

# Multiplicative Functions: NumThy

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**Aside.** In `number_theory.ams.tex` there is a bit more on multiplicative functions also in `mult.convolution.ams.tex`; run `collect.ams.tex` though.

See `generating_func.latex` for an application of the Möbius fnc.

## Basic

Given two arbitrary<sup>♥1</sup> functions  $f, g: \mathbb{Z}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ , define their **convolution** (“Dirichlet convolution”) by

$$[f \circledast g](K) := \sum_{a \cdot b = K} f(a) \cdot g(b).$$

Each such sum is to be interpreted as over all ordered pairs  $(a, b)$  of *positive* divisors of  $K$ . Easily, convolution is commutative<sup>♥1</sup> and associative.

Let  $\widehat{\mathbb{G}}$  be the set of functions  $f: \mathbb{Z}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  such that  $f(1) \neq 0$ . Inside is  $\mathbb{G} \subset \widehat{\mathbb{G}}$ , the set of **good functions**, which have  $f(1) = 1$ . Say that a good  $f$  is **multiplicative** if for all posints<sup>♥2</sup>  $K$  and  $\Gamma$ :

$$K \perp \Gamma \implies f(K \cdot \Gamma) = f(K) \cdot f(\Gamma).$$

Let  $\mathbb{M} \subset \mathbb{G}$  be the set of multiplicative<sup>♥3</sup> functions.

<sup>♥1</sup>Indeed, they could map into a general ring. If this ring is commutative then convolution will be commutative.

<sup>♥2</sup>Use  $\equiv_N$  to mean “congruent mod  $N$ ”. Let  $n \perp k$  mean that  $n$  and  $k$  are co-prime. Use  $k \bullet n$  for “ $k$  divides  $n$ ”. Its negation  $k \not\bullet n$  means “ $k$  does not divide  $n$ .” Use  $n \blacktriangleright k$  and  $n \blacktriangleleft k$  for “ $n$  is/is-not a multiple of  $k$ .” Finally, for  $p$  a prime and  $E$  a natnum: Use double-verticals,  $p^E \bullet n$ , to mean that  $E$  is the **highest** power of  $p$  which divides  $n$ . Or write  $n \blacktriangleright p^E$  to emphasize that this is an assertion about  $n$ . Use **PoT** for Power of Two and **PoP** for Power of (a) Prime.

For  $N$  a posint, use  $\Phi(N)$  or  $\Phi_N$  for the set  $\{r \in [1..N] \mid r \perp N\}$ . The cardinality  $\varphi(N) := |\Phi_N|$  is the **Euler phi function**. (So  $\varphi(N)$  is the cardinality of the multiplicative group,  $\Phi_N$ , in the  $\mathbb{Z}_N$  ring.) Use **EFT** for the Euler-Fermat Thm, which says: *Suppose that integers  $b \perp N$ , with  $N$  positive. Then  $b^{\varphi(N)} \equiv_N 1$ .*

<sup>♥3</sup>An  $f$  is **totally** (or **completely**) **multiplicative** if

**Basic functions.** Define fncs  $\delta, \mathbf{1}, Id \in \mathbb{M}$  by:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(1) &:= 1 & \text{and} & & \delta(\neq 1) &:= 0; \\ \mathbf{1}(n) &:= 1 & \text{and} & & & \\ Id(n) &:= n & \text{for all posints } n. & & & \end{aligned}$$

Evidently  $\delta()$  is a neutral element for convolution.

Also define, as  $n$  varies over the posints, these MFs:

$$\begin{aligned} \tau(n) &:= \sum_{d \bullet n} 1 & \text{and} \\ \sigma(n) &:= \sum_{d \bullet n} d. \end{aligned}$$

This  $\tau$  is called the (number of) **divisor** function, and  $\sigma$  is called the **sum of divisor** fnc. E.g,  $\sigma(4) = 1 + 2 + 4 = 7$  and  $\tau(4) = 1 + 1 + 1 = 3$ .

Each of  $\delta, \mathbf{1}, Id, \tau, \sigma$  is multiplicative. So is Euler  $\varphi$ ; this will follow from (4).

