

*Proof.* Write  $\phi(s) := h(s)/s$  (holomorphic at 1); then by (ii)

$$\begin{aligned}\phi(s) = \frac{h(s)}{s} &= \frac{f(s)}{s(s-1)} - \frac{\alpha}{s(s-1)^2} - \frac{\alpha_0}{s(s-1)} \\ &= \frac{f(s)}{s(s-1)} - \frac{\alpha}{s(s-1)} \left( \frac{s}{s-1} - 1 \right) \quad \left( \frac{1}{s-1} = \frac{s}{s-1} - 1 \right) \\ &= \frac{f(s)}{s(s-1)} - \frac{\alpha}{(s-1)^2} + \frac{\alpha}{s(s-1)} - \frac{\alpha_0}{s(s-1)} \\ &= \frac{f(s)}{s(s-1)} - \frac{\alpha}{(s-1)^2} - \frac{\alpha'}{s(s-1)} \quad (\alpha' := \alpha_0 - \alpha).\end{aligned}$$

For  $s = \sigma + it$  with  $\sigma \geq 1$ ,  $|t| \geq t_0$ ,

$$|s(s-1)\phi(s)| = |f(s) - \frac{s}{s-1}\alpha - \alpha'| \leq |f(s)| + |\alpha|\left|\frac{s}{s-1}\right| + |\alpha'|.$$

In the stated region (shaded),

$$\left|\frac{s}{s-1}\right| \leq \frac{t_0}{\sqrt{1+t_0^2}}$$

(ratio of distances of  $s$  to 0 and 1: maximise this by taking  $s$  as close as possible to 1). So by (iii),

$$|s(s-1)\phi(s)| \leq P(t) + |\alpha|\cdot\frac{t_0}{\sqrt{1+t_0^2}} + |\alpha'| = P_1(t), \text{ say, where } \int_1^\infty \frac{P_1(t)}{t^2} dt < \infty.$$

In the shaded region,

$$|s| = \sqrt{\sigma^2 + t^2} \geq |t|, \quad |s-1| = \sqrt{(\sigma-1)^2 + t^2} \geq |t|, \quad \text{so} \quad |s(s-1)| \geq t^2.$$

So

$$|\phi(s)| = \left| \frac{P_1(t)}{s(s-1)} \right| \leq \frac{P_1(t)}{t^2}, \quad \text{and} \quad \int_1^\infty \frac{P_1(t)}{t^2} dt < \infty. \quad (*)$$

For  $x > 1$ ,  $c \geq 1$ , define

$$I = I(x, c) := \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} x^{s-1} \phi(s) ds.$$

For  $c > 1$ , expressing  $\phi$  in terms of  $f$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} I(x, c) &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} x^{s-1} f(s) ds - \frac{\alpha}{2\pi i} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} \frac{x^{s-1}}{(s-1)^2} ds - \frac{\alpha'}{2\pi i} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} \frac{x^{s-1}}{s(s-1)} ds \\ &= I_1 - I_2 - I_3, \quad \text{say.} \end{aligned}$$

By the Theorem above,

$$I_1 = \int_1^x \frac{A(y)}{y^2} dy.$$

By Proposition 1 above,  $I_2 = \alpha \log x$

(recall  $x > 1$ :  $E(x) = 1$ ). By Proposition 2 above,

$$I_3 = \alpha' \left(1 - \frac{1}{x}\right).$$

Combining,

$$I(x, c) = \int_1^x \frac{A(y) - \alpha y}{y^2} dy - \alpha' \left(1 - \frac{1}{x}\right). \quad (**)$$

**Lemma.**  $I(x, c)$  is independent of  $c > 1$ .

*Proof.* We show  $I(x, c) = I(x, 1)$  for  $c > 1$ .

$$I(x, c) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(c, t) dt, \quad g(c, t) = x^{c-1+it} \phi(c + it).$$

Choose  $\epsilon > 0$ , and then  $T \geq t_0$  so large that  $\int_T^\infty (P_1(t)/t^2) dt < \epsilon$ . If  $1 \leq c \leq 2$ ,  $|x^{c-1+it}| = x^{c-1} \leq x$ , so

$$\int_T^\infty |g(c, t)| dt \leq x \int_T^\infty |\phi(c + it)| dt \leq x \int_T^\infty \frac{P_1(t)}{t^2} dt < \epsilon x,$$

and similarly for  $\int_{-\infty}^{-T}$ . On the compact set  $1 \leq c \leq 2$ ,  $-T \leq t \leq T$ ,  $g(c, t)$  is continuous, so *uniformly continuous* (Heine's Theorem). So for  $c$  close enough to 1,

$$|g(c, t) - g(1, t)| \leq \epsilon/2T \quad \forall \epsilon \in [-T, T],$$

and then

$$|\int_{-T}^T g(c, t) dt - \int_{-T}^T g(1, t) dt| \leq \int_{-T}^T |g(c, t) - g(1, t)| dt \leq \epsilon.$$

Combining,

$$|I(x, c) - I(x, 1)| \leq \epsilon(1 + 2x).$$

As  $x$  here is fixed, this shows that  $I(x, c)$  is independent of  $c$ . //