

> with(cl) : with(plots) :

> vartheta := t → - $\frac{I}{2} \cdot \left(\ln \text{GAMMA} \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{I \cdot t}{2} \right) - \ln \text{GAMMA} \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{I \cdot t}{2} \right) \right) - \frac{\ln(\text{Pi})}{2} \cdot t$

$$\vartheta := t \mapsto - \frac{\text{I} \left(\ln \Gamma \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{\text{I} t}{2} \right) - \ln \Gamma \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{\text{I} t}{2} \right) \right)}{2} - \frac{\ln(\pi) t}{2} \quad (1)$$

> S := toIpf $\left(\frac{\text{argument} \left(\text{Zeta} \left(\frac{1}{2} + I \cdot t \right) \right)}{\text{Pi}} \right)$

$$S := t \mapsto \frac{\arg \left(\zeta \left(\frac{1}{2} + I t \right) \right)}{\pi} \quad (2)$$

> varthetaStirling := toIpf $\left(\frac{t}{2} \cdot \log \left(\frac{t}{2 \cdot \text{Pi} \cdot \exp(1)} \right) - \frac{\text{Pi}}{8} \right)$

$$\text{varthetaStirling} := t \mapsto \frac{t \ln \left(\frac{t}{2 \pi e} \right)}{2} - \frac{\pi}{8} \quad (3)$$

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> N := toIpf $\left(\frac{\text{vartheta}(t)}{\text{Pi}} + S(t) + 1 \right);$

Backlund zeta-zero counting function, valid over the whole critical strip

$$N := t \mapsto \frac{- \frac{\text{I} \left(\ln \Gamma \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{\text{I} t}{2} \right) - \ln \Gamma \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{\text{I} t}{2} \right) \right)}{2} - \frac{\ln(\pi) t}{2}}{\pi} + \frac{\arg \left(\zeta \left(\frac{1}{2} + I t \right) \right)}{\pi} + 1 \quad (4)$$

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> T := unapply $\left(\text{piecewise} \left(n = 1, 1, 1 + \text{floor} \left(\frac{t \cdot \ln \left(\frac{t}{2 \cdot \text{Pi} \cdot \exp(1)} \right)}{2 \cdot \text{Pi}} + \frac{7}{8} \right) - n \right), n, t \right);$

proposed to be equal to the branch of the argument of zeta at the n-th zero

$$T := (n, t) \mapsto \begin{cases} 1 & n = 1 \\ 1 + \left\lfloor \frac{t \ln \left(\frac{t}{2 \pi e} \right)}{2 \pi} + \frac{7}{8} \right\rfloor - n & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

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> zeros := readdata("c:\\maple\\zeros") :
# This file can be retrieved from http://www.dtc.umn.edu/~odlyZko/zeta_tables/index.html
> Sn := unapply( ( ( ( 1/2 - frac( ( vartheta(t) ) ) - T(n, t) ) ), t, n )
Sn := (t, n) ↦ 1/2 - frac( ( I ( lnΓ( 1/4 + I t/2 ) - lnΓ( 1/4 - I t/2 ) ) ) - ln(π) t ) / π
- { 1, n = 1
  1 + [ t ln( t / (2 π e) ) / (2 π) + 7/8 ] - n otherwise

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> # The conjecture is that Sn(t[n],n)=S(t[n]) where t[n] is the imaginary part of the n-th zero on the
critical line
> # I am not aware of an expression that gives the precise value of the argument at the n-th zero,
since it is discontinuous there, and is equal to the mean value of the left and right one-sided
limits
> # therefore, to numerically check the conjecture I evaluate the argument shifted off of the critical
line by just a very small amount, 0.0001, and check that the resulting difference is close to 0
> Zd := n → evalf( Sn(zeros[n], n) ) · Pi - argument( Zeta(0.50001 + I·zeros[n]) )
Zd := n ↦ evalf( Sn(zerosn, n) ) π - arg( ζ(0.50001 + I zerosn) )

