An additive problem with coefficients of automorphic functions and related problems

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Additive problem

The additive problem is the question of getting some nontrivial information about the sum

$$
S=\sum_{\substack{m_2n_2-m_1n_1=1,\\n_1\leq N}}\overline{a(n_2)}a(n_1)
$$

when $N \rightarrow +\infty$, where

 \bullet a(\cdot) is an arithmetic function,

2 m_1 , m_2 , l are positive integers, $(m_1, m_2) = 1$.

In general we may assume that m_1, m_2, l can grow with N, i.e.

$$
m_1 m_2 l \leq N^{\delta}
$$
 for some $0 < \delta < 1$.

A trivial result

Some trivial result can be obtained by the Cauchy inequality using the estimate for the square mean of the coefficients $a(\cdot)$. Set for simplicity $m_1 = m_2 = l = 1$ to be fixed positive integers. Then

$$
|S| \leq \sum_{\substack{n_2 - n_1 = 1, \\ n_1 \leq N}} |\overline{a(n_2)} a(n_1)| = \sum_{n \leq N} |\overline{a(n+1)} a(n)| \leq \sum_{n \leq N+1} |a(n)|^2
$$

For example,

\n
$$
\begin{aligned}\n \mathbf{O} \quad & \zeta^2(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{d(n)}{n^s} \to \quad a(n) = d(n) := \sum_{d_1 d_2 = n} 1, \quad S \ll N \log^3 N, \\
\mathbf{O} \quad & L(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{a(n)}{n^s} \to \quad a(n) \ll_{\varepsilon} n^{\varepsilon} \quad S \ll_{\varepsilon} N^{1+2\varepsilon}.\n \end{aligned}
$$
\n

The property

$$
a(n)\ll_{\varepsilon} n^{\varepsilon}
$$

is usually called the Ramanujan conjecture.

What is a nontrivial result

If one can estimate from above $|S|$ by

$$
S\ll N^{1-\delta},\quad \delta>0
$$

(or, to prove an asymptotic formula with such error term) then it is said that a nontrivial result is obtained.

Direct application

For simplicity, let us put aside the case with nonzero main term. Then the estimate $S\ll N^{1-\delta}$ gives an analytic continuation of the series

$$
L(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{\overline{a(n+1)}a(n)}{n^s}
$$

to the region $\text{Re } s > 1 - \delta$ by the Abel's partial summation formula

$$
\sum_{a < n \leq b} c(n)F(n) = -\mathbb{C}(b)F(b) + \int_{a}^{b} \mathbb{C}(u)dF(u),
$$

ecnu $F \in C^1[a, b], \mathbb{C}(u) = \sum_{a < n \leq u} c(n).$

Direct application

Let Re
$$
s > 1
$$
, $M > 1$, $c(n) = \overline{a(n+1)}a(n)$, $F(u) = u^{-s}$. Then, $\mathbb{C}(u) = O(u^{1-\delta})$ and

$$
\sum_{1 \leq n \leq M} \frac{\overline{a(n+1)}a(n)}{n^s} = -\mathbb{C}(M)M^{-s} - s \int_{1}^{M} \frac{\mathbb{C}(u)}{u^{s+1}} du.
$$

Now put $M \rightarrow +\infty$ to obtain that

$$
L(s)=-s\int_{1}^{+\infty}\frac{\mathbb{C}(u)}{u^{s+1}}du,
$$

is analytic in Re $s > 1 - \delta$.

