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# Chapter 1

## The Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic

induction, well-ordering principle, divisibility, gcd is commutative, associative, and distributive, relatively prime, primes, fundamental theorem of arithmetic.

### 1.1 The series of reciprocals of the primes

**Theorem 1.1.** *The infinite series  $\sum \frac{1}{p_n}$  diverges.*

*Proof.* Suppose the sum converges instead and let  $k$  be such that

$$\sum_{n=k+1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p_n} \leq \frac{1}{2}$$

Let  $Q = p_1 \dots p_k$ , then for all  $r \geq 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^r \frac{1}{1+nQ} &\leq \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{m=k+1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p_m} \right)^t \\ &\leq \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^t \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

By allowing  $r \rightarrow \infty$ , we get

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+nQ} \leq 1$$

However, this is a contradiction as the sum diverges as

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+nQ} \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{Q+nQ} \leq \frac{1}{Q} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$$

Therefore,  $\sum \frac{1}{p_n}$  must diverge. ■

Euclidean algorithm, division algorithm, gcd algorithm.

## Exercises

1. If  $(a, b) = 1$  and if  $c \mid a$  and  $d \mid b$ , then  $(c, d) = 1$ .

*Solution.* Let  $e = (c, d)$ , since  $e \mid c$ , then  $e \mid a$  and similarly,  $e \mid b$ . Therefore,  $e \mid (a, b)$  which means  $e = 1$ .  $\triangleright$

2. If  $(a, b) = (a, c) = 1$ , then  $(a, bc) = 1$ .

*Solution.* Let  $d = (a, bc)$  and  $e = (b, d)$ . Then,  $e \mid d$  and hence  $e \mid a$ , as a result  $e \mid (a, b)$  which means  $e = 1$ . Note that,  $d \mid bc$  but  $(b, d) = 1$  thus,  $d \mid c$ . Since  $d \mid a$ , then  $d \mid (a, c)$  and hence  $d = 1$ .  $\triangleright$

3. If  $(a, c) = 1$ , then  $(a, bc) = (a, b)$ .

*Solution.* Let  $d = (a, bc)$  and  $e = (c, d)$ . Then,  $e \mid d$  and hence  $e \mid a$ , as a result  $e \mid (a, c)$  which means  $e = 1$ . Note that,  $d \mid bc$  but  $(c, d) = 1$  thus,  $d \mid b$ . Since  $d \mid a$ , then  $d \mid (a, b)$ . Moreover,  $(a, b) \mid d$  since  $(a, b) \mid a$  and  $(a, b) \mid bc$ . Therefore,  $d = (a, b)$ .  $\triangleright$

4. If  $m \neq n$  compute the  $\gcd(a^{2^m} + 1, a^{2^n} + 1)$  in terms of  $a$ .

*Solution.* WLOG assume  $n < m$  and note that

$$a^{2^m} - 1 = a^{2^{m-n} \cdot 2^n} - 1 = (a^{2^n} - 1)(a^{2^n} + 1)(a^{2 \cdot 2^n} + 1) \dots (a^{2^{m-n-1} \cdot 2^n} + 1)$$

and hence

$$a^{2^n} + 1 \mid a^{2^m} - 1$$

Therefore,

$$(a^{2^n} + 1, a^{2^m} + 1) = (2, a^{2^n} + 1) = \begin{cases} 1 & a \text{ is even} \\ 2 & a \text{ is odd} \end{cases} \quad \triangleright$$

5. If  $a > 1$ , then  $(a^m - 1, a^n - 1) = a^{(m,n)} - 1$ .

*Solution.* If  $m = n$ , then the result hold obviously. Suppose  $n < m$  and note that

$$a^m - 1 = (a^{m-n} - 1)(a^n - 1) + (a^{m-n} - 1)$$

and therefore,  $(a^m - 1, a^n - 1) = (a^{m-n} - 1, a^n)$ . By applying the Euclidean algorithm we arrive at the conclusion.  $\triangleright$

6. Given  $n > 0$ , let  $S$  be a set whose elements are positive integers  $\leq 2n$  such that if  $a$  and  $b$  are in  $S$  and  $a \neq b$ , then  $a \nmid b$ . What is the maximum number of integers that  $S$  can contain?

*Solution.* Note that  $S$  can not have more than  $n$  elements. To see this, consider the sets  $\{m2^k \mid k \geq 0, m2^k \leq 2n\}$  for  $m = 1, 3, \dots, 2n - 1$ . There are  $n - 1$  such sets and they partition the set  $\{1, 2, \dots, 2n\}$ . No two elements of  $S$  can come from the same set, and as a result  $|S| \leq n - 1$  by pigeonhole principle. However, note that  $S = \{n + 1, n + 2, \dots, 2n\}$  satisfies the conditions and has exactly  $n - 1$  elements. Therefore, the maximum of  $n - 1$  elements is attainable for all  $n > 0$ .  $\triangleright$

7. If  $n > 1$  prove that the sum  $\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k}$  is not an integer. Also show that for any signing of the sum  $\sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^{a_k} \frac{1}{k}$  is not an integer.

*Solution.* Let  $p$  be the largest prime less than or equal to  $n$ . Let  $r, s \in \mathbb{Z}$  be such that  $s \neq 0$  and  $(r, s) = 1$ .

$$\frac{r}{s} = \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq p}}^n (-1)^{a_k} \frac{1}{k}$$

We claim that  $p \nmid s$ . For the sake of contradiction suppose there is an integer  $q$  such that  $s = pq$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} r &= s \left( \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq p}}^n (-1)^{a_k} \frac{1}{k} \right) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq p}}^n (-1)^{a_k} \frac{pq}{k} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $(p, k) = 1$  for all  $k \leq n$  and  $k \neq p$ , then it must be the case that the sum

$$\sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq p}}^n (-1)^{a_k} \frac{q}{k}$$

is an integer. Therefore, we have shown that there is integer  $t$  such that  $r = pt$ , which contradicts our assumption that  $(r, s) = 1$ . Thus,  $p$  does not divide  $s$ . To conclude, consider the sum

$$\frac{r}{s} + \frac{(-1)^{a_p}}{p} = \frac{pr + (-1)^{a_p} s}{ps}$$

which can not be integer as  $p \nmid s$ . ▷



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## Chapter 2

# Arithmetical Functions and Dirichlet Multiplication

**Definition:** A function  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is an arithmetical function.

### 2.1 Mobius function

The Mobius function  $\mu$ , is defined as  $\mu(1) = 1$  and for  $n > 1$  if  $n = p_1^{\alpha_1} \dots p_k^{\alpha_k}$

$$\mu(n) = \begin{cases} (-1)^k & \alpha_1 = \dots = \alpha_k = 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

