

**An analytic function in 3 complex variables related to  
the value-distribution of  $\log L$ , and the “Plancherel volume”**

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The first subject of the talk is of general and elementary nature. For a continuous density measure  $M(x)|dx|$  on  $\mathbf{R}^d$ , let  $\mu_M$  denote the variance and  $\nu_M$  the “Plancherel volume”

$$\nu_M = \int M(x)^2 |dx| = \int |\hat{M}(y)|^2 |dy|$$

( $|dx|$  the self-dual Haar measure of  $\mathbf{R}^d$ ,  $\hat{\cdot}$  the Fourier transform). We first focus our attention on the natural numerical invariant  $\mu_M^{d/2} \nu_M$ ; its meaning, basic examples with parameters, the lower bound, etc..

The second (and the main) subject is a complex analytic function in 3 variables defined explicitly as

$$\tilde{M}(s; z_1, z_2) = \prod_p F(iz_1/2, iz_2/2; 1; p^{-2s}) \quad (\Re(s) > 1/2)$$

( $i = \sqrt{-1}$ ,  $F(a, b; c; t)$  Gauss’ hypergeometric series). When  $\sigma$  is real  $> 1/2$ ,  $\tilde{M}(\sigma, z_1, z_2)$  can be interpreted as the mean value of  $\{\overline{\zeta(s)}^{iz_1/2} \zeta(s)^{iz_2/2}\}$  over the vertical line  $\Re(s) = \sigma$ . But we consider  $\tilde{M}(s; z_1, z_2)$  as an analytic function also of the complex variable  $s$ . We discuss its analytic continuation to the left of  $\Re(s) > 1/2$ , two other infinite product expansions, and the limit behaviours as  $s \rightarrow 1/2, +\infty$ . This will be applied to the determination of the corresponding limits of the above invariant  $\mu_M \nu_M$  when  $M = M_\sigma$  is the density measure on  $\mathbf{C}$  for the distribution of  $\{\log \zeta(\sigma + ti)\}_{t \in \mathbf{R}}$  or of  $\{\log L(s, \chi)\}_\chi$ . The connection with value-distributions is joint work with K. Matsumoto.