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SPECTRAL PROPERTIES OF ARITHMETIC FUNCTIONS

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The purpose of this talk is to investigate the spectral properties of arithmetic functions, particularly of functions on digits to some integral base $q \geq 2$. There are preceding works on this subject by S. KAKUTANI [5], [6], M. MENDES FRANCE [8], [9], H. DABOUSSI and M. MENDES FRANCE [4], J. COQUET and M. MENDES FRANCE [2] and J. BÉSINEAU [1]. Some parts of results here are proved in a joint work [3] of the lecturer and M. MENDES FRANCE and J. COQUET.

1. General theory.

For an arithmetic function $\alpha \in \underline{\mathbb{C}}^{\mathbb{N}}$, the Besicovitch norm is defined as follows

$$\|\alpha\| = \left(\overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} |\alpha(j)|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

By \mathcal{B} and \mathcal{N} , we denote the class of $\alpha \in \underline{\mathbb{C}}^{\mathbb{N}}$ such that $\|\alpha\| < \infty$ and $\|\alpha\| = 0$, respectively. It is known that the normed linear space $(\mathcal{B}/\mathcal{N}, \|\cdot\|)$, which is denoted by $\tilde{\mathcal{B}}$ and called the Besicovitch space, is complete and hence a Banach space.

T denotes a shift on $\underline{\mathbb{C}}^{\mathbb{N}}$. Note that T on $\tilde{\mathcal{B}}$ is a continuous linear operator which is bijective.

By \mathcal{O} , we denote the class of $\alpha \in \mathcal{B}$ for which the correlations

$$\gamma_{\alpha}(m) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \alpha(j+m) \overline{\alpha(j)}$$

exist for all $m \in \mathbb{Z}$. In this case, there exists a unique measure Λ_{α} on $\underline{\mathbb{T}} = \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}$, which we call the spectral measure of α , such that

$$\gamma_{\alpha}(m) = \int_{\underline{\mathbb{T}}} e(m\lambda) d\Lambda_{\alpha}(\lambda)$$

for any $m \in \mathbb{Z}$, where $e(x) = \exp(2\pi i x)$. We can construct Λ_{α} directly without using correlations. Let Λ_{α}^n be the measure on $\underline{\mathbb{T}}$ such that

$$d\Lambda_{\alpha}^n(\lambda) = \frac{1}{n} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \alpha(j) e(-j\lambda) \right|^2 d\lambda.$$

An easy computation shows that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\underline{\mathbb{T}}} e(m\lambda) d\Lambda_{\alpha}^n(\lambda) = \gamma_{\alpha}(m)$$

for any $m \in \mathbb{Z}$. Hence, Λ_{α}^n converges weakly to Λ_{α} as $n \rightarrow \infty$. For two measures (by measures, we mean positive finite Borel measures unless mentioned otherwise)

P and Q on $\underline{\mathbb{T}}$, the affinity $\rho(P, Q)$ is defined by

$$\rho(P, Q) = \int_{\underline{\mathbb{T}}} \sqrt{\frac{dP}{dR}} \sqrt{\frac{dQ}{dR}} dR,$$

where R is a measure with respect to which P and Q are absolutely continuous.

It is clear that this definition does not depend on the selection of R . It is known that if $P_n \rightarrow P$ and $Q_n \rightarrow Q$ weakly, then we have

$$\overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho(P_n, Q_n) \leq \rho(P, Q).$$

Thus, if $\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{O}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(\Lambda_\alpha, \Lambda_\beta) &\geq \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho(\Lambda_\alpha^n, \Lambda_\beta^n) \\ &= \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \alpha(j) e(-j\lambda) \right| \left| \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \beta(j) e(-k\lambda) \right| d\lambda \\ &\geq \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left| \int_{\mathbb{T}} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \alpha(j) e(-j\lambda) \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \overline{\beta(k)} e(k\lambda) d\lambda \right| \\ &= \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \alpha(j) \overline{\beta(j)} \right|. \end{aligned}$$

THEOREM 1 [3]. - For $\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{O}$, we have

$$\overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \alpha(j+m) \overline{\beta(j)} \right| \leq \rho(\Lambda_\alpha, \Lambda_\beta) \text{ for any } m \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

In this theorem, let $\beta(n) = e(\lambda n)$ ($\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$). Then, since $\Lambda_\beta = \delta_\lambda$, we have the following corollary.

