

7. Zeros, Eigenvalues and Arithmetic

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Let γ run over the imaginary parts of the non-trivial zeros of the Riemann zeta function $\zeta(s)$. Let $1/4+r^2$ run over the eigenvalues of the discrete spectrum of the Laplace-Beltrami operator in L^2 (the upper half plane $/\Gamma$), where we take $\Gamma=PSL(2, \mathbf{Z})$. Let α be a positive number. Here we introduce the zeta functions defined by

$$Z_\alpha(s) = \sum_{\gamma>0} \frac{\sin(\alpha\gamma)}{\gamma^s} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathfrak{Z}_\alpha(s) = \sum_{r>0} \frac{\sin(\alpha r)}{r^s}.$$

We are concerned with their analytic properties and their arithmetic.

To state our results we shall introduce some notations. $\Lambda(\cdot)$ is the von Mangoldt function. Let $\{P_0\}$ run over the primitive hyperbolic conjugacy classes in $PSL(2, \mathbf{Z})$. $N(P_0)$ denotes the square of the eigenvalue (>1) of a representative P_0 . For a hyperbolic conjugacy class $\{P\}$ satisfying $P=P_0^k$ with a natural number k , we put $\hat{\Lambda}(P) = (\log N(P_0))/(1-N(P)^{-1})$, where $N(P)=N(P_0)^k$. $A(\Gamma)$ denotes the area of the fundamental domain of Γ , which is equal to $\pi/3$. We assume the Riemann Hypothesis to get the results on γ or on $Z_\alpha(s)$. The following theorem describes a property of the distribution of γ or r .

Theorem 1. *Let $T>T_0$ and α be a positive number. Then*

$$\text{i) } \sum_{0<\gamma\leq T} e^{i\alpha\gamma} = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\Lambda(e^\alpha)}{e^{\alpha/2}} T + \frac{e^{i\alpha T}}{2\pi i \alpha} \log T + O\left(\frac{\log T}{\log \log T}\right)$$

and

$$\text{ii) } \sum_{0<r\leq T} e^{i\alpha r} = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\Lambda(e^{\alpha/2})}{e^{\alpha/2}} T + \frac{A(\Gamma)}{2\pi i \alpha} T e^{i\alpha T} + \frac{e^{-\alpha/2}}{2\pi} \left(\sum_{N(P)=e^\alpha} \hat{\Lambda}(P) \right) T + O\left(\frac{T}{\log T}\right).$$

We remark that i) is a refinement of Landau's theorem and has been proved by the author in [3]. ii) can be proved by the same method. Venkov [11] has studied the asymptotic behavior of the sum $\sum_{r>0} \cos(\alpha r) e^{-tr^2}$ as $t \rightarrow +0$. We see by this theorem that for any positive α as $m \rightarrow \infty$, $\sum_{0<\gamma\leq m} \sin(\alpha\gamma)/\gamma^s$ converges to $Z_\alpha(s)$ if $\text{Re } s > 0$ and $\sum_{0<r\leq m} \sin(\alpha r)/r^s$ converges to $\mathfrak{Z}_\alpha(s)$ if $\text{Re } s > 1$. Using the Poisson summation formula and the Selberg trace formula, we can show the following theorem.

Theorem 2. *For any positive α , $Z_\alpha(s)$ and $\mathfrak{Z}_\alpha(s)$ are entire.*

We remark that $\sum_{r>0} r^{-s}$ has been studied by Guinand [5] and Delsarte [2]. $\sum_{r>0} (1/4+r^2)^{-s}$ has been studied by Minakshisundaram and Pleijel [9]. In a similar manner we can prove our Theorem 2 and also study the zeta functions $\sum_{r>0} \cos(\alpha r)/r^s$ and $\sum_{r>0} \cos(\alpha r)/r^s$.

