

Extending Agreement in the Katz-Sarnak Density Conjecture

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Introduction

General L -functions

$$L(s, f) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_f(n)}{n^s} = \prod_{p \text{ prime}} L_p(s, f)^{-1}, \quad \operatorname{Re}(s) > 1.$$

Functional Equation:

$$\Lambda(s, f) = \Lambda_{\infty}(s, f) L(s, f) = \epsilon_f \Lambda(1 - s, f).$$

Generalized Riemann Hypothesis (GRH):

All non-trivial zeros have $\operatorname{Re}(s) = \frac{1}{2}$; can write zeros as $\frac{1}{2} + i\gamma$.

Observation: Spacings between zeros appear same as b/w eigenvalues of Complex Hermitian matrices.

Pair and n -level correlations

- Good: Remarkable agreement b/w Number Theory and GUE.
- Bad: Insensitive to finitely many zeros.

1-Level Density

- Study the behavior of zeros for L -functions near $s = 1/2$.
- We define the **1-level density** for an L -function $L(s, f)$ and ϕ an even Schwartz function, where $\widehat{\phi}$ is compactly supported, by

$$D_f(\phi) := \sum_{\gamma_f} \phi \left(\gamma_f \frac{\log R}{2\pi} \right).$$

Normalization of Zeros

Local (hard, use C_f) vs Global (easier, use $\log C = |\mathcal{F}_N|^{-1} \sum_{f \in \mathcal{F}_N} \log C_f$). **Hope:** ϕ a good even test function with compact support, as $|\mathcal{F}| \rightarrow \infty$,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{|\mathcal{F}_N|} \sum_{f \in \mathcal{F}_N} D_{n,f}(\phi) &= \frac{1}{|\mathcal{F}_N|} \sum_{f \in \mathcal{F}_N} \sum_{\substack{j_1, \dots, j_n \\ j_i \neq \pm j_k}} \prod_i \phi_i \left(\frac{\log C_f}{2\pi} \gamma_E^{(j_i)} \right) \\ &\rightarrow \int \cdots \int \phi(x) W_{n, \mathcal{G}(\mathcal{F})}(x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

Katz-Sarnak Conjecture

As $C_f \rightarrow \infty$ the behavior of zeros near $1/2$ agrees with $N \rightarrow \infty$ limit of eigenvalues of a classical compact group.

n-Level Density: Determinant Expansions from RMT

- $U(N)$, $U_k(N)$: $\det \left(K_0(x_j, x_k) \right)_{1 \leq j, k \leq n}$
- $USp(N)$: $\det \left(K_{-1}(x_j, x_k) \right)_{1 \leq j, k \leq n}$
- $SO(\text{even})$: $\det \left(K_1(x_j, x_k) \right)_{1 \leq j, k \leq n}$
- $SO(\text{odd})$: $\det \left(K_{-1}(x_j, x_k) \right)_{1 \leq j, k \leq n} + \sum_{\nu=1}^n \delta(x_\nu) \det \left(K_{-1}(x_j, x_k) \right)_{1 \leq j, k \neq \nu \leq n}$

where

$$K_\epsilon(x, y) = \frac{\sin \left(\pi(x - y) \right)}{\pi(x - y)} + \epsilon \frac{\sin \left(\pi(x + y) \right)}{\pi(x + y)}.$$

Random Matrix Theory Analogue

- For an even Schwartz function ϕ on \mathbb{R} define

$$F_M(\theta) := \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \phi \left(\frac{M}{2\pi}(\theta + 2\pi j) \right).$$

- For U and $M \times M$ unitary matrix with eigenvalues $e^{i\theta_n}$ let

$$Z_\phi(U) := \sum_{n=1}^M F_M(\theta_n)$$

The Question

- What are the moments of $Z_\phi(U)$ for matrices from the classical compact groups for given ϕ ?
- Katz and Sarnak: Compute for any test function, but often intractable.

Attacking The Question

- Rather than moments μ'_n of 1-level density, we study cumulants C_i given by

$$\log \mathbb{E}[e^{tX}] = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} C_i \frac{t^i}{i!}$$

Related to moments by

$$\mu'_n = \sum \left(\frac{C_2}{2!} \right)^{k_2} \cdots \left(\frac{C_n}{n!} \right)^{k_n} \frac{n!}{k_2! \cdots k_n!},$$

summing over k_j such that $\sum_{j=2}^n jk_j = n$.

Cumulants and the Classical Compact Groups

- For $\phi \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$ with $\text{supp}(\hat{\phi}) \subseteq [-\frac{2}{n}, \frac{2}{n}]$ and $n \geq 3$, we have

$$C_n^U(\phi) = 0$$

$$C_n^{SO(even)}(\phi) = 2^n Q_n(\phi)$$

$$C_n^{SO(odd)}(\phi) = -2^n Q_n(\phi)$$

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$$Q_n(\phi) = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{\substack{\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_m = n \\ \lambda_j \geq 1}} \frac{(-1)^{m+1}}{m} \frac{n!}{\lambda_1! \cdots \lambda_m!}$$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^m} \left(\prod_{j=1}^m \phi^{\lambda_j}(x_j) \right) \times S(x_1 - x_2) \cdots S(x_{m-1} - x_m)$$

$$\times S(x_m + x_1) dx_1 \cdots dx_m$$

where $S(x) = \frac{\sin(\pi x)}{\pi x}$.

