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# Zero statistics of elliptic curve L-functions

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## MOTIVATION:

To use random matrix theory to study the distribution of rank amongst families of elliptic curves

# Elliptic curve $L$ -functions:

eg.

$$E_{11} : y^2 = 4x^3 - 4x^2 - 40x - 79$$

$L$ -function:

$$L_{E_{11}}(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{n^s},$$

$a_n$  determined by  $E_{11}$

## Conjecture (Conrey, Keating, Rubinstein, Snaith):

Let  $E$  be an elliptic curve defined over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Then there is a constant  $c_E > 0$  such that

$$\sum_{\substack{p \leq T \\ L_E(1/2, \chi_p) = 0 \\ L_E(s, \chi_p) \in \mathcal{F}_E^+}} 1 \sim c_E T^{3/4} (\log T)^{-5/8}$$

Conjecture (Birch and Swinnerton-Dyer):

$L_E(1/2, \chi_d) = 0$  if and only if  $E_d$  has infinitely many rational points (ie. rank greater than zero)

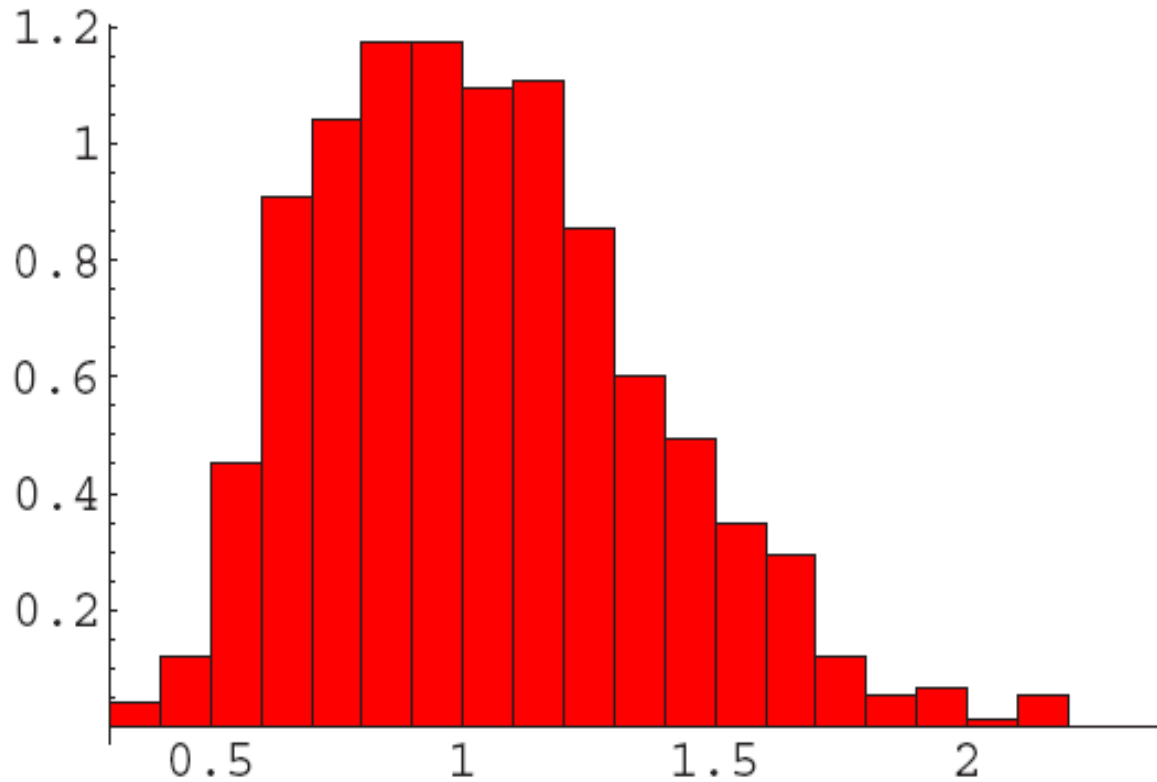


Figure 3: First normalized zero above the central point:  
 750 rank 0 curves from  $y^2 + a_1xy + a_3y = x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_4x + a_6$ ,  
 $\log(\text{cond}) \in [3.2, 12.6]$ , median = 1.00 mean = 1.04,  
 standard deviation about the mean = .32

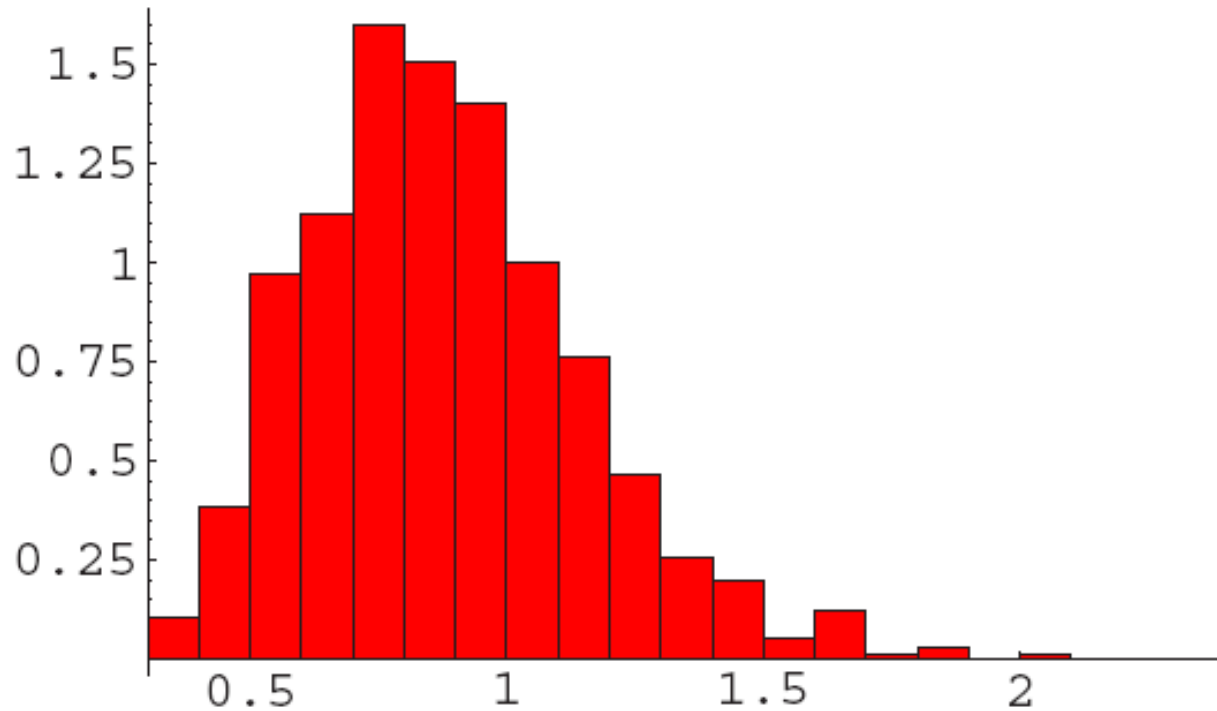


Figure 4: First normalized zero above the central point:  
 750 rank 0 curves from  $y^2 + a_1xy + a_3y = x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_4x + a_6$ ,  
 $\log(\text{cond}) \in [12.6, 14.9]$ , median = .85, mean = .88,  
 standard deviation about the mean = .27

# $SO(2N)$

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Orthogonal  $2N \times 2N$  matrices with determinant  $+1$ :

The eigenvalues come in complex conjugate pairs  $e^{i\theta_1}, e^{-i\theta_1}, e^{i\theta_2}, e^{-i\theta_2}, \dots, e^{i\theta_N}, e^{-i\theta_N}$ .

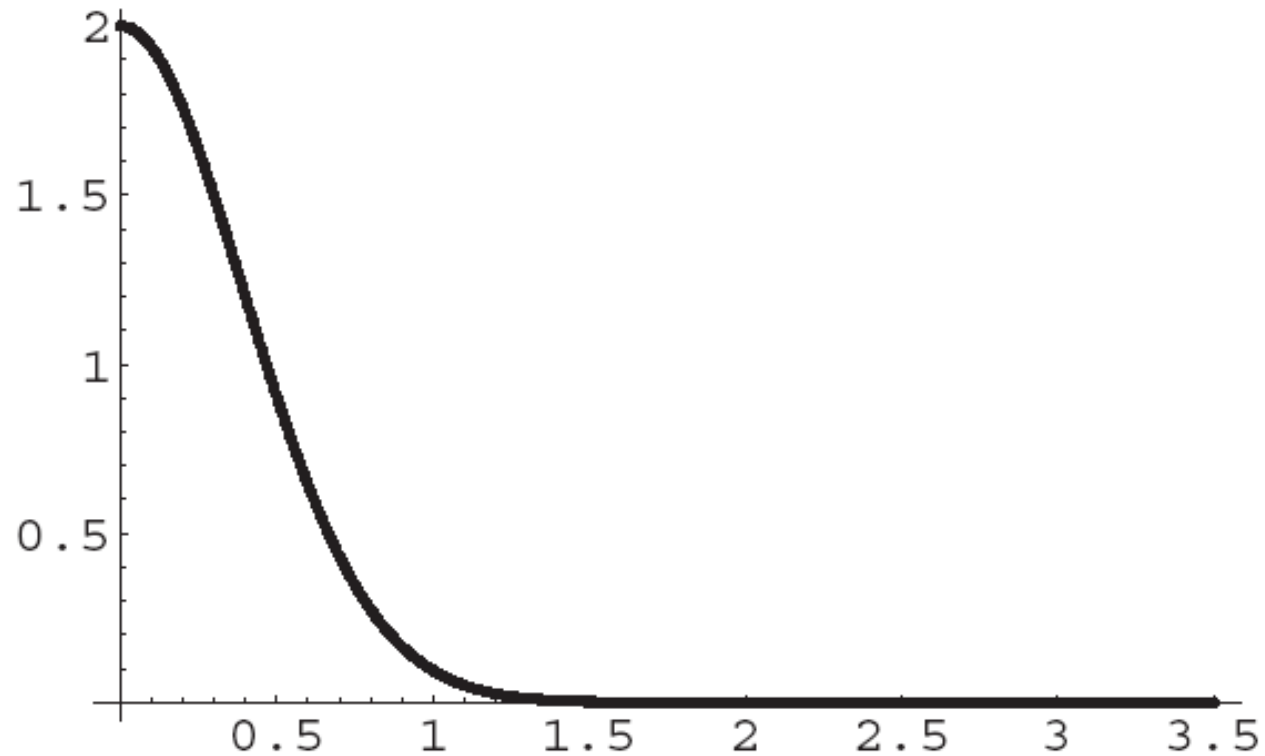


Figure 1c: First normalized eigenangle above 1:  
 $N \rightarrow \infty$  scaling limit of  $\text{SO}(2N)$ : Mean = .321.

