

DETERMINANT EXPRESSION OF SELBERG ZETA FUNCTIONS. II

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ABSTRACT. This paper is the $\mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{C})$ -version of Part I. We show that for $\mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{C})$ and its subgroup $\mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathcal{O})$, the Selberg zeta function with its gamma factors is expressed as the determinant of the Laplacians, where \mathcal{O} is the integer ring of an imaginary quadratic field. All the gamma factors are calculated explicitly. We also give an explicit computation to the contribution of the continuous spectrum to the determinant of the Laplacian.

1. INTRODUCTION

In Part I [6], we expressed the Selberg zeta function as the determinant of the Laplacian for $G = \mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ and its congruence subgroup Γ . In this paper, we will show that the same type of expression is valid for $G = \mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{C})$ and $\Gamma = \mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathcal{O}_K)$, where \mathcal{O}_K is the integer ring of an imaginary quadratic field K . The Selberg zeta function is defined by

$$(1.1) \quad Z(s) := \prod_{T \in \mathbf{P}(k, l)} \prod (1 - a(T)^{-2k} \overline{a(T)}^{-2l} N(T)^{-s}),$$

where \mathbf{P} is a certain set of primitive hyperbolic conjugacy classes and (k, l) runs through all the pairs of positive integers satisfying a certain congruence relation. The complex number $a(T)$ is the eigenvalue of T with $|a(T)| > 1$, and $N(T) := |a(T)|^2$. By supplying three factors to $Z(s)$, we have the complete Selberg zeta function

$$\widehat{Z}(s) := Z_I(s) Z_E(s) Z_P(s) Z(s),$$

where I , E , and P correspond to the contribution of the identity, elliptic, and parabolic conjugacy classes, respectively. The main result of this paper is that $\widehat{Z}(s)$ has the determinant expression

$$\widehat{Z}(s) = e^{c-c's(2-s)} \det(\Delta, s),$$

where Δ is the Laplacian for the real three-dimensional hyperbolic space. The determinant of the Laplacian is composed of both discrete and continuous spectrum:

$$\det(\Delta, s) := \det_D(\Delta - s(2-s)) \det_C(\Delta, s).$$

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The discrete part \det_D is defined via the spectral zeta function, while the continuous part \det_C is computed from the corresponding terms of the Selberg trace formula. An explicit computation shows that Z_I and Z_E are entire, Z_P is expressed by the gamma function, and \det_C is the Dedekind zeta function with the gamma factor (the complete Dedekind zeta function) of the Hilbert class field of K . We can list all the zeros of $Z(s)$ via the eigenvalues of Δ and the zeros of the Dedekind zeta function. When $G = \mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbf{R})$, zeros of $Z(s)$ deriving from $Z_I(s)^{-1}Z_E(s)^{-1}$ are called trivial zeros. In the present situation, $Z(s)$ has no trivial zeros. This reflects the fact that there is no discrete series among the representations of $\mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbf{C})$. In the last section, we give an account of the work of Efrat in [1], which suggests a general definition of the determinant of the Laplacians, and we put the results in the former sections in this paper into his general framework.

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2. THE SELBERG TRACE FORMULA

Let j be the number in the quaternion field which satisfies $j^2 = -1$, $ij = -ji$, and let \mathbf{H} be the real three-dimensional hyperbolic space,

$$\mathbf{H} := \{v = z + yj \mid z = x_1 + x_2i \in \mathbf{C}, y > 0\},$$

with the Riemannian metric

$$dv^2 = \frac{dx_1^2 + dx_2^2 + dy^2}{y^2}.$$

It has a corresponding hyperbolic distance $d(v, v')$ given by

$$\cosh d(v, v') := \frac{|z - z'|^2 + y^2 + y'^2}{2yy'},$$

where $v = z + yj$ and $v' = z' + y'j$. Moreover, the hyperbolic volume measure is given by

$$\frac{dx_1 dx_2 dy}{y^3}.$$

The group $\mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbf{C})$ acts on \mathbf{H} transitively by

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} (v) := (av + b)(cv + d)^{-1} = \frac{(az + b)(\overline{cz + d}) + a\bar{c}y^2 + yj}{|cz + d|^2 + |c|^2y^2}.$$

The induced action of $G = \mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbf{C})$ is faithful and the stabilizer of j is the unitary group $\mathrm{SU}(2)$, which induces the analytic isomorphism

$$gM \in G/M \rightarrow g(j) \in \mathbf{H},$$

where $M := \mathrm{SU}(2)/\{\pm 1_2\}$. We introduce an imaginary quadratic field $K = \mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{-D})$, where D is a square free positive integer such that $D \neq 1, 3$. Let Γ be $\mathrm{PSL}(2, O_K)$, which is a discrete subgroup of G . The Laplacian for \mathbf{H} is defined by

$$\Delta := -y^2 \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_1^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_2^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \right) + y \frac{\partial}{\partial y}.$$

It has the selfadjoint extension on $L^2(\Gamma \backslash \mathbf{H})$. For the right regular representation U of G on $L^2(\Gamma \backslash G)$ and the function $f \in L^1(G)$, we define the operator $U(f)$ on $L^2(\Gamma \backslash G)$ by

$$U(f) := \int_G f(y) U(y) dy.$$

The operator $U(f)$ has both discrete and continuous spectrum. The Selberg trace formula expresses the sum of the discrete spectrum as

$$\mathrm{Tr}_D = (\text{sum over conjugacy classes}) - \mathrm{Tr}_C,$$

where Tr_C corresponds to the removed trace of the continuous spectrum. If we denote the eigenvalues of Δ by $\{0 = \lambda_0 < \lambda_1 < \lambda_2 < \dots\}$, then the eigenvalues of $U(f)$ depend only on $\{\lambda_n\}$. So we have

$$\mathrm{Tr}_D = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} h(\lambda_n).$$

The function $h(\lambda_n)$ is called the Selberg transform of f . Next we give the classification of conjugacy classes. An element $\gamma \in \Gamma - \{1\}$ is called *elliptic*, *hyperbolic*, or *parabolic* if $|\mathrm{tr}(\gamma)|$ is smaller than, larger than, or equal to 2, respectively. The norm of a hyperbolic element γ is defined by $N(\gamma) = |\alpha|^2$, if $\alpha \in \mathbf{C}$ is the eigenvalue of γ such that $|\alpha| > 1$. The centralizer Γ_γ of a semisimple element γ in Γ is given by the following lemmas.

