

(L5) (March 27, 2020)

In L3 I promised ^①

two applications of Abel's summation and I showed so far just one, the deduction of the 2nd Mertens formula ($\sum_{p \leq x} \frac{1}{p} = \log \log x + c + O(\frac{1}{\log x})$) from the 1st one ($\sum_{p \leq x} \frac{\log p}{p} = \log x + O(1)$). The second application is the following result. Recall that $\pi(x)$ is the number of primes $\leq x$ ($x \in \mathbb{R}$).

Theorem (P.L. Chebyshev, 1850) If the limit

$d = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\pi(x)}{x/\log x}$ exists then $d = 1$.

Proof. We prove that $\liminf_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\pi(x)}{x/\log x} \leq 1 \leq$

$\limsup_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\pi(x)}{x/\log x}$ (which suffices). Suppose

for \Leftarrow that the lim inf is > 1 ; for the lim sup we argue similarly. So $\exists d > 1$ and $\exists t_0 > 0$ s.t.

$\pi(x) > \frac{d x}{\log x}$ whenever $x > t_0$. We use Abel's

summation for the interval $[t_0, x]$ ($x > t_0$), function $f(t) = \frac{1}{t}$ and sequence (a_n) being

the char. f. of primes, $a_n = \begin{cases} 1 & n=p \\ 0 & n \neq p \end{cases}$ (2)

$$\sum_{x_0 \leq n \leq x} a_n f(n) = \sum_{x_0 \leq p \leq x} \frac{1}{p} = \frac{\pi(x)}{x} - \frac{\pi(x_0)}{x_0} + \int_{x_0}^x \frac{\pi(t)}{t^2} dt$$

$$\gg O(1) + \alpha \int_{x_0}^x \frac{dt}{t \log t} = O(\log \log x) + O(1).$$

But this is a contradiction with the 2nd M. formula □

Similarly one can prove by Abel's summation that the asymptotics like

$$\pi(x) = \frac{x}{\log x} + O\left(\frac{x}{\log^3(x)}\right) \text{ does not hold}$$

- by the (strong form of the) PNT (prime number theorem) the correct main term is

the asymptotics of $\pi(x)$ is the logarithmic integral

$$\text{Li}(x) := \int_2^x \frac{dt}{\log t} \sim \frac{x}{\log x}.$$

2nd lecture I

promised 5 theorems on Σ 's and \int 's and so far we have seen 4 of them. There are many interesting identities ~~between~~ relating Σ 's and \int 's. I mention without

proves two of them. The first is an alternative to the Euler-Maclaurin summation formula due to I. Pinelis in 2015 (see arXiv: 1511.03247).

It approximates $\sum f(n)$ only by $\int f$'s, but ~~the~~ ^{is} ~~derivatives~~ of f ~~are~~ still hidden in the error term.

Explicitly: if $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $f \in C^{2m}(0, n)$ then $\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} f(k) = A_m - R_m$ where, with

$$\gamma_{m,j} = (-1)^{j-1} \frac{2}{j} \binom{2m}{m+j} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2m} \right)$$

$$A_m = \sum_{j=1}^m \gamma_{m,j} \sum_{i=0}^{j-1} \int_{i-\frac{j}{2}}^{i+\frac{j}{2}-\frac{j}{2}} f$$
 and

$$R_m = \frac{1}{(2m-1)! 2^{2m+1}} \int_0^1 \left((1-s)^{2m-1} \int_{j=1}^m \sum \gamma_{m,j} j^{2m+1} \sum \right)$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} f \left(k + \frac{jsv}{2} \right) dv ds$$

One can expand $|R_m|$ nicely,

See the paper. I give as the 5th theorem an identity due to (S.D.) Poisson (1781-1842) who was a French physicist and mathematician.

Let $L^1(\mathbb{R}) = \{f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |f| < +\infty\}$ and (4)

$\hat{f}(x) := \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(t) e^{-2\pi i \cdot x \cdot t} dt$ be the Fourier transform

form of f ; $\hat{f}: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ (exercise: prove that indeed $\widehat{\hat{f}}(x) = f(x)$, for $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$). One form

of the Poisson summation formula, which roughly

says that $\sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} f(k) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} \hat{f}(k)$, is the following.

Theorem 5 (Poisson Σ formula) If $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$

and f is continuous on \mathbb{R} then

$$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} f(k) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} f(k) = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{-x < k < x} \hat{f}(k).$$

(Here \uparrow we have absolutely convergent series.)

There are other variants of the P. Σ formula.

That was the 1st topic, applications of real analysis, more precisely identities relating f and \hat{f} .