COROLLARY [3]. - For $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}$ and $\lambda \in \mathbb{T}$, we have

$$\overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \alpha(j) e(-j\lambda) \right| \leq \Lambda_\alpha(\{\lambda\})^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Note that $\rho(P, Q) = 0$ is equivalent to that P and Q are singular to each other. For $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}$, let $H(\alpha)$ be the closed subspace of $\tilde{\mathcal{B}}$ generated by $\{T^m \alpha; m \in \mathbb{Z}\}$. It is easy to see that $H(\alpha)$ is a separable Hilbert space with the inner product

$$(\eta, \zeta) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \eta(j) \overline{\zeta(j)},$$

which always exists as long as $\eta, \zeta \in H(\alpha)$.

Suppose that Λ_α and Λ_β are singular to each other. Then by the above theorem, we have $(T^m \alpha, T^\ell \beta) = 0$ ($\forall m, \ell \in \mathbb{Z}$). Hence, $H(\alpha) \perp H(\beta)$.

Moreover, there is a complete characterization of the property that Λ_α and Λ_β are singular to each other.

THEOREM 2 (A. N. KOLMOGOROV [7]). - Let $\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{O}$. Then, Λ_α and Λ_β are singular to each other if, and only if, $H(\alpha) \perp H(\beta)$ and $\alpha \in H(\alpha + \beta)$.

For a signed measure P , we denote its total variance by $\|P\|$. Note that $\|\Lambda_\alpha\| = \|\alpha\|^2$ for any $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}$. Let $\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{O}$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Lambda_\alpha - \Lambda_\beta\| &\leq \underline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\Lambda_\alpha^n - \Lambda_\beta^n\| = \underline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \alpha(j) e(-j\lambda) \right|^2 - \left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \beta(j) e(-j\lambda) \right|^2 d\lambda \\ &\leq \underline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} (\alpha(j) - \beta(j)) e(-j\lambda) \right| \left(\left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \alpha(j) e(-j\lambda) \right| + \left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \beta(j) e(-j\lambda) \right| \right) d\lambda \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{n} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} (\alpha(j) - \beta(j)) e(-j\lambda) \right|^2 d\lambda \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \times \left(\frac{1}{n} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left(\left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \alpha(j) e(-j\lambda) \right| + \left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \beta(j) e(-j\lambda) \right| \right)^2 d\lambda \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\alpha - \beta\| \left(\frac{2}{n} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \left(\left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \alpha(j) e(-j\lambda) \right|^2 + \left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \beta(j) e(-j\lambda) \right|^2 \right) d\lambda \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \|\alpha - \beta\| \sqrt{2\|\alpha\|^2 + 2\|\beta\|^2}.$$

THEOREM 3. - Let $\alpha_n \in \mathcal{O}$ ($n = 1, 2, \dots$), $\alpha \in \mathcal{B}$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\alpha - \alpha_n\| = 0$.
Then, we have $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\Lambda_\alpha - \Lambda_{\alpha_n}\| = 0$.

2. q-multiplicative functions.

