

Math Diversion Problem 877

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There's a game that I know some category theorists play,
which is when one person is supposed to state a theorem
and the other person is supposed to figure out how to
prove the theorem using the Yoneda lemma, and
it's sort of surprising how often that works.

— Emily Riehl, July 2020

Source: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QfDbF_q1p58

Title: Zeta Function - Part 14

Presenter: MrYouMath

1 Introduction

This is the fourteenth 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 From video 11

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

3 Zeta Function – Riemann Xi Function: Splitting the Difference

First, we return to the Riemann Functional Equation:

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

Now, multiply through by $\frac{1}{2}s(1-s)$:

$$\frac{1}{2}s(s-1)\pi^{-s/2}\Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right)\zeta(s) = \frac{1}{2}s(s-1) \int_1^\infty [x^{\frac{s}{2}} + x^{\frac{s-1}{2}}] \frac{\psi(x)}{x} dx + \frac{1}{2}. \quad (3)$$

Define $\xi(s)$ by

$$\xi(s) \equiv \frac{1}{2}s(s-1)\pi^{-s/2}\Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right)\zeta(s). \quad (4)$$

From this we get that

$$\xi(s) = \xi(1-s). \quad (5)$$

Now, let

$$s = \frac{1}{2} + it, \quad \text{where } t \in \mathbb{C}. \quad (6)$$

Then

$$\xi\left(\frac{1}{2} + it\right) = \xi\left(\frac{1}{2} - it\right). \quad (7)$$