

PNT STEP 4, continued.Theorem 13.5If $\sigma > 1$ then

$$\zeta^3(\sigma) |\zeta(\sigma+it)|^4 |\zeta(\sigma+2it)| \geq 1.$$

Proof.Recall Lemma F of last time: for $\sigma > 1$,

$$\zeta(s) = e^{G(s)} \text{ where}$$

$$G(s) = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{\Lambda(n)}{\log n} n^{-s} = \sum_p \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{mp^{ms}}.$$

Since $p^{-ms} = p^{-m\sigma} p^{-mit} = p^{-m\sigma} e^{-imt \log p}$,
then

$$\zeta(s) = \exp\left(\sum_p \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-imt \log p}}{mp^{m\sigma}} \right).$$

So, because $|e^z| = e^{\operatorname{Re}(z)}$ and $\operatorname{Re}(e^{-imt \log p}) = \cos(mt \log p)$, we have

$$|\zeta(s)| = \exp\left(\sum_p \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(mt \log p)}{mp^{m\sigma}} \right).$$

Applying this with $s = \sigma$, $s = \sigma + it$, and $s = \sigma + 2it$ respectively gives

$$\zeta^3(\sigma) |\zeta(\sigma+it)|^4 |\zeta(\sigma+2it)|$$

$$= \exp\left(\sum_p \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{3 + 4\cos(mt \log p) + \cos(2mt \log p)}{mp^{m\sigma}} \right). \quad (\times)$$

But for any real number θ ,

$$\begin{aligned} 3 + 4\cos\theta + \cos 2\theta &= 3 + 4\cos\theta + 2\cos^2\theta - 1 \\ &= 2(1 + 2\cos\theta + \cos^2\theta) \\ &= 2(1 + \cos\theta)^2 \geq 0, \end{aligned}$$

so the right side of (*) = e^A where $A \geq 0$, whence $e^A \geq 1$, and we're done. \square

Consequently:

Thm. 13.6. $\zeta(1+it) \neq 0$ for t real

Proof.

$\zeta(s)$ has a pole at $s=1$, so certainly $\zeta(1) \neq 0$.

So suppose $t \neq 0$. Dividing both sides of Thm. 13.5 by $\sigma-1$ gives

$$\begin{aligned} ((\sigma-1)\zeta(\sigma))^3 \left| \frac{\zeta(\sigma+it)}{\sigma-1} \right|^4 |\zeta(\sigma+2it)| \\ \geq \frac{1}{\sigma-1}, \end{aligned} \tag{*x}$$

for $\sigma > 1$. Now let $\sigma \rightarrow 1^+$. Then

$$((\sigma-1)\zeta(\sigma))^3 \rightarrow 1^3 = 1$$

(since ζ has a simple pole at $s=1$), and $\zeta(\sigma+2it) \rightarrow \zeta(1+2it)$!

Now were it the case that $\zeta(1+it) = 0$,

then we'd have

$$\frac{\zeta(\sigma+it)}{\sigma-1} = \frac{\zeta(\sigma+it) - \zeta(1+it)}{(\sigma+it) - (1+it)},$$

which would approach $\zeta'(1+it)$ as $\sigma \rightarrow 1^+$. So the left side of (\times) would approach

$$|\zeta'(1+it)|^4 |\zeta(1+2it)|$$

as $\sigma \rightarrow 1^+$, contradicting the fact that the right side $\rightarrow +\infty$ as $\sigma \rightarrow 1^+$.

So $\zeta(1+it) \neq 0$.

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A consequence:

Thm. 13.8.

$$h(s) = \frac{1}{s(s+1)} \left(\frac{-\zeta'(s)}{\zeta(s)} - \frac{1}{s-1} \right)$$

is analytic for $\sigma > 1$.

Proof.

For $\sigma > 1$, we've seen (cf. Lemma C of 11/1) that

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

which is analytic for $\sigma > 1$, e.g. by Corollary

$\zeta - \sum$. Also, by Lemma E of this Monday,

ζ and ζ' are holomorphic for $\sigma > 0$ and $s \neq 1$.

Since $\zeta(1+it) \neq 0$ for $t \in \mathbb{R}$, it follows that ζ'/ζ is holomorphic on the same region. So we only need to consider $s=1$.

Since $\zeta(s)$ has a simple pole there, of residue 1, we have

$$\zeta(s) = \frac{f(s)}{s-1},$$

where $f(s)$ is holomorphic and nonzero at $s=1$. But then, near $s=1$,

$$\zeta'(s) = \frac{(s-1)f'(s) - f(s)}{(s-1)^2},$$

so

$$\frac{\zeta'(s)}{\zeta(s)} = \frac{f'(s)}{f(s)} - \frac{1}{s-1},$$

$$\text{so } h(s) = \frac{1}{s(s+1)} \cdot -\frac{f'(s)}{f(s)},$$

so $h(s)$ is analytic at $s=1$. \square

Now recall: for $c > 1$ and $x \geq 1$,

$$\frac{\psi(x)}{x^2} - \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C-i\infty}^{C+i\infty} h(s) x^{s-1} ds,$$

and the PNT will follow if we can show

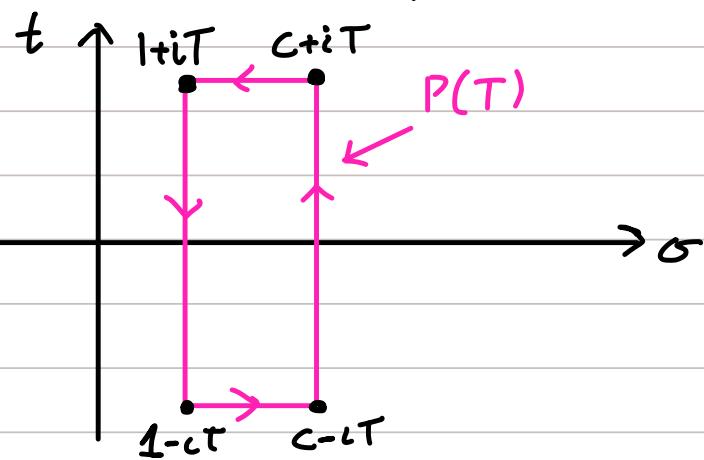
(a) The quantity on the right makes sense, and is unchanged, if we put $c=1$;

(b) With $c=1$, this quantity $\rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$.

Regarding part (a) note that, by Thm. 13.8,

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{P(T)} h(s) x^{s-1} ds = 0,$$

where $P(T)$ is as follows, for $c > 1$ and $T > 0$:



If we can show the integrals over the horizontal portions of $P(T) \rightarrow 0$ as $T \rightarrow \infty$, we will have proved (a). (Next time.)