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An effective order of Hecke-Landau zeta functions near the line $\sigma = 1$, II (some applications)

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1. The present paper is a secauel to [1] and the notation of that paper is used throughout. Let K be an algebraic number field of finite degree n and absolute value of the discriminant d. Denote by \mathfrak{f} a conductor of a character χ of ideal classes in the "narrow" sense.

We shall show some applications of effective order of Hecke-Landau zeta functions $\zeta_K(\sigma+it,\chi)$ near the line $\sigma=1$, exactly for $1-1/(n+1) \le \sigma \le 1$, which was given in the preceding note (see [1], th. 1). We first will prove the following

THEOREM A (compare [1], th. 2 and [2]). There exists a positive constant $c_1 > 1$, independent of K and χ such that in the region

(1.1)
$$\sigma \ge 1 -$$

$$\frac{10^4 \max \left\{ \log N_{\tilde{1}}, c_1 n^{3.5} \log^{2/3} (|t|+3) \left(\log \log (|t|+3) \right)^{1/3} \max \left(1, \frac{A_1}{\log \log t} \right) \right\}}$$

the function $\zeta_K(\sigma+it,\chi)$ has no zeros except for the hypothetical real simple zero of $\zeta_K(s,\chi_1)$, χ_1 real, where $A_1=n^{1.5}\sqrt{d}\,D$ and $D=\left(\frac{5\log d}{2(n-1)}\right)^{n-1}$ denotes the constant from Siegel's theorem on fundamental system of units (see [5]).

Remark. Putting $f = R_K$ we obtain obviously a zero-free region for the Dedekind zeta function (in this case Nf = 1).

Next, as an application of Theorem A we get an effective version of Chebotarev density theorem. Let L be a normal extension of K with Galois group G = G(L/K). Let P denote a prime ideal of K and $\left\lfloor \frac{L/K}{P} \right\rfloor$ denote the conjugacy class of Frobenius automorphisms corresponding to prime ideals

 \mathfrak{P} of L, $\mathfrak{P}|P$. For each conjugacy class C of G, we define

$$\Pi_{C}(x, L/K) = \sum_{\substack{P \text{ unramified in } L \\ N_{K/Q}P \leqslant x}} 1.$$

$$\left| \frac{L/P}{P} \right| = C$$

Now we can state the following explicit version of Chebotarev density theorem:

THEOREM B (compare [3], th. 1.3). There exist absolute effectively computable constants c_2 , c_3 , c_4 and c_5 such that in the estimate

$$\left| \Pi_C(x, L/K) - \frac{|C|}{|G|} \operatorname{Li} x \right| \leq \frac{|C|}{|G|} \operatorname{Li}(x^{\beta_0}) + R(x)$$

if $\exp(c_2 n_L^5 \sqrt{d_L} (\log d_L) D_L) \le x \le \exp\exp(c_3 n_L^{1.5} \sqrt{d_L} D_L)$ then we have

$$(1.2) R(x) \ll x \exp\left(-c_4 n_L^{-3} d_L^{-0.3} D_L^{-0.6} \log^{3/5} x (\log \log x)^{2/5}\right)$$

and if $x \ge \exp \exp(c_3 n_L^{1.5} \sqrt{d_L} D_L)$ then

 β_0 denotes the hypothetical real zero of Dedekind zeta function $\zeta_L(s)$ and the β_0 term is present only when β_0 does exist. n_L and d_L denote degree and absolute value of discriminant of the field L.

