

Math Diversion Problem 873

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This is the normal result of any idea you have in
mathematics: It turns out they're either
wrong or trivial or already known.

— Richard Borcherds]

Source: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K6L4Ez4ZVZc>

Title: Zeta Function - Part 11

Presenter: MrYouMath

1 Introduction

This is the eleventh part of a 14-part series on the Zeta function. What I'm presenting here is what I refer to as the 'read-a-long notes' to the videos. They are brief on explanations. For better explanations, please see the videos by MrYouMath, as listed above.

2 The Riemann Functional Equation I

The Riemann Function Equation looks like the following

$$\pi^{-s/2} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) \zeta(s) = \pi^{-\frac{1-s}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{1-s}{2}\right) \zeta(1-s), \quad (1)$$

where we meet the gamma function again:

$$\Gamma(s) = \int_0^{\infty} t^{s-1} e^{-t} dt. \quad (2)$$

Now, if we let $s \rightarrow s/2$:

$$\Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) = \int_0^{\infty} t^{\frac{s}{2}-1} e^{-t} dt. \quad (3)$$

Next, let $t = \pi n^2 x$:

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) &= \int_0^\infty (\pi n^2 x)^{\frac{s}{2}-1} e^{-\pi n^2 x} \pi n^2 dx \\ &= \int_0^\infty \pi^{\frac{s}{2}} n^s x^{\frac{s}{2}-1} e^{-\pi n^2 x} dx.\end{aligned}\quad (4)$$

So, after a little rearranging

$$\pi^{-\frac{s}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) \frac{1}{n^s} = \int_0^\infty x^{\frac{s}{2}-1} e^{-\pi n^2 x} dx. \quad (5)$$

And, if we going to make a connection to the zeta function, we should sum on n :

$$\pi^{-\frac{s}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) \sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{1}{n^s} = \int_0^\infty x^{\frac{s}{2}-1} \sum_{n=1}^\infty e^{-\pi n^2 x} dx. \quad (6)$$

Or

$$\pi^{-\frac{s}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) \zeta(s) = \int_0^\infty x^{\frac{s}{2}-1} \sum_{n=1}^\infty e^{-\pi n^2 x} dx. \quad (7)$$

And now we bring into this the Jacobi Theta function and the related ψ function:

$$\theta(x) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{-\pi n^2 x} = 1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^\infty e^{-\pi n^2 x} = 1 + 2\psi(x), \quad (8)$$

where $\psi(x) \equiv \sum_{n=1}^\infty e^{-\pi n^2 x}$. Now we multiply the theta function by $x^{s/2-1}$ and integrate from zero to infinity, then the RHS of (7) takes the form

$$\int_0^\infty x^{\frac{s}{2}-1} \psi(x) dx = \int_1^\infty x^{\frac{s}{2}-1} \psi(x) dx + \int_0^1 x^{\frac{s}{2}-1} \psi(x) dx, \quad (9)$$

which is true because of the additivity of integrals. Remembering our result that

$$\theta(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \theta\left(\frac{1}{x}\right), \quad (10)$$

and this re-expressed in terms of ψ , yields

$$2\psi(x) + 1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} (2\psi\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) + 1), \quad (11)$$

or,

$$\psi(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \psi\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} - \frac{1}{2}, \quad (12)$$

Hence, the right-most term of the RHS of (9) becomes

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^1 x^{\frac{s}{2}-1} \psi(x) dx &= \int_0^1 x^{\frac{s}{2}-1} \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \psi\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} - \frac{1}{2} \right] dx, \\
&= \int_0^1 \left[x^{\frac{s}{2}-\frac{3}{2}} \psi\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \left(x^{\frac{s}{2}-\frac{3}{2}} - x^{\frac{s}{2}-1} \right) \right] dx \\
&= \int_0^1 x^{\frac{s}{2}-\frac{3}{2}} \psi\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) dx + \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{s/2-1/2} x^{\frac{s}{2}-\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{1}{s/2} x^{\frac{s}{2}} \right]_0^1 \\
&= \int_0^1 x^{\frac{s}{2}-\frac{3}{2}} \psi\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) dx + \frac{1}{s(s-1)}, \tag{13}
\end{aligned}$$

Now we perform a variable transformation of $x = \frac{1}{u}$, $dx = -\frac{1}{u^2} du$ with $|_0^1 \rightarrow |_\infty^1$:

$$\int_0^1 x^{\frac{s}{2}-\frac{3}{2}} \psi\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) dx + \frac{1}{s(s-1)} \rightarrow \int_\infty^1 \left(\frac{1}{u}\right)^{\frac{s}{2}-\frac{3}{2}} \psi(u) \frac{-du}{u^2} + \frac{1}{s(s-1)}, \tag{14}$$

And now let $u \rightarrow x$ and use the minus sign to flip the limits of integration brings (13) to:

$$\int_0^1 x^{\frac{s}{2}-1} \psi(x) dx = \int_1^\infty x^{-\frac{s}{2}-\frac{1}{2}} \psi(x) dx + \frac{1}{s(s-1)}. \tag{15}$$

Substituting this into (9), we have that

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^\infty x^{\frac{s}{2}-1} \psi(x) dx &= \int_1^\infty x^{\frac{s}{2}-1} \psi(x) dx + \int_1^\infty x^{-\frac{s}{2}-\frac{1}{2}} \psi(x) dx + \frac{1}{s(s-1)} \\
&= \int_1^\infty \left[x^{\frac{s}{2}-1} + x^{-\frac{s}{2}-\frac{1}{2}} \right] \psi(x) dx + \frac{1}{s(s-1)}, \tag{16}
\end{aligned}$$

Remember that

$$\pi^{-s/2} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) \zeta(s) = \int_0^\infty x^{\frac{s}{2}-1} \psi(x) dx, \tag{17}$$

Therefore,

$$\pi^{-s/2} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) \zeta(s) = \int_1^\infty \left[x^{\frac{s}{2}-1} + x^{\frac{1-s}{2}} \right] \frac{\psi(x)}{x} dx + \frac{1}{s(s-1)}, \tag{18}$$

Next, notice that the entire RHS is invariant if we let $s \rightarrow s-1$, then

$$\pi^{-s/2} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) \zeta(s) = \pi^{-\frac{1-s}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{1-s}{2}\right) \zeta(1-s). \tag{19}$$