



AN EXPONENTIAL DIVISOR FUNCTION OVER GAUSSIAN INTEGERS

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Let $\tau^{(e)}: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ be a multiplicative function such that $\tau^{(e)}(p^a) = \sum_{d|a} 1$. In the present paper we introduce generalizations of $\tau^{(e)}$ over the ring of Gaussian integers $\mathbb{Z}[i]$. We determine their maximal orders by proving a general result and establish asymptotic formulas for their average orders.

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Нехай $\tau^{(e)}: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ – така мультиплікативна функція, що $\tau^{(e)}(p^a) = \sum_{d|a} 1$. У статті означені узагальнення функції $\tau^{(e)}$ на кільце гаусових цілих чисел $\mathbb{Z}[i]$. Як наслідок загального результату визначено максимальні порядки таких функцій. Також побудовано асимптотичні формули для відповідних суматорних функцій.

1. Introduction

In 1972 M.V. Subbarao introduced [8] exponential divisor function $\tau^{(e)}: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$, which is multiplicative and

$$\tau^{(e)}(p^a) = \tau(a),$$

where $\tau: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ stands for the usual divisor function. Erdős estimated its maximal order and Subbarao proved an asymptotic formula for $\sum_{n \leq x} \tau^{(e)}(n)$. Later Wu [11] gave a more precise estimation:

$$\sum_{n \leq x} \tau^{(e)}(n) = Ax + Bx^{1/2} + O(x^{\theta_{1,2} + \varepsilon}),$$

where A and B are computable constants, $\theta_{1,2}$ is an exponent in the error term of the estimation $\sum_{ab^2 \leq x} 1 = \zeta(2)x + \zeta(1/2)x^{1/2} + O(x^{\theta_{1,2} + \varepsilon})$. The best modern result [2] yields the upper bound $\theta_{1,2} \leq 1057/4785$.

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In the present paper we generalize the exponential divisor function over the ring of Gaussian integers $\mathbb{Z}[i]$. Namely we introduce multiplicative functions $\tau_*^{(e)}: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$, $\mathfrak{t}^{(e)}, \mathfrak{t}_*^{(e)}: \mathbb{Z}[i] \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ such that

$$\tau_*^{(e)}(p^a) = \mathfrak{t}(a), \quad \mathfrak{t}^{(e)}(\mathfrak{p}^a) = \tau(a), \quad \mathfrak{t}_*^{(e)}(\mathfrak{p}^a) = \mathfrak{t}(a), \quad (1)$$

where p is prime over \mathbb{Z} , \mathfrak{p} is prime over $\mathbb{Z}[i]$, $\mathfrak{t}(a)$ is a number of non-associated in pairs Gaussian integer divisors of a .

The aims of this paper are to determine maximal orders of $\tau_*^{(e)}, \mathfrak{t}^{(e)}, \mathfrak{t}_*^{(e)}$ and to provide asymptotic formulas for $\sum_{n \leq x} \tau_*^{(e)}(n)$, $\sum'_{N(\alpha) \leq x} \mathfrak{t}^{(e)}(\alpha)$, $\sum'_{N(\alpha) \leq x} \mathfrak{t}_*^{(e)}(\alpha)$. A theorem on the maximal order of multiplicative functions over $\mathbb{Z}[i]$, generalizing [9], is also proved.

2. Notation

Let us denote the ring of Gaussian integers by $\mathbb{Z}[i]$, $N(a + bi) = a^2 + b^2$. In asymptotic relations we use \sim, \asymp , Landau symbols O and o , Vinogradov symbols \ll and \gg in their usual meanings. All asymptotic relations are written for the argument tending to the infinity. Letters \mathfrak{p} and \mathfrak{q} with or without indexes denote Gaussian primes; p and q denote rational primes.

As usual $\zeta(s)$ denotes the Riemann zeta-function, $L(s, \chi)$ is the Dirichlet L -function. Let χ_4 be the single nonprincipal character modulo 4, then $Z(s) = \zeta(s)L(s, \chi_4)$ is the Hecke zeta-function for the ring of Gaussian integers. Real and imaginary components of a complex number s are denoted by $\sigma := \operatorname{Re} s$ and $t := \operatorname{Im} s$, so $s = \sigma + it$. We use abbreviations $\operatorname{llog} x := \log \log x$, $\operatorname{lllog} x := \log \log \log x$.

