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**Abstract :** Inspired by the article [3], the introduction of the function  $\hat{S}$  whose integer zeros are the prime numbers, will allow me to demonstrate analytically the Goldbach's conjecture [6], the De Polignac's Conjecture [7], the Legendre's conjecture [9], and Landau's conjecture [10] .

**Résumé :** Inspiré de l'article [3], l'introduction de la fonction  $\hat{S}$  dont les zéros entiers sont les nombres premiers, va me permettre de démontrer analytiquement la conjecture de Goldbach [6], la conjecture de De Polignac [7], la conjecture de Legendre [9] et la conjecture de Landau [10].

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In this version I apply the same techniques to prove the Legendre's conjecture [9] and the Landau's conjecture [10].

## I- INTRODUCTION

In 1742, in a letter to Leonhard Euler, Christian Goldbach conjectured [6] : Any even integer greater than 3 can be written as the sum of two prime numbers.

De Polignac's conjecture, stated by Alphonse De Polignac in 1849 [7], is as follows : Any non-zero even number  $2m$  is equal to the difference of two consecutive prime numbers in an infinite number of ways.

Inspired by the function  $\mathbb{S}$  which I introduced in the article [3], I introduce the function  $\hat{\mathbb{S}}$  which, also like  $\mathbb{S}$ , allows to find the prime numbers .

The study of the function  $S_{2m}(z) = \hat{\mathbb{S}}^2(z) + \hat{\mathbb{S}}^2(2m - z)$  will allow me to demonstrate the Goldbach conjecture. And the study of the function :  $S_{2m}(z) = \hat{\mathbb{S}}^2(z) + \hat{\mathbb{S}}^2(2m + z)$  will allow me to demonstrate the De Polignac's conjecture.

By y the same techniques I will prove the Legendre's conjecture [9], and Landau's conjecture [10] .

In this article I assume known the functions zeta  $\zeta$ , Gamma  $\Gamma$  :  $z \mapsto \int_0^{+\infty} t^{z-1} e^{-t} dt$  and their properties (see [4] and [5]).

## II- THE PROOF OF THE GOLDBACH CONJECTURE :

**Theorem 1 :** [The Goldbach conjecture ]

Any even integer greater than 3 can be written as the sum of two prime numbers.

**Proposition 1.** [3] :

Let  $\mathbb{S}(z) = \zeta\left(-\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z/2}\right)$ .

If  $z \in \mathbb{N}^*$  then  $\mathbb{S}(z) = 0 \iff z$  is a prime number

**Proof :**

It follows from Wilson's theorem [1] - which shows that  $p$  is prime if and only  $(p - 1)! \equiv -1 \pmod p$  - and the fact that the trivial zeros of  $\zeta$  are  $-2\mathbb{N}^*$ .

**Proposition 2 :**

Let  $\hat{\mathbb{S}}(z) = \sin\left(\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z}\pi\right)$ .

If  $z \in \mathbb{N}^*$  then  $\hat{\mathbb{S}}(z) = 0 \iff z$  is a prime number

**Proof :** Inspired by **proposition 1**

**Proposition 3 :** If  $m \in \mathbb{N}^* \setminus \{1\}$  , then the equation :

$$\sin^2\left(\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z}\pi\right) + \sin^2\left(\frac{\Gamma(2m-z)+1}{2m-z}\pi\right) = 0$$

admits at least one solution  $z$  in  $\mathbb{N}$  with  $z$  and  $2m - z$  are primes.