As is usual in the theory of numbers, the values of the zeta functions at $s=1$ play important roles. The explicit formula for $Z_\alpha(1)$ is well known (cf. (2.7) of Guinand [5]) and the oscillation of $Z_\alpha(1)$ as $\alpha \rightarrow \infty$ is essentially that of $-e^{-\alpha/2}/2 (\sum_{n \leq e^\alpha} \Lambda(n) - e^\alpha)$. On the contrary, the evaluation of $\mathfrak{Z}_\alpha(1)$ is more complicated. As a direct by-product of the proof of Theorem 2 above, we can express $\mathfrak{Z}_\alpha(1)$ explicitly. In particular, we obtain the following corollary.

Corollary 1. As $\alpha \rightarrow \infty$,

$$\mathfrak{Z}_\alpha(1) = \frac{1}{2} e^{-\alpha/2} \left(\sum_{N(P) \leq e^\alpha} \tilde{\Lambda}(P) - e^\alpha \right) + O(\alpha).$$

Thus we see that that $\mathfrak{Z}_\alpha(1)$ plays the same role in the theory of the distribution of $\tilde{\Lambda}(P)$ as does $Z_\alpha(1)$ in the prime number theory (cf. also Corollary 1' below).

The values of the zeta functions at $s=0$ play also important roles. As by-products of the proof of Theorem 2, we can evaluate $Z_\alpha(0)$ or $\mathfrak{Z}_\alpha(0)$ explicitly. We mention only the following corollary.

Corollary 2. i) $\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \log n} (\alpha - \log n) Z_\alpha(0) = -\frac{\Lambda(n)}{\sqrt{n}}$.

ii) $\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 2 \log n} (\alpha - 2 \log n) \mathfrak{Z}_\alpha(0) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\Lambda(n)}{n}$ and

$$\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \log N(P_1)} (\alpha - \log N(P_1)) \mathfrak{Z}_\alpha(0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{N(P)=N(P_1)} \frac{\tilde{\Lambda}(P)}{\sqrt{N(P)}},$$

where $\{P_1\}$ is any hyperbolic conjugacy class.

We remark here that if we use Kuznecov's version [7], [8] of Selberg's trace formula to prove Theorem 2, then we get another expression for $\mathfrak{Z}_\alpha(1)$ and $\mathfrak{Z}_\alpha(0)$. In particular, we obtain the following corollaries.

Corollary 1'. As $\alpha \rightarrow \infty$,

$$\mathfrak{Z}_\alpha(1) = \left(\sum_{n \leq e^{\alpha/2}} B(n) - e^{\alpha/2} \right) + O(\alpha),$$

where $B(n)$ is the residue at $s=1$ of the function $\zeta(2s) \sum_{c=1}^\infty A_n(c)/c^s$ and $A_n(c)$ is the number of the solutions of $x^2 + nx + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{c}$.

Corollary 2'. For $n \geq 3$,

$$\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 2 \log \left(\frac{n + \sqrt{n^2 - 4}}{2} \right)} \left(\alpha - 2 \log \frac{n + \sqrt{n^2 - 4}}{2} \right) \mathfrak{Z}_\alpha(0) = \frac{1}{\pi} B(n).$$

We can rewrite the second part of ii) of Corollary 2 and Corollary 2' in the following form.

Corollary 3. Let n be an integer ≥ 3 . Suppose that $n^2 - 4 = Q^2 D$

and D is square free. Let χ be the character of the quadratic number field $\mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{n^2-4})$ and $L(s, \chi)$ be the Dirichlet L -function. Then

$$\begin{aligned} L(1, \chi) &= \pi F(n)^{-1} \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 2 \log \frac{n + \sqrt{n^2-4}}{2}} \left(\alpha - 2 \log \frac{n + \sqrt{n^2-4}}{2} \right) \mathfrak{B}_\alpha(0) \\ &= \frac{\log(n + \sqrt{n^2-4})/2}{\sqrt{n^2-4}} \Phi(n) F(n)^{-1}, \end{aligned}$$

