

Monday, January 23

Warmup: recall the Maclaurin series

$$\log(1-z)^{-1} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^k}{k}, \text{ which "obviously"}$$

converges for $|z| < 1$.

Claim: this series converges for $|z|=1$ & $z \neq 1$.

• Dirichlet's test: if $\{b_n\}$ is decreasing to 0, and $\left\{ \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n \right\}$ is uniformly bounded, then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n b_n \text{ converges.}$$

- Apply with $b_k = \frac{1}{k}$ and $a_k = z^k$.
when ~~$z \neq 1$~~ $z \neq 1$,

$$\sum_{1 \leq k \leq N} z^k = \frac{z - z^{N+1}}{1-z} \text{ and thus}$$

$$\left| \sum_{1 \leq k \leq N} z^k \right| \leq \frac{2}{|1-z|} \quad //$$

Dirichlet L-functions

For a Dirichlet character $\chi \pmod{q}$,

$$\text{define } L(s, \chi) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\chi(n)}{n^s}$$

(recall $s = \sigma + it \in \mathbb{C}$).

We saw on Wednesday that this series converges absolutely if and only if $\sigma > 1$.

It follows that $L(s, \chi)$ has an Euler product:

for $\sigma > 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} L(s, \chi) &= \prod_p \left(1 + \frac{\chi(p)}{p^s} + \frac{\chi(p^2)}{p^{2s}} + \frac{\chi(p^3)}{p^{3s}} + \dots \right) \\ &= \prod_p \left(1 + \frac{\chi(p)}{p^s} + \left(\frac{\chi(p)}{p^s} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\chi(p)}{p^s} \right)^3 + \dots \right) \\ &= \prod_p \left(1 - \chi(p) p^{-s} \right)^{-1}. \quad (*) \end{aligned}$$

• converges absolutely for $\sigma > 1$;
therefore $L(s, \chi) \neq 0$ for $\sigma > 1$.

Example: If $\chi = \chi_0$ is principal $(\text{mod } q)$,

so that $\chi_0(n) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } (n, q) = 1, \\ 0, & \text{if } (n, q) > 1, \end{cases}$

then

$$L(s, \chi_0) = \sum_{\substack{n \geq 1 \\ (n, q) = 1}} n^{-s} = \prod_p \left(1 - \chi_0(p) p^{-s} \right)^{-1} =$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \prod_{p \nmid q} \left(1 - p^{-s} \right)^{-1} \\ &= \zeta(s) \prod_{p \mid q} \left(1 - p^{-s} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Conclude: $L(s, \chi_0)$ has an analytic continuation to $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{1\}$; also has a simple pole at $s=1$ with residue

$$\text{Res}_{s=1} L(s) \cdot \prod_{p \mid q} \left(1 - p^{-1} \right) = 1 \cdot \frac{\phi(q)}{q}.$$

(In fact, $\zeta(s)$ is the special case $L(s, \chi_0)$ with $\chi_0 \pmod{1}$)

For $\sigma > 1$, take logarithms of (*):

$$\begin{aligned} \log L(s, \chi) &= \sum_p \log \left(1 - \chi(p) p^{-s} \right)^{-1} \\ &= \sum_p \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(\chi(p) p^{-s})^k}{k} = \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \log L(s, \chi) &= \sum_p \log(1 - \chi(p)p^{-s})^{-1} \\ &= \sum_p \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(\chi(p)p^{-s})^k}{k} = \\ &= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{\Lambda(n)}{\log n} \chi(n) n^{-s}, \quad (\sigma > 1) \end{aligned}$$

where $\Lambda(n) = \begin{cases} \log p, & \text{if } n = p^k, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$

Hence, taking derivatives,

$$\frac{L'}{L}(s, \chi) = - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \Lambda(n) \chi(n) n^{-s}, \quad (\sigma > 1)$$

Theorem 4.8 (M.V.): If $\chi \neq \chi_0$,

then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \chi(n) n^{-s}$ converges for $\sigma > 0$.

• Consequence: $L(1, \chi) \neq \infty$ for $\chi \neq \chi_0$.

Proof 1 (Geo): define $S_x(t) = \sum_{n \leq t} \chi(n)$,

then by partial summation,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \chi(n) n^{-s} = s \int_1^{\infty} S_x(t) t^{-s-1} dt;$$

since $S_x(t)$ is bounded, this integral converges (absolutely) for $\sigma > 0$.

