

# Computing L-functions

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$$s = \sigma + it$$

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Given an L-function

$$\boxed{L(s) = \sum_1^{\infty} \frac{b(n)}{n^s}}, \quad b(n) = O(n^{\varepsilon})$$

abs. conv  $\sigma > 1$

• (Euler product)

• analytic or meromorphic continuation to  $\mathbb{C}$

• functional eqn

$$\text{let } \Gamma_{\gamma, \lambda}(s) = \prod_{j=1}^a \Gamma(\gamma_j s + \lambda_j)$$

$$\Lambda(s) = Q^s \Gamma_{\gamma, \lambda}(s) L(s)$$

where  $Q, \gamma_j > 0, |\operatorname{Re} \lambda_j| \geq 0$

frctnl  
eqn

$$\boxed{\Lambda(s) = \omega \overline{\Lambda(1-\bar{s})}, |\omega|=1}$$

$b(n)$ 's are normalized so that critical line is  $\sigma = 1/2$ .

## How to compute $L(s)$

Naive approach - use the Dirichlet series

Works better for larger  $\sigma$ .

$$\sum_{n \leq x} \frac{b(n)}{n^s} = \underbrace{\sum_{n \leq x} \frac{b(n)}{x^s}}_{\text{sum by parts}} + s \int_1^x \sum_{n \leq t} \frac{b(n) dt}{t^{s+1}}$$

Say  $\sum_{n \leq t} b(n) = O(t^{\sigma_0})$

Then for  $\sigma > \sigma_0$ , tail end equals

$$\left| \sum_{n>x} \frac{b(n)}{n^s} \right| = s \int_x^\infty \sum_{n \leq t} \frac{b(n) dt}{t^{s+1}} - \sum_{n \leq x} \frac{b(n)}{x^s}$$

$$= O_s(x^{\sigma_0 - \sigma}) \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow \infty$$

exs

$$1) \zeta(s), b(n) \equiv 1, \sum_{n \leq x} b(n) = O(x)$$

tail:  $O(x^{1-\sigma})$ ,  $\sigma > 1$

$$2) \zeta(s)\left(1 - \frac{1}{2^{s-1}}\right) = 1 - \frac{1}{2^s} + \frac{1}{3^s} - \frac{1}{4^s} + \frac{1}{5^s} - \dots$$

$$b(n) = (-1)^{n-1}, \sum_{n \leq x} b(n) = O(1)$$

tail:  $O(x^{-\sigma})$ ,  $\sigma > 0$

$$3) L(s, \chi), \chi \text{ a non-trivial Dirichlet character}$$

$$\text{mod } q. \sum_{n \leq x} \chi(n) = O_q(1)$$

tail:  $O(x^{-\sigma})$ ,  $\sigma > 0$

Typically, what does one expect for a degree- $k$  L-function? Degree- $k$  means  $k$   $\Gamma$ -factors all of the form  $\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} + \lambda_j\right)$

Can make a guess based on a prototypical example of degree- $k$ :  $\zeta(s)^k$

Problem -  $\zeta(s)^k$  is not typical. It has a  $k$ -th order pole at  $s=1$ .

For entire L-functions one expects to have cancellation in  $\sum_{n \leq x} b(n)$

Notice that the Dirichlet coefficients of  $\zeta(s)^k$  are all positive, no cancellation.

$$\sum_{n \leq x} b(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{(c)} L(s) x^s \frac{ds}{s}, \quad c > 1, \quad x > 0, s \notin \mathbb{Z}.$$

Inspiration

$$\zeta(s)^k = \sum d_k(n) \frac{n^s}{n^s}, \quad d_k(n) - \text{number of ways}$$

to express  $n$  as a product  
of  $k$  factors.