Another application

For $L(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{a(n)}{n^s}$ $n=1$ $\frac{(n)}{n^s}$, the problem of evaluating the integral

0

$$
\int\limits_{0}^{T}|L(1/2+it)|^2dt
$$

gives rise to an additive problem with the coefficients $a(n)$, since as in the case of the Riemann zeta-function we can (roughly speaking) use an approximation to $L(s)$ via finite Dirichlet series:

$$
L(1/2+it)=\sum_{n\leq A(t)}\frac{a(n)}{n^{1/2+it}}+\ldots
$$

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Exploring the mean-value estimates

If we know the asymptotic formula like

$$
\int_{0}^{T} |L(1/2+it)|^2 dt = TP(\log T) + O(H^{1+\varepsilon}), H = T^{1-\delta}
$$

then we can get a bound

$$
\int\limits_T^{T+H} |L(1/2+it)|^2 dt = O(H^{1+\varepsilon})
$$

and by the following formula

$$
|L(1/2+iT)|^2 \ll \log T \left(1+\int_{T-H}^{T+H} |L(1/2+it)|^2 dt\right)
$$

the estimate

$$
L(1/2+it) \ll |t|^{\frac{1-\delta}{2}+\varepsilon}
$$

.

Exploring the mean-value estimates

For example, for $\zeta(s)$ we have from the mean-value formula the bound

 $\zeta(1/2+it)\ll |t|^{1/6+\varepsilon}$

which is by now improved not much using the estimates for special exponential sums as (J. Bourgain – N. Watt, 2017)

$$
\zeta(1/2+it) \ll |t|^{1/6-0.01...}
$$

though the Riemann hypothesis implies the estimate $\zeta(1/2+it) \ll |t|^{\varepsilon}.$

Exploring the mean-value estimates

Estimates for the number of zeros of analytic functions in certain domains are also very important. By Littlewood's lemma, the mean-value estimate is connected to the number of zeros of $L(s)$ in a rectangle.

Let $L(\sigma + it)$ be analytic and nonzero on rectangle γ with verticies σ_0 , σ_1 , σ_1 + iT , σ_0 + iT . Then

$$
2\pi \sum_{\rho \in \gamma} \text{dist}(\rho) = \int_{0}^{T} \log |L(\sigma_0 + it)| dt - \int_{0}^{T} \log |L(\sigma_1 + it)| dt
$$

$$
+ \int_{\sigma_0}^{\sigma_1} \arg L(\sigma + i\tau) d\sigma - \int_{\sigma_0}^{\sigma_1} \arg L(\sigma) d\sigma.
$$

But we can write a bound

$$
\int\limits_0^T \log |L(\sigma_0+it)| dt = \frac{1}{2} \int\limits_0^T \log |L(\sigma_0+it)|^2 dt \leq \frac{T}{2} \log \left(\frac{1}{T} \int\limits_0^T |L(\sigma_0+it)|^2 \right).
$$

The Riemann zeta-function

$$
\zeta(s) = \prod_{\rho} \left(1 - \frac{1}{\rho^s}\right)^{-1} = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{n^s}, \quad \text{Re } s > 1
$$

For $\mathop{\mathrm{Re}} s > 1$

$$
\zeta^{-1}(s) = \prod_{p} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^{s}}\right) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{\mu(n)}{n^{s}}, \quad \mu(n) = \begin{cases} 1, & n = 1, \\ 0, & p^{2} | n, \\ (-1)^{t}, & n = p_{1} \cdot \ldots \cdot p_{t}. \end{cases}
$$

Therefore, for $\text{Re } s = \sigma > 1$

$$
|\zeta^{-1}(s)| < \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{n^{\sigma}} < 1 + \int_{1}^{+\infty} \frac{du}{u^{\sigma}} = \frac{\sigma}{\sigma - 1}
$$

and, consequently,

,

$$
|\zeta(s)| > \frac{\sigma-1}{\sigma} \neq 0.
$$

 $\zeta(s)$ has meromorphic continuation to the whole complex-plane and satisfies the functional equation

$$
\xi(s):=s(s-1)\pi^{-s/2}\Gamma(s/2)\zeta(s)=\overline{\xi(1-\overline{s})},
$$

where $\xi(0) = \xi(1) = 1$. The Riemann zeta-function has a simple pole at $s = 1$. $\zeta(s)$ has *trivial zeros* at $s = -2, -4, \ldots$. nontrivial zeros of the Riemann zeta-function are the zeros of $\xi(s)$. They lie in the *critical strip* $0 \leq \text{Re } s \leq 1$ and symmetric over the real axis and the line $\text{Re } s = 1/2$ (the critical line).