Remark 1. For $\exp(10n_L\log^2 d_L) \le x \le \exp(c_6 n_L^{25} d_L^3(\log d_L) D_L^6)$ the Lagarias-Odlyzko estimate (see [3], th. 1.3) is better than ours. So, we have then

$$R(x) \ll x \exp(-c_7 n_L^{-1/2} \log^{1/2} x)$$

Remark 2. We can estimate β_0 using Stark's bound (see [6], p. 148):

$$\beta_0 < \max(1 - (m_L \log d_L)^{-1}, 1 - (c_8 d_L^{1/n_L})^{-1})$$

where

$$m_L = \begin{cases}
4 & \text{if } L \text{ is normal over } Q, \\
16 & \text{if there is a sequence of fields} \\
Q = k_0 \subset ... \subset k_r = L \text{ with each field normal over the preceding one,} \\
4n_L! & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Throughout this paper c_1 , c_2 , ... will denote effectively computable positive absolute constants, independent of K and L. The constants implied by the notation $f \leqslant g$ or f = O(g) are also absolute.

2. The proof of Theorems A and B will rest on the following lemmas:

LEMMA 1 (th. 1 in [1]). For $1-1/(n+1) \le \sigma \le 1$, $t \ge 1.1$ the following inequality holds

(2.1)
$$|\zeta_K(\sigma+it,\chi)| \le A_2 N_1^{1-\sigma} t^{A_3(1-\sigma)^{3/2}} \log^{2/3} t + A_4 N_1^{1-\sigma} \log N_1^{-\sigma}$$

where $A_2 = \exp(c_9 \sqrt{d} D n^5)$, $A_3 = 14 \cdot 10^3 n^{25} (n+2)$, $A_4 = \sqrt{d} \log^{2n} d \cdot n^{c_1 0^n}$.

LEMMA 2 (Landau). If F(s) is a function regular in the circle $|s-s_0| \le r$ and satisfying the inequality $\left| \frac{F(s)}{F(s_0)} \right| \le M$ in this circle, then

$$-\operatorname{Re}\frac{F'}{F}(s_0) \leqslant \frac{4}{r}\log M - \operatorname{Re}\sum_{\varrho} \frac{1}{s_0 - \varrho}$$

where ϱ runs through the zeros of F(s) such that $|\varrho - s_0| \leq \frac{1}{2}r$ (a zero of order m being counted m times).

LEMMA 3 (see [5], Lemma 3). If $\sigma > 1$, then for the Dedekind zeta function $\zeta_K(s)$ we have

$$(2.3) -\frac{\zeta_K'}{\zeta_K}(\sigma) < \frac{1}{\sigma} + \frac{1}{\sigma - 1} + \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{d}{2^{2r_2} \pi^n} + \frac{r_1}{2} \frac{\Gamma'}{\Gamma} \left(\frac{\sigma}{2}\right) + r_2 \frac{\Gamma'}{\Gamma}(\sigma)$$

where K has r_1 real and $2r_2$ complex conjugate fields.

LEMMA 4 (see [7], Lemma 6). Denoting by $N(T, \chi)$ the number of roots of Hecke-Landau zeta function $\zeta_K(s, \chi)$ in the region $|t| \leq T$, $0.1 \leq \sigma \leq 1$ we have the estimate

(2.4)
$$N(T+1, \chi) - N(T, \chi) \leq \log(dNf(|T|+3)^n)$$

where f denotes the conductor of the character χ .

In the following we will use a weighted prime-power-counting function $\psi_C(x, L/K)$ defined by

$$\psi_C(x, L/K) = \sum_{\substack{P \text{ unramified in } L \\ N_{K/Q}P^m \leq x \\ \left| \frac{U/K}{P} \right| = C}} \log (N_{K/Q} P).$$

LEMMA 5 (see [3], th. 7.1). If $x \ge 2$ and $T \ge 2$, then

(2.5)
$$\psi_{C}(x) - \frac{|C|}{|G|}x + S(x, T)$$

$$\ll \frac{|C|}{|G|} \left\{ \frac{x \log x + T}{T} \log d_{L} + n_{L} \log x + \frac{n_{L} x \log x \log T}{T} \right\} + \log x \log d_{L} + n_{L} x \frac{\log^{2} x}{T}$$

where

$$S(x, T) = \frac{|C|}{|G|} \sum_{\chi} \bar{\chi}(g) \left\{ \sum_{\substack{\varrho \\ |\text{Im}\varrho| < T}} \frac{x^{\varrho}}{\varrho} - \sum_{\substack{\varrho \\ |\varrho| \le 1/2}} \frac{1}{\varrho} \right\}$$

and the inner sums are taken over the nontrivial zeros ϱ of $\zeta_L(s,\chi)$ and χ runs through the irreducible characters of the cyclic group $H=\langle g \rangle$, where g is a selected element of C. n_L and d_L denote degree and absolute value of the discriminant of L.

