

# Analytic Number Theory

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## CHAPTER 1

# Asymptotic Estimates

We will repeatedly encounter interesting number-theoretic objects which are complicated, such as the counting function of the primes. To understand these complicated functions, we want to approximate them by much simpler functions, such as a continuous function with no number-theoretic properties. To do this we need to control the error in such approximations, and the following notation is very useful to keep us focused on what is going on.

**DEFINITION** (Big Oh notation). *We write ‘ $O(h(x))$ ’ to denote a function  $g(x)$  which satisfies*

$$|g(x)| \leq C \cdot h(x)$$

*for some constant  $C > 0$  and all  $x$  under consideration.*

Since the function  $g$  and the constant  $C$  are unspecified, multiple uses of  $O(\cdot)$  can specify different functions. Moreover, this can lead to some initially confusing issues when used with the  $=$  sign, since  $f(x) = O(h(x))$  and  $g(x) = O(h(x))$  does not imply that  $f(x) = g(x)$ . Moreover, we will use  $O(h(x))$  inside various expressions, so given functions  $f, g, h$ , when we write ‘ $f(x) = g(x) + O(h(x))$ ’ for  $x \in \mathcal{S}$ ’ we mean there exists a constant  $C > 0$  (which depends only on  $f, g, h, \mathcal{S}$ ) such that

$$|f(x) - g(x)| \leq C \cdot h(x)$$

for all  $x \in \mathcal{S}$ . If the set  $\mathcal{S}$  is clear from the context (as is normally the case), we just write ‘ $f(x) = g(x) + O(h(x))$ ’. We sometimes call  $g(x)$  the ‘main term’ and  $h(x)$  the ‘error term’ in an approximation to  $f$ .

**EXAMPLE 1.1.**

- $x = O(x^2)$  for  $x \geq 1$ . (Since  $x \leq x^2$  for  $x \geq 1$ .)
- $x^2 = O(x)$  for  $0 \leq x \leq 10$ . (Since  $x^2 \leq 10x$  for  $0 \leq x \leq 10$ .)
- It is not the case that  $x^2 = O(x)$  for  $x \geq 1$  (since as  $x \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $x^2/x \rightarrow \infty$ .)
- $(x+1)^2 = x^2 + O(x)$  for  $x \geq 1$  (since  $|(x+1)^2 - x^2| \leq 3x$  for  $x \geq 1$ .)
- $\lfloor x \rfloor = \sup\{n \in \mathbb{Z} : n \leq x\} = x + O(1)$  for  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . (Since  $x - 1 \leq \lfloor x \rfloor \leq x$ , so  $|\lfloor x \rfloor - x| \leq 1$ .)

- $\sqrt{x+1} = \sqrt{x} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} - \frac{1}{8x^{3/2}} + O\left(\frac{1}{x^{5/2}}\right)$  for  $x \geq 1$ . (Since for  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ ,  $f(x+1) = f(x) + f'(x) + f''(x)/2 + f'''(y)/6$  for some  $y \in [x, x+1]$  by Taylor's Theorem, and  $f'''(y) = 3/(8y^{5/2}) \leq 6/(8x^{5/2})$  for  $x \geq 1$ .)

LEMMA 1.2 (Properties of Big Oh notation).

(1) *Non-negativity of error term:*

If  $f(x) = O(g(x))$  then  $g(x) \geq 0$ .

(2) *Transitivity:*

If  $f(x) = O(g(x))$  and  $g(x) = O(h(x))$  then  $f(x) = O(h(x))$ .

(3) *Additivity:*

If  $f_1(x) = g_1(x) + O(h_1(x))$  and  $f_2(x) = g_2(x) + O(h_2(x))$  then

$f_1(x) + f_2(x) = g_1(x) + g_2(x) + O(h_1(x) + h_2(x))$ .

PROOF. These follow immediately from the definition. □

DEFINITION (Further asymptotic notation).

- *Little Oh notation:*

Given  $h(x) > 0$ , when considering a limit  $x \rightarrow a$  we write ' $o(h(x))$ ' to denote a function  $g(x)$  which satisfies

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{g(x)}{h(x)} \rightarrow 0.$$

If we don't explicitly mention the limit point  $a$  then it is assumed  $a = \infty$ .

- *Vinogradov notation:*

We have the binary relation  $f(x) \ll g(x)$  if  $f(x) = O(g(x))$ .

- For two positive functions  $f, g$ , we write  $f(x) \sim g(x)$  as  $x \rightarrow a$  if

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = 1.$$

If we just write  $f(x) \sim g(x)$  then it is assumed  $a = \infty$ .

- We write  $f(x) \asymp g(x)$  for  $x \in \mathcal{S}$  if  $f(x) = O(g(x))$  for  $x \in \mathcal{S}$  and  $g(x) = O(f(x))$  for  $x \in \mathcal{S}$ .

Although the Vinogradov notation overlaps with Big Oh notation, the Big Oh notation should be thought of as a placeholder for some unspecified function, whereas the  $\ll$  is an inequality which can exploit the transitivity of  $O(\cdot)$ , so we might write things like  $f(x) \ll g(x) \ll h(x)$ .

## CHAPTER 2

### Partial Summation

LEMMA 2.1 (Partial Summation). *Let  $a_n \in \mathbb{C}$  be a complex sequence, and  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  continuously differentiable on the interval  $[x, y]$ . Let*

$$A(t) := \sum_{n \leq t} a_n.$$

*Then*

$$\sum_{x < n \leq y} a_n f(n) = A(y)f(y) - A(x)f(x) - \int_x^y A(t)f'(t)dt.$$

PROOF. We let  $n_1 = \lfloor x \rfloor + 1$ ,  $n_2 = \lfloor y \rfloor$  so the sum is over  $n_1 \leq n \leq n_2$ . (Here  $\lfloor z \rfloor$  is the largest integer less than or equal to  $z$ .) We note that  $a_n = A(n) - A(n-1)$ . Therefore, rearranging the sums, we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{x < n \leq y} a_n f(n) &= \sum_{n_1 \leq n \leq n_2} f(n) (A(n) - A(n-1)) \\ &= \sum_{n_1 \leq n \leq n_2} f(n) A(n) - \sum_{n_1-1 \leq n \leq n_2-1} f(n+1) A(n) \\ &= \sum_{n_1 \leq n \leq n_2-1} A(n) (f(n) - f(n+1)) + A(n_2)f(n_2) - A(n_1-1)f(n_1). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $f$  is differentiable,  $\int_n^{n+1} f'(t)dt = f(n+1) - f(n)$ . Therefore

$$\sum_{n_1 \leq n \leq n_2-1} A(n) (f(n) - f(n+1)) = - \sum_{n_1 \leq n \leq n_2-1} A(n) \int_n^{n+1} f'(t)dt.$$

Since  $A(t)$  only changes at integers,  $A(t) = A(n)$  for  $t \in [n, n+1)$ . Therefore

$$\sum_{n_1 \leq n \leq n_2-1} A(n) \int_n^{n+1} f'(t)dt = \sum_{n_1 \leq n \leq n_2-1} \int_n^{n+1} A(t)f'(t)dt = \int_{n_1}^{n_2} A(t)f'(t)dt.$$

This gives

$$\sum_{x < n \leq y} a_n f(n) = A(n_2)f(n_2) - A(n_1-1)f(n_1) - \int_{n_1}^{n_2} A(t)f'(t)dt.$$

This is essentially the result; to finish off we just need to observe that

$$A(y)f(y) - \int_{n_2}^y A(t)f'(t)dt = A(n_2)f(n_2),$$

and

$$-A(x)f(x) - \int_x^{n_1} A(t)f'(t)dt = -A(n_1 - 1)f(n_1)$$

since  $A(t) = A(n_2) = A(y)$  for  $t \in [n_2, y]$  and  $A(t) = A(x) = A(n_1 - 1)$  for  $t \in [x, n_1)$ .  $\square$

COROLLARY 2.2. *Let  $a_n, f, A(t)$  be as in Lemma 2.1. If  $A(t)f(t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  then*

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n f(n) = - \int_1^{\infty} A(t)f'(t)dt$$

*whenever both sides converge.*

PROOF. Apply Lemma 2.1 with  $x = 1 - \epsilon$  and  $y = 1/\epsilon$ , and then let  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ .  $\square$

LEMMA 2.3. *Let  $\pi(x) = \#\{p < x\}$  be the prime counting function, and  $\theta(x) = \sum_{p < x} \log p$ . Then we have*

$$\pi(x) = \frac{\theta(x)}{\log x} + \int_2^x \frac{\theta(t)dt}{t(\log t)^2}.$$

*In particular, if  $\theta(x) = x + o(x)$  then*

$$\pi(x) = \frac{x}{\log x} + o\left(\frac{x}{\log x}\right),$$

*and if  $\theta(x) = x + O(x^{1/2}(\log x)^2)$  then*

$$\pi(x) = \int_2^x \frac{dt}{\log t} + O(x^{1/2} \log x).$$

PROOF. Let  $a_n = \log n$  if  $n$  is prime, and 0 otherwise. Let  $f(t) = 1/\log t$ . Then by Lemma 2.1

$$\pi(y) = \sum_{n < y} a_n f(n) = \frac{\sum_{p < y} \log p}{\log y} + \int_2^y \left( \sum_{p < t} \log p \right) \frac{dt}{t(\log t)^2}.$$

This gives the first statement. If  $\theta(t) = t + o(t)$  then this gives

$$\pi(y) = \frac{y + o(y)}{\log y} + O\left(\int_2^y \frac{dt}{(\log t)^2}\right) = \frac{y}{\log y} + o\left(\frac{y}{\log y}\right).$$

If  $\theta(t) = t + O(t^{1/2}(\log t)^2)$  then this gives

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(y) &= \frac{y + O(y^{1/2}(\log y)^2)}{\log y} + \int_2^y \frac{dt}{(\log t)^2} + O\left(\int_2^y \frac{dt}{t^{1/2}}\right) \\ &= \frac{y}{\log y} + \int_2^y \frac{dt}{(\log t)^2} + O(y^{1/2} \log y). \end{aligned}$$

To finish we see that integration by parts gives

$$\int_2^y \frac{dt}{\log t} = \frac{y}{\log y} - \frac{2}{\log 2} + \int_2^y \frac{dt}{(\log t)^2}.$$

$\square$



## CHAPTER 3

### Arithmetic Functions

DEFINITION (Multiplicative functions). *Let  $f : \mathbb{Z}_{>0} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be a function on the positive integers. We say that  $f$  is multiplicative if  $f(nm) = f(n)f(m)$  for any coprime integers  $n, m$ . We say that  $f$  is completely multiplicative if  $f(nm) = f(n)f(m)$  for all integers  $n, m$ .*

DEFINITION (Dirichlet convolution). *Let  $f, g : \mathbb{Z}_{>0} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ . Then the Dirichlet convolution  $f \star g$  is a function defined by*

$$(f \star g)(n) = \sum_{ab=n} f(a)g(b).$$

LEMMA 3.1 (Basic properties of Dirichlet convolution). *Let  $f, g, h : \mathbb{Z}_{>0} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ . Then*

- (1) *Dirichlet convolution is commutative;  $f \star g = g \star f$ .*
- (2) *Dirichlet convolution is associative;  $(f \star g) \star h = f \star (g \star h)$ .*
- (3) *Dirichlet convolution preserves multiplicativity; If  $f$  and  $g$  are multiplicative then  $f \star g$  is multiplicative.*

PROOF. These follow from the definitions:

$$\begin{aligned} (f \star g)(n) &= \sum_{n=ab} f(a)g(b) = \sum_{n=ab} f(b)g(a) = (g \star f)(n), \\ ((f \star g) \star h)(n) &= \sum_{n=ab} h(b) \sum_{a=cd} f(c)g(d) = \sum_{n=bcd} h(b)f(c)g(d) = (f \star (g \star h))(n), \end{aligned}$$

If  $\gcd(n_1, n_2) = 1$  then, letting  $a_1 = \gcd(a, n_1)$  and  $a_2 = a/a_1$  (and similarly for  $b$ )

$$\begin{aligned} (f \star g)(n_1 n_2) &= \sum_{ab=n_1 n_2} f(a)g(b) = \sum_{\substack{a_1 b_1 = n_1 \\ a_2 b_2 = n_2}} f(a_1 a_2)g(b_1 b_2) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{a_1 b_1 = n_1 \\ a_2 b_2 = n_2}} f(a_1)g(b_1)f(a_2)g(b_2) \\ &= (f \star g)(n_1) \cdot (f \star g)(n_2). \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

DEFINITION (Special arithmetic functions  $\mu, \Lambda, \tau$ ). *We have the following definitions:*

- The Möbius function  $\mu(n)$  is  $(-1)^k$  if  $n$  is a product of  $k$  distinct primes, and 0 if  $n$  has a repeated prime factor (and  $\mu(1) = 1$ ).
- The Von Mangoldt function  $\Lambda(n)$  is  $\log p$  if  $n = p^j$  for some prime  $p$ , and 0 if  $n$  has two or more distinct prime factors (and  $\Lambda(1) = 0$ ).
- The Divisor function  $\tau(n)$  is the number of different ways of writing  $n = ab$  for two positive integers  $a, b$ .

