

Riemann Hypothesis

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1 Abstract

The Riemann Zeta function is defined as the Analytic Continuation of the Dirichlet series

$$\zeta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/n^s, \operatorname{Re}(s) > 1$$

The Riemann Zeta function is holomorphic in the complex plane except for a simple pole at $s = 1$

The non trivial zeroes (i.e those not at negative even integers) of the

Riemann Zeta function lie in the critical strip

$$0 \leq \operatorname{Re}(s) \leq 1$$

Riemann's Xi function is defined as [4, p.1],

$$\epsilon(s) = s(s-1)\pi^{-s/2}\Gamma(s/2)\zeta(s)/2$$

The zero of $(s-1)$ cancels the pole of $\zeta(s)$, and the real zeroes of $s\zeta(s)$ are cancelled by the simple poles of $\Gamma(s/2)$ which never vanishes.

Thus, $\epsilon(s)$ is an entire function whose zeroes are the non trivial zeroes of $\zeta(s)$ (see[3, p.2])

Further, $\epsilon(s)$ satisfies the functional equation

$$\epsilon(1 - s) = \epsilon(s)$$

2 Statement of the Riemann Hypothesis

The Riemann Hypothesis states that all the non trivial zeroes of the Riemann Zeta function lie on the critical line with real part equal to $1/2$

3 Proof

The Riemann Xi function [1, p.47] is defined as

$$\epsilon(s) = \epsilon(0) \prod_{\rho} (1 - \frac{s}{\rho}) \quad \dots \quad (1)$$

where ρ ranges over all the roots ρ of $\epsilon(\rho) = 0$.

If we combine the factors

$(1 - \frac{s}{\rho})$ and $(1 - \frac{s}{1-\rho})$, then $\epsilon(s)$ is Absolutely convergent in finite product .

Also, $\epsilon(0) = 1/2$

From, [1, p.42, Section 2.5]

$$\prod_{\rho} (1 - \frac{s}{\rho}) = \prod_{Im(\rho) > 0} (1 - \frac{s(1-s)}{\rho(1-\rho)}) = \prod_{Im(\rho) > 0} (1 - \frac{s}{\rho})(1 - \frac{s}{1-\rho}). \quad \dots \quad (2)$$

Since from (1) $\epsilon(\rho) = 0$.

For, $0 < Re(\rho) < 1$, $|\epsilon(\bar{\rho})| = |\epsilon(\rho)|$.(Proof in Appendix)

$$\epsilon(\rho) = 0 \Rightarrow |\epsilon(\rho)| = 0$$

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From (1),

$$\epsilon(s) = \epsilon(0) \prod_{\rho} (1 - \frac{s}{\rho})$$

Using (2) we have,

$$\epsilon(s) = \epsilon(0) \prod_{Im(\rho) > 0} (1 - \frac{s}{\rho})(1 - \frac{s}{1-\rho}).$$

$$\epsilon(\bar{\rho}) = 0 \Rightarrow \epsilon(0) \prod_{Im(\rho) > 0} (1 - \frac{\bar{\rho}}{\rho})(1 - \frac{\bar{\rho}}{1-\rho}) = 0.$$

Let, $\rho = \sigma + it$.

$$\Rightarrow \bar{\rho} = \sigma - it.$$

$$\epsilon(0) \prod_{t > 0} (1 - \frac{(\sigma - it)}{\sigma + it})(1 - \frac{(\sigma - it)}{1 - \sigma - it}) = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \epsilon(0) \prod_{t > 0} \frac{(\sigma + it - \sigma + it)(1 - 2\sigma - it + it)}{(\sigma + it)(1 - \sigma - it)} = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \epsilon(0) \prod_{t > 0} \frac{2it(1 - 2\sigma)}{(\sigma + it)(1 - \sigma - it)} = 0.$$

Since $\epsilon(s)$ is a Convergent infinite product,

Thus it is convergent infinite product [see 2, p.290].

The value of a convergent infinite product is zero if and only if

atleast one of the factors is equal to zero [see 2, p.287].

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2it_0(1 - 2\sigma)}{(\sigma + it_0)(1 - \sigma - it_0)} = 0, \text{ for some } t_0 > 0 \text{ (Since, } t > 0).$$

Since, $t_0 > 0$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - 2\sigma = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma = 1/2.$$

$$\Rightarrow \operatorname{Re}(\rho) = 1/2.$$

This proves the Riemann Hypothesis.

4 Appendix

Claim: $|\epsilon(\bar{\rho})| = |\epsilon(\rho)|$, $0 < \operatorname{Re}(\rho) < 1$.

The Riemann's Xi function is defined in [1, p.16] as,

$$\epsilon(s) = 1/2 - s(1-s)/2 \int_1^\infty \psi(x)(x^{s/2} + x^{(1-s)/2})dx/x, \text{ where, } \psi(x) = \sum_{n=1}^\infty e^{-n^2\pi x}.$$

$$|\epsilon(\bar{\rho})| = |1/2 - \bar{\rho}(1 - \bar{\rho})/2 \int_1^\infty \psi(x)(x^{\bar{\rho}/2} + x^{(1-\bar{\rho})/2})dx/x|$$

$$= \overline{|(1/2 - \rho(1 - \rho)/2 \int_1^\infty \psi(x)(x^{\rho/2} + x^{(1-\rho)/2})dx/x)|}.$$

$$= |\overline{\epsilon(\rho)}| = |\epsilon(\rho)|.$$

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