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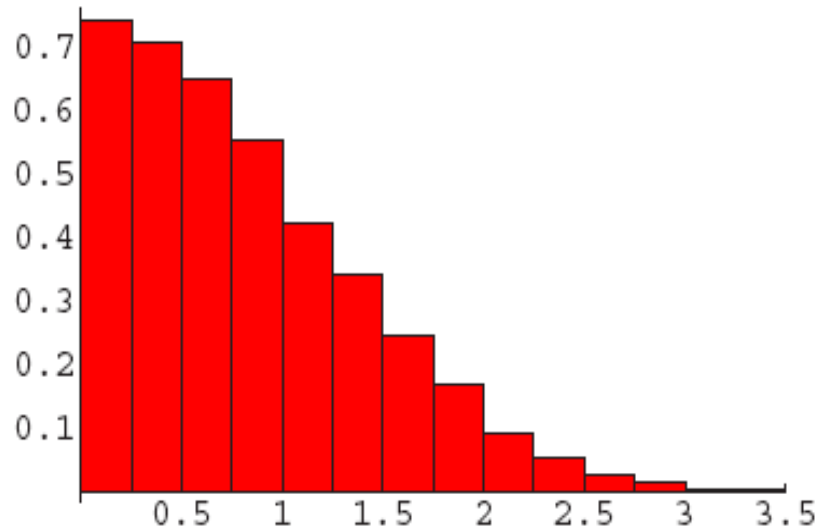


Figure 1a: First normalized eigenangle above 1: 23,040 SO(4) matrices  
 Mean = .709, Standard Deviation about the Mean = .601, Median = .709

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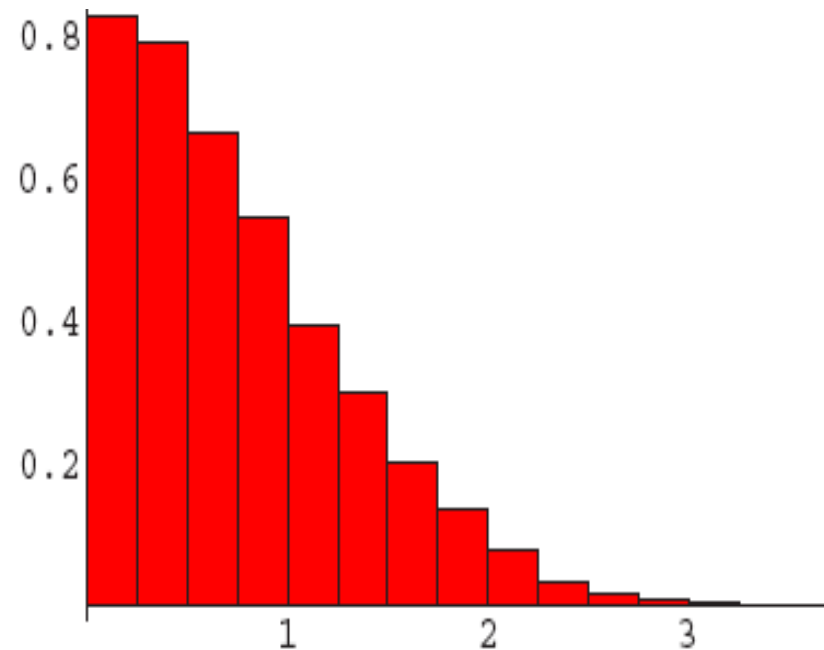


Figure 1b: First normalized eigenangle above 1: 23,040 SO(6) matrices  
 Mean = .635, Standard Deviation about the Mean = .574, Median = .635

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Inspired by random matrix theory:

**Ratios Conjecture:** Conrey, Farmer, Zirnbauer

For the Riemann zeta function:

$$\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \frac{\prod_{k=1}^K \zeta(1/2 + it + \alpha_k) \prod_{\ell=K+1}^{K+L} \zeta(1/2 - it - \alpha_\ell)}{\prod_{q=1}^Q \zeta(1/2 + it + \gamma_q) \prod_{r=1}^R \zeta(1/2 - it + \delta_r)} dt$$

For families of  $L$ -functions

$$\sum_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \frac{L_f(1/2 + \alpha_1) \cdots L_f(1/2 + \alpha_k)}{L_f(1/2 + \gamma_1) \cdots L_f(1/2 + \gamma_k)}$$

One-level density:

$$\begin{aligned} S_1(g) &= \sum_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \sum_{\rho_f} g(\rho_f) \\ &= \sum_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint \frac{L'_f(s)}{L_f(s)} g(s) ds \end{aligned}$$

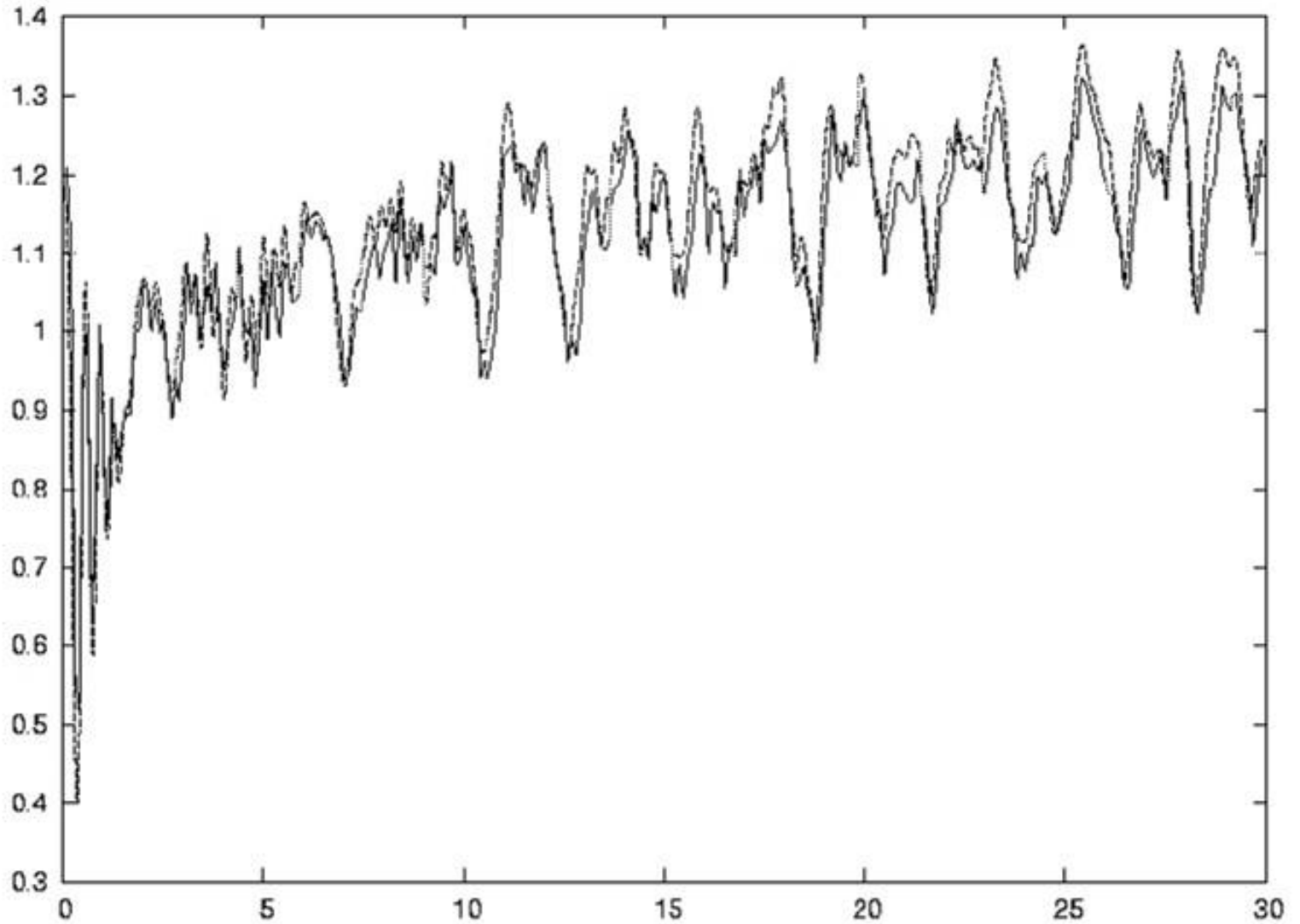
$\mathcal{F}$  a family of  $L$ -functions