Lemma 2.1 (Elstrodt et al. [3, Theorem 2.1, p. 96]). *Suppose that $R \in \Gamma$ is elliptic, and let R_0 be a primitive elliptic element associated with R . Then the centralizer Γ_R of R in Γ contains hyperbolic elements. Let $T_0 \in \Gamma_R$ be hyperbolic such that $N(T_0)$ is minimal in the set of norms of hyperbolic elements contained in Γ_R . Then one of the two following possibilities occurs:*

(a) $\langle R_0 \rangle$ contains all the elliptic elements of Γ_R . Then Γ_R is abelian,

$$\Gamma_R = \langle R_0 \rangle \times \langle T_0 \rangle,$$

and $M(R) := \langle R_0 \rangle$ is the unique maximal finite subgroup of Γ_R .

(b) R is elliptic of order 2, and there exists an elliptic element $S \in \Gamma_R$ also of order 2. Then for every such S

$$S^{-1}R_0S = R_0^{-1}, \quad \text{and} \quad M(R) := \langle R_0 \rangle \cup \langle R_0 \rangle S$$

is a maximal finite subgroup of Γ_R . All the maximal finite subgroups of Γ_R are conjugate in $\mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbf{C})$,

$$\Gamma_R = \{T_0^n E | E \in M(R), n \in \mathbf{Z}\},$$

and $\langle R_0 \rangle \times \langle T_0 \rangle$ is an abelian subgroup of index 2 in Γ_R .

Lemma 2.2 (Elstrodt et al. [3, p. 94]). *Suppose that $T \in \Gamma$ is hyperbolic, and let $(\Gamma_T)_{\mathrm{tor}}$ be the set of elements of finite order in Γ_T . Then $(\Gamma_T)_{\mathrm{tor}}$ contains only the identity or it is the finite cyclic group generated by the hyperbolic rotation in Γ with minimal rotation angle around the axis of T . Let T_0 be an element such that $N(T_0)$ is minimal among the set of norms of all hyperbolic elements of Γ_T . T_0 itself is not uniquely determined by T , but $N(T_0)$ is. Then*

$$\Gamma_T = (\Gamma_T)_{\mathrm{tor}} \times \langle T_0 \rangle.$$

In particular, Γ_T is abelian.

Remark. These lemmas are proved for Γ cocompact, but valid for Γ cofinite, because parabolic elements have no effect on the centralizer of a semisimple element.

Here we choose a maximal system \mathbf{P} of primitive hyperbolic elements of Γ such that no two of the elements

$$(2.1) \quad T = T_0^{n+1} R_0^m \quad (T_0 \in \mathbf{P}, M(T_0) = \langle R_0 \rangle, 0 \leq m < \text{ord } R_0, n \geq 0)$$

are conjugate in Γ .

Lemma 2.3 (Elstrodt et al. [3, p. 105]). *All the elements expressed in (2.1) form a representative system of all the Γ -conjugacy classes of hyperbolic elements of Γ .*

Thanks to Lemmas 2.1–2.3, we can compute the contribution of semisimple conjugacy classes to the trace formula by the same method as that in [3]. The conclusions are in the following Lemmas 2.4 and 2.5.

Lemma 2.4. *For an elliptic Γ -conjugacy class R conjugate to $\begin{pmatrix} \zeta & 0 \\ 0 & \zeta^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$ in G with $|\zeta| = 1$, we have the following equality:*

$$(2.2) \quad \int_{\Gamma_R \backslash \mathbf{H}} k(v, Rv) dv = \frac{\log N(T_0)}{\text{ord } M(R) |1 - \zeta^2|^2} g(0),$$

where $M(R)$ is the maximal finite subgroup of Γ_R , and T_0 is a hyperbolic element defined in Lemma 2.1.

Lemma 2.5. *For a hyperbolic Γ -conjugacy class T conjugate to $\begin{pmatrix} a(T) & 0 \\ 0 & a(T)^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$ in G with $|a(T)| > 1$, we have the following equality:*

$$(2.3) \quad \int_{\Gamma_T \backslash \mathbf{H}} k(v, Rv) dv = \frac{\log N(T_0)}{\text{ord}(\Gamma_T)_{\text{tor}} |a(T) - a(T)^{-1}|^2} g(\log N(T)),$$

where T_0 is defined in Lemma 2.2.

The most mysterious part in the trace formula is the one concerning the continuous spectrum. Its contribution is known to be expressed in terms of Eisenstein series, which is defined as follows. For the time being we denote Γ to be a cofinite discrete subgroup of G . Let $k_1 := \infty$, k_2, \dots, k_h be a complete set of inequivalent cusps, and let Γ_i be the subgroup of Γ that fixes k_i . Let $\rho_i \in G$ be the element such that $\rho_i(k_i) = \infty$ and that

$$\rho_i \Gamma_i \rho_i^{-1} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \middle| b \in L_i \right\},$$

where L_i is a lattice in \mathbf{C} such that $\text{vol}(\mathbf{C}/L_i) = 1$. For $v = z + yj \in \mathbf{H}$, we denote v_i , z_i , and y_i by $\rho_i v = v_i = z_i + y_i j$. We denote y_i as a mapping on \mathbf{H} to \mathbf{R}_+ for which $v \in \mathbf{H}$ corresponds to the coefficient of j in $\rho_i v$. Then for each cusp k_i , define its Eisenstein series to be

$$E_i(v, s) := \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma_i \backslash \Gamma} y_i(\gamma v)^s \quad (\text{Re}(s) > 2).$$

It is known that $E_i(v, s)$ can be meromorphically continued in s to the whole complex plane and that it admits a Fourier expansion at a cusp k_j , which is of the form

$$E_i(v, s) = \delta_{ij} y_j^s + \varphi_{ij}(s) y_j^{2-s} + \cdots,$$

where the remaining terms decay rapidly as $y_j \rightarrow \infty$. The matrix $\Phi(s) := (\varphi_{ij}(s))$ is called *the scattering matrix* with respect to Γ . For the Selberg trace formula, we need $\varphi(s) := \det \Phi(s)$, which we call *the scattering determinant*. Its form is not known in general. Here again we restrict Γ as in §1. For the present Γ , Efrat and Sarnak smartly proved the following theorems without any explicit computation of constant terms of Eisenstein series.

Theorem 2.6 (Efrat and Sarnak [2, Theorem 1]). *For $\Gamma = \mathrm{PSL}(2, O_K)$, the scattering determinant is*

$$(2.4) \quad \varphi(s) = (-1)^{(h-2^{t-1})/2} \omega_K^{2s-2} \frac{\hat{\zeta}_H(s-1)}{\hat{\zeta}_H(s)},$$

where h is the class number of K , $\omega_K := \sqrt{2}/d_K^{1/4}$, d_K is the absolute value of the discriminant of K , $\hat{\zeta}_H(s) := (d_H^{1/2}/(2\pi)^h)^s \Gamma(s)^h \zeta_H(s)$, H is the Hilbert class field of K , and t is the number of prime divisors of d_K .

Theorem 2.7 [2, Theorem 2]. *Let t be as in the previous theorem. Then $\mathrm{tr}(\Phi(1)) = 2^{t-1} - 2$.*

Now we can write down the Selberg trace formula.

