

7 Zeta function and L functions

Definition

A function $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is called multiplicative if $f(1) = 1$ and

$$f(mn) = f(m)f(n)$$

whenever m, n are relatively prime integers.

• Let f be a bounded multiplicative function

Lemma 4

The Dirichlet series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{f(n)}{n^s}$ converges absolutely for $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 1$ and its sum in this domain is equal to the convergent infinite product

$$\prod_{p \in \mathbb{P}} (1 + f(p)p^{-s} + \dots + f(p^m)p^{-ms} + \dots)$$

Proof

for the absolute convergence, use that $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z} \quad |f(n)| \leq K$

$$\sum \left| \frac{f(n)}{n^s} \right| \leq K \sum \left| \frac{1}{n^s} \right| = K \sum \frac{1}{n^x} < \infty$$

and the series converges for $x < 1$

• Let S be a finite set of prime numbers and $N(S) = \{n \in \mathbb{Z}, n \geq 1 : n = p_1^{\alpha_1} \dots p_k^{\alpha_k} : p_1, \dots, p_k \in S\}$

$$\sum_{n \in N(S)} \frac{f(n)}{n^s} = \sum_{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k} \frac{f(p_1^{\alpha_1}) \dots f(p_k^{\alpha_k})}{p_1^{\alpha_1 s} \dots p_k^{\alpha_k s}}$$

← the product of all primes in S of power $m \in \mathbb{Z}$.

$$= \prod_{p \in S} \left(\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{f(p^m)}{p^{ms}} \right)$$

← producto de todos contra todos

• Make the finite set S bigger and bigger, then

$$\sum_{n \in N(S)} \frac{f(n)}{n^s} \longrightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{f(n)}{n^s}$$

and thus

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{f(n)}{n^s} = \prod_{p \in P} \left(\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{f(p^m)}{p^{ms}} \right)$$

• Since we know the series converges for $\text{Re}(s) > 1$, then the infinite product also converges.

Lemma 5

If f is multiplicative in the strict sense (i.e. if $f(nm) = f(n)f(m) \quad \forall n, m \in \mathbb{N}$)

one has

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{f(n)}{n^s} = \prod_{p \in \mathcal{P}} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{f(p)}{p^s}}$$

Proof: Now we have $f(p^m) = f(p)^m$ (it doesn't matter $p \mid p^m$)

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{f(n)}{n^s} = \prod_{p \in \mathcal{P}} \left(\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{f(p^m)}{p^{ms}} \right) = \prod_{p \in \mathcal{P}} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{f(p)}{p^s} \right)^m = \prod_{p \in \mathcal{P}} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{f(p)}{p^s}}$$

The Zeta function

Apply the preceding section with $f=1$

$$\zeta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^s} = \prod_{p \in \mathcal{P}} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{p^s}}$$

for $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 1$

Prop 10

a) The zeta function is holomorphic and $\neq 0$ in the half plane $\text{Re}(s) > 1$

b) $\zeta(s) = \frac{1}{s-1} + \phi(s)$ where $\phi(s)$ is holomorphic for $\text{Re}(s) > 0$.

Proof

a) is clear by the previous lemmas.

$$b) \int_1^{\infty} t^{-s} dt = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^b t^{-s} dt = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left. \frac{t^{-s+1}}{-s+1} \right|_1^b = 0 - \frac{1}{-s+1} = \frac{1}{s-1}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_n^{n+1} t^{-s} dt = \frac{1}{s-1}$$

Hence we can write

$$\zeta(s) = \frac{1}{s-1} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n^s} - \int_n^{n+1} t^{-s} dt \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{s-1} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_n^{n+1} (n^{-s} - t^{-s}) dt$$

Define $\phi_n(s) = \int_n^{n+1} (n^{-s} - t^{-s}) dt$ and $\phi(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \phi_n(s)$

We have to show ϕ is defined and holomorphic for $\text{Re}(s) > 0$.

Clearly each ϕ_n is, so we just have to prove $\sum \phi_n$ converges normally for $\text{Re}(s) > 0$.

