

# Determinantal Expansions in Random Matrix Theory and Number Theory

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- Properties of  $n$ -level density:
  - ◇ Individual zeros contribute in limit
  - ◇ Most of contribution is from low zeros
  - ◇ Average over similar  $L$ -functions (family)

## *n*-Level Density

*n*-level density:  $\mathcal{F} = \cup \mathcal{F}_N$  a family of  $L$ -functions ordered by conductors,  $\phi_k$  an even Schwartz function:  $D_{n,\mathcal{F}}(\phi) =$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{|\mathcal{F}_N|} \sum_{f \in \mathcal{F}_N} \sum_{\substack{j_1, \dots, j_n \\ j_i \neq \pm j_k}} \phi_1 \left( \gamma_{j_1;f} \frac{\log Q_f}{2\pi} \right) \cdots \phi_n \left( \gamma_{j_n;f} \frac{\log Q_f}{2\pi} \right)$$

As  $N \rightarrow \infty$ , *n*-level density converges to

$$\int \phi(\vec{x}) \rho_{n,\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{F})}(\vec{x}) d\vec{x} = \int \hat{\phi}(\vec{u}) \hat{\rho}_{n,\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{F})}(\vec{u}) d\vec{u}.$$

### Conjecture (Katz-Sarnak)

Scaled distribution of zeros near central point agrees with scaled distribution of eigenvalues near 1 of a classical compact group (in the limit).

## Number Theory: Extending the Support

## Goal:

Prove  $n$ -level densities agree for  $\text{supp}(\widehat{\phi}) \subset \left(-\frac{1}{n-2}, \frac{1}{n-2}\right)$ .

## Philosophy:

Number theory harder - adapt tools to get an answer.

Random matrix theory easier - manipulate known answer.

### Theorem (ILS)

Let  $\Psi$  be an even Schwartz function with  $\text{supp}(\widehat{\Psi}) \subset (-2, 2)$ . Then

$$\sum_{m \leq N^\epsilon} \frac{1}{m^2} \sum_{(b, N)=1} \frac{R(m^2, b)R(1, b)}{\varphi(b)} \int_{y=0}^{\infty} J_{k-1}(y) \widehat{\Psi} \left( \frac{2 \log(by\sqrt{N}/4\pi m)}{\log R} \right) \frac{dy}{\log R}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi(x) \frac{\sin 2\pi x}{2\pi x} dx - \frac{1}{2} \Psi(0) \right] + O\left(\frac{k \log \log kN}{\log kN}\right),$$

where  $R = k^2 N$ ,  $\varphi$  is Euler's totient function, and  $R(n, q)$  is a Ramanujan sum.

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Left with

$$\int \int \widehat{\phi}\left(\frac{\log u_1}{\log R}\right) \widehat{\phi}\left(\frac{\log\left(\frac{u_2}{u_1}\right)}{\log R}\right) \frac{1}{\sqrt{u_2}} J_{k-1}\left(\frac{4\pi\sqrt{m^2 u_2 N}}{c}\right) \frac{du_1 du_2}{u_1}$$

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### Theorem (Modified Petersson Formula - ILS)

If  $N$  is prime and  $(n, N^2) | N$ , then

$$\sum_{f \in H_k^0(N)} \lambda_f(n) = \frac{(k-1)N}{12\sqrt{n}} \delta_{n, \square Y} + \Delta_{k,N}^\infty(n) \\ + \frac{(k-1)N}{12} \sum_{\substack{(m,N)=1 \\ m \leq Y}} \frac{2\pi i^k}{m} \sum_{\substack{c \equiv 0 \pmod{N} \\ c \geq N}} \frac{S(m^2, n; c)}{c} J_{k-1} \left( 4\pi \frac{\sqrt{m^2 n}}{c} \right),$$

where  $\delta_{n, \square Y} = 1$  if  $n = a^2$  for  $a \leq Y$  and 0 otherwise.

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### Typical Argument

If any prime is 'special', bound error terms

$$\begin{aligned} &\ll \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{p_1, \dots, p_n \leq N^\sigma} \sum_{m \leq N^{\epsilon'}} \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \frac{m^2 r}{r p_1} \frac{\sqrt{p_1 \cdots p_n}}{r p_1 \sqrt{N}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{p_1 \cdots p_n}} \\ &\ll N^{-1+\epsilon'} \left( \sum_{p \leq N^\sigma} 1 \right)^{n-1} \ll N^{-1+(n-1)\sigma+\epsilon'} \end{aligned}$$

Bounds fail for large support - new terms arise.

