

Thursday, February 27
Suggested Problems #3 posted today
Group Work #6 next Tuesday

RECALL [0 < r < R < 1]
Lemma 6.3: Suppose f is analytic and satisfies $|f(z)| \leq M$ on the big disk $\{|z| \leq 1\}$, and $f(0) \neq 0$. Then, on the small disk $\{|z| \leq r\}$,

$$\frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} = \sum_{\substack{|w| \leq R \\ f(w) = 0}} \frac{1}{z-w} + O_{r,R} \left(\log \frac{M}{|f(0)|} \right).$$

← sum over zeros in medium disk

Notation: given $s \in \mathbb{C}$, define

$$\tau = |t| + 4 = |\operatorname{Im} s| + 4.$$

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→ Lemma 6.4: Suppose $\frac{5}{6} \leq \sigma \leq 2$ and $|t| \geq \frac{7}{8}$. Then

$$\frac{\zeta'(s)}{\zeta(s)} = \sum_{\substack{|p - (\frac{3}{2} + it)| \leq \frac{5}{6} \\ \zeta(p) = 0}} \frac{1}{s-p} + O(\log \tau).$$

Proof: We apply Lemma 6.3 to $f(z) = \zeta(2 + \frac{3}{2} + it)$, with $r = \frac{2}{3}$ and $R = \frac{5}{6}$. The main term appears immediately.

$$\begin{aligned} |f(0)|^{-1} &= |\zeta(\frac{3}{2} + it)|^{-1} = \prod_p |1 - p^{-\frac{3}{2} - it}| \\ &\leq \prod_p (1 + p^{-\frac{3}{2}}) = \frac{1}{\zeta(\frac{3}{2})} \ll 1. \end{aligned}$$

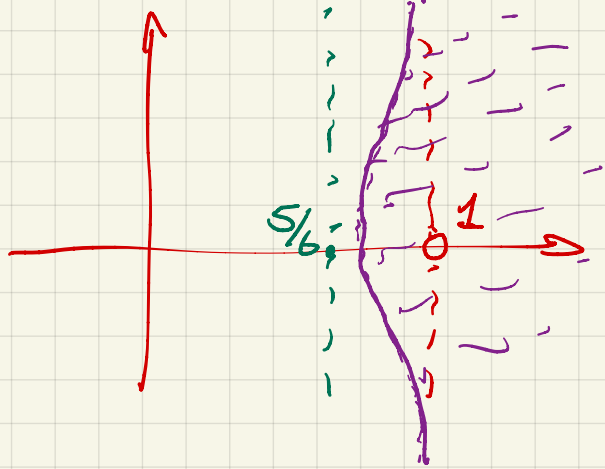
• Corollary 1.17 implies $\zeta(s) \ll \tau^{\frac{1}{2}}$ for $\sigma \geq \frac{1}{2}$, so $f(z) \ll \tau^{\frac{1}{2}}$ for $|z| \leq 1$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence } O_{r,R} \left(\log \frac{M}{|f(0)|} \right) &= O_{\frac{2}{3}, \frac{5}{6}} \left(\log \frac{\tau^{\frac{1}{2}}}{1} \right) \\ &= O\left(\frac{1}{2} \log \tau\right) = O(\log \tau). \end{aligned}$$

We can now establish the "classical" zero-free region" for $\zeta(s)$.

Theorem 6.6 (de la Vallée-Poussin, 1899)

There exists an absolute constant $0 < c < 1$ such that $\zeta(s) \neq 0$ for $\sigma \geq 1 - \frac{c}{\log T}$.



Proof: On Suggested Problems #4, you'll prove that $\zeta(s) \neq 0$ for $0 \leq \sigma \leq 1$, $|t| \leq 6$.

Let $\rho_0 = \beta_0 + i\gamma_0$ be a zero of $\zeta(s)$ with $|\gamma_0| \geq 6 > \frac{7}{8}$ and $\frac{5}{6} \leq \beta_0 < 1$.

