

114. *Some Dirichlet Series with Coefficients Related to Periods of Automorphic Eigenforms**

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§ 1. In this note we construct some Dirichlet series which generalize those found in [9, p. 311] and [11, p. 42]. Our basic procedure is to extend the ideas in [9]. Applications will be discussed in a later note.

§ 2. Let m be any nonnegative integer divisible by 4. Take $R = m/2$. Let q and r be relatively prime, squarefree positive integers. Suppose that:

$$(2.1) \quad y_0^2 - ry_1^2 - qy_2^2 + qry_3^2 \neq 0 \quad \text{for } (y_0, y_1, y_2, y_3) \in \mathbf{Z}^4 - \{0\}.$$

Cf. [4, pp. 115-116]. Define:

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -q & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -r \end{pmatrix} \quad S_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & q & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & r \end{pmatrix} \quad S[X] = X^t S X$$

$$n(x) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad a(w) = \begin{pmatrix} w & 0 \\ 0 & w^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \quad k(\theta) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \quad X = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathcal{M}_z = n(x)a(\sqrt{y}) \quad \text{for } z = x + iy, \quad x \in \mathbf{R}, \quad y > 0$$

$$\mathcal{W} \left[\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \right] = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + d^2}{2} & \sqrt{q}(ab + cd) & \sqrt{r} \left(\frac{a^2 - b^2 + c^2 - d^2}{2} \right) \\ \frac{ac + bd}{\sqrt{q}} & ad + bc & \sqrt{r} \left(\frac{ac - bd}{\sqrt{q}} \right) \\ \frac{a^2 + b^2 - c^2 - d^2}{2\sqrt{r}} & \sqrt{q} \left(\frac{ab - cd}{\sqrt{r}} \right) & \frac{a^2 - b^2 - c^2 + d^2}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

for $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in SL(2, \mathbf{R})$

$$\mathcal{V} \left[\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \right] = \text{the analogous matrix for } S^{-1}$$

$$X_* = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad X_{**} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad E = k\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \quad \mathcal{D} = \mathcal{W}(E) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$j_Q(z; m) = \frac{(cz + d)^m}{|cz + d|^m} \quad \text{for } Q = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in SL(2, \mathbf{R}) \quad \text{cf. [5, p. 357].}$$

It is easily seen that \mathcal{W} and \mathcal{V} are homomorphisms from $SL(2, \mathbf{R})$

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into $SL(3, R)$. In addition [for $Q \in SL(2, R)$]:

(2.2) $\mathcal{W}(Q)^t S \mathcal{W}(Q) = S;$

(2.3) $\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \mathcal{W}(Q)X_* = X_* & \text{iff } Q = k(\theta) \\ \mathcal{W}(Q)X_{**} = X_{**} & \text{iff } Q = a(w) \end{array} \right\};$

(2.4) $\mathcal{CV}(Q) = \mathcal{D} \mathcal{W}(Q^{-1})^t \mathcal{D};$

(2.5) $\mathcal{M}_{Qz} = Q \mathcal{M}_z k(\alpha) \quad \text{where } e^{i\alpha} = \frac{|cz+d|}{cz+d}.$

Let \mathcal{G}_{qr} be the group $\{T \in PSL(2, R) : \mathcal{W}(T) \in SL(3, Z)\}$. Cf. [3, p. 501ff]. Because of (2.1), we know that \mathcal{G}_{qr} is a Fuchsian group with compact quotient space. Cf. [1], [3, pp. 507, 518], and [4, p. 117].

Let \mathcal{S} be Schwartz space on R^3 . Cf. [14, p. 146]. Consider functions in \mathcal{S} which satisfy $f[\mathcal{W}(k_\theta)X] \equiv e^{im\theta} f(X)$ and $h[\mathcal{CV}(k_\theta)X] \equiv e^{im\theta} h(X)$. Set:

$$K_f(z) = \sum_{n \in Z^3} f[\mathcal{W}(\mathcal{M}_z^{-1})n] \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{K}_h(z) = \sum_{n \in Z^3} h[\mathcal{CV}(\mathcal{M}_z^{-1})n].$$

By applying (2.5), we quickly establish that

$$K_f(Tz) = K_f(z) j_T(z; m) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{K}_h(Tz) = \mathcal{K}_h(z) j_T(z; m) \quad \text{for } T \in \mathcal{G}_{qr}.$$

The Poisson summation formula shows that

(2.7) $K_f(z) \equiv \mathcal{K}_f(z),$

where \mathcal{f} means the Fourier transform of f .

§ 3. Let Γ be any subgroup of \mathcal{G}_{qr} having finite index. Cf. [3, p. 539] with $p=1$. The equation $n_1 = \mathcal{W}(T)n_2$ ($T \in \Gamma$) induces an obvious equivalence relation on Z^3 . Let $\{n_0\}$ be the corresponding set of equivalence classes. Write $\Gamma_{n_0} = \{T \in \Gamma : \mathcal{W}(T)n_0 = n_0\}$.

