

ARITHMETIC FUNCTIONS AND DENSITY  
OF SOME CLASSES OF INTEGER IDEALS

Aleksander Grytczuk<sup>1 §</sup>, Barbara Mędryk<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1,2</sup>Faculty of Mathematics Computer Science and Econometrics  
University of Zielona Góra

Ul. Prof. Szafrana 4a, 65-516 Zielona Góra, POLAND

<sup>1</sup>Western Higher School of Marketing and International Finances  
Pl. Słowiański 12, 65-069 Zielona Góra, POLAND

<sup>1</sup>e-mail: A.Grytczuk@wmie.uz.zgora.pl

<sup>2</sup>e-mail: B.Mędryk@wmie.uz.zgora.pl

**Abstract:** In this paper we prove a general formula (\*) for determination the density of some classes of integer ideals in the semigroup  $G_{\mathcal{K}}$ , generated by arithmetic functions satisfying the conditions 1<sup>0</sup>-4<sup>0</sup>.

**AMS Subject Classification:** 11N37

**Key Words:** arithmetic functions, density of integer ideals

### 1. Introduction

Let  $\mathcal{K}$  be an algebraic number field of degree  $n$  over the rational number field  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

Denote by  $G_{\mathcal{K}}$  the multiplicative semigroup of all non-zero integer ideals of  $\mathcal{K}$ . Moreover, let  $\mathbb{Z}_+$  be the set of all non-negative integers and let  $\mathbb{C}$  denote the complex field. Let  $f, F$  be given arithmetic functions defined on the semigroup  $G_{\mathcal{K}}$  and satisfying the following conditions:

---

Received: July 7, 2004

© 2004, Academic Publications Ltd.

<sup>§</sup>Correspondence address: Faculty of Mathematics, Computer Science and Econometrics,  
University of Zielona Góra, Ul. Prof. Szafrana 4a, 65-516 Zielona Góra, POLAND

1<sup>0</sup>  $f: G_{\mathcal{K}} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ ,  $F: G_{\mathcal{K}} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_+$ ;  $|f(I)| \leq c_1$ , for each  $I \in G_{\mathcal{K}}$  and fixed real constant  $c_1 \geq 1$ .

2<sup>0</sup>  $f(I \circ J) = f(I) \cdot f(J)$ ,  $F(I \circ J) = F(I) + F(J)$  for every  $I, J \in G_{\mathcal{K}}$  such that  $(I, J) = 1$ .

3<sup>0</sup>  $f(\wp) = 1$ ,  $F(\wp) = 0$ , for every prime ideal  $\wp \in G_{\mathcal{K}}$ .

4<sup>0</sup>  $\sum_{\wp \in G_{\mathcal{K}}} \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} \frac{f(\wp^m) z^{F(\wp^m)}}{N(\wp)^{ms}} < \infty$ , for  $|z| < \varrho$ ,  $\text{Res} > 1$ , where  $0 < \varrho \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Let  $G_{\mathcal{K}}(m) = \{I \in G_{\mathcal{K}} : F(I) = m\}$  and  $G_{\mathcal{K}}(m, x) = \{I \in G_{\mathcal{K}}(m) : N(I) \leq x\}$ , where  $N(I)$  denote the norm of the ideal  $I \in G_{\mathcal{K}}$ .

Further, denote by  $\nu(G_{\mathcal{K}}(m, x))$  the number of the elements belonging to the set  $G_{\mathcal{K}}(m, x)$ , so

$$\nu(G_{\mathcal{K}}(m, x)) = \text{card}\{I \in G_{\mathcal{K}}(m, x)\}$$

and let

$$d_m = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\nu(G_{\mathcal{K}}(m, x))}{x} < \infty.$$

The purpose of this paper is to prove of the following theorem.

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $f$  and  $F$  be the functions satisfying the conditions 1<sup>0</sup>-4<sup>0</sup>. Then for  $|z| < \varrho$  we have*

$$\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} d_m z^m = \prod_{\wp \in G_{\mathcal{K}}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{N(\wp)}\right) \left(1 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{f(\wp^m) z^{F(\wp^m)}}{N(\wp)^m}\right), \quad (*)$$

where  $\kappa h = \text{res} \zeta_{\mathcal{K}}(s)$  and  $\zeta_{\mathcal{K}}(s)$  is the Dedekind zeta function of the field  $\mathcal{K}$  and  $\kappa = \frac{2^{r+t} \pi^t R}{\omega(\mathcal{K}) |\Delta|^{\frac{1}{2}}}$ ,  $n = [\mathcal{K} : \mathbb{Q}] = r + 2t$ ,  $R$  is the regulator,  $\Delta$  is the discriminant of the field  $\mathcal{K}$  and  $h$  is the class-number of the field  $\mathcal{K}$ .