For any $\delta > 0$, we prove

$$0 \leq \operatorname{Re} \left(-3 \frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(1+\delta) - 4 \frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(1+\delta+i\gamma_0) - \frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(1+\delta+2i\gamma_0) \right). \quad (*)$$

• $\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}$ has a simple pole of residue -1 at $s=1$, so $\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s) \sim \frac{-1}{s-1}$ nearby. More specifically (Corollary 1.3), $-\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(1+\delta) = \frac{1}{\delta} + O(1)$.

• If $\zeta(\rho) = 0$ then $\operatorname{Re} \rho < 1$, so $\operatorname{Re} \frac{-1}{s-\rho} < 0$ for $\sigma > 1$. Hence we can apply Lemma 6.4 and throw away as many summands as we want to get an upper:

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} \left(-\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(1+\delta+i\gamma_0) \right) &= \operatorname{Re} \left(\sum_{\substack{|\rho - (\frac{3}{2} + i\gamma)| \leq \frac{5}{6} \\ \zeta(\rho) = 0}} -\frac{1}{1+\delta+i\gamma_0-\rho} + O(\log T_0) \right) \\ &\leq \operatorname{Re} \left(-\frac{1}{1+\delta+i\gamma_0-(\beta_0+i\gamma_0)} + O(\log T_0) \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{1+\delta-\beta_0} + O(\log T_0). \end{aligned}$$

• Similarly, but throwing all summands away, $-\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(1+\delta+2i\gamma_0) \leq 0 + O(\log T_0)$.

Therefore (*) implies

$$0 \leq \frac{3}{\delta} + O(\delta) - \frac{4}{1+\delta-\beta_0} + O(\log \tau_0).$$

Choose $b > 0$ so that $\frac{3}{\delta} - \frac{4}{1+\delta-\beta_0} + b \log \tau_0 \geq 0$.

Now choose $\delta = \frac{1}{2b \log \tau_0}$:

$$\frac{3}{\delta} + b \log \tau_0 \geq \frac{4}{1+\delta-\beta_0}$$

$$\tau_0 \log \tau_0 \geq \frac{4}{1-\beta_0 + \frac{1}{2b \log \tau_0}}$$

$$1-\beta_0 + \frac{1}{2b \log \tau_0} \geq \frac{4}{\tau_0 \log \tau_0}$$

$$1-\beta_0 \geq \frac{1}{14} \frac{1}{b \log \tau_0}.$$

This establishes the zero-free region with

$$C = \frac{1}{14b}.$$

Recall the overall plan:

- $\psi_0(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int -\frac{\zeta'(s)}{\zeta(s)} \frac{x^s}{s} ds$
- pull the contour to the left
- no residues except at $s=1$
(since we now have a zero-free region)
- estimate the new contour integrals.

Theorem 6.7: Let $c > 0$ be such that $\zeta(s) \neq 0$ for $\sigma \geq 1 - \frac{c}{\log \tau}$. Uniformly

for $\sigma \geq 1 - \frac{c/2}{\log \tau}$:

- $\frac{\zeta'(s)}{\zeta(s)} \ll \log \tau$
- $|\log \zeta(s)| \leq \log \log \tau + O(1)$
- $\zeta(s) \ll \log \tau$ and $\frac{1}{\zeta(s)} \ll \log \tau$.

Sketch of proof: Compare $\frac{\zeta'(s)}{\zeta(s)}$ to $\frac{\zeta'(s_1)}{\zeta(s_1)}$ with $s_1 = 1 + \frac{1}{\log \tau} + it$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left| \frac{\zeta'(s)}{\zeta(s)} \right| &= \left| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \Lambda(n) n^{-s} \right| \\
 &\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \Lambda(n) n^{-1-\frac{1}{\log T}} \\
 &= -\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\log T} \right) = \log T + O(1).
 \end{aligned}$$

Then use Lemma 6.4 and bound

$$\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s) - \frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s,1) = \sum_{\substack{p \text{ nearby } p}} \left(\frac{1}{s-p} - \frac{1}{s,1-p} \right) + O(\log T) \dots$$

• Similarly, $|\log \zeta(s,1)| \leq \log \zeta \left(1 + \frac{1}{\log T} \right),$

and $\log \zeta(s) - \log \zeta(s,1) = \int_{s,1}^s \frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(w) dw;$

estimate using previous bound.

