

## The Dirichlet Series

Lemma 1.

Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be an open subset of  $\mathbb{C}$  and let  $\{f_n\}$  be a sequence of holomorphic functions on  $\mathcal{U}$  which converges uniformly on every compact set to a function  $f$ . Then  $f$  is holomorphic in  $\mathcal{U}$  and the derivatives  $f'_n$  of the  $f_n$  converge uniformly on all compact subsets to the derivative  $f'$  of  $f$ .

Proof.

Recall the Cauchy Integral formula. Let  $D$  be a closed disc contained in  $\mathcal{U}$  and let  $\mathcal{C}$  be its boundary oriented as usual, then since every  $f_n(z)$  is holomorphic, it is completely determined by its values on the boundary of  $D$ .

$$z_0 \in D \quad f_n(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\mathcal{C}} \frac{f_n(z)}{z - z_0} dz$$

Taking the limit we get

$$f(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\mathcal{C}} \frac{f(z)}{z - z_0} dz$$

thus  $f$  is holomorphic

Use Cauchy's differentiation formula

$z_0 \in D$

$$f_n'(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f_n(z)}{(z-z_0)^2} dz$$

Proceed as in the later case

$$f'(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f(z)}{(z-z_0)^2} dz$$

So the sequence of derivatives converge to the derivative of the limit.

Lemma 2

Let  $\{a_n\}$ ,  $\{b_n\}$  be two sequences. Define

$$A_{m,p} = \sum_{n=m}^{n=p} a_n \quad \text{and} \quad S_{m,m'} = \sum_{n=m}^{n=m'} a_n b_n$$

Then

$$S_{m,m'} = \sum_{n=m}^{n=m'-1} A_{m,n} (b_n - b_{n+1}) + A_{m,m'} b_{m'}$$

Proof:

$$\text{Write } a_n = A_{m,n} - A_{m,n-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow S_{m,m'} &= a_m b_m + \sum_{n=m+1}^{m'} (A_{m,n} - A_{m,n-1}) b_n \\&= a_m b_m - (A_{m,m} - A_{m,m-1}) b_m + \sum_{n=m}^{m'} (A_{m,n} - A_{m,n-1}) b_n \\&= a_m b_m - a_m b_n + (A_{m,m'} - A_{m,m'-1}) b_{m'} + \sum_{n=m}^{m'-1} (A_{m,n} - A_{m,n-1}) b_n \\&= A_{m,m'} b_{m'} + \sum_{n=m}^{m'-1} A_{m,n} b_n - \sum_{n=m}^{m'-1} A_{m,n-1} b_n - A_{m,m'-1} b_{m'} \\&= A_{m,m'} b_{m'} + \sum_{n=m}^{m'-1} A_{m,n} b_n - \sum_{n=m}^{m'-1} A_{m,n} b_{n+1} \\&= A_{m,m'} b_{m'} + \sum_{n=m}^{m'-1} A_{m,n} (b_n - b_{n+1})\end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma 3

Let  $\alpha, \beta$  be two real numbers with  $0 < \alpha < \beta$ . Let  $z = x + iy$  with  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ .  
and  $x > 0$ . Then

$$|e^{-\alpha z} - e^{-\beta z}| \leq \left| \frac{z}{x} \right| (e^{-\alpha x} - e^{-\beta x})$$

Proof

Write

$$e^{-\alpha z} - e^{-\beta z} = z \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} e^{-tz} dt$$

$$|e^z| = e^x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{then } |e^{-\alpha z} - e^{-\beta z}| &\leq \left| z \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} e^{-tz} dt \right| \leq |z| \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} |e^{-tz}| dt = |z| \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} e^{-tx} dt \\ &= \frac{|z|}{x} (e^{-\alpha x} - e^{-\beta x}) \end{aligned}$$

(remember  $x > 0$ )

□

Let  $\{d_n\}$  be an increasing sequence of real numbers tending to  $+\infty$ . For simplicity, we suppose that  $d_n \geq 0$ .

Definition

A Dirichlet series with exponents  $\{d_n\}$  is a series of the form

$$\sum a_n e^{-d_n z} \quad a_n \in \mathbb{C}, z \in \mathbb{C}.$$

Examples

- Take  $d_n = \log n$ , then we have the series  $\sum \frac{a_n}{n^z}$
- $d_n = n$ , and setting  $e^z = t$ ,  $\sum a_n t^n$ , a power series.