Introduce $L_2(\Gamma \backslash H, m)$ and $C^k(\Gamma \backslash H, m)$ as in [5, pp. 358–9] and let $\phi \in C^2(\Gamma \backslash H, m)$ be any [fixed] eigenform. Take:

(3.1)
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Delta_m \phi + s(1-s)\phi = 0 \quad \text{with } s \in [1-b_m, b_m] \cup [1/2+iR] \\ \dots\dots\dots \\ \Delta_m u = y^2(u_{xx} + u_{yy}) - imyu_x \quad \text{and } b_m = \max(1, R) \end{array} \right\}.$$

Cf. [5, p. 373] and [6, p. 370]. A formal manipulation shows that

(3.2)
$$\int_{\mathcal{F}} \phi(z) \overline{K_f(z)} d\mu(z) = \sum_{\{n_0\}} \int_{FR(\Gamma_{n_0})} \phi(z) \overline{f[\mathcal{W}(\mathcal{M}_z^{-1})n_0]} d\mu(z)$$

where $FR(\Gamma_{n_0})$ denotes a fundamental region for Γ_{n_0} . A similar computation is possible with $\phi(z) \overline{\mathcal{K}_h(z)}$.

We propose to consider

$$f(X) = (\sqrt{q} x_2 - i\sqrt{r} x_3)^R e^{\pi i X^t [uS + ivS_1] X}$$

$$h(x) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{q}} x_2 - \frac{i}{\sqrt{r}} x_3 \right)^R e^{\pi i X^t [uS^{-1} + ivS_1^{-1}] X} \quad \text{for } \tau = u + iv \in H.$$

The corresponding functions $K_f(z)$ and $\mathcal{K}_h(z)$ will be denoted by $\theta_m(z; \tau; S)$ and $\theta_m(z; \tau; S^{-1})$. Compare [9, p. 287(1)] and [13, pp. 86, 108]. Equation (2.7) shows that:

$$(3.3) \quad \theta_m(z; \tau; S) \equiv \frac{(-1)^{m/4}}{\sqrt{qr}} [-iE(\tau)]^{1/2} [i\overline{E}(\tau)]^{R+1} \theta_m(z; E\tau; S^{-1}).$$

Let $t=S[n_0]$. When t is *positive*, we can write n_0 in the form $A\mathcal{W}(Q)X_*$ with $Q \in SL(2, \mathbf{R})$ and $A \neq 0$. It follows that Γ_{n_0} is a *cyclic group* of order $W[n_0] < \infty$.**)

Take $z_0=Q(i)$ and $w=(z-z_0)/(z-\bar{z}_0)$ as in [6, p. 342]. Thus:

$$(3.4) \quad \phi(z) = \left(\frac{1-w}{1-\bar{w}} \right)^R \sum_{n \in \mathbf{Z}} c_n r^{|n|} (1-r^2)^s F(s+|n|+mH_n, s-mH_n; 1+|n|; r^2) e^{in\theta}$$

where $w=re^{i\theta}$ and $H_n=(1/2)sgn(n+1/2)$. We'll denote c_{-R} by the special symbol $E[n_0]$.

When $t < 0$, we write n_0 in the form $\beta\mathcal{W}(Q)X_{**}$ with $\beta > 0$. A trivial analysis of $\int_{\mathcal{F}} \theta_0(z; i; S) d\mu(z)$ shows that $\Gamma_{n_0} \neq I$. Cf. (3.2). It follows that $\Gamma_{n_0}=[Qa(k)Q^{-1}]$ for a uniquely determined $k > 1$.

Take $\psi(z)=\phi(Qz)j_Q(z; m)^{-1}$ and define:

$$(3.5) \quad I(\theta) = \int_1^{k^2} \psi(re^{i\theta}) \frac{dr}{r}.$$

We'll denote $I(\pi/2)$ by the special symbol $I[n_0]$. Compare [7, p. 274].

The \mathcal{V} -analogs of these symbols will be denoted by $E[m_0]$ and $I[m_0]$.

Let $\Psi(a; c; z)$ be the usual confluent hypergeometric function [2, p. 255]. The following theorem is (now) obtained by *careful* computation.