$L_f$  an  $L$ -function from the family

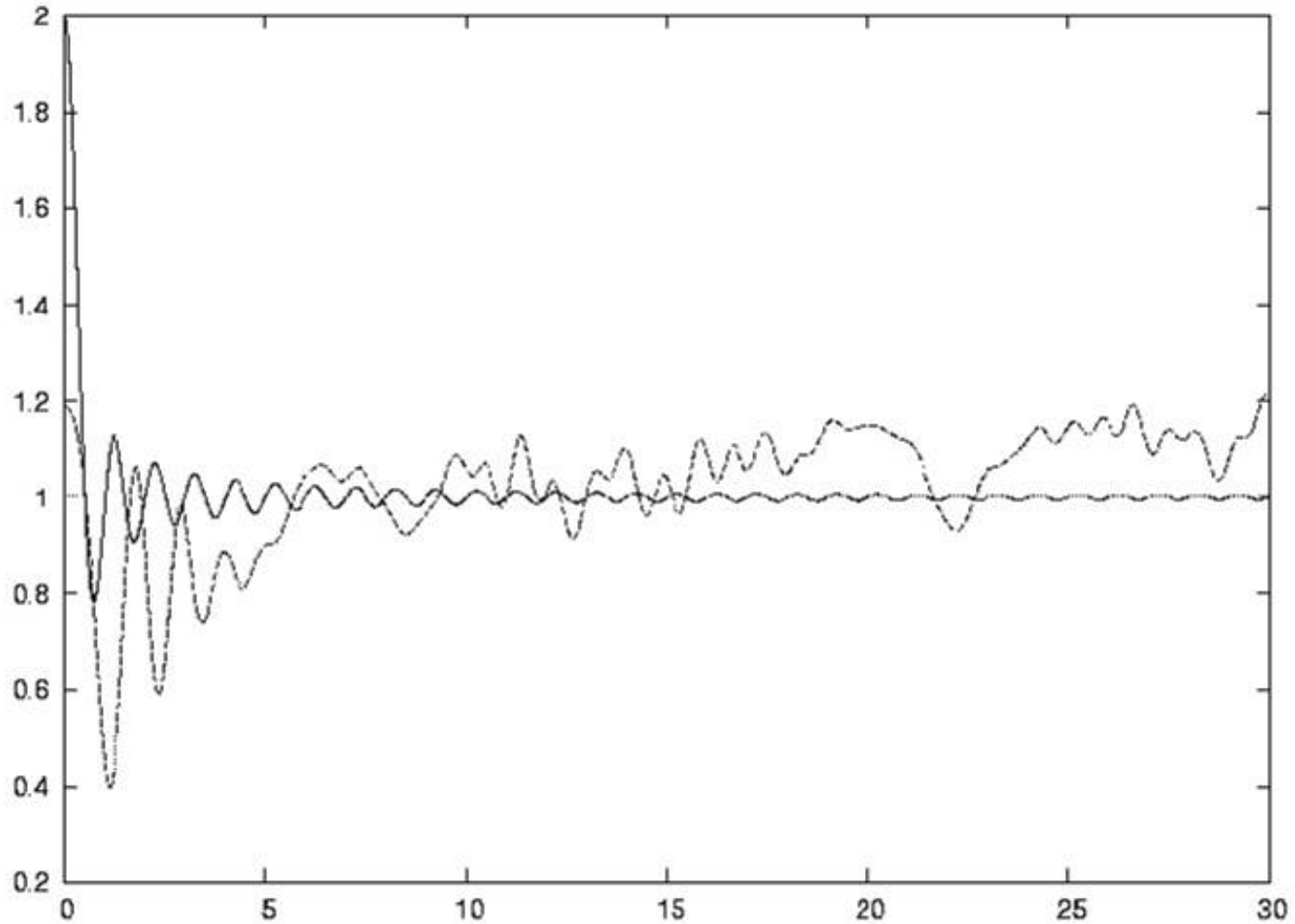
$\rho_f$  a zero of  $L_f$



$$\begin{aligned}
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&\quad + \frac{\Gamma'}{\Gamma}(1/2 + it) + \frac{\Gamma'}{\Gamma}(1/2 - it) \\
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&\quad \left. - \left( \frac{\sqrt{M}|d|}{2\pi} \right)^{-2it} A_f(-it, it) \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. \times \frac{\Gamma(1/2 - it) \zeta(1 + 2it) L_E(\text{sym}^2, 1 - 2it)}{\Gamma(1/2 + it) L_E(\text{sym}^2, 1)} \right] \right) dt \\
&\quad + O(X^{1/2+\epsilon})
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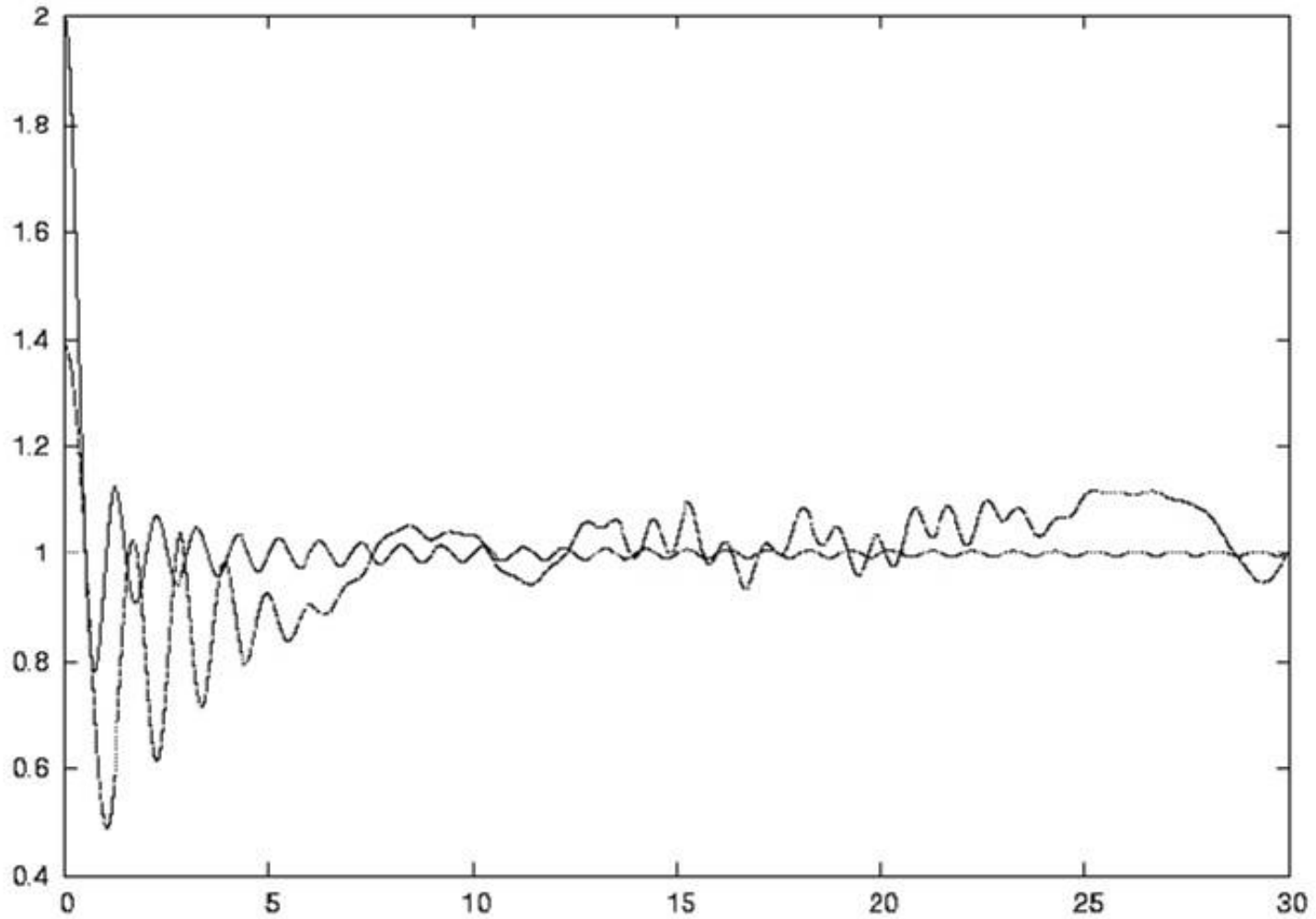


One level density of even twists of  $L_{E_{11}}$  with  $0 < d < 40\,000$   
(dashed) versus numerical data (solid)