3. Proof of Theorem A. Let $\beta + i\tau$ be a nontrivial root of $\zeta_K(s, \chi)$. Since $\zeta_K(\bar{s}, \bar{\chi}) = \overline{\zeta_K(s, \chi)}$ we may restrict our attention to those zeros which lie in the upper half plane. Moreover we can assume that $\tau \ge e^{n^2}$ since by Lemmas 8.1 and 8.2 in [3] Theorem A holds for $|\tau| \le e^{n^2}$. Denote

$$\begin{split} M_0 &= \max \bigg(\log N \mathfrak{f}, \, c_{11} \, n^{3.5} \log^{2/3} \tau \, (\log \log \tau)^{1/3}, \, c_{12} \, n^5 \, \sqrt{d} \, D \frac{\log^{2/3} \tau}{(\log \log \tau)^{2/3}} \bigg), \\ r(\tau) &= \frac{(\log \log \tau)^{2/3}}{2 \cdot 10^3 \log^{2/3} \tau}, \quad \alpha_0 = 1 + \frac{1}{10^3 \, M_0} \end{split}$$

and let $s_0 = \alpha_0 + i\tau$ and $s_0' = \alpha_0 + i2\tau$. Consider the circles $|s - s_0| \le r(\tau)$ and $|s - s_0'| \le r(\tau)$. Both circles lie in the region from Lemma 1.

For $\sigma > 1$

$$\frac{1}{|\zeta_K(s,\chi)|} = \left| \prod_{p} \left(1 - \frac{\chi(p)}{Np^5} \right) \right| < \zeta_K(\sigma) < \left(\frac{\sigma}{\sigma - 1} \right)^n.$$

Hence by Lemma 1 we get for $|s-s_0| \le r(\tau)$

$$\left| \frac{\zeta_K(s, \chi)}{\zeta_K(s_0, \chi)} \right| \le 2A_1 N f^r \tau^{A_2 r^{3/2}} (\log^{2/3} \tau + \log N f) (10^3 M_0)^n$$

and similarly for $|s-s_0'| \le r(\tau)$

$$\left|\frac{\zeta_K(s,\chi^2)}{\zeta_K(s_0',\chi^2)}\right| \leq 2A_1 N^{\frac{r}{4}} \tau^{A_2r^{3/2}} (\log^{2/3} \tau + \log N^{\frac{r}{4}}) (10^3 M_0)^n.$$

Now applying Lemma 2 we have for $\beta > \alpha_0 - \frac{1}{2}r(\tau)$ the estimates

$$-\operatorname{Re}\frac{\zeta_{K}'}{\zeta_{K}}(s_{0},\chi) \leqslant 6M_{0} - \frac{1}{\alpha_{0} - \beta}$$

and

$$-\operatorname{Re}\frac{\zeta_K'}{\zeta_K}(s_0',\chi^2) \leqslant 6M_0.$$

For the principal character $\chi = \chi_0$ we have on real axis the estimate

$$-\frac{\zeta_K'}{\zeta_K}(\alpha_0, \chi_0) = \sum_{\substack{\mathfrak{p}, \mathfrak{m} \\ \mathfrak{p}, \mathfrak{p} \\ \mathfrak{p}, \mathfrak{p}}} \frac{\log N\mathfrak{p}}{N\mathfrak{p}^{\mathfrak{m}\alpha_0}} \leqslant \sum_{\mathfrak{p}, \mathfrak{m}} \frac{\log N\mathfrak{p}}{N\mathfrak{p}^{\mathfrak{m}\alpha_0}} = -\frac{\zeta_K'}{\zeta_K}(\alpha_0)$$

and by Lemma 3 since $1<\alpha_0<1.001,\ \frac{\Gamma'}{\Gamma}\Big(\frac{\alpha_0}{2}\Big)<0$ and $\frac{\Gamma'}{\Gamma}(\alpha_0)<0$ we get

