

Theorem 1 (Poisson summation formula).

Let $f \in S(\mathbb{R})$. Then $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f(n) = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{f}(m)$.

Proof: Define $F(x) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f(n+x)$.

Then $F \in S(\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z})$ (can be verified from definitions)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{For } m \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad \hat{F}(m) &= \int_0^1 F(\theta) e^{-2\pi i m \theta} d\theta \\ &= \int_0^1 \left(\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f(n+\theta) \right) e^{-2\pi i m \theta} d\theta \quad (\text{by definition}) \\ &= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \int_n^{n+1} f(\theta) e^{-2\pi i m (\theta-n)} d\theta \\ &= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \int_n^{n+1} f(\theta) e^{-2\pi i m \theta} d\theta = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\theta) e^{-2\pi i m \theta} d\theta \\ &= \hat{f}(m) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Hence } F(x) = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{F}(m) e^{2\pi i m x} = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{f}(m) e^{2\pi i m x}.$$

Put $x=0$.

□

Mellin transform

Definition: Let $f: (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be such that

- $y^N f(y) \rightarrow 0$ as $y \rightarrow \infty$, for all $N \in \mathbb{N}$
- There exists $a \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $|y^a f(y)|$ bounded as $y \rightarrow 0$.

The Mellin transform of f is the function

$$M(f)(s) = \int_0^{\infty} f(x) x^s \frac{dx}{x}. \quad (*)$$

The integral converges and defines a holomorphic function for $\operatorname{Re}(s) > a$.

Remark: $\frac{dx}{x}$ is the invariant measure on $(\mathbb{R}_{>0}, \times)$.

$$\widehat{\mathbb{R}}_{>0} = \{y \mapsto y^{i\sigma}, \sigma \in \mathbb{R}\} \cong \mathbb{R}.$$

$$\text{If } \int_0^{\infty} |f| \frac{dx}{x} < \infty \quad (\text{so } f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}_{>0}))$$

then the integral $(*)$ converges on $i\mathbb{R}$, and it equals the Fourier transform on $\widehat{\mathbb{R}}_{>0}$.

We can view Mellin transform as a complex analytic continuation of Fourier transform.

• If $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, then $f \circ \log: \mathbb{R}_{>0} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

$$\text{and } F(f)(y) = M(f \circ \log)(-2\pi i y)$$

• Similarly, if $g: \mathbb{R}_{>0} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, then $g \circ \exp: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

$$\text{and } M(g)(s) = F(g \circ \exp)\left(-\frac{s}{2\pi i}\right)$$

(whenever the transforms are well-defined)

The Mellin transform, is up to scaling by $-2\pi i$, the image of the Fourier transform under the homomorphism $\exp: (\mathbb{R}, +) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}_{>0}, \times)$.

The maps $x \mapsto x^s$ are quasi-characters of the multiplicative group.

Properties: Let $f: (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ s.t. $f(x) \ll x^{-a}$ as $x \rightarrow 0$
and $f(x) \ll x^{-b}$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$, for all $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$

• Let $u \in \mathbb{R}$ and $v > 0$, define $g(x) = x^u f(x^v)$.

Then $M(g)(s)$ is defined for $\operatorname{Re}(s) > -u + va$

$$\text{and it satisfies } M(g)(s) = \frac{1}{v} M(f)\left(\frac{s+u}{v}\right).$$

• If f is differentiable, then $M(f')$ defined for

$$\operatorname{Re}(s) > a + 1 \text{ and it satisfies } M(f')(s) = (1-s)M(f)(s-1).$$

• If $g(x) = f(\alpha x)$, for $\alpha > 0$, then $M(g)(s) = \alpha^{-s} M(f)(s)$.

• If $g(x) = f(x^{-2})$, $M(g)$ defined for $\operatorname{Re}(s) < -a$
and $M(g)(s) = M(f)(-s)$.

• If $f \in C_c^\infty(0, \infty)$ (compactly supported,
 N times differentiable), and $s = \sigma + it$, then

$$M(f)(s) = O_{\sigma, N}((1+|t|)^{-N}),$$

In particular, Mellin transform of a smooth, compactly supported function is entire and rapidly decaying on vertical lines.