The Riemann hypothesis asserts that all nontrivial zeros of $\zeta(s)$ lie on the critical line Re $s = 1/2$.

(I.M. Vinogradov) There are no zeros of $\zeta(\sigma + it)$ in the region

$$
\sigma \geq 1 - O\left((\log t)^{-2/3} (\log \log t)^{-1/3}\right), t \geq 10.
$$

Selberg class

In 1989 A. Selberg introduced a class of Dirichlet series $L(s)$ which satisfy the following properties:

Selberg class

\n- **①** the series
$$
L(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{a(n)}{n^s}
$$
 are absolutely convergent for $\text{Re } s > 1$,
\n- **②** $(s-1)^m L(s)$ is an entire function of finite order for some integer $m \geq 0$,
\n- **②** $a(1) = 1$, $a(n) \ll_{\varepsilon} n^{\varepsilon}$ for every $\varepsilon > 0$ and $n > 1$,
\n- **④** (Euler product) $\log L(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{b(n)}{n^s}$, where $b(n) = 0$ except when *n* is of the form $n = p^r$ and, also, $b(n) = O(n^{\delta})$ for some $\delta < 1/2$,
\n- **③** (Functional equation) $L(s)$ has a functional equation of the form $\Lambda(s) := H_L(s)L(s) = \overline{\Lambda(1-s)}$,
\n

where $H_{L}(s)=\theta A^{s}\prod_{j=1}^{k}\mathsf{\Gamma}(\lambda_{j}s+\mu_{j})$ and $|\theta|=1,~A>0,~\lambda_{j}>0,$ $\text{Re }\mu_i \geq 0.$

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Degree of an element from Selberg class

Definition

$$
d = d_L := 2 \sum_{j=1}^k \lambda_j
$$
 is the degree of $L(s)$.

Examples

①
$$
d = 1 : \zeta(s), L(s, \chi) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{\chi(n)}{n^s}.
$$

•
$$
d = 2 : L(s, \psi)
$$
, where ψ is the Hecke ideal calls group character for $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-D})$.

Theorem

- ¹ (H.E. Richert, 1957) There are no elements in the Selberg class for $0 < d < 1$.
- ² (A. Perelli, J. Kaczorowski, 1999) The Selberg class of degree 1 consists only of $\zeta(s)$ and $L(s + iA, \gamma)$.
- ³ (A. Perelli, J. Kaczorowski, 2002, 2011) The Selberg class for $1 < d < 2$ is empty.

Automorphic forms

The Ramanujan conjecture was proved by P. Deligne for a class of L-functions, namely, for $L_f(s) = \sum^{+\infty}$ $n=1$ $\frac{a_f(n)}{n^s}$ attached to a (holomorphic) automorphic cusp form $f(z)$ of integral weight $k \ge 1$ for the group $\Gamma_0(D)=\big\{\gamma=\big(\begin{smallmatrix} a & b \ c & d \end{smallmatrix}\big)\in\mathsf{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}) : c\equiv 0 (\bmod\, D)\big\}$, and a character χ modulo D (briefly, $f \in S_k(\Gamma_0(D), \chi)$), which is an eigenfunction of all the Hecke operators. To be more precise, f is a holomorphic function on the $\mathbb{H} = {\text{Im } z > 0}$ which vanishes at every cusp of $\Gamma_0(D)$ and

$$
f(\gamma z) = \chi(\gamma)(cz+d)^k f(z) \quad \text{ for every } \gamma \in \Gamma_0(D),
$$

where $\gamma z = \frac{az+b}{cz+d}$, $\chi(\gamma) = \chi(d)$.

$$
f(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} a_f(n) n^{\frac{k-1}{2}} e^{2\pi i n z}, \quad \text{Re } z > 0.
$$

Automorphic forms

The Hecke operators T_n for $n = 1, 2, \ldots$ are defined by

$$
T_nf(z)=\frac{1}{n}\sum_{ad=n}\chi(a)a^k\sum_{0\leq b
$$

Assume that f is an eigenfunction of all the Hecke operators and that $\mathsf{a}(1)=1.$ Then for $\mathsf{L}_f(s)=\sum\limits^{+\infty}$ $n=1$ <u>a_f (n)</u> $\frac{f(n)}{n^s}$ we have:

Euler product

$$
L_f(s) = \prod_p \left(1 - \frac{a_f(p)}{p^s} + \frac{\chi(p)}{p^{2s}}\right)^{-1}
$$

with $|a_f(n)| \leq d(n)$.

