

# A mean value theorem on Dirichlet series

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**Abstract.** This paper deals with mean-value for the square of certain function  $F(s)$  which has some characteristic properties of the Riemann zeta-function and its powers.

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## 1. Introduction

In [1] Balasubramanian, Ivić and Ramachandra obtained mean-value theorems for certain functions  $F(s) = \sum a_n \lambda_n^{-s}$  over intervals of the line  $\text{Res} = 1$ . Sankaranarayanan and Srinivas in [5] proved a mean-value theorem of the Riemann zeta-function over shorter intervals on the assumption of the Riemann Hypothesis.

In this paper we obtain a mean-value theorem for functions  $F(s)$  which verify the following conditions:

i)  $F(s)$  is a meromorphic function in the half-plane  $\text{Res} > 1/2$  with at most one pole in order  $r$  at  $s = 1$  with residue  $\gamma$ ;  $F(s)$  has a representation as a Dirichlet series

$$F(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(n)n^{-s} \quad (1.1)$$

absolutely convergent in  $\text{Res} > 1$  and  $f(n) \ll n^\epsilon$  for every  $\epsilon > 0$ . For every  $\sigma' > 1/2$

$$F(\sigma + it) = O(|t|^C) \quad (\text{as } |t| \rightarrow \infty) \quad (1.2)$$

uniformly in  $\sigma \geq \sigma'$ , with an appropriate constant  $C$  depending on  $\sigma'$ .

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ii) Furthermore, we suppose that the function defined as

$$G(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |f(n)|^2 n^{-s} \quad (1.3)$$

in  $\text{Res} > 1$  has an analytic continuation over certain half-plane  $\text{Res} > a$  ( $0 < a < 1$ ) and its only singularity is a pole of order  $m$  at  $s = 1$ , with residue  $c_m$ .

iii) Besides, there exist positive constants  $A_1, \beta$  such that for

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{A_1}{(\log \log t)^\beta} \leq \sigma \leq 1 - \delta \quad (\delta > 0), \quad t \geq t_0 > 0 \quad (1.4)$$

we have uniformly

$$\log F(\sigma + it) = O((\log t)^{\alpha(\sigma)} (\log \log t)^{-\beta}) \quad (1.5)$$

where  $0 < \alpha(\sigma) < 1$  and  $\alpha(\sigma)$  is a continuous and decreasing function for  $1/2 < \sigma < 1$ .

It is the object of this paper to prove a mean-value theorem for the square of  $F(s)$  over short intervals; so, we will prove the following result:

**Theorem.** *For*

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{2A_1}{(\log \log t)^\beta} \leq \sigma \leq 1 - \delta \quad (\delta > 0) \quad (1.6)$$

and  $Y \leq H \leq T$  with  $Y = \exp[(\log T)^{\alpha(\sigma)}]$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{H} \int_T^{T+H} |F(s)|^2 dt &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |f(n)|^2 n^{-2\sigma} + \\ &+ O\left(\exp(-A_2(\log T)^{\alpha(\sigma)} (\log \log T)^{-\beta})\right) \end{aligned} \quad (1.7)$$

where  $A_2 > 0$  depends on  $A_1$  and the  $O$ -constant depends on  $\delta$ .

## 2. Lemmas

**Lemma 1.** *Under the hypothesis of the Theorem and  $T \leq t \leq T + H$  we have*

$$F(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(n) e^{-n/Y} n^{-s} + O\left(\exp(-A_3(\log T)^{\alpha(\sigma)} (\log \log T)^{-\beta})\right) \quad (2.1)$$

where  $A_3 > 0$  depends on  $A_1$ .

**Proof.** By Mellin's transformation,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(n)e^{-n/Y}n^{-s} &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{Re\omega=2} F(s+\omega)Y^{\omega}\Gamma(\omega)d\omega \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\substack{Re\omega=2 \\ |v|>\log^a T}} F(s+\omega)Y^{\omega}T(\omega)d\omega + \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\substack{Re\omega=2 \\ |v|\leq\log^a T}} F(s+\omega)Y^{\omega}T(\omega)d\omega \end{aligned} \quad (2.2)$$

where  $a > 0$  is sufficiently large and  $\omega = u + iv$ .