Let $q \geq 2$ be an integer. Let $e_k^q(n)$ ($k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$) be the digits in q -adic representation of $n \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$n = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} e_k^q(n) q^k \quad (e_k^q(n) \in \{0, 1, \dots, q-1\}; k = 0, 1, 2, \dots).$$

Let $c = (c_0, c_1, c_2, \dots)$ be a sequence of real numbers. Let

$$\zeta_c(n) = e\left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} c_k e_k^q(n)\right) \quad (\forall n \in \mathbb{N}).$$

Then, it is known [2] that $\zeta_c \in \mathcal{O}$. Using the relation that $\zeta_c(nq) = \zeta_{\tau c}(n)$, where $\tau c = (c_1, c_2, \dots)$, it holds for any continuous function f on \mathbb{T} that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{T}} f d\Lambda_{\zeta_c} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{T}} f d\Lambda_{\zeta_c}^n \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{T}} f(\lambda) \frac{1}{q^n} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{q^n-1} \zeta_c(j) e(-j\lambda) \right|^2 d\lambda \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{T}} f(\lambda) \frac{1}{q} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{q-1} e(j(c_0 - \lambda)) \right|^2 \frac{1}{q^{n-1}} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{q^{n-1}-1} \zeta_{\tau c}(j) e(-jq\lambda) \right|^2 d\lambda \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{T}} f(\lambda) \frac{1}{q} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{q-1} e(j(c_0 - \lambda)) \right|^2 \frac{1}{q} d\Lambda_{\zeta_{\tau c}}^{n-1}(q\lambda) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{T}} f(\lambda) \frac{1}{q^2} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{q-1} e(j(c_0 - \lambda)) \right|^2 d\Lambda_{\zeta_{\tau c}}(q\lambda). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we have

$$\frac{d\Lambda_{\zeta_c}(\lambda)}{d\Lambda_{\zeta_{\tau c}}(q\lambda)} = \frac{1}{q^2} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{q-1} e(j(c_0 - \lambda)) \right|^2.$$

Thus,

$$\Lambda_{\zeta_c}(\{\lambda\}) = \prod_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{1}{q^2} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{q-1} e(j(c_k - \lambda q^k)) \right|^2 \Lambda_{\zeta_{\tau^n c}}(\{q^n \lambda\})$$

for any $n = 1, 2, \dots$. Since

$$\Lambda_{\zeta_{\tau^n c}}(\{\lambda\}) \leq \Lambda_{\zeta_{\tau^n c}}(\mathbb{T}) = \|\zeta_{\tau^n c}\|^2 = 1,$$

we have

$$\Lambda_{\zeta_c}(\{\lambda\})^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{1}{q} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{q-1} e(j(c_k - \lambda q^k)) \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{q^n} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{q^n-1} \zeta_c(j) e(-j\lambda) \right|.$$

Considering the corollary, we have the following theorem:

THEOREM 4 [3].

$$\Lambda_{\zeta_c}(\{\lambda\})^{\frac{1}{2}} = \prod_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{q} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{q-1} e(j(c_k - \lambda q^k)) \right| = \prod_{k=0}^{\infty} \left| \frac{\sin \pi q(c_k - \lambda q^k)}{q \sin \pi(c_k - \lambda q^k)} \right|.$$

Suppose that $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \|c_k - \lambda q^k\|^2 = \infty$ for any $\lambda \in \underline{\mathbb{T}}$, where for $x \in \underline{\mathbb{R}}$, $\|x\| = \min_{n \in \underline{\mathbb{Z}}} |x - n|$. Then it follows that

$$\Lambda_{\zeta_c}(\{\lambda\})^{\frac{1}{2}} = \prod_{k=0}^{\infty} \left| \frac{\sin \pi q(c_k - \lambda q^k)}{q \sin \pi(c_k - \lambda q^k)} \right| = 0.$$

for any $\lambda \in \underline{\mathbb{T}}$. Thus, Λ_{ζ_c} is continuous.

Moreover, it can be proved [3] that Λ_{ζ_c} is singular with respect to the Lebesgue measure.