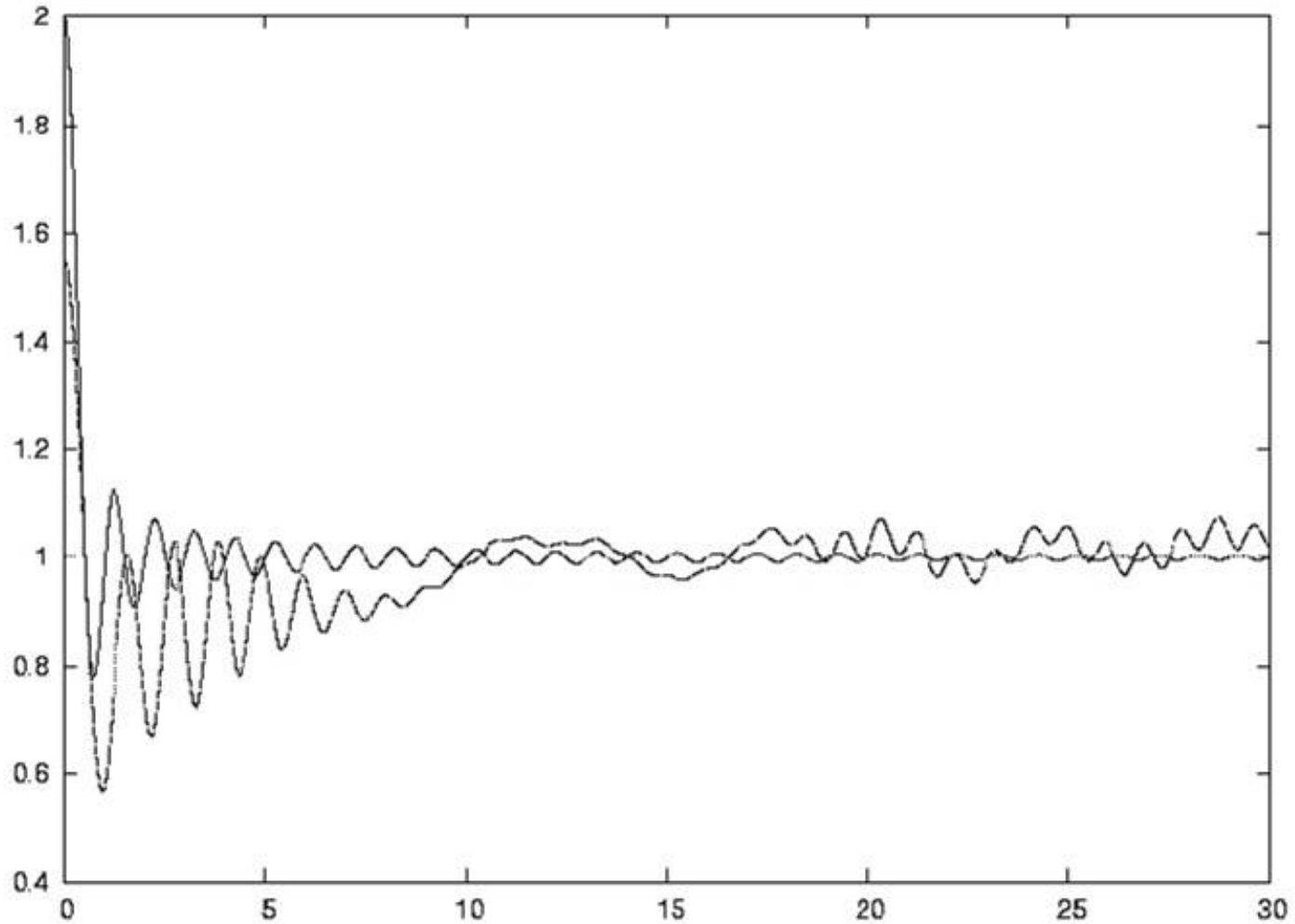


One level density for conductors up to 40 000 compared  
with the scaling limit

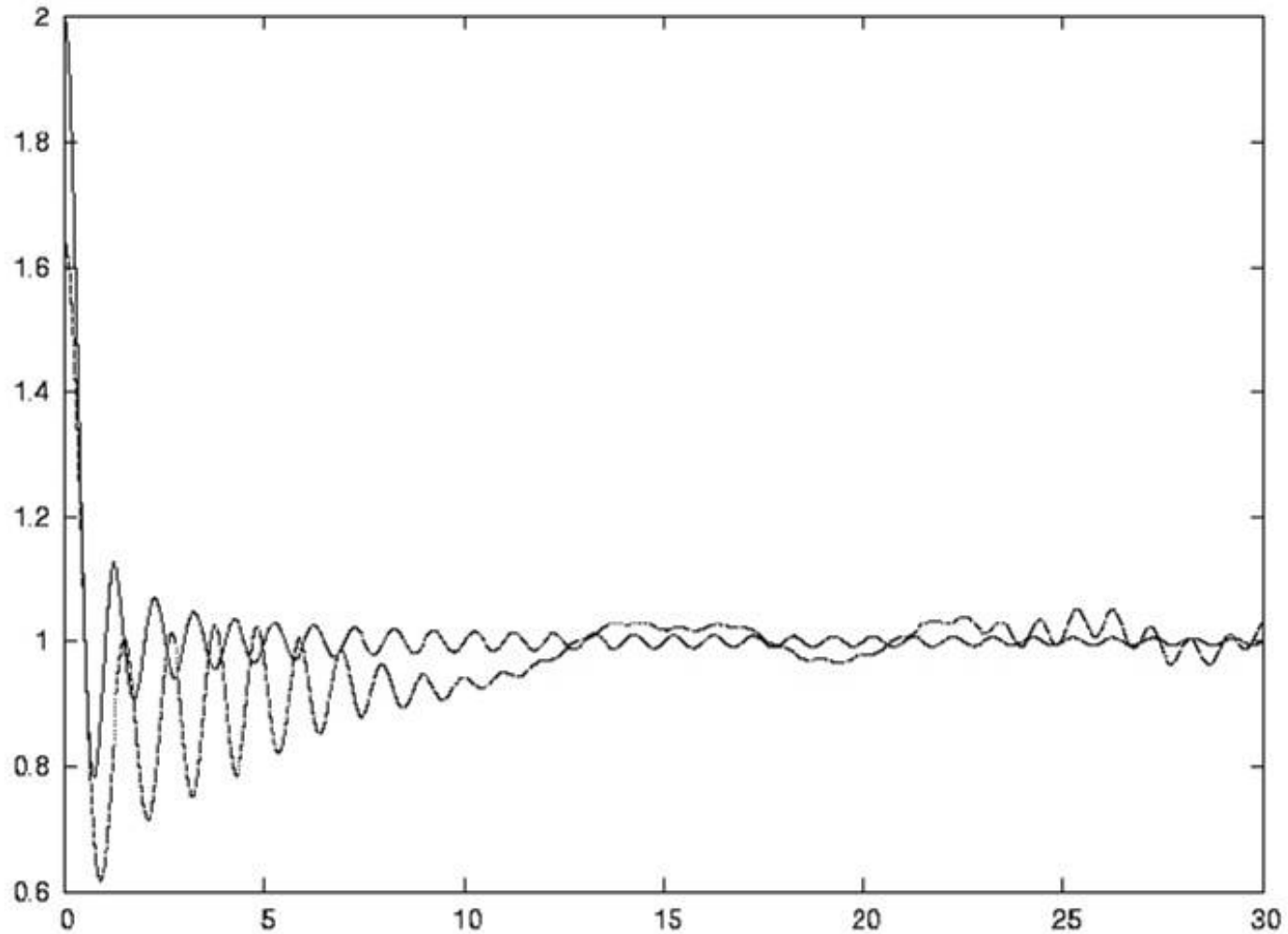




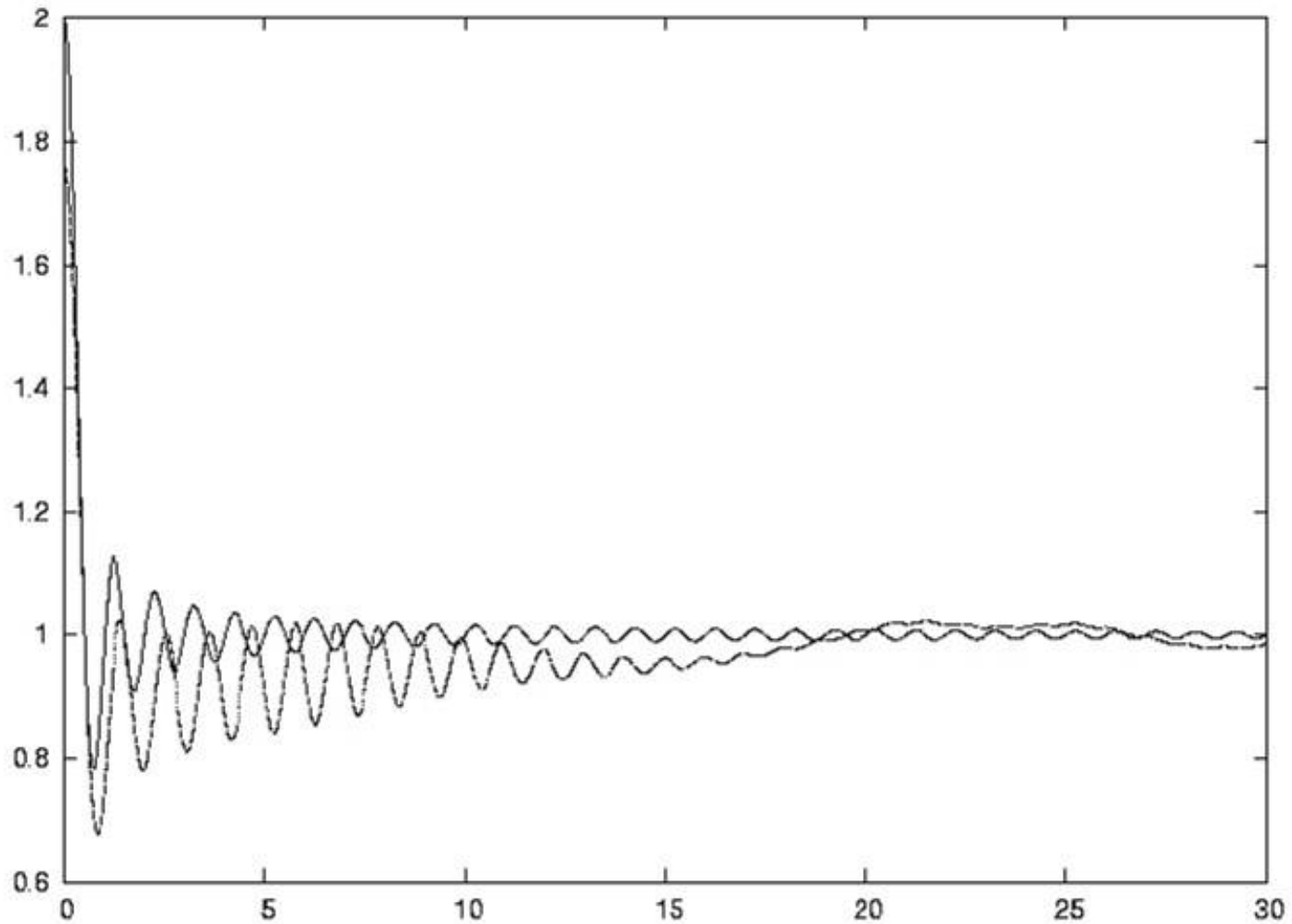
One level density for conductors up to  $10^6$  compared  
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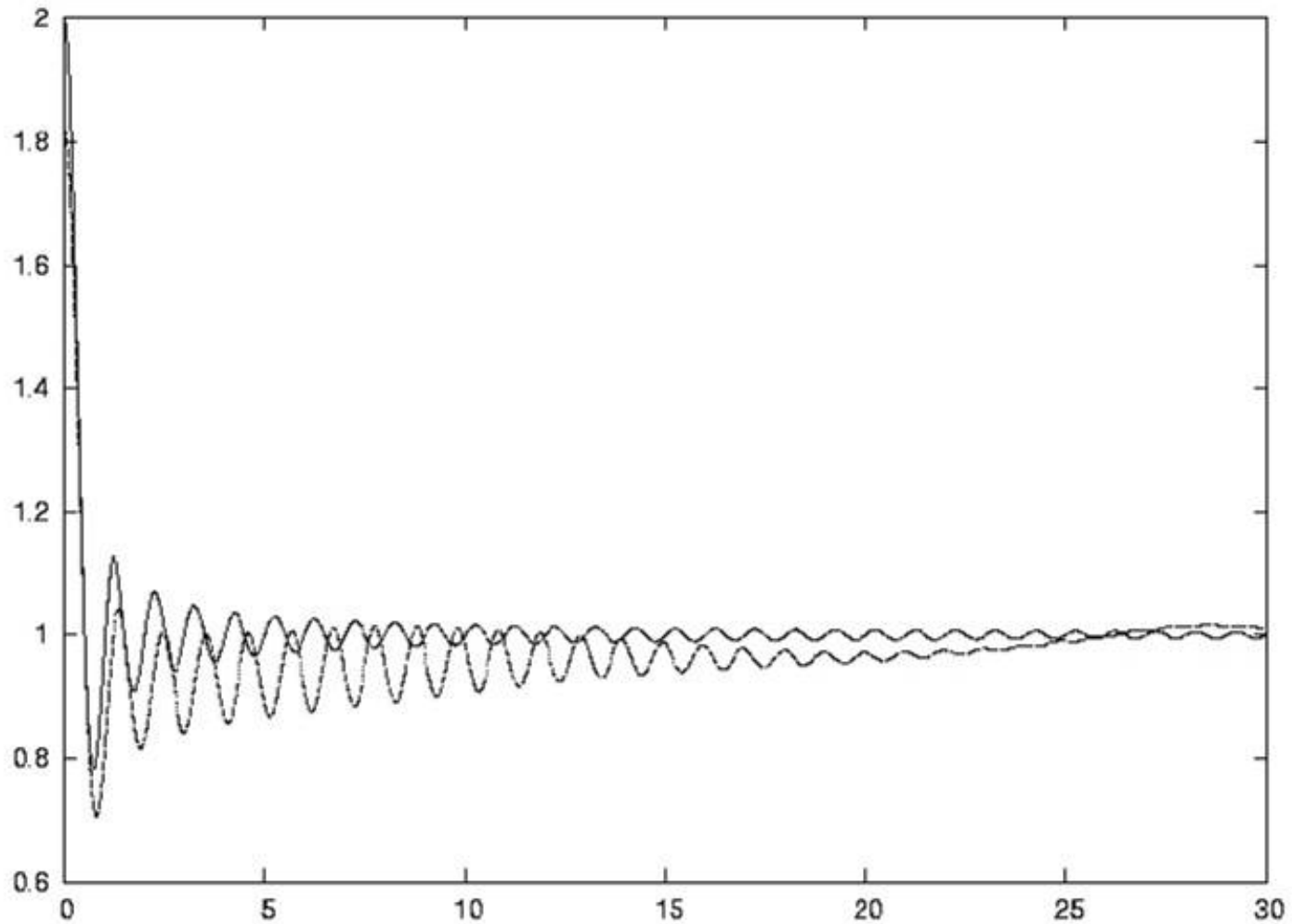
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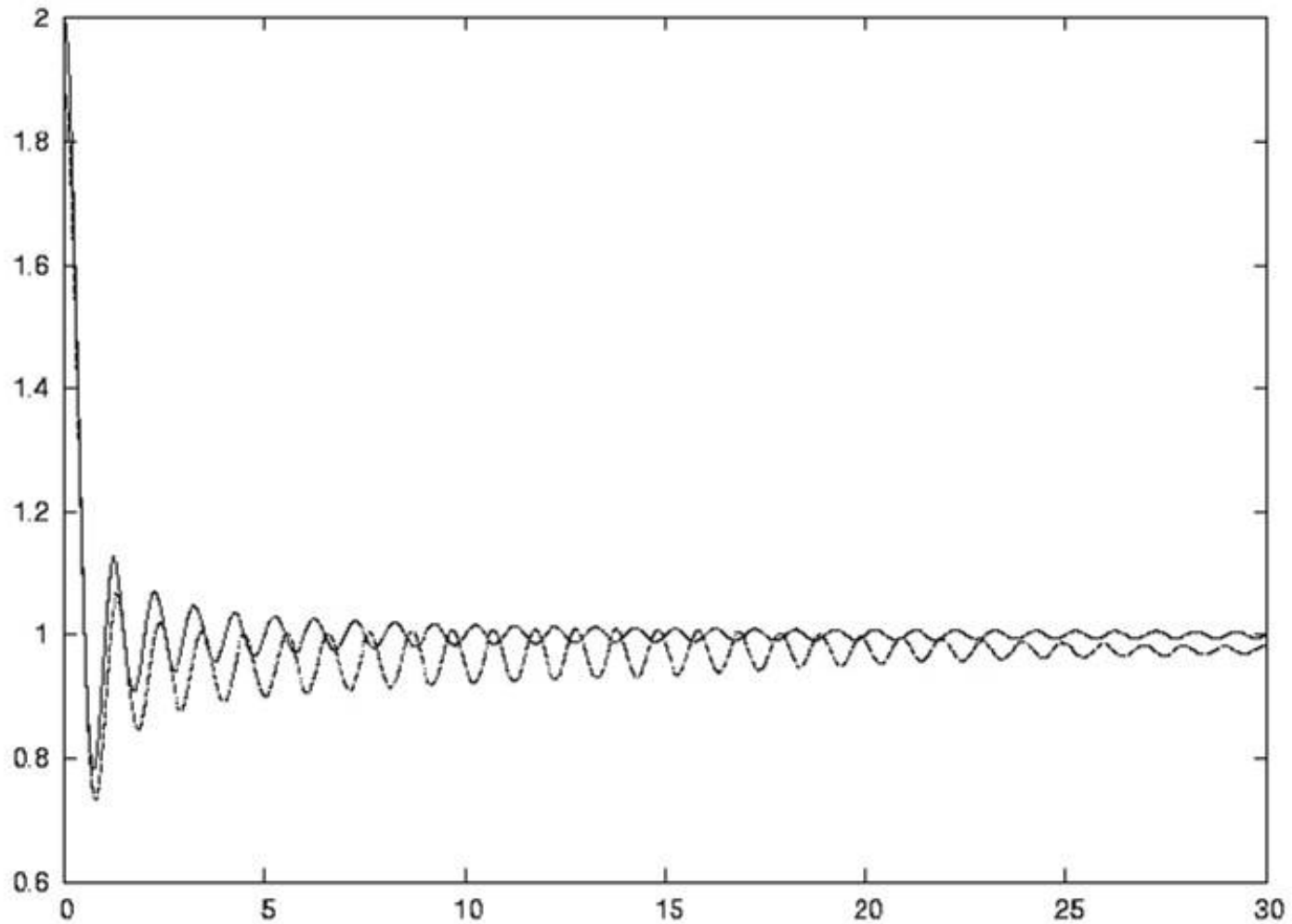
One level density for conductors up to  $10^{10}$  compared  
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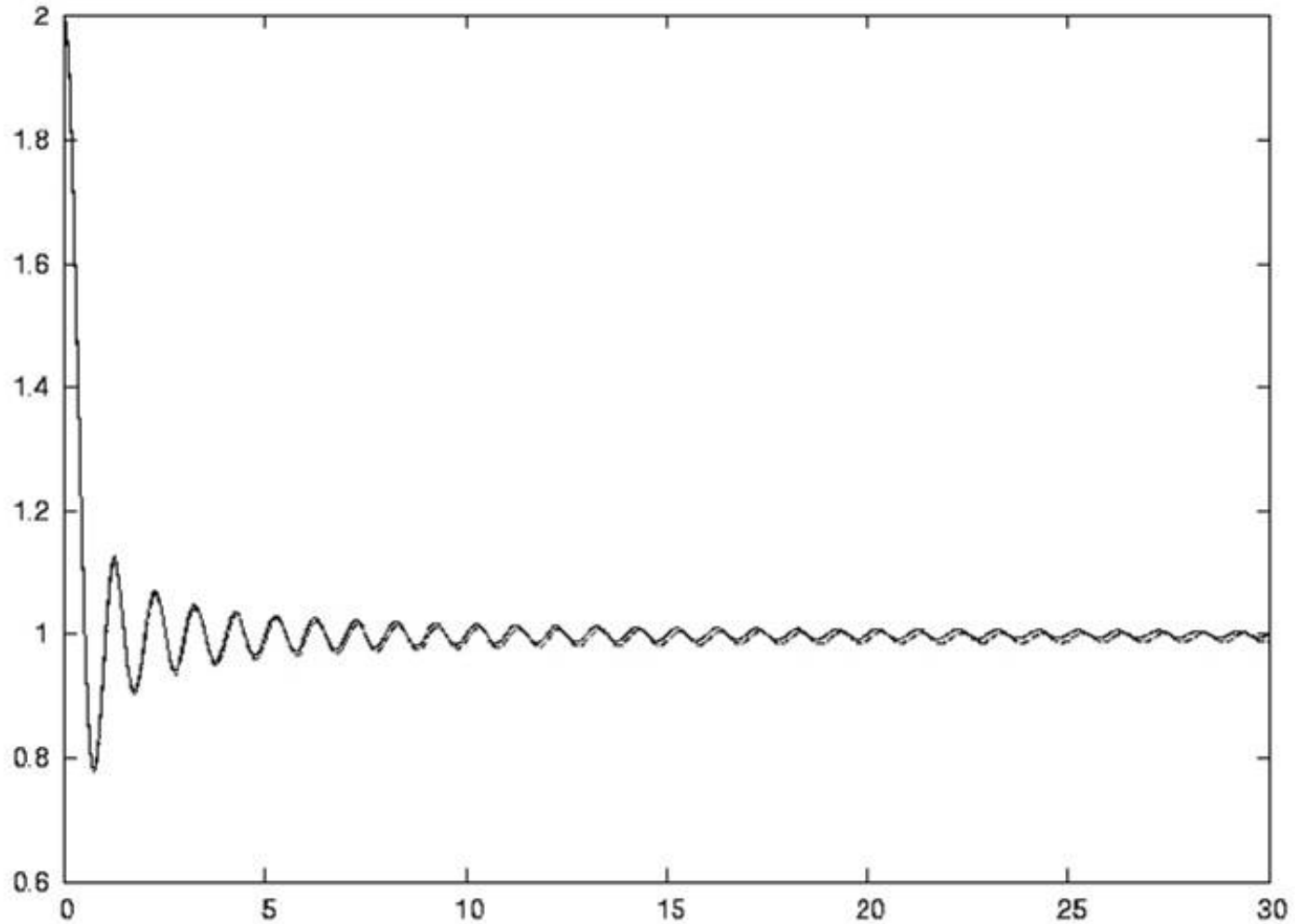
One level density for conductors up to  $10^{15}$  compared  