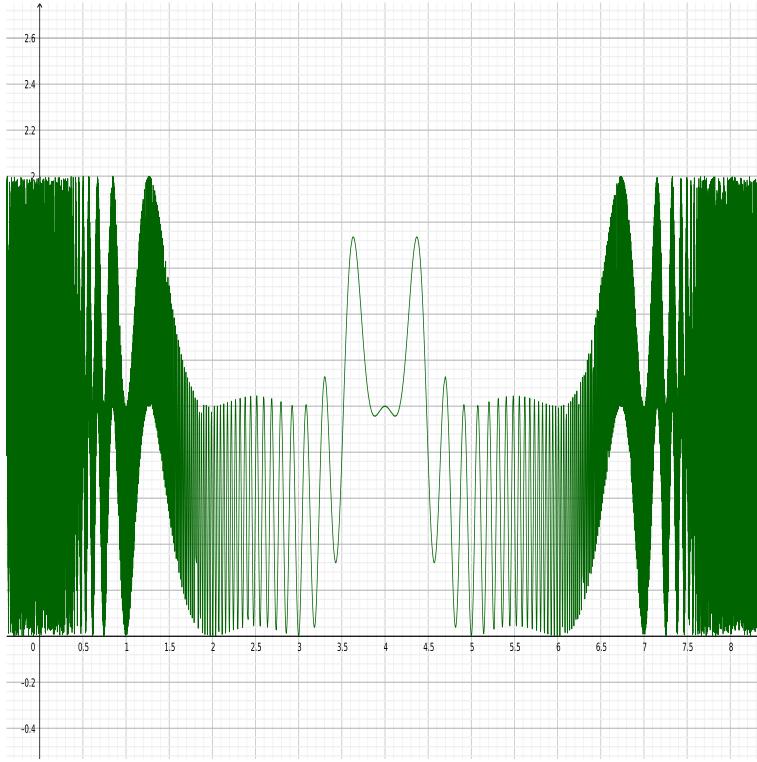


FIGURE 1 –  $S(z)$  for  $m=8$

### Proof of Proposition 3 :

Consider the restriction to  $\mathbb{R}^{+*}$  of the function :

$$S(z) = \sin^2\left(\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z}\pi\right) + \sin^2\left(\frac{\Gamma(2m-z)+1}{2m-z}\pi\right)$$

**1 step :** If the function  $S(z) = \sin^2\left(\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z}\pi\right) + \sin^2\left(\frac{\Gamma(2m-z)+1}{2m-z}\pi\right)$  has a local extremum at the point  $p \neq 2$  with  $p$  is prime :

In this case  $\frac{dS}{dz}(p) = 0$  and according to proposition 2 we have  $\hat{S}(p) = \sin\left(\frac{\Gamma(p)+1}{p}\pi\right) = 0$

We have :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dS}{dz}(z) &= 2\pi \sin\left(\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z}\pi\right) \cos\left(\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z}\pi\right) \frac{z\Gamma'(z) - (\Gamma(z)+1)}{z^2} + 2\pi \sin\left(\frac{\Gamma(2m-z)+1}{2m-z}\pi\right) \\ &\quad \cos\left(\frac{\Gamma(2m-z)+1}{2m-z}\pi\right) \frac{-(2m-z)\Gamma'(2m-z) + (\Gamma(2m-z)+1)}{(2m-z)^2} \end{aligned}$$

But as  $\frac{-(2m-p)\Gamma'(2m-p) + (\Gamma(2m-p)+1)}{(2m-p)^2} \neq 0$  (Because  $-z\Gamma'(z) + \Gamma(z) + 1$  vanishes

in  $z \sim 2.5 \notin \mathbb{N}$  , then  $2\sin(\frac{\Gamma(2m-p)+1}{2m-p}\pi)\cos(\frac{\Gamma(2m-p)+1}{2m-p}\pi) = 0$

And since we cannot have  $\cos(\frac{\Gamma(2m-p)+1}{2m-p}\pi) = 0$ , because otherwise  $\frac{\Gamma(2m-p)+1}{2m-p} \in \mathbb{N} + \frac{1}{2}$ , and therefore  $p \in 2\mathbb{N}$ , which is not the case, then  $\sin(\frac{\Gamma(2m-p)+1}{2m-p}\pi) = 0$ , and from **proposition 2**, we conclude that  $2m - p$  is prime.

**2 step :** Let us show the existence of local minimums z in  $]1, m[$  as soon as  $m \geq 5$ , with  $S(z) = 0$  ,  $\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z} \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\frac{\Gamma(2m-z)+1}{2m-z} \in \mathbb{N}$  :

First  $S$  admits a local extremum at a point  $z \in ]1, m[$  if  $m \geq 5$  : Indeed :

$$S(z) = 1 - \frac{1}{2}(\cos(2\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z}\pi) + \cos(2\frac{\Gamma(2m-z)+1}{2m-z}\pi))$$

If  $S$  does not admit a local extremum at a point  $z \in ]1, m[$  , then  $T(z) = (\cos(2\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z}\pi) + \cos(2\frac{\Gamma(2m-z)+1}{2m-z}\pi))$  does not admit a local extremum in  $z \in ]1, m[$ , and in this case, by symmetry of the curve of  $S$  with respect to the line  $x = m$ , we have  $\frac{dT}{dz}(z) \leq 0$ ,  $\forall z \in ]1, m[$  or  $\frac{dT}{dz}(z) \leq 0$ ,  $\forall z \in ]m, 2m - 1[$  .