Σ s and f s, in analytic NT. The 2nd ^⑤ topic is applications of complex analysis, more

precisely of the Cauchy formula: let $U \subset \mathbb{C}$, $U \neq \emptyset$, be an open set, $z_0 \in U$ be a point,

$f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a holomorphic function — which

means that for every point $u \in U$ the li-

mit $\lim_{z \rightarrow u} \frac{f(z) - f(u)}{z - u} =: f'(u) \in \mathbb{C}$ exists —

and $\gamma: [a, b] \rightarrow U$ be a piecewise smooth si-

mply closed curve — γ is continuous, γ' is con-

tinuous except for possibly finitely many points

$a \leq t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_n \leq b$, the one-sided limits ^{t_i}

$\gamma'(t_i - 0)$ and $\gamma'(t_i + 0)$ exist and are finite, ~~and~~

$\gamma(a) = \gamma(b)$ (γ is closed), and γ is injective

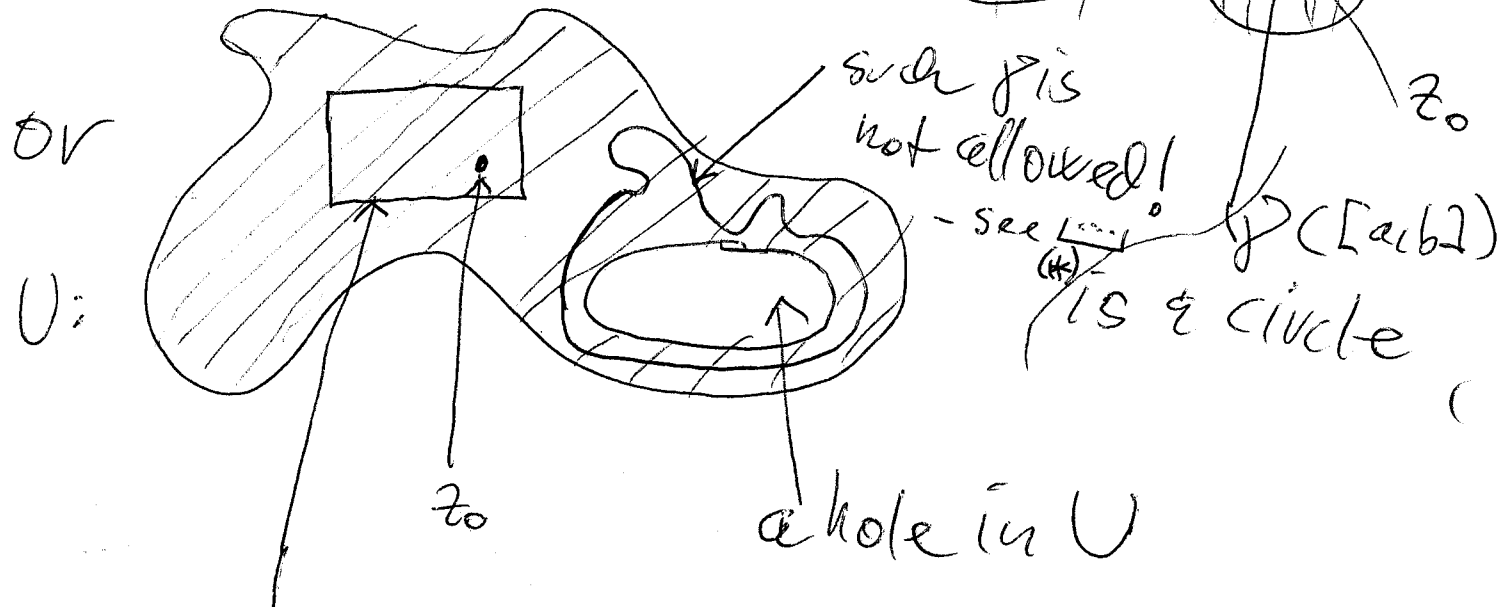
γ is simple, does not self-intersect) — s.t.

$z_0 \in \text{Interior of } \gamma \subset U$, then we have for

$f(z_0)$ the ^(*) Cauchy formula

$$f(z_0) = \int_{\gamma} \frac{f(z) dz}{z - z_0}$$

So γ may look like 6



$\gamma([a, b])$ is a rectangle (γ' does not exist in the corners).

But what is $\int_{\gamma} \dots$?

$g: U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a function and $\gamma: [a, b] \rightarrow U$ is a piece-wise smooth curve, then

$$\int_{\gamma} g := (\mathbb{R}) \int_a^b \operatorname{Re}(g(\gamma(t)) \cdot \gamma'(t)) dt + i \cdot (\mathbb{R}) \int_a^b \operatorname{Im}(g(\gamma(t)) \cdot \gamma'(t)) dt$$

(\mathbb{R}) - Riemann integrals

The last missing piece is a precise definition of the interior of γ . This is complicated in general but for circles or rectangles is clear. We leave it at that.