

A Carleman-Nevanlinna Theorem and Summation of the Riemann Zeta-Function Logarithm

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Abstract. A Carleman-Nevanlinna Theorem for a rectangle is proved. The theorem is applied to the summation of $\log |\zeta(s)|$ on the critical and other vertical lines, where $\zeta(s)$ is the Riemann zeta-function. In particular, let

$$I(\varepsilon) = \int_0^\infty e^{-\varepsilon t} \log \left| \zeta \left(\frac{1}{2} + it \right) \right| dt, \quad \varepsilon > 0,$$

and let $\{\rho_j\}$ be non-trivial zeros of $\zeta(s)$, then

$$\frac{\pi}{2} \sum_j \left| \operatorname{Re} \rho_j - \frac{1}{2} \right| = I(+0) + \frac{\pi}{2},$$

where $I(+0) := \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} I(\varepsilon)$. Thus, the Riemann hypothesis for $\zeta(s)$ holds if and only if $I(+0) = -\pi/2$.

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1. Introduction and main result

In 1922–23 F. Nevanlinna and T. Carleman [10, 11, 2] (see also [5, p. 19]) established a relation between the distribution of zeros and poles of a meromorphic function f in a half-ring and its values on the boundary; more precisely, the values of some branch of $\log f$. R. Nevanlinna applied this relation to the value distribution theory for meromorphic functions in a half-plane [12] (see also [5, p. 37–43]). T. Carleman applied it to the polynomial approximation of holomorphic functions [2]. We prove a Carleman-Nevanlinna Theorem (Theorem 2 below) for a rectangle. Our proof is close to Littlewood's proof of a counterpart of the Jensen Theorem for a rectangle [7].

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The principal aim of this paper is an application of the above mentioned theorem to the summation of the logarithm of the Riemann zeta-function on the critical and other vertical lines. The zero distribution of the zeta-function plays an essential role in the results obtained.

We first recall some properties of the Riemann zeta-function $\zeta(s)$ [16, 4, 6]. This function is defined as

$$\zeta(s) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{n^s}, \quad \operatorname{Re} s > 1,$$

or

$$(1) \quad \zeta(s) = \prod_p \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-1}, \quad \operatorname{Re} s > 1,$$

where the product is taken over all primes. The function $\zeta(s)$ has a meromorphic continuation to \mathbb{C} with a single pole at $s = 1$. The Euler product formula (1) gives a first impression at the close connection between $\zeta(s)$ and the distribution of prime numbers. In other words, relation (1) shows that $\zeta(s)$ is a generating function for the primes.

The Riemann hypothesis (RH) states that the non-real (non-trivial) zeros of $\zeta(s)$ all lie on the line $\operatorname{Re} s = 1/2$, named the *critical line*. It is known that they lie in the *critical strip* $\{s : 0 < \operatorname{Re} s < 1\}$. One reason for the great interest in RH is its connections with problems in number theory, algebraic geometry, topology, representation theory and perhaps even physics (see [8, 15]).

The distribution of non-trivial zeros of the function $\zeta(s)$ depends on its value distribution on the critical line [6].

The following results were obtained concerning the classical branch of $\log \zeta(s)$ in [13, 14, 16]:

$$(2) \quad \int_0^T \left| \log \zeta\left(\frac{1}{2} + it\right) \right|^2 dt = T \log \log T + \mathcal{O}\left(T \sqrt{\log \log T}\right), \quad T \rightarrow +\infty,$$

and for fixed σ , $1/2 < \sigma \leq 1$, in [1]

$$(3) \quad \int_0^T |\log \zeta(\sigma + it)|^2 dt = T \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2} \sum_p \frac{1}{p^{2k\sigma}} + o(T), \quad T \rightarrow +\infty,$$

respectively.

For $\log |\zeta(s)|$ on the vertical lines we introduce a summing factor $\exp(-\varepsilon t)$ and consider the integrals

$$I(\varepsilon, c) = \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-\varepsilon t} \log |\zeta(c + it)| dt, \quad \varepsilon > 0, c \geq \frac{1}{2},$$

setting $I(\varepsilon) = I(\varepsilon, 1/2)$.

Our main result is as follows.