LEMMA 3.2 (Möbius inversion). If  $f, g : \mathbb{Z}_{>0} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  then  $f = g \star 1$  if and only if  $g = f \star \mu$ .

PROOF. Let  $\delta(n) = 1$  if  $n = 1$  and 0 otherwise. If  $n = p_1^{e_1} \dots p_k^{e_k} > 1$  then

$$(\mu \star 1)(n) = \sum_{d|n} \mu(d) = \sum_{\substack{d_1, \dots, d_k \\ d_i | p_i^{e_i}}} \mu(d_1) \dots \mu(d_k) = \prod_{i=1}^k \left( \mu(1) + \dots + \mu(p_i^{e_i}) \right) = (1-1)^k = 0.$$

If  $n = 1$  then  $(\mu \star 1)(n) = 1$ . Thus  $\mu \star 1 = \delta$ . Now if  $g = f \star 1$  then

$$g \star \mu = (f \star 1) \star \mu = f \star (\mu \star 1) = f \star \delta = f.$$

Conversely, if  $f = g \star \mu$  then

$$f \star 1 = (g \star \mu) \star 1 = g \star (\mu \star 1) = g \star \delta = g. \quad \square$$

LEMMA 3.3.

$$\Lambda(n) = (\mu \star \log)(n).$$

PROOF. Let  $n$  have prime factorization  $n = p_1^{e_1} \dots p_k^{e_k}$  for distinct primes  $p_1, \dots, p_k$ . Then

$$\log n = \sum_{i=1}^k e_i \log p_i = \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{\substack{d=p_i^j > 1 \\ d|n}} \log p_i = \sum_{d|n} \Lambda(d) = (\Lambda \star 1)(n).$$

Now the result follows by Möbius inversion (Lemma 3.2).  $\square$

LEMMA 3.4. Let  $\psi(x) = \sum_{n < x} \Lambda(n)$ . Then we have for  $x \geq 2$

$$|\psi(x) - \theta(x)| \ll x^{1/2} \log x.$$

PROOF. Recall that  $\Lambda$  is non-zero only on prime powers. We split the contributions to  $\psi$  according to the exponent:

$$\psi(x) = \sum_{1 \leq j \leq \log x / \log 2} \sum_{\substack{n < x \\ n = p^j}} \log p = \sum_{p < x} \log p + \sum_{p < x^{1/2}} \log p + \sum_{3 \leq j \leq 2 \log x} \sum_{p \leq x^{1/j}} \log p.$$

The first term is exactly  $\theta(x)$ . The other terms are bounded by

$$\sum_{n < x^{1/2}} \log x + \sum_{3 \leq j \leq 2 \log x} \sum_{n < x^{1/3}} \log x \ll x^{1/2} \log x + x^{1/3} (\log x)^2 \ll x^{1/2} \log x. \quad \square$$

## CHAPTER 4

### Dirichlet Series

LEMMA 4.1 (Region of absolute convergence). *Let  $\delta > 0$  and  $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  satisfy  $|f(n)| \leq n^{o(1)}$ . Then the series*

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

*converges absolutely to an analytic function for  $\Re(s) > 1$ , and uniformly absolutely on  $\Re(s) \geq 1 + \delta$ .*

PROOF. Since  $f(n) = n^{o(1)}$ , there is an  $N_0(\delta)$  such that  $|f(n)| \leq n^{\delta/2}$  for  $n \geq N_0$ . If  $\Re(s) \geq 1 + \delta$  then for  $N_2 \geq N_1 \geq N_0(\delta)$  we have

$$\sum_{n=N_1}^{N_2} \frac{|f(n)|}{|n^s|} \leq \sum_{n=N_1}^{N_2} \frac{n^{\delta/2}}{n^{\Re(s)}} \leq \int_{N_1-1}^{N_2} \frac{ds}{t^{1+\delta/2}} \leq \frac{2}{\delta(N_1-1)^{\delta/2}}.$$

For fixed  $\delta > 0$ , this tends to 0 as  $N_1 \rightarrow \infty$ . Thus the series converges uniformly absolutely in the region  $\Re(s) \geq 1 + \delta$ . Since  $\delta > 0$  was arbitrary, and the partial sums are clearly analytic, this gives the result.  $\square$

DEFINITION (The Riemann Zeta function).  $\zeta(s)$  is defined for  $\Re(s) > 1$  by

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

Although the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-s}$  no longer converges absolutely when  $\Re(s) \leq 1$ , we find that we can extend the definition of  $\zeta(s)$  to a larger region.

LEMMA 4.2 (Analytic Continuation of  $\zeta(s)$ ). *The function  $\zeta(s)$  has a meromorphic continuation to the region  $\Re(s) > -2$ . In this region we have that*

$$\zeta(s) = \frac{1}{s-1} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{s}{12} - s(s+1)(s+2) \int_1^{\infty} \frac{(\{t\} - 3\{t\}^2 + 2\{t\}^3)dt}{12t^{s+3}}$$

Here  $\{t\} = t - [t]$  is the fractional part of  $t$ .

PROOF. We apply Lemma 2.2 with  $a_n = 1$ ,  $f(n) = n^{-s}$ ,  $x = 1 - \epsilon$  and  $y = \infty$ . With this choice  $A(t) = \lfloor t \rfloor = t - \{t\}$ . This gives

$$\begin{aligned}\zeta(s) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n f(n) = s \int_1^{\infty} \frac{(t - \{t\})dt}{t^{s+1}} = s \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{t^s} - s \int_1^{\infty} \frac{\{t\}dt}{t^{s+1}} \\ &= \frac{s}{s-1} - s \int_1^{\infty} \frac{\{t\}dt}{t^{s+1}}.\end{aligned}$$

The function  $s/(s-1)$  is meromorphic in the entire complex plane, with a simple pole at  $s = 1$ . For  $\Re(s) > 0$  the integral on the right hand side converges absolutely. Thus the right hand side defines a function on  $\Re(s) > 0$  with a simple pole at  $s = 1$  and analytic elsewhere, which coincides with  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-s}$  for  $\Re(s) \geq 1$ . We can extend this further by integration by parts. For  $\Re(s) > -1$  we have

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{s}{s-1} - s \int_1^{\infty} \frac{\{t\}dt}{t^{s+1}} &= \frac{1}{s-1} + \frac{1}{2} - s \int_1^{\infty} \frac{(\{t\} - 1/2)dt}{t^{s+1}} \\ &= \frac{1}{s-1} + \frac{1}{2} - s(s+1) \int_1^{\infty} \frac{g(t)dt}{t^{s+2}}\end{aligned}$$

where  $g(t) = \int_0^t (\{u\} - 1/2)du = (\{t\}^2 - \{t\})/2$  (note that  $|g(t)| \leq 1/8$  for all  $t$ ). Continuing once more gives

$$\frac{1}{s-1} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{s}{12} - s(s+1)(s+2) \int_1^{\infty} \frac{(\{t\} - 3\{t\}^2 + 2\{t\}^3)dt}{12t^{s+3}}. \quad \square$$

COROLLARY 4.3. *If  $0 < x < 1$  then  $\zeta(x) < 0$ . If  $x > 1$  then  $\zeta(x) > 1$ .*

PROOF. Recall that  $\zeta(s) = s/(s-1) - s \int_1^{\infty} \{t\}dt/t^{s+1}$  from the proof of Lemma 4.2. If  $0 < x < 1$  then all these terms are negative. If  $x > 1$  then all terms in the Dirichlet series are positive, and the first term is 1.  $\square$

COROLLARY 4.4 (Ramanujan's divergent series estimate).

$$\zeta(-1) = \frac{-1}{12}.$$

PROOF. Immediate from Lemma 4.2 by substituting  $s = -1$ .  $\square$

LEMMA 4.5 (Growth of  $\zeta(s)$ ). *For  $\Re(s) \geq -19/10$  and  $|s-1| \geq 1$  we have*

$$|\zeta(s)| = O(1 + |s|^3).$$

PROOF. From Lemma 4.2, for  $\Re(s) \geq -19/10$  and  $|s-1| \geq 1$  we have

$$|\zeta(s)| = O(1) + O(|s|) + \int_1^{\infty} \frac{O(|s|^3)}{t^{\Re(s)+3}} dt = O(1 + |s|^3). \quad \square$$

EXAMPLE 4.6 (Dirichlet Series for  $\zeta'(s)$ ). *For  $\Re(s) > 1$  we have*

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\log n}{n^s} = -\zeta'(s).$$

PROOF. Let  $\Re(s) = 1 + \delta$ . By the maximum modulus principle

$$\sup_{|z| \leq \delta/2} \left| \frac{1}{z} \left( \frac{1}{n^{s+z}} - \frac{1}{n^s} \right) \right| = \sup_{|z| = \delta/2} \left| \frac{1}{z} \left( \frac{1}{n^{s+z}} - \frac{1}{n^s} \right) \right| \leq \frac{4}{\delta n^{1+\delta/2}}.$$

This converges when summed over  $n$ , so by the dominated convergence theorem

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta'(s) &= \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{\zeta(s+z) - \zeta(s)}{z} \right) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=1}^N \left( \frac{1}{zn^{s+z}} - \frac{1}{zn^s} \right) \\ &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \sum_{n=1}^N \left( \frac{1}{zn^{s+z}} - \frac{1}{zn^s} \right) \\ &= - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\log n}{n^s}. \end{aligned} \quad \square$$

LEMMA 4.7 (Approximate formula for  $\zeta(s)$ ). *Let  $s = \sigma + it$  with  $\sigma > 0$  and let  $N \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ . Then we have*

$$\zeta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{n^s} + \frac{N^{1-s}}{s-1} + O(|s|N^{-\sigma}).$$

PROOF. We follow the proof of Lemma 4.2, but only working with the terms bigger than  $N$ . For  $\sigma > 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta(s) &= \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{n^s} + \sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^s} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{n^s} + s \int_N^{\infty} \frac{t - N - \{t - N\}}{t^{s+1}} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{n^s} + \frac{N^{1-s}}{s-1} + s \int_N^{\infty} \frac{-\{t - N\}}{t^{s+1}}. \end{aligned}$$

Since the integrand is  $O(t^{-1-\sigma})$ , the right hand side converges for all  $\sigma > 0$  and the final integral is  $O(|s|N^{-\sigma})$  throughout this region.  $\square$

COROLLARY 4.8 (Growth of  $\zeta(s)$ , II). *For  $0 < \sigma < 1$  we have*

$$|\zeta(\sigma + it)| \ll 1 + \frac{|t|^{1-\sigma}}{1-\sigma}.$$

PROOF. We use the above lemma. We see that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{n^s} \right| &\leq 1 + \sum_{n=2}^N \frac{1}{n^\sigma} \leq 1 + \int_1^N \frac{du}{u^\sigma} \ll \frac{N^{1-\sigma}}{1-\sigma} \\ \left| \frac{N^{1-s}}{s-1} \right| &\leq \frac{N^{1-\sigma}}{1-\sigma} \\ |s|N^{-\sigma} &\leq N^{-\sigma} + |t|N^{-\sigma} \end{aligned}$$

Choosing  $N = \lceil t \rceil$  then gives the result.  $\square$



## CHAPTER 5

### Euler Products

In this section we make use of the key observation of Euler; that a Dirichlet series  $\sum_n f(n)n^{-s}$  has a product representation if  $f$  has the special property of being multiplicative.