We note that this theorem is an extension the result given by A. Grytczuk in [1]. In particular case we can deduce from this theorem the result given by Wowk [6]. Moreover, we obtain that the density of all square-free integer ideals of  $G_{\mathcal{K}}$  is equal to  $d_0 = \frac{\kappa h}{\zeta_{\mathcal{K}}(2)}$ . This result has been obtained by another way by A. Grytczuk (see [2], Corollary 6).

If  $n = [\mathcal{K} : \mathbb{Q}] = 1$  then we obtain classical formula given by A. Rényi [5]. Indeed let  $n = p_1^{\alpha_1} \dots p_k^{\alpha_k}$  be a given natural number and let  $\Omega(n) = \alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_k$ ,  $\omega(n) = k$ . Moreover, let

$$\nu(N(m, x)) = \text{card}\{n \in N; n \leq x : F(n) = \Omega(n) - \omega(n) = m\}.$$

Then from the Theorem 1 for  $|z| < \varrho = 2$  it follows the following Rényi's formula:

$$\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} d_m z^m = \frac{6}{\pi^2} \prod_{p \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1 - \frac{z}{p+1}}{1 - \frac{z}{p}}. \quad (**)$$

## 2. Proof of Theorem 1

From the assumptions of the Theorem 1 it follows that the series  $\sum_{I \in G_{\mathcal{K}}} \frac{f(I)z^{F(I)}}{N(I)^s}$  is absolutely convergent for  $|z| < \varrho$  and  $\text{Res} > 1$ .

Hence, we can use of the well-known result ([4], Lemma 7.1, p.294). Let  $g$  be an arithmetic function defined on  $G_{\mathcal{K}}$  and  $g(I \circ J) = g(I) \circ g(J)$  for every  $I, J \in G_{\mathcal{K}}$  such that  $(I, J) = 1$ . Then if the series

$$G(g, s) = \sum_{I \in G_{\mathcal{K}}} \frac{g(I)}{N(I)^s} \quad (2.1)$$

is absolutely convergent for  $\text{Res} > c$ , then

$$G(g, s) = \prod_{\wp \in G_{\mathcal{K}}} \left( 1 + \sum_{\wp \in G_{\mathcal{K}}} \frac{g(\wp^m)}{N(\wp)^{ms}} \right). \quad (2.2)$$

From (2.1) and (2.2) we obtain, putting  $g(I) = f(I)z^{F(I)}$  that

$$\sum_{I \in G_{\mathcal{K}}} \frac{f(I)z^{F(I)}}{N(I)^s} = \prod_{\wp \in G_{\mathcal{K}}} \left( 1 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{f(\wp^m)z^{F(\wp^m)}}{N(\wp)^{ms}} \right), \quad (2.3)$$

for  $|z| < \varrho$  and  $\text{Res} > 1$ .

On the other hand it is well-known ([4], Theorem 7.5, p. 320) that if  $\text{Res} \geq 1$ , then  $\zeta_{\mathcal{K}}(s) \neq 0$ , where  $\zeta_{\mathcal{K}}(s)$  is the Dedekind zeta function. Multiplying (2.3) by  $\zeta_{\mathcal{K}}^{-1}(s)$  we obtain

$$\zeta_{\mathcal{K}}^{-1}(s) \sum_{I \in G_{\mathcal{K}}} \frac{f(I)z^{F(I)}}{N(I)^s} = \zeta_{\mathcal{K}}^{-1}(s) \prod_{\wp \in G_{\mathcal{K}}} \left( 1 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{f(\wp^m)z^{F(\wp^m)}}{N(\wp)^{ms}} \right), \quad (2.4)$$

for  $|z| < \varrho$  and  $\text{Res} > 1$ .