Theorem 1. *The limit*

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} I(\varepsilon, c) =: I(+0, c), \quad \frac{1}{2} \leq c \leq 1,$$

exists (not necessarily finitely). Furthermore,

(i) *the following equalities hold*

$$(4) \quad \pi \sum_{\operatorname{Re} \rho_j > c} (\operatorname{Re} \rho_j - c) = I(+0, c) + \pi(1 - c), \quad \frac{1}{2} < c \leq 1,$$

$$(5) \quad \frac{\pi}{2} \sum_j \left| \operatorname{Re} \rho_j - \frac{1}{2} \right| = I(+0) + \frac{\pi}{2},$$

where $I(+0) := I(+0, 1/2)$ and $\{\rho_j\}$ are non-trivial zeros of $\zeta(s)$;

(ii) *RH holds if and only if $I(+0) = -\pi/2$;*

(iii) *RH holds if and only if $I(+0, c) = -\pi(1 - c)$ for each c , $1/2 < c < 1$;*

(iv) *if RH holds, then*

$$I(\varepsilon) = -\frac{\pi}{2} + K\varepsilon + o(\varepsilon), \quad \varepsilon \rightarrow 0,$$

where

$$K = \int_{1/2}^{+\infty} \left(\sigma - \frac{1}{2} \right) \log |\zeta(\sigma)| d\sigma.$$

So, RH may be expressed in terms of the behavior of $\log |\zeta(s)|$ only on the critical line.

In connection with Theorem 1 the notion of “weak RH” may be introduced, namely when

$$\sum_j \left| \operatorname{Re} \rho_j - \frac{1}{2} \right| < +\infty.$$

According to (5) this is equivalent to $I(+0) < +\infty$.

In fact, we prove our main result (Theorem 3 below) for a class of functions containing $\zeta(s)$ and, perhaps also functions from the Selberg class [13] (see also [3, 9]) represented by the Dirichlet series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a(n)}{n^s},$$

having an Euler product, analytic continuation and a functional equation. It is expected that for every function in the Selberg class an analogue of (RH) holds. Many L -functions belong to the Selberg class (see [3, 9]).

2. A Carleman-Nevanlinna Theorem for a rectangle

Let $f(s)$ be a meromorphic function on the closure of the rectangle

$$R_T = \{s = \sigma + it : \alpha < \sigma < \beta, 0 < t < T\}.$$

Denote by $\{\rho_j\}$, $\rho_j = \beta_j + i\gamma_j$, and $\{\tilde{\rho}_j\}$, $\tilde{\rho}_j = \tilde{\beta}_j + i\tilde{\gamma}_j$, its zeros and poles in R_T respectively. Let $f(\beta) \neq 0, \infty$ and $\log f(\beta)$ be determined. Put

$$(6) \quad \log f(s) = \log f(\beta) + \int_{\beta}^s \frac{f'(\eta)}{f(\eta)} d\eta,$$

where the integral is taken along a path in R_T with the vertical slits

$$\left\{ \beta_j + i\tau\gamma_j : 1 \leq \tau < \frac{T}{\gamma_j} \right\} \cup \left\{ \tilde{\beta}_j + i\tau\tilde{\gamma}_j : 1 \leq \tau < \frac{T}{\tilde{\gamma}_j} \right\}$$

the ends of which are β and s . Thus, $\log f(s)$ is determined on $\overline{R_T}$ with those slits except at zeros and poles on ∂R_T . Put also $\arg f(s) = \operatorname{Im} \log f(s)$.

We prove the following proposition which is close to the Carleman-Nevanlinna Theorem [10, 11, 2] for meromorphic functions in a half-ring.

Theorem 2. *Let $f(s)$ be a meromorphic function on the closure of the rectangle*

$$R_T = \{s = \sigma + it : \alpha < \sigma < \beta, 0 < t < T\}, \quad \beta = \alpha + \pi\omega, \quad \omega > 0.$$

