

106. Uniform Distribution of the Zeros of the Riemann Zeta Function and the Mean Value Theorems of Dirichlet L-functions

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We shall give a brief survey of some applications of our previous works on the uniform distribution of the zeros of the Riemann zeta function $\zeta(s)$ (cf. [1], [2]). The details will appear elsewhere. We assume the Riemann Hypothesis throughout this article.

Let γ run over the positive imaginary parts of the zeros of $\zeta(s)$. We may recall the following two theorems which are special cases of the more general theorem in the author's [2]. The first theorem is a refinement of Landau's theorem (cf. [5]). We put $\Lambda(x) = \log p$ if $x = p^k$ with a prime number p and an integer $k \geq 1$ and $\Lambda(x) = 0$ otherwise.

Theorem 1. For any positive α ,

$$\sum_{0 < \gamma \leq T} e^{i\alpha\gamma} = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\Lambda(e^\alpha)}{e^{\alpha/2}} T + \frac{e^{i\alpha T}}{2\pi i \alpha} \log T + O\left(\frac{\log T}{\log \log T}\right).$$

The second theorem gives us a connection of the distribution of γ with a rational number.

Theorem 2. For any positive α ,

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \sum_{0 < \gamma \leq T} e^{i\gamma \log(\gamma/2\pi e^\alpha)} = \begin{cases} -e^{(1/4)\pi i} \frac{C(\alpha)}{2\pi} & \text{if } \alpha \text{ is rational} \\ 0 & \text{if } \alpha \text{ is irrational,} \end{cases}$$

where we put $C(\alpha) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha}} \frac{\mu(q)}{\varphi(q)}$ with the Möbius function $\mu(q)$ and the Euler function $\varphi(q)$ if $\alpha = a/q$ with relatively prime integers a and $q \geq 1$.

We should remark that the remainder terms in Theorems 1 and 2 depend on α heavily. In our applications with which we are concerned here it is necessary and important to clarify the dependences on α . In fact, if we follow the proofs of our theorems above in pp. 103-112 of [2], then we get the following explicit versions of them.

Theorem 1'. Let $0 < Y_0 < Y \leq T$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{Y_0 < \gamma \leq Y} e^{i\alpha\gamma} &= A(\alpha, Y, Y_0) + O((\alpha e^{(1/2)\alpha} + 1) \log Y / \log \log Y) \\ &\quad - \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{\Lambda(k)}{k^{1+\delta} \log k} e^{(1/2+\delta)\alpha} \int_{Y_0}^Y e^{-it \log k + i t \alpha} dt \\ &\quad - \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{\Lambda(k)}{k^{1+\delta} \log k} e^{-(1/2+\delta)\alpha} \int_{Y_0}^Y e^{it \log k + i t \alpha} dt \end{aligned}$$

uniformly for a positive α , where we put $\delta = 1/\log T$ and