Now suppose that $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \|c_k - \lambda_0 q^k\|^2 < \infty$ for some $\lambda_0 \in \underline{\mathbb{T}}$. It holds that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\lambda \in \underline{\mathbb{T}}} \Lambda_{\zeta_c}(\{\lambda\}) &= \sum_{\lambda \in [0, 1/q)} \sum_{j=0}^{q-1} \Lambda_{\zeta_c}(\{\lambda + \frac{j}{q}\}) \\ &= \sum_{\lambda \in [0, 1/q)} \left(\sum_{j=0}^{q-1} \left| \frac{\sin \pi q(c_0 - \lambda - \frac{j}{q})}{q \sin \pi(c_0 - \lambda - \frac{j}{q})} \right| \right) \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \left| \frac{\sin \pi q(c_k - \lambda q^k)}{q \sin \pi(c_k - \lambda q^k)} \right|^2 \\ &= \sum_{\lambda \in [0, 1/q)} \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \left| \frac{\sin \pi q(c_k - \lambda q^k)}{q \sin \pi(c_k - \lambda q^k)} \right|^2 \\ &= \sum_{\lambda \in [0, 1/q)} \Lambda_{\zeta_{\tau c}}(\{\lambda q\}) = \sum_{\lambda \in \underline{\mathbb{T}}} \Lambda_{\zeta_{\tau c}}(\{\lambda\}). \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{k=n}^{\infty} \left| \frac{\sin \pi q(c_k - \lambda_0 q^k)}{q \sin \pi(c_k - \lambda_0 q^k)} \right|^2 \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Lambda_{\zeta_{\tau^n c}}(\{\lambda_0 q^n\}) \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{\lambda \in \underline{\mathbb{T}}} \Lambda_{\zeta_{\tau^n c}}(\{\lambda\}) \\ &\leq \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{\lambda \in \underline{\mathbb{T}}} \Lambda_{\zeta_{\tau^n c}}(\{\lambda\}) \leq 1, \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\sum_{\lambda \in \underline{\mathbb{T}}} \Lambda_{\zeta_c}(\{\lambda\}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{\lambda \in \underline{\mathbb{T}}} \Lambda_{\zeta_{\tau^n c}}(\{\lambda\}) = 1.$$

Since $\Lambda_{\zeta_c}(\underline{\mathbb{T}}) = 1$, this implies that Λ_{ζ_c} is discrete.

THEOREM 5 [3]. - Λ_{ζ_c} is either discrete or continuous and singular corresponding as $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \|c_k - \lambda q^k\|^2 < \infty$ for some $\lambda \in \underline{\mathbb{T}}$ or not.

3. Mutual singularity.

Let $S_q(n) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} e_k^q(n)$ be the sum of digits. Denote $f_\lambda(n) = e(\lambda n)$ for $\lambda \in \mathbb{T}$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$. It is known [1] that $H(f_\lambda \circ S_p) \perp H(f_\eta \circ S_q)$ if $(p, q) = 1$, $(p-1)\lambda \notin \mathbb{Z}$ and $(q-1)\eta \notin \mathbb{Z}$. We can prove further the following theorem.

THEOREM 6. - If $(p, q) = 1$, $(p-1)\lambda \notin \mathbb{Z}$ and $(q-1)\eta \notin \mathbb{Z}$, then $\Lambda_{f_\lambda \circ S_p}$ and $\Lambda_{f_\eta \circ S_q}$ are singular to each other.

Sketch of the proof of theorem 6. - Let

$$\Gamma_\gamma(n) = \prod_{k=0}^{\infty} \cos \pi n \gamma^{-k}.$$

Then, it is known (H. G. SENGE and E. G. STRAUS [10]) that $\Gamma_{p^2}(n) \Gamma_q(n) \rightarrow 0$ ($n \rightarrow \infty$). We can assume that q is odd. By $\tau_q(n)$, we denote the greatest number j such that there exist integers $0 \leq k_1 < k_2 < \dots < k_{2j}$ satisfying $e_{k_{2i-1}}^q(n) > 0$ and $e_{k_{2i}}^q(n) < q-1$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, j$. Since

$$\inf_{m > \ell} |\Gamma_{p^2}(p^{2m} - p^{2\ell})| > 0,$$

we have

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty, \ell \rightarrow \infty, m > \ell} \Gamma_q(p^{2m} - p^{2\ell}) = 0.$$