$$D_k(x) = \sum_{n \leq x} d_k(n)$$

$$= \underbrace{x P_k(\log x)} + \Delta_k(x)$$

residue of  $\zeta(s)^k$   
at  $s=1$ ,  $P_k$  polynomial  
of degree  $k-1$

example

$$D_2(x) = x \log x + (2\gamma - 1)x + \Delta_2(x)$$

Old Conjecture (divisor problem)

$$\Delta_k(x) = O(x^{\frac{k-1}{2k} + \varepsilon})$$

suggests:  $\sum b(n) = O(x^{\frac{k-1}{2k} + \varepsilon})$  for L-functions  
without poles

So, Dirichlet series of primitive  
degree 2 L-functions (associated to cusp  
or Maass forms) should converge for  $\sigma > \frac{1}{4}$ ,  
with tail  $O(x^{\frac{1}{4}+\varepsilon-\sigma})$

. degree 3 L-functions (ex symmetric square)  
should converge for  $\sigma > \frac{1}{3}$ , with tail  
 $O(x^{\frac{1}{3}+\varepsilon-\sigma})$ . ex:  $x = 10^6$  gives about 4  
digits precision on the  $\sigma = 1$  line.  
To get 16 digits, we'd need  $x = 10^{24}$ .  
Yikes!

## Method 2 Euler Maclaurin Summation

Useful when  $b(n)$ 's are periodic, for ex.  
 $\zeta(s)$  or  $L(s, \chi)$ .

### Euler-Mac formula

$E \in \mathbb{Z}, \geq 1.$

$g^{(E)}$  exists, continuous on  $[a, b]$

$$\sum_{a < n \leq b} g(n) = \int_a^b g(t) dt + \sum_{k=1}^E \frac{(-1)^k B_k}{k!} \left( g^{(k-1)}(b) - g^{(k-1)}(a) \right) + \frac{(-1)^{E+1}}{E!} \int_a^b B_E(\xi + 3) g^{(E)}(t) dt$$

# Bernoulli Polynomials / Numbers

$$B_0(t) = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} B_k'(t) &= kB_{k-1}(t), \quad k \geq 1 \\ \int_0^t B_k(t) dt &= 0, \quad k \geq 1. \end{aligned}$$

$$1, t - \frac{1}{2}, t^2 - t + \frac{1}{6}, e^t, \text{etc}$$

$$B_k = B_k(0)$$

$$B_k(\xi t) = -k! \sum_{m \neq 0} \frac{e^{2\pi i m t}}{(2\pi i m)^k}, \quad k \geq 1$$

match  $\pm m$  in  $k=1$   
case, and  $t \notin \mathbb{Z}$   
when  $k=1$ .

$$B_{2k} = (-1)^{\frac{k+1}{2}} \frac{(2k)!}{(2\pi)^{2k}} \zeta(2k), \quad k \geq 1$$

$$B_{2k+1} = 0, \quad k \geq 1$$

Apply to compute  $\zeta(s)$

$$\zeta(s) = \sum_1^N n^{-s} + \sum_{N+1}^{\infty} n^{-s}$$

$$\sum_{N+1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^s} = \frac{N^{1-s}}{s-1} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \binom{s+k-2}{k-1} \frac{B_k}{k} N^{-s-k+1}$$

$$- \left( \frac{s+\infty-1}{\infty} \right) \int_1^{\infty} B_{\infty}(\xi t) t^{-s-\infty} dt,$$

$$\sigma > -\infty + 1$$

$\infty = 2k_0$ , even integer. Then:

$$|B_{\infty}(\xi t)| \leq B_{\infty}(0) = B_k$$

from  
 Fourier  
 series

So, for  $\sigma > -2k_0 + 1$

$$\left| \binom{s+2k_0-1}{k_0} \int_1^\infty B_{2k_0}(st) t^{-s-2k_0} dt \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{|s+2k_0-1|}{\sigma+2k_0-1} \cdot \underbrace{|\text{last term taken}|}_{\text{in sum}}$$

$$\leq \frac{\zeta(2k_0)}{\pi N^\sigma} \frac{|s+2k_0-1|}{\sigma+2k_0-1} \prod_{j=0}^{2k_0-2} \frac{|s+j|}{2\pi N}$$

