\pi} \frac{\Lambda(n)}{\|a\|}\right) \\
&= O\left(\sqrt{T} \left(\log T \cdot \log \log T + \frac{1}{\|a\|}\right)\right),
\end{aligned}$$

where  $\|a\| = \min(a, 1-a)$ .

Using Lemma B, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
S_3 &= e^{\pi i/4} \sum_{1 \leq m \leq \sqrt{T/2\pi}} e(-ma) m^{-1/2} \left\{ -e^{-\pi i/4} \sqrt{m} \sum_{m < n < (T/2\pi)m} \Lambda(n) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + O\left(T^{9/10} \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}}\right) + O(\sqrt{m} \log T) + O\left(\frac{\log T}{\log(3m)}\right) \right\} \\
&= -\frac{T}{2\pi} \sum_{1 \leq m \leq \sqrt{T/2\pi}} \frac{e(-ma)}{m} + \sum_{1 \leq m \leq \sqrt{T/2\pi}} m \cdot e(-ma) + O(T^{9/10} \log T) \\
&= -\frac{T}{2\pi} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{e(-ma)}{m} + O\left(\frac{\sqrt{T}}{\|a\|}\right) + O(T^{9/10} \log T).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus if we fix  $a$ , then we get

$$\sum_{0 < \gamma \leq T} \zeta\left(\frac{1}{2} + i\gamma, a\right) = -\frac{T}{2\pi} \left( A\left(\frac{1}{a}\right) + L_a(1) \right) + O(T^{9/10} \log T).$$

This proves our theorem with the remainder term.

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