**1: Theorem.**  $(\widehat{\mathbb{G}}, \circledast, \delta)$  is a commutative group and  $\mathbb{M} \subset \mathbb{G} \subset \widehat{\mathbb{G}}$  are subgroups.  $\diamond$

**Pf.** To see that  $\delta$  is a  $\circledast$ -identity-elt on  $\widehat{\mathbb{G}}$ , note  $[f \circledast Id](K) = \sum_{a \cdot b = K} f(a) \cdot \delta(b) = f(K) \cdot \delta(1) \stackrel{\text{note}}{=} f(K)$ .

(The below arguments showing  $\mathbb{G}$  a group apply to show  $\widehat{\mathbb{G}}$  a group. So we only argue for  $\mathbb{G}$  and  $\mathbb{M}$ .)

Easily  $\mathbb{G}$  is sealed under convolution. To show the same for  $\mathbb{M}$ , take fncs  $f, h \in \mathbb{M}$  and posints  $K \perp \Gamma$ . Given posints  $(x, y)$  with  $x \cdot y$  equaling the product  $K\Gamma$ , the FTArithm says that we can factor uniquely  $x = a\alpha$  and  $y = b\beta$  into posints so that  $a, b \bullet K$  and  $\alpha, \beta \bullet \Gamma$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} [f \circledast h](K\Gamma) &= \sum_{x \cdot y = K\Gamma} f(x)h(y) \\ \text{1a:} &= \sum_{\substack{a \cdot b = K \\ \alpha \cdot \beta = \Gamma}} f(a\alpha)h(b\beta). \end{aligned}$$

$f(K \cdot \Gamma) = f(K) \cdot f(\Gamma)$  always holds, even if  $K \not\perp \Gamma$ . This class is less important than  $\mathbb{M}$ . Indeed, the set of **totally** multiplicative fncs is **not** sealed under convolution.

Necessarily  $a \perp \alpha$  and  $b \perp \beta$ , since  $K \perp \Gamma$ . Since  $f$  and  $h$  are each multiplicative fncs,

$$\begin{aligned} [f \otimes h](K\Gamma) &= \sum_{\substack{a \cdot b = K \\ \alpha \cdot \beta = \Gamma}} f(a)f(\alpha)h(b)h(\beta) \\ \text{1b:} \quad &= \left[ \sum_{a \cdot b = K} f(a)h(b) \right] \cdot \left[ \sum_{\alpha \cdot \beta = \Gamma} f(\alpha)h(\beta) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

And this last equals  $[f \otimes h](K)$  times  $[f \otimes h](\Gamma)$ .

**Each good  $f$  has a convolution inverse.**

We construct an  $h \in \mathbb{G}$  so that  $f \otimes h = \delta$ . For each posint  $K$ , then,

$$\delta(K) = f(1) \cdot h(K) + \sum_{\substack{a \cdot b = K \\ (a,b) \neq (1,K)}} f(a) \cdot h(b).$$

Since  $f(1)=1$  is not zero, there is a unique value that we can assign  $h(K)$  so as to make the displayed-eqn hold. Finally note that  $h(1)$  will indeed be assigned the value 1, so  $h$  is good. This shows that  $\mathbb{G}$  is a group.

**$\mathbb{M}$  is sealed under convolution-inverse.**

The last step –to showing that  $(\mathbb{M}, \otimes, \delta)$  is a group– is to show that when the above  $f$  is multiplicative, then the corresponding  $h$  is too.

An inductive proof that  $h(K\Gamma) = h(K)h(\Gamma)$  proceeds by considering a pair  $K \perp \Gamma$  for which

$$\text{1c:} \quad h(b\beta) = h(b)h(\beta) \text{ for each proper divisor pair } (b, \beta) \bullet (K, \Gamma).$$

That is,  $b \bullet K$  and  $\beta \bullet \Gamma$  with at least one of these being proper.

Now WLOG  $(K, \Gamma) \neq (1, 1)$ , so  $\delta(K\Gamma) = 0$ , i.e  $[f \otimes h](K\Gamma)$  is zero. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \sum_{\substack{a \cdot b = K \\ \alpha \cdot \beta = \Gamma}} f(a\alpha)h(b\beta) \\ &= \left[ \sum_{\substack{a \cdot b = K, \\ \alpha \cdot \beta = \Gamma, \\ (b,\beta) \neq (K,\Gamma)}} f(a\alpha)h(b\beta) \right] + f(1 \cdot 1) \cdot h(K\Gamma). \end{aligned}$$

