

We can use Dirichlet characters and the orthogonality relations to restrict arithmetic functions to arithmetic progressions:

Lemma (Usefulness of Dirichlet characters)

Let $f \in \mathcal{R}$ an arithmetic function and $a \in \mathbb{Z}$

with $(a, q) = 1$.

Then

$$\sum_{\substack{n \leq X \\ n \equiv a(q)}} f(n) = \frac{1}{\phi(q)} \sum_{\chi \bmod q} \bar{\chi}(a) \sum_{n \leq X} f(n) \chi(n)$$

Proof: $\sum_{\substack{n \leq X \\ n \equiv a(q)}} f(n) = \sum_{\substack{n \leq X \\ \bar{a}n \equiv 1(q)}} f(n)$

$\bar{a}a \equiv 1(q)$

$$= \sum_{n \leq X} \left(\frac{f(n)}{\phi(q)} \sum_{\chi \bmod q} \chi(\bar{a}n) \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\phi(q)} \sum_{\chi \bmod q} \chi(\bar{a}) \sum_{n \leq X} f(n) \chi(n). \quad \square$$

Analytic continuation of $\zeta(s)$ and $L(s, \chi)$

Recall that $\zeta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^s}$ defined for $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 1$

and ζ is holomorphic on $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 1$. We can extend definition of $\zeta(s)$ to larger region.

Theorem: ζ admits unique meromorphic continuation to $\{s: \operatorname{Re}(s) > 0\}$ with a simple pole at $s=1$.

Moreover, $\operatorname{Res}_{s=1} \zeta(s) = 1$.

Proof: Let $s \in \mathbb{C}$ with $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 1$. By Abel summation,

$$\sum_{n \leq x} \frac{1}{n^s} = \sum_{\frac{1}{2} \leq \ln n \leq x} \frac{\zeta(n)}{n^s} = \frac{L(x)}{x^s} + s \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^x \frac{L(t)}{t^{s+1}} dt$$

$$= \frac{L(x)}{x^s} + s \int_1^x \frac{(t - \{t\})}{t^{s+1}} dt$$

$$= \frac{L(x)}{x^s} + s \int_1^x \frac{1}{t^s} - s \int_1^x \frac{\{t\}}{t^{s+1}} dt$$

integral converges as $x \rightarrow \infty$

$$= \underbrace{\frac{L(x)}{x^s}}_{\xrightarrow{x \rightarrow \infty} 0} + \frac{s}{s-1} - \underbrace{\frac{x^{1-s}}{s-1}}_{\xrightarrow{x \rightarrow \infty} 0} - s \int_1^x \frac{\{t\}}{t^{s+1}} dt.$$

We let $x \rightarrow \infty$, thus we obtain for $\Re(s) > 1$

$$\zeta(s) = 1 + \frac{1}{s-1} - s \int_1^{\infty} \frac{t^s}{t^{s+2}} dt. \quad (*)$$

$\rightarrow$ the function $1 + \frac{1}{s-1}$ is meromorphic in entire complex plane, simple pole at $s=1$, and residue 1.

$\rightarrow$ for $\Re(s) > 0$, the integral converges absolutely. Thus defines holomorphic function on $\Re(s) > 0$.

Hence, RHS of $(*)$ defines analytic function on $\Re(s) > 0$ with simple pole at $s=1$, which coincides with $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-s}$ on $\Re(s) > 1$.

The holomorphic extension of $\zeta(s)$ to $\{s \in \mathbb{C} : \Re(s) > 0\} - \{1\}$ is unique, as it completely determined on $\{\Re(s) > 1\}$. (B)

Theorem (Analytic continuation for $L(s, \chi_0)$).

Let χ_0 be the principal character mod q .
Then $L(s, \chi_0)$ admits unique meromorphic continuation to $\Re(s) > 0$, with a simple pole at $s=1$

and residue $\operatorname{Res}_{s=1} L(s, \chi_0) = \frac{\varphi(q)}{2}$.

Proof: By Euler product, for $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} L(s, \chi_0) &= \prod_p \left(1 - \frac{\chi_0(p)}{p^s} \right)^{-1} = \prod_{(p, q)=1} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s} \right)^{-1} \\ &= \varphi(s) \cdot \prod_{p|q} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Note that $\prod_{p|q} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s} \right)$ defines a holomorphic function for all $s \in \mathbb{C}$ and that $\prod_{p|q} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p} \right) = \frac{\varphi(q)}{q}$.

Conclusion follows from meromorphic continuation of $\varphi(s)$ to $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 0$. $\square$

Theorem (Analytic continuation for non-principal characters).

If $\chi \bmod q$ NOT the principal character, then $\sigma_c(\chi) = 0$. In particular, $L(s, \chi)$ has holomorphic continuation to $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 0$.