Theorem 1. *We have:*

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathcal{F}} \phi(z)\theta_m(z; \tau; S) d\mu(z) &= \delta_{m_0} \int_{\mathcal{F}} \phi(z) d\mu(z) \\ &+ \sum_{\substack{\{n_0\} \\ S[n_0] > 0}} (-1)^{m/4} \pi \frac{E[n_0]}{W[n_0]} \Gamma(R+1) 2^{-R} t^{R/2} (2\pi v t)^{(s-R-1)/2} \\ &\quad \times \Psi \left[\frac{s+R+1}{2}; s+\frac{1}{2}; 2\pi v t \right] e^{-\pi i \tau t} \\ &+ \sum_{\substack{\{n_0\} \\ S[n_0] < 0}} \sqrt{\pi} I[n_0] |t|^{R/2} (2\pi v |t|)^{(s-R-1)/2} \\ &\quad \times \Psi \left[\frac{s-R}{2}; s+\frac{1}{2}; 2\pi v |t| \right] e^{\pi i \tau |t|}. \end{aligned}$$

A similar expansion holds for $\int_{\mathcal{F}} \phi(z)\theta_m(z; \tau; S^{-1}) d\mu(z)$.

§4. It is *very* tempting to combine Theorem 1 with equation (3.3). By analyzing the (special) case $m=0, \phi=1, \tau=iv$ we quickly establish that:

$$(4.1) \quad \sum_{0 < S[\{n_0\}] \leq x} 1 = O(x^{3/2}), \quad \sum_{-x \leq S[\{n_0\}] < 0} \ln k = O(x^{3/2}).$$

***) The generator is $Qk(\pi/W)Q^{-1}$ where $W \equiv W[n_0]$.

These (crude) estimates are very useful for convergence considerations.

Return to the case of arbitrary ϕ and take $u \approx 0$. By expanding everything in powers of u and comparing the terms of degree 0 and 1, we arrive at two basic identities (which involve *only* v). We can *now* pass to the Mellin transforms as in [9, pp. 310–311]. After some careful manipulation of hypergeometric functions, we ultimately arrive at the following proposition.

Theorem 2. *Let :*

$$F_a(\xi; S) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{8\pi}}\right)^R \sum_{\substack{\{n_0\} \\ S\{n_0\} > 0}} \pi \frac{E[n_0]}{W[n_0]} \Gamma(R+1)(2\pi t)^{-\xi}$$

$$F_b(\xi; S) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}\right)^R \sum_{\substack{\{n_0\} \\ S\{n_0\} < 0}} \sqrt{\pi} I[n_0](2\pi|t|)^{-\xi}.$$

Define $F_\mu(\xi; S^{-1})$ similarly. Take $\omega = \delta_{m_0} \int_{\mathcal{C}} \phi(z) d\mu(z)$. Then :

- (i) F_a and F_b are absolutely convergent for $Re(\xi) > 3/2$;
- (ii) $F_a(\xi; S) = (2^{-3/2} \pi^{-1/2} [\det(S)]^{-1/2} / (\xi - 3/2)) \omega + \text{an entire function}$;
- (iii) $F_b(\xi; S) = (2^{-3/2} [\det(S)]^{-1/2} / (\xi - 3/2)) \omega + \text{an entire function}$;
- (iv) the same equations hold when S is replaced by S^{-1} ;
- (v) we have

$$\left(\frac{F_a(3/2 - \xi; S)}{F_b(3/2 - \xi; S)}\right) = \frac{1}{\pi \sqrt{qr}} 2^{2\xi - 3/2} \Gamma\left(\xi - \frac{s}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(\xi + \frac{s-1}{2}\right)$$

$$\cdot \left[\begin{array}{cc} \cos \pi \xi & \frac{\pi}{\Gamma((s-R)/2) \Gamma((1-s-R)/2)} \\ \frac{\pi}{\Gamma((1+s+R)/2) \Gamma((2-s+R)/2)} & \sin \pi \xi \end{array} \right]$$

$$\cdot \left(\frac{F_a(\xi; S^{-1})}{F_b(\xi; S^{-1})}\right).$$

§5. The following *additional facts* should also be noted.

In the first place $E[n_0] \equiv 0$ whenever $s > 1$. To check this: we integrate $\phi(z) ((1 - \bar{w}) / (1 - w))^R$ and remember that

$$\phi = O(1), \quad r^R (1 - r^2)^s F(s, s+R; 1+R; r^2) \sim (\text{constant}) (1 - r^2)^{1-s}$$

for $r \rightarrow 1$.

Cf. (3.4) and [2, p. 107(33)].

When $s = R \geq 2$, the function ϕ factors into $y^R F(z)$, where F is a classical holomorphic R^{th} order differential on $\Gamma \setminus H$. Cf. [5, pp. 407–408]. In this case :

$$I[n_0] = (-1)^{m/4} \frac{1}{(k^{-1} - k)^{R-1}} \int_{z_1}^{Pz_1} F(z) [cz^2 + (d-a)z - b]^{R-1} dz,$$

where $P = Qa(k)Q^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ and z_1 is *any* point in H . Cf. [8, p. 359(73)].

Cf. also [10], [12].

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