(3.3)
$$-\frac{\zeta_{K}'}{\zeta_{K}}(\alpha_{0}, \chi_{0}) < \frac{1.001}{\alpha_{0}-1}.$$

Now from the well-known cosinus inequality for $\sigma > 1$,

$$-3\frac{\zeta_K'}{\zeta_K}(\sigma,\chi_0)-4\operatorname{Re}\frac{\zeta_K'}{\zeta_K}(\sigma+it,\chi)-\operatorname{Re}\frac{\zeta_K'}{\zeta_K}(\sigma+i2t,\chi^2)\geqslant 0,$$

putting $t = \tau$ and $\sigma = \alpha_0$ we get by (3.1), (3.2) and (3.3) the estimate

$$3033 M_0 - \frac{4}{\alpha_0 - \beta} \geqslant 0.$$

Hence

$$\beta<1-\frac{1}{10^4\,M_0}.$$

If $\beta < \alpha_0 - \frac{1}{2}r(\tau)$ we obtain a similar result. It means that the proof of Theorem A is complete.

4. Proof of Theorem B. The asymptotic formula $\pi_C(x) \sim \frac{|C|}{|G|} \operatorname{Li}(x)$ with an explicit remainder term is derived by partial summation from that for $\psi_C(x)$. We first prove

LEMMA 6 (compare [3], th. 9.2). There exist absolute constants c_{13} , c_{14} , c_{15} , c_{16} and c_{17} such that if $x \ge \exp\exp(c_{13} n_L^{1.5} \cdot \sqrt{d_L} D_L)$ then

$$\psi_C(x) = \frac{|C|}{|G|} x - \frac{|C|}{|G|} \chi_0(g) \frac{x^{\beta_0}}{\beta_0} + R(x)$$

where

(4.1)
$$R(x) \le x \exp(-c_{14} n_L^{-2.1} \log^{3/5} x (\log \log x)^{-1/5})$$

and if $\exp(c_{15} n_L^5 \sqrt{d_L} (\log d_L) D_L) \le x \le \exp\exp(c_{16} n_L^{1.5} \sqrt{d_L} D_L)$ then

$$(4.2) R(x) \ll x \exp\left(-c_{17} n_L^{-3} d_L^{-0.3} D_L^{-0.6} \log^{3/5} x (\log \log x)^{2/5}\right).$$

 β_0 denotes the hypothetical real zero of $\zeta_L(s)$ and the β_0 term is present

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only when β_0 does exist. χ_0 is a real character of the cyclic group $H = \langle g \rangle$ for which $\zeta_{L/E}(s, \chi_0)$ has β_0 as a zero, E is a fixed field of H.

Proof. We have

$$\begin{split} \left| \psi_{C}(x) - \frac{|C|}{|G|} x + \frac{|C|}{|G|} \chi_{0}(g) \frac{x^{\beta_{0}}}{\beta_{0}} \right| \\ & \leq \left| \psi_{C}(x) - \frac{|C|}{|G|} x + S(x, T) \right| + \frac{|C|}{|G|} \chi_{0}(g) \frac{x^{\beta_{0}}}{\beta_{0}} - S(x, T) \right| = W_{1} + W_{2}. \end{split}$$