Automorphic forms

 $L_f(s)$ satisfies the following functional equation

$$
\Lambda(s)=\theta\cdot \overline{\Lambda(1-\overline{s})},
$$

where $\Lambda(s)$ is an entire function,

$$
\Lambda(s)=\left(\frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{D}}\right)^{-s-\frac{k-1}{2}}\Gamma\left(s+\frac{k-1}{2}\right)L_f(s),
$$

and $|\theta| = 1$.

Corollary

 $L_f(s)$ is a function from Selberg class of degree 2.

Positive proportion theorem

The estimate for the second moment of $L(s)$ appears in the problems which are quite close to the RH.

Selberg conjectured that for $L(s)$ from class S an analogue of the Riemann hypothesis holds, i.e. all its nontrivial zeros lie on the critical line.

$$
N(\mathcal{T}) = \sum_{\substack{\rho = \sigma + it, \zeta(\rho) = 0 \\ 0 < t \leq T}} 1 \sim \frac{\tau}{2\pi} \ln \mathcal{T}.
$$

$$
N_0(\mathcal{T}) = \sum_{\substack{\rho=\frac{1}{2}+it,\ \zeta(\rho)=0\\0
$$

G. Hardy, J. Littlewood (1921):

 $N_0(T) \gg T$.

Positive proportion theorem

A. Selberg, 1942: a positive proportion of nontrivial zeros of $\zeta(s)$ lie on the critical line $\operatorname{Re} \mathfrak{s} = \frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ (the same holds for $L(s, \chi)$).

N. Levinson (1974): more than one-third of zeros of Riemann's zeta-function are on $\sigma = 1/2$.

J.B. Conrey (1989): More than 2/5 of nontrivial zeros of the Riemann zeta-function lie on the critical line.

H.Bui, J.B.Conrey, M.Young and Sh. Feng (2010): More than 41% of the zeros of the zeta function are on the critical line.

Positive proportion theorem

$$
\xi^{(k)}(s) = (-1)^k \xi^{(k)}(1-s).
$$

If $\xi(s) \neq 0$ for $\mathrm{Re}\, s > \sigma_0$ $(\sigma_0 \leq 1)$, then $\xi^{(k)}(s) \neq 0$ also.

J.B. Conrey (1983):

For $\xi^{(k)}(s)$ the estimate $\mathit{N}_0(\mathit{T})=1-O(k^{-2})$ holds for $k\rightarrow+\infty.$

Selberg density theorem

A. Selberg (1946):

Let $N(\sigma, T)$ be the number of zeros of $\zeta(s)$ in the region $\text{Re } s > \sigma$, where $1/2 < \sigma < 1$. Then there exists $a > 0$ such that the estimate

$$
N(\sigma, T) \ll T^{1-a(\sigma-\frac{1}{2})} \log T
$$

Corollary:

almost all nontrivial zeros of $\zeta(\sigma + it)$ lie in the region $|\sigma-1/2|\leq\frac{\varPhi(t)}{\log(|t|+2)},$ where $\varPhi(t)\to+\infty$ with $|t|\to+\infty.$

Value-distribution for $\zeta(1/2 + it)$

Let $x_{a,b}$ be the characteristic function of the interval (a, b) . Then

$$
\int\limits_T^{2T} \varkappa_{a,b}\left(\frac{\log |\zeta(1/2+it)|}{\sqrt{\pi \log \log T}}\right) dt = T \int\limits_a^b e^{-\pi u^2} du + o(T).
$$

A. Ghosh (1983):

the error term can be bounded as $O(\,T(\log\log\log\,T)^{-1/2}).$

K.-M. Tsang (1984):

the error term can be bounded as
$$
O\left(T\frac{(\log \log \log T)^2}{\sqrt{\log \log T}}\right)
$$
.

