

# Joint universality of some zeta-functions. I

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**Abstract.** In the paper, the joint universality for the Riemann zeta-function and a collection of periodic Hurwitz zeta functions is discussed and basic results are given.

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Let  $\mathbf{a} = \{a_m: m \in \mathbb{N}_0\}$ ,  $\mathbb{N}_0 = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ , be a periodic with minimal period  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  sequence of complex numbers, and  $\alpha$ ,  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ , be a fixed number. The periodic Hurwitz zeta-function  $\zeta(s, \alpha; \mathbf{a})$ ,  $s = \sigma + it$ , is defined, for  $\sigma > 1$ , by

$$\zeta(s, \alpha; \mathbf{a}) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a_m}{(m + \alpha)^s},$$

and by analytic continuation elsewhere. If

$$a = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{l=0}^{k-1} a_l = 0,$$

then  $\zeta(s, \alpha; \mathbf{a})$  is an entire function. If  $a \neq 0$ , then the point  $s = 1$  is a simple pole with residue  $a$ .

The universality of the function  $\zeta(s, \alpha; \mathbf{a})$  with transcendental parameter  $\alpha$  has been obtained in [2]. Let  $K$  be a compact subset of the strip  $D = \{s \in \mathbb{C}: \frac{1}{2} < \sigma < 1\}$  with connected complement, and let  $f(s)$  be a continuous function on  $K$  which is analytic in interior of  $K$ . Then, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$\liminf_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \text{meas} \left\{ \tau \in [0, T]: \sup_{s \in K} |\zeta(s + i\tau, \alpha; \mathbf{a}) - f(s)| < \varepsilon \right\} > 0.$$

Here and in the sequel,  $\text{meas}\{A\}$  denotes the Lebesgue measure of a measurable set  $A \subset \mathbb{R}$ .

The joint universality of periodic Hurwitz zeta-functions was considered in a series of papers [5, 6, 7, 3, 9] and [8]. The most general result in this field is contained in [8]. For  $j = 1, \dots, r$ , let  $\alpha_j$ ,  $0 < \alpha_j \leq 1$ , be fixed parameter, and  $l_j \in \mathbb{N}$ . Moreover, for  $j = 1, \dots, r$  and  $l = 1, \dots, l_j$ , let  $\mathbf{a}_{j,l} = \{a_{mj,l}: m \in \mathbb{N}_0\}$  be a periodic with minimal period

$k_{jl} \in \mathbb{N}$  sequence of complex numbers, and  $\zeta(s, \alpha_j; \mathbf{a}_{jl})$  be corresponding periodic Hurwitz zeta-function. Define

$$L(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r) = \{ \log(m + \alpha_j) : m \in \mathbb{N}_0, j = 1, \dots, r \}.$$

Moreover, let  $k_j$  be the least common multiple of the periods  $k_{j1}, k_{j2}, \dots, k_{jl_j}$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, r$ , and

$$B_j = \begin{pmatrix} a_{1j1} & a_{1j2} & \dots & a_{1jl_j} \\ a_{2j1} & a_{2j2} & \dots & a_{2jl_j} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ a_{k_j j1} & a_{k_j j2} & \dots & a_{k_j jl_j} \end{pmatrix}, \quad j = 1, \dots, r.$$

**Theorem 1.** (See [8].) *Suppose that the set  $L(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r)$  is linearly independent over the field of rational numbers  $\mathbb{Q}$  and that  $\text{rank}(B_j) = l_j$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, r$ . For every  $j = 1, \dots, r$  and  $l = 1, \dots, l_j$ , let  $K_{jl}$  be a compact subset of the strip  $D = \{s \in \mathbb{C} : \frac{1}{2} < \sigma < 1\}$  with connected complement, and let  $f_{jl}(s)$  be a continuous on  $K_{jl}$  function which is analytic in interior of  $K_{jl}$ . Then, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,*

$$\liminf_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \text{meas} \left\{ \tau \in [0, T] : \sup_{1 \leq j \leq r} \sup_{1 \leq l \leq l_j} \sup_{s \in K_{jl}} |\zeta(s + i\tau, \alpha_j; \mathbf{a}_{jl}) - f_{jl}(s)| < \varepsilon \right\} > 0.$$

