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Group Work #2 today

Recall:

Theorem 1.8:

$$c_n = \sum_{d|n} a_d b_{n/d}$$

$$\text{Let } \alpha(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n n^{-s} \text{ and}$$

$$\beta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n n^{-s}. \text{ Define } c = \alpha * \beta$$

$$\text{and so } \gamma(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n n^{-s}.$$

If $\alpha(s)$ and $\beta(s)$ both converge absolutely, then so does $\gamma(s)$ and $\gamma(s) = \alpha(s) \beta(s)$.

Example: Let $M(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu(n) n^{-s}$, where μ is the Möbius function. What is $M(s) \zeta(s)$?

• Note that $\left| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu(n) n^{-s} \right| \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\mu(n)| n^{-\sigma} \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1 \cdot n^{-\sigma}$; so both $M(s)$ and $\zeta(s)$ converge absolutely for $\sigma > 1$.

Thus for $\sigma > 1$,

$$M(s) \zeta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\mu * 1)(n) n^{-s}.$$

$$\text{But } (\mu * 1)(n) = \sum_{d|n} \mu(d) \cancel{1(n/d)} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } n=1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{So } M(s) \zeta(s) = 1 \cdot 1^{-s} + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} 0 \cdot n^{-s} = 1.$$

In other words, $M(s) = 1/\zeta(s)$ for $\sigma > 1$.

Consequence: $\zeta(s) \neq 0$ on $\{\sigma > 1\}$.

Indeed, if $F(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(n)n^{-s}$ and $G(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} g(n)n^{-s}$, then (where things converge absolutely)

$$F(s)G(s) = G(s) \text{ if and only if } F(s) = G(s)/G(s) = G(s)M(s).$$

$g = f * 1$ if and only if $f = g * \mu$.
— Möbius inversion formula.

Example: The identity $\sum_{d|n} \phi(d) = n$ is $\phi * 1 = (\text{identity function})$. Hence

$$\left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \phi(n)n^{-s} \right) \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1 \cdot n^{-s} \right) = \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \cdot n^{-s} \right)$$

or $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \phi(n)n^{-s} = \zeta(s-1) / \zeta(s),$

Exercise: Show the above calculation holds for $\sigma > 2$, as does

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sigma(n)n^{-s} = \zeta(s-1)\zeta(s),$$

where $\sigma(n)$ is the sum-of-divisors function.

Result: $f(n)$ is multiplicative if $f(mn) = f(m)f(n)$ whenever $(m,n) = 1$.

Theorem 1.9: Let $F(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(n)n^{-s}$ where f is multiplicative. Then

$$F(s) = \prod_p \left(1 + \frac{f(p)}{p^s} + \frac{f(p^2)}{p^{2s}} + \frac{f(p^3)}{p^{3s}} + \dots \right)$$

whenever $\sigma > \sigma_a$ (that is, whenever

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |f(n)|n^{-\sigma} \text{ converges.}$$

Euler products

Example: $\mu(n)$ is multiplicative. Then

for $\sigma > 1$,

$$\zeta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu(n) n^{-s}$$

$$= \prod_p \left(1 + \frac{\mu(p)}{p^s} + \frac{\mu(p^2)}{p^{2s}} + \frac{\mu(p^3)}{p^{3s}} + \dots \right)$$

$$= \prod_p \left(1 + \frac{-1}{p^s} + 0 + 0 + \dots \right) = \prod_p (1 - p^{-s}).$$

Consequently,

$$\zeta(s) = \prod_p \left(1 + \frac{1}{p^s} + \frac{1}{p^{2s}} + \frac{1}{p^{3s}} + \dots \right)$$

$$= \prod_p (1 - p^{-s})^{-1}.$$

More generally:

Exercise: Show that if f is totally multiplicative, then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(n) n^{-s} = \prod_p (1 - f(p) p^{-s})^{-1}$$

in the half plane of absolute convergence.