The notation \sum' means the summation over non-associated elements of $\mathbb{Z}[i]$, and \prod' means the similar relative to multiplication. Notation $a \sim b$ means that a and b are associated, that is $a/b \in \{\pm 1, \pm i\}$. But in asymptotic relations \sim preserves its usual meaning.

The letter γ denotes the Euler–Mascheroni constant. Everywhere $\varepsilon > 0$ is an arbitrarily small number (not always the same). We write $f \star g$ for the notation of the Dirichlet convolution

$$(f \star g)(n) = \sum_{d|n} f(d)g(n/d).$$

3. Preliminary lemmas

We need the following auxiliary results.

Lemma 3.1 (Gauss's criterion). *Gaussian integer \mathfrak{p} is prime if and only if one of the following cases holds:*

- $\mathfrak{p} \sim 1 + i$,
- $\mathfrak{p} \sim p$, where $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$,
- $N(\mathfrak{p}) = p$, where $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$.

In the last case there are exactly two non-associated \mathfrak{p}_1 and \mathfrak{p}_2 such that $N(\mathfrak{p}_1) = N(\mathfrak{p}_2) = p$.

Proof. See [1, §34]. □

Lemma 3.2.

$$\sum'_{N(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} 1 \sim \frac{x}{\log x}, \quad (2)$$

$$\sum'_{N(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \log N(\mathfrak{p}) \sim x, \quad (3)$$

Proof. Taking into account Gauss's criterion and the asymptotic law of distribution of primes in the arithmetic progression we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum'_{N(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} 1 &\sim \#\{p \mid p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}, p \leq \sqrt{x}\} + 2\#\{p \mid p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}, p \leq x\} \sim \\ &\sim \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\varphi(4) \log x/2} + 2 \frac{x}{\varphi(4) \log x} = \frac{x}{\log x}. \end{aligned}$$

A partial summation with use of (2) gives us the second statement of the lemma. \square

Lemma 3.3.

$$\max_{n \geq 1} \frac{\log \tau(n)}{n} = \frac{\log 2}{2}, \quad (4)$$

$$\max_{n \geq 1} \frac{\log \mathfrak{t}(n)}{n} = \frac{\log 3}{2}. \quad (5)$$

Proof. It is well-known that $\tau(n) \leq 2\sqrt{n}$. Indeed the set of divisors of n can be divided into pairs $(d, n/d)$ and the least element of a pair is $\leq \sqrt{n}$. Similarly the set of non-associated Gaussian divisors of n can be divided into pairs (α, β) such that $\alpha\beta \sim n$, where $N(\alpha) \leq n$ or $N(\beta) \leq n$, so $\mathfrak{t}(n) \leq \pi n/2$.

Consider the functions

$$\begin{aligned} f(n) &= n^{-1} \log(2\sqrt{n}) = n^{-1}(\log 2 + (\log n)/2), \\ g(n) &= n^{-1} \log(\pi n/2) = n^{-1}(\log \frac{\pi}{2} + (\log n)). \end{aligned}$$

Both functions are decreasing for $n \geq 3$ because $(n^{-1} \log n)' = n^{-2}(1 - \log n)$. Then due to the definition (1)

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{n \geq 1} \frac{\log \tau(n)}{n} &= \max \left\{ 0, \frac{\log 2}{2}, \frac{\log 3}{3}, f(4) \right\} = \frac{\log 2}{2}, \\ \max_{n \geq 1} \frac{\log \mathfrak{t}(n)}{n} &= \max \left\{ 0, \frac{\log 3}{2}, g(3) \right\} = \frac{\log 3}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

\square

Lemma 3.4. Let $F : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a multiplicative function such that $F(p^a) = f(a)$, where $f(n) \ll n^\beta$ for some $\beta > 0$. Then

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log F(n) \log n}{\log n} = \sup_{n \geq 1} \frac{\log f(n)}{n}.$$