Selberg's theorem for degree 2 L-functions

J.L. Hafner, 1983: Let $\mathit{L}(s,f)=\sum_{i=1}^{+\infty}$ $n=1$ a(n) $\frac{n(n)}{n^s}$ be an *L*-function attached to a holomorphic cusp form $f(z)=\sum\limits_{i=1}^{+\infty}a(n)n^{\frac{k-1}{2}}e^{2\pi inz}$ of an even integral weight k for the full modular group with trivial character which is an eigenfunction of all the Hecke operators. Then a positive proportion of nontrivial zeros of $L(s, f)$ lie on the critical line.

I. Rezvyakova:

the same statement holds true for $f \in S_k(\Gamma_0(D), \chi)$, $k \geq 1$.

Density theorem for degree 2 L-functions

Selberg's density theorem holds for $L_f(s)$, where $f \in S_k(\Gamma_0(D), \chi)$.

Therefore, the value-distribution result holds for $L_f (1/2 + it)$:

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Value-distribution result for $L_f(1/2 + it)$

$$
\int\limits_T^{2T} \varkappa_{a,b}\left(\frac{\log |L_f(1/2+it)|}{\sqrt{\pi \log \log T}}\right) dt = T \int\limits_a^b e^{-\pi u^2} du + o(T),
$$

and (in case of independent $L_{f_1}(s)$ and $L_{f_2}(s))$

$$
\int_{T}^{2T} \varkappa_{a,b} \left(\frac{\log |L_{f_1}(1/2+it)| - \log |L_{f_2}(1/2+it)|}{\sqrt{2\pi \log \log T}} \right) dt
$$
\n
$$
= T \int_{a}^{b} e^{-\pi u^2} du + o(T).
$$

Idea of detecting zeros of a continuous function Let $F(t)$ be a real-valued function. Let's define

$$
J(t) = \int\limits_t^{t+H} |F(u)|du, \qquad I(t) = \left|\int\limits_t^{t+H} F(u)du\right|.
$$

If $J(t) > I(t)$ then F changes its sign on $(t, t + H)$.

Set $E = \{t \in (T, 2T) : J(t) > l(t)\}\)$. Then it is easy to show that F has $\gg \mu(E) H^{-1}$ zeros on $(\mathcal{T}, 2\mathcal{T}).$

For L-functions we want to establish that

 $\mu(E) \gg \mathcal{T} \quad \text{for} \quad H \asymp (\log \mathcal{T})^{-1}.$

Define

$$
M(t) = \int\limits_t^{t+H} (F(u)-1) du.
$$

Then

$$
J(t)=\int\limits_t^{t+H}|F(u)|du\geq H-|M(t)|.
$$

We want to show that for a subset of positive measure on $(T, 2T)$ (and $H \times \log^{-1} T$

 $|M(t)| < H/3, \quad |I(t)| < H/3.$

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Scheme of the proof of Selberg's positive proportion theorem

Suppose that we have proved the estimates

$$
\int\limits_T^{2T} |I(t)|^2 dt = O\left(T\frac{H}{\ln T}\right), \int\limits_T^{2T} |M(t)|^2 dt = O\left(T\frac{H}{\log T}\right).
$$

Then

$$
|I(t)| \leq \frac{H}{3} \quad \text{and} \quad |M(t)| \leq \frac{H}{3}
$$

outside the subset of measure $O\left(\frac{T}{H\log T}\right)$ $\left(\frac{1}{H\log T}\right)$. Choosing $H = \frac{A}{\log A}$ $\frac{A}{\log T}$, we get $\mu E \gg T$.