The aim of this note is to give basics for the proof of the joint universality of the functions  $\zeta(s)$  and  $\zeta(s + i\tau, \alpha_j; \mathbf{a}_{jl})$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, r$ ,  $l = 1, \dots, l_j$ . Here, as usual,  $\zeta(s)$  denotes the Riemann zeta-function, that is  $\zeta(s) = \zeta(s, 1; \mathbf{a}_1)$  with  $\mathbf{a}_1 = \{a_m = 1 : m \in \mathbb{N}_0\}$ .

**Theorem 2.** *Suppose that  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r$  are algebraically independent over  $\mathbb{Q}$ , and that other hypotheses of Theorem 1 hold. Moreover, let  $K$  be a compact subset of the strip  $D$  with connected complement, and let  $f(s)$  be a continuous non-vanishing on  $K$  function which is analytic in interior of  $K$ . Then, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,*

$$\liminf_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \text{meas} \left\{ \tau \in [0, T] : \sup_{s \in K} |\zeta(s + i\tau) - f(s)| < \varepsilon, \right. \\ \left. \sup_{1 \leq j \leq r} \sup_{1 \leq l \leq l_j} \sup_{s \in K_{jl}} |\zeta(s + i\tau, \alpha_j; \mathbf{a}_{jl}) - f_{jl}(s)| < \varepsilon \right\} > 0.$$

The proof of Theorem 2 is based on a joint limit theorem in the space of analytic functions for the functions  $\zeta(s)$  and  $\zeta(s, \alpha_j; \mathbf{a}_{jl})$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, r$ ,  $l = 1, \dots, l_j$ .

Denote by  $H(D)$  the space of analytic on  $D$  functions equipped with the topology of uniform convergence on compacta, and let

$$H^\kappa(D) = \underbrace{H(D) \times \dots \times H(D)}_\kappa,$$

where

$$\kappa = \sum_{j=1}^r l_j + 1.$$

Moreover, let  $\gamma = \{s \in \mathbb{C}: |s| = 1\}$  be the unit circle on the complex plane. Define

$$\hat{\Omega} = \prod_p \gamma_p \quad \text{and} \quad \Omega = \prod_{m=0}^{\infty} \gamma_m,$$

where  $\gamma_p = \gamma$  and  $\gamma_m = \gamma$  for all primes  $p$  and all  $m \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , respectively. Then, by the Tikhonov theorem, the tori  $\hat{\Omega}$  and  $\Omega$  are compact topological groups. Denote by  $\mathcal{B}(S)$  the class of Borel sets of a space  $S$ . Then we obtain two probability spaces  $(\hat{\Omega}, \mathcal{B}(\hat{\Omega}), \hat{m}_H)$  and  $(\Omega, \mathcal{B}(\Omega), m_H)$ , where  $\hat{m}_H$  and  $m_H$  are probability measures on  $(\hat{\Omega}, \mathcal{B}(\hat{\Omega}))$  and  $(\Omega, \mathcal{B}(\Omega))$ , respectively. Now let

$$\Omega^{r+1} = \hat{\Omega} \times \Omega_1 \times \dots \times \Omega_r,$$

where  $\Omega_j = \Omega$  for  $j = 1, \dots, r$ . By the Tikhonov theorem again,  $\Omega^{r+1}$  is a compact topological Abelian group, and this leads to the probability space  $(\Omega^{r+1}, \mathcal{B}(\Omega^{r+1}), m_H^{r+1})$ , where  $m_H^{r+1}$  is the probability Haar measure on  $(\Omega^{r+1}, \mathcal{B}(\Omega^{r+1}))$ . Denote by  $\hat{\omega}(p)$  the projection of  $\hat{\omega} \in \hat{\Omega}$  to  $\gamma_p$ , and by  $\omega(m)$  the projection of  $\omega \in \Omega$  to  $\gamma_m$ . For brevity, let  $\underline{\alpha} = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r)$ ,  $\underline{\mathbf{a}} = (\mathbf{a}_{11}, \dots, \mathbf{a}_{1l_1}, \dots, \mathbf{a}_{r1}, \dots, \mathbf{a}_{rl_r})$ , and let  $\underline{\omega} = (\hat{\omega}, \omega_1, \dots, \omega_r)$  be an element of  $\Omega^{r+1}$ . On the probability space  $(\Omega^{r+1}, \mathcal{B}(\Omega^{r+1}), m_H^{r+1})$ , define the  $H^\kappa(D)$ -valued random element  $\underline{\zeta}(s, \underline{\alpha}, \underline{\omega}; \underline{\mathbf{a}})$  by the formula