*win if  $2\pi N$  exceeds  
 $|s|, |s+1|, \dots, |s+2k_0-2|$*

If

$$\sigma \geq 1/2$$

$$2\pi N \geq 10 |s+2k_0-2|, \quad \text{so } N = O(|t|).$$

$$2k_0-1 > \text{Digits} + \frac{1}{2} \log_{10} |s+2k_0-1|$$

gives:

$$\boxed{< 10^{\text{-Digits}}}$$

so we simply ignore it.

An overlooked fact: this can be made  
 much more efficient (competitive with Riemann-Siegel)  
 if, instead of throwing away the  $B_E(\xi + z)$  integral,  
 we expand  $B_E(\xi + z)$  into its Fourier series,  
 truncate, and integrate term by term!

Each term contributes

$$\mathbb{E}! \left( s + \frac{\mathbb{E} - 1}{\mathbb{E}} \right) \frac{1}{(2\pi i m)^{\mathbb{E}}} \int_{\gamma}^{\infty} e^{2\pi c t m} t^{-s - \mathbb{E}} dt$$

Throw away terms  $|m| > M$  at a total cost

$$< \frac{1}{N^{\sigma}} \frac{|s + \mathbb{E} - 1|}{|\sigma + \mathbb{E} - 1|} \prod_{j=0}^{\mathbb{E}-2} \frac{|s+j|}{2\pi N} \cdot \left( \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{m^{\mathbb{E}}} \right)$$

$$< \frac{2}{(\mathbb{E}-1)M^{\mathbb{E}-1}}$$

$$< \frac{2}{(\mathbb{E}-1)N^{\sigma}} \frac{|s + \mathbb{E} - 1|}{|\sigma + \mathbb{E} - 1|} \prod_{j=0}^{\mathbb{E}-2} \frac{|s+j|}{2\pi MN}$$

win when  $2\pi MN$   
 exceeds  $|s|, |s+1|, \dots, |s+\mathbb{E}-2|$

For example, for  $\sigma \geq r_2$ ,

choose  $R > \text{Digits} + \log_{10}(|s+R-1|) + 1$ ,

$M = N$ , with

$$2\pi MN \geq 10^{\lfloor s+R-2 \rfloor}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{so } M = N \\ = O(|t|^{\frac{1}{2}}) \end{aligned}$$

gives  $< 10^{-\text{Digits}}$

for the neglected terms.

One can get closer  
to  $M = N \approx \frac{|s|^{\frac{1}{2}}}{(2\pi)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$   
by choosing  $R$  larger.

Drawback: The individual terms summed get somewhat large compared to final result, since the binomial coefficients have numerator

$$(s+k-2) \cdots (s+1)s, \quad \text{while the denominator } N^{s+k-1}$$

Leads to cancellation, so we need extra precision to capture the cancellation:

$$O((\text{Digits} + \log(|s|)) \log(|s|)) \text{ working precision required}$$

To evaluate terms  $|m| \leq M$ , assume  $K$  is even, so that  $\pm m$  together involve

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cos(2\pi mt) t^{-s-K} dt \\ \sim \\ = (2\pi m)^{s+K-1} \int_{2\pi m \tau}^{\infty} \cos(u) u^{-s-K} du$$

But

$$\int_w^{\infty} \cos(u) u^{z-1} du = \frac{1}{2} \left( e^{-\frac{\pi i z}{2}} \Gamma(z, iw) + e^{\frac{\pi i z}{2}} \Gamma(z, -iw) \right)$$

with  $\Gamma(z, w)$  the incomplete gamma function. More on this soon.

Paris (1994) does something related.