To associate with $L(1/2 + it)$ a real-valued function, we recall the functional equation

$$
\mathsf{\Lambda}(s)=\theta\overline{\mathsf{\Lambda}(1-\overline{s})}
$$

and take $F(t)=\theta^{-1/2}\Lambda(1/2+it)$, for example. The second moment gives rise to the series

$$
D_{m_1,m_2}(s,l)=\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty}\frac{a(n)a(\frac{m_1n+l}{m_2})}{(m_1n+\frac{l}{2})^s}
$$

which we can continue to the left of the line $\text{Re } s = 1$ using the nontrivial estimates in additive problem.

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The idea of the proof for density theorem

The main inequlaity one should prove is the following

$$
N:=\int\limits_{\sigma}^1(N(x,2T)-N(x,T))dx\ll T^{1-a(\sigma-1/2)}.
$$

By the lemma of Littlewood:

$$
N = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{T}^{2T} (\log |F(\sigma + it)| - \log |F(3 + it)|) dt + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\sigma}^{3} (\arg |F(\sigma + 2iT)| - \arg |F(3 + iT)|) d\sigma.
$$

By the inequality log $x\leq \frac{1}{2}(x^2-1)$, our task is to estimate

$$
\int\limits_T^{2T} (|F(\sigma+it)|^2-1)dt \ll T^{1-a(\sigma-1/2)}.
$$

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The idea of the proof for density theorem

Using Selberg's idea, for $\text{Re } s > 1$ we can find Dirichlet polynomial $\eta(s)$ (which approximates $L^{-1}(s)$) such that

$$
F(s) = L(s)\eta(s) = 1 + \sum_{n > T^{a_1}} \frac{\cdots}{n^s},
$$

An easy integration on the line $\sigma = 3/2$ gives

$$
\int\limits_T^{2T} (|F(\sigma+it)|^2-1)dt \ll T^{1-a(\sigma-1/2)}
$$

Combining with the estimate on the line $\sigma = 1/2$, Gabriel's theorem gives us necessary bound

$$
\int\limits_T^{2T} (|F(\sigma+it)|^2-1) dt \ll T^{1-a(\sigma-1/2)}.
$$

.

Distribution theorem

A. Selberg proved how accurate is the approximation

$$
\log \zeta(1/2 + it) = \sum_{p \le y} \frac{1}{p^{1/2+it}} + r_y(t)?
$$

The result is

$$
\int\limits_T^{2T}|r_y(t)|^{2k}dt\ll T(Ak)^k,\int\limits_T^{2T}|\operatorname{Re}\sum\limits_{p\le y}\frac{1}{p^{1/2+it}}|^{2k}dt\asymp T(\log\log y)^k
$$

Here the dencity theorem is used, and all the steps of the proof are similar to general L-function with Euler product.

Distribution theorem

The distribution theorem can be proved now by the method of characteristic functions and the Esseen inequality

$$
\sup_{x} |G_1(x) - G_2(x)| \ll \int_{T}^{2T} \left| \frac{g_1(t) - g_2(t)}{t} \right| dt + \sup_{x} |G_2'|,
$$

using for the characteristic function

$$
g(t) = \frac{1}{T} \int\limits_T^{2T} e^{it\omega_T(x)} dx
$$
, where $\omega_T(x) = \frac{\log \zeta(1/2 + it)}{\sqrt{\log \log T}}$,

the formula

$$
e^{ix} = \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \frac{(ix)^j}{j!} + O\left(\frac{|x|^N}{N!}\right).
$$

All the previous theorems allows us to understand better the RH. If we consider general linear combination of L-functions from Selberg class that still satisfy a functional equation of Riemann type, then an analogue of RH is not true for them.

Examples

- **1** (Davenport-Heilbronn function) $g(s) = \varkappa_1 L(s, \chi_1) + \overline{\varkappa_1} L(s, \overline{\chi_1})$, where $x_1 \in \mathbb{C}$, x_1 is the Dirichlet character mod 5, $x_1(2) = i$.
- 2 (The Epstein zeta-function) $\zeta(s, Q)$, cprresponding to positive definite form $Q(m, n) = am^2 + bmn + cn^2$ with integer coefficients of the fundamental discriminant $-D$ and the class number $h = h(-D) > 1$.