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> flist(Zd, 1..20)
[0.0001742923, -0.0001233752, 0.0000158643, -0.0004163028, -0.0002234084,
-0.0001184350, 0.0002136172, 0.0000944674, 0.0001122380, -0.0002294904,
-0.0002275425, -0.0002949642, 0.0002565506, 0.000467109, -0.0001956492,
-0.00004957018, 0.0001183858, 0.0004499533, -0.0000976363, -0.0001095092]

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> listplot(8);
# If the conjecture is true, all of these numbers should be very close to 0 for any n. If there
was another way of calculating S(t[n]) at a zero t[n] then the resulting difference should be
·exactly· zero

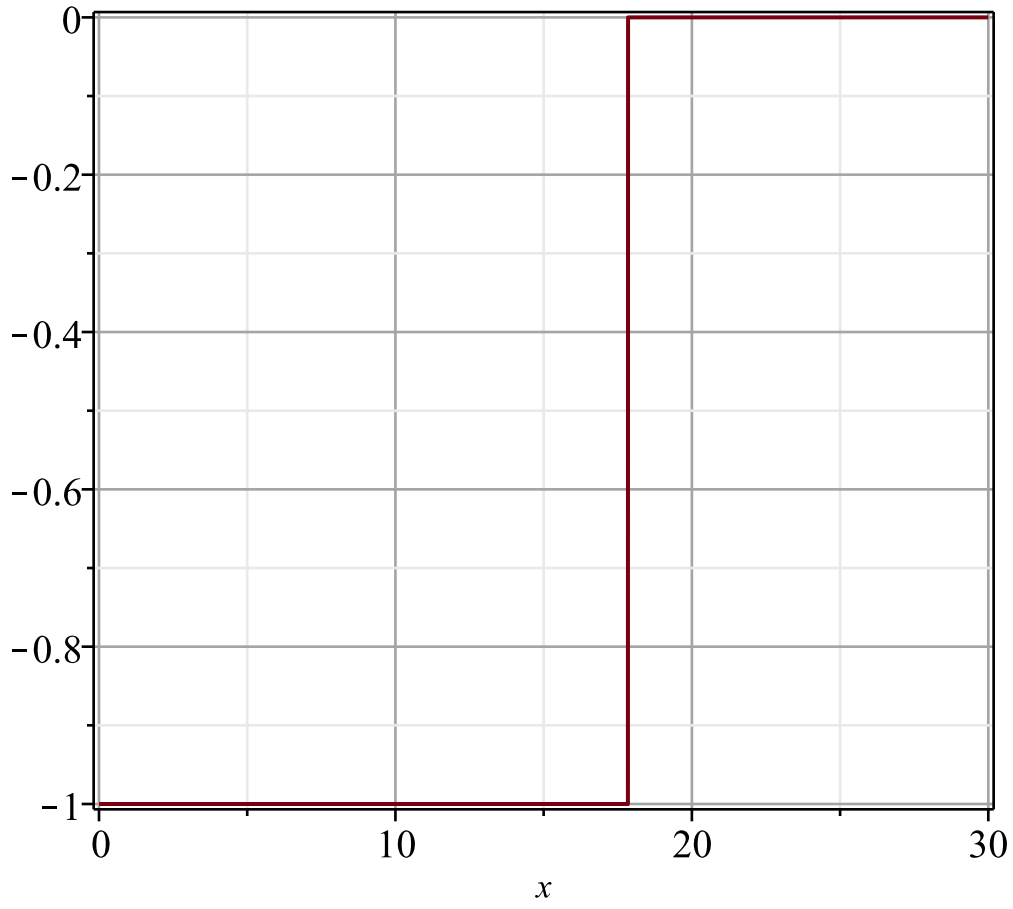
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$$\text{fsolve}(\text{vartheta}(t) = 0, t = -18 \dots -16) \quad -17.84559954 + -0.1 \quad (10)$$

$$B := \text{tolpf}(N(t) + 2); \# \text{ the zeta zero counting function for the whole critical strip, plus two}$$