## Riemann-Siegel formula

$$\frac{1}{2} \leq \sigma \leq 2 , \quad m = \left\lfloor \left( t/2\pi \right)^{1/2} \right\rfloor$$

$$\zeta(s) = \sum_{1 \leq n \leq m} \frac{1}{n^s} + \frac{\chi(s)}{n^{1-s}}$$

$$+ (-1)^{m-1} (2\pi t)^{\frac{s-1}{2}} \exp \left( -i\frac{\pi(s-1)}{2} - i\frac{t}{2} - i\frac{\pi}{8} \right) \Gamma(1-s) T_n(s)$$

$$\chi(s) = 2^s \pi^{s-1} \sin\left(\frac{\pi s}{2}\right) \Gamma(1-s)$$

$$T_n(s) = \sum_0^{N/2} \sum_{r \leq \gamma_2} \frac{n! i^{r-n}}{r!(n-2r)! 2^n} \left(\frac{2}{\pi}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}-r} a_n(s) \psi^{(n-2r)}(2v) + O(t^{-n/6})$$

$$v = \left\{ \left( t/2\pi \right)^{1/2} \right\}$$

$$\Psi(u) = \frac{\cos \pi u \left( \frac{1}{2}u^2 - u - \frac{1}{8} \right)}{\cos \pi u}$$

Galicki obtained  
a sharper bound  
with explicit constants  
when  $\sigma = 1/2$

$$a_0(s) = 1 , a_1(s) = \frac{\sigma-1}{t^{1/2}} , a_2(s) = \frac{(\sigma-1)(\sigma-2)}{2t}$$

$$(n+1)t^{1/2} a_{n+1}(s) = (\sigma-n-1)a_n(s) + i a_{n-2}(s) , \text{ for } n \geq 2.$$

## Smooth Approximate functional equation

Besides analytic continuation, functional equation, we need a very mild growth condition on  $L(s)$ :

for any  $\alpha \leq \beta$ ,  $L(\sigma + it) = O(\exp(t^A))$

for some  $A > 0$ , as  $|t| \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\alpha \leq \sigma \leq \beta$

the implied constant and  $A$  depending on  $\alpha, \beta$ .

Then, in fact, Phragmen-Lindelöf thm:

$$\boxed{L(s) = O(|t|^b)} \text{ for some } b > 0$$

depending on  $\alpha, \beta$ .

Assume  $\Lambda(s)$  is meromorphic with simple poles at  $s_1, \dots, s_L$  and corresponding residues  $r_1, \dots, r_L$ . (multiple order poles can be dealt with too)

Let  $g: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ , entire, satisfying

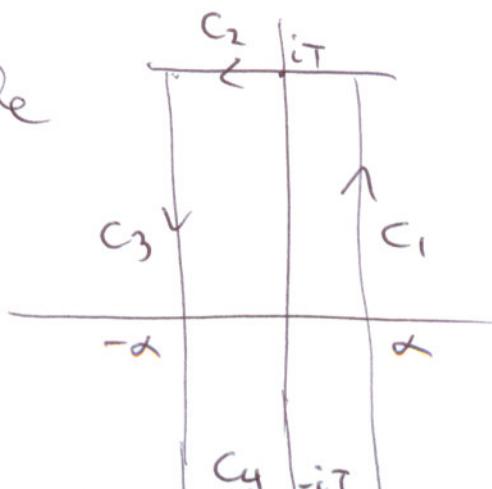
$$\frac{\Lambda(z+s)g(z+s)}{z} \rightarrow 0$$

as  $|Im z| \rightarrow \infty$  in vertical strips  $-\alpha \leq Re z \leq \alpha$ .

Consider, for given  $s$ ,

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{\Lambda(z+s)g(z+s)}{z} dz$$

$C$ : rectangle



$\alpha, T$  big enough so that  $C$  encloses all the poles, if any, of  $\Lambda(z+s)$ . Also  $\alpha > 1$ .

pole at  $z=0$ :  $\Lambda(s) g(s)$

poles at  $z=s_k-s$ :  $\frac{r_k g(s_k)}{s_k - s}$ ,  $k=1, \dots, l$ ,

On the other hand:

$$\int_{C_2}, \int_{C_4} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } T \rightarrow \infty$$

On  $C_1$ , expand  $L(s+z) = \sum \frac{b(n)}{n^{s+z}}$

and interchange integration with summation.

