

Solution to Sheet 3.

Problem 3

As the hint commands, we apply partial summation on $\tau(\chi)$, obtaining

$$|\tau(\chi)| = \sum_{h=1}^q \chi(h) e(h/q) = e(q/q) \sum_{h=1}^q \chi(h) - \frac{2\pi i}{q} \int_1^q e(t/q) \sum_{h \leq t} \chi(h) dt.$$

As $\chi \neq \chi_0$, the sum $\sum_{h=1}^q \chi(h)$ vanishes. We also know by theorem (1.23) that $|\tau(\chi)| = \sqrt{q}$. Let M denote the supremum of the absolute values of $\sum_{h \leq x} \chi(h)$ for varying x . Then we obtain

$$\frac{q^{3/2}}{2\pi} = \left| \int_1^q e(t/q) \sum_{h \leq t} \chi(h) dt \right| \leq \int_1^q \left| \sum_{h \leq t} \chi(h) \right| dt \leq (q-1)M,$$

which is even a tad stronger than what we had to show.

Notes after correcting.

Problem 4

Let's just plug in the definition and look at what we have here.

$$\tau(\chi_1 \chi_2) = \sum_{h \pmod{q}} \chi_1(h) \chi_2(h) e(h/q),$$

where $q = q_1 q_2$. By the chinese remainder theorem, taking residues mod q gives a bijection

$$\{h_1 q_2 + h_2 q_1 \mid 1 \leq h_i \leq q_i\} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/q\mathbb{Z}.$$

Thus we may rewrite the sum above as

$$\tau(\chi_1 \chi_2) = \sum_{1 \leq h_1 \leq q_1} \sum_{1 \leq h_2 \leq q_2} \chi_1(h_1 q_2 + h_2 q_1) \chi_2(h_1 q_2 + h_2 q_1) e\left(\frac{h_1 q_2 + h_2 q_1}{q}\right),$$

and the claim follows after a few manipulations:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{1 \leq h_1 \leq q_1} \sum_{1 \leq h_2 \leq q_2} \chi_1(h_1 q_2 + h_2 q_1) \chi_2(h_1 q_2 + h_2 q_1) e\left(\frac{h_1 q_2 + h_2 q_1}{q}\right) \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq h_1 \leq q_1} \sum_{1 \leq h_2 \leq q_2} \chi_1(h_1 q_2) \chi_2(h_2 q_1) e\left(\frac{h_1 q_2}{q}\right) e\left(\frac{h_2 q_1}{q}\right) \\ &= \left(\chi_1(q_2) \sum_{1 \leq h_1 \leq q_1} \chi_1(q_2) e\left(\frac{h_1}{q_1}\right) \right) \left(\chi_2(q_1) \sum_{1 \leq h_2 \leq q_2} \chi_2(q_1) e\left(\frac{h_2}{q_2}\right) \right) = \chi_1(q_2) \tau(\chi_1) \chi_2(q_1) \tau(\chi_2). \end{aligned}$$