### Proposition 6

If the series  $f(z) = \sum a_n e^{-\lambda_n z}$  converges for  $z = z_0$ , it converges uniformly in every domain of the form  $\operatorname{Re}(z - z_0) \geq 0, \operatorname{Arg}(z - z_0) \leq \alpha, \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$

Proof

Translate  $z_0$  to the origin, so  $z_0 = 0$ . Then

the hypothesis means  $\sum a_n$  converges.

We must prove uniform convergence in the domain

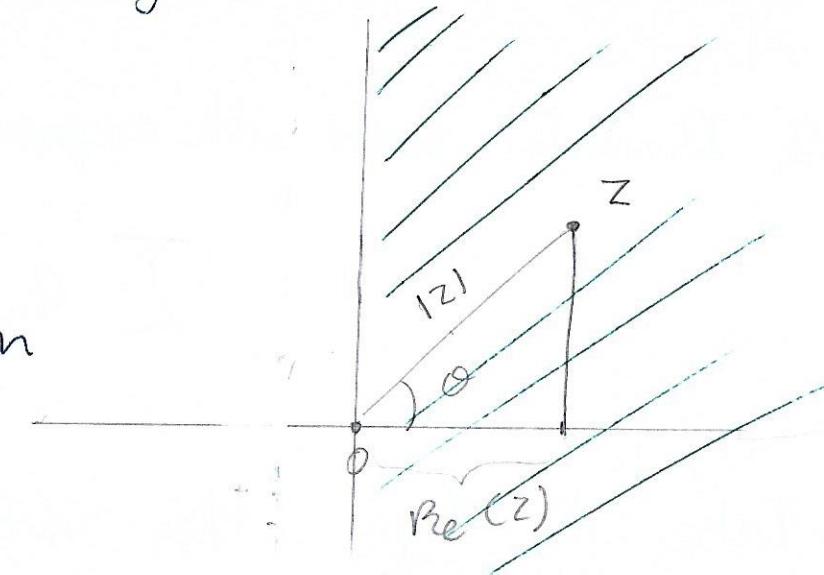
$$\operatorname{Re}(z) \geq 0, \frac{|z|}{\operatorname{Re}(z)} \leq k.$$

Let  $\epsilon > 0$ , since  $\sum a_n$  converges there is an  $N$  s.t if  $m, m' \geq N$

$$|A_{m,m'}| \leq \epsilon.$$

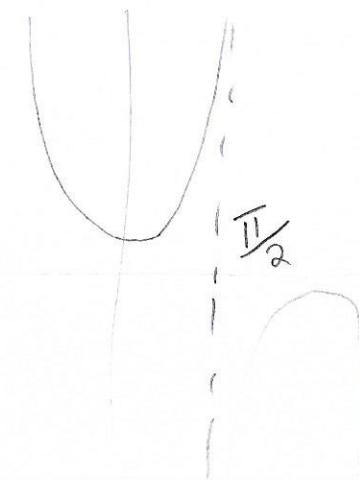
Apply lemma 2 with  $b_n = e^{-\lambda_n z}$

$$S_{m,m'} = \sum_{n=m}^{m'-1} A_{m,n} (e^{-\lambda_n z} - e^{-\lambda_{n+1} z}) + A_{m,m'} e^{-\lambda_{m'} z}$$



$$\frac{|z|}{\operatorname{Re}(z)} \leq k \Rightarrow \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\downarrow \sec(\theta)$$



Consider  $z = x + iy$  and apply lemma 3:

$$|S_{m,m'}| \leq |A_{m,m}| \sum_{n=m}^{n=m'-1} |e^{-\lambda_n z} - e^{-\lambda_{n+1} z}| + |A_{m',m'}| \\ \leq \varepsilon \left( 1 + \sum_{n=m}^{n=m'-1} \frac{|z|}{\operatorname{Re} z} (e^{-\lambda_n x} - e^{-\lambda_{n+1} x}) \right)$$

that is

$$|S_{m,m'}| \leq \varepsilon (1 + K (e^{-\lambda_{m'} x} - e^{-\lambda_m x}))$$

So  $S_{m,m'}$  is as small as we want, then the series converges uniformly.

### Corollary 1

If  $f$  converges for  $z = z_0$ , it converges for the set  $\operatorname{Re}(z) > \operatorname{Re}(z_0)$  and the function defined is holomorphic.