**Theorem 2.1.** If  $n \geq 1$ ,

$$\sum_{d|n} \mu(d) = \left\lfloor \frac{1}{n} \right\rfloor = \begin{cases} 1 & n = 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Suppose  $n > 1$  and  $n = p_1^{\alpha_1} \dots p_k^{\alpha_k}$ , then

$$\sum_{d|n} \mu(d) = \sum_{i=0}^k (-1)^i \binom{k}{i} = (1 - 1)^k = 0$$

If  $n = 1$ , then  $\sum_{d|n} \mu(d) = \mu(1) = 1$ . ■

### 2.2 The Euler totient function

The Euler totient function  $\phi$  is defined as

$$\phi(n) = \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ (k,n)=1}}^n 1 = \left| \left\{ 1 \leq k \leq n \mid (k, n) = 1 \right\} \right|$$

**Theorem 2.2.** If  $n \geq 1$ ,

$$\sum_{d|n} \phi(d) = n$$

*Proof.* Define the equivalence relation  $i \sim j$  whenever  $(n, i) = (n, j)$  on the numbers  $\leq n$ . The divisors of  $n$  can be taken as class representatives. We claim that the size of the class  $d$  is equal to  $\phi\left(\frac{n}{d}\right)$ . Note that, if  $(n, i) = d$ , then  $(n/d, i/d) = 1$  and vice versa. That is, there is a bijection between elements of the class  $d$  and numbers that are coprime to  $n/d$  less than  $n/d$ . Therefore,

$$n = \sum_{d|n} |\text{class}_d| = \sum_{d|n} \phi\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) = \sum_{d|n} \phi(d) \quad \blacksquare$$

**Theorem 2.3.** If  $n \geq 1$ ,

$$\phi(n) = \sum_{d|n} \mu(d) \frac{n}{d}$$

*Proof.* The statement is clearly true for  $n = 1$ . Suppose  $n > 1$  and  $n = p_1^{\alpha_1} \dots p_k^{\alpha_k}$ . Let  $A_i$  denote the set of all numbers  $k$  less than or equal to  $n$  such that  $p_i \mid (n, k)$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(n) &= \left| \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^k A_i \right)^c \right| \\ &= n - \left| \bigcup_{i=1}^k A_i \right| \\ &= n - \sum_{j=1}^n (-1)^{j-1} \sum_{i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_j} |A_{i_1} \cap \dots \cap A_{i_j}| \\ &= n + \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_j} (-1)^j \frac{n}{p_{i_1} \dots p_{i_j}} \\ &= n + \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_j} \mu(p_{i_1} \dots p_{i_j}) \frac{n}{p_{i_1} \dots p_{i_j}} \\ &= \sum_{d|n} \mu(d) \frac{n}{d} \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

### 2.2.1 The product formular for $\phi(n)$

**Theorem 2.4.** For any  $n \geq 1$ ,

$$\phi(n) = n \prod_{p|n} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right)$$

*Proof.* If  $n = p_1^{\alpha_1} \dots p_k^{\alpha_k}$  let  $m = p_1 \dots p_k$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(n) &= \sum_{d|n} \mu(d) \frac{n}{d} \\ &= n \sum_{d|m} \frac{\mu(d)}{d} \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
&= n \left( \sum_{\substack{d|m \\ p_1|d}} \frac{\mu(d)}{d} + \sum_{\substack{d|m \\ p_1 \nmid d}} \frac{\mu(d)}{d} \right) \\
&= n \left( \sum_{\substack{d|m \\ p_1 \nmid d}} \frac{\mu(p_1 d)}{p_1 d} + \sum_{\substack{d|m \\ p_1 \nmid d}} \frac{\mu(d)}{d} \right) \\
&= n \left( \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_1}\right) \sum_{\substack{d|m \\ p_1 \nmid d}} \frac{\mu(d)}{d} \right) \\
&= n \prod_{p|n} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right)
\end{aligned}$$

■

**Corollary 2.5.**

1.  $\phi(p^\alpha) = (p-1)p^{\alpha-1}$ .
2.  $\phi(mn) = \phi(m)\phi(n)\frac{d}{\phi(d)}$  where  $d = (m, n)$ .
3. If  $a \mid b$ , then  $\phi(a) \mid \phi(b)$ .
4.  $\phi(n)$  is even for  $n \geq 3$ . Moreover, if  $n$  has  $r$  distinct odd prime factors, then  $2^r \mid \phi(n)$ .

*Proof.*

$$1. \phi(p^\alpha) = p^\alpha \left( \frac{p-1}{p} \right) = (p-1)p^{\alpha-1}.$$

2.

$$\begin{aligned}
\phi(mn) &= mn \prod_{p|mn} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right) \\
&= mn \prod_{\substack{p|n \\ p \nmid m}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right) \prod_{\substack{p|m \\ p \nmid n}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right) \prod_{p|n, m} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right) \\
&= mn \frac{\prod_{p|n} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right)}{\prod_{p|n, m} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right)} \frac{\prod_{p|m} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right)}{\prod_{p|n, m} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right)} \prod_{p|n, m} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right) \\
&= \phi(m)\phi(n) \frac{1}{\prod_{p|n, m} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right)} \\
&= \phi(m)\phi(n) \frac{d}{\phi(d)}
\end{aligned}$$

3. Note that if  $p \mid a$ , then  $p \mid b$ .

4. If  $n$  has an odd prime factor, then  $\phi(n)$  is even. If  $n$  is power of 2 greater than 4, then  $\phi(n)$  is also even. If  $n$  has  $r$  distinct odd prime factors, each contribute at least one factor of 2 in  $\phi(n)$  and thus  $2^r \mid \phi(n)$ . ■

## 2.3 The Dirichlet product

**Definition:** Let  $f$  and  $g$  be two arithmetical functions, their **Dirichlet product** is defined as

$$(f * g)(n) = \sum_{d|n} f(d)g\left(\frac{n}{d}\right)$$

Then, we can write  $\phi = \mu * N$  where  $N(n) = n$ .