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One level density for conductors up to  $10^{20}$  compared  
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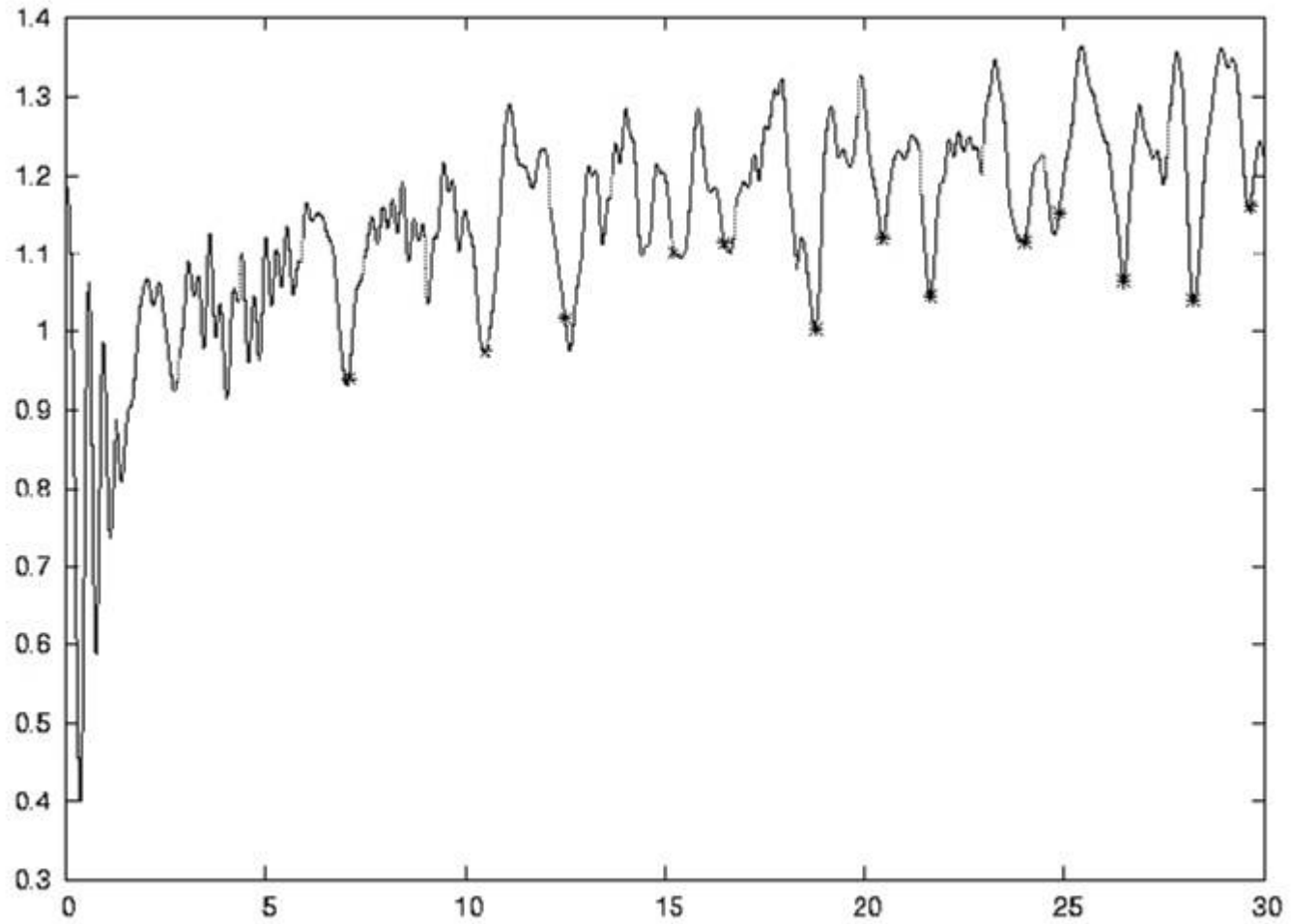
One level density for conductors up to  $10^{30}$  compared  
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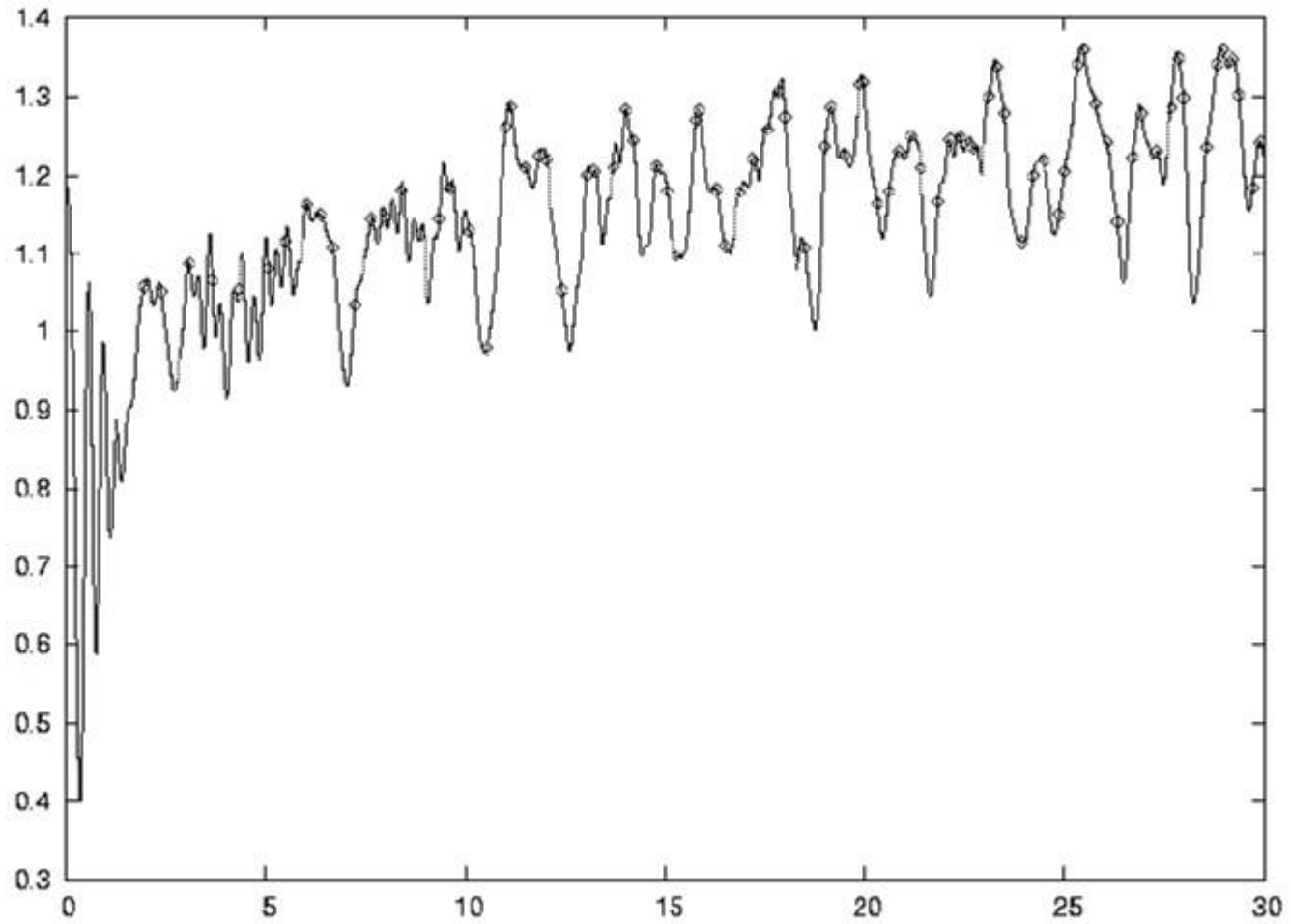
One level density for conductors up to  $10^{300}$  compared  
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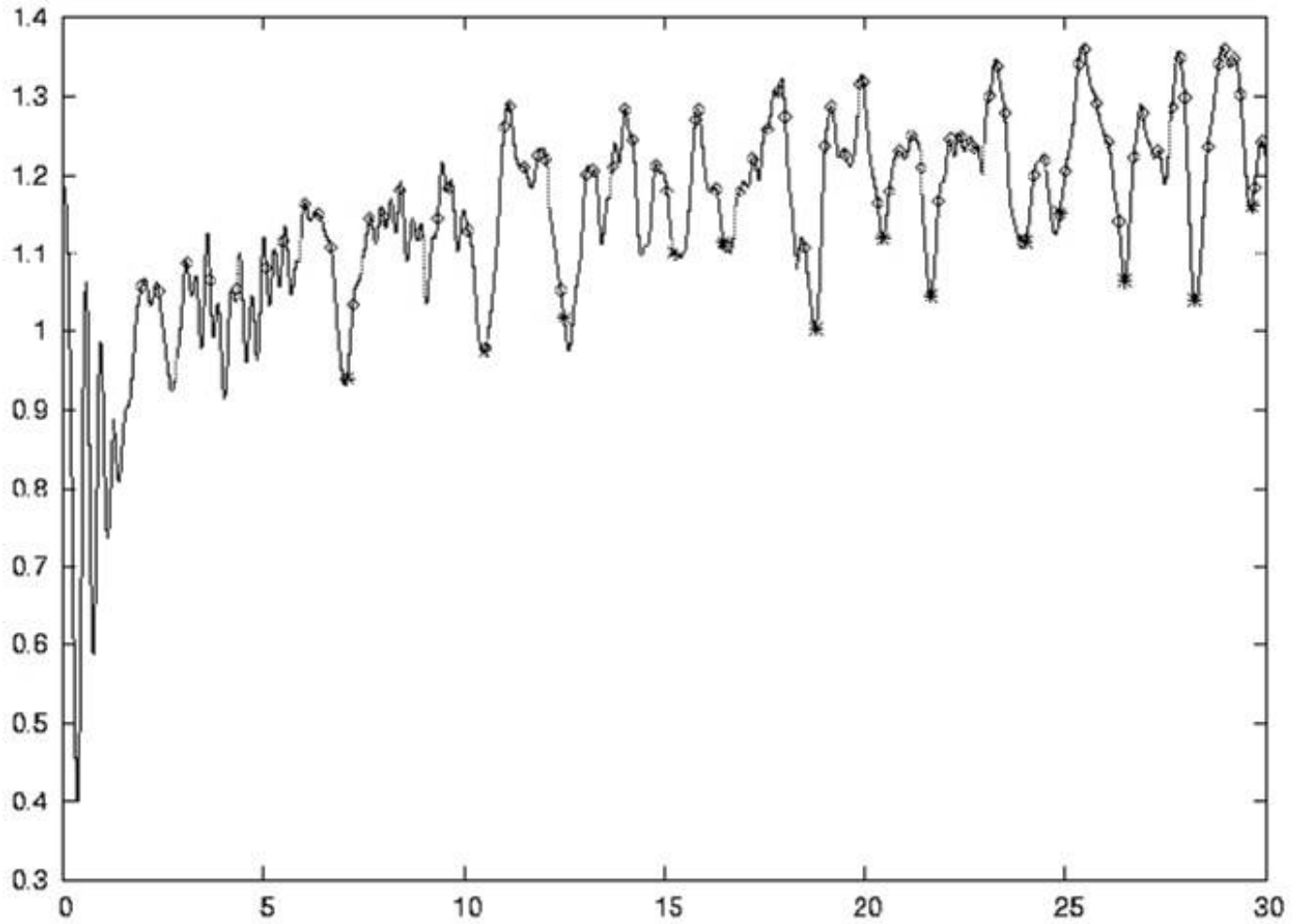
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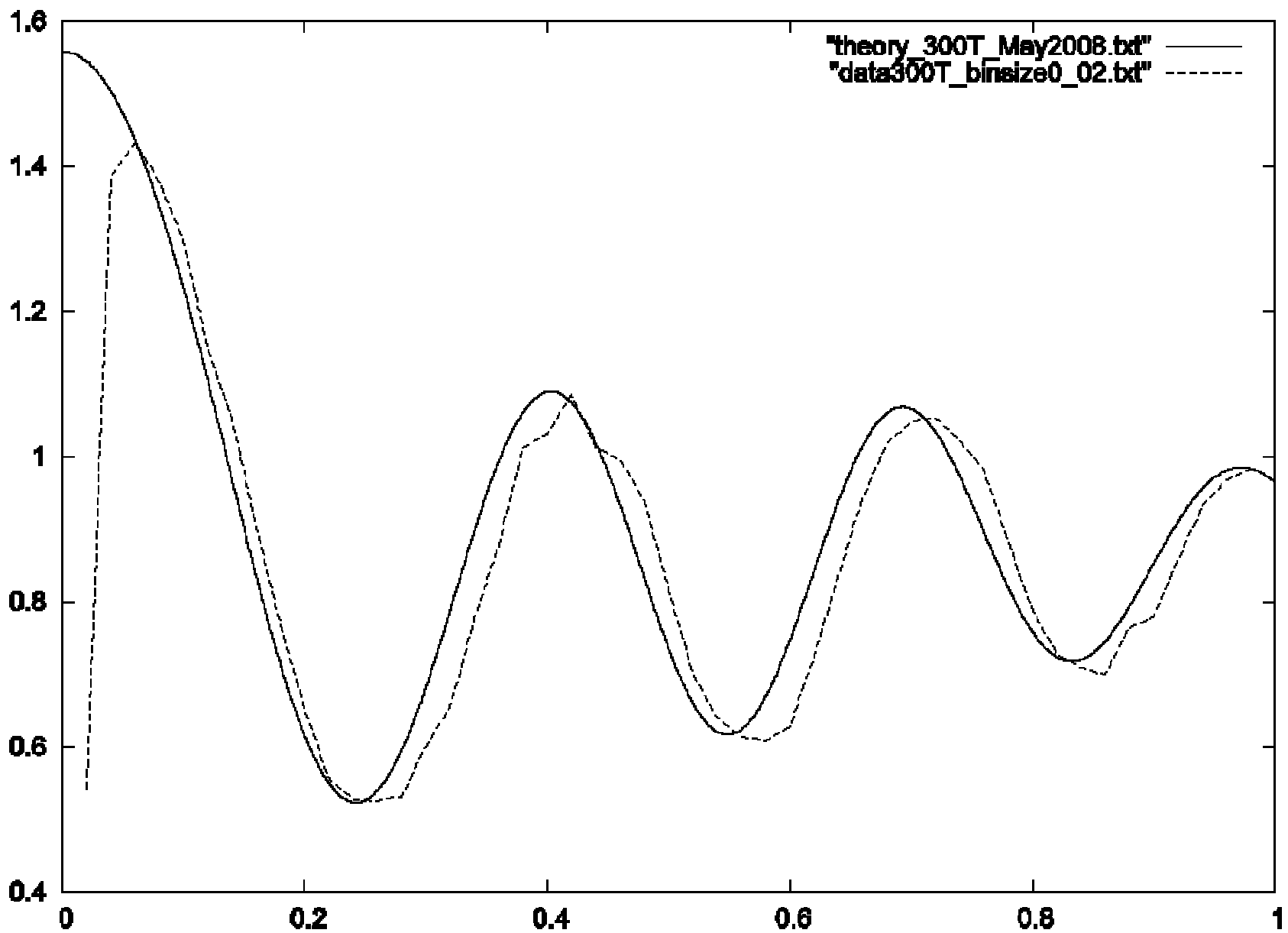