• $\log |\zeta(s)| = \operatorname{Re} \log \zeta(s) \leq |\log \zeta(s)| \leq \log \log T + O(1);$

exponentiate to get

$$|\zeta(s)| \leq e^{\log \log T} e^{O(1)} \ll \log T. \quad //$$

Setup of the proof of the Prime Number Theorem $\psi(x) \sim x.$

Start from "Perron's formula", applied to

$a_n = \Lambda(n)$, so that $\sum' a_n = \psi_0(x)$

and $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n n^{-s} = -\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s)$; for any $\sigma_0 > 1$,

(*) $\psi_0(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\sigma_0 - iT}^{\sigma_0 + iT} \left(-\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s) \right) \frac{x^s}{s} ds$

$$+ O \left(\sum_{\substack{\frac{x}{2} < n < 2x \\ n \neq x}} \Lambda(n) \min \left\{ 1, \frac{x}{T|x-n|} \right\} + \frac{(4x)^{\sigma_0}}{T} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\Lambda(n)}{n^{\sigma_0}} \right).$$

Simplifications: • Assume $x > T > e.$

• $\Lambda(n) \ll \log x$ for all $n < 2x$. In particular,

$$\psi_0(x) = \psi(x) - \frac{1}{2} \Lambda(x) = \psi(x) + O(\log x).$$

$$\text{Thus } \sum_{\substack{\frac{x}{2} < n < 2x \\ n \neq x}} \Lambda(n) \min \left\{ 1, \frac{x}{T|x-n|} \right\}$$

$$\leq (\log x) \left(1 + 1 + \sum_{\substack{1 \leq k \leq x \\ n=x+k}} \frac{x}{Tk} + \sum_{\substack{1 \leq k \leq \frac{x}{2} \\ n=x-k}} \frac{x}{Tk} \right)$$

$$\ll (\log x) \left(1 + \frac{x}{T} \log x \right) \ll \frac{x}{T} \log^2 x.$$

• We must choose $\sigma_0 > \max\{0, \sigma_a\} = 1$.

We choose $\sigma_0 = 1 + \frac{1}{\log x} \leq 2$. Note that

$4^{\sigma_0} \leq 16$ and $x^{\sigma_0} = ex$ (enough!). So

$$\frac{(4x)^{\sigma_0}}{T} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\Lambda(n)}{n^{\sigma_0}} \ll \frac{x}{T} \left(-\frac{s'}{s} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\log x} \right) \right)$$