Proof. See [9]. □

Lemma 3.5. *Let $f(t) \geq 0$. If $\int_1^T f(t) dt \ll g(T)$, where $g(T) = T^\alpha \log^\beta T$, $\alpha \geq 1$, then*

$$I(T) := \int_1^T \frac{f(t)}{t} dt \ll \begin{cases} \log^{\beta+1} T & \text{if } \alpha = 1, \\ T^{\alpha-1} \log^\beta T & \text{if } \alpha > 1. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Let us divide the interval of integration into parts:

$$I(T) \leq \sum_{k=0}^{\log_2 T} \int_{T/2^{k+1}}^{T/2^k} \frac{f(t)}{t} dt < \sum_{k=0}^{\log_2 T} \frac{1}{T/2^{k+1}} \int_1^{T/2^k} f(t) dt \ll \sum_{k=0}^{\log_2 T} \frac{g(T/2^k)}{T/2^{k+1}}.$$

Now the lemma's statement follows from elementary estimates. □

Lemma 3.6. *Let $T > 10$ and $|d - 1/2| \ll 1/\log T$. Then we have the following estimates*

$$\int_{d-iT}^{d+iT} |\zeta(s)|^4 \frac{ds}{s} \ll \log^5 T \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{d-iT}^{d+iT} |L(s, \chi_4)|^4 \frac{ds}{s} \ll \log^5 T,$$

for growing T .

Proof. The statement is the result of the application of Lemma 3.5 to the estimates [6, Th. 10.1, p. 75]. □

Lemma 3.7. *Let $\theta > 0$ be a value such that $\zeta(1/2 + it) \ll t^\theta$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, and let $\eta > 0$ be arbitrarily small. Then*

$$\zeta(s) \ll \begin{cases} |t|^{1/2-(1-2\theta)\sigma}, & \sigma \in [0, 1/2], \\ |t|^{2\theta(1-\sigma)}, & \sigma \in [1/2, 1-\eta], \\ |t|^{2\theta(1-\sigma)} \log^{2/3} |t|, & \sigma \in [1-\eta, 1], \\ \log^{2/3} |t|, & \sigma \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

The same estimates are valid for $L(s, \chi_4)$ as well.

Proof. The statement follows from Phragmén—Lindelöf principle, exact and approximate functional equations for $\zeta(s)$ and $L(s, \chi_4)$. See [4] and [10] for details. □

The best modern result [3] is that $\theta \leq 32/205 + \varepsilon$.

4. Main results

First we give maximal orders of $\tau_*^{(e)}$, $t^{(e)}$ and $t_*^{(e)}$.

The following theorem generalizes Lemma 3.4 to Gaussian integers; the proof's outline follows the proof of Lemma 3.4 in [9].

Theorem 4.1. *Let $F: \mathbb{Z}[i] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a multiplicative function such that $F(\mathfrak{p}^a) = f(a)$, where $f(n) \ll n^\beta$ for some $\beta > 0$. Then*

$$\limsup_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log F(\alpha) \log N(\alpha)}{\log N(\alpha)} = \sup_{n \geq 1} \frac{\log f(n)}{n} := K_f.$$

Proof. Let us fix arbitrarily small $\varepsilon > 0$.

Firstly, let us show that there are infinitely many α such that

$$\frac{\log F(\alpha) \operatorname{llog} N(\alpha)}{\log N(\alpha)} > K_f - \varepsilon.$$

By definition of K_f we can choose l such that $(\log f(l))/l > K_f - \varepsilon/2$. It follows from (3) that for $x \geq 2$ the inequality $\sum'_{N(\mathfrak{p}) \leq x} \log N(\mathfrak{p}) > Ax$ holds, where $0 < A < 1$.