**Theorem 2.6.**

1.  $f * g = g * f$ .
2.  $(f * g) * h = f * (g * h)$ .

*Proof.*

1. 
$$(f * g)(n) = \sum_{d|n} f(d)g\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) = \sum_{n/d|n} f\left(\frac{n}{d}\right)g(d) = \sum_{d|n} f\left(\frac{n}{d}\right)g(d) = (g * f)(n)$$

2.

$$\begin{aligned} ((f * g) * h)(n) &= \sum_{d|n} (f * g)(d)h\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) \\ &= \sum_{d|n} \sum_{k|d} f(k)g\left(\frac{d}{k}\right)h\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) \\ &= \sum_{k|n} \sum_{k|d, d|n} f(k)g\left(\frac{d}{k}\right)h\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) \\ &= \sum_{k|n} \sum_{d|n/k} f(k)g\left(\frac{kd}{k}\right)h\left(\frac{n}{kd}\right) \\ &= \sum_{k|n} \sum_{d|n/k} f(k)g(d)h\left(\frac{n}{kd}\right) \\ &= \sum_{k|n} \sum_{d|n/k} f(k)(g * h)\left(\frac{n}{kd}\right) \\ &= (f * (g * h))(n) \end{aligned}$$

**Definition:** The identity function,  $I(n) = \lfloor \frac{1}{n} \rfloor$ .

**Theorem 2.7.** For any arithmetical function  $f$ ,  $I * f = f * I = f$ .

*Proof.* Trivial. ■

**Theorem 2.8.** *If  $f$  is an arithmetical function with  $f(1) \neq 0$ , there is a unique arithmetical function  $f^{-1}$ , called the Dirichlet inverse of  $f$  such that*

$$f * f^{-1} = f^{-1} * f = I$$

Moreover,  $f^{-1}$  is given by  $f^{-1}(1) = \frac{1}{f(1)}$  and for  $n > 1$

$$f^{-1}(n) = -\frac{1}{f(1)} \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ d < n}} f\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) f^{-1}(d)$$

*Proof.* It can be easily shown that the given function is a Dirichlet inverse of  $f$ . That is,

$$f * f^{-1} = f^{-1} * f = I$$

Suppose  $g$  is also a Dirichlet inverse of  $f$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} g * f * f^{-1} &= (g * f) * f^{-1} = I * f^{-1} = f^{-1} \\ &= g * (f * f^{-1}) = g * I = g \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $g = f^{-1}$  and  $f^{-1}$  is unique. ■

**Remark 1.** The set of all arithmetical functions  $f$  with  $f(1) \neq 0$  is an Abelian group under Dirichlet multiplication.

**Proposition 2.9.** *Suppose  $f$  and  $g$  are invertible arithmetical functions, then  $(f * g)^{-1} = f^{-1} * g^{-1}$ .*

*Proof.* We can readily deduct this from the fact that invertible functions form an Abelian group under Dirichlet multiplication. ■

**Definition:** The unit function  $u(n) = 1$  for all  $n \geq 1$ . Since  $\sum_{d|n} \mu(d) = I(n)$ , then  $\mu * u = I$  and thus by uniqueness of inverse  $\mu^{-1} = u$ .

**Theorem 2.10 (Möbius inversion formula).** *If*

$$f(n) = \sum_{d|n} g(n)$$

then,

$$g(n) = \sum_{d|n} f(d) \mu\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) \tag{2.1}$$

*Proof.* Since  $f = g * u$ , then  $g = f * u^{-1} = f * \mu$ . ■

## 2.4 The Mangoldt function $\Lambda$

**Definition:** For every integer  $n \geq 1$ , we define

$$\Lambda(n) = \begin{cases} \log p & \text{if } n = p^m \text{ for some prime } p \text{ and } m \geq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

**Theorem 2.11.** For  $n \geq 1$ ,

$$\log(n) = \sum_{d|n} \Lambda(d)$$

and

$$\Lambda(n) = \sum_{d|n} \mu(d) \log\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) = - \sum_{d|n} \mu(d) \log(d)$$

*Proof.* For the first identity we have

$$\sum_{d|n} \Lambda(d) = \sum_{p^\alpha | n} \Lambda(p^\alpha) = \sum_{p^\alpha | n} \log p = \sum_{p^\alpha | n} \alpha \log p = \log n$$

Hence,  $\log = \Lambda * u$ . Therefore,  $\Lambda = \log * u^{-1} = \log * \mu$ . ■

## 2.5 Multiplicative functions

**Definition:** An arithmetical function  $f$  is **multiplicative** if  $f \not\equiv 0$  and

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

whenever  $(m, n) = 1$ . The function  $f$  is said to be **completely multiplicative** if for all  $m, n$

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

**Remark 2.** Multiplicative functions form a subgroup under  $*$ . The ordinary multiplication and division of two (completely) multiplicative functions are (completely) multiplicative.

**Proposition 2.12.** If  $f$  is multiplicative, then  $f(1) = 1$ .

*Proof.* Since  $f$  is multiplicative,  $f(1) = f(1)f(1)$  thus,  $f(1) = 0, 1$ . If  $f(1) = 0$ , then  $f \equiv 0$  which contradicts our assumption hence  $f(1)$  must be 1. ■

**Theorem 2.13.** Given an arithmetical function  $f$  with  $f(1) = 1$

1.  $f$  is multiplicative if and only if  $f(\prod p_i^{\alpha_i}) = \prod f(p_i^{\alpha_i})$
2. If  $f$  is multiplicative, then  $f$  is completely multiplicative if and only if  $f(p^\alpha) = (f(p))^\alpha$ .

*Proof.*

1. If  $f$  is multiplicative, then the formula is obviously true. Suppose the formula holds and the integers  $m, n$  are relatively prime. Let  $m = p_1^{\alpha_1} \dots p_k^{\alpha_k}$  and  $n = q_1^{\beta_1} \dots q_r^{\beta_r}$  with no  $p$  equal to a  $q$ .

$$f(mn) = f\left(\prod p_i^{\alpha_i} \prod q_j^{\beta_j}\right) = \prod_{i,j} f(p_i^{\alpha_i}) f(q_j^{\beta_j}) = \prod_i f(p_i^{\alpha_i}) \prod_j f(q_j^{\beta_j}) = f(m)f(n)$$

Therefore,  $f$  is multiplicative.

