

Wednesday, January 25

On Monday, we had shown that if $\chi \pmod{q}$ is primitive and $q > 1$, then

$$L(1, \chi) = -\frac{\chi(-1)\tau(\chi)}{q} (S + iT), \text{ where}$$

$$S = \sum_{a=1}^{q-1} \bar{\chi}(a) \log\left(\sin \frac{\pi a}{q}\right)$$

$$T = \frac{\pi}{q} \sum_{a=1}^{q-1} \bar{\chi}(a) a.$$

Notes: since $q-a$ runs over $\{1, 2, \dots, q-1\}$ as a does,

$$S = \sum_{a=1}^{q-1} \bar{\chi}(q-a) \log\left(\sin \frac{\pi(q-a)}{q}\right)$$

$$= \bar{\chi}(-1) \sum_{a=1}^{q-1} \bar{\chi}(a) \log\left(\sin \frac{\pi a}{q}\right) = \chi(-1) S.$$

In particular, if χ is odd then $S=0$.

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

0 by orthogonality

In particular, if χ is even, then $T=0$.

Theorem 9.9 (MV): Let $\chi \pmod{q}$ be primitive, $q > 1$. If $\chi(-1) = 1$,

$$L(1, \chi) = -\frac{\tau(\chi)}{q} \sum_{a=1}^{q-1} \bar{\chi}(a) \log\left(\sin \frac{\pi a}{q}\right);$$

if $\chi(-1) = -1$,

$$L(1, \chi) = \frac{i\pi\tau(\chi)}{q^2} \sum_{a=1}^{q-1} \bar{\chi}(a) a.$$

If $\chi(-1) = 1$,

$$L(1, \chi) = -\frac{\pi(\chi)}{q} \sum_{a=1}^{q-1} \bar{\chi}(a) \log\left(\sin \frac{\pi a}{q}\right);$$

if $\chi(-1) = -1$,

$$L(1, \chi) = \frac{i\pi\pi(\chi)}{q^2} \sum_{a=1}^{q-1} \bar{\chi}(a)a.$$

Examples!

• $q=4$, $\chi(1)=1$, $\chi(3)=-1$

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\chi) &= \sum_{a=1}^4 \chi(a) e\left(\frac{a}{4}\right) = 1e^{2\pi i/4} - 1e^{2\pi i \cdot 3/4} \\ &= 1 - i - 1(-i) = 2i. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } L(1, \chi) = \frac{i\pi \cdot 2i}{4^2} (1 \cdot 1 - 1 \cdot 3) = \frac{\pi}{4}.$$

Note: $L(1, \chi) = 1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{9} - \frac{1}{11} + \dots$

• $q=3$, $\chi(1)=1$, $\chi(2)=-1$

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\chi) &= \sum_{a=1}^3 \chi(a) e\left(\frac{a}{3}\right) \\ &= 1e^{2\pi i/3} - 1e^{2\pi i \cdot 2/3} \\ &= \frac{-1+i\sqrt{3}}{2} - \left(\frac{-1-i\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) = i\sqrt{3}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } L(1, \chi) &= \frac{i\pi \cdot i\sqrt{3}}{3^2} (1 \cdot 1 - 1 \cdot 2) \\ &= \frac{\pi}{3\sqrt{3}}. \end{aligned}$$

$$L(1, \chi) = 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{7} - \frac{1}{8} + \dots$$

• $\chi \pmod{5}$, $\chi(1)=1$, $\chi(2)=-1$,
 $\chi(3)=-1$, $\chi(4)=1$

$$\begin{aligned} L(1, \chi) &= 1 - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{7} - \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{9} \dots \\ &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \log \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

• $q=7$, $\chi(1)=\chi(2)=\chi(4)=1$, $\chi(3)=\chi(5)=\chi(6)=-1$.

$$L(1, \chi) = \frac{i\pi \chi(\chi)}{7^2} (1+2-3+4-5-6)$$

$$= \dots = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{7}}$$

Side note: replace $\frac{1}{n}$ by $\int_0^1 t^{n-1} dt$:

$$L(1, \chi) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \chi(n) \int_0^1 t^{n-1} dt$$

$$= \sum_{a=1}^q \chi(a) \int_0^1 \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} t^{(ka+a)-1} dt$$

$$= \sum_{a=1}^q \chi(a) \int_0^1 \frac{t^{a-1}}{1-t^q} dt$$

$$= \int_0^1 \frac{\sum_{a=1}^q \chi(a) t^{a-1}}{1-t^q} dt \quad \leftarrow \star$$

\star polynomial, divisible by $1-t$ when $\chi \neq \chi_0$. So can cancel $1-t$ from denominator.