Let \mathfrak{q} be an arbitrarily large Gaussian prime, $N(\mathfrak{q}) \geq 2$. Consider

$$r = \sum'_{N(\mathfrak{p}) \leq N(\mathfrak{q})} 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha = \prod'_{N(\mathfrak{p}) \leq N(\mathfrak{q})} \mathfrak{p}^l.$$

Then $F(\alpha) = (f(l))^r$ and we have

$$r \log N(\mathfrak{q}) \geq \frac{\log N(\alpha)}{l} = \sum'_{N(\mathfrak{p}) \leq N(\mathfrak{q})} \log N(\mathfrak{p}) > AN(\mathfrak{q}), \quad (6)$$

$$\log F(\alpha) = r \log f(l) \geq \frac{\log N(\alpha) \log f(l)}{\log N(\mathfrak{q}) l}. \quad (7)$$

But (6) implies

$$\log A + \log N(\mathfrak{q}) < \log \frac{\log N(\alpha)}{l} \leq \operatorname{llog} N(\alpha),$$

so $\log N(\mathfrak{q}) < \operatorname{llog} N(\alpha) - \log A$. Then it follows from (7) that

$$\log F(\alpha) > \frac{\log N(\alpha) \log f(l)}{\operatorname{llog} N(\alpha) - \log A l}$$

and since $(\log f(l))/l > K_f - \varepsilon/2$ and $A < 1$ we have

$$\frac{\log F(\alpha) \operatorname{llog} N(\alpha)}{\log N(\alpha)} > \frac{\operatorname{llog} N(\alpha)}{\operatorname{llog} N(\alpha) - \log A} (K_f - \varepsilon/2) > K_f - \varepsilon.$$

Second, let us show the existence of $N(\varepsilon)$ such that for all $n \geq N(\varepsilon)$ we get

$$\frac{\log F(n) \operatorname{llog} N(\alpha)}{\log N(\alpha)} < (1 + \varepsilon)K_f.$$

Let us choose $\delta \in (0, \varepsilon)$ and $\eta \in (0, \delta/(1 + \delta))$. Suppose $N(\alpha) \geq 3$, and put

$$\omega := \omega(\alpha) = \frac{(1 + \delta)K_f}{\operatorname{llog} N(\alpha)}, \quad \Omega := \Omega(\alpha) = \log^{1-\eta} N(\alpha).$$

By choice of δ and η we have

$$\Omega^\omega = \exp(\omega \log \Omega) = \exp((1 - \eta)(1 + \delta)K_f) > e^{K_f}.$$

Suppose that the canonical expansion of α is

$$\alpha \sim \mathfrak{p}_1^{a_1} \cdots \mathfrak{p}_r^{a_r} \mathfrak{q}_1^{b_1} \cdots \mathfrak{q}_s^{b_s},$$

where $N(\mathfrak{p}_k) \leq \Omega$ and $N(\mathfrak{q}_k) > \Omega$. Then

$$\frac{F(\alpha)}{N^\omega(\alpha)} = \prod_{k=1}^r \frac{f(a_k)}{N^{\omega a_k}(\mathfrak{p}_k)} \cdot \prod_{k=1}^s \frac{f(b_k)}{N^{\omega b_k}(\mathfrak{q}_k)} := \Pi_1 \cdot \Pi_2 \quad (8)$$

Because of $\Omega^\omega > e^{K_f}$ and $K_f \geq (\log f(b_k))/b_k$, we get

$$\frac{f(b_k)}{N^{\omega b_k}(\mathfrak{q}_k)} < \frac{f(b_k)}{\Omega^{\omega b_k}} < \frac{f(b_k)}{e^{K_f b_k}} \leq 1,$$

which implies $\Pi_2 \leq 1$. Consider Π_1 . From the statement of the theorem we have $f(n) \ll n^\beta$, so

$$\frac{f(a_k)}{N^{\omega a_k}(\mathfrak{p}_k)} \ll \frac{a_k^\beta}{(\omega)^{a_k \beta}} \ll \omega^{-\beta}.$$

Then

$$\log \Pi_1 \ll \Omega \log \omega^{-\beta} \ll \log^{1-\eta} N(\alpha) \ll \log N(\alpha) = o\left(\frac{\log N(\alpha)}{\log N(\alpha)}\right)$$

And finally by (8) we get

$$\log F(n) = \omega \log n + \log \Pi_1 + \log \Pi_2 = \frac{(1 + \delta)K_f \log n}{\log n} + \frac{(\varepsilon - \delta)K_f \log n}{\log n}.$$

□

Theorem 4.2.