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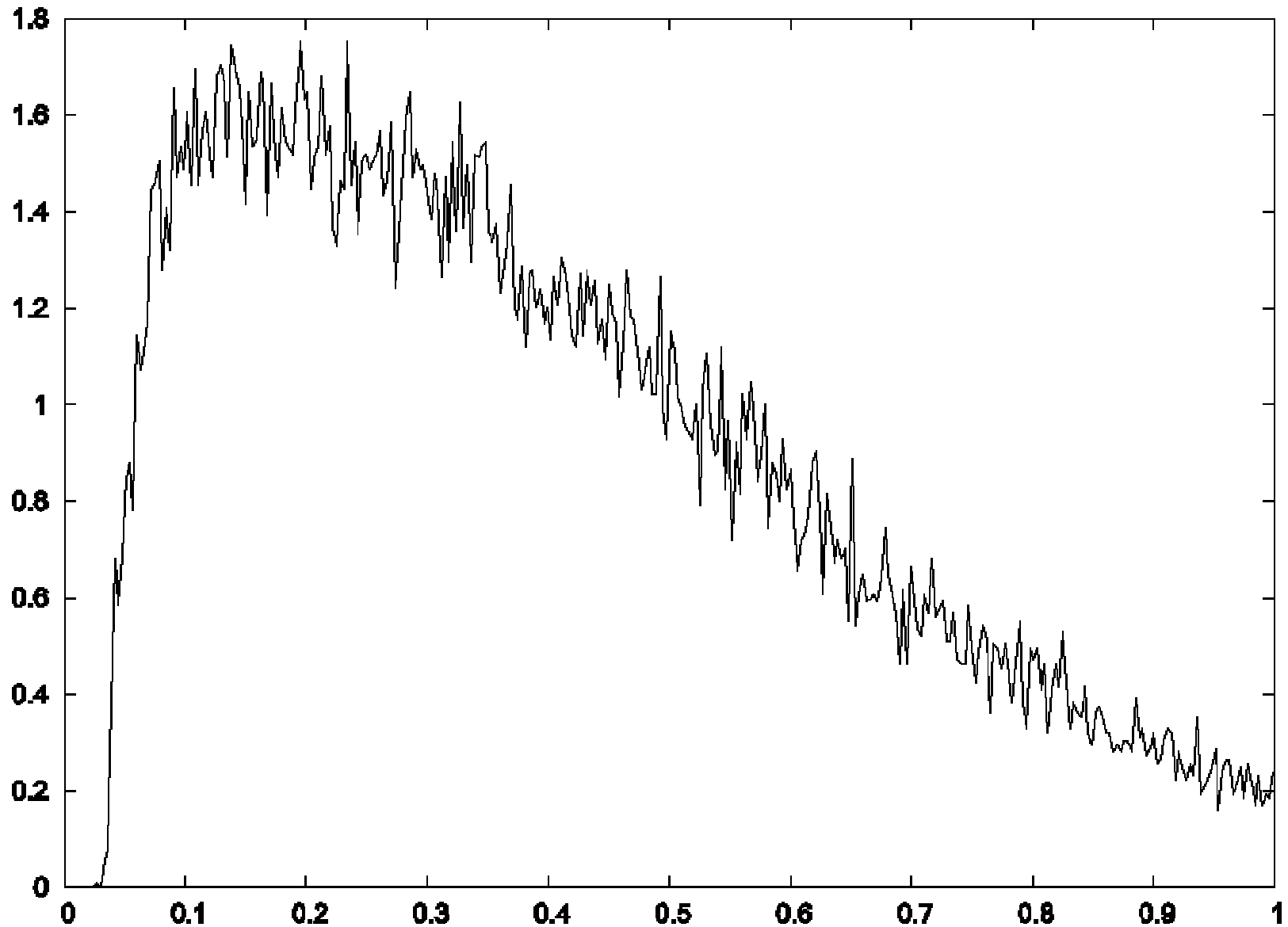


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One level density for quadratic twists of E11 for

$0 < d < 300000$  (solid:ratios conjecture, dashed:numerical)



Density of the first zero for quadratic twists of E11 for

$0 < d < 300000$  (41660 zeros)

# L-values discretised

$$L_E(1/2, \chi_d) = \kappa_E \frac{c_E(|d|)^2}{\sqrt{d}},$$

(Waldspurger, Shimura, Kohnen-Zagier)

where the  $c_E(|d|)$  are integers; the fourier coefficients of a half-integral weight form.