LEMMA 5.1. *Let  $f$  be a multiplicative function with  $|f(n)| \leq n^{o(1)}$ . Then for  $\Re(s) > 1$  we have*

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{f(n)}{n^s} = \prod_p \left( 1 + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{f(p^j)}{p^{js}} \right).$$

*In particular, if  $f$  is completely multiplicative then*

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

PROOF. We first want to show that the finite expressions

$$S_{M_1, M_2}(s) = \prod_{p < M_1} \left( 1 + \sum_{j=1}^{M_2} \frac{f(p^j)}{p^{js}} \right)$$

converge to the Dirichlet series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(n)n^{-s}$  as  $M_2 \rightarrow \infty$  and then  $M_1 \rightarrow \infty$ .

If an integer  $n$  has a prime factorization  $n = p_1^{e_1} \dots p_j^{e_j}$ , then, since  $f$  is multiplicative, we see that

$$\frac{f(n)}{n^s} = \frac{f(p_1^{e_1})}{p_1^{e_1 s}} \cdot \frac{f(p_2^{e_2})}{p_2^{e_2 s}} \dots \frac{f(p_j^{e_j})}{p_j^{e_j s}}.$$

Therefore, if we expand the product  $S_{M_1, M_2}(s)$ , we find that

$$S_{M_1, M_2}(s) = \sum_{n \in \mathcal{N}} \frac{f(n)}{n^s}$$

where  $\mathcal{N}$  is the (finite) set of all integers  $n$  whose prime factorization only involves primes  $p < M_1$ , and each such prime occurs at most  $M_2$  times in the prime factorization. Note that here we have made crucial use of the unique factorization of integers. We see that  $\mathcal{N}$  certainly contains all integers of size at most  $M = \min(M_1, M_2)$ . Therefore we see that for  $M_1 \leq M_2$

$$\left| S_{M_1, M_2}(s) - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{f(n)}{n^s} \right| \leq \sum_{n \notin \mathcal{N}} \frac{|f(n)|}{|n^s|} \leq \sum_{n > M_1} \frac{|f(n)|}{|n^s|}$$

Letting  $M_2 \rightarrow \infty$ , this gives

$$\left| \prod_{p < M_1} \left( 1 + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{f(p^j)}{p^{js}} \right) - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{f(n)}{n^s} \right| \leq \sum_{n > M_1} \frac{|f(n)|}{|n^s|}$$

But since the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(n)n^{-s}$  converges absolutely, the right hand side tends to 0 as  $M_1$  tends to infinity, which then gives the first result.

If  $f$  is completely multiplicative then  $f(p^j) = f(p)^j$  so the sum is a geometric series, which simplifies to the expression given.  $\square$

COROLLARY 5.2 (Euler product for  $\zeta(s)$ ).

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

PROOF. This is just Lemma 5.1 applied to  $f(n) = 1$ , a completely multiplicative function.  $\square$

LEMMA 5.3 (Dirichlet series of convolution is product of Dirichlet series). *Let  $f, g : \mathbb{Z}_{>0} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ . Then*

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(f \star g)(n)}{n^s} = \left( \sum_{a=1}^{\infty} \frac{f(a)}{a^s} \right) \left( \sum_{b=1}^{\infty} \frac{g(b)}{b^s} \right)$$

*whenever  $s$  is such that  $\sum_{a=1}^{\infty} f(a)a^{-s}$  and  $\sum_{b=1}^{\infty} g(b)b^{-s}$  converge absolutely.*

PROOF. We have

$$\sum_{n=1}^N \frac{(f \star g)(n)}{n^s} = \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{\sum_{ab=n} f(a)g(b)}{n^s} = \sum_{\substack{a,b \\ ab \leq N}} \frac{f(a)g(b)}{a^s b^s}.$$

If  $ab \leq N$  then either  $a > N^{1/2}$  or  $b > N^{1/2}$  or both are at most  $N^{1/2}$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{(f \star g)(n)}{n^s} - \left( \sum_{a=1}^{N^{1/2}} \frac{f(a)}{a^s} \right) \left( \sum_{b=1}^{N^{1/2}} \frac{g(b)}{b^s} \right) \right| \\ & \leq \sum_{N^{1/2} < a \leq N} \left| \frac{f(a)}{a^s} \right| \sum_{b < N} \left| \frac{g(b)}{b^s} \right| + \sum_{a \leq N} \left| \frac{f(a)}{a^s} \right| \sum_{N^{1/2} < b \leq N} \left| \frac{g(b)}{b^s} \right| \end{aligned}$$

Since, by assumption, the series  $\sum_a f(a)a^{-s}$  and  $\sum_b g(b)b^{-s}$  converge absolutely, the right hand side tends to zero as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ , and the Dirichlet series of the convolution converges to the product of the Dirichlet series.  $\square$



LEMMA 5.4 (Dirichlet Series for  $\zeta^2$ ,  $1/\zeta$  and  $\zeta'/\zeta$ ). *For  $\Re(s) > 1$  we have*

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\tau(n)}{n^s} &= \zeta(s)^2, \\ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\mu(n)}{n^s} &= \frac{1}{\zeta(s)}, \\ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\Lambda(n)}{n^s} &= -\frac{\zeta'(s)}{\zeta(s)}.\end{aligned}$$

PROOF. We observe that  $\tau = 1 \star 1$ , and so the first result follows from Lemma 5.3.

Since  $|\mu(n)| \leq 1$  and  $\mu$  is multiplicative, we have that for  $\Re(s) > 1$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\mu(n)}{n^s} = \prod_p \left(1 + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{\mu(p^j)}{p^{js}}\right) = \prod_p \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s}\right),$$

and that both sides converge absolutely. But clearly the right hand side is the Euler product for  $1/\zeta(s)$ .

Since  $\Lambda = \mu \star \log$ , we see that the second part follows from Lemma 5.3 and Lemma 4.6.  $\square$

COROLLARY 5.5 (Non-vanishing of  $\zeta(s)$  in  $\Re(s) > 1$ ). *If  $\Re(s) > 1$  then*

$$\zeta(s) \neq 0.$$

PROOF. By Lemma 5.4, for  $\Re(s) > 1$  we have

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

which converges absolutely. Thus we cannot have  $\zeta(s) = 0$  in this region.  $\square$



## CHAPTER 6

### Poisson Summation

DEFINITION (Schwartz spaces). Let  $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z})$  be the space of all infinitely differentiable functions  $f : \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ .

Let  $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{Z})$  be the space of all functions  $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  such that for every  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  we have  $f(x) = O_k(|x|^{-k})$ .

Let  $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$  be the space of all infinitely differentiable functions  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  such that for every  $k, j \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  we have  $f^{(j)}(x) = O_{k,j}(|x|^{-k})$ .

LEMMA 6.1 (Fourier transform for  $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$ ). Let  $f \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$ . Then the Fourier transform

$$\hat{f}(\xi) := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-2\pi i x \xi} dx$$

is a function in  $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$ .

PROOF. First note that since  $f \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$ , we have that  $f(x) = O(|x|^{-k})$  for  $|x| \geq 1$ . Thus  $\hat{f}(\xi)$  is given by an absolutely convergent integral, and

$$\frac{\hat{f}(\xi + \epsilon) - \hat{f}(\xi)}{\epsilon} = \int_{|x| < \epsilon^{-1/2}} f(x) e^{-2\pi i x \xi} \left( \frac{e^{-2\pi i x \epsilon} - 1}{\epsilon} \right) dx + \int_{|x| \geq \epsilon^{-1/2}} O\left(\frac{|f(x)|}{\epsilon}\right) dx.$$

In the first integral we use the Taylor expansion  $e^{-2\pi i x \epsilon} = 1 - 2\pi i x \epsilon + O(x^2 \epsilon^2)$ .

Thus, taking out a term  $-2\pi i x f(x) e^{-2\pi i x \xi}$  from both integrals, we find

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\hat{f}(\xi + \epsilon) - \hat{f}(\xi)}{\epsilon} &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} -2\pi i x f(x) e^{-2\pi i x \xi} + O\left(\int_{|x| < \epsilon^{-1/2}} \epsilon x^2 |f(x)| dx\right) \\ &\quad + O\left(\int_{|x| \geq \epsilon^{-1/2}} |f(x)| \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon} + x\right) dx\right) \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} -2\pi i x f(x) e^{-2\pi i x \xi} + O\left(\int_{|x| < \epsilon^{-1/2}} \epsilon dx\right) + O\left(\int_{|x| \geq \epsilon^{-1/2}} \frac{1}{x^4 \epsilon} + \frac{1}{x^3}\right) dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} -2\pi i x f(x) e^{-2\pi i x \xi} + O(\epsilon^{1/2}). \end{aligned}$$

This converges as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ , showing  $\hat{f}'(\xi)$  is the Fourier transform of  $-2\pi i x f(x)$ . Since  $-2\pi i x f(x) \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$  whenever  $f \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$ , we can repeat the above argument and find that  $\hat{f}^{(j)}$  is the Fourier transform of  $(-2\pi i x)^j f(x)$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ .

By differentiating by parts  $k$  times, we see that

$$\hat{f}^{(j)}(\xi) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-2\pi i x \xi}}{(2\pi i \xi)^k} \frac{\partial^k}{\partial x^k} \left( (-2\pi i x)^j f(x) \right) dx \ll_{j,k} \frac{1}{|\xi|^k}.$$

Thus  $\hat{f} \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$ . □

LEMMA 6.2 (Fourier inversion for  $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z})$ ). *Let  $g \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z})$ . Then the Fourier transform*

$$\hat{g}(n) = \int_0^1 g(\theta) e^{-2\pi i n \theta} d\theta$$

*is a function in  $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{Z})$  such that*

$$g(\theta) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{g}(n) e^{2\pi i n \theta}.$$

PROOF. Since  $g$  is infinitely differentiable, by integration by parts we see that

$$\hat{g}(n) = \int_0^1 g^{(j)}(\theta) \frac{e^{2\pi i n \theta}}{(-2\pi i n)^j} d\theta \ll_j \frac{1}{|n|^j}.$$

Thus  $\hat{g} \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{Z})$ . Let  $h \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z})$  be given by

$$h(\theta) = g(\theta) - \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{g}(n) e^{2\pi i n \theta}.$$

We want to show that  $h(\theta) = 0$ . Assume for a contradiction that  $h(\theta_1) \neq 0$  for some  $\theta_1$ . We first see that

$$\hat{h}(m) = \int_0^1 g(\theta) e^{-2\pi i m \theta} d\theta - \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{g}(n) \int_0^1 e^{2\pi i (n-m)\theta} d\theta = \hat{g}(m) - \hat{g}(m) = 0.$$

Similarly we see that all the Fourier coefficients of  $\bar{h}$  vanish. Thus if  $h \neq 0$ , by considering  $f = \pm(h + \bar{h})$  or  $f = \pm(h - \bar{h})/i$ , we see there exists a real function  $f \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z})$  with  $f(\theta_1) > 0$  but  $\hat{f}(n) = 0$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Since  $f(\theta_1) > 0$ , there is an  $\epsilon > 0$  such that  $f(\theta) > f(\theta_1)/2$  for  $\theta \in [\theta_1 - \epsilon, \theta_1 + \epsilon]$ . Then there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|\cos(2\pi(\theta - \theta_1)) + \delta| < 1 - \delta/2$  for all  $\theta \notin [\theta_1 - \epsilon, \theta_1 + \epsilon]$ , and there is an  $\eta > 0$  such that  $\eta < \epsilon$  and  $\cos(2\pi i(\theta - \theta_1)) + \delta > 1 + \delta/2$  for all  $\theta \in [\theta_1 - \eta, \theta_1 + \eta]$ .