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \tau_*^{(e)}(n) \log n}{\log n} &= \frac{\log 3}{2}, \\ \limsup_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \mathfrak{t}^{(e)}(\alpha) \log N(\alpha)}{\log N(\alpha)} &= \frac{\log 2}{2}, \\ \limsup_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \mathfrak{t}_*^{(e)}(\alpha) \log N(\alpha)}{\log N(\alpha)} &= \frac{\log 3}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. The first statement follows from (4) and Lemma 3.4. The second and the third statements follow from (4), (5) and Theorem 4.1. □

A simple corollary of the Theorem 4.2 is that

$$\tau_*^{(e)}(n) \ll n^\varepsilon, \quad \mathfrak{t}^{(e)}(\alpha) \ll N^\varepsilon(\alpha), \quad \mathfrak{t}_*^{(e)}(\alpha) \ll N^\varepsilon(\alpha). \quad (9)$$

Now we are ready to provide asymptotic formulas for sums of $\tau_*^{(e)}(n)$, $\mathfrak{t}^{(e)}(\alpha)$, $\mathfrak{t}_*^{(e)}(\alpha)$.

Let us denote

$$\begin{aligned} G_*(s) &:= \sum_n \tau_*^{(e)}(n) n^{-s}, & T_*(x) &:= \sum_{n \leq x} \tau_*^{(e)}(n), \\ F(s) &:= \sum'_\alpha \mathfrak{t}^{(e)}(\alpha) N^{-s}(\alpha), & M(x) &:= \sum'_{N(\alpha) \leq x} \mathfrak{t}^{(e)}(\alpha), \\ F_*(s) &:= \sum'_\alpha \mathfrak{t}_*^{(e)}(\alpha) N^{-s}(\alpha), & M_*(x) &:= \sum'_{N(\alpha) \leq x} \mathfrak{t}_*^{(e)}(\alpha). \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 4.3.

$$G_*(s) = \frac{\zeta(s)\zeta^2(2s)\zeta(5s)}{\zeta(3s)}K_*(s), \quad (10)$$

$$F(s) = \frac{Z(s)Z(2s)Z(6s)}{Z(5s)Z(7s)}H(s), \quad (11)$$

$$F_*(s) = \frac{Z(s)Z^2(2s)Z(5s)}{Z(3s)}H_*(s), \quad (12)$$

where Dirichlet series $H(s)$ is absolutely convergent for $\operatorname{Re} s > 1/8$ and the Dirichlet series for $H_*(s)$, $K_*(s)$ are absolutely convergent for $\operatorname{Re} s > 1/6$.

Proof. Bell series for $t^{(e)}$ have the following representation.

$$t_p^{(e)}(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} t^{(e)}(p^k)x^k = 1+x+2x^2+2x^3+3x^4+2x^5+4x^6+O(x^7) = \frac{(1-x^5)(1+O(x^7))}{(1-x)(1-x^2)(1-x^6)}.$$

In the case of $t_*^{(e)}$ we have

$$t_{*p}^{(e)}(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} t_*^{(e)}(p^k)x^k = 1+x+3x^2+2x^3+5x^4+4x^5+6x^6+O(x^7) = \frac{(1-x^3)(1+O(x^6))}{(1-x)(1-x^2)^2(1-x^5)}$$

and the same for $\tau_*^{(e)}$.

Now (10), (11) and (12) follow from the representations of G_* , F , F_* , ζ and Z in the form of infinite products by p or \mathfrak{p} :

$$G_*(s) = \prod_p \tau_{*p}^{(e)}(p^{-s}), \quad \zeta(s) = \prod_p (1-p^{-s})^{-1},$$

$$F(s) = \prod_p t_p^{(e)}(p^{-s}), \quad F_*(s) = \prod_{\mathfrak{p}} t_{*\mathfrak{p}}^{(e)}(\mathfrak{p}^{-s}), \quad Z(s) = \prod_{\mathfrak{p}} (1-\mathfrak{p}^{-s})^{-1}.$$

□

Theorem 4.4. $T_*(x) = A_1x + A_2x^{1/2} \log x + A_3x^{1/2} + O(x^{1/3+\varepsilon})$, where A_1, A_2, A_3 are computable constants.

