

# Number Theory Background, I

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The zeta-function (according to Euler 1737)

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

$$= \prod_p \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-1} \quad \text{Euler product}$$

$\prod_p$  is a product over all primes

Sum and product converge for  $s > 1$ .

Theorem  $\sum_p \frac{1}{p}$  diverges

Proof:  $\log \zeta(s) = - \sum_p \log \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s}\right)$

$$\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \text{diverges} \end{array} \quad = \sum_p \frac{1}{p^s} + O\left(\sum_p \frac{1}{p^{2s}}\right)$$

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bounded

as  $s \rightarrow 1^+$

L-functions (Dirichlet 1832)

$$L(s) = 1 - \frac{1}{3^s} + \frac{1}{5^s} - \frac{1}{7^s} + \frac{1}{9^s} - \dots$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\chi_4(n)}{n^s} \quad \chi_4(n) = \begin{cases} -1 & n \equiv 3(4) \\ 1 & n \equiv 1(4) \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$$= \prod_{p \equiv 1(4)} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-1} \prod_{p \equiv 3(4)} \left(1 + \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-1}$$

$$\log L(s) = \sum_{p \equiv 1(4)} \frac{1}{p^s} - \sum_{p \equiv 3(4)} \frac{1}{p^s} + \text{l.o.t.}$$

Dirichlet:  $L(1)$  converges. If  $L(1) \neq 0$  then  $\log L(s)$  is bounded as  $s \rightarrow 1^+$ , so both of

$$\log f(s) + \log L(s) = \sum_{p \equiv 1(4)} \frac{1}{p^s}$$

$$\log f(s) - \log L(s) = \sum_{p \equiv 3(4)} \frac{1}{p^s}$$

diverge as  $s \rightarrow 1^+$ .

$\sum_n \frac{1}{n^s} \geq \sum_p \frac{1}{p}$  and  $\sum_p \frac{1}{p}$  diverge

$\chi$  is a Dirichlet character modulo  $q$  if

$$\chi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$\chi(nm) = \chi(n)\chi(m) \quad \text{for all } n, m$$

" $\chi$  is completely multiplicative"

$$\chi(n+q) = \chi(n)$$

$$\chi(m) = 0 \quad \text{if } (m, q) > 1.$$

ie,  $\chi: (\mathbb{Z}/q\mathbb{Z})^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

extend to  $\mathbb{Z}$  by  $\chi(m) = 0$  if  $(m, q) \neq 1$ .

5	1	2	3	4
$\chi_0$	1	1	1	1
$\chi_5$	1	-1	-1	1
$\chi$	1	$i$	$-i$	-1
$\bar{\chi}$	1	$-i$	$i$	-1

Characters mod 5

6	1	5
$\chi_0$	1	1
$\chi$	1	-1

Characters mod 6

$\phi(q)$  characters

$\chi_0$  trivial character

Orthogonality:

$$\frac{1}{\varphi(q)} \sum_{n|q} \chi(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \chi = \chi_0 \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{1}{\varphi(q)} \sum_{\chi(q)} \chi(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & n \equiv 1 (q) \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

Primitivity:

Some real characters mod 20

20	1	3	7	9	11	13	17	19	
$\chi_4 \chi_0$	1	-1	-1	1	-1	1	1	-1	} not primitive
$\chi_5 \chi_0$	1	-1	-1	1	1	-1	-1	1	
$\chi_{20}$	1	1	1	1	-1	-1	-1	-1	

" $\chi_5$  induces a character mod 20"

primitive  $\iff$  not induced from a smaller modulus

"conductor" = smallest modulus induced from

primitive  $\iff$  conductor = modulus

## Dirichlet, continued

$$L(s, \chi) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\chi(n)}{n^s} = \prod_p \left(1 - \frac{\chi(p)}{p^s}\right)^{-1}$$

By orthogonality,  $\exists c_\chi$  s.t.

$$\log \zeta(s) + \sum_{\chi} c_\chi \log L(s, \chi) = \sum_{p \equiv a(q)} \frac{1}{p^s} + \text{l.o.t.}$$

So  $L(1, \chi) \neq 0 \Rightarrow \sum_{p \equiv a(q)} \frac{1}{p}$  diverges.

Exercise: What is  $c_\chi$ ?

Hardest part of Dirichlet's proof:

$L(1, \chi) \neq 0$  for real  $\chi$

"quadratic character"

$$\chi^2 = \chi_0$$

The zeta-function (according to Riemann 1859)

$$\zeta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^s}$$
$$= \prod_p \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-1}$$

$s = \sigma + it$  is a complex variable

Sum and product converge for  $\sigma > 1$

Theorem ("Riemann")

$$\pi(x) := \#\{p \leq x : p \text{ prime}\}$$

$$\sim \frac{x}{\log x}$$



$$\zeta(1+it) \neq 0 \text{ for any } t \in \mathbb{R}$$

Similarly,  $L(1+it, \chi) \neq 0$  implies

$$\pi(x; a, q) := \#\{p \leq x : p \equiv a \pmod{q}\}$$

$$\sim \frac{1}{\varphi(q)} \frac{x}{\log x}$$

if  $(a, q) = 1$

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# Analytic Continuation of Functional Equation

$\chi$  primitive character mod  $q$  (allow  $q=1$ )

$$k = \begin{cases} 0 & \chi \text{ even} \\ 1 & \chi \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

$$L(s, \chi) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\chi(n)}{n^s} = \prod_p \left(1 - \frac{\chi(p)}{p^s}\right)^{-1}$$