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\zeta}(s, \underline{\alpha}, \underline{\omega}; \underline{\mathbf{a}}) = & (\zeta(s, \hat{\omega}), \zeta(s, \alpha_1, \omega_1; \mathbf{a}_{11}), \dots, \zeta(s, \alpha_1, \omega_1; \mathbf{a}_{1l_1}), \dots, \\ & \zeta(s, \alpha_r, \omega_r; \mathbf{a}_{r1}), \dots, \zeta(s, \alpha_r, \omega_r; \mathbf{a}_{rl_r})), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\zeta(s, \hat{\omega}) = \prod_p \left(1 - \frac{\hat{\omega}(p)}{p^s}\right)^{-1}$$

and

$$\zeta(s, \alpha_j, \omega_j; \mathbf{a}_{jl}) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a_{mjl} \omega_j(m)}{(m + \alpha_j)^s}, \quad j = 1, \dots, r, \quad l = 1, \dots, l_j.$$

Denote by  $P_{\underline{\zeta}}$  the distribution of the random element  $\underline{\zeta}(s, \underline{\alpha}, \underline{\omega}; \underline{\mathbf{a}})$ , and let  $\underline{\zeta}(s, \underline{\alpha}; \underline{\mathbf{a}}) = (\zeta(s), \zeta(s, \alpha_1; \mathbf{a}_{11}), \dots, \zeta(s, \alpha_1, \omega_1; \mathbf{a}_{1l_1}), \dots, \zeta(s, \alpha_r; \mathbf{a}_{r1}), \dots, \zeta(s, \alpha_r; \mathbf{a}_{rl_r}))$

**Theorem 3.** *Suppose that  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r$  are algebraically independent over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Then the probability measure*

$$P_T(A) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{T} \text{meas}\{\tau \in [0, T]: \underline{\zeta}(s + i\tau, \underline{\alpha}; \underline{\mathbf{a}}) \in A\}, \quad A \in \mathcal{B}(H^\kappa(D)),$$

converges weakly to  $P_{\underline{\zeta}}$  as  $T \rightarrow \infty$ .

Taking into account a limited size of this note, we give only a sketch of the proof of Theorem 3. The proof of Theorem 2 as well as full proof of Theorem 3 will be given elsewhere.

Denote by  $\mathcal{P}$  the set of all prime numbers.

1. Since the numbers  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r$  are algebraically independent over  $\mathbb{Q}$ , we have that the set

$$L \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{(\log p: p \in \mathcal{P}), (\log(m + \alpha_j): m \in \mathbb{N}_0, j = 1, \dots, r)\}$$

is linearly independent over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Consider the probability measure

$$Q_T(A) = \frac{1}{T} \text{meas} \left\{ \tau \in [0, T]: \left( (p^{-i\tau}: p \in \mathcal{P}), ((m + \alpha_1)^{-i\tau}: m \in \mathbb{N}_0), \dots, \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. ((m + \alpha_r)^{-i\tau}: m \in \mathbb{N}_0) \in A \right\}, \quad A \in \mathcal{B}(\Omega^{r+1}).$$

Then, using the above remark on the set  $L$  and applying the Fourier transform method, we find that the measure  $Q_T$  converges weakly to the Haar measure  $m_H^{r+1}$  as  $T \rightarrow \infty$ .