• $|\phi_n(s)| \leq \sup_{n \leq t \leq n+1} |n^{-s} - t^{-s}|$ (1), take $\psi_n = n^{-s} - t^{-s}$

Observe that in the unitary interval we have that if ψ_n is continuous
 $\psi_n(t') - \psi_n(0) = \psi_n'(c)(t' - 0)$ for some $c \in (0, t')$

$\psi_n'(t') = \sup_{0 \leq t \leq 1} \psi_n'$

since $\psi_n(0) = 0$, $|\psi_n(t')| = |\psi_n'(c)| |t'| \leq |\psi_n'(c)| \leq \sup_{0 \leq t \leq 1} |\psi_n'(t)|$

• Since $\psi_n'(t) = \frac{s}{t^{s+1}} \Rightarrow |\phi_n(s)| \leq \left| \frac{s}{n^{s+1}} \right| = \frac{|s|}{n^{\text{Re}(s)+1}}$

And thus the series converges normally for $\text{Re}(s) > \epsilon \quad \forall \epsilon > 0$.

$$\sum_{\operatorname{Re}(s) > 0} \sup \phi_n(s) \leq \sum \frac{|s|}{n^{x+1}} < \infty \quad \text{for } x > \varepsilon.$$

• Normal convergence uniform convergence.

Corollary 1
The zeta function has a simple pole for $s=1$.

Corollary 2
When $s \rightarrow 1$, $\sum_p \frac{1}{p^{-s}} \sim \log \frac{1}{s-1}$ and $\sum_p \sum_{k \geq 2} \frac{1}{p^{ks}}$

remains bounded.

$$\zeta(s) = \prod_{p \in \mathcal{P}} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{p^s}}$$

$$\log(\zeta(s)) = - \sum_p \log(1 - p^{-s})$$

$$= - \sum_p \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1} (-p^{-s})^n}{n}$$

$$= \sum_p \sum_n \frac{(-1)^{2n} (p)^{-sn}}{n} = \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}, n \geq 1} \frac{1}{n p^{ns}}$$

$$\cdot \log(\zeta(s)) = \sum_{p \in P} \frac{1}{p^s} + \sum_{p \in P, n \geq 2} \frac{1}{n p^{ns}}$$

• Set $\Psi(s) = \sum_{p \in P, n \geq 2} \frac{1}{n p^{ns}}$, this series is majorized by the series

$$\sum \frac{1}{p^{ks}} \leq \sum \frac{1}{p^{2s} - p^s} = \sum \frac{1}{p^s(p^s - 1)} \leq \sum_{p=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p(p-1)} \\ \leq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n-1)} = 1$$

Then $\Psi(s)$ is bounded, and as $s \rightarrow 1$ we have that

$$\log(\zeta(s)) \sim \log\left(\frac{1}{s-1}\right), \text{ thus } \sum_{p \in P} \frac{1}{p^s} \sim \log\left(\frac{1}{s-1}\right).$$

Remark //

$\zeta(s)$ can be extended to a meromorphic function on \mathbb{C} with a single pole at $s=1$.

The function $\zeta(s) = \pi^{-\frac{s}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) \zeta(s)$ is meromorphic and satisfies the functional equation $\zeta(s) = \zeta(1-s)$. Moreover the zeta function satisfies

$$\zeta(-2n) = 0 \quad \text{if } n > 0$$

$$\zeta(1-2n) = \frac{(-1)^n B_n}{2n} \quad \text{if } n > 0.$$

where B_n denotes the n th Bernoulli number.

• One conjectures (Riemann hypothesis) that the other zeros of ζ are on the line $\operatorname{Re}(s) = \frac{1}{2}$. This has been verified numerically for a large number of them (> 3 million).

3.3 The L-functions

Let m be an integer ≥ 1 . Remember that a character modulo m can be viewed as a function, defined on the set of integers prime to m .

s.t. $\chi(ab) = \chi(a)\chi(b)$.

