

Recall our goal is an asymptotic formula for

$$r(n, Q) = \# \{x \in \mathbb{Z}^r : n = Q(x)\}$$

We use the circle method. For $\epsilon \geq 1$ we showed that

$$r(n, Q) = 2 \operatorname{Re} \sum_{1 \leq c \leq \epsilon} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{c^\epsilon} T\left(\frac{c, n}{\epsilon}, x\right) e(-nx) dx$$

where $T(c, n, x) = (\det A)^{-1} c^r \left(\frac{i}{z}\right)^{r/2} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}^r} T_m(c, n, x) e\left(\frac{\frac{1}{2} A^{-1}(m)}{c^2 z}\right)$

write $Q^*(m) = \frac{1}{2} A^{-1}(m)$.

and $T_m(c, n, x) = \sum_{\substack{0 < d \leq \epsilon + c \\ (c, d) = 1 \\ cdx < 1}} e\left(\frac{nd}{c}\right) G_m\left(\frac{-d}{c}\right)$

where G_m is a ~~multivariable~~ Gauss sum that we studied in detail.
r-variable

We proved two lemmas:

① If $(c, d) = 1$ $G_m\left(\frac{d}{c}\right) \ll c^{r/2}$

② If $(c, 2d \det A) = 1$ $G_m\left(\frac{d}{c}\right) = \left(\frac{\det A}{c}\right) \left(\epsilon_c\left(\frac{2d}{c}\right) \sqrt{c}\right)^r e\left(-\frac{d}{c} Q^*(m)\right)$.

We completed $T_m(c, n, x) = \sum_{l \pmod{c}} \gamma(l) k(l, m, n, c)$

$\gamma(l) \ll \frac{1}{|l|+1}$ "analytic"

$k(l, m, n, c) = \sum_{\substack{d(c) \\ (d, c) = 1}} e\left(l d + \frac{d}{c} n\right) G_m\left(\frac{-d}{c}\right)$ "algebraic"

We showed that if $c = c_0 c_1$ w/ $(c_0, c_1) = 1$, and $c_0 \mid 2 \det A$ 2/7

That $K(l, m, n, c) = K^{(c_1)}(l, m, n, c_0) K^{(c_0)}(l, m, n, c_1)$
 $(c_1, 2 \det A) = 1$

where $K^{(c_0)}(\dots, c_1)$ is defined as K but with $e(\frac{\cdot}{c})$ replaced by $e(\frac{\bar{c}_0 \cdot}{c_1})$.
 \bar{c}_0 is c_0 inverse mod c_1 .

We showed: $K^{(c_1)}(l, m, n, c_0) \ll_{\mathbb{Q}} c_0^{r/2+1}$ using ①

We also have

$$K^{(c_0)}(l, m, n, c_1) = \left(\frac{\det A}{c}\right) \left(\varepsilon_{c_1} \left(\frac{2d}{c_1}\right) \sqrt{c_1}\right)^r S_r(\bar{c}_0 l, \bar{c}_0 (n + Q^*(m)))$$

where $S_r(x, y) = \sum_{d \pmod{c_1}} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^r e\left(\frac{xd+yt}{c_1}\right)$ by ② is a Kloosterman sum

Fact (Weil bound)

$$|S_r(x, y)| \leq (x, y, c)^{1/2} c^{1/2} \sum_{d \pmod{c}} 1$$

Not'n:
 $\tau(c) = \sum_{d \mid c} 1$

The proof requires algebraic Geometry, and is beyond the scope of the course

Thus: $K^{(c_0)}(l, m, n, c) \ll (l, n + Q^*(m), c_1)^{1/2} c_1^{r/2} \tau(c_1)$

Lemma

$$T_m(c, n, x) \ll_{\mathbb{Q}} \left(Q^*(m) + n, l, c_1\right)^{1/2} c_0^{1/2} c^{r/2} \tau(c) \log 2c$$

We apply the lemma to the formulas for T above, for all m

except $m = 0$ if x is in the range $0 < x < \frac{1}{c(c+\varepsilon)}$.

