

An Equivalent of the Riemann Hypothesis

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1 Abstract

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

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

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

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

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 $\zeta(s)$ ([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.39] is defined as

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

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

If we combine the factors

$\left(1 - \frac{s}{\rho}\right)$ and $\left(1 - \frac{s}{1-\rho}\right)$, then $\epsilon(s)$ is Absolutely convergent in finite product [1, p.42].

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

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

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

Let, ρ_0 be a zero of the Riemann's Xi function.

$$\Rightarrow \epsilon(\rho_0) = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \epsilon(\bar{\rho}_0) = 0.$$

From (2) we have,

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

$$\epsilon(\bar{\rho}_0) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \epsilon(0) \prod_{\text{Im}(\rho) > 0} \left(1 - \frac{\bar{\rho}_0}{\rho}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\bar{\rho}_0}{1-\rho}\right) = 0.$$

$$\epsilon(0) = 1/2.$$

$$\Rightarrow \prod_{\text{Im}(\rho) > 0} \left(1 - \frac{\bar{\rho}_0}{\rho}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\bar{\rho}_0}{1-\rho}\right) = 0.$$

Suppose ρ_0 such that $\text{Im}(\rho_0) > 0$ is a zero with multiplicity k .

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \left[\left(1 - \frac{\bar{\rho}_0}{\rho_0}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\bar{\rho}_0}{1-\rho_0}\right)\right]^k \prod_{\text{Im}(\rho) > 0, \rho \neq \rho_0} \left(1 - \frac{\bar{\rho}_0}{\rho}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\bar{\rho}_0}{1-\rho}\right) = 0. \\ &\Rightarrow \left[\frac{(\rho_0 - \bar{\rho}_0)(1 - \rho_0 - \bar{\rho}_0)}{\rho_0(1 - \rho_0)}\right]^k \prod_{\text{Im}(\rho) > 0, \rho \neq \rho_0} \left(1 - \frac{\bar{\rho}_0}{\rho}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\bar{\rho}_0}{1-\rho}\right) = 0. \\ &\Rightarrow \left[\frac{(2i\text{Im}(\rho_0))(1 - 2\text{Re}(\rho_0))}{\rho_0(1 - \rho_0)}\right]^k \prod_{\text{Im}(\rho) > 0, \rho \neq \rho_0} \left(1 - \frac{\bar{\rho}_0}{\rho}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\bar{\rho}_0}{1-\rho}\right) = 0. \quad \dots \quad (3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Let, } I_\rho = \prod_{\text{Im}(\rho) > 0, \rho \neq \rho_0} \left(1 - \frac{\bar{\rho}_0}{\rho}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\bar{\rho}_0}{1-\rho}\right)$$

From(3),

$$\Rightarrow \left[\frac{(2i\text{Im}(\rho_0))(1 - 2\text{Re}(\rho_0))}{\rho_0(1 - \rho_0)}\right]^k I_\rho = 0. \quad \dots \quad (4)$$

From (2), ρ_0 is a zero of Riemann's Xi function, so $\text{Im}(\rho_0) > 0$

$$\Rightarrow \left[\frac{(1-2\operatorname{Re}(\rho_0))}{(\rho_0)(1-\rho_0)} \right]^k I_\rho = 0.. \quad \dots \quad (5)$$

If $I_\rho \neq 0$ then, $\operatorname{Re}(\rho_0) = 1/2$.

From (5) Riemann Hypothesis is true if $I_\rho \neq 0$

$$\text{where } I_\rho = \prod_{\operatorname{Im}(\rho) > 0, \rho \neq \rho_0} \left(1 - \frac{\bar{\rho}_0}{\rho}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\bar{\rho}_0}{1-\rho}\right)$$

Thus, an equivalent of the Riemann Hypothesis is that $I_\rho \neq 0$.

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