Theorem 4.9 (nu) - Dirichlet

If χ is nonprincipal then $L(1, \chi) \neq 0$.

Assume this theorem for the moment.

Recall: if $(a, q) = 1$,

$$\frac{1}{\phi(q)} \sum_{\chi \pmod{q}} \overline{\chi(a)} \chi(n) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } n \equiv a \pmod{q} \\ 0, & \text{if } n \not\equiv a \pmod{q} \end{cases}$$

So

(for $\sigma > 1$)

$$\sum_{\substack{n \geq 1 \\ n \equiv a \pmod{q}}} \frac{\Delta(n)}{n^s} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\Delta(n)}{n^s} \frac{1}{\phi(q)} \sum_{\chi \pmod{q}} \bar{\chi}(a) \chi(n)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\phi(q)} \sum_{\chi \pmod{q}} \bar{\chi}(a) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\Delta(n)}{n^s} \chi(n)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\phi(q)} \left(-\frac{L'(s, \chi_0)}{L(s, \chi_0)} - \sum_{\chi \neq \chi_0} \bar{\chi}(a) \frac{L'(s, \chi)}{L(s, \chi)} \right)$$

Consider what happens for $s \in \mathbb{R}$, $s \downarrow 1$, $s \rightarrow 1^+$.

Since $L(s, \chi_0)$ has a simple pole at $s=1$,

$$-\frac{L'(s, \chi_0)}{L(s, \chi_0)} = \frac{1}{s-1} + O_q(1) \text{ near } s=1.$$

Since the other $L(s, \chi)$ are nonzero at $s=1$,

$$\frac{L'(s, \chi)}{L(s, \chi)} \ll q^1 \text{ near } s=1.$$

So as $s \rightarrow 1^+$:

$$\sum_{n \equiv a \pmod{q}} \frac{\Delta(n)}{n^s} = \frac{1}{\phi(q)} \frac{1}{s-1} + O_q(1).$$

$\rightarrow \infty$ as $s \rightarrow 1^+$.

Consequently,

$$\sum_{\substack{n \geq 1 \\ n \equiv a \pmod{q}}} \frac{\Delta(n)}{n} = \infty.$$

For the proper prime powers,

$$\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \sum_{p^k \equiv a \pmod{q}} \frac{\Delta(p^k)}{p^k} \ll \sum_{k \geq 2} \sum_p \frac{\log p}{p^k}$$

$$= \sum_p \log p \sum_{k \geq 2} \frac{1}{p^k} = \sum_p \frac{\log p}{p(p-1)} < \infty.$$

Hence $\sum_{p \equiv a \pmod{q}} \frac{\log p}{p} < \infty$.

Summary: assuming $L(s, \chi) \neq 0$:

Corollary 4.10 (Mv) - Dirichlet

If $(a, q) = 1$, then $\sum_{p \equiv a \pmod{q}} \frac{\log p}{p}$

diverges. Hence there are infinitely many primes congruent to $a \pmod{q}$.

Let's turn to proving that $L(s, \chi) \neq 0$.

It turns out that complex characters are easier than real (quadratic) characters.

Proof for complex χ : for $\sigma > 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{\chi \pmod{q}} L(s, \chi) &= \exp\left(\sum_{\chi} \log L(s, \chi)\right) \\ &= \exp\left(\sum_{\chi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\Lambda(n)}{\log n} \chi(n) n^{-s}\right) \\ &= \exp\left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\Lambda(n)}{\log n} n^{-s} \sum_{\chi \pmod{q}} \chi(n)\right) \\ &= \exp\left(\phi(q) \sum_{n \equiv 1 \pmod{q}} \frac{\Lambda(n)}{\log n} n^{-s}\right) \end{aligned}$$

if $s \in \mathbb{R}, s > 1$: nonnegative.

Hence $\prod_{\chi \pmod{q}} L(s, \chi) \geq 1$ when $s > 1$.

It's impossible for two $L(s, \chi)$'s to have zeros at $s=1$, since then

$\prod_{\chi \pmod{q}} L(s, \chi)$ would vanish at $s=1$. (but continuous) $s \rightarrow 1+$

But also: if $L(s, \chi) = 0$, then
 $L(s, \bar{\chi}) = 0$.

Hence: if χ is complex, then
 $L(s, \chi) \neq 0$.

[On Friday, we'll prove that
 $L(s, \chi) \neq 0$ for quadratic (real) χ .]

- Side note: the function

$$\prod_{\chi \pmod{q}} L(s, \chi)$$

happens to be a "Dedekind
zeta function", for the
number field $\mathbb{Q}(e^{2\pi i/q})$.