Consider the function  $(\delta + \cos(2\pi(\theta - \theta_1)))^k$  for some large integer  $k$ . This can be expanded as trigonometric polynomial  $\sum_{-k \leq j \leq k} c_j e^{2\pi i j \theta}$  for some coefficients  $c_j$ . Since all Fourier coefficients of  $f$  vanish, we see that

$$\int_0^1 \left( \delta + \cos(2\pi(\theta - \theta_1)) \right)^k f(\theta) d\theta = \sum_{-k \leq j \leq k} c_j \int_0^1 f(\theta) e^{2\pi i j \theta} d\theta = 0.$$

On the other hand, this integral is given by

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{|\theta-\theta_1| \leq \epsilon} f(\theta)(\delta + \cos(2\pi(\theta - \theta_1)))^k + \int_{|\theta-\theta_1| \geq \epsilon} O(1 - \delta/2)^k d\theta \\ & \geq \int_{|\theta-\theta_1| \leq \eta} f(\theta)(\delta + \cos(2\pi(\theta - \theta_1)))^k + O(1 - \delta/2)^k \\ & \geq 2\eta \frac{f(\theta_1)}{2} (1 + \delta/2)^k + O(1 - \delta/2)^k. \end{aligned}$$

Thus for  $k$  large enough the integral is non-zero, giving a contradiction.  $\square$

**THEOREM 6.3** (Poisson summation formula). *Let  $f \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$  with Fourier transform  $\hat{f}$ . Then*

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f(n) = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{f}(m).$$

**PROOF.** Define two functions  $F, G : \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  by

$$\begin{aligned} F(\theta) &= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{f}(n) e^{2\pi i n \theta}, \\ G(\theta) &= \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} f(\theta + m). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $f \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$  and  $\hat{f} \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$  by Lemma 6.1, it is easy to verify that  $F, G \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z})$ . We want to show that  $F = G$ . We do this by computing Fourier coefficients. For  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we find

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{F}(m) &= \int_0^1 \left( \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{f}(n) e^{2\pi i n \theta} \right) e^{-2\pi i m \theta} d\theta \\ &= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{f}(n) \int_0^1 e^{2\pi i (n-m)\theta} d\theta = \hat{f}(m). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{G}(m) &= \int_0^1 \left( \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f(\theta + n) \right) e^{-2\pi i m \theta} d\theta \\ &= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \int_n^{n+1} f(\theta) e^{-2\pi i m (\theta - n)} d\theta \\ &= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \int_n^{n+1} f(\theta) e^{-2\pi i m \theta} d\theta = \hat{f}(m). \end{aligned}$$

(We may exchange the orders of summation and integration above since  $f, \hat{f} \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$  so everything converges absolutely.)

By Lemma 6.2,  $F$  and  $G$  are uniquely determined by their Fourier coefficients, and so are equal.  $\square$

LEMMA 6.4 (Meromorphic continuation of modified  $\zeta(s)$ ). *Let  $f \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$  satisfy  $f(x) = f(-x)$ . Define the Mellin transform*

$$F(s) = \int_0^\infty f(x)x^{s-1}dx.$$

*Then we have*

$$\zeta(s)F(s) = \frac{\hat{f}(0)}{2s-2} - \frac{f(0)}{2s} + \int_1^\infty \left( \sum_{n=1}^\infty f(nx) \right) x^{s-1} dx + \int_1^\infty \left( \sum_{n=1}^\infty \hat{f}(nu) \right) u^{-s} du,$$

*and the right hand side converges to a meromorphic function for all  $s \in \mathbb{C}$  with poles at  $s = 0$  and  $s = 1$ .*

PROOF. For  $\Re(s) > 1$  we have

$$\zeta(s)F(s) = \sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{1}{n^s} \int_0^\infty f(x)x^{s-1}dx = \sum_{n=1}^\infty \int_0^\infty f(nt)t^{s-1}dt = \int_0^\infty \left( \sum_{n=1}^\infty f(nt) \right) t^{s-1}dt.$$

(We may exchange the order of summation and integration using Fubini's Theorem since  $f \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$  and so everything converges absolutely.) Let  $h(x) = f(xt)$ . Then

$$\hat{h}(\xi) = \int_{-\infty}^\infty f(xt)e^{-2\pi i x \xi} dx = \frac{1}{t} \int_{-\infty}^\infty f(u)e^{-2\pi i u \xi/t} du = \frac{\hat{f}(\xi/t)}{t}.$$

Thus, by Poisson summation (Theorem 6.3) we have

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f(nt) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} h(n) = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{h}(m) = \frac{1}{t} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{f}\left(\frac{m}{t}\right).$$

If  $f$  is even, then  $\hat{f}$  is also even, so we find

$$\sum_{n=1}^\infty f(nt) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f(nt) - \frac{f(0)}{2} = \frac{\hat{f}(0)}{2t} - \frac{f(0)}{2} + \frac{1}{t} \sum_{m=1}^\infty \hat{f}\left(\frac{m}{t}\right).$$

We separate the integral expression for  $\zeta(s)F(s)$  into  $0 \leq x \leq 1$  and  $1 \leq x \leq \infty$ , and substitute the above expression into the integral over  $0 \leq x \leq 1$ . This gives for  $\Re(s) > 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta(s)F(s) &= \int_1^\infty \left( \sum_{n=1}^\infty f(nt) \right) t^{s-1} dt + \int_0^1 \left( \sum_{n=1}^\infty f(nt) \right) t^{s-1} dt \\ &= \int_1^\infty \left( \sum_{n=1}^\infty f(nt) \right) t^{s-1} dt + \frac{\hat{f}(0)}{2s-2} - \frac{f(0)}{2s} + \int_0^1 \left( \sum_{m=1}^\infty \hat{f}\left(\frac{m}{t}\right) \right) t^{s-2} dt \\ &= \int_1^\infty \left( \sum_{n=1}^\infty f(nt) \right) t^{s-1} dt + \frac{\hat{f}(0)}{2s-2} - \frac{f(0)}{2s} + \int_1^\infty \left( \sum_{m=1}^\infty \hat{f}(mu) \right) u^{-s} du, \end{aligned}$$

where in the final integral on the final line we substituted  $u = 1/t$ .  $\square$

## CHAPTER 7

### The Functional Equation

LEMMA 7.1 (Gaussian is eigenfunction of Fourier operator). *Let  $f(x) = e^{-\pi x^2} \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$ . Then*

$$\hat{f}(\xi) = e^{-\pi \xi^2}.$$

PROOF. By completing the square, we have

$$\hat{f}(\xi) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi x^2 - 2\pi i x \xi} dx = e^{-\pi \xi^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi(x+i\xi)^2} dx.$$

By Cauchy's residue theorem

$$\int_{-R+i\xi}^{R+i\xi} f(z) dz + \int_{R+i\xi}^R f(z) dz + \int_R^{-R} f(z) dz + \int_{-R}^{-R+i\xi} f(z) dz = 0,$$

where the integrals are straight line contours. Since  $|f(z)| \leq e^{-\pi(\Re(z)^2 - \Im(z)^2)}$ , we see that the second and fourth terms both tend to 0 as  $R \rightarrow \infty$ . Thus we find that

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi(x+i\xi)^2} dx = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-R+i\xi}^{R+i\xi} f(z) dz = - \int_{\infty}^{-\infty} f(z) dz = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi x^2} dx.$$

The result follows on recalling the identity  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi u^2} du = 1$ . □

DEFINITION (The Gamma function). *For  $\Re(s) > 0$ , let  $\Gamma(s)$  be defined by*

$$\Gamma(s) = \int_0^{\infty} x^{s-1} e^{-x} dx.$$

THEOREM 7.2 (The functional equation). *Define the function*

$$\xi(s) = \pi^{-s/2} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) \zeta(s).$$

*Then  $\xi(s)$  has a meromorphic continuation to the entire complex plane, and satisfies the functional equation*

$$\xi(s) = \xi(1-s).$$

PROOF. We apply Lemma 6.4 with  $f(x) = e^{-\pi x^2}$ . We see that substituting  $y = \pi x^2$  gives

$$F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\pi x^2} x^{s-1} dx = \frac{1}{2\pi^{s/2}} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-y} y^{s/2-1} dy = \frac{\Gamma(s/2)}{2\pi^{s/2}}.$$

Thus Lemma 6.4 gives

$$\frac{\Gamma(s/2)\zeta(s)}{2\pi^{s/2}} = \frac{1}{2s-2} - \frac{1}{2s} + \int_1^\infty \left( \sum_{n=1}^\infty e^{-\pi n^2 x^2} \right) x^{s-1} dx + \int_1^\infty \left( \sum_{n=1}^\infty e^{-\pi n^2 x^2} \right) x^{-s} dx,$$

and we see that the right hand side is unchanged if we replace  $s$  with  $1-s$ .  $\square$

LEMMA 7.3 (Functional equation for  $\Gamma(s)$ ). *For  $\Re(s) > 0$ , we have*

$$\Gamma(s) = \frac{\Gamma(s+1)}{s}$$

PROOF. This is integration by parts:

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(s) &= \int_0^\infty x^{s-1} e^{-x} dx = \left[ \frac{x^s}{s} \cdot -e^{-x} \right]_0^\infty - \int_0^\infty \frac{x^s}{s} (-e^{-x}) dx \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(s+1)}{s}. \end{aligned} \quad \square$$

COROLLARY 7.4.  $\Gamma(s)$  has a meromorphic continuation to the entire complex plane, with poles only at the non-positive integers.

PROOF. From Lemma 7.3 see that  $\Gamma(s+1)/s$  is a meromorphic continuation of  $\Gamma(s)$  to the region  $\Re(s) > -1$  with a simple pole at  $s = 0$ . By repeatedly applying Lemma 7.3, we see that for any  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  we have

$$\Gamma(s) = \frac{\Gamma(s+n)}{s(s+1) \cdots (s+n-1)},$$

and this defines an analytic continuation of  $\Gamma(s)$  to  $\Re(s) > -n$ , with possible poles only at  $s = 0, -1, -2, \dots, -(n-1)$ . This gives the result.  $\square$

COROLLARY 7.5.  $\zeta(s)$  has a meromorphic continuation to the entire complex plane.

PROOF.  $\zeta(s) = \xi(s)\pi^{s/2}/\Gamma(s/2)$ , and the right hand side has a suitable continuation.  $\square$

LEMMA 7.6 (Euler reflection formula). *For all  $s \in \mathbb{C}$  we have*

$$\Gamma(s)\Gamma(1-s) = \frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi s)}.$$

PROOF. We see that  $\Gamma(s)\Gamma(1-s)$  is a meromorphic function which has at most a simple pole at  $s \in \mathbb{Z}$  and no other poles. Since  $\sin(\pi s) = (e^{i\pi s} - e^{-i\pi s})/2$  has zeros at  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  and has no poles, we see  $G(s) = \Gamma(s)\Gamma(1-s)\sin(\pi s)$  is an entire function. Moreover,  $G(s) = G(s+1)$ , so we can define an analytic function  $F(s)$  on  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$  by  $F(Re^{i\theta}) := G((\theta - i \log R)/2\pi)$ . By Lemma 7.3 we have

$$|G(\sigma + it)| = \left| \frac{\Gamma(1 + \sigma + it)\Gamma(2 - \sigma + it)}{(\sigma + it)(1 - \sigma + it)} \right| \cdot \left| \frac{e^{-\pi t + i\pi\sigma} + e^{\pi t - i\pi\sigma}}{2} \right|.$$



For  $0 < \sigma$ , the integral equation shows that  $|\Gamma(\sigma + it)| \leq |\Gamma(\sigma)|$ . Therefore for  $|t| > 1$  and  $0 \leq \sigma \leq 1$  we have

$$|G(\sigma + it)| \leq \frac{\Gamma(1 + \sigma)}{|\sigma + it|} \frac{\Gamma(2 - \sigma)}{|1 - \sigma + it|} e^{\pi|t|} \ll e^{\pi|t|}.$$

Thus for  $R < e^{-2\pi}$  or  $R > e^{2\pi}$  we have

$$|F(Re^{i\theta})| = |G((\theta - i \log R)/2\pi)| \ll R^{1/2} + R^{-1/2}.$$

In particular, since  $sF(s) \rightarrow 0$  as  $s \rightarrow 0$ , we can extend  $F(s)$  to an entire function on all of  $\mathbb{C}$ . But then for large  $R$

$$\begin{aligned} F(s) - F(0) &= \int_{|z|=R} \left( \frac{F(z)}{z-s} - \frac{F(z)}{z} \right) dz \\ &= s \int_{|z|=R} \frac{F(z)}{z(z-s)} dz \\ &\ll |s| \int_{|z|=R} O(R^{-3/2}) |dz| \ll \frac{|s|}{R^{1/2}}. \end{aligned}$$

Since this is true for all large  $R$ , letting  $R \rightarrow \infty$  shows that  $F$  is constant. Thus  $G$  is a constant. To find the value of the constant, we see that as  $s \rightarrow 0$  we have

$$G(s) = \Gamma(1+s)\Gamma(1-s) \frac{\sin(\pi s)}{s} \rightarrow \Gamma(1)^2 \pi = \pi. \quad \square$$

COROLLARY 7.7 (Non-vanishing of  $\Gamma(s)$ ).  $\Gamma(s)$  has no zeros.

