

THE RIEMANN HYPOTHESIS

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0.2 Proof

The analytic continuation (Ref.-[1]) of the Zeta Function is

$$\zeta^*(s) = s \int_0^\infty ([x] - x)/x^{s+1} dx \quad ; 0 < \text{Re}(s) < 1$$

let, $s = \sigma + i\eta$; $0 < \sigma < 1$.

The Functional equation of the Riemann Zeta function is given as,

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

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

Multiplying the above two expressions,

$$\zeta^*(s) \zeta^*(1-s) = (2/\pi) \sin(\pi s/2) \cos(\pi s/2) \Gamma(s) \Gamma(1-s) \zeta^*(s) \zeta^*(1-s)$$

using, $\Gamma(s) \Gamma(1-s) = \pi / \sin \pi s$.

$$\zeta^*(s) \zeta^*(1-s) =$$

$$(2/\pi) \sin(\pi s/2) \cos(\pi s/2) \pi / \sin(\pi s) \zeta^*(s) \zeta(1-s)$$

$$\zeta^*(s) \zeta^*(1-s) = (\sin(\pi s))^2 \zeta(s) \zeta(1-s)$$

CLAIM - $\zeta^*(s) \neq 0$ if $\text{Re}(s) \neq 1/2$.

$$|\zeta^*(\sigma + i\eta)| = |s \int_{x=0}^\infty (x - [x])/x^{s+1}|$$

$$|\zeta^*(\sigma + i\eta)| = |s| \left| \int_{x=0}^\infty (x - [x])/x^{s+1} \right|$$

By, Cauchy Schwarz Inequality,

$$\leq (\sigma^2 + \eta^2)^{1/2} \left(\int_{x=0}^{\infty} (x - [x])^2 dx \right)^{1/2} \left| \int_{x=0}^{\infty} 1/x^{2s+2} dx \right|^{1/2}$$

Since,

$$x > 0,$$

All the above terms in the R.H.S. are

$$> 0.$$

So,

$$\zeta^*(s) \neq 0 \text{ if } \operatorname{Re}(s) \neq 1/2.$$

By Hypothesis,

$$\zeta^*(s) = 0, \quad 0 < \operatorname{Re}(s) < 1.$$

Hence, $\zeta^*(\sigma + i\eta) = 0$ implies $x = 1/2$.

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