For these m, x we have

$$T_0(c, n, x) = T(c, n) = \sum_{(d, c)=1} e\left(\frac{dn}{c}\right) \sum_{h \in \mathbb{Z}/c\mathbb{Z}} e\left(-\frac{d}{c} Q(h)\right)$$

Thus: $T(c, n, x) = (\det A)^{-1/2} c^{-r} \left(\frac{i}{2}\right)^k T(n, c) \int_{0 < x < \frac{1}{c(c+\mathcal{C})}}$

$$+ O\left((c_0 c)^{1/2} \tau(c) \log^2 c (\det A)^{-k} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}^r} (m + Q^*(m), c_1)^{1/2} \exp\left(\frac{-2\pi i y Q^*(m)}{c^2 |z|^2}\right)\right)$$

Where b means $m=0$ is excluded from the sum if $0 < x < \frac{1}{c(c+\mathcal{C})}$.

We estimate the sum in the error term by:

$$= \sum_{l \geq 0} (m + l/N, c_1)^{1/2} (l+1)^{-2} \sum_{\substack{m \in \mathbb{Z}^r \\ l = NQ^*(m)}}^b (1 + NQ^*(m))^2 \exp\left(\frac{-2\pi i y Q^*(m)}{c^2 |z|^2}\right)$$

since $(c, N) = 1$

here N is such that NA^{-1} has \mathbb{Z} entries.

We replace this with $(Nn+l, c_1)^{1/2}$

$$\leq \sum_{l \geq 0} (Nn+l, c_1)^{1/2} (l+1)^{-2} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}^r}^b (1 + NQ^*(m))^2 \exp\left(\frac{-2\pi i y Q^*(m)}{c^2 |z|^2}\right)$$

Now we make some choices. Recall we were free to choose

\mathcal{C}, y . We take $\mathcal{C} = n^{1/2}$, $y = \mathcal{C}^{-2} = n^{-1}$

$$\Rightarrow |z| y^{-1/2} \leq c y^{-1/2} (x+y) \leq (\mathcal{C}^{-1} + \mathcal{C} y) y^{-1/2} \leq 2 \quad \text{since } c \leq \mathcal{C} \text{ and } x < (\mathcal{C} c)^{-1}$$

If $(c(c+\mathcal{C}))^{-1} < x < (c\mathcal{C})^{-1}$ then we have

$$|z| y^{-1/2} \geq c x y^{-1/2} > (c+\mathcal{C})^{-1} y^{-1/2} \geq \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{C}^{-1} y^{-1/2} \quad \text{since } c \leq \mathcal{C}$$

since $Q^*(m) \gg \|m\|^2$

$$\sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}^r} (1 + N Q^*(m))^2 \exp\left(\frac{-2\pi y Q^*(m)}{c^2 \|z\|^2}\right) \ll \int_{(c(c+\epsilon))^{-1} < x} (c(c+\epsilon))^{-1} dx + \sum_{m \neq 0} (1 + N Q^*(m))^2 \left(\frac{y \|m\|^2}{c^2 \|z\|^2}\right)^{-K}$$

we have $\int_{(c(c+\epsilon))^{-1} < x} (c(c+\epsilon))^{-1} dx \ll_K \left(\frac{c|z|}{y^{1/2}}\right)^K \quad \forall K \geq 0$

since if $x \leq (c(c+\epsilon))^{-1}$ this term is 0, so the estimate is true
 if $(c(c+\epsilon))^{-1} < x$ then $1 \ll_K \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^K \ll 1$ is also true.

we also have the second sum is $\ll_K \left(\frac{c|z|}{y^{1/2}}\right)^K$.