It follows from this that

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty, \ell \rightarrow \infty, m > \ell} \tau_q(p^{2m} - p^{2\ell}) = \infty.$$

We can prove, using this fact, that

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty, \ell \rightarrow \infty, m > \ell} \Gamma_{f_\eta \circ S_q}(p^{2m} - p^{2\ell}) = 0.$$

Then it follows that

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N T^{p^{2n}}(f_\eta \circ S_q) \right\| = 0.$$

On the other hand, we can prove that

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N T^{p^{2n}}(f_\lambda \circ S_p) - K f_\lambda \circ S_p \right\| = 0,$$

where

$$K = \frac{(p-1)e(p\lambda)}{pe((p-1)\lambda) - 1} \neq 0.$$

Thus we have

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \frac{1}{NK} \sum_{n=1}^N T^{p^{2n}}(f_\lambda \circ S_p + f_\eta \circ S_q) - f_\lambda \circ S_p \right\| = 0,$$

hence $f_\lambda \circ S_p \in H(f_\lambda \circ S_p + f_\eta \circ S_q)$. By theorem 2 and the fact that $H(f_\lambda \circ S_p) \perp H(f_\eta \circ S_q)$, we conclude that $\Lambda_{f_\lambda \circ S_p}$ and $\Lambda_{f_\eta \circ S_q}$ are singular to each other.

Problem. - Let

$$\zeta_c(n) = e\left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} c_k e_k^q(n)\right)$$

and

$$\zeta_d(n) = e\left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} d_k e_k^q(n)\right).$$

We can prove that $H(\zeta_c) \perp H(\zeta_d)$ if, and only if, $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \|c_k - d_k\|^2 < \infty$. But we do not know whether this condition is sufficient for the mutual singularity of Λ_{ζ_c} and Λ_{ζ_d} or not.

4. Almost periodic functions.

Recall that $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}^{\mathbb{N}}$ is called an almost periodic function in the sense of Besicovitch if it belongs to the closed subspace \mathcal{P} of $\tilde{\mathcal{B}}$ generated by $\{f_\lambda; \lambda \in \mathbb{T}\}$. By theorem 3, if $\alpha \in \mathcal{P}$, then $\alpha \in \mathcal{Q}$ and Λ_α is discrete.

Let

$$\zeta_c(n) = e\left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} c_k e_k^q(n)\right).$$

THEOREM 7. - ζ_c is almost periodic in the sense of Besicovitch if, and only if, there exists $\lambda \in \mathbb{T}$ such that

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \|c_k - \lambda q^k\|^2 < \infty$$

and that

$$\sum_{k=0}^N (c_k - \lambda q^k)$$

converge modulo 1 when $N \rightarrow \infty$.

Proof. - Suppose that ζ_c is almost periodic. Then Λ_{ζ_c} is discrete and by theorem 5, there exists $\lambda \in \mathbb{T}$ such that

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \|c_k - \lambda q^k\|^2 < \infty.$$

Here, we may assume without loss of generality that $\|c_k - \lambda q^k\| = |c_k - \lambda q^k|$ for $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

Take $\ell \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $|c_k - \lambda q^k| < 1/q$ for any $k = \ell, \ell + 1, \dots$. Since $\zeta_{\tau^\ell c}(n) = \zeta_c(nq^\ell)$ ($\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$), $\zeta_{\tau^\ell c}$ is also almost periodic.

