

103. Zeros, Primes and Rationals

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§ 1. Introduction. The connections between the primes and the zeros of the Riemann zeta function $\zeta(s)$ have been expressed in the explicit formulae since Riemann. It is Landau who showed some arithmetical connection between them; on the Riemann Hypothesis,

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \sum_{0 < \gamma < T} e^{i a \gamma} = \begin{cases} -\frac{\log p}{2\pi p^{k/2}} & \text{if } a = k \log p \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where γ runs over the positive imaginary parts of the zeros of $\zeta(s)$, p is a prime and k is an integer ≥ 1 . Here we remark the following arithmetical connection between the zeros and the rationals which we have remarked in [3] and [4].

Theorem 1. *Let α be a positive number and b be a real number ≤ 1 . Then on the Riemann Hypothesis,*

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

where $C(\alpha) = \mu(k)/(\sqrt{\alpha}\varphi(k))$ with the Möbius function $\mu(k)$ and the Euler function $\varphi(k)$ when $\alpha = l/k$, l and k are integers ≥ 1 and $(l, k) = 1$.

In fact, we have proved a theorem on $\sum_{c < \gamma \leq T} e^{i f(\gamma)}$ for more general f without assuming any unproved hypothesis and given a different proof to the author's previous result (cf. [2]) which states that $f(\gamma)$ is uniformly distributed mod one, where $f(\gamma)$ may be, for example, $\gamma \log \gamma / \log \log \log \gamma$, $\gamma (\log \gamma)^b$ with $b < 1$ and γ . Landau's theorem and Theorem 1 can be extended to Dirichlet L -functions $L(s, \chi)$ and these have also q -analogues (cf. [4]). We state here only a q -analogue of Theorem 1. Let \sum'_χ denote the summation over all non-principal characters χ mod q . We suppose, for simplicity, that q runs over the primes. Let $\gamma(\chi)$ denote an imaginary part of the non-trivial zeros of $L(s, \chi)$. Then our q -analogue of Theorem 1 can be stated as follows.

Theorem 2. *Let η be an integer, α be a positive number and b be a real number ≤ 1 . We assume the generalized Riemann Hypothesis and suppose that $T = T(q)$ satisfies $q^\nu (\log q)^B \ll T \ll q^A$, where ν is a constant depending on η , $B > B_0$ and A is an arbitrarily large constant.*