(Every function  $e^{-\lambda_n z}$  is holomorphic)

### Corollary 2

The set of convergence of the series  $f$  contains a maximal open half plane.  
(consider  $\emptyset$  and  $\mathbb{C}$  as half planes).

If the half plane of convergence is  $\operatorname{Re}(z) > \rho$ , we say  $\rho$  is the abscissa of convergence of the series considered.  
( $\emptyset$  and  $\mathbb{C}$  correspond to  $+\infty$  and  $-\infty$ ).

### Corollary 3

$f(z)$  converges to  $f(z_0)$  when  $z \rightarrow z_0$  in the domain

$$\operatorname{Re}(z - z_0) \geq 0, \quad |\operatorname{Arg}(z - z_0)| \leq \alpha \quad \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

This follows from the uniform convergence and the fact that  $e^{-\lambda_n x}$  goes to  $e^{-\lambda_n z_0}$  when  $z \rightarrow z_0$ .

### Corollary 4

The function  $f(z)$  can be identically zero only if all its coefficients are zero.

- Show that  $a_0 = 0$ .

$$e^{\lambda_0 x} f(x) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n e^{(\lambda_0 - \lambda_n)x}$$

$$\lambda_0 - \lambda_n < 0$$

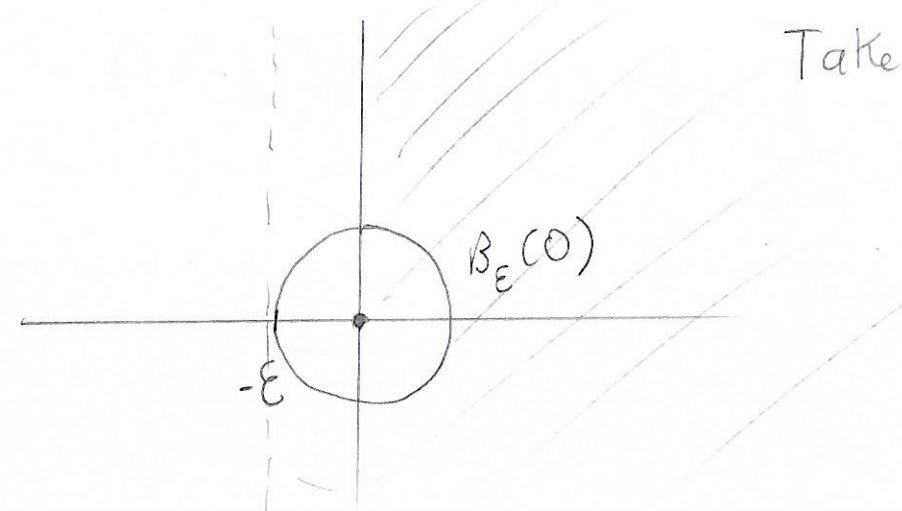
then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} e^{\lambda_0 x} f(x) = a_0$ , and if  $f(x) = 0$ , then

this implies  $a_0 = 0$ . We can do the same for  $a_1, \dots, a_n$ .

Proposition 7

Let  $f(z) = \sum a_n e^{-\lambda_n z}$  be a Dirichlet Series whose coefficients  $a_n > 0$  and  $a_n \in \mathbb{R}$ . Suppose it converges for  $\operatorname{Re}(z) > \rho$ ,  $\rho \in \mathbb{R}$ , and that  $f$  can be extended analytically to a function holomorphic in a neighbourhood of  $z = \rho$ . Then there exists a number  $\epsilon > 0$  s.t.  $f$  converges for  $\operatorname{Re}(z) > \rho - \epsilon$ .

Take  $\epsilon = 0$



Since  $f$  is holomorphic for  $\operatorname{Re}(z) > 0$  and in a neighborhood of 0, it is holomorphic in a disc  $|z-1| \leq 1+\varepsilon$ ,  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

In particular, its Taylor Series converges in the disc.