Then

$$(7) \quad \begin{aligned} & 2\pi\omega \left(\sum_{\rho_j \in R_T} \sinh \frac{T - \gamma_j}{\omega} \sin \frac{\beta_j - \alpha}{\omega} - \sum_{\tilde{\rho}_j \in R_T} \sinh \frac{T - \tilde{\gamma}_j}{\omega} \sin \frac{\tilde{\beta}_j - \alpha}{\omega} \right) \\ &= -\cosh \frac{T}{\omega} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \sin \frac{\sigma - \alpha}{\omega} \log |f(\sigma)| d\sigma \\ & \quad - \sinh \frac{T}{\omega} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \cos \frac{\sigma - \alpha}{\omega} \arg f(\sigma) d\sigma \\ & \quad + \int_0^T \sinh \frac{T - t}{\omega} \log |f(\alpha + it)| dt \\ & \quad + \int_0^T \sinh \frac{T - t}{\omega} \log |f(\beta + it)| dt \\ & \quad + \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \sin \frac{\sigma - \alpha}{\omega} \log |f(\sigma + iT)| d\sigma, \end{aligned}$$

where $\{\rho_j = \beta_j + i\gamma_j\}$ and $\{\tilde{\rho}_j = \tilde{\beta}_j + i\tilde{\gamma}_j\}$ are zeros and poles of $f(s)$ respectively.

In order to prove Theorem 2 we need three elementary lemmas.

Lemma 1. *If $f(s)$ is a holomorphic function on the closure of the rectangle R_T and no zero of f lies on ∂R_T , then (7) holds.*

Proof. By the Residue Theorem

$$(8) \quad \int_{\partial R_t} \frac{f'(s)}{f(s)} e^{i(s-\alpha)/\omega} ds = 2\pi i \sum_{\rho_j \in R_t} e^{i(\rho_j-\alpha)/\omega}.$$

Here $t < T$ and no zero of f lies on ∂R_t . The left side of (8) may be rewritten as follows:

$$(9) \quad \begin{aligned} & \int_{\partial R_t} \frac{f'(s)}{f(s)} e^{i(s-\alpha)/\omega} ds \\ &= \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \frac{f'(\sigma)}{f(\sigma)} e^{i(\sigma-\alpha)/\omega} d\sigma - i \int_0^t \frac{f'(\alpha + i\tau)}{f(\alpha + i\tau)} e^{-\tau/\omega} d\tau \\ & \quad - i \int_0^t \frac{f'(\beta + i\tau)}{f(\beta + i\tau)} e^{-\tau/\omega} d\tau - e^{-t/\omega} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \frac{f'(\sigma + it)}{f(\sigma + it)} e^{i(\sigma-\alpha)/\omega} d\sigma. \end{aligned}$$

Multiplying (9) by $\exp(t/\omega)$, integrating over t from 0 to T , and taking into account (8), we obtain

$$(10) \quad \begin{aligned} & 2\pi i \int_0^T e^{t/\omega} \sum_{\rho_j \in R_t} e^{i(\rho_j-\alpha)/\omega} dt \\ &= \int_0^T e^{t/\omega} \left(\int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \frac{f'(\sigma)}{f(\sigma)} e^{i(\sigma-\alpha)/\omega} d\sigma \right) dt \\ & \quad - i \int_0^T e^{t/\omega} \left(\int_0^t \frac{f'(\alpha + i\tau)}{f(\alpha + i\tau)} e^{-\tau/\omega} d\tau \right) dt \\ & \quad - i \int_0^T e^{t/\omega} \left(\int_0^t \frac{f'(\beta + i\tau)}{f(\beta + i\tau)} e^{-\tau/\omega} d\tau \right) dt \\ & \quad - \int_0^T \left(\int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \frac{f'(\sigma + it)}{f(\sigma + it)} e^{i(\sigma-\alpha)/\omega} d\sigma \right) dt \\ &= I_1 + I_2 + I_3 + I_4. \end{aligned}$$

Integrating by parts, we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &= \omega (1 - e^{T/\omega}) (\log f(\beta) + \log f(\alpha)) + i (1 - e^{T/\omega}) \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} e^{i(\sigma-\alpha)/\omega} \log f(\sigma) d\sigma, \\ I_2 &= -i\omega e^{T/\omega} \int_0^T \frac{f'(\alpha + it)}{f(\alpha + it)} e^{-t/\omega} dt + i\omega \int_0^T \frac{f'(\alpha + it)}{f(\alpha + it)} dt \\ &= \omega e^{T/\omega} \left(\log f(\alpha) - e^{-T/\omega} \log f(\alpha + iT) - \frac{1}{\omega} \int_0^T e^{-t/\omega} \log f(\alpha + it) dt \right) \\ & \quad + \omega (\log f(\alpha + iT) - \log f(\alpha)) \\ &= \omega (e^{T/\omega} - 1) \log f(\alpha) - e^{T/\omega} \int_0^T e^{-t/\omega} \log f(\alpha + it) dt. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$I_3 = \omega (e^{T/\omega} - 1) \log f(\beta) - e^{T/\omega} \int_0^T e^{-t/\omega} \log f(\beta + it) dt.$$