2. If  $f$  is completely multiplicative, then the formula holds trivially. Suppose the formula holds and  $m, n$  are integers with prime decomposition  $m = p_1^{\alpha_1} \dots p_k^{\alpha_k}$  and  $n = p_1^{\gamma_1} \dots p_k^{\gamma_k} q_1^{\beta_1} \dots q_r^{\beta_r}$  with no  $p$  equal to a  $q$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(mn) &= f\left(\prod_i p_i^{\alpha_i + \gamma_i} \prod_j q_j^{\beta_j}\right) \\
 &= \prod_{i,j} f(p_i^{\alpha_i + \gamma_i}) f(q_j^{\beta_j}) \\
 &= \prod_i (f(p_i))^{\alpha_i + \gamma_i} \prod_j f(q_j^{\beta_j}) \\
 &= \prod_i (f(p_i))^{\alpha_i} \prod_i (f(p_i))^{\gamma_i} \prod_j f(q_j^{\beta_j}) \\
 &= \prod_i f(p_i^{\alpha_i}) \prod_i f(p_i^{\gamma_i}) \prod_j f(q_j^{\beta_j}) \\
 &= f(m)f(n)
 \end{aligned}$$

■

**Theorem 2.14.** *If  $f$  and  $g$  are both multiplicative, then  $f * g$  is multiplicative. If  $g$  and  $f * g$  are both multiplicative, then  $f$  is multiplicative.*

*Proof.* Suppose  $f$  and  $g$  are two multiplicative functions and  $m, n$  are two relatively prime integers. Then,

$$\begin{aligned}
 f * g(mn) &= \sum_{d|mn} f(d)g\left(\frac{mn}{d}\right) \\
 &= \sum_{\substack{d_m|m \\ d_n|n}} f(d_m d_n) g\left(\frac{m}{d_m} \frac{n}{d_n}\right) \\
 &= \sum_{d_m|m} \sum_{d_n|n} f(d_m) f(d_n) g\left(\frac{m}{d_m}\right) g\left(\frac{n}{d_n}\right) \\
 &= f * g(m) f * g(n)
 \end{aligned}$$

Let  $g$  be a multiplicative function. We show that  $g^{-1}$  is multiplicative as well. Since  $g(1) = 1$ , then  $g^{-1}(1) = 1$ . Note that if  $p$  is a prime for  $k \geq 1$  we have,

$$g^{-1}(p^k) = - \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} g(p^{k-i}) g^{-1}(p^i)$$

Let  $h$  be the multiplicative function that agrees with  $g^{-1}$  on prime powers. Consider the Dirichlet multiplication  $g * h$  for  $p_1^{\alpha_1} \dots p_k^{\alpha_k}$  with  $\alpha_i \geq 1$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 g * h(p_1^{\alpha_1} \dots p_k^{\alpha_k}) &= \sum_{0 \leq i_j \leq \alpha_j} h(p_1^{i_1} \dots p_k^{i_k}) g(p_1^{\alpha_1 - i_1} \dots p_k^{\alpha_k - i_k}) \\
 &= \sum_{0 \leq i_j \leq \alpha_j} h(p_1^{i_1}) \dots h(p_k^{i_k}) g(p_1^{\alpha_1 - i_1}) \dots g(p_k^{\alpha_k - i_k}) \\
 &= \prod_j \sum_{0 \leq i_j \leq \alpha_j} h(p_j^{i_j}) g(p_j^{\alpha_j - i_j})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \prod_j \sum_{0 \leq i_j \leq \alpha_j} g^{-1}(p_j^{i_j}) g(p_j^{\alpha_j - i_j}) \\
&= \prod_j \left( \sum_{0 \leq i_j < \alpha_j} g^{-1}(p_j^{i_j}) g(p_j^{\alpha_j - i_j}) + g^{-1}(p_j^{\alpha_j}) \right) \\
&= \prod_j \left( \sum_{0 \leq i_j < \alpha_j} -g^{-1}(p_j^{\alpha_j}) + g^{-1}(p_j^{\alpha_j}) \right) \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

Also,  $g * h(1) = g(1)h(1) = 1$ . That is,  $g * h = I$  and since Dirichlet inverse is unique it must be that  $g^{-1} = h$ . ■

### 2.5.1 Inverse of completely multiplicative functions

**Theorem 2.15.** *Let  $f$  be a multiplicative function. Then,  $f$  is completely multiplicative if and only if*

$$f^{-1}(n) = \mu(n)f(n)$$

*Proof.* Suppose  $f$  is completely multiplicative and  $g(n) = \mu(n)f(n)$

$$f * g(n) = \sum_{d|n} f(d)\mu(d)f\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) = f(n) \sum_{d|n} \mu(d) = f(n)I(n) = I(n)$$

Thus,  $f^{-1} = g$ . Suppose  $f$  is a multiplicative function such that  $f^{-1} = \mu f$ . Let  $p$  be prime and  $\alpha \geq 1$  be such that  $f(p^\alpha) = (f(p))^\alpha$ . Then, note

$$f(p^{\alpha+1}) = - \sum_{i=0}^{\alpha} f(p^i) f^{-1}(p^{\alpha+1-i}) = -f(p^\alpha) f^{-1}(p) = (f(p))^\alpha f(p) = (f(p))^{\alpha+1} \quad \blacksquare$$

**Remark 3.** Note that  $N = \phi * u$  and  $\phi = N * \mu$  therefore,  $\phi^{-1} = \mu^{-1} * N^{-1} = u * N^{-1}$ . Since  $N$  is completely multiplicative,  $\phi^{-1} = u * \mu N$ . That is,

$$\phi^{-1}(n) = \sum_{d|n} d\mu(d)$$

**Theorem 2.16.** *If  $f$  is multiplicative,*

$$\sum_{d|n} \mu(d)f(d) = \prod_{p|n} (1 - f(p))$$

*Proof.* Let  $g(n) = \sum_{d|n} \mu(d)f(d)$ . Note that  $g = \mu f * u$  and thus it is multiplicative. Then, to determine  $g$  we need to evaluate  $g(p^\alpha)$  for prime  $p$  and  $\alpha \geq 1$ .

$$g(p^\alpha) = \sum_{d|p^\alpha} \mu(d)f(d) = \sum_{d|p} \mu(d)f(d) = 1 - f(p)$$

As a result,

$$g(n) = \prod_{p^\alpha || n} g(p^\alpha) = \prod_{p|n} (1 - f(p)) \quad \blacksquare$$

## 2.6 Liouville's function $\lambda$

**Definition:** The Liouville function  $\lambda$  is defined as  $\lambda(1) = 1$  and if  $n = p_1^{\alpha_1} \dots p_k^{\alpha_k}$ , then

$$\lambda(n) = (-1)^{\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_k}$$

**Theorem 2.17.** For  $n \geq 1$ ,

$$\sum_{d|n} \lambda(d) = \begin{cases} 1 & n \text{ is a perfect square} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and also  $\lambda^{-1}(n) = |\mu(n)|$ .