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$$Q_n(\phi) = \frac{1}{4} \int_0^\infty \cdots \int_0^\infty \widehat{\phi}(y_1) \cdots \widehat{\phi}(y_n) K(y_1, \dots, y_n) dy_1 \cdots dy_n,$$

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$$\sum_{\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n = \pm 1} \prod_{\ell=1}^m \chi_{\{|\sum_{j=1}^n \eta(\ell, j) \epsilon_j y_j| \leq 1\}}$$

and

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

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$$\prod_{\ell=1}^m \chi_{\{|\sum_{j=1}^n \eta(\ell, j) \epsilon_j y_j| \leq 1\}} = 0. \quad (1)$$

- The remaining $2^n - 2m$ choices yield 1.

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- So

$$K(y_1, \dots, y_n) = \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_m = n} \frac{(-1)^{m+1}}{m} \frac{n!}{\lambda_1! \dots \lambda_m!} (2^n - 2m)$$

if $(y_1, \dots, y_n) \in [0, \frac{1}{n-1}]$ and $\sum_{i=1}^n y_i \geq 1$.

The Main Concept: Combinatorial Trick

- Notice that

$$e^{-z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n!} z^n.$$

- Also

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

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- By Fourier computations and changes of variable

$$Q_n(\phi) = \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{2} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi(x)^n \frac{\sin 2\pi x}{2\pi x} - \frac{1}{2} \phi(0)^n \right)$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
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 & - \left(\sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{\substack{\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_m = n \\ \lambda_j \geq 1}} 2m \frac{(-1)^{m+1}}{m} \frac{n!}{\lambda_1! \dots \lambda_m!} \right) \chi_{\{y_1 + \dots + y_n > 1\}} \\
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 & + \sum_{j=1}^n \left(\sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{\ell=1}^m \sum_{\substack{\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_{\ell-1} = j-1 \\ \lambda_{\ell} = 1 \\ \lambda_{\ell+1} + \dots + \lambda_m = n-j}} 4 \frac{(-1)^{m+1}}{m} \frac{n!}{\lambda_1! \dots \lambda_m!} \right) \chi_{\{y_1 + \dots + y_n > 1 + 2y_j\}}.
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- For $(\hat{\phi}) \subset [-\frac{1}{n-w}, \frac{1}{n-w}]$ with $w \geq 3$, get integrals against products of indicator functions, NOT amenable to these techniques

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- Remaining terms have simple indicator functions and can be simplified nicely.

Final expression

Theorem

For $\phi \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$ even such that $\text{supp}(\hat{\phi}) \subseteq \left[-\frac{1}{n-w}, \frac{1}{n-w}\right]$ with $w \leq n/2$, we have

$$Q_n(\phi) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{w-1} \frac{(-1)^{n+\ell+1} \binom{n}{\ell}}{2} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{\phi}(x_{\ell+1}) \cdots \hat{\phi}(x_2) \right. \\ \left. \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi^{n-\ell}(x_1) \frac{\sin(2\pi x_1(1 + |x_2| + \cdots + |x_{\ell+1}|))}{2\pi x_1} dx_1 \cdots dx_{\ell+1} - \frac{1}{2} \phi^n(0) \right)$$

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- Can extend what is known there to test functions ϕ with $\text{supp}(\widehat{\phi}) \subseteq [-\frac{1}{n-3}, \frac{1}{n-3}]$ and show agreement with random matrix theory using the previous theorem.

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How Does Soshnikov's Trick Work

We use the identities that

$$z = \log(1 + (e^z - 1)) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z^n \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{\substack{\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_m = n \\ \lambda_j \geq 1}} \frac{(-1)^{m+1}}{m} \frac{1}{\lambda_1! \dots \lambda_m!}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n!} z^n &= e^{-z} = \frac{1}{1 + (e^z - 1)} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z^n \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{\substack{\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_m = n \\ \lambda_j \geq 1}} (-1)^m \frac{1}{\lambda_1! \dots \lambda_m!} \end{aligned}$$

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- Using a combinatorial trick from Soshnikov, we use generating functions to evaluate the sum above. This gives

$$K(y_1, \dots, y_n) = 2(-1)^n \chi_{\{|\sum_{j=1}^n \eta(\ell, j) \epsilon_j y_j| \geq 1\}}.$$

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- Integration using standard techniques from Fourier analysis gives us,

$$Q_n(\phi) = \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{2} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} \phi(x)^n \frac{\sin 2\pi x}{2\pi x} - \frac{1}{2} \phi(0)^n \right)$$