On  $C_3$ , apply functional equation to throw us into region where we can apply Dirichlet series, and interchange order of integration and summation.

$$\Lambda(s)g(s) = \sum_{k=1}^l \frac{r_k g(s_k)}{s-s_k} + Q^s \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{b(n)}{n^s} f_1(s, n) \\ + \omega Q^{1-s} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\overline{b(n)}}{n^{1-s}} f_2(1-s, n)$$

where

$$f_1(s, n) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma-i\infty}^{\gamma+i\infty} \prod_{j=1}^a \Gamma(r_j(z+s)+\lambda_j) \frac{g(s+z)}{z} \left(\frac{Q}{n}\right)^z dz$$

and

$$f_2(1-s, n) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma-i\infty}^{\gamma+i\infty} \prod_{j=1}^a \Gamma(r_j(z+1-s)+\bar{\lambda}_j) \frac{g(s-z)}{z} \left(\frac{Q}{n}\right)^z dz$$

with

$\gamma$  to the right of the poles of the integrand:

$$\gamma > \max \left\{ 0, -\operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{\lambda_1}{r_1} + s \right), \dots, -\operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{\lambda_a}{r_a} + s \right) \right\}$$

When  $\operatorname{Im} s$  is small, choose  
 $g(s) \equiv 1$ . However, as  $|\operatorname{Im} s|$  grows:

$$|\Gamma(s)| \sim (2\pi)^{\frac{1}{2}} |s|^{\sigma - \frac{1}{2}} e^{-|t\operatorname{Im} s|/2}$$

decreases  
 very quickly as  $|t\operatorname{Im} s|$   
 increases

So, if we take  $g(s) \equiv 1$ , then  
 $\Lambda(s)$  is very small, but terms on  
 the right, though decreasing as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  
 start off comparatively large.

Hence tremendous cancellation must  
 occur on the r.h.s  $\rightarrow$  tremendous precision  
 needed:  $O(|t|)$  digits, ex millions of  
 digits if  $t \approx 10^6$ .

Control for cancellation by setting

$$g(z) = \exp(irz)$$

where  $r$  depends on  $s$ , chosen to cancel out exponentially small size of each  $\Gamma$ -factor:

Let  $c > 0$  (parameter that allows us to control amount of cancellation)

roughly  $t_j = \operatorname{Im}(\gamma_j s + \lambda_j)$

$$\phi_j = \pi/2 \quad \text{if } |t_j| \leq \frac{2c}{\alpha\pi}$$

$$\frac{c}{\alpha|t_j|} \quad \text{if } |t_j| > \frac{2c}{\alpha\pi}$$

$$r_j = -\operatorname{sgn}(t_j)(\pi/2 - \phi_j)\gamma_j$$

$$r = \sum_1^a r_j$$

Gives

$$|\Lambda(s)g(s)| \sim *|L(s)| \cdot \prod_{|t_j| \leq \frac{2c}{a\pi}} \exp(-|t_j| \frac{\pi^2}{2}) \\ \cdot \prod_{|t_j| > \frac{2c}{a\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{c}{a}\right)$$

$$\geq * \cdot |L(s)| \exp(-c)$$

We have thus managed to control  
 exponentially small size of  $\Lambda(s)$  up to  
 a factor of  $\exp(-c)$  that we can regulate  
 via the choice of  $c$ .

case a=1

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$$f_1(s, n) = \frac{\exp(irs)}{2\pi i} \int_{(\nu)} \frac{\Gamma(\gamma(z+s)+\lambda)}{z} \left(\frac{Q}{n}\right)^z \exp(irz) dz$$

$$\text{subst } z = u/\gamma$$

But

$$\frac{\Gamma(v+u)}{u} = \int_0^\infty \Gamma(v+t) t^{u-1} dt, \quad \text{Re } u > 0, \quad \text{Re}(v+u) > 0$$

where

$$\Gamma(z, w) = \int_w^\infty e^{-x} x^{z-1} dx, \quad |\arg w| < \pi$$

$$= w^z \int_1^\infty e^{-wx} x^{z-1} dx, \quad \text{Re } w > 0$$

the incomplete gamma function.