$$\ll \frac{x}{T} - \frac{1}{1/\log x}.$$

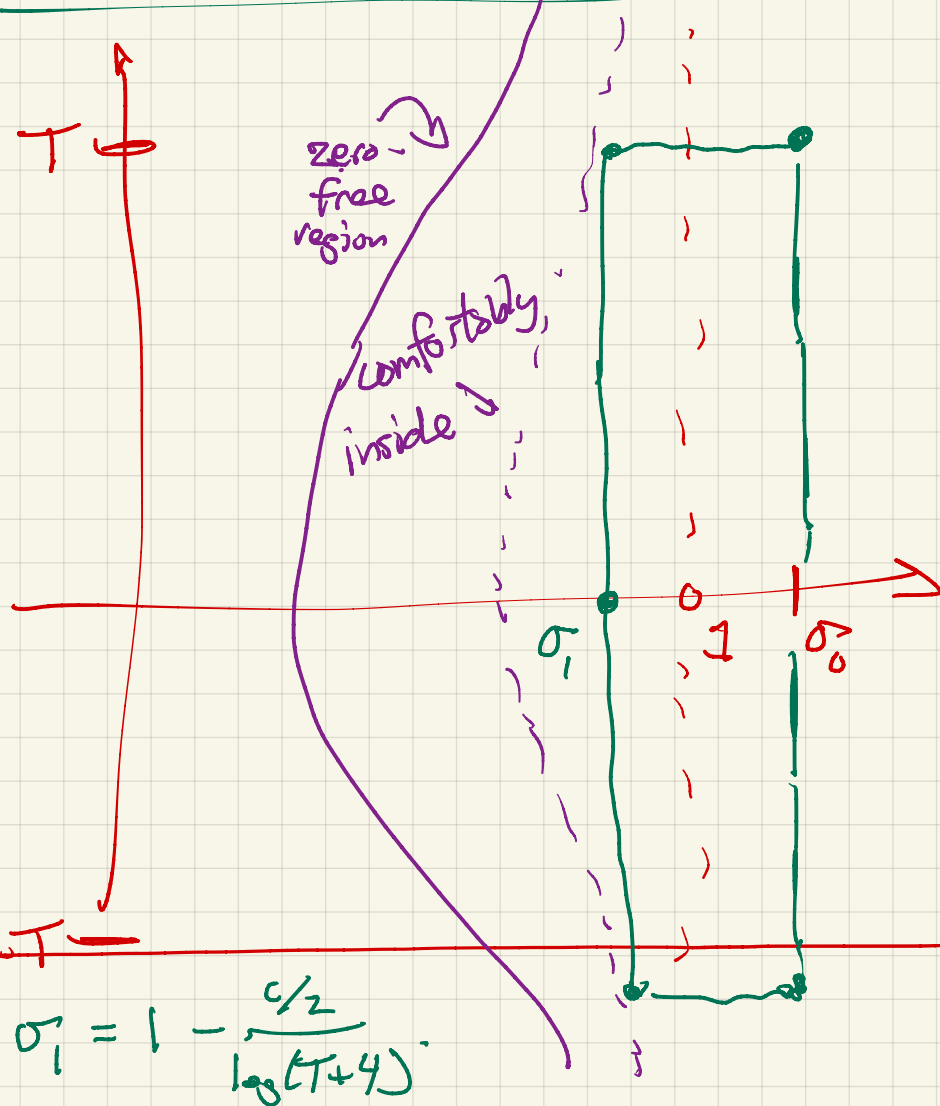
Therefore (**) becomes

$$\psi_0(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\sigma_0 - iT}^{\sigma_0 + iT} -\frac{s'}{s} \frac{x^s}{s} ds \quad (***)$$

$$+ O\left(\frac{x}{T} \log^2 x\right)$$

where $\sigma_0 = 1 + \frac{1}{\log x}$, ($x > T > e$).

Setup of contour integration



$$\sigma_1 = 1 - \frac{c/2}{\log(T+4)}.$$

Choose $\sigma_0 = 1 + \frac{1}{\log x}$ and $\sigma_1 = 1 - \frac{c/2}{\log(T+4)}$

($c = \text{constant from zero-free region}$). Consider

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_R -\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s) \frac{x^s}{s} ds \quad \text{where } R \text{ is}$$

the rectangle with corners $\sigma_0 \pm iT$ and $\sigma_1 \pm iT$.

• The only singularity of the integrand inside R is the simple pole of $-\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s)$ at $s=1$, with residue 1. Hence the residue of $-\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s) \frac{x^s}{s}$ at $s=1$ is

$$\frac{x^s}{s} \Big|_{s=1} = x.$$

because
simple pole!!!

Stopping points:

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_R -\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s) \frac{x^s}{s} ds = x.$$

• estimate top/bottom/left side

• right side of rectangle is

$\Delta \psi(x)$ by

Perron's formula.