PROOF.  $\sin(\pi s)$  has no poles, so this follows immediately from Lemma 7.6.  $\square$

LEMMA 7.8 (Zeros and poles of  $\zeta(s)$ ).  $\zeta(s)$  is a meromorphic function with

- A simple pole at  $s = 1$ , and no other poles.
- ‘Trivial zeros’ at  $s = -2, -4, \dots$ , and no other zeros in  $\Re(s) < 0$ .
- ‘Non-trivial’ zeros  $\rho$  with  $\Re(\rho) \in [0, 1]$ .
- No zeros in  $\Re(s) > 1$ .

PROOF. The functional equation (Theorem 7.2) gives

$$\zeta(s) = \frac{\pi^{s/2} \Gamma\left(\frac{1-s}{2}\right)}{\pi^{(1-s)/2} \Gamma(s/2)} \zeta(1-s).$$

$\zeta(1-s)$  has no zeros in  $\Re(s) < 0$  by Corollary 5.5, and in  $\Re(s) \leq 1$  it has only a simple pole at  $s = 0$  by Lemma 4.2.  $\pi^{s/2}$  and  $\pi^{(1-s)/2}$  have no zeros or poles in the complex plane.  $\Gamma((1-s)/2)$  has no zeros by Corollary 7.7 and has a unique simple poles at  $s = 1$  in  $\Re(s) \leq 1$ .  $\Gamma(s/2)$  has simple poles at  $s = 0, -2, -4, \dots$  and no zeros. Putting these statements together, we see that the right hand side has a removable singularity at  $s = 0$ , a simple pole at  $s = 1$  and no other poles in  $\Re(s) \leq 1$ . Moreover, it has zeros at  $s = -2, -4, \dots$  but no other zeros in  $\Re(s) < 0$ . Recalling  $\zeta(s)$  has no zeros in  $\Re(s) > 1$  by Corollary 5.5 gives the result.  $\square$



## CHAPTER 8

### Perron's Formula

LEMMA 8.1. *Let  $y > 0$  and  $y \neq 1$ . Then for any  $c > 0$  and  $T \geq 2$  we have*

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{c-iT}^{c+iT} \frac{y^s ds}{s} = H(y) + O\left(\frac{y^c}{T|\log y|}\right),$$

where

$$H(y) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } y > 1, \\ 0, & \text{if } y < 1. \end{cases}$$

PROOF. This is an exercise in Cauchy's residue theorem. The integrand  $y^s/s$  is meromorphic in the whole complex plane with a simple zero at  $s = 0$  with residue 1. If  $y > 1$  then the residue theorem implies that for any  $r > 1$

$$\int_{c-iT}^{c+iT} \frac{y^s ds}{s} + \int_{c+iT}^{-r+iT} \frac{y^s ds}{s} + \int_{-r+iT}^{-r-iT} \frac{y^s ds}{s} + \int_{-r-iT}^{c-iT} \frac{y^s ds}{s} = 2\pi i \operatorname{Res}_{s=0} \frac{y^s}{s} = 2\pi i.$$

The first term on the left hand side is the thing we want to estimate. In the second and fourth integrals we have  $|s| \geq T$  and  $|y^s| \leq y^{\Re(s)}$ , so they are each bounded in size by

$$\int_{-r}^c \frac{y^\sigma d\sigma}{T} \leq \frac{1}{T} \int_{-\infty}^c y^\sigma d\sigma = \frac{y^c}{T|\log y|}.$$

In the third integral we have  $|y^s| \leq y^{-r}$  and  $|s| \geq r$ , so this is bounded by

$$\int_{-T}^T \frac{y^{-r} dt}{r} \leq \frac{2y^{-r}T}{r}.$$

Putting this together, we see that

$$\int_{c-iT}^{c+iT} \frac{y^s ds}{s} = 2\pi i + O\left(\frac{y^c}{T|\log y|}\right) + O\left(\frac{y^{-r}T}{r}\right).$$

Letting  $r \rightarrow \infty$  then gives the result in this case. If instead  $y < 1$ , then we apply the same argument but with  $r < 0$ . In this case the closed contour avoids the pole at  $s = 0$ , and so we find the the same argument gives

$$\int_{c-iT}^{c+iT} \frac{y^s ds}{s} = O\left(\frac{y^c}{T|\log y|}\right) + O\left(\frac{y^{-r}T}{|r|}\right).$$

Letting  $r \rightarrow -\infty$  gives the result. □

LEMMA 8.2 (Perron's formula). *Let  $2 \leq T \leq 2x$  and  $c = 1 + 1/\log x$ . Let  $a_n \in \mathbb{C}$  be a complex sequence with  $|a_n| \leq (\log n)^2$ . Then*

$$A(x) = \sum_{n < x} a_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{c-iT}^{c+iT} x^s \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{n^s} \right) \frac{ds}{s} + O\left(\frac{x(\log x)^3}{T}\right).$$

PROOF. We note that if  $|n - x| \leq 3$  and  $n \geq 1$  then  $(x/n)^c = O(1)$ , so

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{c-iT}^{c+iT} \left(\frac{x}{n}\right)^s \frac{ds}{s} \ll \log T \leq \log x.$$

Using this if  $|n - x| \leq 3$  and using Lemma 8.1 if  $|n - x| > 3$ , we have for any  $N > x$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n < x} a_n &= \sum_{\substack{n < N \\ |n-x| > 3}} a_n \left( \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{c-iT}^{c+iT} \frac{x^s ds}{n^s s} + O\left(\frac{(x/n)^c}{T|\log(x/n)|}\right) \right) \\ &\quad + \sum_{|n-x| \leq 3} a_n \left( \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{c-iT}^{c+iT} \frac{x^s ds}{n^s s} + O(\log T) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{c-iT}^{c+iT} x^s \left( \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{a_n}{n^s} \right) \frac{ds}{s} + O\left(\frac{x^c}{T} \sum_{\substack{n < N \\ |n-x| \geq 3}} \frac{(\log n)^2}{n^c |\log(x/n)|}\right) + O(\log x)^3. \end{aligned}$$

We first concentrate on the error term. We note that  $x^c \ll x$ . If  $n < 3x/4$  then  $|\log(x/n)| \gg \log(4/3) > 0$ . Thus these terms contribute

$$\ll \frac{x}{T} \sum_{n < 3x/4} \frac{(\log n)^2}{n^c} \ll \frac{x}{T} \sum_{n < 3x/4} \frac{(\log n)^2}{n} \ll \frac{x(\log x)^3}{T}.$$

Similarly, if  $n > 5x/4$  then  $|\log(x/n)| \geq \log(5/4) > 0$ , and so these terms contribute

$$\ll \frac{x}{T} \sum_{n > 5x/4} \frac{(\log n)^2}{n^c} \ll \frac{x}{T} \int_{5x/4-1}^{\infty} \frac{(\log t)^2 dt}{t^{1+1/\log x}} \ll \frac{x(\log x)^3}{T}.$$

For the terms  $3x/4 \leq n \leq 5x/4$  we put  $n = \lfloor x \rfloor + h$  and note that  $|\log(n/x)| = |\log(1 + (n-x)/x)| \geq |h|/2x$  for  $3 \leq |h| \leq x/4$ . Thus these terms contribute

$$\ll \frac{x}{T} \sum_{3 \leq |h| \leq x/4} \frac{(\log x)^2 x}{|h|(\lfloor x \rfloor + h)^c} \ll \frac{x(\log x)^2}{T} \sum_{1 \leq h \leq x/4} \frac{1}{h} \ll \frac{x(\log x)^3}{T}.$$

Putting this together, we find that for any  $N > x$  we have

$$\sum_{n < x} a_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{c-iT}^{c+iT} x^s \left( \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{a_n}{n^s} \right) \frac{ds}{s} + O\left(\frac{x(\log x)^3}{T}\right).$$

Since the Dirichlet series converges uniformly absolutely on  $\Re(s) \geq 1 + \delta$  by Lemma 4.1, letting  $N \rightarrow \infty$  gives the result.  $\square$

LEMMA 8.3 (Counting primes). *Let  $c = 1 + 1/\log x$  and  $2 \leq T \leq 2x$ . Then we have*

$$\psi(x) = \sum_{n \leq x} \Lambda(n) = \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{c-iT}^{c+iT} x^s \frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s) \frac{ds}{s} + O\left(\frac{x(\log x)^3}{T}\right).$$

PROOF. This follows immediately from Lemma 5.4 and Lemma 8.2, noting that  $\Lambda(n) \leq \log n$ .  $\square$



## CHAPTER 9

### $\zeta(s)$ as a Taylor Series

LEMMA 9.1 (Taylor coefficients are controlled by size of function). *Let  $f(z)$  be an analytic function on the disk  $|z| \leq R$ , with Taylor series  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n z^n$ . Then for  $n \geq 1$  the coefficients  $c_n$  satisfy*

$$|c_n| \leq \frac{8 \max_{|z|=R} \Re(f(z) - f(0))}{R^n}.$$

PROOF. Let  $c_n = a_n + ib_n$  for real  $a_n, b_n$ , and let  $g(z) = f(z) - f(0)$ . We have

$$\Re(g(Re^{i\theta})) = \Re\left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n R^n e^{in\theta}\right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} R^n a_n \cos(n\theta) - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} R^n b_n \sin(n\theta).$$

Fourier inversion (or a simple calculation using uniform absolute convergence) then shows that

$$\begin{aligned} R^n a_n &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \Re(g(Re^{i\theta})) \cos(n\theta) d\theta, \\ R^n b_n &= -\frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \Re(g(Re^{i\theta})) \sin(n\theta) d\theta. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, we see that  $\int_0^{2\pi} \Re(g(Re^{i\theta})) d\theta = g(0) = 0$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} |c_n| &\leq 2 \max(|a_n|, |b_n|) \leq \frac{2}{\pi R^n} \int_0^{2\pi} |\Re(g(Re^{i\theta}))| d\theta \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi R^n} \int_0^{2\pi} \left( |\Re(g(Re^{i\theta}))| + \Re(g(Re^{i\theta})) \right) d\theta \\ &\leq \frac{8}{R^n} \max_{|z|=R} \Re(g(z)) = \frac{8}{R^n} \max_{|z|=R} \Re(f(z) - f(0)). \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

LEMMA 9.2 (Partial fraction approximation for analytic functions). *Let  $f(z)$  be an analytic function on the disk  $|z| \leq R$  with  $f(0) \neq 0$ . Let  $z_1, \dots, z_k \in \mathbb{C}$  denote the zeros of  $f$  in the disk  $|z| \leq R/2$ , listed with multiplicity. Then for  $|z| \leq 9R/20$  we have*

$$\left| \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} - \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{z - z_j} \right| \ll \frac{1}{R} \max_{|z|=R} \log \left| \frac{f(z)}{f(0)} \right|$$