Using the Fubini Theorem, we obtain

$$I_4 = i \int_\alpha^\beta (\log f(\sigma + iT) - \log f(\sigma)) e^{i(\sigma-\alpha)/\omega} d\sigma.$$

Thus, the relation (10) can be rewritten in the form

$$\begin{aligned} (11) \quad & 2\pi \int_0^T e^{t/\omega} \sum_{\rho_j \in R_t} e^{i(\rho_j - \alpha)/\omega} dt \\ &= e^{-T/\omega} \int_\alpha^\beta e^{i(\sigma - \alpha)/\omega} \log f(\sigma) d\sigma + ie^{T/\omega} \int_0^T e^{-t/\omega} \log f(\alpha + it) dt \\ & \quad + ie^{T/\omega} \int_0^T e^{-t/\omega} \log f(\beta + it) dt + \int_\alpha^\beta e^{i(\sigma - \alpha)/\omega} \log f(\sigma + iT) d\sigma. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, the Residue Theorem applied to the function $f'(s)/f(s)e^{i(\alpha-s)/\omega}$ yields

$$\begin{aligned} (12) \quad & 2\pi \int_0^T e^{-t/\omega} \sum_{\rho_j \in R_t} e^{-i(\rho_j - \alpha)/\omega} dt \\ &= -e^{-T/\omega} \int_\alpha^\beta e^{-i(\sigma - \alpha)/\omega} \log f(\sigma) d\sigma - ie^{-T/\omega} \int_0^T e^{t/\omega} \log f(\alpha + it) dt \\ & \quad - ie^{-T/\omega} \int_0^T e^{t/\omega} \log f(\beta + it) dt + \int_\alpha^\beta e^{-i(\sigma - \alpha)/\omega} \log f(\sigma + iT) d\sigma. \end{aligned}$$

Adding the conjugates of both sides of (12) to (11) and taking the imaginary parts, we obtain on the left side

$$2\pi \int_0^T \sum_{\rho_j \in R_t} \cosh \frac{t - \gamma_j}{\omega} \sin \frac{\beta_j - \alpha}{\omega} dt.$$

Integrating by parts this Stieltjes integral and taking into account the right side of the equality obtained, we have (7). Hence Lemma 1 holds. \blacksquare

Lemma 2. *Let $\alpha \leq \beta_0 \leq \beta$, $\beta = \alpha + \pi\omega$, $\omega > 0$, $T > 0$. Then (7) holds for $f(s) = s - \beta_0$.*

Proof. Let $\alpha < \beta_0 < \beta$, let D_δ denote the disk of radius δ centered at $s = \beta_0$. Applying the Cauchy Theorem to the function $e^{i(s-\alpha)/\omega}/(s - \beta_0)$ in the domain

$R_t^\delta = R_t \setminus D_\delta$ where δ is sufficiently small we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \int_{\partial R_t^\delta} e^{i(s-\alpha)/\omega} \frac{ds}{s-\beta_0} \\ &= \int_\alpha^{\beta_0-\delta} e^{i(\sigma-\alpha)/\omega} \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma-\beta_0} + \int_{\beta_0+\delta}^\beta e^{i(\sigma-\alpha)/\omega} \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma-\beta_0} - \int_{\gamma_\delta} e^{i(s-\alpha)/\omega} \frac{ds}{s-\beta_0} + J \\ &= J_1 + J. \end{aligned}$$

Here $\gamma_\delta = \{s = \beta_0 + \delta e^{i\varphi} : 0 \leq \varphi \leq \pi\}$. Integrating by parts we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} J_1 &= e^{i(\beta_0-\delta-\alpha)/\omega} \log(-\delta) - \log(\alpha - \beta_0) \\ &\quad - \frac{i}{\omega} \int_\alpha^{\beta_0-\delta} e^{i(\sigma-\alpha)/\omega} \log(\sigma - \beta_0) d\sigma - \int_{\gamma_\delta} e^{i(s-\alpha)/\omega} \frac{ds}{s-1} \\ &\quad - \log(\beta - \beta_0) - e^{i(\beta_0+\delta-\alpha)/\omega} \log \delta - \frac{i}{\omega} \int_{\beta_0+\delta}^\beta e^{i(\sigma-\alpha)/\omega} \log(\sigma - \beta_0) d\sigma. \end{aligned}$$