$$B := t \mapsto \frac{\text{I} \left(\ln \Gamma \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{\text{I}t}{2} \right) - \ln \Gamma \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{\text{I}t}{2} \right) \right)}{\pi} - \frac{\ln(\pi) t}{2} + \frac{\arg \left(\zeta \left(\frac{1}{2} + \text{I}t \right) \right)}{\pi} + 3 \quad (11)$$

$$\text{pgl} \left(\frac{\frac{\text{vartheta}(t)}{|\text{vartheta}(t)|} - 1}{2}, 0 \dots 30, \text{legend} = \left[\frac{\frac{\text{'}\vartheta\text{'}(t)}{|\text{'}\vartheta\text{'}(t)|} - 1}{2} \right] \right)$$



$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{\vartheta(t)}{|\vartheta(t)|} - \frac{1}{2}$$

here, $n=B(t)$ is used to select the function $S_n(t,n)$ which is shifted down by 1.5 and has $\frac{1}{2} (1/|$

' $\vartheta(t)$ ' ($\vartheta(t)$) - 1) added to it

$$\triangleright \text{anotherS} := \text{tolpf} \left(S n(t, B(t)) - \frac{3}{2} + \frac{\frac{\vartheta(t)}{|\vartheta(t)|} - 1}{2} \right)$$

$$\text{anotherS} := t \mapsto -\frac{3}{2} - \frac{\frac{-\frac{\operatorname{I}\left(\ln\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{\operatorname{I}t}{2}\right) - \ln\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{\operatorname{I}t}{2}\right)\right)}{2} - \frac{\ln(\pi) t}{2}}{\pi}}{2} - \left\{ -2 + \left\lfloor \frac{t \ln\left(\frac{t}{2 \pi e}\right)}{2 \pi} \right\rfloor \right. \\ \left. + \frac{-\frac{\operatorname{I}\left(\ln\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{\operatorname{I}t}{2}\right) - \ln\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{\operatorname{I}t}{2}\right)\right)}{2} - \frac{\ln(\pi) t}{2}}{2 \left\lfloor -\frac{\operatorname{I}\left(\ln\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{\operatorname{I}t}{2}\right) - \ln\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{\operatorname{I}t}{2}\right)\right)}{2} - \frac{\ln(\pi) t}{2} \right\rfloor} \right\}$$

\triangleright # The definition actually seems recursive, since $S(t)$ can be dropped from both sides , the proposal is that

$\triangleright S(t) = \text{anotherS}(t)$

$$\frac{\arg\left(\zeta\left(\frac{1}{2} + \operatorname{I}t\right)\right)}{\pi} = -\frac{3}{2} - \frac{\frac{-\frac{\operatorname{I}\left(\ln\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{\operatorname{I}t}{2}\right) - \ln\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{\operatorname{I}t}{2}\right)\right)}{2} - \frac{\ln(\pi) t}{2}}{\pi}}{2} - \left\{ 1 \right. \\ \left. -2 + \left\lfloor \frac{t \ln\left(\frac{t}{2 \pi e}\right)}{2 \pi} + \frac{7}{8} \right\rfloor - \frac{-\frac{\operatorname{I}\left(\ln\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{\operatorname{I}t}{2}\right) - \ln\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{\operatorname{I}t}{2}\right)\right)}{2} - \frac{\ln(\pi) t}{2}}{\pi} - \frac{\arg\left(\zeta\left(\frac{1}{2} + \operatorname{I}t\right)\right)}{\pi} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{-\frac{\operatorname{I}\left(\ln\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{\operatorname{I}t}{2}\right) - \ln\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{\operatorname{I}t}{2}\right)\right)}{2} - \frac{\ln(\pi) t}{2}}{2 \left\lfloor -\frac{\operatorname{I}\left(\ln\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{\operatorname{I}t}{2}\right) - \ln\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{\operatorname{I}t}{2}\right)\right)}{2} - \frac{\ln(\pi) t}{2} \right\rfloor} \right\}$$