Proposition 2.8. *If we express the Selberg trace formula as*

$$\mathrm{Tr}_D + \mathrm{Tr}_C = I + E + H + P,$$

each term has the following explicit form:

$$(2.5.D) \quad \mathrm{Tr}_D = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} h(\lambda_n),$$

$$(2.5.C1) \quad \mathrm{Tr}_{C1} = -g(0) \log \frac{\omega_K (2\pi)^h}{d_H^{1/2}},$$

$$(2.5.C2) \quad \mathrm{Tr}_{C2} = \frac{h}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(r^2 + 1) \frac{\Gamma'}{\Gamma}(1 + ir) dr,$$

$$(2.5.C3) \quad \mathrm{Tr}_{C3} = - \sum_{\mathbf{a}} \frac{\Lambda(\mathbf{a})}{N(\mathbf{a})} g(\log N(\mathbf{a})),$$

$$(2.5.C4) \quad \mathrm{Tr}_{C4} = \left(\frac{\kappa_H}{2} + \frac{2^{t-1} - 2}{4} \right) h(1),$$

$$(2.5.I) \quad I = \frac{\mathrm{vol}(\Gamma \backslash \mathbf{H})}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(r^2 + 1) r^2 dr,$$

$$(2.5.E) \quad E = \sum_R \frac{\log N(T_0)}{2 \mathrm{ord} M(R)} \sum_{m=0}^{\nu_R-1} \left(1 - \cos \frac{2\pi m}{\nu_R} \right)^{-1} g(0),$$

$$(2.5.H) \quad H = \sum_{T \in \mathbf{P}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^{\nu_T-1} \frac{\log N(T)}{\nu_T} \frac{g(n \log(N(T)))}{|a(T)^n \zeta(T)^m - a(T)^{-n} \zeta(T)^{-m}|^2},$$

$$(2.5.P1) \quad P_1 = \frac{h}{4\pi} \left(\frac{C}{R} + 3 \log 2 - 2\gamma \right) g(0),$$

$$(2.5.P2) \quad P_2 = \frac{h}{4} h(1),$$

$$(2.5.P3) \quad P_3 = -\frac{h}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(r^2 + 1) \frac{\Gamma'}{\Gamma}(1 + ir) dr,$$

where $\text{Tr}_C = \sum_{i=1}^4 \text{Tr}_{C_i}$ and $P = \sum_{i=1}^3 P_i$. The constants with respect to K are as in Theorem 2.6. In (2.5.C3), \mathbf{a} runs through all the integral ideals of the Hilbert class field of K , and $\Lambda(\mathbf{a})$ is the von Mangoldt function, equal to $\log N(\mathbf{p})$ if \mathbf{a} is a power of a prime ideal \mathbf{p} , and zero otherwise. In (2.5.C4), κ_H is the residue of $\zeta_H(s)$ at $s = 1$. In (2.5.E) and (2.5.H), R (resp. T) runs through all the primitive elliptic (resp. hyperbolic) conjugacy classes of Γ , and ν_R (resp. ν_T) is the order of R (resp. R_0 in (2.1)). The constants C and R are the constant term and the residue of some Epstein zeta function with respect to Γ at $s = 1$, whose explicit form is given in the proof below. The Euler constant is denoted by γ .

Proof. Semisimple terms E and H are obtained from Lemmas 2.4 and 2.5. It suffices to show the proof for the terms Tr_C , I , and P . We will apply the general theory of Warner in [10], which is reviewed in [4]. First we treat Tr_C . It turns out from [4, Theorem 1.2], that

$$(2.6) \quad \text{Tr}_C = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\varphi'}{\varphi}(1 + ir) h(r^2 + 1) dr + \frac{h(1)}{4} \text{tr}(\Phi(1)).$$

As the scattering determinant $\varphi(s)$ is given in Theorem 2.6, we can compute the first term in (2.6) in the same way as in [5, p. 509]. The second term in (2.6) is equal to $-h(1)(2'^{-1} - 2)/4$ by Theorem 2.7. Next, for the identity term I , we have the formula in [4, (1.13), (1.14), Theorem 1.2], which says

$$I = \frac{\text{vol}(\Gamma \backslash \mathbf{H})}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(r^2 + 1) c(r)^{-1} c(-r)^{-1} dr,$$

where

$$c(r)^{-1} := \frac{\Gamma((p+q)/2) \Gamma(ir+p/2) \Gamma(ir/2 + (p+2q)/4)}{\Gamma(p+q) \Gamma(ir) \Gamma(ir/2 + p/4)},$$

with nonnegative integers p and q decided in the process described in [4]. In this case an elementary computation of Lie algebra tells us that $p = 2$ and $q = 0$, which shows that $c(r)^{-1} = ir$ and gives (2.5.I). The parabolic terms are given by (2.5.P1)–(2.5.P3) in [10], because the number of cusps is now equal to h . The notations C and R are the constant term and the residue of the Epstein zeta function

$$\zeta_{\Gamma}(s) := \sum_{X \in \log(\Gamma \cap N) - \{0\}} \frac{1}{\|X\|^{2s}}$$

at $s = 1$, where N is the nilpotent part of the Iwasawa decomposition of G ,

$$N = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}; b \in \mathbf{C} \right\},$$

and $\|\cdot\|$ is the norm induced by the Killing form. We have

$$\log(\Gamma \cap N) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & b \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} ; b \in \mathcal{O}_K \right\}$$

and if we put $X = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & b \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \log(\Gamma \cap N)$, it is computed that $\|X\|^2 = 4|b|^2$. The zeta function turns out to be

$$\zeta_\Gamma(s) = \sum_{b \in \mathcal{O}_K^\times} \frac{1}{(4|b|^2)^s}.$$

Now Chowla-Selberg's formula gives the explicit form of C and R :

$$C = \frac{\pi^2}{12} + \frac{\varepsilon\pi\gamma}{2\sqrt{D}} + \frac{\sqrt{\varepsilon}\pi}{D^{1/4}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sqrt{n} \sigma_{-1}(n) (-1)^{(\varepsilon-1)n} \\ \times \int_0^{\infty} t^{-1/2} \exp\left(-\frac{\pi n \sqrt{D}}{\varepsilon} (t + t^{-1})\right) dt,$$

and

$$R = \frac{\varepsilon\pi}{4\sqrt{D}}, \quad \text{where } \varepsilon := \begin{cases} 1 & (D \not\equiv 3 \pmod{4}), \\ 2 & (D \equiv 3 \pmod{4}), \end{cases} \quad \sigma_{-1}(n) := \sum_{d|n} d^{-1}. \quad \square$$

3. THE DETERMINANT OF THE LAPLACIAN

In this section we will define the determinant of the Laplacian composed of both discrete and continuous spectrum. First, we treat the discrete part \det_D . For this purpose, we introduce the spectral zeta function generalized by a variable s :

$$\zeta(w, s, \Delta) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(\lambda_n + s(s-2))^w}.$$

Elstrodt et al. [3, Corollary 1.5] show that it converges at least in $\operatorname{Re}(w) > 2$ when Γ is cocompact. Our method is similar to the case $G = \operatorname{PSL}(2, \mathbf{R})$ in [6].

