# The Boolean zeta function

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**Abstract.** This paper provides analysis on Dirichlet series with  $a_n$  coefficients obtained from  $MAJ_m(x_1, \ldots, x_m)$  function known in theoretical computer science.

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An ordinary fractal string *L* is a bounded open subset  $\Omega$  of  $\mathbb{R}$ . Such a set consists of countably many open intervals, the lengths of which will be denoted by  $l_1, l_2, l_3, \ldots$ , called the *lengths* of the string [4]. Let us define binary number by  $[n]_2 = x_1 x_2 \ldots x_m$ ,  $x_j \in \{0, 1\}, j = 1, \ldots, m$ .

Let

$$a_n = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \sum_{1 \le i < m} x_i \ge m/2, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

It is well known in the computer science the majority function  $MAJ_m(x_1, ..., x_m) = a_n$  [1].

Now we can define a zeta function

$$\zeta_{\rm BM}(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{n^s}$$

which is holomorphic for  $\sigma > 1$ .

Let us define strings' lengths of the zeta function by  $a_n/n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . As we see string lengths can be divided into two types: with length 0 and other with lengths 1/n,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Let us divide a set  $\mathbb{N}$  into subsets (intervals), where  $a_n = 0$  and  $a_n = 1$ . Let's number these intervals. In the next step let's number the elements from every interval. Then we can denote by  $c_{kl}$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , l = 1, ..., m, the *l*-th element from the *k*-th interval with a given value *n*. As an example, we can write the first eight elements:  $c_{11} = 1$ ,  $c_{12} = 2$ ,  $c_{13} = 3$ ,  $c_{21} = 4$ ,  $c_{31} = 5$ ,  $c_{32} = 6$ ,  $c_{33} = 7$ ,  $c_{41} = 8$ , .... So we have obtained two sets, upper *C*\* and lower *C*\*, where zeta function's strings' lengths are equal to 1/n or zero,

$$C^* = \{c_{kl} \colon k \text{ is odd}, l \in \mathbb{N}\},\$$
$$C_* = \{c_{kl} \colon k \text{ is even}, l \in \mathbb{N}\}.$$

Dirac's delta function is a linear functional from a space (commonly taken as a Schwartz space S or the space of all smooth functions of compact support D) of test

functions f

$$\delta(x-a) = 0$$
, as  $x \neq a$ , and  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)\delta(x-a) \, \mathrm{d}x = f(a)$ .

The Heaviside step function is defined by

$$H(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x \ge 0; \\ 0, & \text{if } x < 0. \end{cases}$$

The Dirac delta function can be viewed as the derivative of the Heaviside step function [3]

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}H(x) = \delta(x).$$

Now we can construct the numbers

$$\eta_k = c_{k1} - \omega,$$

where  $\omega$  is infinitesimal number, bigger than zero, but less than any positive real number [2].

THEOREM 1. For  $\sigma > 1$  and  $M = \{r: n \in c_{rp}\}$  we have

$$\zeta_{\text{BM}}(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{M} \frac{(-1)^{k-1} H(n-\eta_k)}{n^s}.$$

*Proof.* Let's investigate two cases:  $n \in C_*$  and  $n \in C^*$ . Let *n* be fixed. In the first case when  $n \in C_*$  we have  $H(n - \eta_k) = 1$  for  $n > \eta_k$ , and the number of such terms will be even. From this it follows

$$\sum_{k=1}^{M} (-1)^{k-1} H(n - \eta_k) = 0,$$

and we get  $a_n = 0$  if  $n \in C_*$ .

In the second case when  $n \in C^*$  we have  $H(n - \eta_k) = 1$  for  $n > \eta_k$ , and the number of such terms will be odd. Because of the first term is positive, the last term of the sequence  $(-1)^{k-1}H(n - \eta_k)$  is positive. From this we have that

$$\sum_{k=1}^{M} (-1)^{k-1} H(n-\eta_k) = 1,$$

and we get  $a_n = 1$  if  $n \in C^*$ .

If we will sum more terms, than *M*, then we get  $n < \eta_k$ ,  $H(n - \eta_k) = 0$  and these terms will not contribute the sum. This completes the proof.

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For our purposes will be useful the following statement.

LEMMA 1. Let

$$\sum_{n\leqslant x}b_n=Kx+R(x),$$

where  $R(x) = O(x^{\alpha})$  with  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ . Then we have

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{b_n}{n^s} = \frac{Ks}{s-1} + \int_1^{\infty} \frac{R(u) \,\mathrm{d}u}{u^{s+1}}$$

for  $\sigma > \alpha$ .

*Proof* can be found in [5]. Let  $a_n$  satisfy the hypothesis of Lemma 1

$$\sum_{n \leqslant x} a_n = Kx + \mathcal{O}(x^{\alpha}),$$

with  $0 \le \alpha < 1$ . For example, we can take  $a_{2^n-1} = 1$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then the equality  $\sum_{n \le x} a_n = [\log_2(x+1)]$  holds.

For such  $a_n$  we have the following statement.

THEOREM 2. The function  $\zeta_{BM}(s)$  is analytically continuable to the region  $\sigma > \alpha$ , except, maybe, for a simple pole at s = 1 with residue K.

*Proof.* Summing by parts we find that

$$\sum_{n \leqslant x} \frac{a_n}{n^s} = K \left( \frac{x^{1-s}}{1-s} - \frac{s}{1-s} \right) + s \int_1^x \frac{R(u) \, \mathrm{d}u}{u^{s+1}} + \mathcal{O}(x^{\delta-\sigma}).$$

Taking  $\sigma > 1$  and letting x to infinity, whence we obtain

$$\zeta_{\mathrm{BM}}(s) = \frac{Ks}{s-1} + s \int_1^\infty \frac{R(u) \, \mathrm{d}u}{u^{s+1}}.$$

The integral here converges uniformly in  $\sigma \ge \alpha + \varepsilon$  for each  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Therefore the last equality gives the analytic continuation of the function  $\zeta_{BM}(s)$  to the half-plane  $\sigma > \alpha$ . In this half-plane  $\zeta_{BM}(s)$  is regular if K = 0. In case  $K \ne 0$  the point s = 1 is its simple pole with residue K.

Now we can evaluate the case given by the Lemma 1, and we have

$$\zeta_{\text{BM}}(s) = \frac{Ks}{s-1} + O\left(\frac{|s|}{\alpha - \sigma}\right).$$

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### REZIUMĖ

## A. Javtokas. Dvejetainė dzeta funkcija

Straipsnyje apibrėžiama dvejetainė dzeta funkcija. Suformuluojamos dvi teoremos, kuriose dvejetainė dzeta funkcija išreiškiama Heavisaido funkcija ir pratęsiama į sritį  $\sigma > \alpha$ , kai  $0 \le \alpha < 1$ .