Lemma 5 gives the required estimate for W_1 and W_2 we can estimate as follows

$$W_{2} = \frac{|C|}{|G|} \left| \sum_{\chi} \bar{\chi}(g) \left\{ \sum_{\substack{|q| \ge 1/2 \\ \varrho \ne 0 \\ |\text{Im} \varrho| < T}} \frac{x^{\varrho}}{\varrho} - \sum_{\substack{|\varrho| \le 1/2 \\ \varrho \ne 1-\beta_{0}}} \frac{1}{\varrho} \right\} - \chi_{0}(g) \frac{x^{\beta_{0}}}{\beta_{0}} \right|$$

$$\ll \frac{|C|}{|G|} \sum_{\chi} \left(\sum_{\substack{|\varrho| \ge 1/2 \\ \varrho \ne 0}} \frac{|x^{\varrho}|}{|\varrho|} + \sum_{\substack{|\varrho| \le 1/2 \\ \varrho \ne 1-\beta_{0}}} \left(\frac{|x^{\varrho}|}{|\varrho|} + \frac{1}{|\varrho|} \right) + \frac{|x^{1-\beta_{0}}|}{|1-\beta_{0}} - \frac{1}{1-\beta_{0}} \right| \right)$$

where

$$\frac{x^{1-\beta_0}-1}{1-\beta_0} \le \frac{x^{1/\log x}-1}{1/\log x} \le x^{1/2}$$

and by Lemma 4 and the fact that for $\varrho \neq 1-\beta_0$, $|\varrho| \geqslant 1/(4\log d_L)$ (see [3], Lemma 8.2) using the conductor-discriminant formula $\sum_{\chi} \log \left(d_E N_{E/Q} f(\chi)\right)$ = $\log d_L$, we obtain

$$\sum_{\substack{\chi \\ |\varrho| < 1/2}} \sum_{\substack{\ell = 1 - \beta_0 \\ |\varrho| < 1/2}} \left\{ \left| \frac{x^{\ell}}{\varrho} \right| + \frac{1}{|\varrho|} \right\} \leqslant 2x^{1/2} \sum_{\substack{\ell = 1 - \beta_0 \\ |\varrho| < 1/2}} \frac{1}{|\varrho|} \ll x^{1/2} (\log d_L)^2$$

and

$$\sum_{\substack{\chi \text{ } |\varrho| > 1/2 \\ \varrho \neq \beta_0 \\ |\text{lim} \varrho| < T}} \left| \frac{x^{\varrho}}{\varrho} \right| \ll x^{\beta} \log T (\log d_L T^{n_L})$$

where by Theorem A for $T \ge 3$

$$x^{\beta} \leqslant x \exp\left(-\frac{\log x}{c_1 \, n_L^{3.5} \log^{2/3} T(\log \log T)^{1/3} \max\{1, A_1/\log \log T\}}\right).$$

Hence for $\log \log T \leq n_L^{1.5} \sqrt{d_L} D_L$,

$$W_2 \ll x \log T(\log d_L T^{n_L}) \exp\left(-\frac{\log x (\log \log T)^{2/3}}{c_{18} n_L^5 \sqrt{d_L} D_L \log^{2/3} T}\right) + x^{1/2} (\log d_L)^2.$$

We now choose

$$\log T = \frac{\log^{3/5} x (\log \log x)^{2/5}}{c_{19} n_L^3 D_L^{0.6} d_L^{0.3}}$$

and then

$$W_1 \ll x \exp\left(-\frac{\log^{3/5} x (\log\log x)^{2/5}}{c_{20} n_L^3 d_L^{0.3} D_L^{0.6}}\right) \quad \text{if } \frac{\log x}{\log\log x} \geqslant c_{21} n_L^5 \sqrt{d_L} D_L,$$

$$W_2 \ll x \exp\left(-\frac{\log^{3/5} x (\log\log x)^{2/5}}{c_{22} n_L^3 d_L^{0.3} D_L^{0.6}}\right) \quad \text{if } \log\log x \leqslant \frac{5}{3} n_L^{1.5} \sqrt{d_L} D_L.$$

