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Abstract

We prove that $|\zeta(r + i\tau)| \neq 0$ for every $r \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1)$ and $\tau \in \mathbb{R}^*$, where ζ is the Riemann Zeta function.

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1 Main result

Consider the representation of the Riemann Zeta function ζ defined by the Abel summation formula [[1], page 14 Equation 2.1.5] as

$$\zeta(s) := -s \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{\{t\}}{t^{1+s}} dt, \quad \Re(s) \in (0, 1), \quad \Im(s) \in \mathbb{R}^*, \quad (1)$$

where $\{t\}$ is the fractional part of the real t . We prove the following Theorem.

Theorem 1. Consider the function ζ defined by the Equation (1). For every $\tau \in \mathbb{R}^*$ and $r \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1)$ we have

$$|\zeta(r + i\tau)| \neq 0.$$

Thanks to the Riemann functional equation we deduce that any *non trivial zero* of the Zeta function has a real part equal to $\frac{1}{2}$, where the *non trivial zeros* of the function ζ are defined in the following sense

Definition 2. Consider the function ζ defined by the Equation (1). Let be $s \in \mathbb{C}$. We say that s is a *non trivial zero of the function ζ* if

$$|\zeta(s)| = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \Re(s) \in (0, 1), \quad \Im(s) \in \mathbb{R}^*.$$

2 Main Proposition

Notation 3. In order to simplify the notation, for every $r \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1)$ denote

$$f_r(u) := \{u\}u^{-r}, \quad u > 0.$$

By the Equation (1), remark that

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \left| \int_0^t u^{-i\tau-1} f_r(u) du \right| := \left| \frac{\zeta(r+i\tau)}{r+i\tau} \right|.$$

We have the following Main proposition,

Proposition 4. Let be $\tau \in \mathbb{R}^*$ and $r \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1)$. Suppose that $|\zeta(r+i\tau)| = 0$, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} (2-r)(1-r)^{2n+1} \int_0^{+\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{2n} \frac{(\ln(u))^k}{k!} u^{-1} f_r(u) du = 1.$$

Notation 5. Denote

$$p(t) := \int_0^t \left(\{u\} - \frac{1}{2} \right) du, \quad \forall t \geq 0,$$

where we recall that $\{u\}$ is the fractional part of the real u . Denote

$$\omega := 2 \max_{t \in [0,1]} |p(t)|.$$

Lemma 6. The function p is a continuous 1-periodic function.

Proof. The function $u \mapsto \{u\}$ is 1-periodic, then there exists a continuous 1-periodic function $p : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$\int_0^t \{u\} du = t \int_0^1 \{u\} du + p(t), \quad \forall t \geq 0.$$

Since

$$\int_0^1 \{u\} du = \int_0^1 u du = \frac{1}{2},$$

we get

$$\int_0^t \{u\} du = t \frac{1}{2} + p(t), \quad \forall t \geq 0.$$

□

Notation 7. For every $r \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1)$ and $\tau \in \mathbb{R}^*$ denote

$$\Psi_{\tau,r}(k) = \int_1^{+\infty} \frac{(\ln(u))^k}{k!} u^{i\tau-1} \int_u^{+\infty} v^{-i\tau-1} f_r(v) dv du, \quad \forall k \geq 0.$$

Lemma 8. Let be $\tau \in \mathbb{R}^*$ and $r \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1)$. Then

$$|\Psi_{\tau,r}(k) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{r+i\tau} \frac{1}{r^{k+1}}| \leq \frac{\omega(|\tau|+2)}{(1+r)^{k+1}}, \quad \forall k \geq 0,$$

where ω is given by the Notation 5

Proof. Let be $\tau \in \mathbb{R}^*$ and $r \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1)$. Consider the function p given in the Notation 5. By Lemma 6, the function p is 1-periodic, then it is bounded. Use the integration part formula

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \int_u^{+\infty} v^{-i\tau-1} \left(f_r(v) - \frac{1}{2} v^{-r} \right) dv \right| \\ &= \left| \int_u^{+\infty} v^{-i\tau-1} \left(\{v\} - \frac{1}{2} \right) v^{-r} dv \right| \\ &= \left| (i\tau + 1 + r) \int_u^{+\infty} v^{-i\tau-2-r} (p(v) - p(u)) dv \right|. \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$|p(v) - p(u)| < \omega, \quad \forall u \geq 0, \quad \forall v \geq 0,$$

where ω is given by the Notation 5, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \int_u^{+\infty} v^{-i\tau-1} \left(f_r(v) - \frac{1}{2} v^{-r} \right) dv \right| \leq \omega(|\tau|+2) \int_u^{+\infty} v^{-2-r} dv \\ & \leq \omega(|\tau|+2) u^{-1-r}. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \int_1^{+\infty} \frac{(\ln(u))^k}{k!} u^{i\tau-1} \int_u^{+\infty} v^{-i\tau-1} \left(f_r(v) - \frac{1}{2} v^{-r} \right) dv du \right| \\ & \leq \omega(|\tau|+2) \int_1^{+\infty} \frac{(\ln(u))^k}{k!} u^{-2-r} du \\ & = \frac{\omega(|\tau|+2)}{(1+r)^{k+1}}, \quad \forall k \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$u^{-i\tau} \int_u^{+\infty} v^{-i\tau-1-r} dv = \frac{1}{r+i\tau} u^{-r}, \quad \forall u > 0.$$