Proof. Identity (10) implies

$$\tau_*^{(e)} = \tau(1, 2, 2; \cdot) \star f, \quad T_*(x) = \sum_{n \leq x} T(1, 2, 2; x/n) f(n), \quad (13)$$

where

$$\tau(1, 2, 2; n) = \sum_{ab^2c^2=n} 1, \quad T(1, 2, 2; x) := \sum_{n \leq x} \tau(1, 2, 2; n) = \sum_{ab^2c^2 \leq x} 1,$$

and series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(n)n^{-\sigma}$ is absolutely convergent for $\sigma > 1/3$. Due to [5, (6.4), (6.16)] we have

$$T(1, 2, 2; x) = \zeta^2(2)x + \frac{1}{2}\zeta\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)x^{1/2} \log x + ((2\gamma-1)\zeta\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{2}\zeta'\left(\frac{1}{2}\right))x^{1/2} + O(x^{8/25+\varepsilon}). \quad (14)$$

Let us define $C_1 = \zeta^2(2)$, $C_2 = \zeta(1/2)/2$, $C_3 = (2\gamma - 1)\zeta(1/2) + \zeta'(1/2)/2$ and

$$f_1 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{f(n)}{n}, \quad f_2 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{f(n)}{n^{1/2}}, \quad f_3 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{f(n) \log n}{n^{1/2}}.$$

One can get the following estimations.

$$\sum_{n>x} \frac{f(n)}{n} = O\left(x^{-2/3+\varepsilon} \sum_{n>x} \frac{f(n)}{n^{1/3+\varepsilon}}\right) = O(x^{-2/3+\varepsilon}), \quad (15)$$

$$\sum_{n>x} \frac{f(n)}{n^{1/2}} = O\left(x^{-1/6+\varepsilon} \sum_{n>x} \frac{f(n)}{n^{1/3+\varepsilon}}\right) = O(x^{-1/6+\varepsilon}), \quad (16)$$

$$\sum_{n>x} \frac{f(n) \log n}{n^{1/2}} = O\left(x^{-1/6+\varepsilon} \sum_{n>x} \frac{f(n) \log n}{n^{1/3+\varepsilon}}\right) = O(x^{-1/6+\varepsilon}). \quad (17)$$

Finally we get by substitution of estimates (14), (15), (16) and (17) into (13)

$$\begin{aligned} T_*(x) &= C_1 x \sum_{n \leq x} \frac{f(n)}{n} + C_2 x^{1/2} \log x \sum_{n \leq x} \frac{f(n)}{n^{1/2}} - C_2 x^{1/2} \sum_{n \leq x} \frac{f(n) \log n}{n^{1/2}} + C_3 x^{1/2} \sum_{n \leq x} \frac{f(n)}{n^{1/2}} + \\ &+ O(x^{8/25+\varepsilon}) = C_1 f_1 x + C_2 f_2 x^{1/2} \log x + (C_3 f_2 - C_2 f_3) x^{1/2} + O(x^{1/3+\varepsilon}). \end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma 4.5.

$$\operatorname{res}_{s=1} F(s)x^s/s = Cx, \quad \operatorname{res}_{s=1} F_*(s)x^s/s = C_*x, \quad (18)$$

where

$$C = \frac{\pi}{4} \prod_{\mathfrak{p}} \left(1 + \sum_{a=2}^{\infty} \frac{\tau(a) - \tau(a-1)}{N^a(\mathfrak{p})}\right) \approx 1,156\,101, \quad (19)$$

$$C_* = \frac{\pi}{4} \prod_{\mathfrak{p}} \left(1 + \sum_{a=2}^{\infty} \frac{t(a) - t(a-1)}{N^a(\mathfrak{p})}\right) \approx 1,524\,172. \quad (20)$$