where we put

$$\begin{aligned} F(n) &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} \chi(2) \right) \prod_{\substack{p|Q \\ p>2}} \left(1 - \frac{\chi(p)}{p} \right) v_2(1, n) \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \right)^{-1} \prod_{\substack{p|n^2-4 \\ p>2}} \left(1 + \frac{1}{p} \right)^{-1} v_p(1, n) \\ v_p(1, n) &= 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{A_n(p^k)}{p^k} \end{aligned}$$

for a prime number p ,

$$\Phi(n) = \sum_{d>0, d^2|n^2-4} \frac{h(n^2-4, 2d)}{\nu(n, d)}, \quad h(n^2-4, 2d)$$

is the number of the classes of the quadratic forms $ax^2 + 2bxy + cy^2$ such that $b^2 - ac = n^2 - 4$ and $(a, 2b, c) = 2d$,

$$\nu(n, d) = \text{Max} \{ \nu; \nu | k \text{ and } (\eta_n^k - \eta_n^{-k}) / (\eta_n^{k/\nu} - \eta_n^{-k/\nu}) | d \},$$

η_n is the fundamental unit of $\mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{n^2-4})$ and $\eta_n^k = (n + \sqrt{n^2-4})/2$.

Thus we get some new expressions for $L(1, \chi)$. In fact, from the second expression for $L(1, \chi)$ in the above corollary, we can derive Dirichlet's class number formula for the real quadratic number fields.

Finally, we shall describe some special asymptotic behaviors of the partial sums $\sum_{0 < r \leq m} \sin(\alpha r) / r^\sigma$ or $\sum_{0 < r \leq m} \sin(\alpha r) / r^\sigma$ as $m \rightarrow \infty$. Namely, we show that they present Gibbs's phenomenon at certain points. Our results may be described as follows.

Theorem 3. Let p be a prime number, k be an integer ≥ 1 and m run over the integers ≥ 1 .

i-1). For any σ in $0 < \sigma < 1$,

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\pi}{m} \right)^{1-\sigma} \sum_{0 < r \leq m} \frac{\sin(r(\log p^k \pm \pi/m))}{r^\sigma} = \mp \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\log p}{p^{k/2}} \int_0^\pi \frac{\sin t}{t^\sigma} dt$$

and

$$\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \log p^{k \pm 0}} |\alpha - \log p^k|^{1-\sigma} Z_\alpha(\sigma) = \mp \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\log p}{p^{k/2}} \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin t}{t^\sigma} dt.$$

i-2).

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{0 < r \leq m} \frac{\sin(r(\log p^k \pm \pi/m))}{r} - Z_{\log p^k}(1) = \mp \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\log p}{p^{k/2}} \int_0^\pi \frac{\sin t}{t} dt$$

and

$$\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \log p^{k \pm 0}} Z_\alpha(1) - Z_{\log p^k}(1) = \mp \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\log p}{p^{k/2}} \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin t}{t} dt.$$

i-3). For any σ in $0 < \sigma \leq 1$,

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\pi}{m} \right)^{1-\sigma} \frac{1}{\log(m/\pi)} \sum_{0 < r \leq m} \frac{\sin(\pm r(\pi/m))}{r^\sigma} = \pm \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \frac{\sin t}{t^\sigma} dt$$

and

$$\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \pm 0} |\alpha|^{1-\sigma} \frac{1}{\log|1/\alpha|} Z_\alpha(\sigma) = \pm \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin t}{t^\sigma} dt.$$

ii). For any σ in $1 < \sigma \leq 2$,

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\pi}{m} \right)^{2-\sigma} \sum_{0 < r \leq m} \frac{\sin(\pm(\pi/m)r)}{r^\sigma} = \pm \frac{A(\Gamma)}{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \frac{\sin t}{t^{\sigma-1}} dt$$

and

$$\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \pm 0} |\alpha|^{2-\sigma} \mathfrak{B}_\alpha(\sigma) = \pm \frac{A(\Gamma)}{2\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin t}{t^{\sigma-1}} dt.$$

We remark that the details on the zeros of $\zeta(s)$ have appeared in [4] and the details on the eigenvalues of the Laplace-Beltrami operator will appear elsewhere. For comparison we have stated both results at the same time.

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