$\triangleright \text{eval}(\mathbf{(13)}, t=23.4); \text{evalf}(\%);$

$$-0.04788923144 = -0.0478892314 + \frac{-834269039 + 585000000 \ln(\pi)}{50000000 \pi}$$

$$+ \frac{16.68538078 - 0. I - 11.70000000 \ln(\pi)}{\pi} - 0.04788923144 = -0.047889232 + -0. I \quad (14)$$

> shouldbezero := toIpf(anotherS(t) - S(t))

$$\text{shouldbezero} := t \mapsto -\frac{3}{2} - \frac{\frac{I \left(\ln \Gamma \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{I t}{2} \right) - \ln \Gamma \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{I t}{2} \right) \right)}{2} - \frac{\ln(\pi) t}{2}}{\pi}$$

$$- \left\{ \begin{aligned} & -2 + \left[\frac{t \ln \left(\frac{t}{2 \pi e} \right)}{2 \pi} + \frac{7}{8} \right] - \frac{I \left(\ln \Gamma \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{I t}{2} \right) - \ln \Gamma \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{I t}{2} \right) \right)}{2} - \frac{\ln(\pi) t}{2} - \frac{\arg \left(\zeta \left(\frac{1}{2} + I t \right) \right)}{\pi} \\ & + \frac{I \left(\ln \Gamma \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{I t}{2} \right) - \ln \Gamma \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{I t}{2} \right) \right)}{2} - \frac{\ln(\pi) t}{2} - \frac{\arg \left(\zeta \left(\frac{1}{2} + I t \right) \right)}{\pi} \\ & 2 \left[- \frac{I \left(\ln \Gamma \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{I t}{2} \right) - \ln \Gamma \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{I t}{2} \right) \right)}{2} - \frac{\ln(\pi) t}{2} \right] \end{aligned} \right.$$

> # subtracting S(t) from both sides of S(t)=anotherS(t) we get a function which should be identically zero for all real t >0, at t it is discontinuous yet its limit from the right equals 0 whereas its limit from the left equals 1

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> limit(shouldbezero(t), t=0, left)

1

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> limit(shouldbezero(t), t=0, right)

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> is(shouldbezero(14) = 0) assuming 0 < t :: real # Maple cannot verify this

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> evalf(shouldbezero(14));