## Converting Sums to Integrals - Hughes-Miller:

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We want to evaluate

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n_1, \dots, n_n} \left[ \prod_{i=1}^n \hat{\phi} \left( \frac{\log n_i}{\log R} \right) \frac{\chi_0(n_i) \Lambda(n_i)}{\sqrt{n_i} \log R} \right] J_{k-1} \left( \frac{4\pi m \sqrt{n_1 \cdots n_n}}{b\sqrt{N}} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Re(s)=1} \left[ \prod_{i=1}^n \sum_{n_i} \hat{\phi} \left( \frac{\log n_i}{\log R} \right) \frac{\chi_0(n_i) \Lambda(n_i)}{\sqrt{n_i} \log R} \right] \\ & \quad \times \left( \frac{4\pi m \sqrt{n_1 \cdots n_n}}{b\sqrt{N}} \right)^{-s} G_{k-1}(s) ds \end{aligned}$$

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### Important Observation

$$\sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \hat{\phi}\left(\frac{\log r}{\log R}\right) \frac{\chi_0(r)\Lambda(r)}{r^{(1+s)/2} \log R} = \phi\left(\frac{1-s}{4\pi i} \log R\right) + \mathcal{E}(s),$$

where

$$\mathcal{E}(s) = -\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Re(z)=c} \phi\left(\frac{(2z-1-s)\log R}{4\pi i}\right) \frac{L'}{L}(z, \chi_0) dz.$$

For convenience, rename expressions,  $X = Y + Z$ .

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Unfortunately,  $Z = \mathcal{E}(s)$  is **hard to compute with**.

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Hughes-Miller handle  $Y^n$  term,  $XY^{n-1}$  term is similar.

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When the dust clears, we see

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## New Results: Number Theory Side: Iyer-Miller-Triantafillou:

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### Theorem

Fix  $n \geq 4$  and let  $\phi$  be an even Schwartz function with  $\text{supp}(\widehat{\phi}) \subset \left(-\frac{1}{n-2}, \frac{1}{n-2}\right)$ . Then, the  $n$ th centered moment of the 1-level density for holomorphic cusp forms is

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1 + (-1)^n}{2} (-1)^n (n-1)!! \left( 2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \widehat{\phi}(y)^2 |y| dy \right)^{n/2} \\ & \pm (-2)^{n-1} \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi(x)^n \frac{\sin 2\pi x}{2\pi x} dx - \frac{1}{2} \phi(0)^n \right) \\ & \mp (-2)^{n-1} n \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \widehat{\phi}(x_2) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi^{n-1}(x_1) \frac{\sin(2\pi x_1(1 + |x_2|))}{2\pi x_1} dx_1 dx_2 - \frac{1}{2} \phi^n(0) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Compare to ...

## Random Matrix Theory: New Combinatorial Vantage

## $n$ -Level Density: Katz-Sarnak Determinant Expansions

Example:  $SO(\text{even})$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \widehat{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_1) \cdots \widehat{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_n) \det \left( K_1(\mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{x}_k) \right)_{1 \leq j, k \leq n} d\mathbf{x}_1 \cdots d\mathbf{x}_n,$$

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Problem: *n*-dimensional integral - looks very different.

## Preliminaries

Easier to work with cumulants.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n \frac{(it)^n}{n!} = \log \widehat{P}(t),$$

where  $P$  is the probability density function.

$$\mu'_n = C_n + \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{m-1} C_m \mu'_{n-m},$$

where  $\mu'_n$  is uncentered moment.

## Preliminaries

Manipulating determinant expansions leads to analysis of

$$K(y_1, \dots, y_n) = \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{\substack{\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_m = n \\ \lambda_j \geq 1}} \frac{(-1)^{m+1}}{m} \frac{n!}{\lambda_1! \dots \lambda_m!} \\ \sum_{\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n = \pm 1} \prod_{\ell=1}^m \chi_{\{|\sum_{j=1}^n \eta(\ell, j) \epsilon_j y_j| \leq 1\}},$$

where

$$\eta(\ell, j) = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if } j \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\ell} \lambda_k \\ -1 & \text{if } j > \sum_{k=1}^{\ell} \lambda_k. \end{cases}$$

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**Solution:** Double count terms and subtract a correcting term  $\rho_j$ .

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$$\Rightarrow (-1)^n = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_m = n} \frac{(-1)^m n!}{\lambda_1! \dots \lambda_m!}$$

## New Result: Dealing With ' $\rho_j$ 's

All  $\lambda_i, \lambda'_j \geq 1$ .

$$\rho_j = \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{l=1}^m \sum_{\substack{\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_{l-1} = j-1 \\ \lambda_l = 1 \\ \lambda_{l+1} + \dots + \lambda_m = n-j}} \frac{(-1)^m}{m} \frac{n!}{\lambda_1! \dots \lambda_m!}$$

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