Theorem (Mellin Inversion Formula)

Let $f: (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ smooth, rapidly decaying at ∞ and $f(x) \ll x^{-a}$, as $x \rightarrow 0$, for some real number a .

$$\text{Then } f(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{(c)} M(f)(s) x^{-s} ds, \quad \text{for any real } c > a$$

Proof: Replace $f(x)$ by $x^N f(x)$ if necessary, we may assume $a < 0$, so can choose $c = 0$.

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{(0)} M(f)(s) x^{-s} ds = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{(0)} \mathcal{F}(f \circ \exp) \left(-\frac{s}{2\pi i} \right) x^{-s} ds$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(f \circ \exp)(s) \exp(2\pi i s \log x) ds$$

$$= f(\exp(\log x)) = f(x).$$

Examples:

• Gamma function

$$\Gamma(s) := \int_0^{\infty} e^{-y} y^{s-1} dy = \mathcal{M}(e^{-y})(s)$$

for $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 0$.

$$e^{-x} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{(L)} \Gamma(s) x^{-s} ds.$$

• Perron formula: Let $g(x) = \delta(x^2) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 < x < 1 \\ 1/2, & x = 1 \\ 0, & x > 1 \end{cases}$

We have that, for $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 0$, $\mathcal{M}(g)(s) = \frac{1}{s}$.

We saw that, for $c > 0$, $g(x) = \int_{(c)} x^{-s} \frac{1}{s} ds$
(central lemma in proof of Perron).

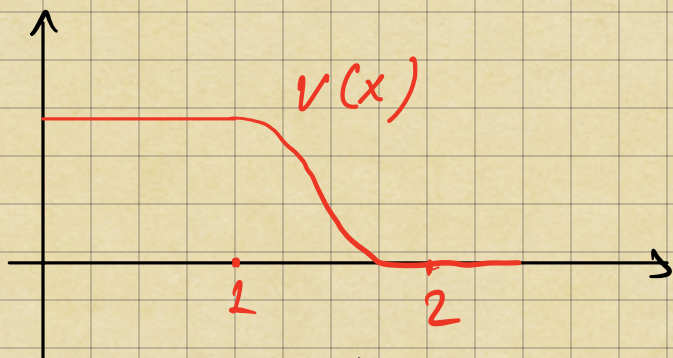
If $\sum f(n)n^{-s}$ absolutely convergent at $s=c$, then

$$\sum'_{n \leq x} f(n) = \sum_n f(n) g\left(\frac{x}{n}\right) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{(c)} \mathcal{L}_f(s) x^s \frac{ds}{s}.$$

Perron formula with smooth cut-off

It is oftentimes useful to use "smooth cut-off" function instead:

Let $V: [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ smooth compactly supported on $[0, 2]$ such that $V(x) = 1$, for $0 \leq x \leq 1$.



Let $\tilde{V}(s) := \mathcal{M}(V)(s)$, $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 0$.

Note $V'(x)$ smooth and compactly supported in $(0, \infty)$

and $\tilde{V}(s) = -\frac{\mathcal{M}(V')(s)}{s}$, $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 0$.

entire function

This gives meromorphic continuation of $\tilde{V}(s)$ to \mathbb{C} .

Then $\tilde{V}(\sigma + it) \ll_N |t|^{-N}$, $\forall N > 0$, for $-100 < \sigma < 100$
 $|t| > 1$

Then $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{X}} f(n) V\left(\frac{n}{x}\right) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{(\mathbb{C})} \zeta_f(s) x^s \tilde{V}(s) ds$.

Advantage: $\tilde{V}(s)$ has rapid decay on vertical lines, this will always converge if $L_f(s)$ grows at most polynomially on vertical lines, also easy to bound line integrals if we shift line of integration to apply residue theorem.

• Another example:

$$\sum_n f(n) e^{-\frac{n}{x}} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{(c)} L_f(s) \Gamma(s) x^{-s} ds .$$

Properties of Gamma function

Lemma: For $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 0$, we have $\Gamma(s) = \frac{\Gamma(s+1)}{s}$.