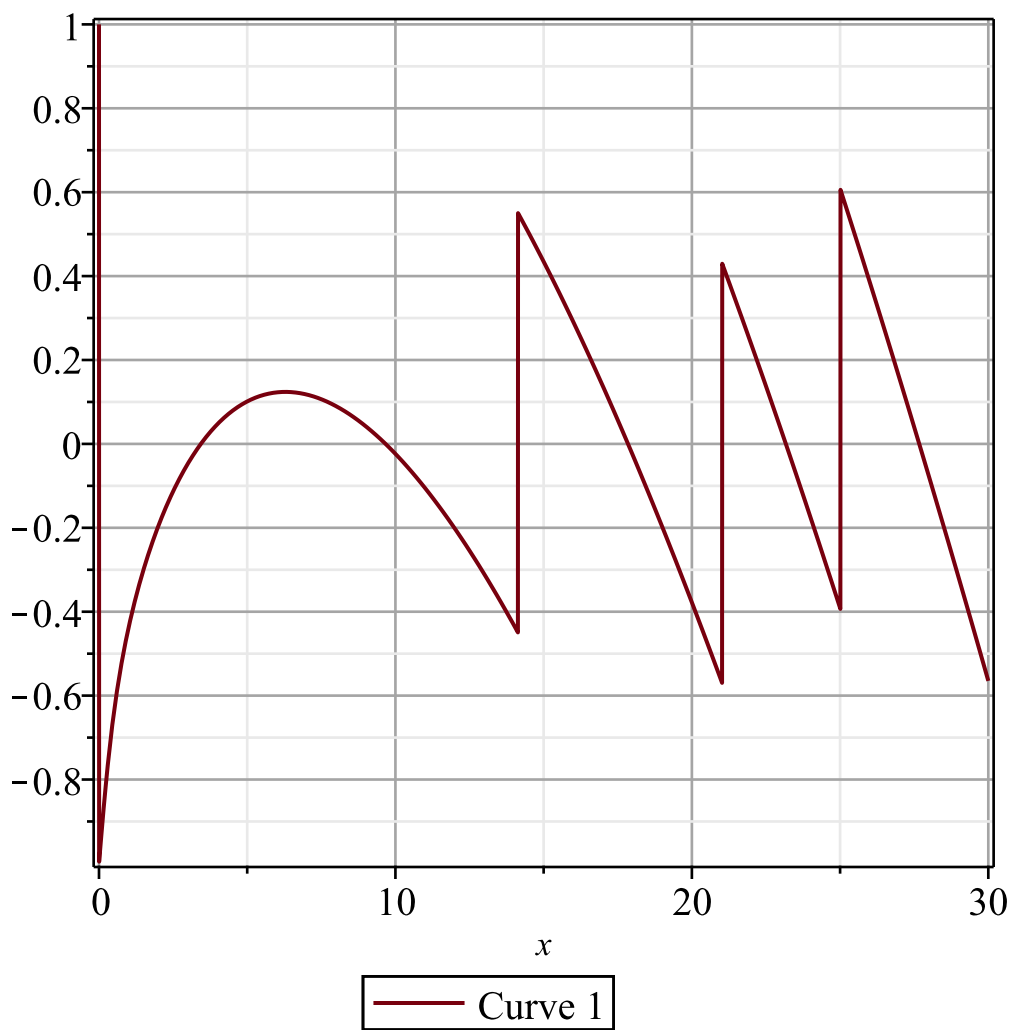
the error is numerical rounding error introduced by finite precision arithmetic, it equals $2 \cdot 10^{-\text{Digits}}$

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> pgl(S, 0..30)



> shouldbezero := to1pf(anotherS(t) - S(t))

$$shouldbezero := t \mapsto -\frac{3}{2} - \frac{\frac{\operatorname{I}\left(\ln\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{\operatorname{I}t}{2}\right) - \ln\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{\operatorname{I}t}{2}\right)\right)}{2} - \frac{\ln(\pi) t}{2}}{\pi}$$

$$- \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1 \\ -2 + \left\lfloor \frac{t \ln\left(\frac{t}{2 \pi e}\right)}{2 \pi} + \frac{7}{8} \right\rfloor - \frac{\frac{\operatorname{I}\left(\ln\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{\operatorname{I}t}{2}\right) - \ln\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{\operatorname{I}t}{2}\right)\right)}{2} - \frac{\ln(\pi) t}{2}}{\pi} - \frac{\arg\left(\zeta\left(\frac{1}{2} + \right.\right.}{\pi} \end{array} \right.$$

$$+ \frac{-\frac{I\left(\ln\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{It}{2}\right) - \ln\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{It}{2}\right)\right)}{2} - \frac{\ln(\pi) t}{2}}{2 \left| -\frac{I\left(\ln\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{It}{2}\right) - \ln\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{It}{2}\right)\right)}{2} - \frac{\ln(\pi) t}{2} \right|} - \frac{\arg\left(\zeta\left(\frac{1}{2} + It\right)\right)}{\pi}$$