PROOF. Let

$$g(z) = \frac{f(z)}{\prod_{j=1}^k (z - z_j)},$$

and  $G(z) = \log(g(z)/g(0))$ . Provided we are in a region where  $G(z)$  is analytic, we have

$$\frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} - \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{z - z_j} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} G(z).$$

The function  $g(z)$  has no zeros in the region  $|z| \leq R/2$ , since we have removed all the zeros from  $f$ . Moreover,  $g$  is analytic in the region  $|z| \leq R$  since it only has removable singularities in this region and both the numerator and denominator are analytic. Thus the function  $G(z) = \log(g(z)/g(0))$  is analytic in the region  $|z| \leq R/2$ , and so has a Taylor expansion

$$G(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n z^n$$

valid for  $|z| \leq R/2$ . (Explicitly, we could define  $G(z) := \int_1^z g'(s)ds/g(s)$  where the integral is a straight line contour from 1 to  $z$ .) By Lemma 9.1, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} |c_n| &\leq \frac{8}{(R/2)^n} \max_{|z|=R/2} \Re(G(z)) = \frac{8}{(R/2)^n} \max_{|z|=R/2} \log \left| \frac{g(z)}{g(0)} \right| \\ &= \frac{8}{(R/2)^n} \log \left( \max_{|z|=R/2} \left| \frac{g(z)}{g(0)} \right| \right). \end{aligned}$$

By the maximum modulus principle

$$\max_{|z|=R/2} \left| \frac{g(z)}{g(0)} \right| \leq \max_{|z|=R} \left| \frac{g(z)}{g(0)} \right| = \max_{|z|=R} \left| \frac{f(z)}{f(0)} \prod_{j=1}^k \frac{z_j}{z - z_j} \right|.$$

Since  $|z_j| \leq R/2$  for all  $j$ , we have  $|z_j|/|z - z_j| \leq 1$  for  $|z| = R$ . Thus

$$|c_n| \leq \frac{8}{(R/2)^n} \max_{|z|=R} \log \left| \frac{f(z)}{f(0)} \right|.$$

But now we have for  $|z| \leq 9R/20$

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} - \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{z - z_j} \right| &= |G'(z)| = \left| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n n z^{n-1} \right| \\ &\leq \frac{16}{R} \left( \max_{|z|=R} \log \left| \frac{f(z)}{f(0)} \right| \right) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \left( \frac{9}{10} \right)^{n-1} \\ &\ll \frac{1}{R} \max_{|z|=R} \log \left| \frac{f(z)}{f(0)} \right|. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

**LEMMA 9.3** (Size of analytic function controls density of zeros). *Let  $f(z)$  be an analytic function on the disk  $|z| \leq R$  then the number of zeros of  $f$  in the disk  $|z| < R/2$  is bounded by*

$$2 \max_{|z|=R} \log \left| \frac{f(z)}{f(0)} \right|.$$



PROOF. If  $|z| = R$  then

$$|z - z_\ell| = |\bar{z} - \bar{z}_\ell| = \left| \frac{z\bar{z} - z\bar{z}_\ell}{z} \right| = \left| \frac{R^2 - z\bar{z}_\ell}{R} \right|.$$

Thus if  $f(z)$  has zeros  $z_1, \dots, z_k$  in the disk  $|z| < R/2$ , then the function

$$h(z) = f(z) \prod_{j=1}^k \left( \frac{R^2 - z\bar{z}_j}{R(z - z_j)} \right)$$

is analytic on  $|z| \leq R$  and has  $|h(z)| = |f(z)|$  if  $|z| = R$ . Therefore, by the maximum modulus principle

$$\max_{|z|=R} |f(z)| = \max_{|z|=R} |h(z)| \geq |h(0)| = |f(0)| \prod_{j=1}^k \frac{R}{|z_j|} \geq |f(0)| 2^k.$$

Thus the number of zeros  $k$  satisfies

$$k \leq \frac{1}{\log 2} \max_{|z|=R} \log \left| \frac{f(z)}{f(0)} \right|. \quad \square$$

LEMMA 9.4 (Zeros of  $\zeta(s)$  are not too dense). *The number of non-trivial zeros  $\rho$  of  $\zeta(s)$  with  $t \leq \Im(\rho) \leq t+1$  is  $O(\log(2+|t|))$ .*

PROOF. The result is trivial for  $t \leq 10$  since  $\zeta(s)$  can have only finitely many zeros in the region  $\Re(s) \in [0, 1]$ ,  $|\Im(s)| \leq 10$ . Therefore let  $|t| \geq 10$ . Let  $g(z) = \zeta(1 + 1/100 + z + it)$  and  $R = 3$ , so  $g(z)$  is analytic in  $|z| < R$ . By Lemma 4.5 we have  $|g(z)| \ll t^3$  for  $|z| = R$ , and for all  $t$  we have

$$|g(0)| = |\zeta(1 + 1/100 + it)| \geq \prod_p \left( 1 + \frac{1}{p^{1+1/100}} \right)^{-1} > 0.$$

Therefore, by Lemma 9.3,  $g(z)$  can have  $O(\log |t|)$  zeros with  $|z| < 3/2$ . But this means that  $\zeta(s)$  can have at most  $O(\log |t|)$  zeros with  $\Im(\rho) \in [t - 1/2, t + 1/2]$ , since these are all zeros of  $g(z)$  with  $|z| < R$ . This gives the result.  $\square$

LEMMA 9.5 (Partial fraction expansion of  $\zeta(s)$ ). *Let  $s = \sigma + it$  with  $\sigma \geq -1/4$ . Then we have*

$$\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s) = \frac{-1}{s-1} + \sum_{|\rho-s| \leq 1/10} \frac{1}{s-\rho} + O(\log(|t|+2)).$$

Here the sum is over zeros  $\rho$  of  $\zeta(s)$  with each zero of multiplicity  $m$  occurring  $m$  times.

PROOF. Again, the result is trivial for  $|t| < 10$ , since in this region  $\zeta'(s)/\zeta(s)$  is  $O(1)$  unless it is close to one of the finite number of poles, in which case  $\zeta'(s)/\zeta(s) = -1/(s-1) + O(1)$  if  $s$  is close to 1, or  $\zeta'(s)/\zeta(s) = 1/(s-\rho) + O(1)$  if  $s$  is close to a zero  $\rho$ . Similarly the result is trivial if  $\Re(s) \geq 2$ , since then  $\zeta'/\zeta(s)$  is  $O(1)$ .

Therefore let  $|t| \geq 10$ . Let  $g(z) = \zeta(1 + 1/100 + z + it)$  and  $R = 3$  again, so  $g(0) \gg 1$  uniformly in  $t$  and  $|g(z)| \ll 1 + t^3$  for  $|z| \leq R$ . We see that the zeros of  $g(z)$  with  $|z| \leq R/2$  are of the form  $\rho - 1 - 1/100 - it$  for zeros  $\rho$  of  $\zeta(s)$  with  $|\rho - 1 - 1/100 - it| \leq 3/2$ . Now by Lemma 9.2 we have for  $|z| < 27/20$

$$\frac{g'(z)}{g(z)} = \sum_{|\rho - 1 - 1/100 - it| \leq 3/2} \frac{1}{z - \rho + 1 + 1/100 + it} + O(\log(2 + |t|)).$$

We let  $z = \sigma - 1 - 1/100$ , so  $g(z) = \zeta(\sigma + it)$ , and note that  $|z| < 27/20$  if  $\sigma \geq -1/4$ .

$$\frac{\zeta'(\sigma + it)}{\zeta(\sigma + it)} = \sum_{|\rho - 1 - 1/100 - it| \leq 3/2} \frac{1}{\sigma + it - \rho} + O(\log(2 + |t|)).$$

We see that the set of  $\rho$  with  $|\rho - 1 - 1/100 - it| \leq 3/2$  contains all  $\rho$  with  $|\rho - \sigma - it| \leq 1/10$  since  $\sigma \geq -1/4$ . Since there are  $O(\log t)$  zeros in the sum and any zero with  $|\rho - \sigma - it| \geq 1/10$  contributes  $O(1)$ , we see that

$$\sum_{|\rho - 1 - 1/100 - it| \leq 3/2} \frac{1}{\sigma + it - \rho} = \sum_{|\rho - \sigma - it| \leq 1/10} \frac{1}{\sigma + it - \rho} + O(\log t).$$

Substituting this in above gives the result.

Those zeros in the sum with  $|\rho - s| \geq 1/10$  can be absorbed into the error term by Lemma 9.4. This gives the result.  $\square$

**COROLLARY 9.6** (Size of  $\zeta'/\zeta(s)$  controlled away from zeros). *Let  $s = \sigma + it$  with  $\sigma \geq -1/4$ . If  $s$  is a distance at least  $\gg 1/\log(2 + |t|)$  from all zeros of  $\zeta(s)$  and from 1 then*

$$\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s) = O(\log(2 + |t|)^2).$$

**PROOF.** This follows immediately from Lemma 9.4 and Lemma 9.5.  $\square$

## CHAPTER 10

### The Explicit Formula

LEMMA 10.1 (Computation of residues). *We have for  $\Re(s_0) \geq -1$*

$$\operatorname{Res}_{s=s_0} \frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s) \frac{x^s}{s} = \begin{cases} -x, & s_0 = 1, \\ m \frac{x^{s_0}}{s_0}, & s_0 \text{ a zero of zeta with multiplicity } m, \\ \frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(0), & s_0 = 0, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

PROOF. The function  $x^s$  has no poles in the complex plane, and the function  $1/s$  has a simple pole at 0 and no other poles. By Lemma 7.8,  $\zeta'/\zeta(s)$  has a simple pole at  $s = 1$  and a simple pole at each zero of  $\zeta(s)$ . Thus the function

$$\frac{x^s}{s} \frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s)$$

has a simple pole at  $s = 1$ , a simple pole at  $s = \rho$  for each zero of  $\zeta(s)$ , and a simple pole at  $s = 0$ . We want to calculate the residues at each of these poles, and this is easy since they are all simple poles. The residue at  $s = 1$  is

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow 1} (s-1) \frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s) \frac{x^s}{s} = -x.$$

If  $\zeta$  has a zero  $\rho$  of multiplicity  $m_\rho$ , the residue at  $s = \rho$  is

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \rho} (s-\rho) \frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s) \frac{x^s}{s} = m_\rho \frac{x^\rho}{\rho}.$$

Finally, the residue at  $s = 0$  is

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} x^s \frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s) = \frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(0)$$

which is just some constant (in fact, it is equal to  $\log 2\pi$ ). □

THEOREM 10.2 (The explicit formula). *Let  $2 \leq T \leq 2x$ . Then we have*

$$\psi(x) = x - \sum_{|\Im(\rho)| \leq T} \frac{x^\rho}{\rho} + O\left(\frac{x(\log x)^3}{T}\right).$$

*Here the summation is over all non-trivial zeros of  $\zeta(s)$ , occurring with multiplicity.*

PROOF. By Lemma 8.3, for any choice of  $2 \leq T_1 \leq 2x$ , we have

$$\psi(x) = \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{c-iT_1}^{c+iT_1} x^s \frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s) \frac{ds}{s} + O\left(\frac{x(\log x)^3}{T_1}\right).$$

where  $c = 1 + 1/\log x$ . We want to estimate this integral using Cauchy's residue theorem applied to the box with corners  $c - iT_1$ ,  $c + iT_1$ ,  $-1/4 + iT_1$  and  $-1/4 - iT_1$ . This gives

$$\begin{aligned} 2\pi i \sum_{s_0} \operatorname{Res}_{s=s_0} x^s \frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s) \frac{ds}{s} &= \int_{c-iT_1}^{c+iT_1} x^s \frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s) \frac{ds}{s} + \int_{c+iT_1}^{-1/4+iT_1} x^s \frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s) \frac{ds}{s} \\ &\quad + \int_{-1/4+iT_1}^{-1/4-iT_1} x^s \frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s) \frac{ds}{s} + \int_{-1/4-iT_1}^{c-iT_1} x^s \frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s) \frac{ds}{s}, \end{aligned}$$

provided that all these straight line contours avoid any poles, and where the sum over  $s_0$  is over all poles of  $x^s \frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s)/s$  in the box. We choose  $T_1$  so that  $T_1 \approx T$  and the horizontal contours stay away from the zeros of  $\zeta(s)$ . By Lemma 9.4 there are  $O(\log T)$  zeros of  $\zeta(s)$  with imaginary part between  $T$  and  $T+1$  or between  $-T$  and  $-T-1$ . Therefore there is some  $T_1 \in [T, T+1]$  such that all zeros of  $\zeta(s)$  satisfy

$$|\Im(\rho) - T_1| \gg \frac{1}{\log T_1}.$$

Thus, with this choice of  $T_1$ , by Corollary 9.6, along the second, third and fourth integrals above we have

$$\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s) = O(\log T)^2.$$

Therefore, bounding the integrand by its absolute value

$$\int_{c+iT_1}^{-1/4+iT_1} x^s \frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s) \frac{ds}{s} \ll \frac{x^c (\log T)^2}{T} \ll \frac{x(\log x)^2}{T},$$

and we get exactly the same bound for the integral between  $-1/4 - iT_1$  and  $c - iT_1$ .