By lemma 1, the derivative of  $f$  is given by

$$f^{(p)}(z) = \sum a_n (-\lambda_n)^p e^{-\lambda_n z} \quad \operatorname{Re}(z) > 0$$

hence  $f^{(p)}(1) = \sum a_n (-1)^p \lambda_n^p e^{-\lambda_n}$

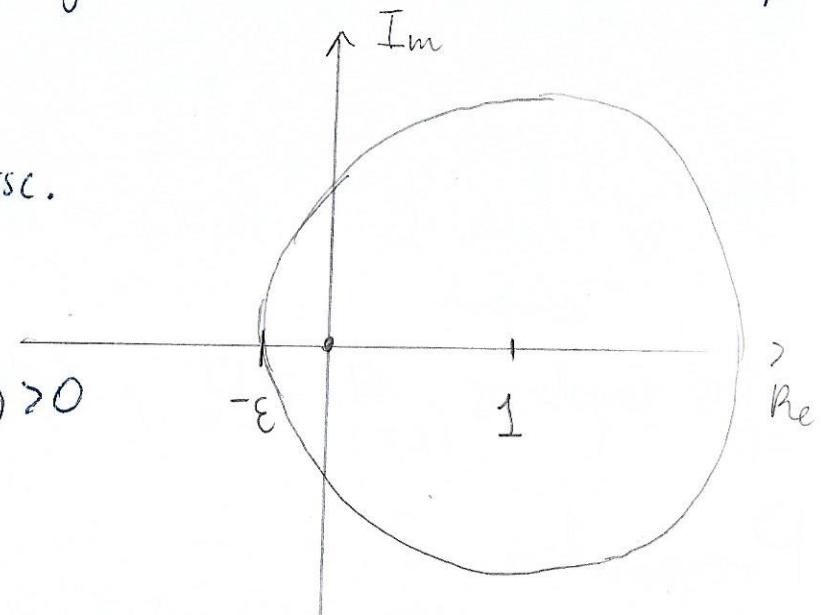
So the Taylor Series for  $f$  can be written as

$$f(z) = \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p!} (z-1)^p f^{(p)}(1) \quad |z-1| \leq 1+\varepsilon$$

In particular for  $z = -\varepsilon$

$$f(-\varepsilon) = \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p!} (1+\varepsilon)^p (-1)^p f^{(p)}(1)$$

The series being convergent.



but  $(-1)^p f^{(p)}(1) = \sum a_n \lambda_n^p e^{-\lambda_n}$  converges and has positive terms

Hence the double series with positive terms

$$f(-\varepsilon) = \sum_n \sum_p a_n \frac{1}{p!} (1+\varepsilon)^p \lambda_n^p e^{-\lambda_n}$$

converges. Rearranging the terms, we get

$$\begin{aligned} f(-\varepsilon) &= \sum_n a_n e^{-\lambda_n} \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p!} (1+\varepsilon)^p \lambda_n^p \xrightarrow{\text{e } z \text{ series}} \\ &= \sum_n a_n e^{-\lambda_n} e^{\lambda_n(1+\varepsilon)} = \sum_n a_n e^{\lambda_n \varepsilon} \end{aligned}$$

Then the Dirichlet Series converges for  $z = -\varepsilon$ , thus also for  $\operatorname{Re}(z) > -\varepsilon$ .

## Ordinary Dirichlet Series

The case  $a_n = \log n$ , corresponds to

$$f(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{n^s}$$

Prop 8

If the  $a_n$  are bounded, there is absolute convergence for  $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 1$ .

$\sum |a_n| \left| \frac{1}{n^s} \right| \leq C \sum \left| \frac{1}{n^s} \right| = C \sum \frac{1}{n^x}$ . this series converges for  $x > 1$ .

Prop 9.

If the partial sums  $A_{m,p} = \sum_m^p a_n$  are bounded, there is convergence (not necessarily absolute) for  $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 0$

Assume  $|A_{m,p}| \leq K$ . and apply Abel's lemma

$$S_{m,m'} = \sum_{n=m}^{n=m'-1} A_{m,n} \left( \frac{1}{n^s} - \frac{1}{(n+1)^s} \right) + A_{m,m'} \frac{1}{(m')^s}$$

$$|S_{m,m'}| \leq K \left[ \sum_{n=m}^{m'-1} \left| \frac{1}{n^s} - \frac{1}{(n+1)^s} \right| + \left| \frac{1}{(m')^s} \right| \right]$$

$$\leq K \left[ \sum_{n=m}^{m'-1} \left( \left| \frac{1}{n^s} \right| + \left| \frac{1}{(n+1)^s} \right| \right) + \left| \frac{1}{(m')^s} \right| \right]$$

We can suppose  $s$  is real

$$|S_{m,m'}| \leq K \sum_{n=m}^{m'} \left| \frac{1}{n^s} \right| \leq C \frac{1}{m^s}$$

then the convergence is clear.