Proof 2: By Theorem 1.3 (M.V.),

the abscissa of convergence, σ_c ,

satisfies

$$\sigma_c = \limsup_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log |S_x(x)|}{\log x} = 0.$$

Recall the Gauss sum

$$\tau(\chi) = \sum_{a=1}^q \chi(a) e^{2\pi i a/q}.$$

We proved:

• If χ is primitive (mod q), then $|\tau(\chi)| = \sqrt{q}$.

• Theorem 9.5 (iv). If χ is primitive or if $(n, q) = 1$, then

$$\chi(n) \tau(\bar{\chi}) = \sum_{a=1}^q \bar{\chi}(a) e\left(\frac{an}{q}\right)$$

In particular, if $n = -1$:

$$\begin{aligned} \chi(-1) \tau(\bar{\chi}) &= \sum_{a=1}^q \bar{\chi}(a) e\left(\frac{-a}{q}\right) \\ &= \sum_{a=1}^q \chi(a) e\left(\frac{a}{q}\right) = \overline{\tau(\chi)}. \end{aligned}$$

Multiplying by $\tau(\chi)$:

$$\chi(-1) \tau(\bar{\chi}) \tau(\chi) = \overline{\tau(\chi)} \tau(\chi) = |\tau(\chi)|^2 = q. \quad \text{(for any } \chi \text{)}$$

Let's examine $L(\chi) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\chi(n)}{n}$

for χ (mod q) primitive, $q > 1$.

By Theorem 9.5,

$$\begin{aligned} \chi(n) &= \frac{1}{\tau(\chi)} \sum_{a=1}^q \bar{\chi}(a) e\left(\frac{an}{q}\right) \\ &= \frac{\chi(-1) \tau(\chi)}{q} \sum_{a=1}^q \bar{\chi}(a) e\left(\frac{an}{q}\right); \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} L(\chi) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{\chi(-1) \tau(\chi)}{q} \sum_{a=1}^q \bar{\chi}(a) e\left(\frac{an}{q}\right) \\ &= \frac{\chi(-1) \tau(\chi)}{q} \sum_{a=1}^q \bar{\chi}(a) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} e\left(\frac{an}{q}\right) \\ &= \frac{\chi(-1) \tau(\chi)}{q} \sum_{a=1}^q \bar{\chi}(a) \log\left(1 - e\left(\frac{a}{q}\right)\right)^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

• finite sum!

$$\cancel{L(s, \chi)} = \frac{\chi(-1)\pi(x)}{q} \sum_{\alpha=1}^{q-1} \overline{\chi(\alpha)} \log \left(1 - e^{i\frac{\alpha}{q}} \right)^{-1}$$

Using $1 - e^{i\theta} = -2ie^{i\frac{\theta}{2}} \left(\frac{e^{i\frac{\theta}{2}} - e^{-i\frac{\theta}{2}}}{2i} \right)$

$$= -2ie^{i\frac{\theta}{2}} \sin(\frac{\theta}{2}),$$

we have

$$\cancel{L(s, \chi)} = \frac{\chi(-1)\pi(x)}{q} \sum_{\alpha=1}^{q-1} \overline{\chi(\alpha)} \log \left(-2ie^{i\frac{\alpha}{q}} \sin \left(\frac{\pi\alpha}{q} \right) \right)^{-1}$$

$$= \frac{\chi(-1)\pi(x)}{q} \sum_{\alpha=1}^{q-1} \overline{\chi(\alpha)}$$

$$\left(\cancel{\log(-2i)} + \pi i \frac{\alpha}{q} + \log \left(\sin \frac{\pi\alpha}{q} \right) \right)$$

by orthogonality

$$\left[\begin{aligned} \log e^{i\theta} &= \log(e^{2\pi i\theta}) \\ &= 2\pi i\theta \end{aligned} \right]$$

Conclusion:

$$L(1, \chi) = - \frac{\chi(-1)\pi(x)}{q} \alpha$$

$$\left(\begin{aligned} &\sum_{\alpha=1}^{q-1} \overline{\chi(\alpha)} \pi i \frac{\alpha}{q} \\ &+ \sum_{\alpha=1}^{q-1} \overline{\chi(\alpha)} \log \left(\sin \frac{\pi\alpha}{q} \right) \end{aligned} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{\alpha=1}^{q-1} \overline{\chi(\alpha)} \log(-2) \\ &= \log(-2) \sum_{\alpha=1}^{q-1} \overline{\chi(\alpha)} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$