*Proof.* Note that  $g = \lambda * u$  is multiplicative since  $\lambda$  is completely multiplicative. Hence, for a prime  $p$  and  $\alpha \geq 1$  we have

$$g(p^\alpha) = \sum_{i=0}^{\alpha} \lambda(p^i) = \sum_{i=0}^{\alpha} (-1)^i = \frac{1 - (-1)^{\alpha+1}}{1 - (-1)} = \frac{1 + (-1)^\alpha}{2} = \begin{cases} 1 & \alpha \text{ is even} \\ 0 & \alpha \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

Therefore,

$$g(n) = \prod_{p^\alpha || n} g(p^\alpha) = \begin{cases} 1 & n \text{ is a perfect square} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Since  $\lambda$  is completely multiplicative,  $\lambda^{-1} = \mu\lambda$ . If there is a prime  $p$  such that  $p^2 \mid n$ , then  $\mu(n) = 0$  and  $\mu(n)\lambda(n) = |\mu(n)|$ . If  $n = p_1 \dots p_k$ , then  $\lambda(n) = \mu(n)$  and thus  $\lambda(n)\mu(n) = (\mu(n))^2 = |\mu(n)|$ . ■

## 2.7 The divisor function $\sigma_\alpha$

**Definition:** For all  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\sigma_\alpha(n) = \sum_{d|n} d^\alpha = N^\alpha * u$

**Proposition 2.18.** The divisor function  $\sigma_\alpha$  is multiplicative and

$$\sigma_\alpha(p^k) = 1 + p^\alpha + \dots + p^{k\alpha} = \begin{cases} \frac{p^{(k+1)\alpha} - 1}{p^\alpha - 1} & \alpha \neq 0 \\ k + 1 & \alpha = 0 \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Trivial. ■

**Theorem 2.19.** For  $n \geq 1$ , we have

$$\sigma_\alpha^{-1}(n) = \sum_{d|n} d^\alpha \mu(d) \mu\left(\frac{n}{d}\right)$$

*Proof.* Since  $N^\alpha$  is completely multiplicative we have

$$\sigma_\alpha^{-1} = (N^\alpha)^{-1} * \mu = N^\alpha \mu * \mu$$
■

## 2.8 Generalized convolution

Let  $F : ]0, \infty[ \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  such that  $F(x) = 0$  for  $0 < x < 1$ . Let  $f$  be an arithmetical function

$$f \circ F(x) = \sum_{n \leq x} f(n) F\left(\frac{x}{n}\right)$$

is a function such that  $f \circ F(x) = 0$  for  $0 < x < 1$  and defined on  $]0, \infty[$ .

**Remark 4.** In general,  $\circ$  is not commutative nor associative.

**Theorem 2.20.** *Let  $f$  and  $g$  be two arithmetical functions*

$$f \circ (g \circ F) = (f * g) \circ F$$

**Theorem 2.21 (Inverse formula).** *Let  $f$  have inverse  $f^{-1}$ , then the equation*

$$G(x) = \sum_{n \leq x} f(x) F\left(\frac{x}{n}\right)$$

*implies*

$$F(x) = \sum_{n \leq x} f^{-1}(x) G\left(\frac{x}{n}\right)$$

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} f \circ (g \circ F)(x) &= \sum_{n \leq x} f(n) g \circ F\left(\frac{x}{n}\right) \\ &= \sum_{n \leq x} f(n) \sum_{k \leq x/n} g(k) F\left(\frac{x}{nk}\right) \\ &= \sum_{n \leq x} \sum_{nk \leq x} f(n) g(k) F\left(\frac{x}{nk}\right) \\ &= \sum_{nk \leq x} f(n) g(k) F\left(\frac{x}{nk}\right) \\ &= \sum_{m \leq x} \sum_{d|m} f(d) g\left(\frac{m}{d}\right) F\left(\frac{x}{m}\right) \\ &= \sum_{m \leq x} f * g(m) F\left(\frac{x}{m}\right) \\ &= (f * g) \circ F(x) \end{aligned}$$

■

**Theorem 2.22 (Generalized Mobius inversion).** *Let  $f$  be completely multiplicative*

$$G(x) = \sum_{n \leq x} f(n) F\left(\frac{x}{n}\right) \iff F(x) = \sum_{n \leq x} \mu(n) f(n) G\left(\frac{x}{n}\right)$$

*Proof.* We have

$$\mu f \circ G = f^{-1} \circ G = f^{-1} \circ (f \circ F) = (f^{-1} * f) \circ F = F$$

■



## 2.9 Formal power series

Definiton of formal power series as usual with equality, sum, and multiplication. Therefore, formal power series form a ring with 0 and 1. If the leading coefficient is non-zero, then the formal power series is invertible.

**Definition:** Let  $f$  be an arithmetical function and  $p$  be a prime

$$f_p(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f(p^n)x^n$$

is the **Bell series of  $f$  modulo  $p$** .