As  $f(1 \cdot 1)$  equals 1, we can write

$$*: \quad -h(K\Gamma) = \left[ \sum_{\substack{a \cdot b = K, \\ \alpha \cdot \beta = \Gamma, \\ (b,\beta) \neq (K,\Gamma)}} f(a\alpha) \cdot h(b)h(\beta) \right],$$

since, by (1c), our  $h$  is multiplicative on all the  $(b, \beta)$  pairs on RhS(\*). Adding  $f(1 \cdot 1)h(K)h(\Gamma)$  to each side [again using that  $f(1 \cdot 1) = 1$ ], gives

$$h(K)h(\Gamma) - h(K\Gamma) = \sum_{\substack{a \cdot b = K, \\ \alpha \cdot \beta = \Gamma}} f(a\alpha) \cdot h(b)h(\beta).$$

Since  $f$  is multiplicative, this RhS equals

$$\begin{aligned} &\left[ \sum_{a \cdot b = K} f(a)h(b) \right] \cdot \left[ \sum_{\alpha \cdot \beta = \Gamma} f(\alpha)h(\beta) \right] \\ &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} [f \otimes h](K) \cdot [f \otimes h](\Gamma) = \delta(K)\delta(\Gamma). \end{aligned}$$

Putting it all together,

$$**: \quad h(K)h(\Gamma) - h(K\Gamma) = \delta(K \cdot \Gamma),$$

since  $\delta()$  is a MF. Finally, RhS(\*\*) is zero, since  $K \cdot \Gamma \neq 1$ . ♦

**2: Lemma.** *Suppose that  $f$  and  $g$  are MFs. Then  $f \cdot g$  (pointwise product) is a MF. If  $g$  is nowhere zero, then ptwise quotient  $f/g$  is a MF. Proof. Routine.* ♦

*Analogy.* Recall that CRT<sub>h</sub>m allows us to convert polynomial congruences  $f(x) \equiv 0$  modulo a composite  $M$  to just examining  $f(x) \equiv 0$  modulo  $p^L$ ; we only need consider powers of primes.

In analogy, the MF theory allows us to convert proving an identity  $h() = g()$ , between MFncs, on all of  $\mathbb{Z}_+$ , to just verifying it on each prime-power  $p^L$ . □

### Applications

Define the *Möbius fnc*  $\mu$  to be the *convolution-inverse* of  $\mathbf{1}$ . I.e.  $\boxed{\mu := \mathbf{1}^{\circledast -1}}$ , so  $\mu$  is characterized by  $\mu \circledast \mathbf{1} = \delta$ . By Thm 1, it is enough to know  $\mu(\cdot)$ 's values on the powers of primes.

**3: Lemma.** For each prime  $p$  and exponent  $n$  in  $[2.. \infty)$ :

$$\mu(p) = -1 \quad \text{and} \quad \mu(p^n) = 0. \quad \diamond$$

*Proof.* Well  $0 = \delta(p) = \mu(p) + \mu(1) = \mu(p) + 1$ .

For a higher power of  $p$ :

$$0 = \delta(p^n) = \mu(1) + \mu(p) + S + \mu(p^n),$$

where  $S := \sum_{j=2}^{n-1} \mu(p^j)$ . This  $S$ , by induction, is zero. Thus  $\mu(p^n) = -[\mu(1) + \mu(p)]$ , which is zero.  $\diamond$

Before developing further results, note that:

For each good  $f$ , necessarily  $f^{\circledast 0} = \delta$ ,

since  $\delta$  is the neutral element for  $\circledast$ . We now need a little tool.

**4: Bijection Lemma.** Fixing a posint  $N$ , let  $g(\ell)$  mean  $\text{Gcd}\{\ell, N\}$ . Then there is a bijection

$$\text{a: } [1..N] \leftrightarrow \bigsqcup_{d:d \blacktriangleright N} \Phi(d) \times \{d\} \stackrel{\text{note}}{=} \left\{ (x, d) \mid \begin{array}{l} d \blacktriangleright N \\ \text{and} \\ x \in \Phi(d) \end{array} \right\}$$

realized by the mapping

$$\text{b: } \ell \mapsto (x_\ell, d_\ell), \quad \text{where} \quad \begin{array}{l} x_\ell = \ell/g(\ell) \text{ and} \\ d_\ell = N/g(\ell) \end{array}$$

The inverse bijection is

$$\text{c: } (x, d) \mapsto x \cdot \frac{N}{d}. \quad \diamond$$

We now establish a few useful relations.

