

## Overview

Start with the well known identity for the Dirichlet eta function:

$$(1-2^{1-s})\zeta(s)=\sum_{j=1}^{\infty}\frac{(-1)^{j+1}}{j^s}, \Re(s)>0$$

Generalize this to a real valued  $x$  to be

$$(1-x^{1-s})\zeta(s)=\lim_{n\rightarrow\infty}\left(\sum_{j=1}^n\left(\frac{1}{j^s}-\frac{1}{j+x\cdot n^s}\right)-x^{1-s}\cdot\sum_{1\leq j\leq n}\frac{1}{j^s}\right), \Re(s)>0$$

Use fractional integro-differentiation on this to show that, for some complex  $z$ ,

$$\zeta(s)=\lim_{n\rightarrow\infty}\sum_{j=1}^n\frac{1}{j^s}+n^z\cdot\left(\frac{s-1+z}{s-1}\right)\cdot\left(\zeta(s+z)-\sum_{j=1}^n\frac{1}{j^{s+z}}\right), \Re(s)>0, \Re(s+z)>0$$

This leads immediately to

$$\lim_{n\rightarrow\infty} n^y\cdot(s-1+y)\left(\zeta(s+y)-\sum_{j=1}^n\frac{1}{j^{s+y}}\right)-n^x\cdot(s-1+x)\left(\zeta(s+x)-\sum_{j=1}^n\frac{1}{j^{s+x}}\right)=0$$

for  $\Re(s)>0, \Re(s+x)>0, \Re(s+y)>0$ .

Now, suppose that  $s=\frac{1}{2}$  and  $y=-x$ . Then this is

$$\lim_{n\rightarrow\infty} n^{-x}\cdot\left(-\frac{1}{2}-x\right)\left(\zeta\left(\frac{1}{2}-x\right)-\sum_{j=1}^n\frac{1}{j^{\frac{1}{2}-x}}\right)-n^x\cdot\left(-\frac{1}{2}+x\right)\left(\zeta\left(\frac{1}{2}+x\right)-\sum_{j=1}^n\frac{1}{j^{\frac{1}{2}+x}}\right)=0$$

for  $\Re(x)<\frac{1}{2}$ .

Now, obviously, we are most interested in cases where  $\zeta\left(\frac{1}{2}+x\right)=0$  (and thus, by the reflection formula, necessarily,

$\zeta\left(\frac{1}{2}-x\right)=0$ ). The above equations suggests that, for these two terms to be 0, it is a necessary but not sufficient condition for

$$\lim_{n\rightarrow\infty} n^{-x}\cdot\left(\frac{1}{2}+x\right)\left(\sum_{j=1}^n\frac{1}{j^{\frac{1}{2}-x}}\right)+n^x\cdot\left(x-\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\sum_{j=1}^n\frac{1}{j^{\frac{1}{2}+x}}\right)=0$$

to be true, and the Riemann Hypothesis equivalent to the statement that this equation can never be satisfied if  $x$  has a non-zero real component.

This formula can be rewritten in a number of different ways. In particular, it can lead to the equivalent statement that

$$\lim_{n\rightarrow\infty}\sum_{j=1}^n\frac{1}{\sqrt{j}}\cdot\left(2x\cos\left(x\cdot\log\frac{j}{n}\right)+\sin\left(x\cdot\log\frac{j}{n}\right)\right)=0$$

and

$$\lim_{n\rightarrow\infty}\left(2x\sin(x\log n)+\cos(x\log n)\right)\cdot\left(\sum_{j=1}^n\frac{1}{\sqrt{j}}\cdot\sin(x\log j)\right)+\left(2x\cos(x\log n)-\sin(x\log n)\right)\cdot\left(\sum_{j=1}^n\frac{1}{\sqrt{j}}\cdot\cos(x\log j)\right)=0$$

can't be true if  $x$  has a non-zero imaginary component. Empirically, it appears that neither of the equations ever converge if

$x$  has a non-zero imaginary component.