For the integral between  $-1/4 + iT_1$  and  $-1/4 - iT_1$  we have

$$\int_{-1/4+iT_1}^{-1/4-iT_1} x^s \frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s) \frac{ds}{s} \ll \frac{(\log T)^2}{x^{1/4}} \int_{-T_1}^{T_1} \frac{dt}{1+|t|} \ll \frac{(\log T)^3}{x^{1/4}}.$$

By Lemma 10.1 we have

$$\sum_{s_0} \operatorname{Res}_{s=s_0} x^s \frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s) \frac{ds}{s} = -x + \sum_{|\Im(\rho)| \leq T_1} \frac{x^\rho}{\rho}$$

where the sum is over all non-trivial zeros of  $\zeta(s)$  appearing with multiplicity. Thus we find that

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{c-iT_1}^{c+iT_1} x^s \frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s) \frac{ds}{s} = x - \sum_{|\Im(\rho)| \leq T_1} \frac{x^\rho}{\rho} + O\left(\frac{(\log T)^3}{x^{1/4}} + \frac{x(\log T)^3}{T}\right).$$

Finally, we see that there are  $O(\log T)$  zeros  $\rho$  with  $T \leq |\Im(\rho)| \leq T_1$  and they each contribute  $O(x/T)$ . Thus we find

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(x) &= \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{c-iT_1}^{c+iT_1} x^s \frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(s) \frac{ds}{s} + O\left(\frac{x(\log x)^3}{T}\right) \\ &= x - \sum_{\substack{\rho \\ |\Im(\rho)| \leq T_1}} \frac{x^\rho}{\rho} + O\left(\frac{(\log T)^3}{x^{1/4}} + \frac{x(\log x)^3}{T}\right) \\ &= x - \sum_{\substack{\rho \\ |\Im(\rho)| \leq T}} \frac{x^\rho}{\rho} + O\left(\frac{x(\log x)^3}{T}\right). \end{aligned}$$

In the final line we used the fact that  $x(\log x)^3/T \gg (\log t)^3/x^{1/4}$  since  $2 \leq T \leq 2x$ . This gives the result.  $\square$

**COROLLARY 10.3** (Error term under RH). *Assume that all non-trivial zeros  $\rho$  of  $\zeta(s)$  have  $\Re(\rho) = 1/2$ . Then we have*

$$\#\{p < x\} = \pi(x) = \int_2^x \frac{dt}{\log t} + O(x^{1/2} \log x).$$

**PROOF.** Apply Theorem 10.2 with  $T = x$ . This gives

$$\psi(x) = x - \sum_{\substack{\rho \\ |\Im(\rho)| \leq x}} \frac{x^\rho}{\rho} + O(\log x)^3.$$

There are  $O(\log(j+1))$  zeros with  $|\Im(\rho)| \in [j, j+1]$  by Lemma 9.4, and if the real parts are all equal to  $1/2$  then each one contributes  $O(x^{1/2}/(j+1))$  to the sum above. Thus we have

$$\psi(x) = x + O\left(x^{1/2} \sum_{0 \leq j \leq x} \frac{\log(j+1)}{j+1} + (\log x)^3\right) = x + O(x^{1/2}(\log x)^2).$$

Thus by Lemma 3.4, we have

$$\theta(x) = \psi(x) + O(x^{1/2} \log x) = x + O(x^{1/2}(\log x)^2).$$

Now Lemma 2.3 gives the result.  $\square$



## CHAPTER 11

### The Prime Number Theorem

PROOF IDEA. In the explicit formula, the contribution from zeros is small unless there are some zeros very close to the line  $\Re(s) = 1$ . If there is a zero  $\rho_0 = \beta_0 + i\gamma_0$  with  $\beta_0$  very close to 1, then by continuity we expect  $\zeta(\sigma + i\gamma_0) \approx 0$  even when  $\sigma$  is slightly larger than 1. In this region  $1/\zeta(\sigma + i\gamma_0) = \prod_p (1 - p^{-\sigma - i\gamma_0})$ , which must be very large. But we would guess that this should only happen if  $p^{i\gamma_0} \approx -1$  for many primes  $p$  so as to make the individual terms in the product large. But then  $p^{2i\gamma_0} \approx 1$  for many primes  $p$ , and so  $\zeta(\sigma + 2i\gamma_0) = \prod_p (1 - p^{-\sigma - 2i\gamma_0})^{-1}$  must be very large. But we know that  $\zeta(s)$  has no poles in  $s > 1$  and can't grow too much, which means that this cannot be the case.  $\square$

LEMMA 11.1 (Size of  $\zeta'/\zeta$  at  $\sigma + it$  controlled by size at  $\sigma + 2it$ ). *Let  $\sigma > 1$ . Then we have*

$$4\Re\left(\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(\sigma + it)\right) \leq -\Re\left(\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(\sigma + 2it)\right) - 3\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(\sigma).$$

PROOF. We see that  $|p^{it}| = 1$ , and so using the triangle inequality

$$(11.1) \quad |1 - p^{2it}|^2 = |p^{it} - p^{-it}|^2 \leq 2|p^{-it} + 1|^2 + 2|-1 - p^{-it}|^2 = 4|p^{it} + 1|^2.$$

We recall that for  $\sigma > 1$

$$\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(\sigma + it) = -\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{\Lambda(n)}{n^{\sigma + it}} = -\sum_{m \geq 1} \sum_p \frac{\log p}{p^{m\sigma + imt}}.$$

Since  $|1 - p^{it}|^2 = 2(1 - \Re(p^{it}))$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{m \geq 1} \sum_p \frac{\log p}{p^{m\sigma}} \left| 1 - \frac{1}{p^{2imt}} \right|^2 &= 2\Re\left(\sum_{m \geq 1} \sum_p \frac{\log p}{p^{m\sigma}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^{2imt}}\right)\right) \\ &= -2\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(\sigma) + 2\Re\left(\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(\sigma + 2it)\right), \end{aligned}$$

and similarly since  $|1 + p^{it}|^2 = 2(1 + \Re(p^{it}))$ , we have

$$\sum_{m \geq 1} \sum_p \frac{\log p}{p^{m\sigma}} \left| 1 + \frac{1}{p^{imt}} \right|^2 = -2\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(\sigma) - 2\Re\left(\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(\sigma + it)\right).$$

Thus the inequality (11.1) gives

$$-2\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(\sigma) + 2\Re\left(\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(\sigma + 2it)\right) \leq -8\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(\sigma) - 8\Re\left(\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(\sigma + it)\right),$$

which rearranges to give the result.  $\square$

LEMMA 11.2 (Large real parts near zeros). *Let  $\rho_0 = \beta_0 + i\gamma_0$  be a zero of  $\zeta(s)$ . Then we have for  $\sigma > 1$*

$$\begin{aligned} \Re\left(\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(\sigma + i\gamma_0)\right) &\geq \frac{1}{\sigma - \beta_0} - O(\log(2 + |\gamma_0|)), \\ \Re\left(\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(\sigma + 2i\gamma_0)\right) &\geq -O(\log(2 + |\gamma_0|)). \end{aligned}$$

PROOF. Since  $\zeta(s)$  is non-zero on the real line, any zero  $\beta_0 + i\gamma_0$  must have  $|\gamma_0| \gg 1$ . Then, by Lemma 9.5

$$\begin{aligned} \Re\left(\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(\sigma + i\gamma_0)\right) &= \sum_{|\rho - \sigma - i\gamma_0| \leq 1/10} \Re\left(\frac{1}{\sigma + i\gamma_0 - \rho}\right) + O(\log(|\gamma_0| + 2)) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{\rho = \beta + i\gamma \\ |\rho - \sigma - i\gamma_0| \leq 1/10}} \frac{\sigma - \beta}{(\sigma - \beta)^2 + (\gamma - \gamma_0)^2} + O(\log(|\gamma_0| + 2)). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\sigma > 1 \geq \Re(\rho)$  for all zeros  $\rho$ , we see that all terms in the sum contribute a positive quantity, and so we can drop all but the zero  $\rho_0$  for a lower bound. This gives

$$\Re\left(\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(\sigma + i\gamma_0)\right) \geq \frac{1}{\sigma - \beta_0} - O(\log(2 + |\gamma_0|)).$$

Similarly, we can drop all terms in the corresponding sum for  $\Re(\zeta'/\zeta(\sigma + 2i\gamma_0))$  for a lower bound, giving

$$\Re\left(\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(\sigma + 2i\gamma_0)\right) \geq -O(\log(2 + |\gamma_0|)). \quad \square$$

THEOREM 11.3 (The zero free region). *There is a constant  $c > 0$  such that if  $\zeta(\sigma + it) = 0$  then*

$$\sigma \leq 1 - \frac{c}{\log(2 + |t|)}.$$

PROOF. Assume for a contradiction that there is a zero  $\rho_0 = \beta_0 + i\gamma_0$  with  $\beta_0$  very close to 1. By Lemma 11.2 we have for  $\sigma > 1$

$$8\Re\left(\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(\sigma + i\gamma_0)\right) + 2\Re\left(\frac{\zeta'}{\zeta}(\sigma + 2i\gamma_0)\right) \geq \frac{8}{\sigma - \beta_0} - O(\log(2 + |\gamma_0|)).$$

On the other hand,  $\zeta'/\zeta(\sigma) = -1/(\sigma - 1) + O(1)$ . Thus Lemma (11.1) gives

$$\frac{8}{\sigma - \beta_0} \leq \frac{6}{\sigma - 1} + O(\log(2 + |\gamma_0|)).$$



We now set  $\sigma = 1 + \delta/\log(|\gamma_0| + 2)$ . If  $\delta$  is chosen to be a small enough constant then the right hand side is less than  $7/(\sigma - 1)$ . Thus we have

$$\frac{8}{\sigma - \beta_0} \leq \frac{7}{\sigma - 1},$$

which rearranges to

$$\beta_0 \leq \frac{8 - \sigma}{7} = 1 - \frac{\delta}{7\log(2 + |\gamma_0|)}.$$

This gives the result.  $\square$

**THEOREM 11.4** (The Prime Number Theorem). *There is a constant  $c > 0$  such that*

$$\pi(x) = \int_2^x \frac{dt}{\log t} + O\left(x \exp(-c\sqrt{\log x})\right).$$

*In particular,*

$$\pi(x) = \frac{x}{\log x} + o\left(\frac{x}{\log x}\right).$$

**PROOF.** We apply Lemma 10.2 to find that for  $2 \leq T \leq x$

$$\psi(x) = x - \sum_{|\Im(\rho)| \leq T} \frac{x^\rho}{\rho} + O\left(\frac{x(\log x)^3}{T}\right).$$

By Theorem 11.3 for each term  $\rho$  in the sum we have

$$|x^\rho| = x^{\Re(\rho)} \leq x^{1-c/\log T},$$

for some suitable constant  $c > 0$ . Thus

$$\psi(x) = x + O\left(x^{1-c/\log T} \sum_{|\Im(\rho)| \leq T} \frac{1}{|\rho|}\right) + O\left(\frac{x(\log x)^3}{T}\right).$$

Since there are  $O(\log(1+j))$  zeros with  $|\Im(\rho)| \in [j, j+1]$ , we see that the sum is of size  $O(\log T)^2$ . Thus we have

$$\psi(x) = x + O\left(x^{1-c/\log T} (\log T)^2\right) + O\left(\frac{x(\log x)^3}{T}\right).$$

We now choose  $T = \exp(\sqrt{\log x})$  to balance the size of the two error terms. Thus, for a suitable constant  $c'$

$$\psi(x) = x + O\left(x \exp(-c'\sqrt{\log x})\right).$$

We recall from Lemma 2.3 and Lemma 3.4 that

$$\pi(x) = \frac{\theta(x)}{\log x} + \int_2^x \frac{\theta(t)}{t \log^2 t} dt \quad \text{and} \quad \theta(x) = \psi(x) + O(x^{1/2} \log x).$$

Thus  $\theta(t) = t + O(t \exp(-c' \sqrt{\log t}))$ , and so

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(x) &= \frac{x + O(x \exp(-c' \sqrt{\log x}))}{\log x} + \int_2^x \frac{1 + O(\exp(-c' \sqrt{\log t}))}{\log^2 t} dt \\ &= \int_2^x \frac{dt}{\log t} + O\left(x \exp(-c' \sqrt{\log x})\right). \end{aligned} \quad \square$$

## CHAPTER 12

### Primes in Short Intervals

We will use the following two facts, whose proofs are more involved and we will not give here.