Theorem 3.1. *The spectral zeta function has the analytic continuation to the whole w -plane except the following poles:*

$$w = \frac{3}{2}, \quad \text{order } 1, \\ w = \frac{1}{2} - n \quad (n = 0, 1, 2, \dots), \quad \text{order } 2.$$

In particular, it is holomorphic at $w = 0$.

Proof. As the test function of the Selberg trace formula, we adopt the following function:

$$h(r^2 + 1) := \exp(-t(r^2 + 1 + s(s-2))) \quad (t > 0, s > 2),$$

which satisfies the assumptions of the trace formula. The corresponding $g(u)$ is

$$g(u) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi t}} \exp\left(-t(s-1)^2 - \frac{u^2}{4t}\right).$$

Then the spectral zeta function $\zeta(w, s, \Delta)$ appears in the Mellin transformation of Tr_D ;

$$\int_0^\infty \sum_{n=0}^\infty \exp(-t(\lambda_n + s(s-2))) t^w \frac{dt}{t} = \Gamma(w) \zeta(w, s, \Delta).$$

So we give the analytic continuation to the Mellin transformation of each term of the trace formula. Poles of $\zeta(w, s, \Delta)$ are the points where the above integral diverges. As $t \rightarrow \infty$, there is no problem because $\text{Tr}_D(t)$ decays exponentially. All we have to do is examine the behavior of each term as $t \rightarrow 0$. First, $I(t)$ is computed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} I(t) &= \frac{\text{vol}(\Gamma \backslash \mathbf{H})}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \exp(-t(r^2 + 1 + s(s-2))) r^2 dr \\ &= \frac{\text{vol}(\Gamma \backslash \mathbf{H})}{4\pi} \exp(-t(s-1)^2) t^{-3/2} \Gamma\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) = \sum_{n=0}^\infty a_n t^{n-3/2}. \end{aligned}$$

Next, $E(t)$, $P_1(t)$, and $\text{Tr}_{C1}(t)$ are directly expanded as a power series of t :

$$E(t) + P_1(t) - \text{Tr}_{C1}(t) = \sum_{n=0}^\infty b_n t^{n-1/2}.$$

Similarly, $\text{Tr}_{C4}(t)$ and $P_2(t)$ are expanded as

$$P_2(t) - \text{Tr}_{C4}(t) = \sum_{n=0}^\infty c_n t^n.$$

It is obvious that $H(t)$ and $\text{Tr}_{C3}(t)$ are exponentially small as $t \rightarrow 0$. Expansions obtained so far cause simple poles of $\zeta(w, s, \Delta)$ at $w = \frac{3}{2} - n$ ($n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$), because

$$\int_0^1 t^a t^{w-1} dt = \frac{1}{w+a} \quad (\text{Re } w > -a)$$

for the behavior t^a ($a \in \mathbf{R}$), and when a is a nonnegative integer, it contributes the corresponding pole of $\Gamma(w)$. Now $P_3(t)$ and $\text{Tr}_{C2}(t)$ remain. We can apply the method in [6], which is originally due to Kurokawa [8]. We will directly compute the poles of $M(P_3(t) - \text{Tr}_{C2}(t))(w)$, where M denotes the Mellin transformation. It is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} & -\frac{h}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \int_0^\infty \exp(-t(r^2 + (s-1)^2)) t^w \frac{dt}{t} \psi(1+ir) dr \\ &= -\frac{h}{\pi} \Gamma(w) \int_{-\infty}^\infty (r^2 + (s-1)^2)^{-w} \psi(1+ir) dr \\ &= -\frac{2h}{\pi} \Gamma(w) \left(\int_1^\infty (r^2 + (s-1)^2)^{-w} \text{Re}(\psi(1+ir)) dr + (\text{entire}) \right) \\ &= -\frac{h}{\pi} \Gamma(w) \left((s-1)^{1-2w} \int_0^1 (1+y)^{-w} y^{w-3/2} \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times \text{Re} \left(\psi \left(1 + \frac{(s-1)i}{\sqrt{y}} \right) \right) dy + (\text{entire}) \right) \quad \left(r = \frac{s-1}{\sqrt{y}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

The Stirling-Binet formula [11, 12.3, p. 252] shows that

$$\operatorname{Re}(\psi(1+ir)) = \log r + \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{\alpha_n}{r^{2n}} + R_N(r) \quad (\alpha_n \in \mathbf{R}),$$

with $|R_N(r)| \leq M_N/r^{2N+1}$ ($r \geq \frac{1}{2}$), where the α_n are constants expressed via Bernoulli numbers. Moreover, we can apply the binomial expansion formula to get $(y+1)^{-w} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{-w}{k} y^k$. Then $M(P_3(t) - \operatorname{Tr}_{C_2}(t))(w)$ is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} & -\frac{h}{\pi} \Gamma(w)(s-1)^{1-2w} \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{-w}{k} \int_0^1 y^{k+w-3/2} \right. \\ & \quad \times \left(-\frac{\log y}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^N \alpha_n y^n + R_N(y^{-1/2}) \right) dy + (\text{entire}) \Bigg) \\ & = -\frac{h}{\pi} \Gamma(w)(s-1)^{1-2w} \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{-w}{k} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \left(k+w-\frac{1}{2} \right)^{-2} \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n \left(n+k+w-\frac{1}{2} \right)^{-1} \right) + (\text{entire}) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $M(P_3(t) - \operatorname{Tr}_{C_2}(t))(w)$ is expressed as

$$M(P_3(t) - \operatorname{Tr}_{C_2}(t))(w) = \Gamma(w) \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{p_k(w)}{(w+k-\frac{1}{2})^2} + \frac{q_k(w)}{w+k-\frac{1}{2}} \right) + r(w) \right),$$

where $p_k(w)$, $q_k(w)$ ($k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$) and $r(w)$ are holomorphic functions on the whole w -plane. These terms cause double poles of $\zeta(w, s, \Delta)$ at $w = \frac{1}{2} - n$ ($n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$). The proof is complete. \square

Now we can define the discrete part of the determinant of the Laplacian.

Definition 3.2.

$$\det_D(\Delta + s(s-2)) := \exp \left(- \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \Big|_{w=0} \zeta(w, s, \Delta) \right).$$

Formally, it is $\prod_{n=0}^{\infty} (\lambda_n + s(s-2))$.