H. Davenport, H. Heilbronn (1936) and S.M. Voronin (1976)

For $\sigma > \frac{1}{2}$ let $N(\sigma, T)$ be the number of zeros of $\zeta(s, Q)$ in the region $\text{Re } s > \sigma$, $0 < \text{Im } s < \tau$. Then

 $N(\sigma, T) \asymp T$.

Similar result holds for Davenport-Heilbronn function.

Though, if $N(T)$ is the number of zeros of $\zeta(s, Q)$ in the region $0 < \text{Im } s \leq T$, then as in the case of the Riemann zeta-function

 $N(T) \asymp T \log T$.

There is a

Hypothesis

Almost all nontrivial zeros of such linear combinations lie on the critical line.

E. Bombieri, D. Hejhal (1987):

Assuming GRH for $L(s, \psi)$ (where ψ is the ideal class group character for $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-D}))$ and pair correlation conjecture for the ordinates of zeros of $L(s, \psi)$, it is true that almost all zeros of $\zeta(s, Q)$ lie on the critical line.

Finally, if $N_0(T, L)$ is the number of L-function on $\{\frac{1}{2} + it, T < t \leq 2T\}$ then

For Davenport-Heilbronn function

A. Selberg, 1998-99: $N_0(T, g) \gg T \log T$.

I. Rezvyakova:

Positive proportion of nontrivial zeros of $\zeta(s, Q)$ lie on the critical line.

Additive problem for modular forms

Additive problem

$$
S=\sum_{m_2n_2-m_1n_1=1,n_1\leq N}\overline{a(m)}a(n),\quad m_1m_2l\leq N^{\delta}.
$$

Additive problem for modular forms

$$
\sum_{m-n=1,n\leq N}\overline{a(m)}a(n)\ll R.
$$

History:

A. Good (1982): $R \ll N^{2/3+\varepsilon}$ (holomorphic modular forms). T. Meurmann (1987): $R \ll N^{2/3+\varepsilon}$ (Maass forms). H. Iwaniec, J.B. Conrey (2001): $R \ll N^{8/9+\varepsilon}$ cusp forms for congruence groups.

The case am-bn $=$ l:

J.L. Hafner (1983-87): both cases (implicit result). V. Blomer, G. Harcos, P. Sarnak, P. Michel. E. Kowalski, J. Vanderkam (2001-2007): congruence subgroups.

Additive problem

Theorem

Let $N \gg 1$, $(m_1, m_2) = 1$, $m_1^9 m_2^{11} \leq N^2$, $l \leq N^{11/13}$. For any $\varepsilon > 0$ the following estimate holds:

$$
\mathcal{S}=O_\varepsilon\left(N^{\frac{5}{6}+\frac{1}{78}+\varepsilon}m_1^{9/13}m_2^{-2/13}\right),
$$

Circle method

Theorem

Let
$$
\delta(k) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } k = 0, \\ 0, & \text{else.} \end{cases}
$$

Then

$$
\delta(k) = \sum_{q \le Q < a^* \le q + Q} \int_0^{\frac{1}{q}a^*} 2\cos(2\pi k(a/q - \alpha))d\alpha,
$$
\nwhere $aa^* = 1(\mod q), Q > 1.$

The idea of the circle method contains in the following formula:

$$
\delta(k)=\int\limits_{0}^{1}e^{2\pi i kx}dx.
$$

Estimate via spectral methods

For $f \in S_k(\Gamma_0(D), \chi_0)$ and $k > 2$

$$
S = \sum_{1/2 < s_j < 1} c_j(l, m_1, m_2) N^{s_j} + O(N^{2/3 + \varepsilon})
$$

Therefore, we have $s_i \leq 11/13$ (as well as the lower bound for $\lambda_i = s_i(1 - s_i) \geq 22/169$, but this result is worse than the result of A. Selberg (1965):

 $\lambda_i \geq 3/16$.

By the latest bound of H. Kim – P. Sarnak (2002):

$$
s_j<2/3.
$$