Now, we use the following equality ([4])

$$\zeta_{\mathcal{K}}(s) = \sum_{I \in G_{\mathcal{K}}} \frac{1}{N(I)^s} = \prod_{\wp \in G_{\mathcal{K}}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{N(\wp)^s}\right)^{-1}. \quad (2.5)$$

By (2.5) and (2.4) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta_{\mathcal{K}}^{-1}(s) \sum_{I \in G_{\mathcal{K}}} \frac{f(I)z^{F(I)}}{N(I)^s} \\ = \prod_{\wp \in G_{\mathcal{K}}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{N(\wp)^s}\right) \prod_{\wp \in G_{\mathcal{K}}} \left(1 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{f(\wp^m)z^{F(\wp^m)}}{N(\wp)^{ms}}\right). \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

From (2.6) immediately follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{I \in G_{\mathcal{K}}} \frac{f(I)z^{F(I)}}{N(I)^s} \\ = \zeta_{\mathcal{K}}(s) \prod_{\wp \in G_{\mathcal{K}}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{N(\wp)^s}\right) \left(1 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{f(\wp^m)z^{F(\wp^m)}}{N(\wp)^{ms}}\right). \end{aligned} \quad (2.7)$$

Denote by  $h(s, z)$  the product of the right hand of (2.7), so

$$h(s, z) = \prod_{\wp \in G_{\mathcal{K}}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{N(\wp)^s}\right) \left(1 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{f(\wp^m)z^{F(\wp^m)}}{N(\wp)^{ms}}\right). \quad (2.8)$$

Since by the assumptions on the functions  $f$  and  $F$  it follows that  $f(\wp) = 1$  and  $F(\wp) = 0$  for every prime ideal  $\wp \in G_{\mathcal{K}}$  then from (2.8) we get

$$\begin{aligned} h(s, z) \\ = \prod_{\wp \in G_{\mathcal{K}}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{N(\wp)^s}\right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{N(\wp)^s} + \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} \frac{f(\wp^m)z^{F(\wp^m)}}{N(\wp)^{ms}}\right). \end{aligned} \quad (2.9)$$

We note that the product  $h(s, z)$  is absolutely convergent for  $|z| < \rho$  and  $\text{Res} > \frac{1}{2}$ . Hence we can represent  $h(s, z)$  in the form

$$h(s, z) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} B_m(s)z^m. \quad (2.10)$$

By (2.7)-(2.10) it follows that

$$\sum_{I \in G_{\mathcal{K}}} \frac{f(I)z^{F(I)}}{N(I)^s} = \zeta_{\mathcal{K}}(s)h(s, z). \tag{2.11}$$

On the other hand for  $I \in G_{\mathcal{K}}$  we obtain

$$\sum_{I \in G_{\mathcal{K}}} \frac{f(I)z^{F(I)}}{N(I)^s} = \sum_{I \in G_{\mathcal{K}}(m)} \frac{f(I)z^m}{N(I)^s} = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{I \in G_{\mathcal{K}}(m)} \frac{f(I)}{N(I)^s} \right) z^m. \tag{2.12}$$

From (2.10)-(2.12) we get

$$\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{I \in G_{\mathcal{K}}(m)} \frac{f(I)}{N(I)^s} \right) z^m = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (\zeta_{\mathcal{K}}(s)B_m(s)) z^m. \tag{2.13}$$

Comparing the coefficients of  $z^m$  in (2.13) we get

$$\sum_{I \in G_{\mathcal{K}}(m)} \frac{f(I)}{N(I)^s} = \zeta_{\mathcal{K}}(s)B_m(s). \tag{2.14}$$

Since  $|f(I)| \leq c_1$  then from (2.14) and Ikehara's Theorem (see [3]) follows that

$$d_m = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\nu(G_{\mathcal{K}}(m, x))}{x} = \operatorname{res}_{s=1}(\zeta_{\mathcal{K}}(s)B_m(s)). \tag{2.15}$$

On the other hand by (2.9) and (2.10) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} h(1, z) &= \prod_{\wp \in G_{\mathcal{K}}} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{N(\wp)^s} \right) \left( 1 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{f(\wp^m)z^{F(\wp^m)}}{N(\wp)^m} \right) \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} B_m(1)z^m. \end{aligned} \tag{2.16}$$

By (2.15) it follows that

$$d_m = \kappa h \cdot B_m(1), \tag{2.17}$$

where  $\kappa h = \operatorname{res}_{s=1} \zeta_{\mathcal{K}}(s)$ , and  $\kappa, h$  are defined in the Theorem 1. From (2.13)-(2.17) we obtain

$$\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} d_m z^m = \kappa h \cdot h(1, z). \tag{2.18}$$

By (2.18) and (2.16) it follows that

$$\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} d_m z^m = \kappa h \prod_{\wp \in G_{\mathcal{K}}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{N(\wp)}\right) \left(1 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{f(\wp^m) z^{F(\wp^m)}}{N(\wp)^m}\right),$$

and the proof of the Theorem 1 is complete.