So, if

$$L_E(1/2, \chi_d) < \frac{\kappa_E}{\sqrt{d}}$$

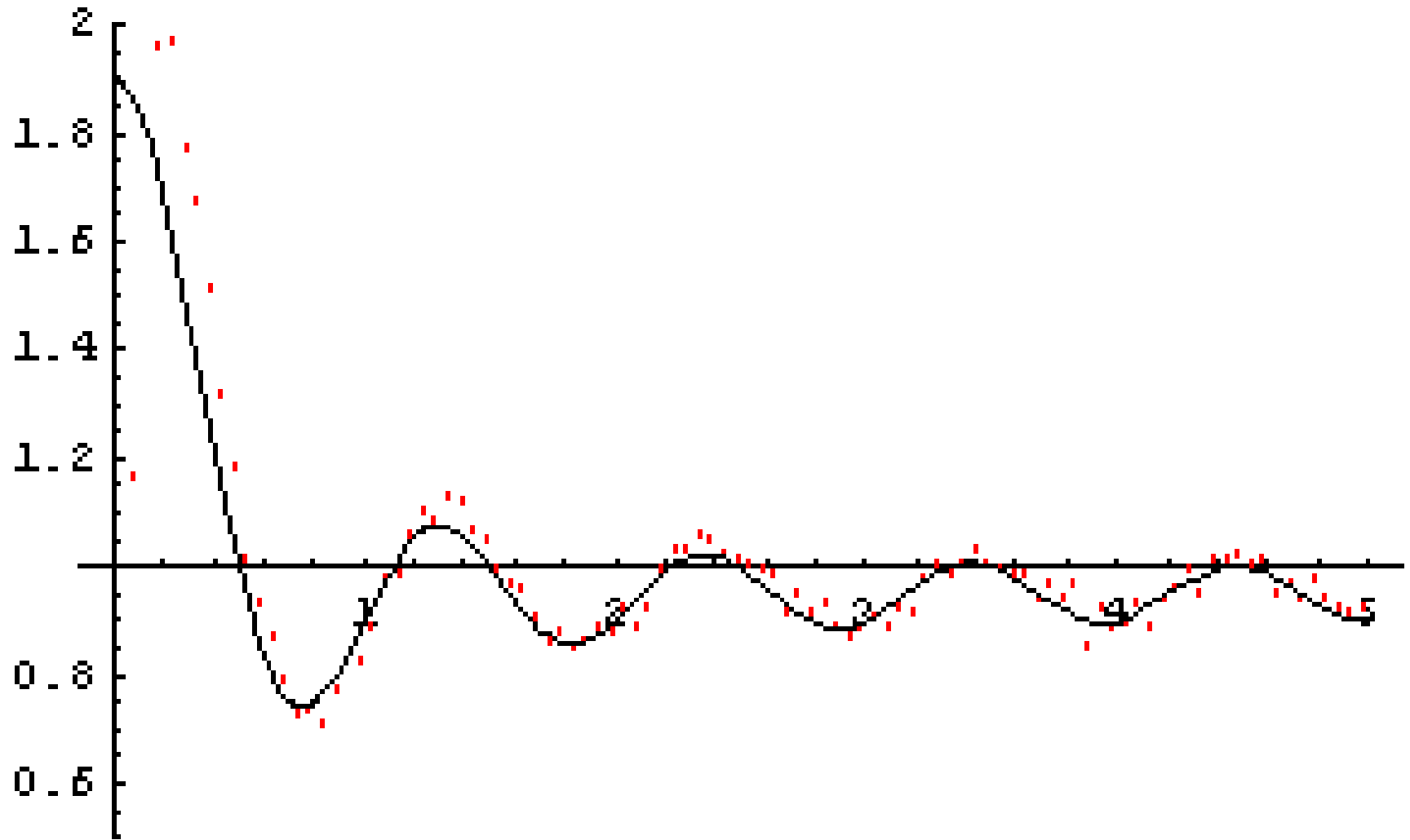
then

$$L_E(1/2, \chi_d) = 0.$$

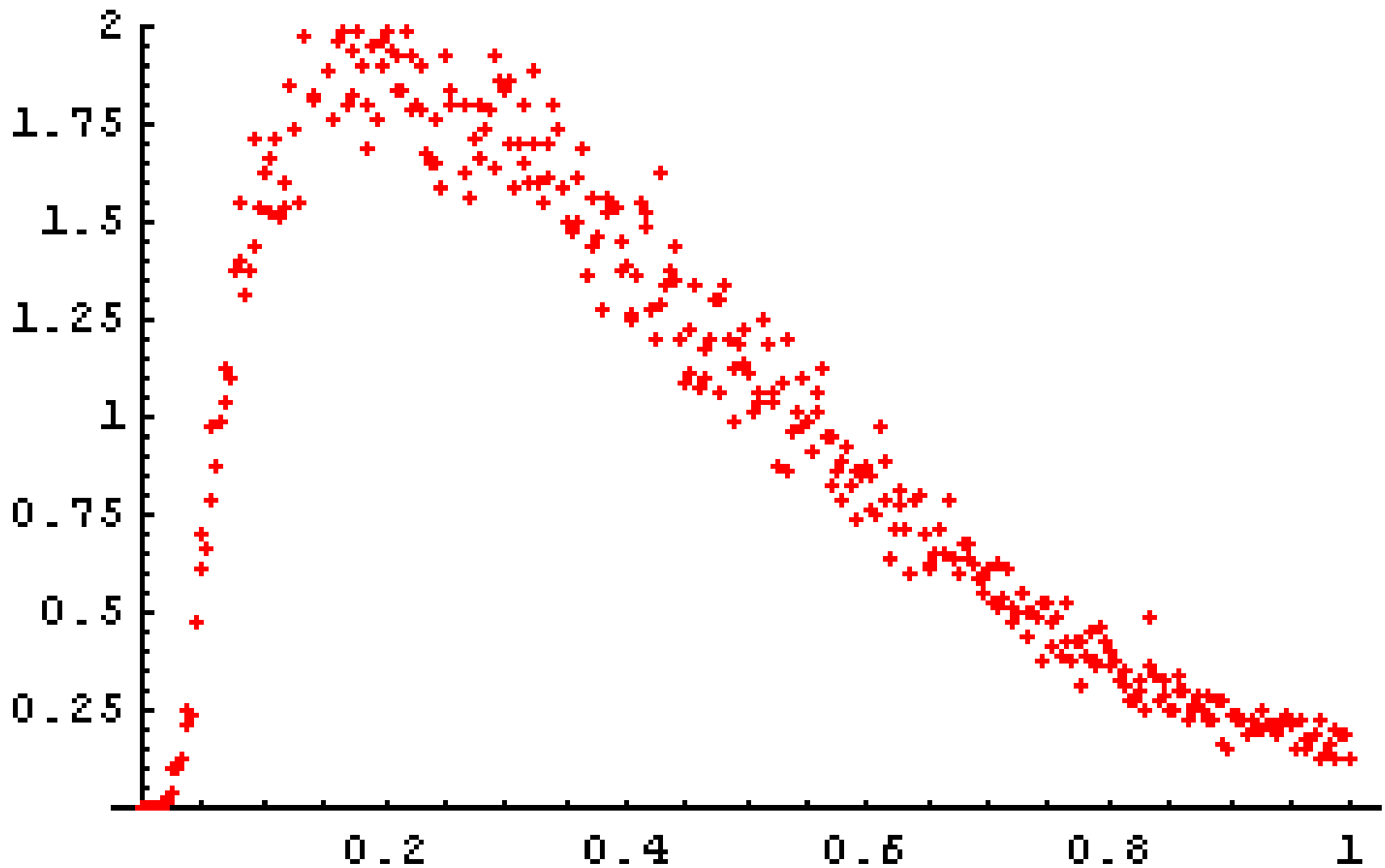


# Hypothesis:

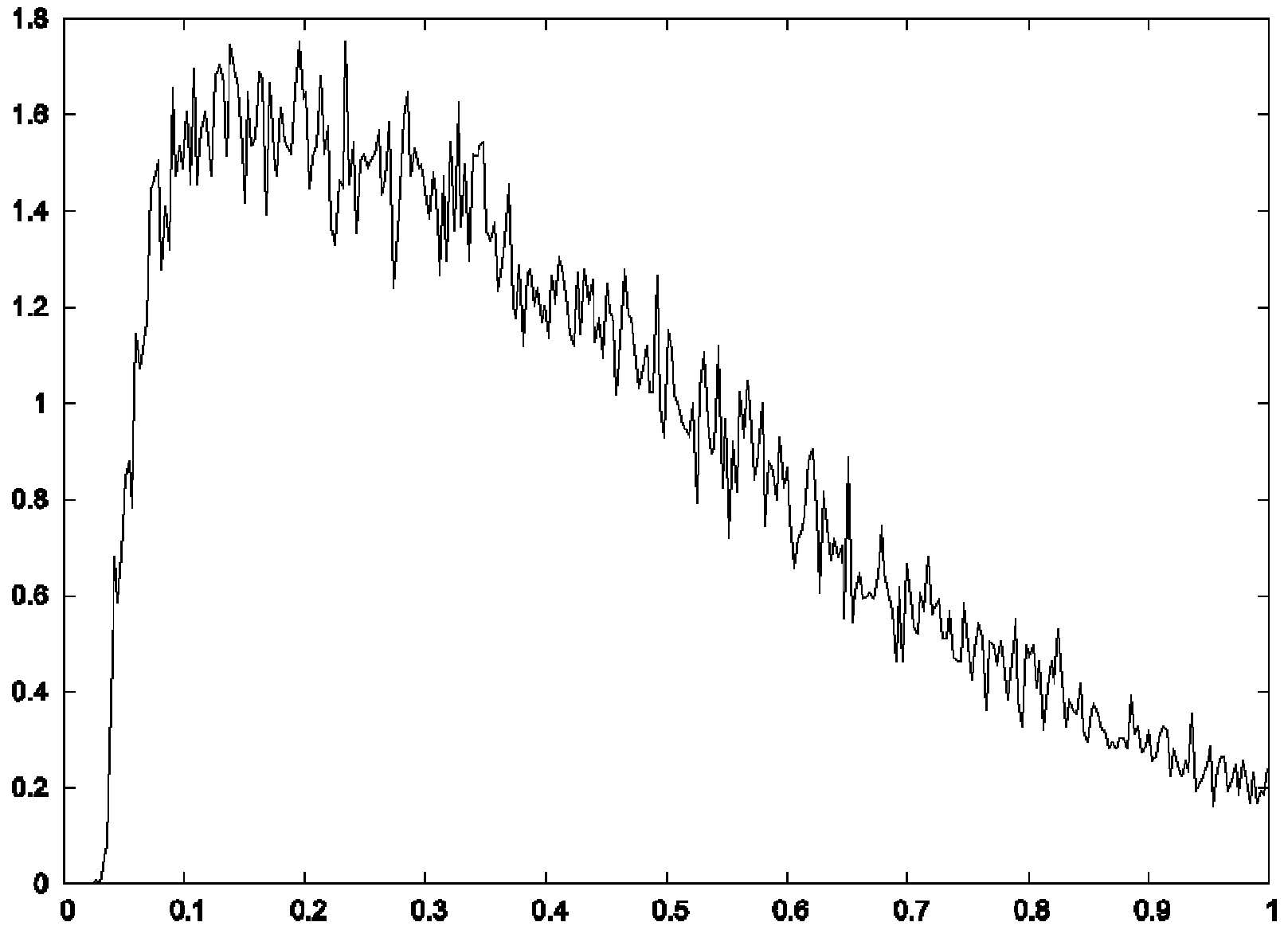
Discretisation causes apparent repulsion from the symmetry point of the zeros?