**Theorem 2.23.** *If  $f$  and  $g$  are multiplicative, then  $f = g$  if and only if  $f_p = g_p$  for all  $p$ .*

*Proof.* Trivial. ■

**Example 2.1.**

$$\begin{array}{lll} \mu_p(x) = 1 - x & I_p(x) = 1 & \lambda_p(x) = \frac{1}{1+x} \\ \phi_p(x) = \frac{1-x}{1-px} & u_p(x) = \frac{1}{1-x} & N_p^\alpha(x) = \frac{1}{1-p^\alpha x} \end{array}$$

**Theorem 2.24.** *Let  $f$  and  $g$  be two arithmetical functions and  $h = f * g$ , then  $h_p = f_p g_p$  for all  $p$ .*

*Proof.* We have,

$$\begin{aligned} h_p(x) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} h(p^n)x^n \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=0}^n f(p^i)g(p^{n-i})x^n \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \sum_{n=i}^{\infty} f(p^i)g(p^{n-i})x^n \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} f(p^i)x^i \sum_{n=i}^{\infty} g(p^{n-i})x^{n-i} \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} f(p^i)x^i \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g(p^n)x^n \\ &= f_p(x)g_p(x) \end{aligned} \quad \blacksquare$$

As a result,

$$(\sigma_\alpha)_p(x) = N_p^\alpha(x)u_p(x) = \frac{1}{1-p^\alpha x} \frac{1}{1-x} = \frac{1}{1-(p^\alpha+1)x+p^\alpha x^2} = \frac{1}{1-\sigma_\alpha(p)+p^\alpha x^2}$$

**Definition:** The derivative arithmetical function  $f$  is defined by

$$f'(n) = f(n) \log(n)$$

**Theorem 2.25.**

1.  $(f + g)' = f' + g'$ .
2.  $(f * g)' = f' * g + f * g'$ .
3.  $(f^{-1})' = -f' * (f * f)^{-1}$  provided that  $f(1) \neq 0$ .

*Proof.*

1.  $(f + g)' = (f + g) \log = f \log + g \log$ .
- 2.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (f * g)'(n) &= f * g(n) \log n \\
 &= \sum_{d|n} f(d) g\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) \log n \\
 &= \sum_{d|n} f(d) g\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) \left(\log d + \log \frac{n}{d}\right) \\
 &= \sum_{d|n} f(d) \log d g\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) + \sum_{d|n} f(d) g\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) \log \frac{n}{d} \\
 &= f' * g(n) + f * g'(n)
 \end{aligned}$$

3. Note that,  $(f * f^{-1})' = I' = I \log \equiv 0$ . From the previous part we have

$$(f * f^{-1})' = f' * f^{-1} + f * (f^{-1})' = 0 \implies (f^{-1})' = -f^{-1} * f' * f^{-1} = -f' * (f * f)^{-1} \blacksquare$$

## 2.10 The Selberg theorem

**Theorem 2.26.** For  $n \geq 1$ ,

$$\Lambda(n) \log(n) + \sum_{d|n} \Lambda(d) \Lambda\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) = \sum_{d|n} \mu(d) \log^2\left(\frac{n}{d}\right)$$

*Proof.* Recall that  $\Lambda = \mu * \log$  and  $\Lambda' = \Lambda \log$  by definition.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Lambda \log + \Lambda * \Lambda &= \Lambda' + (\mu * \log) * \Lambda \\
 &= (\mu * \log)' + (\mu * u') * \Lambda \\
 &= \mu' * \log + \mu * \log' + [(\mu * u)' - \mu' * u] * \Lambda \\
 &= \mu \log * \log + \mu * \log^2 - \mu \log * u * \Lambda \\
 &= \mu \log * \log + \mu * \log^2 - \mu \log * \log \\
 &= \mu * \log^2
 \end{aligned}$$

■

## Exercises

1. Prove that

$$\frac{n}{\phi(n)} = \sum_{d|n} \frac{\mu^2(d)}{\phi(d)}$$

*Solution.* Note that, both the left hand side  $N/\phi$  and the right hand side  $\mu^2/\phi * u$  are multiplicative therefore, it suffices to show that they are equal on prime powers.

$$\begin{aligned} LHS &= \frac{p^\alpha}{\phi(p^\alpha)} = \frac{p^\alpha}{p^{\alpha-1}(p-1)} = \frac{p}{p-1} \\ RHS &= \sum_{d|p^\alpha} \frac{\mu^2(d)}{\phi(d)} = \frac{1}{\phi(1)} + \frac{1}{\phi(p)} = \frac{p}{p-1} \\ \implies LHS &= RHS \end{aligned}$$

▷

2. Let  $\nu(n)$  be the number of distinct prime factors of  $n$  with  $\nu(1) = 1$ . Let  $f = \mu * \nu$  and prove that  $f(n)$  is either 0 or 1.

*Solution.* Let  $m, k$  be an integer with  $m, k \geq 1$  and  $p$  a prime such that  $(m, p) = 1$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu * \nu(p^k m) &= \sum_{d|p^k m} \mu(d) \nu\left(\frac{p^k m}{d}\right) \\ &= \sum_{d|m} \sum_{l|p^k} \mu(ld) \nu\left(\frac{p^k m}{ld}\right) \\ &= \sum_{d|m} \mu(d) \nu\left(\frac{p^k m}{d}\right) + \mu(pd) \nu\left(\frac{p^{k-1} m}{d}\right) \\ &= \sum_{d|m} \mu(d) \left(1 + \nu\left(\frac{m}{d}\right)\right) - \mu(d) \left((1 - I(k)) + \nu\left(\frac{m}{d}\right)\right) \\ &= I(k) \sum_{d|m} \mu(d) \\ &= I(k) I(m) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the value of the function is either 0 or 1. Moreover, it is only 1 for prime numbers.

▷

3. Prove that

$$\sum_{d^k | n} \mu(d) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } m^k \mid n \text{ for some } m > 1 \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

*Solution.* Let  $n = m^k r$  with  $m \geq 1$  and  $r$  is  $k_{th}$  power free. That is, there is no integer whose  $k_{th}$  power divides  $r$ . Therefore,

$$\sum_{d^k | n} \mu(d) = \sum_{d^k | m^k} \mu(d) = \sum_{d|m} \mu(d) = I(m)$$

▷

4. Prove that

$$\sum_{d|n} \mu(d) \log^m(d) = 0$$

if  $m \geq 1$  and  $n$  has more than  $m$  distinct prime factors.

*Solution.* Let  $n = p_1^{\alpha_1} \dots p_k^{\alpha_k}$  has  $k$  distinct prime factors.