(so no poles)

Proof: Note that $\sum_{\substack{n \leq y+q \\ q \nmid n}} \chi(n) = 0$, $\forall y > 0$.

Define $S_X(N) := \sum_{n \leq X} \chi(n)$. Then $|S_X(N)| \leq \phi(q)$.

We need to show $\left| \sum_{y < n \leq X} \frac{\chi(n)}{n^s} \right| < \varepsilon$, whenever

$M_2 < y < X$ and $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 0$.

By Abel summation,

$$\sum_{y < n \leq X} \frac{\chi(n)}{n^s} = \frac{S_X(X)}{X^s} - \frac{S_X(y)}{y^s} + s \int_y^X \frac{S_X(t)}{t^{s+1}} dt$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence } \left| \sum_{y < n \leq X} \frac{\chi(n)}{n^s} \right| &< \phi(q) \left(\frac{1}{X^\sigma} + \frac{1}{y^\sigma} \right) + |s| \phi(q) \int_y^X \frac{1}{t^{\sigma+1}} dt \\ &= \phi(q) (X^{-\sigma} + y^{-\sigma}) + \frac{|s| \phi(q)}{\sigma} (y^{-\sigma} - X^{-\sigma}) \xrightarrow{y \rightarrow \infty} 0 \end{aligned}$$

as $y \rightarrow \infty$.

(if $\sigma > 0$).

We note $\sum_{n \leq X} \frac{\chi(n)}{n^s}$ convergent for $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 0$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_c(\chi) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow L(s, \chi)$ holomorphic for $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 0$. $\square$

Theorem (Dirichlet's theorem on primes in arithmetic progressions)

Let q, a coprime integers.

Then $\{p \in \mathbb{P} : p \equiv a \pmod{q}\}$ is infinite.

Motivation for proof: There are infinitely many primes!

For $\sigma > 1$, we have $\zeta(\sigma) = \prod_p \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^\sigma}\right)^{-1}$

$$\Rightarrow \log \zeta(\sigma) = - \sum_p \log\left(1 - \frac{1}{p^\sigma}\right) = \sum_p \frac{1}{p^\sigma} + o(1)$$

(use Taylor expansion $\log(1-y)$)

But we know $\lim_{\sigma \downarrow 1} \zeta(\sigma) = \infty$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{\sigma \downarrow 1} \sum_p \frac{1}{p^\sigma} = \infty$$

$\Rightarrow \sum_p \frac{1}{p} = \infty \Rightarrow$ there are infinitely many primes.
(proof is direct consequence of Euler product).

Proof preparation for Dirichlet's theorem:

We will show $\sum_{p \equiv a(q)} \frac{1}{p}$ is infinite.

By orthogonality relations,

$$\sum_{\substack{\rho \in X \\ \rho \equiv a(q)}} \frac{1}{\rho^s} = \frac{1}{\phi(q)} \sum_{\chi \bmod q} \overline{\chi(a)} \left(\sum_{\rho \in X} \frac{\chi(\rho)}{\rho^s} \right)$$

$\bullet S_X(x)$

Recall for $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 1$, $L(s, \chi) = \prod_{\rho} \left(1 - \frac{\chi(\rho)}{\rho^s} \right)^{-1}$.

$$\Rightarrow \log(L(s, \chi)) = - \sum_{\rho} \log \left(1 - \frac{\chi(\rho)}{\rho^s} \right) + 2\pi i m, \quad \text{for some } m \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Let $s \rightarrow \infty$ (along $\mathbb{R}$), we have $L(s, \chi) \rightarrow 1$,
and similarly for RHS

$$\Rightarrow m = 0.$$

$$\log(L(s, \chi)) = - \sum_{\rho} \log \left(1 - \frac{\chi(\rho)}{\rho^s} \right) = \sum_{\rho} \frac{\chi(\rho)}{\rho^s} + O(1)$$

For $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 1$,

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{\rho \equiv a(q)} \frac{1}{\rho^s} = \frac{1}{\phi(q)} \sum_{\chi \bmod q} \overline{\chi(a)} \log L(s, \chi) + O(1).$$

(*)

$\rightarrow$ need to make sense of $L(s, \chi)$ at $s=1$.

Want to take limit as $\sigma \searrow 1$.

We know $\lim_{\sigma \searrow 1} \log(L(\sigma, \chi)) = \infty$ and want

to show the other contribution are finite. Hence Dirichlet's theorem follows from:

Theorem: (Dirichlet) let $\chi \neq \chi_0$. Then $L(1, \chi) \neq 0$.

Corollary: $\lim_{\sigma \searrow 1} \sum_{p \equiv a(q)} \frac{1}{p^\sigma} = \infty$.