Mellin inversion:

$$f_1(s, n) = \exp(irs) \Gamma(\gamma s + \lambda, \left(\frac{n \exp(ir)}{Q}\right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}})$$

Likewise

$$f_2(1-s, n) = \exp(\bar{r}s) \Gamma(\gamma(1-s) + \bar{\lambda}, \left(\frac{n \exp(-ir)}{Q}\right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}})$$

a>

for simplicity, assume  $\lambda_j = \frac{1}{2}$ :

r-factors are  $\prod_{j=1}^a \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2} + \lambda_j\right)$

$$f_1(s, n) = \frac{\exp(isr)}{2\pi i} \int_{(N)} \prod_{j=1}^a \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{s+z}{2} + \lambda_j\right)}{z} \left(\frac{Q}{n}\right)^z \exp(irz) dz$$

$$= \left[ \exp(isr) \Gamma_\lambda \left( \frac{s}{2} + \mu, \left( \frac{n \exp(ir)}{Q} \right)^2 \right) \right], \quad \mu = \frac{1}{a} \sum_{j=1}^a \lambda_j$$

and

$$f_2(1-s, n) = \exp(isr) \Gamma_\lambda \left( \frac{1-s}{2} + \bar{\mu}, \left( \frac{n \exp(-ir)}{Q} \right)^2 \right)$$

where

$$\Gamma_\lambda(z, \omega) = \int_{\omega}^{\infty} E_\lambda(t) t^{z-1} dt$$

and

$$E_\lambda(t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}_{+}^{a-1}} \prod_{j=1}^{a-1} \frac{t^{\lambda_{j+1}-\lambda_j}}{j!} e^{-t^{\frac{1}{a}} \frac{u_{j+1}}{u_j} \frac{du_j}{u_j}}$$

*(set  $u_0 = u_a = 1$ )*

$\overrightarrow{\text{plays the role of } e^{-t}}$   
in  $a=1$  case

is the inverse mellin transform of  $\Gamma_\lambda(z) = \prod_{j=1}^a \Gamma(z - \mu + \lambda_j)$ :

$$\Gamma_\lambda(z) = \int_0^\infty E_\lambda(t) t^{z-1} dt$$

$$\omega^{-z} \Gamma(z, \omega) \approx \exp(-i \operatorname{Re} \omega)$$

$$\omega^{-z} \Gamma_\lambda(z, \omega) \approx \exp(-i \operatorname{Re} \omega^{\frac{1}{\alpha}})$$

~~$\alpha=1$  case~~  
terms decrease rapidly once

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( \left( \frac{n \exp(i\tau)}{Q} \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \right) > 1$$

$$\sim \left( \frac{n}{Q} \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \leq \frac{C}{|\tau|}$$

i.e. 
$$\boxed{n > Q |\tau|^{\alpha} \cdot \frac{C^\alpha}{C}}$$

to get  $< 10^{-D}$  digits  
one should also  
throw in a factor  
(Digits.  $\approx 3$ ) $^\alpha$

\ larger C - fewer terms  
needed but more loss of  
precision.

ex:

$$1) \xi(s), \pi^{-\frac{s}{2}} \Gamma(\frac{s}{2}) \xi(s)$$

$Q = \pi^{-1/2}, \gamma = \frac{1}{2},$  so  $O(|\tau|^{1/2})$  terms needed

$$2) L(s, x) : \left( \frac{\pi}{q} \right)^{-\frac{s}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{s+q}{2}\right) L(s, x)$$