Noting that

$$\log(-\delta) - \log \delta = \log f(\beta_0 - \delta) - \log f(\beta_0 + \delta) = \int_{\gamma_\delta} \frac{ds}{s - \beta_0} = \pi i,$$

letting δ tend to 0 and multiplying both sides of the equality obtained by $\omega(\exp(T/\omega) - 1)$ we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \omega(e^{T/\omega} - 1) J_1 &= \omega(1 - e^{T/\omega}) (\log(\beta - \beta_0) + \log(\alpha - \beta_0)) \\ &\quad + i(1 - e^{T/\omega}) \int_\alpha^\beta e^{i(\sigma-\alpha)/\omega} \log(\sigma - \beta_0) d\sigma. \end{aligned}$$

This is I_1 from the proof of Lemma 1 for $f(s) = s - \beta_0$. Further, we multiply J by $\exp(t/\omega)$ and integrate over t from 0 to T . The continuation of the proof is as in Lemma 1.

Let $\beta_0 = \alpha$. The Cauchy Theorem and integration by parts yield

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \int_{\partial R_t^\delta} e^{i(s-\alpha)/\omega} \frac{ds}{s-\alpha} \\ &= e^{-\delta/\omega} \log(i\delta) - e^{i\delta/\omega} \log \delta - i \int_0^{\pi/2} \exp(i\delta e^{i\varphi}) d\varphi + B \\ &= A(\delta) + B. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\log(i\delta) = \log \delta + \pi i/2$, we have $A(\delta) \rightarrow 0$ as $\delta \rightarrow 0$ and proceed as in the proof of Lemma 1. We deal with the case $\beta_0 = \beta$ similarly. ■

Lemma 3. *Let $0 < \gamma < T$, $\beta = \alpha + \pi\omega$, $\omega > 0$. Then relation (7) holds for $f(s) = s - \alpha - i\gamma$ and for $f(s) = s - \beta - i\gamma$.*

Proof. Let $f(s) = s - \alpha - i\gamma$. If $0 < t < \gamma$ we rewrite (9) as follows:

$$0 = -i \int_0^t e^{\tau/\omega} \frac{d\tau}{\tau - \gamma} + J_3(t) = J_2(t) + J_3(t).$$

If $\gamma < t$ we apply the Residue Theorem to the function $f(s)e^{i(s-\alpha)/\omega}$ in the domain $R_t \setminus K_\delta$ where K_δ is the disk of radius δ centered at $\alpha + i\gamma$, $\delta < \min(t - \gamma, \gamma)$. In this case, relation (9) can be rewritten in the form

$$(13) \quad \begin{aligned} 0 &= -i \int_0^{\gamma-\delta} e^{-\tau/\omega} \frac{d\tau}{\tau - \gamma} - i \int_{\gamma+\delta}^t e^{-\tau/\omega} \frac{d\tau}{\tau - \gamma} \\ &\quad - \int_{\Gamma_\delta} e^{i(s-\alpha-i\gamma)/\omega} \frac{ds}{s - \alpha - i\gamma} + J_3(t) \\ &= J_2(t, \delta) + J_3(t), \end{aligned}$$

where $\Gamma_\delta = \{s : s = \alpha + i\gamma + \delta e^{i\varphi}, 0 \leq \varphi \leq \pi\}$.

If $t < \gamma$ then

$$J_2(t) = \log(-i\gamma) - e^{-t/\omega} \log(it - i\gamma) - \frac{1}{\omega} \int_0^t e^{-\tau/\omega} \log(i\tau - i\gamma) d\tau.$$

If $t > \gamma$ we have

$$(14) \quad \begin{aligned} J_2(t, \delta) &= -e^{-(\gamma-\delta)/\omega} \log(-i\delta) + \log(-i\gamma) - \frac{1}{\omega} \int_0^{\gamma-\delta} e^{-t/\omega} \log(it - i\gamma) dt \\ &\quad - e^{-t/\omega} \log(it - i\gamma) + e^{-(\gamma+\delta)/\omega} \log(i\delta) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{\omega} \int_{\gamma+\delta}^t e^{-\tau/\omega} \log(i\tau - i\gamma) d\sigma \\ &\quad - \int_{\Gamma_\delta} e^{i(s-\alpha-i\gamma)/\omega} \frac{ds}{s - \alpha - i\gamma}. \end{aligned}$$