2. Let  $\sigma_1 > \frac{1}{2}$  be a fixed number, and

$$v_n(m) = \exp \left\{ - \left( \frac{m}{n} \right)^{\sigma_1} \right\}, \quad m, n \in \mathbb{N}, \\ v_n(m, \alpha_j) = \exp \left\{ - \left( \frac{m + \alpha_j}{n + \alpha_j} \right)^{\sigma_1} \right\}, \quad m, n \in \mathbb{N}_0, \quad j = 1, \dots, r.$$

Then by a standard way can be proved that the series

$$\zeta_n(s) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{v_n(m)}{m^s}, \quad \zeta_n(s, \alpha_j; \mathbf{a}_{jl}) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a_{mjl} v_n(m, \alpha_j)}{(m + \alpha_j)^s}, \quad j = 1, \dots, r,$$

are absolutely convergent for  $\sigma > \frac{1}{2}$ . For  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , define

$$\hat{\omega}(m) = \prod_{p^l \parallel m} \hat{\omega}^l(p),$$

where  $p^l \parallel m$  means that  $p^l \mid m$  but  $p^{l+1} \nmid m$ , and let

$$\zeta_n(s, \hat{\omega}) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{v_n(m) \hat{\omega}(m)}{m^s}, \\ \zeta_n(s, \alpha_j, \omega_j; \mathbf{a}_{jl}) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a_{mjl} \omega_j(m) v_n(m, \alpha_j)}{(m + \alpha_j)^s}, \quad j = 1, \dots, r.$$

The latter series, clearly, also are absolutely convergent for  $\sigma > \frac{1}{2}$ . Let, for brevity,

$$\underline{\zeta}_n(s, \underline{\alpha}; \underline{\mathbf{a}}) = (\zeta_n(s), \zeta_n(s, \alpha_1; \mathbf{a}_{11}), \dots, \zeta_n(s, \alpha_1; \mathbf{a}_{1l_1}), \dots, \\ \zeta_n(s, \alpha_r; \mathbf{a}_{r1}), \dots, \zeta_n(s, \alpha_r; \mathbf{a}_{rl_r})),$$

and

$$\underline{\zeta}_n(s, \underline{\alpha}, \underline{\omega}; \underline{\mathbf{a}}) = (\zeta_n(s, \hat{\omega}), \zeta_n(s, \alpha_1, \omega_1; \mathbf{a}_{11}), \dots, \zeta_n(s, \alpha_1, \omega_1; \mathbf{a}_{1l_1}), \dots, \\ \zeta_n(s, \alpha_r, \omega_r; \mathbf{a}_{r1}), \dots, \zeta_n(s, \alpha_r, \omega_r; \mathbf{a}_{rl_r})).$$

Then the next step of the proof of Theorem 3 consists of the proof that the probability measures

$$\frac{1}{T} \text{meas} \left\{ \tau \in [0, T]: \underline{\zeta}_n(s + i\tau, \underline{\alpha}; \underline{\mathbf{a}}) \in A \right\}, \quad A \in \mathcal{B}(H^{\kappa}(D)),$$

and

$$\frac{1}{T} \text{meas} \{ \tau \in [0, T]: \zeta_n(s + i\tau, \underline{\alpha}, \underline{\omega}; \underline{\mathfrak{a}}) \in A \}, \quad A \in \mathcal{B}(H^\kappa(D)),$$

both converge weakly to the same probability measure  $P$  on  $(H^\kappa(D), \mathcal{B}(H^\kappa(D)))$  as  $T \rightarrow \infty$ . For this, the weak convergence of measure  $Q_T$  to  $m_H^{r+1}$  as well as the invariance of  $m_H^{r+1}$  and properties of weak convergence of probability measures are applied.

3. Now we approximate in the mean  $\zeta(s, \underline{\alpha}; \underline{\mathfrak{a}})$  by  $\zeta_n(s, \underline{\alpha}; \underline{\mathfrak{a}})$  and  $\zeta(s, \underline{\alpha}, \underline{\omega}; \underline{\mathfrak{a}})$  by  $\zeta_n(s, \underline{\alpha}, \underline{\omega}; \underline{\mathfrak{a}})$ .