**FACT 12.1** (Improved zero free region). *There is a constant  $c > 0$  such that if  $\zeta(\sigma + it) = 0$  then*

$$\sigma \leq 1 - \frac{c}{\log(2 + |t|)^{2/3} \log \log(3 + |t|)^{1/3}}.$$

**FACT 12.2** (Zero Density Estimate). *Let  $N(\sigma, T)$  denote the number of zeros  $\rho$  of  $\zeta(s)$  such that  $\Re(\rho) \geq \sigma$  and  $|\Im(\rho)| \leq T$ . Then, for any  $\epsilon > 0$  there is a constant  $C(\epsilon) > 0$  such that for  $T \geq 1$  and  $\sigma \geq 1/2$*

$$N(\sigma, T) \leq C(\epsilon) T^{\frac{12+\epsilon}{5}(1-\sigma)}.$$

**THEOREM 12.3** (Primes in short intervals). *Let  $\epsilon > 0$  and  $x$  be large enough in terms of  $\epsilon$ . Then for  $x^{7/12+\epsilon} \leq y \leq x$  we have*

$$\#\{p \in [x, x+y]\} = \frac{y}{\log x} + o\left(\frac{y}{\log x}\right).$$

**PROOF.** By the Explicit Formula (Theorem 10.2), we have for  $2 \leq T \leq x$  and for  $y \leq x$

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(x+y) &= x+y - \sum_{|\Im(\rho)| \leq T} \frac{(x+y)^\rho}{\rho} + O\left(\frac{x(\log x)^3}{T}\right), \\ \psi(x) &= x - \sum_{|\Im(\rho)| \leq T} \frac{x^\rho}{\rho} + O\left(\frac{x(\log x)^3}{T}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\psi(x+y) - \psi(x) = y + \sum_{|\Im(\rho)| \leq T} O\left(\left|\frac{(x+y)^\rho - x^\rho}{\rho}\right|\right) + O\left(\frac{x(\log x)^3}{T}\right).$$

Consider the contribution of zeros which have

$$\sigma_1 \leq \Re(\rho) \leq \sigma_1 + \frac{1}{\log x}$$

for some  $1/2 \leq \sigma_1 \leq 1$ . We see that for each such zero

$$\left|\frac{(x+y)^\rho - x^\rho}{\rho}\right| = \left|\int_x^{x+y} t^{\rho-1} dt\right| \leq \int_x^{x+y} t^{\Re(\rho)-1} dt \ll yx^{\sigma_1-1}.$$

By Fact 12.1, there are no such zeros unless  $\sigma_1 \leq 1 - c' / (\log x)^{4/5}$  for some constant  $c' > 0$  (recall  $T \leq x$ ). If this is the case, then by Fact 12.2 there are  $O(T^{(12/5+\epsilon)(1-\sigma_1)})$  such zeros. Thus the total contribution is

$$\ll T^{(12/5+\epsilon)(1-\sigma_1)} y x^{\sigma_1-1} \ll y \left( \frac{T^{12/5+\epsilon}}{x} \right)^{1-\sigma_1}.$$

If  $T^{12/5+\epsilon} \leq x^{1-\epsilon}$  then since  $1 - \sigma_1 \geq c' / (\log x)^{4/5}$ , this is

$$\ll y (x^\epsilon)^{-c' / (\log x)^{4/5}} \ll y \exp(-c' \epsilon (\log x)^{1/5}).$$

All zeros  $\rho$  with  $\Re(\rho) \geq 1/2$  satisfy  $j / \log x \leq \Re(\rho) \leq (j+1) / \log x$  for some integer  $j \leq \log x$ . Thus we see that all zeros with  $\Re(\rho) \geq 1/2$  appearing in the sum contribute a total

$$\ll \log(x) \cdot y \exp(-c' \epsilon (\log x)^{1/5}) \ll \frac{y}{\log x}.$$

The zeros with  $\Re(\rho) \leq 1/2$  contribute  $O(x^{1/2} (\log x)^2)$  in total, as in Corollary 10.3. Thus if  $T^{12/5+\epsilon} \leq x^{1-\epsilon}$  we find

$$\psi(x+y) - \psi(x) = y + O\left(\frac{y}{\log x}\right) + O(x^{1/2} \log x) + O\left(\frac{x(\log x)^3}{T}\right).$$

If we choose  $T$  such that  $T^{12/5+\epsilon} = x^{1-\epsilon}$ , this simplifies to

$$\psi(x+y) - \psi(x) = y + o(y) + o(x^{7/12+\epsilon}).$$

In particular for  $y \geq x^{7/12+\epsilon}$ , this gives  $\psi(x+y) - \psi(x) = y + o(y)$ . Partial summation then gives the result.  $\square$

**THEOREM 12.4** (Primes in almost all short intervals). *Let  $\epsilon > 0$  and  $2 \leq x$  and  $1 \geq \delta \geq x^{-5/6+\epsilon}$ . Then for all but  $o(x)$  values of  $t \leq x$  we have*

$$\#\{p \in [t, t + \delta t]\} = \frac{\delta t}{\log t} + o\left(\frac{\delta t}{\log t}\right).$$

**PROOF.** By parital summation, it suffices to show that for all but  $o(x)$  values of  $t \leq x$  we have

$$\psi(t + \delta t) - \psi(t) = \delta t + o(\delta t).$$

Imagine for a contradiction that there is a constant  $\epsilon > 0$  such that the set  $\mathcal{S} \subset [0, x]$  for which  $|\psi(t + \delta t) - \psi(t) - \delta t| \geq \epsilon \delta t$  has measure  $\geq \epsilon x$ . Then we see that

$$\int_0^x \left| \psi(t + \delta t) - \psi(t) - \delta t \right|^2 dt \geq \int_{\mathcal{S}} \left| \psi(t + \delta t) - \psi(t) - \delta t \right|^2 dt \gg \epsilon^3 \delta^2 x^3.$$

Therefore to get a contradiction it suffices to show that

$$\int_0^x \left| \psi(t + \delta t) - \psi(t) - \delta t \right|^2 dt = o(\delta^2 x^3).$$

As in the proof of Theorem 12.3, by the Explicit Formula we see that

$$\psi(t + \delta t) - \psi(t) - \delta t = \sum_{|\Im(\rho)| \leq T} \frac{t^\rho \left( (1 + \delta)^\rho - 1 \right)}{\rho} + O\left(\frac{t(\log t)^3}{T}\right)$$

for any  $2 \leq T \leq x$ . Since  $(a + b)^2 \ll a^2 + b^2$ , we find

$$\int_0^x \left| \psi(t + \delta t) - \psi(t) - \delta t \right|^2 dt \ll \int_0^x \left| \sum_{|\Im(\rho)| \leq T} \frac{t^\rho \left( (1 + \delta)^\rho - 1 \right)}{\rho} \right|^2 dt + O\left(\frac{x^3(\log x)^6}{T^2}\right).$$

Expanding the sum and performing the integration gives

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^x \left| \sum_{|\Im(\rho)| \leq T} \frac{t^\rho \left( (1 + \delta)^\rho - 1 \right)}{\rho} \right|^2 dt \\ &= \sum_{|\Im(\rho_1)| \leq T} \sum_{|\Im(\rho_2)| \leq T} \frac{\left( (1 + \delta)^{\rho_1} - 1 \right) \left( (1 + \delta)^{\overline{\rho_2}} - 1 \right)}{\rho_1 \overline{\rho_2}} \int_0^x t^{\rho_1 + \overline{\rho_2}} dt \\ &= \sum_{|\Im(\rho_1)| \leq T} \sum_{|\Im(\rho_2)| \leq T} \frac{\left( (1 + \delta)^{\rho_1} - 1 \right) \left( (1 + \delta)^{\overline{\rho_2}} - 1 \right)}{\rho_1 \overline{\rho_2}} \left( \frac{x^{\rho_1 + \overline{\rho_2} + 1}}{\rho_1 + \overline{\rho_2} + 1} \right). \end{aligned}$$

As in the proof of Theorem 12.3, we have that  $|((1 + \delta)^\rho - 1)/\rho| \ll \delta$ . We also see that  $|x^{\rho_1 + \overline{\rho_2}}| \ll x^{2\Re(\rho_1)} + x^{2\Re(\rho_2)}$ . Thus, by symmetry we obtain the bound

$$\ll \delta^2 \sum_{|\Im(\rho_1)| \leq T} x^{2\Re(\rho_1) + 1} \sum_{|\Im(\rho_2)| \leq T} \frac{1}{|\rho_1 + \overline{\rho_2} + 1|}.$$

Since there are  $O(\log(j + 1))$  zeros  $\rho$  with  $|\Im(\rho)| \in [j, j + 1]$ , the inner sum is  $O(\log T) \ll \log x$ . Thus we have shown that

$$\int_0^x \left| \psi(t + \delta t) - \psi(t) - \delta t \right|^2 dt \ll \delta^2 x \log x \sum_{|\Im(\rho)| \leq T} x^{2\Re(\rho)} + \frac{x^3(\log x)^6}{T^2}.$$

We bound the inner sum in an analogous way to the proof of Theorem 12.3 by considering those zeros  $\rho$  with  $\Re(\rho) \in [\sigma_1, \sigma_1 + 1/\log x]$  for some  $\sigma_1 \geq 1/2$ . There are no such zeros if  $\sigma_1 \geq 1 - c' / (\log x)^{4/5}$ , and otherwise there are  $O(T^{(12/5 + \epsilon)(1 - \sigma_1)})$  zeros. Each zero contributes  $O(x^{2\sigma_1})$  to the sum, so the total contribution is

$$\ll x^2 \left( \frac{T^{12/5 + \epsilon}}{x^2} \right)^{1 - \sigma_1}.$$

Thus, provided  $T^{12/5 + \epsilon} \leq x^{2 - \epsilon}$ , we find that these zeros contribute  $O(x^2 \exp(-\epsilon c' (\log x)^{1/5}))$ . By considering  $\sigma_1 = j / \log x$  for an integer  $j \leq \log x$ , we see that the total contribution from all of the zeros with  $\Re(\rho) \geq 1/2$  is

$$\ll (\log x) x^2 \exp\left(-c' \epsilon (\log x)^{1/5}\right) = o\left(\frac{x^2}{\log x}\right).$$

The contribution from zeros with  $\Re(\rho) \leq 1/2$  is  $O(xT \log T) = o(x^2/\log x)$ . Therefore, putting this together we see

$$\int_0^x \left| \psi(t + \delta t) - \psi(t) - \delta t \right|^2 dt = o(\delta^2 x^3),$$

as required. □