**5: Basic Lemma.** Among MFs  $\mathbf{1}, \tau, \sigma, Id, \mu$  and  $\varphi$ , the following relations hold.

$$\text{i: } \mathbf{1} \circledast \mathbf{1} = \tau. \quad \text{Also } Id \circledast \mathbf{1} = \sigma, \text{ so } Id = \sigma \circledast \mu.$$

$$\text{ii: } \mu \circledast \mathbf{1} = \delta.$$

$$\text{iii: } \varphi \circledast \mathbf{1} = Id.$$

$$\text{iv: } \varphi \circledast \tau = \sigma \text{ and } \varphi \circledast \sigma = Id^{\circledast 2}. \quad \diamond$$

*Proof of iii.* Take cardinalities in (4a), which gives  $Id = \varphi \circledast \mathbf{1}$ . As for (iv), note that

$$\varphi \circledast \tau = \varphi \circledast \mathbf{1} \circledast \mathbf{1} = Id \circledast \mathbf{1},$$

which is  $\sigma$ , by definition.  $\diamond$

**6: Prop'n.** The fnc  $\varphi/Id$  is multiplicative. And

$$\text{a,b: } \limsup_{K \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\varphi(K)}{K} = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \liminf_{K \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\varphi(K)}{K} = 0.$$

$$\text{c: } \text{Finally, } \varphi(K) \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } K \nearrow \infty. \quad \diamond$$

*Proof.* Exercise.  $\diamond$

**Convolution powers.** Using binomial coefficients,  $\heartsuit^4$  one can show that

$$\mathbf{1}^{\circledast n}(p^L) = \binom{L+n-1}{L},$$

$\heartsuit^4$ For a natnum  $n$ , use “ $n!$ ” to mean “ $n$  factorial”; the product of all positive-integers less-equal  $n$ . So  $3! = 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = 6$  and  $5! = 120$ . Also  $0! = 1$  and  $1! = 1$ .

The **binomial coefficient**  $\binom{7}{3}$ , read “7 choose 3”, means the number of ways of choosing 3 objects from 7 distinguishable objects. If we think of putting these objects in our left pocket, and putting the remaining 4 things in our right pocket, then we write the coefficient as  $\binom{7}{3,4}$ . [Read as “7 choose 3-comma-4.”] Note that  $\binom{7}{0} = \binom{7}{0,7} = 1$ . Also note this identity:

$$[x+y]^N = \sum_{j+k=N} \binom{N}{j,k} \cdot x^j y^k,$$

where  $(j, k)$  ranges over all ordered pairs of natural numbers with sum  $N$ .

In general, for natnums  $N = K_1 + \dots + K_L$ , the **multinomial coefficient**  $\binom{N}{K_1, K_2, \dots, K_L}$  means the number of ways of partitioning  $N$  different things, by putting  $K_1$  of them in pocket 1 and  $K_2$  of them in pocket 2, and so on. Easily

$$\binom{N}{K_1, K_2, \dots, K_L} = \frac{N!}{K_1! \cdot K_2! \cdot \dots \cdot K_L!}.$$

for each prime  $p$ . Furthermore

$$\mu^{\otimes n}(p^L) = [-1]^L \cdot \binom{n}{L}.$$

These are routinely proved by induction on  $n$ .

### Applications of Möbius Inversion

An  $N^{\text{th}}$ -root  $\omega$  of unity is *primitive* if, for each  $k$  in  $[1..N)$ , this  $\omega$  is *not* a  $k^{\text{th}}$ -root of unity. Use  $\mathbf{V}_N$  for the set of primitive  $N^{\text{th}}$ -roots. Define the “ $N^{\text{th}}$  cyclotomic polynomial” by

$$7a: \quad \mathbf{C}_N(z) := \prod_{\omega \in \mathbf{V}_N} [z - \omega].$$

Letting  $F_N(z) := z^N - 1$ , note that

$$7b: \quad F_N(x) = \prod_{d \mid N} \mathbf{C}_d(x).$$

Used recursively, we compute these cyclo-polys:

7c: Examples:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{C}_1(z) &= z - 1; & \mathbf{C}_3(z) &= z^2 + z + 1; & \mathbf{C}_5(z) &= z^4 + z^3 + z^2 + z + 1; \\ \mathbf{C}_2(z) &= z + 1; & \mathbf{C}_4(z) &= z^2 - 1; & \mathbf{C}_6(z) &= z^2 - z + 1. \end{aligned}$$

8: Prop'n. The sum of all the  $N^{\text{th}}$ -roots of unity equals  $\delta(N)$ . And their product is  $[-1]^{N+1}$ .