Continues to a meromorphic function (entire if  $q \neq 1$ ) which satisfies the functional equation

$$\Lambda(s, \chi) := \left(\frac{q}{\pi}\right)^{s/2} \Gamma\left(\frac{s+k}{2}\right) L(s, \chi) \\ = \varepsilon(\chi) \Lambda(1-s, \bar{\chi})$$

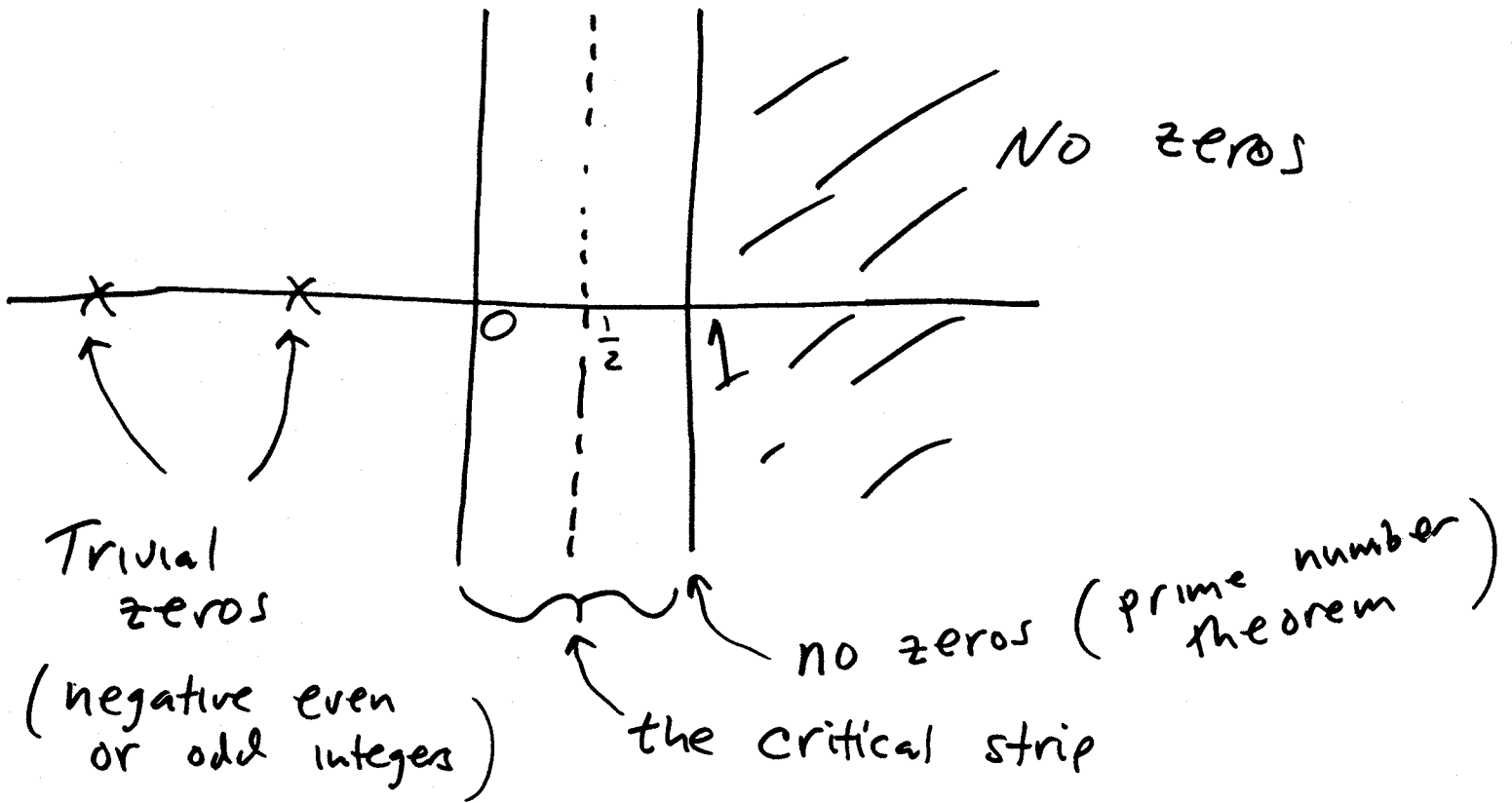
Where 
$$\varepsilon(\chi) = i^{-k} \frac{\tau(\chi)}{\sqrt{q}}$$

with 
$$\tau(\chi) = \sum_{b \bmod q} \chi(b) e^{\frac{2\pi i b}{q}}$$
 Gauss sum.

$q \neq 1$ ,  $\Lambda(s, \chi)$  entire  
 $\Lambda(s, 1)$  poles at  $s=0, 1$

$\Gamma(s)$  no zeros; poles at  $0, -1, -2, \dots$

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$$Li(x) := \int_2^x \frac{dt}{\log t} \quad \text{the Logarithmic integral}$$

$$\sim \frac{x}{\log x} + \frac{x}{\log^2 x} + \frac{2! x}{\log^3 x} + \dots + \frac{m! x}{\log^{m+1} x} + \dots$$

(asymptotic series)

PNT:  $\pi(x) \sim Li(x)$

RH:  $\pi(x) = Li(x) + O(x^{\frac{1}{2} + \epsilon})$   
(Details in Rubinstein's lecture)

RH: Nontrivial zeros on the critical line  $\text{Re}(s) = \frac{1}{2}$

## Exercises:

1) Write down the functional equation for non primitive  $L(s, \chi)$

(conductor =  $q < m = \text{modulus}$ )

2) Show that if  $\chi$  non primitive then RH is false for  $L(s, \chi)$ .

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The two main questions:

How fast does the zeta-function grow?

$L(1, \chi) > 0$ . How small can it be?