**Step 1:**

**Generalize**

$$(1-2^{1-s})\zeta(s)=\sum_{j=1}^{\infty}\frac{(-1)^{j+1}}{j^s}$$

**to**

$$(1-x^{1-s})\zeta(s)=\lim_{n\rightarrow\infty}\left(\sum_{j=1}^{\infty}\left(\frac{1}{j^s}-\frac{1}{(j+x\cdot n)^s}\right)-x^{1-s}\cdot\sum_{1\leq j\leq n}\frac{1}{j^s}\right)$$

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## Step 2:

### Fractional Integro-Differentiation of

$$(1-x^{1-s})\zeta(s)=\lim_{n\rightarrow\infty}\left(\sum_{j=1}^{\infty}\left(\frac{1}{j^s}-\frac{1}{(j+x\cdot n)^s}\right)-x^{1-s}\cdot\sum_{1\leq j\leq n}\frac{1}{j^s}\right)$$

### Leads to

$$\zeta(s)=\lim_{n\rightarrow\infty}\sum_{j=1}^n\frac{1}{j^s}+n^z\cdot\left(\frac{s-1+z}{s-1}\right)\cdot(\zeta(s+z)-\sum_{j=1}^n\frac{1}{j^{s+z}})$$

The derivative of  $(1-x^{1-s})\zeta(s)=\lim_{n\rightarrow\infty}\left(\sum_{j=1}^{\infty}\left(\frac{1}{j^s}-\frac{1}{(j+x\cdot n)^s}\right)-x^{1-s}\cdot\sum_{1\leq j\leq n}\frac{1}{j^s}\right)$ , with respect to x, is

$$(1-s)x^{-s}\cdot\zeta(s)=\lim_{n\rightarrow\infty}n\cdot s\cdot\sum_{j=1}^{\infty}\frac{1}{(j+nx)^{s+1}}+(1-s)\cdot x^{-s}\cdot\sum_{1\leq j\leq n}\frac{1}{j^s}$$

Its 2<sup>nd</sup> derivative is, in turn,

$$(1-s)(-s)\cdot x^{-s-1}\cdot\zeta(s)=\lim_{n\rightarrow\infty}-n^2\cdot s(s+1)\cdot\sum_{j=1}^{\infty}\frac{1}{(j+nx)^{s+2}}+(1-s)(-s)\cdot x^{-s-1}\cdot\sum_{1\leq j\leq n}\frac{1}{j^s}$$

and the kth derivative can clearly be calculated through standard techniques.

If we take these derivatives at x=1 and isolate  $\zeta(s)$  by dividing out the other terms on the left hand side of the equation, this gives us

$$\zeta(s)=\lim_{n\rightarrow\infty}n\cdot\frac{s}{1-s}\cdot\sum_{j=1}^{\infty}\frac{1}{(j+n)^{s+1}}+\sum_{1\leq j\leq n}\frac{1}{j^s}$$

and

$$\zeta(s)=\lim_{n\rightarrow\infty}n^2\cdot\frac{s+1}{1-s}\cdot\sum_{j=1}^{\infty}\frac{1}{(j+n)^{s+2}}+\sum_{1\leq j\leq n}\frac{1}{j^s}$$

and so on.

If we turn to fractional integro-differentiation, the derivative generalizes in the standard way to

$$(1-s)\frac{\Gamma(1-s)}{\Gamma(2-s-z)}\cdot x^{1-s-z}\cdot\zeta(s)=\lim_{n\rightarrow\infty}-n^z\cdot\frac{\Gamma(1-s)}{\Gamma(1-s-z)}\cdot\sum_{j=1}^{\infty}(j+nx)^{-s-z}+(1-s)\frac{\Gamma(1-s)}{\Gamma(2-s-z)}\cdot x^{1-s-z}\cdot\sum_{1\leq j\leq n}\frac{1}{j^s}$$

which, if we take the derivative at x=1 and isolate  $\zeta(s)$  on the left hand side, leaves us with

$$\boxed{\zeta(s)=\lim_{n\rightarrow\infty}\sum_{j=1}^n\frac{1}{j^s}+n^z\cdot\left(\frac{s-1+z}{s-1}\right)\cdot(\zeta(s+z)-\sum_{j=1}^n\frac{1}{j^{s+z}})}$$

### Step 3:

$$\zeta(s) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^s} + n^z \cdot \left( \frac{s-1+z}{s-1} \right) \cdot \left( \zeta(s+z) - \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^{s+z}} \right)$$

**Implies**

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^y \cdot (s-1+y) \left( \zeta(s+y) - \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^{s+y}} \right) - n^z \cdot (s-1+z) \left( \zeta(s+z) - \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^{s+z}} \right) = 0$$

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This part is pretty straightforward. If we have

$$\zeta(s) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^s} + n^z \cdot \left( \frac{s-1+z}{s-1} \right) \cdot \left( \zeta(s+z) - \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^{s+z}} \right)$$

we can rearrange terms to get

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \zeta(s) - \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^s} - n^z \cdot \left( \frac{s-1+z}{s-1} \right) \cdot \left( \zeta(s+z) - \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^{s+z}} \right) = 0$$

