**Theorem 1.** For the phase function  $\theta(t)$  used in Hardy's Z-function and the gamma factor  $\chi(s)$  in the functional equation of the Riemann zeta function:

$$e^{i\theta(t)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\chi(1/2 + it)}}$$

for all real t.

**Proof.** 1. By definition, Hardy's Z-function is real-valued and given by:

$$Z(t) = e^{i\theta(t)} \zeta (1/2 + it)$$

2. By the functional equation:

$$\zeta(1/2+it) = \chi(1/2+it)\zeta(1/2-it)$$

3. For real t:

$$\zeta(1/2 - it) = \overline{\zeta(1/2 + it)}$$

4. Therefore:

$$Z(t) = e^{i\theta(t)} \chi(1/2 + it) \overline{\zeta(1/2 + it)}$$

5. Since Z(t) is real:

$$Z(t) = \overline{Z(t)}$$

$$e^{i\theta(t)}\,\chi\,(1/2+i\,t)\overline{\zeta\,(1/2+i\,t)} = \overline{e^{i\theta(t)}}\,\,\overline{\chi\,(1/2+i\,t)}\zeta\,(1/2+i\,t)$$

6. For the gamma factor  $\chi(s)$ , we know:

$$\chi(s)\overline{\chi(s)} = 1$$

when s = 1/2 + it for real t

7. The equation in step 5 must hold for all values of  $\zeta(1/2+it)$ . This is only possible if:

$$e^{i\theta(t)} \chi \left(1/2 + i t\right) = \frac{1}{e^{i\theta(t)}}$$

8. Therefore:

$$e^{2i\theta(t)} \chi(1/2+it) = 1$$

$$e^{i\theta(t)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\chi(1/2 + it)}}$$

Corollary 2. For the Hardy Z-function and the Riemann zeta function:

$$Z(t) = \frac{\zeta(1/2 + it)}{\sqrt{\chi(1/2 + it)}}$$

 $for\ all\ real\ t.$ 

**Proof.** From the definition of Hardy's Z-function:

$$Z(t) = e^{i\theta(t)} \, \zeta \, (1/2 + i \, t)$$

Using the theorem that:

$$e^{i\theta(t)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\chi(1/2 + it)}}$$

Substituting this expression for  $e^{i\theta(t)}$ :

$$Z(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\chi(1/2 + it)}} \zeta(1/2 + it) = \frac{\zeta(1/2 + it)}{\sqrt{\chi(1/2 + it)}}$$