The estimate (4.2) of Lemma 6 is proved. Now we consider the second case. Let $\log \log T > n_L^{1.5} \sqrt{d_L} D_L$. Then

$$W_2 \ll x \log T \log (d_L T^{n_L}) \exp \left(-\frac{\log x}{c_{23} n_L^{3.5} \log^{2/3} T (\log \log T)^{1/3}} \right)$$

and we choose

$$\log T = \frac{\log^{3/5} x (\log \log x)^{-1/5}}{c_{24} n_L^{2.1}} \quad \text{and} \quad \log x \geqslant \exp(c_{25} n_L^{1.5} \sqrt{d_L} D_L).$$

Then

$$\begin{split} W_1 & \ll x \exp\left(2\log\log x - \frac{\log^{3/5} x (\log\log x)^{-1/5}}{c_{26} n_L^{2.1}}\right) \\ & \ll x \exp\left(-\frac{\log^{3/5} x (\log\log x)^{-1/5}}{c_{27} n_L^{2.1}}\right) \end{split}$$

and

$$W_2 \ll x \exp\left(2\log\log T - \frac{\log x}{c_{28} n_L^{3.5} \log_{.}^{2/3} T (\log\log T)^{1/3}}\right)$$
$$\ll x \exp\left(-\frac{\log^{3/5} x (\log\log x)^{-1/5}}{c_{29} n_L^{3.5}}\right)$$

and we get the result (4.1) of Lemma 6.

The method of the proof of Theorem B is standard. We first define the function

$$\theta_C(x) = \sum_{\substack{P \text{unramified in } L \\ NK/Q^{P \le x}}} \log N_{K/Q} P$$

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and since there are at most n_K ideals P^m (P prime) of a given norm in K, we have

$$\psi_{C}(x) = \theta_{C}(x) + \sum_{\substack{P \text{ unramified in } L \\ N_{K/Q}P^{m} \leq x, \ m \geq 2}} \log N_{K/Q} P = \theta_{C}(x) + O(n x \log x)$$

$$\left| \frac{L/K}{P} \right| = C$$

and this shows that the estimates of Lemma 6 hold when $\psi_C(x)$ is replaced by $\theta_C(x)$.

Theorem B now follows from Lemma 6 by a modified form of partial summation (see [4], Lemma 7.3).

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On the linear independence of roots of unity over finite extensions of Q

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The problem we shall treat in the present paper seems to have been first considered by H. B. Mann.

In [4], among other things, the following theorem is proved:

Let

(1)
$$\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \zeta^{n_1} + \ldots + \alpha_{k-1} \zeta^{n_{k-1}} = 0$$

be an equation, where ζ is a primitive N-th root of unity, the α_i are rational numbers, such that no proper subsum of its left-hand side vanishes (Mann calls such an equation "irreducible").

Then $N/(N, n_1, ..., n_{k-1})$ divides the product of prime numbers up to k.

This result was improved in one direction by Conway and Jones who showed in [2] that, if p_1, \ldots, p_s are the primes dividing $N/(N, n_1, \ldots, n_{k-1})$ then

$$\sum (p_i-2) \leqslant k-2$$
.

In another direction Schinzel considered recently the analogous problem to obtain an estimate for the above quotient assuming the coefficients α_i to be elements of some algebraic extension L of the rationals. (A particular case of this had been treated by Loxton [3]: he assumes $\alpha_0 \in L$, while $\alpha_i \in Q$ for $1 \le j \le k-1$.)

Schinzel proves in [5] that there is some bound for the quotient which depends only on k and on the degree d = [L:Q].

However his proof uses van der Waerden's Theorem on arithmetic progressions and so leads to extremely large values for such a bound.

The question arises whether Mann's method (for instance), which is different from Schinzel's one, can be adapted to obtain a more satisfactory estimate.

In this paper we show that the answer is to some extent affirmative. We remark that the problem is simplified if one looks for bounds