According to the definition of $\log f(s)$, we find as above

$$\log f(\alpha + i(\gamma + \delta)) - \log f(\alpha + i(\gamma - \delta)) = \pi i.$$

Hence, as $\delta \rightarrow 0$, relation (14) yields

$$\begin{aligned} J_2(t) &= J_2(t, 0) \\ &= \log(-i\gamma) - e^{-t/\omega} \log(it - i\gamma) - \frac{1}{\omega} \int_0^t e^{-\tau/\omega} \log(i\tau - i\gamma) d\tau, \quad \gamma < t. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, as $\delta \rightarrow 0$, relation (13) takes the form

$$0 = J_2(t) + J_3(t), \quad \gamma < t.$$

Note that

$$\int_0^T J_2(t) e^{t/\omega} dt = \omega (e^{T/\omega} - 1) \log f(\alpha) - e^{T/\omega} \int_0^T e^{-t/\omega} \log f(\alpha + it) dt,$$

which is I_2 from the proof of Lemma 1. The continuation of the proof is as before. The proof for $f(s) = s - \beta - i\gamma$ is similar. ■

Proof of Theorem 2. If neither zero nor pole of $f(s)$ lies on ∂R_T then the proof of (7) needs a few evident changes with respect to that of Lemma 1. Moreover, while proving this lemma we applied the Residue Theorem to the domain R_t and integrated over t from 0 to T . Hence, (7) remains valid also for meromorphic functions admitting zeros or poles on $\{s : \operatorname{Im} s = T\}$.

If $f(s)$ has a zero ρ on ∂R_T , $\operatorname{Im} \rho \neq T$, we apply Lemma 1 to the function $f(s)/(s - \rho)$. Choosing $\log((f(\beta)/(\beta - \rho)) = \log f(\beta) - \log(\beta - \rho)$ which implies $\log(f(s)/(s - \rho)) = \log f(s) - \log(s - \rho)$, $s \in \overline{R}_T \setminus \{\rho\}$, we use Lemma 2 or Lemma 3. The case when $f(s)$ has a pole $\tilde{\rho}$ on ∂R_T , $\operatorname{Im} \tilde{\rho} \neq T$, is similar to the previous one. We obtain (7) by recurrences for an arbitrary function $f(s)$ satisfying the conditions of Theorem 2. ■

3. Summation of the Riemann zeta-function logarithm on the vertical lines

Let $\varepsilon \geq 0$, $R_T(c, \varepsilon) = \{s : c < \operatorname{Re} s < c + \pi/\varepsilon, 0 < \operatorname{Im} s < T \leq +\infty\}$, $R_\infty(c) = R_\infty(c, 0)$. Denote by \mathcal{F} the class of functions $f(s)$ possessing the following properties:

- (a) there exist real numbers $c, c_0, c_0 \geq c$, and a non-negative integer m such that the function $(s - c_0)^m f(s)$ is holomorphic on $\overline{R}_\infty(c)$ and $(\sigma - c_0)^m f(\sigma) > 0$, $c_0 < \sigma$;
- (b) $\int_c^\sigma \log |f(\eta + iT)| d\eta = o(e^{\varepsilon T})$, $T \rightarrow +\infty$, for every fixed $\varepsilon > 0$ uniformly over σ , $\sigma \geq c$;
- (c) $\int_0^T |\log |f(\sigma + it)|| dt = o(e^{\varepsilon T})$, $T \rightarrow +\infty$, for every fixed $\varepsilon > 0$, $\sigma = c$ and $\sigma = c + \pi/\varepsilon$;
- (d) $\int_0^{+\infty} e^{-\varepsilon t} \log \left| f\left(c + \frac{\pi}{\varepsilon} + it\right) \right| dt = o(\varepsilon)$, $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$;
- (e) the integral $\int_c^{+\infty} (\sigma - c) |\log |f(\sigma)|| d\sigma$ converges.

For $f \in \mathcal{F}$ denote

$$I(\varepsilon, c) = \int_0^\infty e^{-\varepsilon t} \log |f(c + it)| dt, \quad \varepsilon > 0.$$

The existence of this integral follows from (c).