In the proof of Theorem 3.1 we expanded all terms in the trace formula as $t \rightarrow 0$ except for $P_3(t) - \operatorname{Tr}_{C_2}(t)$. Its expansion is obtained by the inverse Mellin transformation.

Proposition 3.3. As $t \rightarrow 0$,

$$P_3(t) - \operatorname{Tr}_{C_2}(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} d_n t^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (e_n + f_n \log t) t^{n-1/2}.$$

Proof. The inverse Mellin transformation shows that

$$P_3(t) - \operatorname{Tr}_{C_2}(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} M(P_3(t) - \operatorname{Tr}_{C_2}(t))(w) t^{-w} dw \quad (\operatorname{Re}(c) > \tfrac{1}{2}).$$

The integrand has double poles at $w = \frac{1}{2} - n$ ($n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$), and simple poles at $w = -n$ ($n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$). The residue at $w = \frac{1}{2} - n$ is

$$\lim_{w \rightarrow 1/2-n} \frac{d}{dw} \left(\left(w + n + \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 M(P_3(t) - \text{Tr}_{C_2}(t))(w) t^{-w} \right) = (e_n + f_n \log t) t^{n-1/2},$$

where

$$e_n = \Gamma' \left(\frac{1}{2} - n \right) p_n \left(\frac{1}{2} - n \right) + \Gamma \left(\frac{1}{2} - n \right) (p'_n \left(\frac{1}{2} - n \right) + q_n \left(\frac{1}{2} - n \right))$$

and

$$f_n = -\Gamma \left(\frac{1}{2} - n \right) p_n \left(\frac{1}{2} - n \right).$$

Simple poles come from $\Gamma(w)$. The residue at $w = -n$ ($n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$) is

$$\lim_{w \rightarrow -n} ((w+n) M C P_3(w) t^{-w}) = d_n t^n,$$

where

$$d_n = \frac{1}{(-1)^n n!} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{p_k(-n)}{(-n+k-\frac{1}{2})^2} + \frac{q_k(-n)}{-n+k-\frac{1}{2}} \right) + r(-n).$$

Comparing the integral with the integral along the rectangle,

$$c - iT \rightarrow c + iT \rightarrow -(N + \varepsilon) + iT \rightarrow -(N + \varepsilon) - iT \rightarrow c - iT \\ (T, \varepsilon, N > 0, N \in \mathbf{Z}),$$

and letting $N \rightarrow \infty$, we obtain the desired expansion. \square

Here we take a new test function for the Selberg trace formula:

$$h(r^2 + 1) := \frac{1}{r^2 + 1 + s(s-2)} - \frac{1}{r^2 + \beta^2} \quad \left(\beta > \frac{1}{2}, s > 2 \right),$$

and let

$$g(u) = \frac{1}{2s-2} e^{-(s-1)|u|} - \frac{1}{2\beta} e^{-\beta|u|}.$$

All terms in the trace formula can be regarded as functions of s . Then it turns out the following relation is valid:

$$\frac{d}{ds} \text{Tr}_D(s) = \frac{d}{ds} \frac{1}{2s-2} \frac{d}{ds} \log \det_D(\Delta + s(s-2)).$$

So we define the contribution of the continuous spectrum to the determinant of the Laplacian as

$$\frac{d}{ds} \text{Tr}_{Ci}(s) = \frac{d}{ds} \frac{1}{2s-2} \frac{d}{ds} \log \det_{Ci}(\Delta, s) \quad (i = 1, 2, 3, 4).$$

By solving the above differential equation, we get the continuous part of the determinant of the Laplacian.

Proposition 3.4. *The contribution of the continuous spectrum to the determinant of the Laplacian is the product of the following:*

$$(3.1.1) \quad \det_{C1}(\Delta, s) = (\omega_K (2\pi)^h / d_H^{1/2})^{-s},$$

$$(3.1.2) \quad \det_{C2}(\Delta, s) = \Gamma(s)^h,$$

$$(3.1.3) \quad \det_{C3}(\Delta, s) = \zeta_H(s),$$

$$(3.1.4) \quad \det_{C4}(\Delta, s) = (s-1)^{\kappa_H + (2^{t-1}-2)/2}.$$

Proof. We obtain (3.1.1) and (3.1.4) easily by an elementary calculation. It is also easy to get (3.1.3) considering that the logarithmic derivative of the Dedekind zeta function is $-\sum_{\mathfrak{a}} \Lambda(\mathfrak{a})/N(\mathfrak{a})$, where the condition on \mathfrak{a} and the function Λ is as in Proposition 2.8. As for (3.1.2), we compute the integral in $\text{Tr}_{C_2}(s)$ by comparing the one along the lower half-circle and the real axis. It has only one pole at $r = -(s-1)i$ in the region, which is simple. The residue is $i\frac{\Gamma'}{\Gamma}(s)$. Then (3.1.2) is obvious and the proof is finished. \square

4. THE LOCAL SELBERG ZETA FUNCTIONS

Here again we take the test function

$$h(r^2 + 1) := \frac{1}{r^2 + 1 + s(s-2)} - \frac{1}{r^2 + \beta^2} \quad \left(\beta > \frac{1}{2}, s > 2 \right),$$

and let

$$g(u) = \frac{1}{2s-2} e^{-(s-1)|u|} - \frac{1}{2\beta} e^{-\beta|u|}.$$

Definition 4.1. The Selberg zeta function for the present G and Γ is defined as

$$(4.1) \quad Z(s) := \prod_{T \in \mathbf{P}} \prod_{k \equiv l \pmod{\nu_T}} (1 - a(T)^{-2k} \overline{a(T)}^{-2l} N(T)^{-s}),$$

where k and l run through all the nonnegative integers satisfying the congruence relation.

Lemma 4.2. The Selberg zeta function (4.1) satisfies

$$\frac{d}{ds} H(s) = \frac{d}{ds} \frac{1}{2s-2} \frac{d}{ds} \log Z(s),$$

where $H(s)$ is the hyperbolic term of the trace formula regarded as a function of s , and $a(T)$ is the eigenvalue of T such that $|a(T)| > 1$ and $N(T) := |a(T)|^2$.

Proof. We need to carry out a standard calculation which is similar, for example, to that in [3]. \square

We will express the derivation of each term of the trace formula as

$$\frac{d}{ds} \frac{1}{2s-2} \frac{d}{ds} \log X(s),$$

with some function $X(s)$, which will be called *local Selberg zeta functions*. For $I(s)$, $E(s)$, and $P_i(s)$, the corresponding local zeta functions will be denoted by $Z_I(s)$, $Z_E(s)$, and $Z_{P_i}(s)$ ($i = 1, 2, 3$).