### 3. Corollaries

**Corollary 1.** *Let  $f$  and  $F$  be the functions satisfying the conditions 1<sup>0</sup>-4<sup>0</sup> and moreover, let  $F(\wp^m) = m - 1$  for every prime ideal  $\wp \in G_{\mathcal{K}}$  and every positive integer  $m \geq 2$  and let  $f(I) \equiv 1$  for every integer ideal  $I \in G_{\mathcal{K}}$ . Then for  $|z| < 2$  we have*

$$\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} d_m z^m = \kappa h \prod_{\wp \in G_{\mathcal{K}}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{N(\wp)}\right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{N(\wp) - z}\right). \quad (3.1)$$

*Proof.* Putting in the formula (\*)  $F(\wp^m) = m - 1$  and  $f(\wp^m) \equiv 1$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{f(\wp^m) z^{F(\wp^m)}}{N(\wp)^m} &= 1 + \frac{1}{N(\wp)} + \frac{z}{N(\wp)^2} + \frac{z^2}{N(\wp)^3} + \dots \\ &= 1 + \frac{1}{N(\wp)} \left(1 + \frac{z}{N(\wp)} + \left(\frac{z}{N(\wp)}\right)^2 + \dots\right). \end{aligned} \quad (3.2)$$

Now, we remark that for  $|z| < 2$  and  $N(\wp) \geq 2$  we have  $\frac{|z|}{N(\wp)} < 1$  and by (3.2) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{f(\wp^m) z^{F(\wp^m)}}{N(\wp)^m} &= 1 + \frac{1}{N(\wp)} \left(\frac{1}{1 - \frac{z}{N(\wp)}}\right) = 1 + \frac{1}{N(\wp) - z}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

From (3.3) and the formula (\*) we get (3.1) and the proof is complete.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.** *Let  $f$  and  $F$  be the functions satisfying the conditions of the Corollary 1. Then we have*

$$d_0 = \frac{\kappa h}{\zeta_{\mathcal{K}}(2)}, \quad (3.4)$$

where  $d_0$  is the density of all integer ideals of  $G_{\mathcal{K}}(m)$  such that  $F(\wp^m) = m - 1$  for every prime ideal  $\wp \in G_{\mathcal{K}}$  and  $m \geq 2$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

The proof of Corollary 2 follows immediately from Corollary 1. It suffices to put  $z = 0$  in (3.1) and notice that

$$\prod_{\wp \in G_{\mathcal{K}}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{N(\wp)^2}\right) = \zeta_{\mathcal{K}}^{-1}(2).$$

Let  $I = \wp_1^{\alpha_1} \dots \wp_r^{\alpha_r}$  and let  $\Omega(I) = \alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_r$ ,  $\omega(I) = r$ . Putting  $F(I) = \Omega(I) - \omega(I)$ , we obtain  $F(\wp^m) = \Omega(\wp^m) - \omega(\wp^m) = m - 1$  and we obtain the Wowk's result of the paper [6], and additionally that the density  $d_0$  of all square-free integer ideals of  $G_{\mathcal{K}}$  is equal to (3.4). In particular case, when  $n = [\mathcal{K} : \mathbb{Q}] = 1$  from Corollary 1 and Corollary 2 follows Rényi's formula (\*\*).

### References

- [1] A. Grytczuk, On some sets of the integer ideals, *Discuss. Math.*, **3** (1980), 13-19.
- [2] A. Grytczuk, Explicit formulas of Delange-Sellerg type for some classes of arithmetical functions on the semigroup  $G_{\mathcal{K}}$ , *J. Number Theory*, **46**, No. 1 (1994), 12-28.
- [3] S. Ikehara, An extension of Landau's Theorem in the analytical theory of numbers, *J. Math. and Physics*, **10** (1930-31), 1-12.
- [4] W. Narkiewicz, *Elementary and Analytic Theory of Algebraic Numbers*, PWN Warszawa (1974).
- [5] A. Rényi, On the density of certain sequences of integers, *Publ. de l'Institute Math. de l'Academic Serbe Sciences*, **8** (1955), 157-162.
- [6] C. Wowk, On the asymptotic density of certain ideals of algebraic number fields, *Discuss. Math.*, **21** (1975), 27-30.