Thus, taking $K = k$ we have

$$T(c, n, x) = (\det A)^{-1/2} c^{-r} \left(\frac{i}{z}\right)^k T(c, n) + O\left(\zeta(c) (c_0 c)^{1/2} \tau(c) \log 2c \cdot n^{k/2}\right)$$

where $\zeta(c) = \sum_{l \geq 0} (c_1, l + nN)^{1/2} (l+1)^{-2} \frac{1}{c(c+\epsilon)}$

$$\Rightarrow r(n, Q) = (\det A)^{-1/2} \sum_{1 \leq c \leq \epsilon} c^{-r} T(c, n) \int_{\frac{1}{c(c+\epsilon)}}^{\frac{1}{c(c+\epsilon)}} \left(\frac{i}{z}\right)^k e(-nz) dx$$

$$+ O\left(n^{k/2} \epsilon^{-1} \sum_{c \leq \epsilon} \zeta(c) \left(\frac{c_0}{c}\right)^{1/2} \tau(c) \log 2c\right)$$

The error term is bounded by

$$\ll \sum_{c \leq \epsilon} n^{k/2} \epsilon^{-1} \zeta(c) c^{-1/2} \ll n^{k/2} \epsilon^{-1/2} \ll n^{k/2 - 1/4 + \epsilon}$$

The integral is: $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{i}{z}\right)^k e(-nz) dx + O((c\epsilon)^{k-1})$

Fact / Exercise $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{i}{z}\right)^k Q(1-nz) dx = \frac{(2\pi)^k n^{k-1}}{\Gamma(k)}$ 5/7

We have to estimate

$$\sum_{c \leq \epsilon} c^{-k/2} |T(c, n)| O(c \epsilon)^{k-1}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \ll (n, c_1)^{1/2} c_0^{1/2} c^{\frac{r+1}{2}} \tau(c) \log 2c$$

$$\text{So: } \ll \epsilon^{k-1} \sum_{c \leq \epsilon} c^{r/2-1} c^{\frac{r+1}{2}} c^{-r} c_0^{1/2+\epsilon} \ll \epsilon^{k-1/2+\epsilon} = n^{k/2-1/4+\epsilon}$$

Matches other error term.

Thus:

$$r(n, Q) = \frac{(2\pi)^k n^{k-1}}{\Gamma(k) (\det A)^{1/2}} \sum_{c \leq \epsilon} \frac{T(c, n)}{c^r} + O(n^{k/2-1/4+\epsilon})$$

Extend the sum to all $c \in \mathbb{N}$: Negligible error.

Note $T(c, n) = g_c(n, Q)$ introduced last week by the transformations $h \rightarrow dh$ and $d \rightarrow -d$.

We defined $S(n, Q) = \sum_{c \geq 1} \frac{g_c(n, Q)}{c^r}$, $g_c(n, Q) = \sum_{\substack{d(c) \\ (d, c)=1}} \sum_{h(c)} e\left(\frac{d}{c} (Q(h) - n)\right)$

General philosophy:

$$S(n, Q) = \prod_p S_p(n, Q), \text{ where } S_p \text{ are "local densities" of } p\text{-adic solutions to } Q(x) = n.$$

$$S_\infty(n, Q) = \frac{(2\pi)^k n^{k-1}}{\Gamma(k) (\det A)^{1/2}} \text{ is density of real solutions to } Q(x) = n.$$

We compute these S_p for $p \nmid 2 \det A$.

Note the sum over d is what is known as a Ramanujan sum: $\textcircled{6/7}$

By computation on prime powers we can prove

$$R(b, c) := \sum_{\substack{d|c \\ (d, c)=1}} e\left(\frac{bd}{c}\right) = \sum_{q|(b, c)} \mu\left(\frac{c}{q}\right) q \quad \text{multiplicative}$$

$$\text{where } \mu(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & n \text{ sq free \& \# of prime factors} \\ -1 & n \text{ " " odd \# " "} \\ 0 & n \text{ is not sq free} \end{cases}$$

Thus:
$$g_c(n, \mathbb{Q}) = \sum_{q|c} \mu\left(\frac{c}{q}\right) q \# \{h \pmod{c} : \mathbb{Q}(h) \equiv n \pmod{q}\}$$

and
$$\sum_{c|s} \frac{g_c(n, \mathbb{Q})}{c^r} = s^{1-r} \# \{m \pmod{s} : \mathbb{Q}(m) = n \pmod{s}\} = \prod_{p|s} S_p(n, \mathbb{Q}) \text{ if } s \text{ suff large.}$$