The sum of all primitive  $N^{\text{th}}$ -roots equals  $\mu(N)$ . Their product is 1, except when  $N = 2$  where the product is  $-1$ .  $\diamond$

Pf for all roots. Let  $S$  be the sum<sup>5</sup>, and  $P$  the product, of the set,  $\mathbf{A}$ , of all  $N^{\text{th}}$ -roots. Thus

$$x^N - S \cdot x^{N-1} + \dots + [-1]^N \cdot P = \prod_{Z \in \mathbf{A}} [x - Z] = x^N - 1. \diamond$$

And  $[x_1 + \dots + x_L]^N$  indeed equals the sum of

$$\binom{N}{K_1, \dots, K_L} \cdot x_1^{K_1} \cdot x_2^{K_2} \dots x_L^{K_L},$$

taken over all natnum-tuples  $\vec{K} = (K_1, \dots, K_L)$  that sum to  $N$ .

<sup>5</sup>For the sum, an alternative proof is to fix a primitive  $N^{\text{th}}$  root  $\omega$ . Now  $S_N := \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \omega^k$  is the sum of all  $N^{\text{th}}$  roots. So  $S_1 = 1 = \delta(1)$ . For  $N \in [2.. \infty)$ , note  $\omega \neq 1$  so  $S_N = \frac{\omega^N - 1}{\omega - 1} = 0 = \delta(N)$ .

Pf for primitive roots. Let  $S(n) := \sum(\mathbf{V}_n)$ . Summing over the (positive) divisors  $a \mid N$  gives

$$\sum_{a \mid N} S(a) = \left[ \text{Sum of all } N^{\text{th}} \text{ roots} \right] = \delta(N).$$

IOWords,  $S \otimes \mathbf{1} = \delta$ . Thus  $S = \delta \otimes \mu = \mu$ .

As for the product, non-real primroots come in conjugate pairs. Each conjugate pair multiplies to 1. So  $\sum(\mathbf{V}_N)$  is 1 *unless*  $[-1]$  is an  $N^{\text{th}}$  primroot, which happens exactly when  $N = 2$ .  $\diamond$

Defn. For a poly with non-zero constant term, e.g.  $g(x) := 9x^3 + 8x - 6$ , its reversal  $\overleftarrow{g}$  has the coeffs in reverse order. So  $\overleftarrow{g}(x) = -6x^3 + 8x^2 + 9$ .  $\square$

9: Lemma. Each  $\mathbf{C}_N$  is a monic intpoly, of degree  $|\mathbf{V}_N| \stackrel{\text{note}}{=} \varphi(N)$ . When  $N \in [2.. \infty)$ , moreover,  $\mathbf{C}_N$  is palindromic in that  $\overleftarrow{\mathbf{C}_N} = \mathbf{C}_N$ .

Finally, for  $N \geq 2$  and  $K := \varphi(N)$ ,

$$9a: \quad \mathbf{C}_N(x) = x^K - \mu(N)x^{K-1} + \dots + [-\mu(N)]x + 1. \diamond$$

Proof. Equation (7b) gives

$$\mathbf{C}_N = F_N / \prod_{d \mid N, d \neq N} \mathbf{C}_d.$$

By induction on  $N$ , each of the  $\mathbf{C}_d$  is a monic intpoly. And easily: If a monic intpoly divides another, then the quotient is a monic intpoly.

Reversal. Consider a  $Z \in \mathbf{V}_N$ . Algebra gives

$$x \cdot \left[ \frac{1}{x} - Z \right] = -1 \cdot [xZ - 1] = -1 \cdot Z \cdot \left[ x - \frac{1}{Z} \right].$$

Now  $\overleftarrow{\mathbf{C}_N}(x)$  equals  $x^K \cdot \mathbf{C}_N\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$  which equals

$$\prod_{Z \in \mathbf{V}_N} x \cdot \left[ \frac{1}{x} - Z \right] = [-1]^K \cdot \left[ \prod_{Z \in \mathbf{V}_N} Z \right] \cdot \prod_{Z \in \mathbf{V}_N} \left[ x - \frac{1}{Z} \right].$$