We can extend the function on \mathbb{Z} , by defining $\chi(a) = 0$ when a/m

The corresponding L function is defined by the Dirichlet Series

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

Prop 11
For $\chi=1$ one has $L(s, 1) = F(s) \zeta(s)$ with $F(s) = \prod_{p|m} (1 - p^{-s})$

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} L(s, 1) &= \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ n \times m}}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^s} = \prod_{p|m} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{p^s}} \quad (1) \\ &= \prod_{p \nmid m} \left(\frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{p^s}} \right) \prod_p \frac{1 - \frac{1}{p^s}}{1 - \frac{1}{p^s}} \\ &= \prod_{p \in P} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{p^s}} \cdot \prod_{p|m} (1 - \frac{1}{p^s}) \\ &= \zeta(s) \prod_{p|m} (1 - \frac{1}{p^s}) \end{aligned}$$

$L(s, 1)$ extends analytically for $\text{Re}(s) > 0$ and has a simple pole at $s=1$.

Prop. 12

For $\chi \neq 1$ the series $L(s, \chi)$ converges in the half plane $\underbrace{\operatorname{Re}(s) > 0}$
one has actually $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 1$

$$L(s, \chi) = \prod_{p \in \mathcal{P}} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{\chi(p)}{p^s}}$$

It is shown in the section corresponding to multiplicative functions. It remains to prove convergence of the series for $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 0$. For that we will use Proposition 4 of Daniel's presentation and Proposition 9 of yesterday's presentation.

It is enough to show

$$\sum_{n=u}^v \chi(n) < K \quad u \leq v,$$

But these sums are zero or $\phi(m)$ (order of the group), so

$$\left| \sum_{n=u}^v \chi(n) \right| \leq \phi(m).$$

Remark //

In particular $L(1, \chi)$ is finite when $\chi \neq 1$. The essential part of Dirichlet's proof consists in showing that $L(1, \chi)$ is different from zero. (Section 4)

3.4) Product of L -functions relative to the same integer m .

$m \in \mathbb{Z}$, $m \geq 1$. If $p \nmid m$, we denote its image in $G(m) = (\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z})^\times$ by \tilde{p} and $f(p)$ the order of \tilde{p} in $G(m)$. That is, $f(p)$ is the smallest integer $f > 1$ s.t. $p^f \equiv 1 \pmod{m}$.

Put $g(p) = \frac{\phi(m)}{f(p)}$ (order of the quotient of $G(m)$ by the subgroup generated by \tilde{p})

Lemma 6

If $p \nmid m$, one has the identity

$$\prod (1 - \chi(p)T) = (1 - T^{f(p)})^{g(p)}$$

where the product is taken over all characters of $G(m)$.

First, take W , the set of $f(p)$ -roots of unity $w \in W \Rightarrow w^{f(p)} = 1$

Take the identity

$$\prod_{w \in W} (1 - wT) = 1 - T^{f(p)}$$

then $\forall w \in W$, there are $g(p)$ characters of $G(m)$ s.t $\chi(\tilde{\rho}) = w$,

So in order to consider all characters I just have to multiply by $1 - T^{f(p)}$

$g(p)$ times

$$\prod_x (1 - \chi T) = \left(\prod_{w \in W} (1 - wT) \right)^{g(p)} = (1 - T^{f(p)})^{g(p)}$$

Define a new function

$$\mathcal{L}_m(s) = \prod_x L(s, \chi)$$

Proposition 13

One has

$$\zeta_m(s) = \prod_{p|m} \frac{1}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{p^{f(p)s}}\right)^{g(p)}}$$

This is a Dirichlet Series, with positive integral coefficients, converging in the half plane $\text{Re}(s) > 1$.

$$\zeta_m(s) = \prod_x L(s, \chi)$$

$$= \prod_x \left(\prod_{p \in P} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{\chi(p)}{p^s}} \right)$$

(if $p \nmid m$, $\chi(p) = 0$)

$$= \prod_x \left(\prod_{p|m} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{\chi(p)}{p^s}} \right) = \prod_{p|m} \prod_x \frac{1}{1 - \frac{\chi(p)}{p^s}}$$

$$= \prod_{p|m} \left(\frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{p^{f(p)s}}} \right)^{g(p)}$$

The convergence is clear.

Thm 1

a) ζ_m has a simple pole at $s=1$

b) $L(1, \chi) \neq 0 \quad \forall \chi \neq 1$.

b) \Rightarrow a)

If $L(1, \chi) \neq 0 \quad \forall \chi \neq 1$, the fact that $L(s, 1)$ has a simple pole at $s=1$

Shows that the same is true for ζ_m .

a) \Rightarrow b)

By contradiction -- Pending.