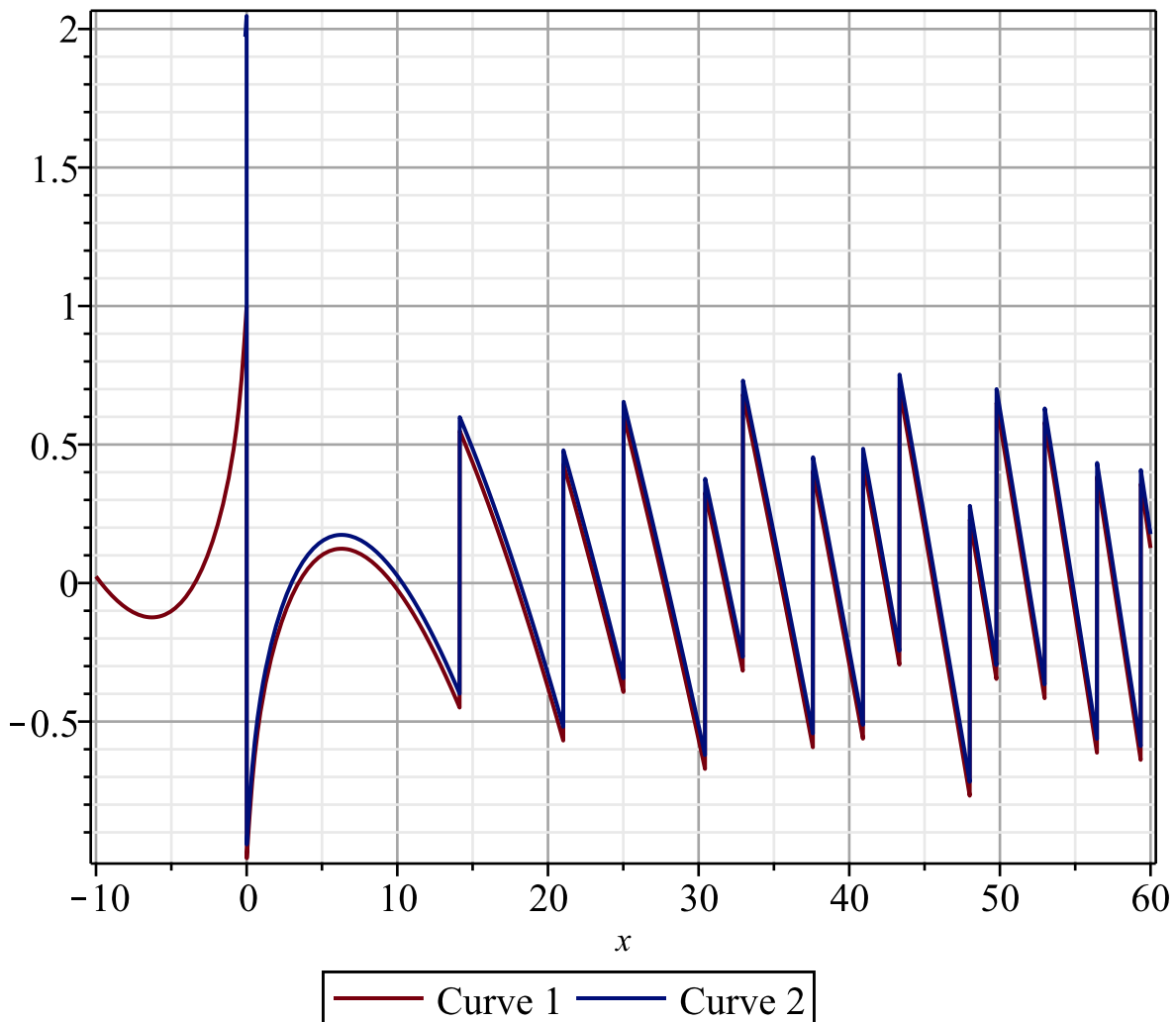
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> pgl $\left(\left[S(t), 0.05 + Sn(t, B(t)) - \frac{3}{2} + \frac{\frac{\text{vartheta}(t)}{|\text{vartheta}(t)|} - 1}{2}\right], -10..60\right);$

Introduce just a small delta, 0.05, so the lines aren't drawn directly on top of one another



> pgl $\left(\left[S(t) + 0.05, op\left(flist\left(n \rightarrow Sn(t, n) - \frac{3}{2}, 120..130\right)\right)\right], zeros[119]..zeros[131], view\right.$
 $\left.= \left[zeros[119]..zeros[131], -\frac{\text{Pi}}{2} .. \frac{\text{Pi}}{2}\right], legend = ['S', op(flist(n \rightarrow 'S'[n], 120..130))]\right);$

adaptive = false, numpoints = 500)