Theorem 3. Let $f \in \mathcal{F}$, and let $\{\rho_j\}$ be the zero sequence of f . Then the limit

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} I(\varepsilon, c) =: I(+0, c),$$

exists (not necessarily finitely). Furthermore, we have

- (i) $I(+0, c) = 2\pi \sum_{\rho_j \in R_\infty(c)} (\operatorname{Re} \rho_j - c) + m\pi(c - c_0)$ where m and c_0 satisfy (a);
- (ii) no zero of f lies in $R_\infty(c)$ if and only if $I(+0, c) = m\pi(c - c_0)$;
- (iii) if no zero of f lies in $R_\infty(c)$, then

$$I(\varepsilon, c) = m\pi(c - c_0) + K_c\varepsilon + o(\varepsilon), \quad \varepsilon \rightarrow 0,$$

where

$$K_c = \int_c^{+\infty} (\sigma - c) \log |f(\sigma)| d\sigma.$$

Proof. Let $c_0 > c$. Let $F(s)$ denote $(s - c_0)^m f(s)$. With regard to (a), $F(\sigma) > 0$ as $\sigma > c$. Hence, $f(\sigma) > 0$, $\sigma > c_0$. Define $\log f(s)$ and $\log F(s)$ by (6) choosing $\arg F(\beta) = 0$ and $\arg f(\beta) = 0$, $\beta = c + \pi/\varepsilon$, $0 < \varepsilon < \pi/(c_0 - c)$. Thus, $\arg f(\sigma) = 0$, $\sigma > c_0$.

Further we will apply Theorem 2 to $f(s)$.

Removing the half-disk of radius δ centered at c_0 and applying the Cauchy Theorem we have as $\delta \rightarrow 0$

$$\arg f(\sigma) - m \operatorname{Im} \int_\sigma^\beta \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma - c_0} + m\pi = \arg F(\sigma) = 0, \quad c < \sigma < c_0,$$

where the principal value of the integral on $[\sigma, \beta]$ is considered. Consequently, $\arg f(\sigma) = -m\pi$, $c < \sigma < c_0$. Therefore,

$$(15) \quad \int_c^{c+\pi/\varepsilon} \cos(\varepsilon(\sigma - c)) \arg f(\sigma) d\sigma = -m\pi \int_c^{c_0} \cos(\varepsilon(\sigma - c)) d\sigma \\ = \frac{m\pi}{\varepsilon} \sin(\varepsilon(c - c_0)).$$

If $\arg f(\beta) = 2k\pi i$, $k \in \mathbb{Z}$, we obtain the same value, because

$$2k\pi i \int_c^{c+\pi/\varepsilon} \cos(\varepsilon(\sigma - c)) d\sigma = 0.$$

Thus, the second integral of (7) with $\alpha = c$, $\omega = 1/\varepsilon$ is calculated.

Integrating by parts, rewrite the last integral of (7) in the form

$$(16) \quad -\varepsilon \int_c^{c+\pi/\varepsilon} \left(\int_c^\sigma \log |f(\eta + iT)| d\eta \right) \cos(\varepsilon(\sigma - c)) d\sigma.$$

Fix ε , $0 < \varepsilon < \pi/(c_0 - c)$. According to (b) the integral of (16) is $\mathcal{O}(e^{\varepsilon T})$, $T \rightarrow +\infty$. With regard to (c),

$$(17) \quad \begin{aligned} & e^{-\varepsilon T} \int_0^T \sinh \frac{\varepsilon(T-t)}{\omega} \log |f(\sigma + it)| dt \\ &= \int_0^T e^{-\varepsilon t} \log |f(\sigma + it)| dt + \mathcal{O}(1), \quad T \rightarrow \infty, \end{aligned}$$

for $\sigma = c$ and $\sigma = c + \pi/\varepsilon$.