By symmetry suppose that  $\frac{dT}{dz}(z) \leq 0$ ,  $\forall z \in ]1, m[$  :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dT}{dz}(z) = -2\pi\sin(2\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z}\pi) & \frac{z\Gamma'(z) - (\Gamma(z)+1)}{z^2} - 2\pi\sin(2\frac{\Gamma(2m-z)+1}{2m-z}\pi) \\ & \frac{-(2m-z)\Gamma'(2m-z) + (\Gamma(2m-z)+1)}{(2m-z)^2} \end{aligned}$$

By growth of the function  $\frac{z\Gamma'(z) - (\Gamma(z)+1)}{z^2}$  in  $\in [3, +\infty[$  we have :  $\frac{\frac{(2m-z)\Gamma'(2m-z) - (\Gamma(2m-z)+1)}{(2m-z)^2}}{\frac{z\Gamma'(z) - (\Gamma(z)+1)}{z^2}} > 1$ ,  $\forall z \in [3, m[$ , so :

$$\sin(2\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z}\pi) \geq \sin(2\frac{\Gamma(2m-z)+1}{2m-z}\pi) \frac{\frac{(2m-z)\Gamma'(2m-z) - (\Gamma(2m-z)+1)}{(2m-z)^2}}{\frac{z\Gamma'(z) - (\Gamma(z)+1)}{z^2}}; \forall z \in [3, m[$$

And for z such that  $\sin(2\frac{\Gamma(2m-z)+1}{2m-z}\pi) = 1$  (z exists because the function  $L(x) = \frac{\Gamma(x+1)+1}{x+1} - \frac{\Gamma(x)+1}{x}$  check  $L(x) \geq 1$ ,  $\forall x \geq 3.2$  ), we will have  $\sin(2\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z}\pi) > 1$ , which is absurd. And therefore  $S(z) = \sin^2(\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z}\pi) + \sin^2(\frac{\Gamma(2m-z)+1}{2m-z}\pi)$  admits local extremum  $z_1$  in  $\in [3, m[$

If  $z_1$  is not a local minimum, by taking the same reasoning by replacing 1 by  $z_1$ , we deduce the existence of a local extremum  $z_2$  in  $[3, z_1[$  or in  $]z_1, m[$  and hence there is a local minimum z between  $z_1$  et  $z_2$ .

Let z be a minimum of S in  $\in ]1, m[$ .

If  $S(z) \neq 0$ , then  $\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z}\pi \neq 0$ ,  $mod(\pi)$  ou  $\frac{\Gamma(2m-z)+1}{2m-z}\pi \neq 0$ ,  $mod(\pi)$

By symmetry of the curve of S with respect to the line  $x = m$ , we can assume that  $\frac{\Gamma(2m-z)+1}{2m-z}\pi \neq 0$ ,  $mod(\pi)$  and that  $\sin^2(\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z}\pi) \leq \sin^2(\frac{\Gamma(2m-z)+1}{2m-z}\pi)$ .

If  $\sin^2\left(\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z}\pi\right) < \sin^2\left(\frac{\Gamma(2m-z)+1}{2m-z}\pi\right)$  : If  $z'$  is too close to  $z$  with  $\sin^2\left(\frac{\Gamma(2m-z')+1}{2m-z'}\pi\right) < \sin^2\left(\frac{\Gamma(2m-z)+1}{2m-z}\pi\right)$ , then  $S(z') < S(z)$  which contradicts the minimality. It follows that  $\sin^2\left(\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z}\pi\right) = \sin^2\left(\frac{\Gamma(2m-z)+1}{2m-z}\pi\right)$

But from the equation :

$$0 = \frac{dS}{dz}(z) = 2\pi \sin\left(\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z}\pi\right) \cos\left(\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z}\pi\right) \frac{z\Gamma'(z) - (\Gamma(z)+1)}{z^2} + 2\pi \sin\left(\frac{\Gamma(2m-z)+1}{2m-z}\pi\right) \cos\left(\frac{\Gamma(2m-z)+1}{2m-z}\pi\right) \frac{-(2m-z)\Gamma'(2m-z) + (\Gamma(2m-z)+1)}{(2m-z)^2}$$

We deduce that :  $0 = \sin\left(\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z}\pi\right) \cos\left(\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z}\pi\right)$ , and therefore  $0 = \sin\left(\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z}\pi\right)$  by minimality of  $S(z)$ . Thus  $S(z) = 0$  with  $\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z} \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\frac{\Gamma(2m-z)+1}{2m-z} \in \mathbb{N}$

**3 step :** Let us show the existence of the roots  $z \in \mathbb{N} \cap ]1, m[$  :

The case where  $m \in \{2, 3, 4\}$  is easy to see, since the Goldbach conjecture holds in these cases.