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{d|n} \mu(d) \log^m(d) &= \sum_{d|p_1 \dots p_k} \mu(d) \log^m(d) \\ &= \sum_{d|p_1 \dots p_{k-1}} \mu(d) \log^m(d) + \mu(dp_k) \log^m(dp_k) \\ &= \sum_{d|p_1 \dots p_{k-1}} \mu(d) \log^m(d) - \mu(d) (\log d + \log p_k)^m \\ &= - \sum_{d|p_1 \dots p_{k-1}} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \binom{m}{j} \mu(d) \log^j(d) \log^{m-j}(p_k) \\ &= - \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \binom{m}{j} \log^{m-j}(p_k) \sum_{d|p_1 \dots p_{k-1}} \mu(d) \log^j(d) \end{aligned}$$

Assuming that the induction base is true and  $k > m$ , then we are done by induction. The base case is when  $m = 1$ . Let  $n = p_1^{\alpha_1} \dots p_k^{\alpha_k}$  and  $k \geq 2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{d|n} \mu(d) \log d &= -\log(p_k) \sum_{d|p_1 \dots p_{k-1}} \mu(d) \\ &= -\log p_k I(p_1 \dots p_{k-1}) = 0 \end{aligned} \quad \triangleright$$

5. Let  $f(x)$  be defined for all rational  $x$  in  $0 \leq x \leq 1$  and let

$$F(n) = \sum_{k=1}^n f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) \qquad F^*(n) = \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ (k,n)=1}}^n f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right)$$

(a) Show that  $F^* = F * \mu$ .

(b) Show that

$$\mu(n) = \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ (k,n)=1}} e^{2\pi i k/n}$$

*Solution.* (a) We have,

$$\begin{aligned} F^*(n) &= \sum_{k=1}^n I((n, k)) f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{d|(n, k)} \mu(d) f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) \\ &= \sum_{d|n} \sum_{k=1}^{n/d} \mu(d) f\left(\frac{dk}{n}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{d|n} \mu(d) F\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) \\
&= \mu * F(n)
\end{aligned}$$

(b) Let  $f(x) = e^{2\pi i x}$ , then

$$F(n) = \sum_{k=1}^n e^{2\pi i k/n} = I(n)$$

and thus

$$\mu * F = \mu = F^* = \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ (k,n)=1}}^n e^{2\pi i k/n} \quad \triangleright$$

6. Prove that,

$$\sigma_1(n) = \sum_{d|n} \phi(d) \sigma_0\left(\frac{n}{d}\right)$$

And try to generalize it for  $\sigma_\alpha$

*Solution.* For integer  $\alpha \geq 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
\sigma_\alpha &= N^\alpha * u = (N^{\alpha-1} N) * u \\
&= (N^{\alpha-1} N) * (N^{\alpha-1} \mu) * (N^{\alpha-1} \mu)^{-1} * u \\
&= (N^{\alpha-1} \phi) * N^{\alpha-1} * u \\
&= (N^{\alpha-1} \phi) * \sigma_{\alpha-1}
\end{aligned} \quad \triangleright$$

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# Chapter 3

## Averages of Arithmetical Functions

Arithmetical functions fluctuate a lot, by taking averages we can determine their behaviour

$$\tilde{f}(n) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n f(k)$$

### 3.1 Asymptotic equality of function

$f(x) \in O(g(x))$  if there exists  $M > 0$  and  $a$  such that for all  $x \geq a$ ,  $|f(x)| \leq M|g(x)|$ . Usually,  $g$  is taken to be positive.

**Definition:** If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = 1$ , then  $f$  is asymptotic to  $g$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$  and we write  $f(x) \sim g(x)$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$ .

### 3.2 Euler's summation formula

**Theorem 3.1.** If  $f$  has a continuous derivative  $f'$  on the interval  $[y, x]$ , where  $0 < y < x$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{y < n \leq x} f(n) &= \int_y^x f(t) dt + \int_y^x (t - [t]) f'(t) dt \\ &\quad + f(x)([x] - x) - f(y)([y] - y) \end{aligned}$$

### 3.3 Some elementary asymptotic formula

**Definition:** The Euler-Mascheroni constant is defined as

$$\gamma = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} - \log n \right)$$

**Definition:** The Riemann zeta function is defined as

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

where  $s \in \mathbb{C}$  is a complex variable.

**Theorem 3.2.** *If  $x \geq 1$  we have*

$$\sum_{n \leq x} \frac{1}{n} = \log x + \gamma + O\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \quad (3.1)$$

$$\sum_{n \leq x} \frac{1}{n^s} = \frac{x^{1-s}}{1-s} + \zeta(s) + O(x^{-s}) \quad s > 0 \wedge s \neq 1 \quad (3.2)$$

$$\sum_{n > x} \frac{1}{n^s} = O(x^{1-s}) \quad s > 1 \quad (3.3)$$

$$\sum_{n \leq x} n^\alpha = \frac{x^{\alpha+1}}{\alpha+1} + O(x^\alpha) \quad \alpha \geq 0 \quad (3.4)$$

### 3.4 The average order of $d(n)$

**Theorem 3.3.** *For all  $x \geq 1$ ,*

$$\sum_{n \leq x} d(n) = x \log x + (2\gamma - 1)x + O(\sqrt{x})$$

*The error term can be improved to  $O(x^{12/37+\epsilon})$  for all  $\epsilon > 0$ .*

### 3.5 The average order of $\sigma_\alpha(n)$

**Theorem 3.4.** *For all  $x \geq 1$*

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n \leq x} \sigma_1(x) &= \frac{1}{2} \zeta(2) x^2 + O(x \log x) \\ \sum_{n \leq x} \sigma_{-1}(x) &= \zeta(2) x + O(\log x) \end{aligned}$$

*If  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\alpha \neq 1$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n \leq x} \sigma_\alpha(x) &= \frac{1}{\alpha+1} \zeta(\alpha+1) x^{\alpha+1} + O(x^\beta) \\ \sum_{n \leq x} \sigma_{-\alpha}(x) &= \zeta(\alpha+1) x + O(x^\delta) \end{aligned}$$

*where  $\beta = \max\{1, \alpha\}$  and  $\delta = \max\{0, 1 - \alpha\}$ .*

### 3.6 The average order $\phi(n)$

**Theorem 3.5.** *For  $x > 1$  we have*

$$\sum_{n \leq x} \phi(n) = \frac{3}{\pi^2} x^2 + O(x \log x)$$



### 3.7 An application

**Definition:** Two lattice point  $P$  and  $Q$  are mutually visible if the line segment connecting them contains no other lattice point.

**Theorem 3.6.** *Two lattice point  $(a, b)$  and  $(c, d)$  are mutually visible if and only if  $(a - c, b - d) = 1$ .*

Consider the square  $C(r) = \{(x, y) \mid |x|, |y| \leq r\}$ , let  $N(r) = \#C(r)$  and let  $N'(r)$  be the number of visible points from the origin in  $C(r)$ .