Proposition 4.3. The local Selberg zeta functions for G and Γ are the following:

$$(4.2.I) \quad Z_I(s) = \exp \left(-\frac{\text{vol}(\Gamma \backslash \mathbf{H})}{6} (s-1)^3 \right),$$

$$(4.2.E) \quad Z_E(s) = \exp \left(\sum_R \frac{\log N(T_0)}{2 \text{ord } M(R)} \sum_{m=0}^{\nu_R-1} \left(1 - \cos \frac{2m\pi}{\nu_R} \right)^{-1} s \right),$$

$$(4.2.P1) \quad Z_{P_1}(s) = \exp \left(\frac{h}{4\pi} \left(\frac{C}{R} + 3 \log 2 - 2\gamma \right) s \right),$$

$$(4.2.P2) \quad Z_{P_2}(s) = (s-1)^{h/2},$$

$$(4.2.P3) \quad Z_{P_3}(s) = \Gamma(s)^{-h}.$$

Proof. It is enough to carry out an elementary calculation on all the functions except for Z_{P_3} . For Z_{P_3} , we only need to compute by calculating residues in a lower half-circle. \square

From Definition 3.2 and Propositions 3.4 and 4.3, we can deduce the main result:

Theorem 4.4. *For the present G and Γ , the Selberg zeta function $Z(s)$ has the following determinant expression for some constants c and c' :*

$$(4.3) \quad \widehat{Z}(s) = e^{c-c's(2-s)} \det(\Delta, s),$$

where $\widehat{Z}(s) := Z_I(s)Z_E(s)Z(s)Z_P(s)$ and

$$\det(\Delta, s) := \det_D(\Delta + s(s-2)) \det_C(\Delta, s),$$

whose factors are given explicitly by Proposition 4.3, Definition 3.2, and Proposition 3.4.

5. DECISION OF THE CONSTANTS

In this section, we determine the constants c and c' in (4.3). Taking the logarithm of (4.3), we have

$$(5.1) \quad \begin{aligned} \log Z_I(s) + \log Z_E(s) + \log Z(s) + \log Z_P(s) \\ = c + c's(s-2) + \log \det_D(\Delta + s(s-2)) + \log \det_C(\Delta, s). \end{aligned}$$

We will compare the behavior of both sides of (5.1) as $s \rightarrow \infty$. From Proposition 4.3 and using Stirling's formula for $\log Z_{P_3}(s)$, we have

$$(5.2.I) \quad \log Z_I(s) = -\frac{\text{vol}(\Gamma \backslash \mathbf{H})}{6}(s-1)^3,$$

$$(5.2.E) \quad \log Z_E(s) = \sum_R \frac{\log N(T_0)}{2 \text{ord } M(R)} \sum_{m=0}^{\nu_R-1} \left(1 - \cos \frac{2m\pi}{\nu_R}\right)^{-1} s,$$

$$(5.2.P1) \quad \log Z_{P_1}(s) = \frac{h}{4\pi} \left(\frac{C}{R} + 3 \log 2 - 2\gamma \right) s,$$

$$(5.2.P2) \quad \log Z_{P_2}(s) = \frac{h}{2} \log(s-1),$$

$$(5.2.P3) \quad \log Z_{P_3}(s) = -h \left(\frac{\log 2\pi}{2} + \left(s - \frac{1}{2}\right) \log s - s + o(1) \right).$$

Similarly, from Proposition 3.3 we have

$$(5.2.C1) \quad \log \det_{C1}(\Delta, s) = -s \log \frac{\omega_K(2\pi)^h}{d_H^{1/2}},$$

$$(5.2.C2) \quad \log \det_{C2}(\Delta, s) = h \left(\frac{\log 2\pi}{2} + \left(s - \frac{1}{2}\right) \log s - s + o(1) \right),$$

$$(5.2.C4) \quad \log \det_{C4}(\Delta, s) = \kappa_H + \frac{2^{t-1} - 2}{2} \log(s-1),$$

and $\log \det_{C3}(\Delta, s)$ is exponentially small as $s \rightarrow \infty$. It remains to decide the behavior of $\log \det_D(\Delta + s(s-2))$. We apply the method of Sarnak [9]. We put

$\mathrm{Tr}_0(t) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{-t\lambda_n}$, which is $\mathrm{Tr}_D(t)$ with $s \rightarrow 2$. By the proof of Theorem 3.1,

$$(5.3) \quad \mathrm{Tr}_0(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n t^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n t^{n-3/2} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n t^{n-1/2} \log t$$

for some constants A_n , B_n , and C_n . Let

$$f(t) := \left(\mathrm{Tr}_0(t) - A_0 - \sum_{n=0}^2 B_n t^{n-3/2} - \sum_{n=0}^1 C_n t^{n-1/2} \log t \right) \times \frac{1}{t},$$

which is bounded near $t = 0$. We have

$$(5.4) \quad \begin{aligned} \log \det_D(\Delta + s(s-2)) &= - \left. \frac{d}{dw} \right|_{w=0} \zeta(w, s, \Delta) \\ &= - \left. \frac{d}{dw} \right|_{w=0} \frac{1}{\Gamma(w)} \int_0^1 \mathrm{Tr}_0(t) e^{-ts(s-2)} t^w \frac{dt}{t} + o(1). \end{aligned}$$

We decompose $\mathrm{Tr}_0(t) \times \frac{1}{t}$ into $f(t)$ and other terms.

Lemma 5.1. For $a \in \mathbf{R} - \{0\}$, we have

$$- \left. \frac{d}{dw} \right|_{w=0} \frac{1}{\Gamma(w)} \int_0^1 t^{a+w} e^{-ts(s-2)} \frac{dt}{t} = - \frac{\Gamma(a)}{(s(s-2))^a} + o(1)$$

as $s \rightarrow \infty$.

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} & - \left. \frac{d}{dw} \right|_{w=0} \frac{1}{\Gamma(w)} \int_0^1 t^a e^{-ts(s-2)} t^w \frac{dt}{t} \\ &= - \left. \frac{d}{dw} \right|_{w=0} \frac{1}{\Gamma(w)(s(s-2))^{a+w}} \int_0^{s(s-2)} t^{a+w} e^{-t} \frac{dt}{t} \\ &= - \left. \frac{d}{dw} \right|_{w=0} \frac{1}{\Gamma(w)(s(s-2))^{a+w}} \left(\Gamma(a+w) - \int_{s(s-2)}^{\infty} t^{a+w} e^{-t} \frac{dt}{t} \right) \\ &= - \frac{\Gamma(a)}{(s(s-2))^a} + o(1). \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, other terms in the expansion are treated as follows.