Dividing both sides of (7) by $\exp(\varepsilon T)$, taking into account (15), (17) and the value of integral (16) we obtain as $T \rightarrow +\infty$

$$(18) \quad \begin{aligned} & 2\pi \sum_{\rho_j \in R_\infty(c, \varepsilon)} e^{-\varepsilon \gamma_j} \frac{\sin(\varepsilon(\beta_j - c))}{\varepsilon} + \frac{m\pi}{\varepsilon} \sin(\varepsilon(c - c_0)) \\ &= \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-\varepsilon t} \log |f(c + it)| dt + \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-\varepsilon t} \log \left| f\left(c + \frac{\pi}{\varepsilon} + it\right) \right| dt \\ &\quad - \int_c^{c+\pi/\varepsilon} \sin(\varepsilon(\sigma - c)) \log |f(\sigma)| d\sigma. \end{aligned}$$

By (d) the second integral of relation (18) is $\mathcal{O}(1)$ as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$. Consider its last integral. If c_1 is fixed, $c < c_1$, then

$$(19) \quad \begin{aligned} & \int_c^{c_1} \sin(\varepsilon(\sigma - c)) \log |f(\sigma)| d\sigma \\ &= \varepsilon \int_c^{c_1} (\sigma - c) \frac{\sin(\varepsilon(\sigma - c))}{\varepsilon(\sigma - c)} \log |f(\sigma)| d\sigma \\ &= \varepsilon \int_c^{c_1} (\sigma - c) \log |f(\sigma)| d\sigma + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon), \quad \varepsilon \rightarrow 0, \end{aligned}$$

in view of the fact that $\sin(\varepsilon(\sigma - c))/(\varepsilon(\sigma - c))$ tends to unity uniformly over σ on $[c, c_1]$ as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$.

Further, as $|\sin x| \leq |x|$ using (e) we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \int_{c_1}^{c+\pi/\varepsilon} \sin(\varepsilon(\sigma - c)) \log |f(\sigma)| d\sigma \right| \\ & \leq \varepsilon \int_{c_1}^{+\infty} (\sigma - c) |\log |f(\sigma)|| d\sigma = \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon), \quad \varepsilon \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

Since c_1 may be chosen sufficiently large, this and (19) ensure that

$$\int_c^{c+\pi/\varepsilon} \sin \varepsilon(\sigma - c) \log |f(\sigma)| d\sigma = K_c \varepsilon + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon), \quad \varepsilon \rightarrow 0,$$

where

$$K_c = \int_c^{+\infty} (\sigma - c) \log |f(\sigma)| d\sigma.$$

Thus, taking into account (d) we can rewrite (18) as follows:

$$(20) \quad \begin{aligned} & 2\pi \sum_{\rho_j \in R_\infty(c, \varepsilon)} e^{-\varepsilon \gamma_j} (\beta_j - c) \frac{\sin(\varepsilon(\beta_j - c))}{\varepsilon(\beta_j - c)} + m\pi \frac{\sin(\varepsilon(c - c_0))}{\varepsilon} \\ & = I(\varepsilon, c) - K_c \varepsilon + o(\varepsilon), \quad \varepsilon \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

Each term of the sum above is non-negative and increases as ε decreases. Hence, the limit of the left side of (20), finite or $+\infty$, exists as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$, and we obtain (i), (ii), and (iii). The case $c_0 = c$ is simpler because the second integral of (7) vanishes. ■

Proof of Theorem 1. Verify that Riemann's zeta-function meets the conditions of Theorem 3.

Condition (a) is fulfilled by [16] for $\zeta(s)$ with $c_0 = 1$, $m = 1$ and $1/2 \leq c \leq 1$.

Properties (b) and (c) for $f(s) = \zeta(s)$ in a sharper form were proved in [7] (see also [16] and relations (2) and (3)).

Finally, the Euler product formula (1) yields

$$(21) \quad \begin{aligned} \log \zeta(s) &= \log \prod_p \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-1} = \sum_p \log \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-1} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_p \frac{1}{k^s p^{ks}}, \quad \operatorname{Re} s > 1. \end{aligned}$$

where p denotes primes. This proves (d) and (e).

Taking into account that if ρ is a non-trivial zero of $\zeta(s)$ then by [16] it follows that $\bar{\rho}$, $1 - \rho$, and $1 - \bar{\rho}$ are also such non-trivial zeros, we obtain all the conclusions of Theorem 1 immediately from Theorem 3. ■

Remark 1. Since no zero of $\zeta(s)$ lies in $\{s : \operatorname{Re} s > 1\}$, relation (4) yields $I(+0, 1) = 0$.

Remark 2. In view of (21) the constant K may be represented in the form

$$K = \int_{1/2}^1 \left(\sigma - \frac{1}{2}\right) \log |\zeta(\sigma)| d\sigma + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_p \frac{2 + k \log p}{k^3 p^k \log^2 p}.$$

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