If  $m \geq 5$ , from step 2, we have  $S(z) = 0$  with :  $z \in ]1, m[$ ,  $\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z} \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\frac{\Gamma(2m-z)+1}{2m-z} \in \mathbb{N}$

If  $z \notin \mathbb{N}$  :

- If  $z = n + r$  with  $r \geq 2$ ,  $r \in \mathbb{R}^+ \setminus \mathbb{N}$  and  $n \geq 1$

Let  $\frac{z}{\Gamma(z)+1} = k$ .

we deduce :  $\prod_{i=1}^n (n-i+r)\Gamma(r) + 1 = kn + kr$

So  $\Gamma(r) = \frac{-1+kn+kr}{\prod_{i=1}^n (n-i+r)}$

As  $r \geq 2$ , then  $\Gamma'(r) > 0$ , and therefore by deriving we will have :

$$k \prod_{i=1}^n (n-i+r) > (-1 + kn + kr) \sum_{j=1}^n \prod_{i \neq j; i=1}^n (n-i+r)$$

So  $\frac{1}{r} \geq \frac{1}{-\frac{1}{k} + n + r} > \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{n-i+r}$ , which is not the case, and  $z \in \mathbb{N}$ .

- If  $z = n + r$  with  $r < 2$ ,  $r \in \mathbb{R}^+ \setminus \mathbb{N}$  and  $n \geq 1$

By setting  $z = (n+3) + (r-3)$  we can suppose that  $z = n + r$  with  $r < -1$ ,  $r \in \mathbb{R}^- \setminus \mathbb{N}$  and  $n \geq 1$

Let  $\frac{\Gamma(2m-z)+1}{2m-z} = l$ , we deduce :

$$\prod_{i=1}^{2m-n-1} (2m-n-i-r)\Gamma(1-r) + 1 = l(2m-n-1) + l(1-r)$$

So  $\Gamma(1-r) = \frac{-1+l(2m-n-1)+l(1-r)}{\prod_{i=1}^{2m-n-1} (2m-n-i-r)}$

But  $-\Gamma'(1-r) < 0$  if  $r < -1$ .

So :

$$-l \prod_{i=1}^{2m-n-1} (2m - n - i - r) < -(-1 + l(2m - n - 1) + l(1 - r)) \sum_{j=1}^{2m-n-1} \prod_{i \neq j; i=1}^{2m-n-1} (2m - n - i - r)$$

Thus :  $\frac{1}{1-r} \geq \frac{1}{-\frac{1}{l} + 2m - n - 1 + (1 - r)} > \sum_{i=1}^{2m-n-1} \frac{1}{2m - n - i - r}$ , which is not the case, and  $z \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Note :** This result of step 3 can be noticed in the graphs of  $S_{2m}$  : If the curve of  $S_{2m}$  touches the segment  $]1, 2m[$  at a point  $p$ , then  $p$  is a prime number !!

#### 4 step : Proof of proposition 3

The case where  $m \in \{2, 3, 4\}$  is easy to see, since the Goldbach conjecture holds in these cases.

If  $m \geq 5$ , in step 3 we have shown the existence of the roots  $z \in \mathbb{N} \cap ]1, m[$  such that  $\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z} \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\frac{\Gamma(2m-z)+1}{2m-z} \in \mathbb{N}$ . And from proposition 2 we deduce that  $z$  and  $2m - z$  are primes with  $2m = z + (2m - z)$

#### Proof of Theorem 1 :

It is deduced directly from **proposition 3**

### III - The proof of Alphonse de Polignac's conjecture [7]

#### Lemma 1 :

Let  $f$  and  $g$  be two continuous functions from  $[N, +\infty]$  over  $\mathbb{R}^+$  with  $\lim_{z \rightarrow +\infty} f(z) = +\infty$  and  $\lim_{z \rightarrow +\infty} g(z) = +\infty$

If  $M(z) = \sin^2(f(z)\pi) + \sin^2(g(z)\pi)$ , then there exists  $z \in [N, +\infty]$  such that  $M(z)$  is a minimum of  $M$ .