Proof: Integration by parts:

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma(s) &= \int_0^{\infty} x^{s-1} e^{-x} dx = \left[\frac{x^s}{s} (-e^{-x}) \right]_0^{\infty} - \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^s}{s} (-e^{-x}) dx \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(s+1)}{s}.\end{aligned}$$

Corollary: $\Gamma(s)$ has meromorphic continuation to the entire complex plane, with poles only at the non-positive integers.

Proof: $\frac{\Gamma(s+1)}{s}$ is a meromorphic continuation of $\Gamma(s)$

to $\operatorname{Re}(s) > -1$, with a simple pole at $s=0$.

By induction, for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$\Gamma(s) = \frac{\Gamma(s+n)}{s(s+1)\dots(s+n-1)},$$

and this defines analytic continuation to $\operatorname{Re}(s) > -n$ with poles at $s=0, -1, \dots, -(n-1)$. \square

We have $\operatorname{Res}_{s=-n} \Gamma(s) = \frac{(-1)^n}{n!}$ and $\Gamma(n) = (n-1)!$, for $n \in \mathbb{N}$

Can view $\Gamma(s)$ as a generalisation of factorial to complex numbers.

Theorem: For $s \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{Z}$, $\Gamma(s) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n! n^s}{s(s+1)\dots(s+n)}$,

Proof: We see that $\int_0^1 y^{s-1} (1-y)^n dy = \frac{n}{s} \int_0^1 y^s (1-y)^{n-1} dy$,

using integration by parts. Using this recursively,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 y^{s-1} (1-y)^n dy &= \frac{n}{s} \cdot \frac{(n-1)}{s+1} \dots \frac{1}{s+n-1} \int_0^1 y^{s+n-2} dy \\ &= \frac{n!}{s(s+1)\dots(s+n)} \end{aligned}$$

We do the substitution $y \mapsto \frac{y}{n}$, this becomes

$$\int_0^n y^{s-1} \left(1 - \frac{y}{n}\right)^n dy = \frac{n! n^s}{s(s+1)\dots(s+n)}.$$

Here of course we want to take the limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$ and use that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{y}{n}\right)^n = e^{-y}$.

Define $g_n(y) := \begin{cases} y^{s-1} \left(1 - \frac{y}{n}\right)^n, & \text{if } y \in (0, n) \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$

We have that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g_n(y) = y^{s-1} e^{-y}$.

Since $\left(1 - \frac{y}{n}\right)^n \leq e^{-y}$, then $|g_n(y)| \leq y^{s-1} e^{-y}$.

Therefore, by dominated convergence theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(s) &= \int_0^{\infty} \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g_n(y) \right) dy = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{\infty} g_n(y) dy \quad \text{for } \operatorname{Re}(s) > 0 \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n! n^s}{s(s+1)\dots(s+n)}. \end{aligned}$$

The conclusion follows from the meromorphic continuation of $\Gamma(s)$. \square

Theorem: For all $s \in \mathbb{C}$, $\frac{1}{\Gamma(s)} = s e^{\gamma s} \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{s}{n}\right) e^{-\frac{s}{n}}$,

where γ is the Euler-Mascheroni constant.

Proof: We first note the product converges absolutely for all $s \in \mathbb{C}$. Indeed,

$$\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{s}{n}\right) e^{-\frac{s}{n}} = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{s}{n}\right) \left(1 - \frac{s}{n} + O\left(\frac{1}{n^2}\right)\right)$$

$$= \prod_n \left(1 + O\left(\frac{1}{n^2}\right) \right) < \infty.$$

It converges uniformly on compact sets, hence RHS is a holomorphic function on $s \in \mathbb{C}$.

We see that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{s(s+1)\dots(s+n)}{n! n^s} &= s n^{-s} \prod_{\ell=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{s}{\ell}\right) \\ &= s \cdot n^{-s} \cdot \prod_{\ell=1}^n e^{\frac{s}{\ell}} \cdot \prod_{\ell=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{s}{\ell}\right) \cdot e^{-\frac{s}{\ell}} \\ &= s \exp\left(s \left(\sum_{\ell=1}^n \frac{1}{\ell} - \log n\right)\right) \prod_{\ell=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{s}{\ell}\right) e^{-\frac{s}{\ell}} \end{aligned}$$

Let $n \rightarrow \infty$, conclusion follows. \square

Corollary: (Non-vanishing of $\Gamma(s)$)
 $\Gamma(s)$ has no zeros.