Then, multiply every term by (s-1) to get

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (s-1) \left( \zeta(s) - \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^s} \right) - n^z \cdot (s-1+z) \cdot \left( \zeta(s+z) - \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^{s+z}} \right) = 0$$

Now swap z with some other variable y, to get

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (s-1) \left( \zeta(s) - \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^s} \right) - n^y \cdot (s-1+y) \cdot \left( \zeta(s+y) - \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^{s+y}} \right) = 0$$

Now subtract this from the previous equation, to get

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^y \cdot (s-1+y) \left( \zeta(s+y) - \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^{s+y}} \right) - n^x \cdot (s-1+x) \left( \zeta(s+x) - \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^{s+x}} \right) = 0$$

#### Step 4:

#### Using

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^y \cdot (s-1+y) \left( \zeta(s+y) - \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^{s+y}} \right) - n^z \cdot (s-1+z) \left( \zeta(s+z) - \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^{s+z}} \right) = 0$$

#### to Establish the New Function

$$f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( n^{-x} \cdot \left( \frac{1}{2} + x \right) \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^{\frac{1}{2}-x}} \right) + \left( n^x \cdot \left( x - \frac{1}{2} \right) \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^{\frac{1}{2}+x}} \right)$$

In the previous step, we arrived at the following identity

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^y \cdot (s-1+y) \left( \zeta(s+y) - \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^{s+y}} \right) - n^z \cdot (s-1+z) \left( \zeta(s+z) - \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^{s+z}} \right) = 0$$

We are, of course, primarily interested in the question of under what circumstances  $\zeta(s)=0$  . We know from the reflection formula  $\zeta(s)=2^s \pi^{s-1} \sin\left(\frac{\pi s}{2}\right) \Gamma(1-s) \zeta(1-s)$  that for non-trivial zeroes of  $\zeta(s)$  , if  $\zeta\left(\frac{1}{2}+x\right)=0$  , then it must be that  $\zeta\left(\frac{1}{2}-x\right)=0$  as well.

Let's make our identity reflect this. Say that  $s=\frac{1}{2}$  ,  $y=-x$  , and  $z=x$  . Then we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( -\frac{1}{2} - x \right) \left( n^{-x} \right) \left( \zeta\left(\frac{1}{2} - x\right) - \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^{\frac{1}{2}-x}} \right) - \left( -\frac{1}{2} + x \right) \left( n^x \right) \left( \zeta\left(\frac{1}{2} + x\right) - \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^{\frac{1}{2}+x}} \right) = 0$$

But of course, our entire

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{-x} \cdot \left( \frac{1}{2} + x \right) \left( \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^{\frac{1}{2}-x}} \right) + n^x \cdot \left( x - \frac{1}{2} \right) \left( \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^{\frac{1}{2}+x}} \right)$$

### Step 5:

$$f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{-x} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2} + x\right) \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^{\frac{1}{2}-x}}\right) + n^x \cdot \left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right) \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^{\frac{1}{2}+x}}\right)$$

Can be Rewritten as

$$f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{j}} \cdot \left(2x \cosh\left(x \cdot \log \frac{j}{n}\right) + \sinh\left(x \cdot \log \frac{j}{n}\right)\right)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{-x} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2} + x\right) \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^{\frac{1}{2}-x}}\right) + n^x \cdot \left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right) \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{j^{\frac{1}{2}+x}}\right)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^n n^{-x} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2} + x\right) \frac{1}{j^{\frac{1}{2}-x}} + n^x \cdot \left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right) \frac{1}{j^{\frac{1}{2}+x}}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{j}} \left(n^{-x} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2} + x\right) \frac{1}{j^{-x}} + n^x \cdot \left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right) \frac{1}{j^x}\right)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{j}} \left(\left(\frac{1}{2} + x\right) \left(\frac{j}{n}\right)^x + \left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right) \left(\frac{j}{n}\right)^{-x}\right)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{j}} \left(x \left(\left(\frac{j}{n}\right)^x + \left(\frac{j}{n}\right)^{-x}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \left(\left(\frac{j}{n}\right)^{-x} - \left(\frac{j}{n}\right)^x\right)\right)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{j}} \left(x \left(e^{x \cdot \log \frac{j}{n}} + e^{-x \cdot \log \frac{j}{n}}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \left(e^{x \cdot \log \frac{j}{n}} - e^{-x \cdot \log \frac{j}{n}}\right)\right)$$

$$\boxed{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{j}} \cdot \left(2x \cosh\left(x \cdot \log \frac{j}{n}\right) + \sinh\left(x \cdot \log \frac{j}{n}\right)\right)}$$

**Step 6:**