Proof: We note that for $\sigma > 1$,

$$\sum_{\chi \bmod q} \log(L(\sigma, \chi)) = \sum_{\chi \bmod q} \sum_p \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{\chi(p)^l}{l p^{l\sigma}}$$

$$= \sum_p \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{l p^{l\sigma}} \sum_{\chi \bmod q} \chi(p^l) \quad (\text{from absolute convergence})$$

$$= \sum_p \sum_{l: p^l \equiv 1(q)} \phi(q) \frac{1}{l p^{l\sigma}} > 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{for } \sigma > 1, \prod_{\chi \bmod q} L(\sigma, \chi) > 1.$$

Recall for $\chi \neq \chi_0$, $L(s, \chi)$ holomorphic on $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 0$,
so $L(s, \chi) = (s-1)^{h_\chi} \cdot M_\chi(s)$,

where $h_\chi \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ (order of the zero at 1).

$M_\chi(s)$ holomorphic on $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 0$, $M_\chi(1) \neq 0$.

For χ_0 , $L(s, \chi_0)$ has simple pole at $s=1$.

$$\Rightarrow \prod_{\chi \bmod q} L(s, \chi) = M(s) \cdot (s-1)^{-1 + \sum_{\chi \neq \chi_0} h_\chi},$$

where M holomorphic on $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 0$.

Since $\{ \prod_{\chi \bmod q} L(\sigma, \chi) : \sigma > 1 \}$ is bounded away from 0,

we must have $\sum_{\chi \neq \chi_0} h_\chi \leq 1$

(there is at most one $\chi \bmod q$ st. $L(1, \chi) = 0$).

Step 1: Non-vanishing for complex characters.

We show $h_\chi = h_{\bar{\chi}}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Indeed, } L(s, \bar{\chi}) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\bar{\chi}(n)}{n^s} = \overline{\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\chi(n)}{n^s}} \quad (\overline{n^s} = n^{\bar{s}}) \\ &= \overline{L(\bar{s}, \chi)} \quad \text{for } \operatorname{Re}(s) > 1. \end{aligned}$$

From meromorphic continuation, identity holds
also for $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 0$.

Hence $L(L, \chi) = 0 \Rightarrow L(L, \bar{\chi}) = 0$.
So if $\chi \neq \bar{\chi}$, we must have $h_\chi = h_{\bar{\chi}} = 0$.

Step 2: Non-vanishing for non-principal
real (quadratic) characters.

Suppose $\chi = \bar{\chi}$, i.e. $\chi^2 = \chi_0$ ($\chi(n) \in \{0, \pm 1\}$)
but $\chi \neq \chi_0$.

Define $r(n) = \sum_{d|n} \chi(d) = \chi * \mathbf{1}(n)$
 $\rightarrow r$ multiplicative

We have that $r(p^l) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } p \nmid l \\ l+1, & \text{if } (p, l) = 1 \text{ and } \chi(p) = 1 \\ 1, & \text{if } \chi(p) = -1 \text{ and } l \text{ even} \\ 0, & \text{if } \chi(p) = -1 \text{ and } l \text{ odd} \end{cases}$
(exercise)

In particular, $r(n) \geq 0$ and $r(n^2) \geq 1$, $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Suppose for contradiction $L(1, \chi) = 0$.
Then $L_r(s) = L_\chi(s) \zeta(s)$ holomorphic
for $\{Re s > 0\}$.

Since $\zeta(s) = \frac{1}{s-1} M_\varepsilon(s)$

$$L_\chi(s) = (s-1)^{h_\chi} M_\chi(s), \quad M_\varepsilon(s) \& M_\chi(s) \text{ holomorphic on } \Re(s) > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow L_\chi(s) = (s-1)^{h_\chi-1} M_\chi(s) M_\varepsilon(s)$$

Theorem (Landau)

Let $f \in \mathcal{H}$ with $\sigma_c(f) < \infty$ and $f(n) \geq 0$, $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then $L_f(s)$ has singularity (i.e. not holomorphic) at $s = \sigma_c(f)$.

Assuming Landau, it follows $\sigma_c(r) \leq 0$.

$$\text{But } \sum_{n \leq x} \frac{r(n)}{\sqrt{n}} \geq \sum_{n \leq \sqrt{x}} \frac{r(n^2)}{n} \geq \sum_{n \leq \sqrt{x}} \frac{1}{n} = \frac{1}{2} \log x + O(1)$$

$\swarrow r(n) \geq 0$
 $\swarrow r(n^2) \geq 1$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{r(n)}{n^n} \text{ diverges, contradiction.}$$

This concludes proof of Dirichlet's theorem. $\square$

Remark: From the proof, it follows that if χ non-principal quadratic character and $\sigma > 1$, $\zeta(\sigma) L_\chi(\sigma) = \sum_n \frac{r(n)}{n^\sigma} > 0$.
 As $\zeta(\sigma) > 0 \Rightarrow L(1, \chi) > 0$.