One level density for random  $SO(2N)$  matrices,  $N=10$  (solid:exact curve for full group, red: numerics from 100000 randomly generated matrices with characteristic polynomial  $> 3 \exp(-N/2)$ )



Numerical density of the first eigenvalue from 100000 randomly generated SO(20) matrices with characteristic polynomial  $> 3 \exp(-N/2)$



Density of the first zero for quadratic twists of E11 for

$0 < d < 300000$

## Joint Probability Density $SO(2N)$ eigenvalues

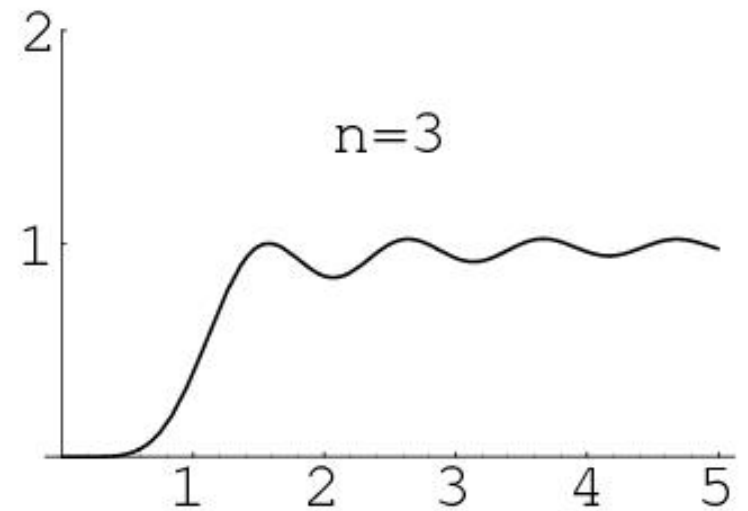
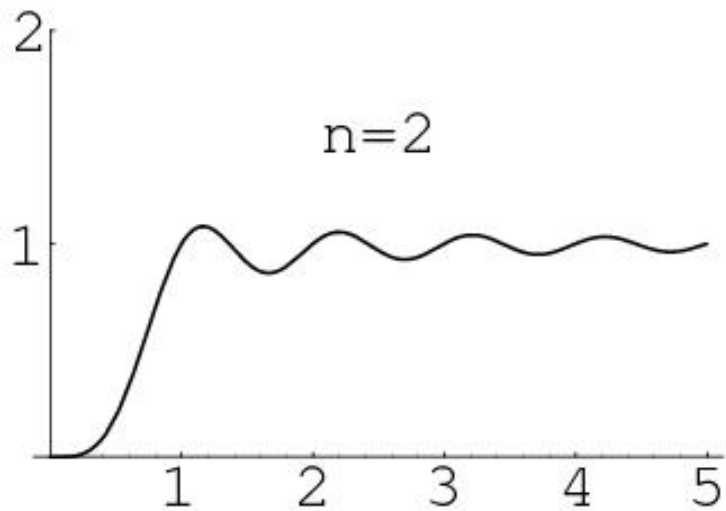
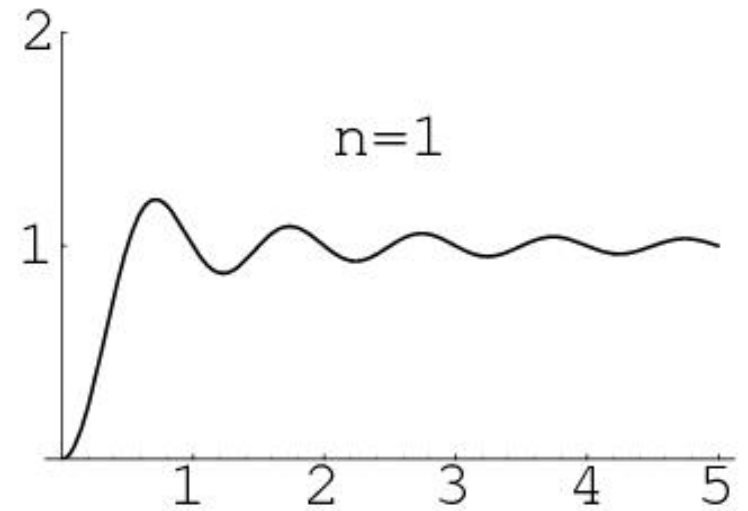
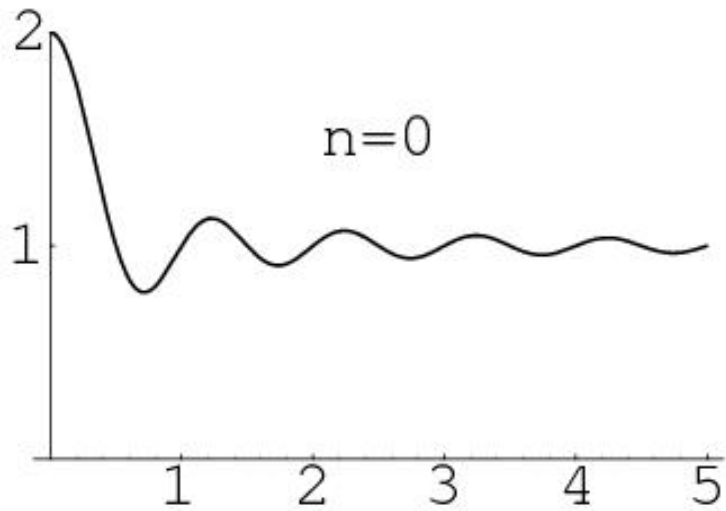
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$$\text{const} \prod_{1 \leq j < k \leq N} (\cos \theta_k - \cos \theta_j)^2 d\theta_1 \cdots d\theta_N$$

## Joint Probability Density for matrices in $SO(2N + n)$

constrained to have  $n$  eigenvalues at 1 and  $2N$  eigenvalues elsewhere

$$\text{const} \prod_{j=1}^N (1 - \cos \theta_j)^n \prod_{1 \leq j < k \leq N} (\cos \theta_k - \cos \theta_j)^2 d\theta_1 \cdots d\theta_N$$

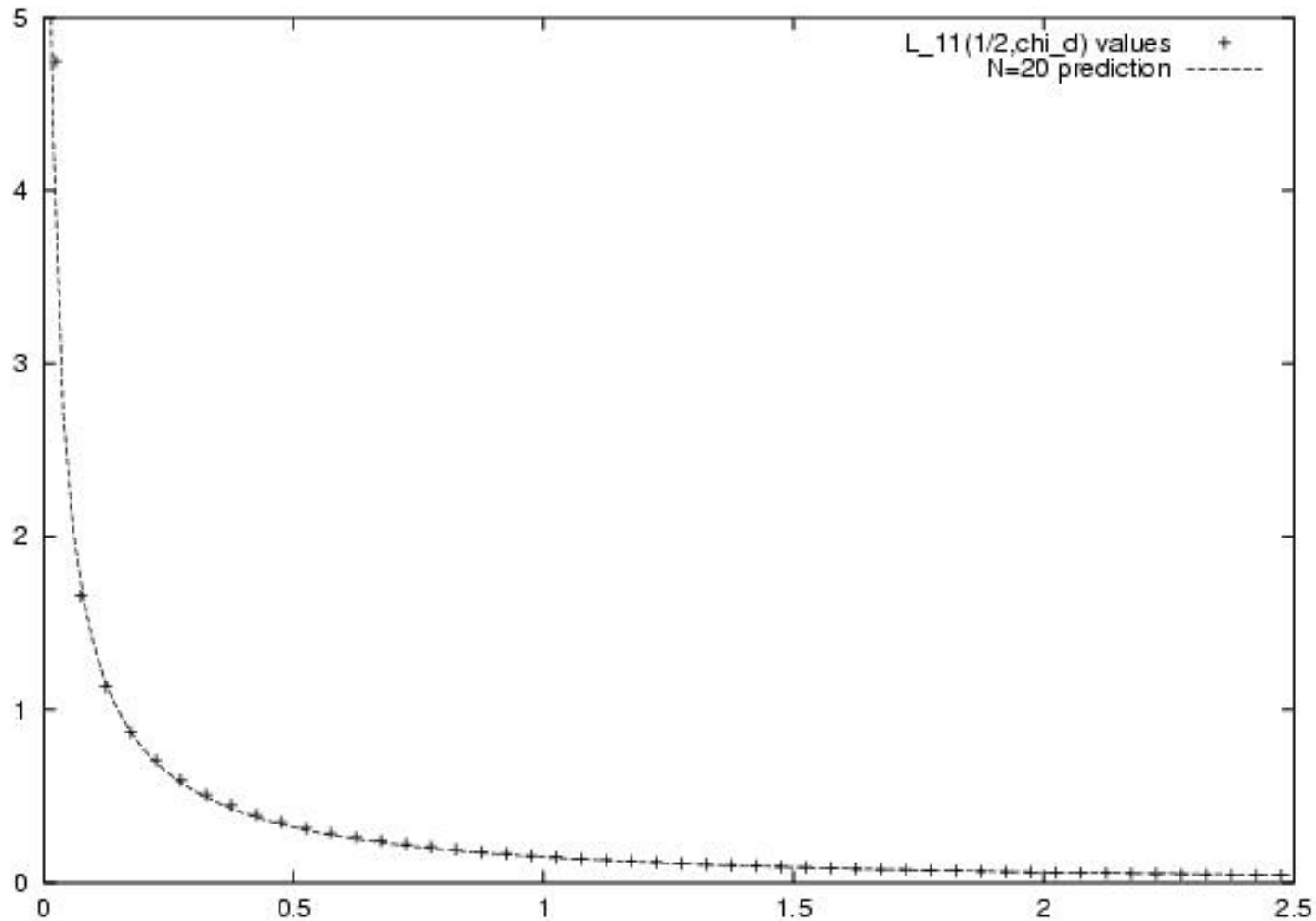


One level densities with  $n$  eigenvalues at the symmetry point

To model repulsion from the symmetry point:

$$\text{const} \prod_{j=1}^N (1 - \cos \theta_j)^{a(N)} \prod_{1 \leq j < k \leq N} (\cos \theta_k - \cos \theta_j)^2 d\theta_1 \cdots d\theta_N$$

where  $a(N) \rightarrow 0$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$



The value distribution of  $L_{E_{11}}(1/2, \chi_d)$  for prime  $|d|$ ,  $-788299808 < d < 0$ , even functional equation, compared to the value distribution of characteristic polynomials from  $SO(40)$