Hence, the inner product $(\zeta_{\tau^\ell c}, f_\lambda)$ exists. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} (\zeta_{\tau^\ell c}, f_\lambda) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \zeta_{\tau^\ell c}(j) e(-j\lambda) \\ &= \prod_{k=\ell}^{\infty} \frac{1}{q} \sum_{j=0}^{q-1} e(j(c_k - \lambda q^k)) \\ &= \prod_{k=\ell}^{\infty} e\left(\frac{q-1}{2}(c_k - \lambda q^k)\right) \frac{\sin \pi q(c_k - \lambda q^k)}{q \sin \pi(c_k - \lambda q^k)} \end{aligned}$$

exists. Since

$$\prod_{k=\ell}^{\infty} \frac{\sin \pi q(c_k - \lambda q^k)}{q \sin \pi(c_k - \lambda q^k)}$$

exists and is not 0,

$$\prod_{k=l}^{\infty} e\left(\frac{q-1}{2} (c_k - \lambda q^k)\right) = e\left(\sum_{k=l}^{\infty} \frac{q-1}{2} (c_k - \lambda q^k)\right)$$

should exist. That is to say that

$$\sum_{k=0}^N \frac{q-1}{2} (c_k - \lambda q^k) \text{ converge modulo 1 when } N \rightarrow \infty.$$

Since $c_k - \lambda q^k \rightarrow 0$ ($k \rightarrow \infty$), this implies that $\sum_{k=0}^N (c_k - \lambda q^k)$ converges modulo 1 when $N \rightarrow \infty$. Conversely, suppose that there exists $\lambda \in \underline{\mathbb{T}}$ such that

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \|c_k - \lambda q^k\| < \infty$$

and

$$\sum_{k=0}^N (c_k - \lambda q^k) \text{ converges modulo 1 when } N \rightarrow \infty.$$

Here, we assume without loss of generality that

$$\|c_k - \lambda q^k\| = |c_k - \lambda q^k| \quad (k = 0, 1, 2, \dots).$$

Let

$$\alpha_N(n) = e\left(\lambda n + \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} (c_k - \lambda q^k) e_k^q(n)\right) \quad (\forall n \in \underline{\mathbb{N}}).$$

Since α_N is almost periodic, it is sufficient to prove that $\|\alpha - \alpha_N\| \rightarrow 0$ ($N \rightarrow \infty$). We have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\alpha - \alpha_N\|^2 &\leq q \overline{\lim}_{M \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{q^M} \sum_{j=0}^{q^M-1} |1 - e\left(\sum_{k=N}^{M-1} (c_k - \lambda q^k) e_k^q(j)\right)|^2 \\ &\leq 2\pi q \overline{\lim}_{M \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{q^M} \sum_{j=0}^{q^M-1} \left\| \sum_{k=N}^{M-1} (c_k - \lambda q^k) e_k^q(j) \right\|^2 \\ &\leq 4\pi q \overline{\lim}_{M \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{q^M} \sum_{j=0}^{q^M-1} \left(\left| \sum_{k=N}^{M-1} (c_k - \lambda q^k) (e_k^q(j) - \frac{q-1}{2}) \right|^2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left\| \frac{q-1}{2} \sum_{k=N}^{M-1} (c_k - \lambda q^k) \right\|^2 \right) \\ &\leq 4\pi \sum_{j=0}^{q-1} \left(j - \frac{q-1}{2} \right)^2 \sum_{k=N}^{\infty} |c_k - \lambda q^k|^2 \\ &\quad + 4\pi q \overline{\lim}_{M \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \sum_{k=N}^{M-1} \frac{q-1}{2} (c_k - \lambda q^k) \right\|^2. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\sum_{k=0}^n (c_k - \lambda q^k)$ converges modulo 1 when $n \rightarrow \infty$, and $c_k - \lambda q^k \rightarrow 0$ ($k \rightarrow \infty$),

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \frac{q-1}{2} (c_k - \lambda q^k) \text{ converges modulo 1 when } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Hence, $\|\alpha - \alpha_N\| \rightarrow 0$ when $N \rightarrow \infty$.

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