

# Oral Qualifying Exam Syllabus

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## 1 Analytic Number Theory

- Poisson summation, Mellin transform.
- Dirichlet characters, primitivity, orthogonality relations, Gauss sums.
- The  $\theta$  function and  $\theta_\chi$ , the Riemann  $\zeta$  function and Dirichlet  $L$ -functions, Euler products, analytic continuation, location of zeros/poles, functional equations.
- Analytic proof of the infinitude of primes and Dirichlet's theorem on primes in arithmetic progressions. Prime number theorem w/ basic consequences and prime number theorem for arithmetic progressions. Statement of Bombieri-Vinogradov.
- $\Lambda^2$ -Sieve w/ application to Brun's theorem, the large sieve, short character sums.

[Dav80] Chapters 4, 8, 9, 13, 14, 18, 20 (Non-sieve content)

[IK04] Chapters 6 & 7 (Sieve content)

## 2 Modular Forms

- Modular/cusp forms, notable examples (Eisenstein Series,  $\Delta$ -function, Poincare Series), Fourier expansions.
- The space of  $M_k$  and  $S_k$ , arithmetic identities on  $\sigma_k$  arising from  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} M_k = 1$ , computing  $\tau(n)$ .
- The Hecke bound,  $L$ -functions of cusp forms in  $S_k$ , functional equations.
- Hecke operators, Petersson inner product, self-adjointness of Hecke operators w.r.t Petersson inner product.
- Atkin-Lehner theory i.e. spaces of oldforms and newforms,  $L$ -functions of Hecke eigenforms in  $S_k(\Gamma_0(N))$ , functional equations, Euler product of  $L$ -functions associated to newforms.

[Iwa97] Chapters 1, 3, & 6

## References

[Dav80] Harold Davenport. *Multiplicative number theory*. 1980.

[IK04] Henryk Iwaniec and Emmanuel Kowalski. *Analytic number theory*. 2004.

[Iwa97] Henryk Iwaniec. *Topics in classical automorphic forms*. 1997.