Lemma 5.2. As $s \rightarrow \infty$,

$$- \left. \frac{d}{dw} \right|_{w=0} \frac{1}{\Gamma(w)} \int_0^1 t^w e^{-ts(s-2)} \frac{dt}{t} = \log(s(s-2)) + o(1).$$

Lemma 5.3. For $a \in \mathbf{R} - \{0\}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & - \left. \frac{d}{dw} \right|_{w=0} \frac{1}{\Gamma(w)} \int_0^1 t^{a+w} e^{-ts(s-2)} \log t \frac{dt}{t} \\ &= - \frac{\Gamma'(a)}{(s(s-2))^a} + \frac{\Gamma(a) \log(s(s-2))}{(s(s-2))^a} + o(1) \end{aligned}$$

as $s \rightarrow \infty$.

By the above three lemmas, we have the behavior of $\log \det_D(\Delta + s(s-2))$ as $s \rightarrow \infty$.

Lemma 5.4. As $s \rightarrow \infty$,

$$\begin{aligned} \log \det_D(\Delta + s(s-2)) &= A_0 \log(s(s-2)) - B_0 \Gamma(-\tfrac{3}{2})(s(s-2))^{3/2} \\ &\quad - (B_1 \Gamma(-\tfrac{1}{2}) + C_0 \Gamma'(-\tfrac{1}{2}))(s(s-2))^{1/2} \\ &\quad + C_0 \Gamma(\tfrac{1}{2})(s(s-2))^{1/2} \log(s(s-2)) + o(1), \end{aligned}$$

where A_0, B_0, B_1 , and C_0 are constants defined in (5.3).

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} \log \det_D(\Delta + s(s-2)) &= - \frac{d}{dw} \Big|_{w=0} \frac{1}{\Gamma(w)} \int_0^1 \text{Tr}_0(t) e^{-ts(s-2)} t^w \frac{dt}{t} + o(1). \\ &\quad - \frac{d}{dw} \Big|_{w=0} \frac{1}{\Gamma(w)} \int_0^1 \left(A_0 + \sum_{n=0}^2 B_n t^{n-3/2} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{n=0}^1 C_n t^{n-1/2} \log t \right) \frac{1}{t} e^{-ts(s-2)} t^w dt + o(1) \\ &= A_0 \log(s(s-2)) - \sum_{n=0}^1 B_n \Gamma(n - \tfrac{3}{2}) (s(s-2))^{3/2-n} \\ &\quad + C_0 (-\Gamma'(-\tfrac{1}{2}) (s(s-2))^{1/2} + \Gamma(\tfrac{1}{2}) (s(s-2))^{1/2} \log(s(s-2))) + o(1). \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

We need to determine the constants A_0, B_0, B_1 , and C_0 .

Lemma 5.5. The above constants are given by the following expressions:

$$\begin{aligned} A_0 &= \frac{h}{4} - \frac{\kappa_H}{2} + \frac{2^{t-1} - 2}{4} - \frac{h}{\pi} \left(4 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha_n}{n - \frac{1}{2}} \right), \\ B_0 &= \frac{\text{vol}(\Gamma \backslash \mathbf{H})}{4\pi} \Gamma\left(\frac{3}{2}\right), \\ B_1 &= - \frac{\text{vol}(\Gamma \backslash \mathbf{H})}{4\pi} \Gamma\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) - \frac{h}{2\pi} \Gamma'\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \left(\sum_R \frac{\log N(T_0)}{2 \text{ord } M(R)} \sum_{m=0}^{\nu_R-1} \left(1 - \cos \frac{2\pi m}{\nu_R} \right)^{-1} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{h}{4\pi} \left(\frac{C}{R} + 3 \log 2 - 2\gamma \right) + \log \frac{\omega_K(2\pi)^h}{d_H^{1/2}} \right), \\ C_0 &= \frac{h}{2\pi} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. First, A_0 is equal to $c_0 + d_0$ with $s \rightarrow 2$ as in §3. As c_0 is the constant term of

$$\begin{aligned} P_2(t) - \text{Tr}_{C^4}(t) &= \left(\frac{h}{4} - \frac{\kappa_H}{2} + \frac{2^{t-1} - 2}{4} \right) h(1) \\ &= \left(\frac{h}{4} - \frac{\kappa_H}{2} + \frac{2^{t-1} - 2}{4} \right) e^{-t}, \end{aligned}$$

it follows that

$$c_0 = \frac{h}{4} - \frac{\kappa_H}{2} + \frac{2^{t-1} - 2}{4}.$$

Here d_0 is the constant term of

$$P_3(t) - \text{Tr}_{C2}(t) = -\frac{h}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(r^2 + 1) \frac{\Gamma'}{\Gamma}(1 + ir) dr.$$

From the proof of Proposition 3.3, d_0 with $s \rightarrow 2$ is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{p_k(0)}{(k - \frac{1}{2})^2} + \frac{q_k(0)}{k - \frac{1}{2}} \right) + r(0) &= \lim_{w \rightarrow 0} w M(P_3(t) - \text{Tr}_{C2}(t))(w) \\ &= -\frac{h}{\pi} \int_0^1 y^{-3/2} \left(-\frac{\log y}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n y^n \right) dy = -\frac{h}{\pi} \left(4 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha_n}{n - \frac{1}{2}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Next, B_0 is equal to a_0 with $s \rightarrow 2$, which is $\frac{\text{vol}(\Gamma \backslash \mathbf{H})}{4\pi} \Gamma(\frac{3}{2})$. The constant B_1 is equal to the sum $a_1 + b_0 + e_0$, among which

$$a_1 = -\frac{\text{vol}(\Gamma \backslash \mathbf{H})}{4\pi} \Gamma\left(\frac{3}{2}\right),$$

$$\begin{aligned} b_0 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \left(\sum_R \frac{\log N(T_0)}{2 \text{ord } M(R)} \sum_{m=0}^{\nu_R-1} \left(1 - \cos \frac{2\pi m}{\nu_R} \right)^{-1} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{h}{4\pi} \left(\frac{C}{R} + 3 \log 2 - 2\gamma \right) + \log \frac{\omega_K(2\pi)^h}{d_H^{1/2}} \right), \end{aligned}$$

for it is the coefficient of $t^{-1/2}$ in

$$\begin{aligned} E(t) + P_1(t) - \text{Tr}_{C1}(t) &= \left(\sum_R \frac{\log N(T_0)}{2 \text{ord } M(R)} \sum_{m=0}^{\nu_R-1} \left(1 - \cos \frac{2\pi m}{\nu_R} \right)^{-1} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{h}{4\pi} \left(\frac{C}{R} + 3 \log 2 - 2\gamma \right) + \log \frac{\omega_K(2\pi)^h}{d_H^{1/2}} \right) g(0) \\ &= \left(\sum_R \frac{\log N(T_0)}{2 \text{ord } M(R)} \sum_{m=0}^{\nu_R-1} \left(1 - \cos \frac{2\pi m}{\nu_R} \right)^{-1} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{h}{4\pi} \left(\frac{C}{R} + 3 \log 2 - 2\gamma \right) + \log \frac{\omega_K(2\pi)^h}{d_H^{1/2}} \right) \frac{e^{-t}}{\sqrt{4\pi t}}, \end{aligned}$$

and e_0 is given its explicit form in the proof of Proposition 3.3:

$$e_0 = \Gamma'(\frac{1}{2})p_0(\frac{1}{2}) + \Gamma(\frac{1}{2})(p'_0(\frac{1}{2}) + q_0(\frac{1}{2})).$$