On the other hand: via the Gauss sum formula (Lemma 2) if $(c, 2\det A) = 1$

$$G_0\left(\frac{d}{c}\right) = \sum_{h|c} e\left(\frac{d}{c} \mathbb{Q}(h)\right) = \left(\frac{\det A}{c}\right) \left(\varepsilon_c \left(\frac{2d}{c}\right) \sqrt{c}\right)^r$$

$$\Rightarrow g_c(n, \mathbb{Q}) = \left(\frac{\det A}{c}\right) (\varepsilon_c)^r c^{r/2} \sum_{d|c} \left(\frac{d}{c}\right)^r e\left(-\frac{nd}{c}\right)$$

Suppose r even
 \Rightarrow if s is st. $(s, 2\det A) = 1$, let $D = (-1)^{r/2} \det A$, then

$$\sum_{c|s} \frac{g_c(n, \mathbb{Q})}{c^r} = \sum_{q|(n, s)} \left(\frac{D}{q}\right) q^{1-k} \prod_{p|s} \left(1 - \left(\frac{D}{p}\right) p^{-k}\right)$$

If $n|s$ and each prime exponent of s is strictly larger than that of n

$$\sum_{c|s} \frac{g_c(n, \mathbb{Q})}{c^r} = \prod_{p|s} \left(1 - \left(\frac{D}{p}\right) p^{-k}\right) \prod_{p|n} \left(1 + \left(\frac{D}{p}\right) p^{-k}\right) \sum_{q|n} \left(\frac{D}{q}\right) q^{1-k}$$

Eg take $s = p^{\text{ord}_p n + 1}$ then \rightarrow

$$\delta_p(n, \mathcal{Q}) = \left(1 - \frac{\left(\frac{D}{p}\right)}{p^{-k}}\right) \left(1 - \left(\frac{D}{p}\right) p^{1-k}\right)^{-1} \left(1 - \left(\frac{D}{p}\right) p^{\text{ord}_p(n+1)}\right) p^{\frac{(\text{ord}_p(n+1))(1-k)}{p}} \quad (7/7)$$

Hence $\delta_p(n, \mathcal{Q}) \neq 0$ if $p \nmid 2D$. For any $p \nmid 2D$.

$$\delta_p \delta(n, \mathcal{Q}) = \prod_{p \nmid 2D} \delta_p(n, \mathcal{Q}) L(k, \left(\frac{4D}{p}\right))^{-1} \sum_{d|n} \left(\frac{4D}{d}\right) d^{1-k}$$

where $L(s, \left(\frac{4D}{\cdot}\right))$ is the Dirichlet L-function $\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{\left(\frac{4D}{n}\right)}{n^s}$.

We have: Fact: $\delta_p(n, \mathcal{Q}) = \sum_{i \geq 0} \frac{g_{p^i}(n, \mathcal{A})}{p^{is}}$

$$\delta_p(n, \mathcal{Q}) \neq 0 \quad \forall p \mid 2\det A$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \mathcal{Q}(m) \equiv n \pmod{2^7 (\det A)^3}$$

Assuming this is solvable, we have that

$$\prod_{p|n} \left(1 + \left(\frac{D}{p}\right) p^{1-k}\right) \ll \delta(n, \mathcal{Q}) \ll \prod_{p|n} \left(1 + \left(\frac{D}{p}\right) p^{1-k}\right)$$

These are constants if $r > 4$, if $r = 4$ they can vary $(\log_2 n)^r \ll \log_2 3n$.

If r is odd, we can also compute local densities

but it is more complicated.

Theorem If $r \geq 4$ then any n sufficiently large for which the above congruence is solvable is represented by the Quadratic form \mathcal{Q} . The number of representations is

$$n^{k-1} \ll r(n, \mathcal{Q}) \ll n^{k-1} \quad \text{if } r \geq 5$$

$$n \prod_{p|n} \left(1 + \left(\frac{D}{p}\right) \frac{1}{p}\right) \ll r(n, \mathcal{Q}) \ll n \prod_{p|n} \left(1 + \left(\frac{D}{p}\right) \frac{1}{p}\right) \quad \text{if } r = 4.$$