**Theorem 3.7.** *The set of lattice points visible from the origin has density  $\frac{6}{\pi^2}$ . That is,*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N'(r)}{N(r)} = \frac{6}{\pi^2}$$

### 3.8 The average order of $\mu(n)$ and $\Lambda(n)$

**Theorem 3.8.** *We have*

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x} \sum_{n \leq x} \mu(n) &= 0 \\ \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x} \sum_{n \leq x} \Lambda(n) &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

*Both are equivalent to prime number theorem.*

### 3.9 The partial sums of Dirichlet product

**Theorem 3.9.** *If  $h = f * g$ , let*

$$H(x) = \sum_{n \leq x} h(n) \qquad F(x) = \sum_{n \leq x} f(n) \qquad G(x) = \sum_{n \leq x} g(n)$$

*then we have*

$$H(x) = \sum_{n \leq x} f(n) G\left(\frac{x}{n}\right) = \sum_{n \leq x} g(n) F\left(\frac{x}{n}\right)$$

**Theorem 3.10.** *If  $F(x) = \sum_{n \leq x} f(n)$  we have*

$$\sum_{n \leq x} \sum_{d|n} f(d) = \sum_{n \leq x} f(x) \left\lfloor \frac{x}{n} \right\rfloor = \sum_{n \leq x} F\left(\frac{x}{n}\right)$$

### 3.10 Applications to $\mu(n)$ and $\Lambda(n)$

**Theorem 3.11.** *For  $x \geq 1$  we have*

$$\sum_{n \leq x} \mu(n) \left( \frac{x}{n} \right) = 1$$

$$\sum_{n \leq x} \Lambda(n) \left( \frac{x}{n} \right) = \log(\lfloor x \rfloor!)$$

**Theorem 3.12.** *For all  $x \geq 1$  we have*

$$\left| \sum_{n \leq x} \frac{\mu(n)}{n} \right| \leq 1$$

*with equality holding if  $x < 2$ .*

**Theorem 3.13 (Legendre's Identity).** *For all  $x \geq 1$*

$$\lfloor x \rfloor! = \prod_{p \leq x} p^{\alpha(p)}$$

*where  $\alpha(p) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left\lfloor \frac{x}{p^m} \right\rfloor$ .*

**Theorem 3.14.** *If  $x \geq 2$*

$$\log(\lfloor x \rfloor!) = x \log x - x + O(\log x)$$

*and hence*

$$\sum_{n \leq x} \Lambda(n) \lfloor (x/n) \rfloor = x \log x - x + O(\log x)$$

**Theorem 3.15.** *For  $x \geq 2$*

$$\sum_{p \leq x} \lfloor (x/p) \rfloor \log p = x \log x + O(x)$$

### 3.11 Another Identity for the partial sums of a Dirichlet product

**Theorem 3.16.** *If  $h = f * g$ , let*

$$H(x) = \sum_{n \leq x} h(n) \quad F(x) = \sum_{n \leq x} f(n) \quad G(x) = \sum_{n \leq x} g(n)$$

*then we have*

$$H(x) = \sum_{n \leq x} \sum_{d|n} f(d) g\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) = \sum_{qd \leq x} f(d) g(q)$$

**Theorem 3.17.** *If  $a, b$  are positive real numbers such that  $ab = x$ , then*

$$\sum_{qd \leq x} f(d) g(q) = \sum_{n \leq a} f(n) G\left(\frac{x}{n}\right) + \sum_{n \leq b} g(n) F\left(\frac{x}{n}\right) - F(a)G(b)$$

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# Chapter 4

## Elementary Theorems on the Distribution of Prime Numbers

### 4.1 Chebyshev's functions $\psi(x), \theta(x)$

**Definition:** For  $x > 0$ ,

$$\psi(x) = \sum_{n \leq x} \Lambda(n) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{p^m \leq x} \Lambda(p^m) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{p^m \leq x} \log(p)$$

Moreover, since there are no primes less than 2, if  $x^{1/m} < 2$ , then the inner sum would be zero. That is,

$$\psi(x) = \sum_{m \leq \lg x} \sum_{p \leq x^{1/m}} \log p$$

**Definition:** For  $x > 0$ ,

$$\theta(x) = \sum_{p \leq x} \log p$$

Therefore,

$$\psi(x) = \sum_{m \leq \lg x} \theta(\sqrt[m]{x})$$

**Theorem 4.1.** For  $x > 0$ ,

$$0 \leq \frac{\psi(x) - \theta(x)}{x} \leq \frac{(\log x)^2}{2\sqrt{x} \log 2}$$

*Proof.*

From this theorem, we are able to conclude that if  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\psi(x)}{x}$  exists, then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\theta(x)}{x}$  exists and they are equal.

### 4.2 Relations connecting $\theta(x)$ and $\pi(x)$

**Theorem 4.2 (Abel's identity).** Let  $a(n)$  be arithmetical and let  $A(n) = \sum_{n \leq x} a(n)$ , with  $A(x) = 0$  for  $x < 1$ . Assume  $f$  has a continuous derivative on interval  $[y, x]$ . Then, we have

$$\sum_{y \leq n \leq x} a(n)f(n) = A(x)f(x) - A(y)f(y) - \int_y^x A(t)f'(t) dt$$

The Euler's summation formula can be easily deduced from Abel's.

**Theorem 4.3.** *For  $x \geq 2$*

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

and

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

### 4.3 Equivalent forms of Prime Number Theorem

**Theorem 4.4.** *The following relations are equivalent.*

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\pi(x) \log x}{x} = 1 \quad (4.1)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\theta(x)}{x} = 1 \quad (4.2)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\psi(x)}{x} = 1 \quad (4.3)$$

**Theorem 4.5.** *Let  $p_n$  be the  $n_{\text{th}}$  prime, the following relations are equivalent.*

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\pi(x) \log x}{x} &= 1 \\ \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\pi(x) \log \pi(x)}{x} &= 1 \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{p_n}{n \log n} &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

### 4.4 Inequalities for $\pi(x)$ and $p_n$

**Theorem 4.6.** *For every integer  $n \geq 2$*

$$\frac{1}{6} \frac{n}{\log n} \leq \pi(n) \leq 6 \frac{n}{\log n}$$

and for  $n \geq 1$ ,

$$\frac{1}{6} n \log n < p_n < 12 \left( n \log n + n \log \left( \frac{12}{e} \right) \right)$$