We consider the rectangle  $R_T$  with vertices

$$2 \pm i \log^a T, (-A_1(\log \log T)^{-\beta}) \pm i \log^a T,$$

and by the Cauchy residue theorem we can write:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(n)e^{-n/Y}n^{-s} &= \sum_{R_T} Res(F(s+\omega)Y^{\omega}\Gamma(\omega)) + \\ &\quad + O\left(\left|\int_{\substack{Re\omega=2 \\ |v|\geq\log^a T}} F(s+\omega)Y^{\omega}\Gamma(\omega)d\omega\right|\right) + \\ &\quad + O\left(\left|\int_{-A_1(\log \log T)^{-\beta}+i\log^a T}^{2+i\log^a T} F(s+\omega)Y^{\omega}\Gamma(\omega)d\omega\right|\right) + \\ &\quad + O\left(\left|\int_{\substack{Re\omega=-A_1(\log \log T)^{-\beta} \\ |v|\leq\log^a T}} F(s+\omega)Y^{\omega}\Gamma(\omega)d\omega\right|\right). \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

By the well-known estimation of  $\Gamma(\omega)$  (see A.3 [2]) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\substack{Re\omega=2 \\ |v|\geq\log^a T}} F(s+\omega)Y^{\omega}\Gamma(\omega)d\omega &= O\left(Y^2 \int_{\substack{Re\omega=2 \\ |v|\geq\log^a T}} |\Gamma(\omega)|d\omega\right) \\ &= O\left(Y^2 \int_{v>\log^a T} v^{3/2}e^{-\pi v/2}dv\right) \\ &= O(Y^2 \exp(-C_1 \log^a T)) \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

with  $C_1 > 0$ .

From the condition (1.2) and the estimation for  $\Gamma(\omega)$  we can write:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-A_1(\log \log T)^{-\beta+i \log^a T}}^{2+i \log^a T} F(s+\omega) Y^\omega \Gamma(\omega) d\omega &= O(T^c Y^2 \exp(-C_2 \log^a T)) \\ &= O(Y^2 \exp(-C_3 \log^a T)) \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

with  $C_2, C_3 > 0$ .

By the hypothesis iii) for  $F(s)$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{\substack{Re \omega = -A_1(\log \log T)^{-\beta} \\ |v| \leq \log^a T}} F(s+\omega) Y^\omega \Gamma(\omega) d\omega = \\ &= O \left( \frac{\exp \left\{ C_4 \frac{(\log T)^{\alpha(\sigma)}}{(\log \log T)^\beta} \right\}}{Y A_1 (\log \log T)^{-\beta}} \int_{\substack{Re \omega = -A_1(\log \log T)^{-\beta} \\ |v| \leq \log^a T}} \left| \frac{\Gamma(1+\omega)}{\Gamma(\omega)} \right| d\omega \right) = \quad (2.6) \\ &= O(Y^{-A_1(\log \log T)^{-\beta}} \exp(C_4 (\log T)^{\alpha(\sigma)} (\log \log T)^{-\beta}) \log \log T). \end{aligned}$$

Choosing  $Y = \exp((\log T)^{\alpha(\sigma)})$  the three integrals of (2.3) are

$$O(\exp\{-A_3(\log T)^{\alpha(\sigma)}(\log \log T)^{-\beta}\}) \quad (2.7)$$

for some  $A_3 > 0$  sufficiently large.

Besides,  $\Gamma(s)$  has a single pole at  $\omega = 0$  with residue 1; so

$$Res_{\omega=0}(F(s+\omega)Y^\omega\Gamma(\omega)) = F(s). \quad (2.8)$$

At  $\omega = 1-s$ ,  $F(s+\omega)$  has a pole of order  $r$  and by the estimation of  $\Gamma(\omega)$ , the residue of  $F(s+\omega)Y^\omega\Gamma(\omega)$  in this point is bounded by (2.7).

**Lemma 2.** [2,4] *If  $\{a_n\}$  is a sequence of complex numbers such that  $\sum n(|a_n|)^2$  is convergent, then*

$$\int_T^{T+H} \left| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n n^{-it} \right|^2 dt = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|^2 (H + O(n)) \quad (2.9)$$

where the implied constant is absolute.

### 3. Proof of Theorem

Let  $Y = \exp((\log T)^{\alpha(\sigma)})$  and  $T \leq t \leq T + H$ . By Lemma 1 we have

$$\begin{aligned} F(s) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(n) e^{-n/Y} n^{-s} + O(\exp\{-A_3(\log T)^{\alpha(\sigma)}(\log \log T)^{-\beta}\}) \\ &= J_1 + J_2 \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

when

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{2A_1}{(\log \log T)^{\beta}} \leq \sigma \leq 1 - \delta.$$

So,

$$\int_T^{T+H} |F(s)|^2 dt = \int_T^{T+H} (|J_1|^2 + |J_2|^2 + J_1 \bar{J}_2 + \bar{J}_1 J_2) dt. \quad (3.2)$$