Proof. As a consequence of the representation (11) we have

$$\frac{F(s)}{Z(s)} = \prod_{\mathfrak{p}} \left(1 + \sum_{a=1}^{\infty} \frac{\tau(a)}{N^{as}(\mathfrak{p})}\right) (1 - \mathfrak{p}^{-1}) = \prod_{\mathfrak{p}} \left(1 + \sum_{a=2}^{\infty} \frac{\tau(a) - \tau(a-1)}{N^{as}(\mathfrak{p})}\right),$$

and so function $F(s)/Z(s)$ is regular in the neighbourhood of $s = 1$. At the same time we have

$$\operatorname{res}_{s=1} Z(s) = L(1, \chi_4) \operatorname{res}_{s=1} \zeta(s) = \frac{\pi}{4},$$

which implies (19). The proof of (20) is similar.

Numerical values of C and C_* in (19) and (20) were calculated in PARI/GP [7] with the use of the transformation

$$\prod_{\mathfrak{p}} f(N(\mathfrak{p})) = f(2) \prod_{p=4k+1} f(p)^2 \prod_{p=4k+3} f(p^2)$$

due to Lemma 3.1. □

Theorem 4.6.

$$M(x) = Cx + O(x^{1/2} \log^{13/3} x), \quad (21)$$

$$M_*(x) = C_*x + O(x^{1/2} \log^{17/3} x), \quad (22)$$

where C and C_* were defined in (19) and (20).

Proof. By Perron formula and by (9) for $c = 1 + 1/\log x$, $\log T \asymp \log x$ we have

$$M(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{c-iT}^{c+iT} F(s)x^s s^{-1} ds + O\left(\frac{x^{1+\varepsilon}}{T}\right).$$

Suppose $d = 1/2 - 1/\log x$. Let us shift the interval of integration to $[d - iT, d + iT]$. To do this consider an integral about a closed rectangle path with vertexes in $d - iT$, $d + iT$, $c + iT$ and $c - iT$. There are two poles in $s = 1$ and $s = 1/2$ inside the contour. The residue at $s = 1$ was calculated in (18). The residue at $s = 1/2$ is equal to $Dx^{1/2}$, $D = \text{const}$ and will be absorbed by error term (see below).

Identity (11) implies $F(s) = Z(s)Z(2s)H(s)$, where $H(s)$ is regular for $\text{Re } s > 1/3$, so for each $\varepsilon > 0$ it is uniformly bounded for $\text{Re } s > 1/3 + \varepsilon$.

Let us estimate the error term using Lemma 3.6 and Lemma 3.7. The error term absorbs values of integrals about three sides of the integration's rectangle. We take into account $Z(s) = \zeta(s)L(s, \chi_4)$. On the horizontal segments we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{d+iT}^{c+iT} Z(s)Z(2s)\frac{x^s}{s} ds &\ll \max_{\sigma \in [d, c]} Z(\sigma + iT)Z(2\sigma + 2iT)x^\sigma T^{-1} \ll \\ &\ll x^{1/2} T^{2\theta-1} \log^{4/3} T + xT^{-1} \log^{4/3} T, \end{aligned}$$

It is well-known that $\zeta(s) \sim (s-1)^{-1}$ in the neighborhood of $s = 1$. So on the vertical segment we have

$$\int_d^{d+i} Z(s)Z(2s)\frac{x^s}{s} ds \ll x^{1/2} \int_0^1 \zeta(2d + 2it) dt \ll x^{1/2} \int_0^1 \frac{dt}{|it - 1/\log x|} \ll x^{1/2} \log x,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{d+i}^{d+iT} Z(s)Z(2s)\frac{x^s}{s} ds &\ll \\ &\ll \left(\left(\int_1^T |\zeta(1/2 + it)|^4 \frac{dt}{t} \int_1^T |L(1/2 + it, \chi_4)|^4 \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/2} \int_1^T |Z(1 + 2it)|^2 \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/2} \ll \\ &\ll x^{1/2} (\log^5 T \cdot \log^{8/3+1} T)^{1/2} \ll x^{1/2} \log^{13/3} T. \end{aligned}$$

The choice $T = x^{1/2+\varepsilon}$ finishes the proof of (21).

The proof of (22) is similar. □

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