Then

$$|\Psi_{\tau,r}(k) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{r+i\tau} \frac{1}{r^{k+1}}| \leq \frac{\omega(|\tau|+2)}{(1+r)^{k+1}}, \quad \forall k \geq 0.$$

□

Proof of the Proposition 4. Let be $\tau \in \mathbb{R}^*$ and $r \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1)$. Suppose that

$$|\zeta(r+i\tau)| = 0.$$

By the Equation (1) we have

$$\left| \int_0^{+\infty} u^{-i\tau-1} f_r(u) du \right| = \left| \frac{\zeta(r+i\tau)}{r+i\tau} \right| = 0.$$

Implies

$$\int_0^t u^{-i\tau-1} f_r(u) du = - \int_t^{+\infty} u^{-i\tau-1} f_r(u) du, \quad \forall t > 0. \quad (2)$$

Since $f_r(u) = u^{1-r}$ for every $u \in (0, 1)$ then for every $k \geq 0$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^1 \frac{(\ln(u))^k}{k!} u^{i\tau-1} \int_u^{+\infty} v^{-i\tau-1} f_r(v) dv du \\ &= - \int_0^1 \frac{(\ln(u))^k}{k!} u^{i\tau-1} \int_0^u v^{-i\tau-1} f_r(v) dv du \\ &= - \frac{1}{1-r-i\tau} \int_0^1 \frac{(\ln(u))^k}{k!} u^{-r} du \\ &= - \frac{1}{1-r-i\tau} \frac{1}{(r-1)^{k+1}}, \quad \forall k \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Implies

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} (r-1)^{n+1} \int_0^1 \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(\ln(u))^k}{k!} u^{i\tau-1} \int_u^{+\infty} v^{-i\tau-1} f_r(v) dv du \\ &= - \frac{1}{1-r-i\tau} \frac{1}{2-r}. \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

Since $r \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1)$, by the Lemma 8, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} (r-1)^{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^n \Psi_{\tau,r}(k) &= \frac{1}{2r} \frac{1}{r+i\tau} \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} (r-1)^{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{1}{r^k} \\ &= \frac{1}{2(1-r)} \frac{1}{r+i\tau} \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \left(\frac{r-1}{r}\right)^{n+1} = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

and for $r = \frac{1}{2}$ we get

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1}{2^{n+1}} \sum_{k=0}^n \Psi_{\tau,r}(k) = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2} + i\tau}. \quad (5)$$

By definition of $\Psi_{\tau,r}$ in the Notation 7, the addition of the Equations (3) and (4) gives

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} (r-1)^{n+1} \Phi_{\tau,r}(n) = -\frac{1}{1-r-i\tau} \frac{1}{2-r}, \quad (6)$$

where

$$\Phi_{\tau,r}(n) := \int_0^{+\infty} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(\ln(u))^k}{k!} u^{i\tau-1} \int_u^{+\infty} v^{-i\tau-1} f_r(v) dv du.$$

the addition of the Equations (3) and (5) gives

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1}{2^{2n}} \Phi_{\tau,\frac{1}{2}}(2n-1) = -\frac{1}{\frac{1}{2} - i\tau} + \frac{2}{3} \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2} + i\tau}. \quad (7)$$

Use the Equation (2) and the integration part formula to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{\tau,r}(n) &= -i\tau \int_0^{+\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} \frac{(\ln(u))^k}{k!} u^{i\tau-1} \int_u^{+\infty} v^{-i\tau-1} f_r(v) dv du \\ &\quad + \int_0^{+\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} \frac{(\ln(u))^k}{k!} u^{-1} f_r(u) du. \end{aligned}$$

We get

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} (r-1)^{n+1} \Phi_{\tau,r}(n) &= -\frac{i\tau}{r-1} \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} (r-1)^{n+2} \Phi_{\tau,r}(n+1) \\ &\quad + \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} (r-1)^{n+1} \int_0^{+\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} \frac{(\ln(u))^k}{k!} u^{-1} f_r(u) du. \end{aligned}$$

By the Equations (6) and (7), we obtain

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} (2-r)(1-r)^{2n+1} \int_0^{+\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{2n} \frac{(\ln(u))^k}{k!} u^{-1} f_r(u) du = 1.$$

□

3 Proof of the Theorem 1

Proof of the Theorem 1. In order to simplify the notation, for all $n \geq 1$ and $x \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1)$ we denote

$$g(n, x) := (2-x)(1-x)^{2n+1} \int_0^{+\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{2n} \frac{(\ln(u))^k}{k!} u^{-1} f_x(u) du.$$

Since there exists at least one non trivial zero of the Zeta function of real part equal to $\frac{1}{2}$ [1], in other words there exists $\tau_* \in \mathbb{R}^*$ such that $|\zeta(\frac{1}{2} + i\tau_*)| = 0$. Thanks to the Lemma 4 we get $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} g(n, \frac{1}{2}) = 1$. Since for every $x \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1)$ we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{d}{dx} g(n, x) < 0,$$

then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} g(n, x) < 1, \quad \forall x \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1).$$

The Lemma 4 implies

$$|\zeta(x + i\tau)| \neq 0, \quad \forall x \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1).$$

□

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