**Proof :** Let :

$$\overline{M}(\overline{f(z)\pi}, \overline{g(z)\pi}) = \sin^2(\overline{f(z)\pi}) + \sin^2(\overline{g(z)\pi})$$

Where  $\overline{Z} = Z \bmod(2\pi)$

From hypotheses on  $f$  and  $g$  we deduce that  $\{(\overline{f(z)\pi}, \overline{g(z)\pi}), z \in [N, +\infty]\} = [0, 2\pi] \times F$  where  $F$  is a part of  $[0, 2\pi]$ . If  $\tilde{F}$  is the closure of  $F$ , then  $[0, 2\pi] \times \tilde{F}$  is a compact of  $[0, 2\pi] \times [0, 2\pi]$  therefore (see [2])  $\overline{M}$  has minima in points  $(\overline{f(z)\pi}, b)$  of  $[0, 2\pi] \times \tilde{F}$ .

But if  $z_n$  is a sequence such that  $z_n \rightarrow z$ , then  $\overline{g(z_n)\pi} \rightarrow b$ . But as  $\overline{g(z_n)\pi} \rightarrow \overline{g(z)\pi}$ , then  $b = \overline{g(z)\pi}$ , and  $\overline{M}$  has minima in points  $(\overline{f(z)\pi}, \overline{g(z)\pi})$ . And therefore  $M$  has minima at points  $z$ .

The Polignac conjecture is a conjecture about the theory of numbers. It was stated by Alphonse de Polignac in 1849 [7].

**Theorem 2 : The conjecture of Alphonse de Polignac [7]**

Any non zero even number  $2m$  is equal to the difference of two consecutive prime numbers in an infinite number of ways.

**Proof :**

It is demonstrated by the same technique used above to prove the Goldbach conjecture using the function  $S^+$  instead of  $S$  :

$$S^+(z) = \sin^2\left(\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z}\pi\right) + \sin^2\left(\frac{\Gamma(2m+z)+1}{2m+z}\pi\right)$$

- Using Lemma 1 above, we show the existence of an infinite number of minima  $z$  of  $S^+$ .

And by showing as in steps 2, 3, above :

- The existence of an infinite number of local minimums  $z$  of  $S^+$  in  $]1, \infty[$ , with  $S(z) = 0$ ,  $\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z} \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\frac{\Gamma(2m+z)+1}{2m+z} \in \mathbb{N}$

- The existence of an infinity of integer  $z$  roots of  $S^+$  ( $z \in \mathbb{N}$ ).

Then using proposition 2 - as in step 4 above - we deduce that  $z$  and  $2m+z$  are prime with  $2m = (2m+z) - z$

**Corollary : [The conjecture of twin prime numbers] [8]**

There exists an infinity of prime numbers  $p$  such that  $p+2$  is also prime.

#### IV - The proof of Legendre's conjecture [9]

The Legendre conjecture, proposed by Adrien-Marie Legendre, is stated as follows :

**Theorem 3 : [Legendre's conjecture]** : For all  $n \geq 1$ , there is a prime number between  $n^2$  et  $(n+1)^2$

**Proof :**

We consider the function defined on  $]1, 2n]$  :

$$S_{le,n}(z) = \sin^2\left(\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z}\pi\right) + \sin^2\left(\frac{\Gamma(n^2+z)+1}{n^2+z}\pi\right)$$

The result is true if  $n < 3$ .

- By the same techniques used above, we see that there are integer  $z$  roots of  $S_{le,n}(z)$  ( $z \in \mathbb{N} \cap ]3, 2n]$  if  $n \geq 3$ ). Then by using proposition 2 -as in step 4 above- we deduce that  $z$  and  $n^2+z$  are primes with  $n^2+z \in [n^2, (n+1)^2]$

#### V - The proof of the Landau's conjecture [10]

**Theorem 4** [Landau's conjecture] : There exists an infinity of primes  $p$  such that  $p-1$  is a perfect square. (or in other words : there is an infinity of prime numbers of the form  $n^2+1$ ).

**Proof :**

We consider the function defined on  $[1, +\infty]$  :

$$S_{la}(z) = \sin^2\left(\frac{\Gamma(z) + 1}{z}\pi\right) + \sin^2(\pi\sqrt{z - 1})$$

- Using Lemma 1 above, we show the existence of an infinity of minima  $z$  of  $S_{la}$
- By the same techniques used above, we see that there exists an infinity of integer  $z$  roots of  $S_{la}(z)$  ( $z \in \mathbb{N} \cap [3, +\infty]$ ) with  $z = n^2 + 1$ . Then by using proposition 2 -as in step 4 above- we deduce that  $z$  is a prime with  $z = n^2 + 1$

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