Since  $\mathbf{C}_2(x) = [x+1]$  is palindromic, WLOG  $N \geq 3$ . Thus  $K := \varphi(N)$  is even. Also, (8) says that  $\left[ \prod_{Z \in \mathbf{V}_N} Z \right] = 1$ . Thus

$$\overleftarrow{\mathbf{C}_N}(x) = 1 \cdot 1 \cdot \prod_{Z \in \mathbf{V}_N} \left[ x - \frac{1}{Z} \right] \stackrel{\text{note}}{=} \mathbf{C}_N(x).$$

Lastly, (9a) follows from (8).  $\diamond$

**10: Theorem.** Each  $C_N$  can be described by inclusion-exclusion as:

$$11: \quad C_N(z) = \prod_{a \cdot b = N} [z^a - 1]^{\mu(b)} \stackrel{\text{note}}{=} \prod_{a \cdot b = N} C_1(z^a)^{\mu(b)} \\ \stackrel{\text{note}}{=} \prod_{\substack{a \cdot b = N, \text{ with} \\ b \text{ square-free}}} C_1(z^a)^{\mu(b)}.$$

Below:  $P$  is prime,  $\Gamma$  and  $N$  are posints and  $K$  a natnum.

11i: Now suppose  $P \perp \Gamma$ . Then

$$C_{P^{K+1}\Gamma}(z) = C_\Gamma(z^{P^{K+1}}) / C_\Gamma(z^{P^K}).$$

In particular, setting  $\Gamma := 1$ ,

$$C_{P^{K+1}}(z) = \frac{[z^{P^K}]^P - 1}{[z^{P^K}] - 1} = C_P(z^{P^K}).$$

11ii: Consider an  $N \perp \Gamma$ . Then

$$\dagger_N: \quad C_{N\Gamma}(z) = \prod_{a \cdot b = N} C_\Gamma(z^a)^{\mu(b)}$$

This generalizes (11). ◇

**Pf of (i).** Set  $L := K+1$  and apply (11) to  $N := P^L\Gamma$ . Omitting all pairs  $a \cdot b = N$  with  $b \bullet P^2$  means that  $a$  has form either  $\alpha P^L$  or  $\alpha P^K$ . So

$$C_N = \left[ \prod_{\alpha P^L \cdot \beta = N} [F_{\alpha P^L}]^{\mu(\beta)} \right] \cdot \left[ \prod_{\alpha P^K \cdot \beta = N} [F_{\alpha P^K}]^{\mu(\beta)} \right] \\ = \prod_{\alpha \cdot \beta = \Gamma} [F_{\alpha P^L}]^{\mu(\beta)} / \prod_{\alpha \cdot \beta = \Gamma} [F_{\alpha P^K}]^{\mu(\beta)}.$$

I.e  $C_N(z) = C_\Gamma(z^{P^L}) / C_\Gamma(z^{P^K})$ . ◇

**Aside.** Letting  $R := P^L$ , we can restate the above conclusion as

$$\ddagger: \quad C_{R\Gamma}(z) = \prod_{i \cdot j = R} C_\Gamma(z^i)^{\mu(j)}. \quad \square$$

**Pf of (ii).** Whoa! This proof, while correct, should be rewritten

Eqn ( $\dagger_1$ ) is a tautology. So, given  $M \perp \Gamma$ , we'll establish ( $\dagger_M$ ) by induction on the number of PoPs in  $M$ . Write  $M = NR$  with  $R$  a PoP co-prime to  $N$ . Then  $C_{M\Gamma}(z)$  equals

$$C_{NR\Gamma}(z) \stackrel{\text{by } (\dagger_N)}{=} \prod_{a \cdot b = N} C_{R\Gamma}(z^a)^{\mu(b)} \\ \stackrel{\text{by } (\ddagger)}{=} \prod_{a \cdot b = N} \left[ \prod_{i \cdot j = R} C_\Gamma([z^a]^i)^{\mu(j)} \right]^{\mu(b)} \\ = \prod_{\substack{a \cdot b = N \\ i \cdot j = R}} C_\Gamma(z^{ai})^{\mu(bj)}.$$

This, since  $b \perp j$ , because  $N \perp R$ . Letting  $x := ai$  and  $y := bj$ , the co-primeness  $N \perp R$  again gives

$$C_{M\Gamma}(z) = \prod_{x \cdot y = NR} C_\Gamma(z^x)^{\mu(y)}. \quad \blacklozenge$$

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