$Q = (\sqrt{q}\pi)^{1/2}, \gamma = 1/2,$  so  $O(q^{1/2} |\tau|^{1/2})$  terms needed

$$3) L_E(s) : \left( \frac{\sqrt{q}}{2\pi} \right)^s \Gamma(s + 1/2) L_E(s)$$

$Q = \sqrt{q}, \gamma = 1$  so  $O\left(\frac{\sqrt{q}}{2\pi} |\tau|\right)$  terms needed

$\alpha \geq 1$  case 1

$$\gamma_j = t^{1/2}$$

terms decay rapidly once

$$\left| \operatorname{Re} \left( \left( \frac{n \exp(it)}{Q} \right)^{\frac{2}{\alpha}} \right) \right| > 1$$

$$n > Q \left( \frac{t}{c} \cdot \frac{\alpha}{2} \right)^{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \approx Qt^{\alpha/2}$$

So, for example, a degree 3 L-function takes, as  $|t|$  increases,  $O(|t|^{3/2})$  terms compared to  $t^{1/2}$  for  $\zeta(s)$ .

## How to compute $\Gamma(z, w)$ and $\Gamma_x(z, w)$

$$\Gamma(z, w) = \int_w^\infty e^{-t} t^{z-1} dt, |\arg w| < \pi$$

let  $G(z, w) = w^{-z} \Gamma(z, w)$

$$\gamma(z, w) = \Gamma(z) - \Gamma(z, w) = \int_z^\infty e^{-t} t^{z-1} dt, \Re z > 0, |\arg w| < \pi$$

$$g(z, w) = w^{-z} \gamma(z, w)$$

$\Gamma(z, w)$     useful when    truncation bounds

1)  $g(z, w) = w = O(1)$

easy

Analogous formulas  
for  $\Gamma_x(z, w)$  fully  
developed?

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^j}{j!} \frac{w^j}{z+j}$$

yes (Tollis,  
Dokchitsv)

2)  $g(z, w) = e^{-w} \sum_0^\infty \frac{w^j}{(z)_{j+1}} \quad \left| \frac{w}{z} \right| < 1 \quad \text{easy}$

3)  $g(z, w) = \frac{e^{-w}}{z - \frac{zw}{z+1-w}}$      $\left| \frac{w}{z} \right| < 1$

harder:  
Akiyama-Tanigawa  
Winitzki

4) (Nielsen)

$$\begin{aligned} \tau(z, w+d) &= \tau(z, w) + w^{z-1} e^{-w} \sum_{j=0}^\infty \frac{(1-z)_j}{(-w)_j} (1 - e^{-d} \tau_j(d)) \end{aligned}$$

<u><math>\Gamma(z, w)</math></u>	<u>useful when</u>	<u>truncation bounds</u>	<u>Analogous bounds for <math>\Gamma_\lambda(z, w)</math>?</u>
5) $G(z, w) \sim \frac{e^{-w}}{w} \sum_0^{m-1} \frac{(1-z)^j}{(-w)^j}$	$ \frac{z}{w}  < 1$ w big	easy	yes (Dokchitser)
6) Temme-uniform asymptotics for $\frac{\Gamma(z, w)}{\Gamma(z)}$	$w, z \in \mathbb{C}$ z big	not explicit for complex parameters	in certain cases (Guthmann)
Paris-	$w \approx z$	explicit	—
7) $G(z, w) = \frac{e^{-w}}{w + \frac{1-z}{1 + \frac{1}{w + \frac{2-z}{1 + \frac{z}{\dots}}}}}$	$ \frac{z}{w}  < 1$	Akiyama-Tanigawa-Wintzki	—
8) compute	$w, z \in \mathbb{C}$	harder, but doable	yes (Rubinstein, Booker)
$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \Gamma(u+z) w^{-u} du$			
as a <u>Riemann sum</u>			