Now, as $p_0(w)$ with $s \rightarrow 2$ is the constant function $-h/2\pi$ and $q_0(w) = 0$,

$$e_0 = -\frac{h}{2\pi} \Gamma'\left(\frac{1}{2}\right).$$

Last, we will compute C_0 . It is equal to f_0 with $s \rightarrow 2$ as in 3:

$$C_0 = -\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)p_0\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{h}{2\pi}\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right). \quad \square$$

Now we can express each term of (5.1) as a function of s using the following lemma.

Lemma 5.6. *Let a be any real number. As $s \rightarrow \infty$,*

$$(5.5) \quad \log(s+a) = \log s + o(1),$$

$$(5.6) \quad s \log(s+a) = s \log s + a + o(1),$$

$$(5.7) \quad \log(s(s-2)) = 2 \log s + o(1),$$

$$(5.8) \quad (s(s-2))^{3/2} = s^3 - 3s^2 + \frac{3}{2}s - \frac{1}{2} + o(1),$$

and

$$(5.9) \quad (s(s-2))^{1/2} = s - 1 + o(1).$$

Proof. All that is necessary is to carry out elementary calculations. \square

Proposition 5.7. *The constants c and c' in the determinant expression (4.3) are as follows:*

$$c = \sum_R \frac{\log N(T_0)}{2 \operatorname{ord} M(R)} \sum_{m=0}^{\nu_R-1} \left(1 - \cos \frac{2m\pi}{\nu_R}\right)^{-1} + \frac{h}{4\pi} \left(\frac{C}{R} + 3 \log 2 - 2\gamma\right) \\ + \log \frac{\omega_K}{d_H^{1/2}} - \kappa_H + 2\pi i \mathbf{Z}$$

and $c' = 0$.

Proof. The expansion of both sides in (5.1) are given by (5.2.I)–(5.2.C4) and Lemma 5.4. Computing with the previous lemma, we can express them by s . Comparing the coefficient of s^2 and the constant term, we obtain the conclusion. \square

6. THE COMPARISON WITH EFRAT'S DETERMINANT

In [1], Efrat introduces the determinant of the Laplacian composed of both discrete and continuous spectrum in the case of $G = \mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbf{R})$ and Γ its cofinite torsion-free subgroup. In this section, we reconstruct the results in the previous sections in the framework of Efrat. (Results of Part I [6] are seen from this point of view in Part III [7].) If we extend his definition of the determinant to the present case, it is as follows. Let Γ be a cofinite subgroup of $\mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbf{C})$. First we list three types of sequences concerning the spectrum of Δ .

- (1) The set S_1 of $s_n \in \mathbf{C}$ such that $s_n(2-s_n) = \lambda_n$, where λ_n is the discrete spectrum of Δ .
- (2) The set S_2 of poles $\rho_m = \beta_m + i\gamma_m$ of $\varphi(s)$ with $\beta_m < 2$.
- (3) The set $S_3 = \{\eta_1, \dots, \eta_N\}$ of exceptional poles of $\varphi(s)$ in $(1, 2]$.

The spectral zeta function $\zeta(w, s)$ is defined by

$$\zeta(w, s) := \sum_{\sigma \in S} (\sigma(1-\sigma) - s(1-s))^{-w},$$

where $S = S_1 \cup S_2 - S_3$. The determinant of the Laplacian is defined to be

$$\det(\Delta - s(2-s))^2 := \exp \left(- \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \Big|_{w=0} \zeta(w, s) \right),$$

after proving the regularity of $\zeta(w, s)$ at $w = 0$. This definition is different from that in the previous sections. Indeed, the determinant expression of the Selberg zeta function is

$$\det(\Delta - s(2-s))^2 = \varphi(s) \widehat{Z}(s)^2 \times (\text{gamma} \sim \text{factor}).$$

Now let Γ be as in the previous sections. Theorem 2.6 leads us to the explicit form of the sets S_2 and S_3 . The set S_2 is the sequence of all the nontrivial zeros of $\hat{\zeta}_H(s)$ and $S_3 = \{2\}$. We define the spectral zeta function for each sequence by

$$\zeta_i(w, s) := \sum_{\sigma \in S_i} (\sigma(1-\sigma) - s(1-s))^{-w} \quad (i = 1, 2, 3).$$

We have the regularity of $\zeta_1(w, s)$ at $w = 0$ by the same proof as that of Theorem 3.1, which shows that the discrete and the continuous part of the determinant exist separately in the framework of Efrat. The continuous part of the determinant of the Laplacian is defined by

$$\det_C(\Delta - s(2-s)) := \frac{\det_2(\Delta - s(2-s))}{\det_3(\Delta - s(2-s))},$$

where

$$\det_i(\Delta - s(2-s)) := \exp \left(- \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \Big|_{w=0} \zeta_i(w, s) \right).$$

Theorem 6.1. *For the present Γ , the continuous part of the determinant of the Laplacian is expressed by*

$$\det_C(\Delta - s(1-s))^2 = e^{d-d's(2-s)} \hat{\zeta}_H(s) \hat{\zeta}_H(s-1)(s-1)^2$$

with some constants d and d' .

Proof. The function $s(s-1)\hat{\zeta}_H(s)$ is entire and has the following expression as an infinite product:

$$s(s-1)\hat{\zeta}_H(s) = p e^{\alpha s} \prod_{\rho \in S_2} \left(1 - \frac{s}{\rho} \right) e^{s/\rho},$$

with some constants p and α . We have the identity

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d}{ds} \frac{1}{2s-2} \frac{d}{ds} \log \det_2(\Delta - s(2-s))^2 \\ &= \frac{d}{ds} \frac{1}{2s-2} \frac{d}{ds} \log \hat{\zeta}_H(s) \hat{\zeta}_H(s-1)(s-1)^2 s(s-2). \end{aligned}$$

Indeed, a little calculation shows that both sides are equal to

$$- \sum_{\rho \in S_2} \frac{2s-2}{((\rho-s)(\rho-(2-s)))^2}.$$

On the other hand, it is easy to compute that

$$\det_3(\Delta - s(2-s))^2 = s(s-2).$$

The proof is complete. \square

The constants d and d' in Theorem 6.1 can be computed by making explicit the theorem of Efrat in this case.

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