By Lemma 2,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_T^{T+H} |J_1|^2 dt &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |f(n)|^2 e^{-2n/Y} n^{-2\sigma} (H + O(n)) \\ &= H \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |f(n)|^2 n^{-2\sigma} + \sum_{n \leq Y} |f(n)|^2 n^{-2\sigma} (e^{-2n/Y} - 1) + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{n \geq Y} |f(n)|^2 n^{-2\sigma} (e^{-2n/Y} - 1) \right\} + \\ &\quad + O \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |f(n)|^2 n^{1-2\sigma} e^{-2n/Y} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n \leq Y} |f(n)|^2 n^{-2\sigma} (e^{-2n/Y} - 1) &= O \left( Y^{-1} \sum_{n \leq Y} n^{1-2\sigma+\epsilon} \right) = O \left( \frac{Y^{1-2\sigma+\epsilon}}{2-2\sigma+\epsilon} \right) \\ \sum_{n > Y} |f(n)|^2 n^{-2\sigma} &= O \left( \frac{Y^{1-2\sigma+\epsilon}}{2-2\sigma+\epsilon} \right) \\ \sum_{n > Y} |f(n)|^2 n^{-2\sigma} e^{-2n/Y} &= O \left( Y \sum_{n > Y} n^{-1-2\sigma+\epsilon} \right) = O \left( \frac{Y^{1-2\sigma-\epsilon}}{2\sigma-\epsilon} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |f(n)|^2 n^{1-2\sigma} e^{-2n/Y} = O\left(\frac{Y^{2-2\sigma+\epsilon}}{2\sigma-1+\epsilon}\right).$$

Since  $Y \leq H$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_T^{T+H} |J_1|^2 dt = \\ & = H \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |f(n)|^2 n^{-2\sigma} + O\left(\frac{Y^{1-2\sigma+\epsilon}}{2-2\sigma+\epsilon}\right) + O\left(\frac{Y^{1-2\sigma+\epsilon}}{2\sigma}\right) \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

From (3.1), obviously

$$\int_T^{T+H} |J_2|^2 dt = O(H \exp\{-2A_3(\log T)^{\alpha(\sigma)}(\log \log T)^{-\beta}\}). \quad (3.5)$$

Besides, by using Holder's inequality

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_T^{T+H} J_1 \bar{J}_2 dt = \\ & = O\left(H \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{|f(n)|^2}{n^{2\sigma}}\right)^{1/2} \exp\{-A_3(\log T)^{\alpha(\sigma)}(\log \log T)^{-\beta}\}\right). \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

From (1.6) and ii) we deduce

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |f(n)|^2 n^{-2\sigma} & \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |f(n)|^2 n^{-1-4A_1(\log \log T)^{-\beta}} \\ & = \frac{c_m}{(4A_1(\log \log T)^{-\beta})^m} + O((4A_1(\log \log T)^{-\beta})^{1-m}) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \int_T^{T+H} J_1 \bar{J}_2 dt & = O(H(\log \log T)^{\frac{\beta m}{2}} \exp(-A_3(\log T)^{\alpha(\sigma)}(\log \log T)^{-\beta})) \\ & = O(H \exp(-A_4(\log T)^{\alpha(\sigma)}(\log \log T)^{-\beta})), \end{aligned} \quad (3.7)$$

where  $A_4 < A_3$ . Taking  $Y = \exp((\log T)^{\alpha(\sigma)})$  Theorem is proved with  $A_2 > 0$  such that  $A_2 < A_3$  and  $A_2 < 4A_1$ .  $\square$

## 4. Applications

The functions

- 1)  $\{F(s) = \zeta(s), \quad f(n) \equiv 1\}, \{F(s) = \zeta^k(s), \quad f(n) \equiv d_k(n), k \geq 2\},$
- 2)  $\{F(s) = L^k(s, \chi_0), \quad f(n) \equiv d_k(n)\chi_0(n), \text{ being } \chi_0 \text{ a principal character mod } q, q > 1, k \geq 1\}.$

- 3)  $\{F(s) = \frac{\zeta^{k^m}(s)}{(\zeta(2s))^{c_0}} h_1(s), \quad f(n) \equiv (d_k(n))^m, \text{ (where } h_1(s) \text{ is defined in the half-plane } \operatorname{Res} > 1/3 \text{ by an absolutely convergent Dirichlet series and } c_0 = (1/2)k^m(k^m + 1) - ((k/2)(k+1))^m \in \mathbb{N} \text{ (see [3])})\}$ , hold the hypothesis i) and ii). The hypothesis iii) is verified by  $F(s) = \zeta(s), F(s) = \zeta^k(s)$  and  $F(s) = L^k(s, \chi_0)$  on the Riemann Hypothesis (see [6]).

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