Let  $\{K_m: m \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be a sequence of compact subsets of the strip  $D$  such that

$$\bigcup_{m=1}^{\infty} K_m = D,$$

$K_m \subset K_{m+1}$  for all  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , and, for every compact  $K \subset D$ , there exists  $m$  such that  $K \subset K_m$ . For  $f, g \in H(D)$ , let

$$\rho(f, g) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} 2^{-m} \frac{\sup_{s \in K_m} |f(s) - g(s)|}{1 + \sup_{s \in K_m} |f(s) - g(s)|}.$$

Then  $\rho$  is a metric on  $H(D)$  which induces its topology of uniform convergence on compacta. Now if  $\underline{f} = (f_0, f_{11}, \dots, f_{1l_1}, \dots, f_{r1}, \dots, f_{rl_r})$ ,  $\underline{g} = (g_0, g_{11}, \dots, g_{1l_1}, \dots, g_{r1}, \dots, g_{rl_r}) \in H^\kappa(\overline{D})$ , and

$$\rho_\kappa(\underline{f}, \underline{g}) = \max \left( \max_{1 \leq j \leq r} \max_{1 \leq l \leq l_j} \rho(f_{jl}, g_{jl}), \rho(f_0, g_0) \right),$$

then  $\rho_\kappa$  is a metric on  $H^\kappa(D)$  with induces its topology of uniform convergence on compacta.

In this step, we prove the following equalities:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \limsup_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \rho_\kappa(\zeta(s + i\tau, \underline{\alpha}; \underline{\mathfrak{a}}), \zeta_n(s + i\tau, \underline{\alpha}; \underline{\mathfrak{a}})) d\tau = 0, \tag{1}$$

and if  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r$  are algebraically independent over  $\mathbb{Q}$ , then, for almost all  $\underline{\omega} \in \Omega^{r+1}$ ,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \limsup_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \rho_\kappa(\zeta(s + i\tau, \underline{\alpha}, \underline{\omega}; \underline{\mathfrak{a}}), \zeta_n(s + i\tau, \underline{\alpha}, \underline{\omega}; \underline{\mathfrak{a}})) d\tau = 0. \tag{2}$$

The proof of the above equalities easily follows from their one-dimensional versions in [2] and [4].

4. Additionally to  $P_T$ , define one more probability measure

$$\hat{P}_T(A) = \frac{1}{T} \text{meas} \{ \tau \in [0, T]: \zeta(s + i\tau, \underline{\alpha}, \underline{\omega}; \underline{\mathfrak{a}}) \in A \}, \quad A \in \mathcal{B}(H^\kappa(D)).$$

Using the limit theorems stated in Step 2, the approximation in the mean (1) and (2) as well as Theorem 4.2 from [1], we prove that both the measures  $P_T$  and  $\hat{P}_T$  converge weakly to the same probability measure  $P$  on  $(H^\kappa(D), \mathcal{B}(H^\kappa(D)))$  as  $T \rightarrow \infty$ .

5. It remains to show that  $P = P_\zeta$ . For this, the ergodicity of the group of transformations  $\{\Phi_\tau: \tau \in \mathbb{R}\}$  on  $\Omega^{r+1}$  defined by  $\Phi_\tau(\underline{\omega}) = a_\tau \underline{\omega}$ ,  $\underline{\omega} \in \Omega^{r+1}$ , where

$$a_\tau = \left\{ (p^{-i\tau}: p \in \mathcal{P}), ((m + \alpha_1)^{-i\tau}: m \in \mathbb{N}_0), \dots, ((m + \alpha_r)^{-i\tau}: m \in \mathbb{N}_0) \right\}, \quad \tau \in \mathbb{R},$$

as well as the classical Birkhoff–Khinchine theorem is applied.

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REZIUOMĖ

### **Keleto dzeta funkcijų jungtinis universalumas. I**

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Straipsnyje nagrinėjamas Rymano dzeta funkcijos ir periodinių Hurvico dzeta funkcijų rinkinio jungtinis universalumas.

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