It follows from the previous proof that $\frac{1}{\Gamma(s)}$ holomorphic.

Other properties of Gamma function:

Theorem (Euler's reflection formula)

$$\text{For all } s \in \mathbb{C}, \quad \Gamma(s) \Gamma(1-s) = \frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi s)}.$$

Proof: We have that

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(s) \Gamma(1-s) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n! n^s}{s(s+1)\dots(s+n)} \cdot \frac{n! n^{1-s}}{(1-s)(2-s)\dots(n+1-s)} \right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n!)^2 \cdot n}{s(n+1-s)(1-s^2)(2^2-s^2)\dots(n^2-s^2)} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{s} \left(1 + \frac{1-s}{n} \right)^{-1} \prod_{\ell=1}^n \left(1 - \frac{s^2}{\ell^2} \right)^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

We use that $\frac{\sin(\pi s)}{\pi s} = \prod_{\ell=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{s^2}{\ell^2} \right)$.

Conclusion follows. \square

Remark: This implies $\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \sqrt{\pi}$.

Theorem: (Legendre duplication formula)

For all $s \in \mathbb{C}$, $\Gamma(s) \Gamma\left(s + \frac{1}{2}\right) = \sqrt{\pi} 2^{1-2s} \Gamma(2s)$.

Proof: We see that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{4^s \Gamma(s) \Gamma\left(s + \frac{1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma(2s)} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^{1/2} (n!)^2}{(2n)!} \cdot \frac{2s(2s+2)\dots(2s+2n)}{s(s+1)(s+\frac{1}{2})\dots(s+n+\frac{1}{2})} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^{2n+1} (n!)^2}{(2n)! \cdot n^{1/2}} \frac{n}{s+n+\frac{1}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

Denote $C := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^{2n+1} (n!)^2}{(2n)! \cdot n^{1/2}}$, so

$$\Gamma(s) \Gamma(s + \frac{1}{2}) = C 2^{-2s} \Gamma(2s).$$

Insert $s=1$, it follows $C = 2\sqrt{\pi}$. □

We review some facts without proof:

Theorem (Stirling approximation for $\Gamma(s)$)

Let $\delta > 0$. For $s \in \mathbb{C}$ with $|\arg s| \leq \pi - \delta$, we have

$$\log \Gamma(s) = (s - \frac{1}{2}) \log s - s + \frac{\log 2\pi}{2} + o\left(\frac{1}{|s|}\right)$$

and

$$\Gamma(s) = \sqrt{2\pi} s^{s-\frac{1}{2}} e^{-s} \left(1 + o\left(\frac{1}{|s|}\right)\right).$$

Corollary Fix σ_1, σ_2 , to real numbers with $\sigma_2 > \sigma_1$ and $t_0 > 0$. Then for $\sigma_1 \leq \sigma \leq \sigma_2$ and $|t| \geq t_0$,

$$|\Gamma(\sigma + it)| = \sqrt{2\pi} |t|^{\sigma-\frac{1}{2}} e^{-\frac{\pi}{2}|t|} \left(1 + O_{\sigma_1, \sigma_2, t_0}\left(\frac{1}{|t|}\right)\right).$$

Sketch of pf: For $\sigma_1 \leq \sigma \leq \sigma_2$ and $|t| \geq t_0$,

$$|\Gamma(\sigma + it)| \asymp \frac{1}{|t|^{1/2}} \exp(\operatorname{Re}(\sigma + it) (\log \sqrt{\sigma^2 + t^2} + i \arg(\sigma + it)))$$

$$\asymp \frac{1}{|t|^{1/2}} e^{\sigma (\log |t| + O_\sigma(\frac{1}{|t|}))} - |t| (\frac{\pi}{2} + O_\sigma(\frac{1}{|t|}))$$