

The special functions and the proof of the Riemann's hypothesis

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Abstract : By studying the \hat{S} function whose integer zeros are the prime numbers, and being inspired by the article [2], I give a new proof of the Riemann hypothesis.

Résumé : En étudiant la fonction \hat{S} dont les zéros entiers sont les nombres premiers, et en m'inspirant de l'article [2], je donne une nouvelle preuve de l'hypothèse de Riemann.

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I. Introduction

The Riemann's hypothesis [2] conjectured that all nontrivial zeros of ζ are in the line $x = \frac{1}{2}$.

In this article, the study of the sghiar's function \hat{S} which I introduced and whose integer zeros are the prime numbers inspired me to use the Gamma function Γ . And miraculously a proof similar to that used in [2] allowed me to give a short and elegant proof of the Riemann Hypothesis.

In order not to recall everything, I suppose known - among others - the functions zeta ζ , Gamma Γ : $z \rightarrow \int_0^{+\infty} t^{z-1} e^{-t} dt$ and their properties (See [3] and [4]).

II. The Proof Of The Riemann Hypothesis

Theorem 1[The Riemann hypothesis] : All non-trivial zeros of ζ are in the line $x = \frac{1}{2}$.

Lemma 1 : $0 < \Re(z) < 1 \Rightarrow \left| \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{t^{z-1}}{e^t - 1} dt \right| \neq 0$

Proof :

It suffices to prove that $\Re\left(\int_0^{+\infty} \frac{t^{z-1}}{e^t - 1} dt\right) \neq 0$ or $\Im\left(\int_0^{+\infty} \frac{t^{z-1}}{e^t - 1} dt\right) \neq 0$

Let $z = x + iy$, by change of variable, and by setting $t^{x-1} = e^u$, we deduce :

$$-\Re\left(\int_0^{+\infty} \frac{t^{z-1}}{e^t - 1} dt\right) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{e^u}{e^{e^{\frac{u}{x-1}}} - 1} \cos\left(y \frac{u}{x-1}\right) \frac{1}{x-1} e^{\frac{u}{x-1}} du$$

Note :

As $\frac{e^u}{e^{e^{\frac{u}{x-1}}} - 1} \cos\left(y \frac{u}{x-1}\right) \frac{1}{x-1} e^{\frac{u}{x-1}} = 0$ for $u_k = (2k+1)\frac{\pi}{2} \frac{x-1}{y}$, $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ and oscillates increasing

in amplitude because $g(u) = \frac{e^u}{e^{e^{\frac{u}{x-1}}} - 1} \frac{1}{x-1} e^{\frac{u}{x-1}}$ is decreasing with u, we deduce that :

$\int_{u=(2k+1)\frac{\pi}{2} \frac{x-1}{y}}^{u=(2(k+2)+1)\frac{\pi}{2} \frac{x-1}{y}} \frac{e^u}{e^{e^{\frac{u}{x-1}}} - 1} \cos\left(y \frac{u}{x-1}\right) \frac{1}{x-1} e^{\frac{u}{x-1}} du$ is different from 0 and its sign does not depend on $k \in 2\mathbb{Z}$ (we

have the same result if $k \in 2\mathbb{Z} + 1$):

Because :

$$\int_{u=(2k+1)\frac{\pi x-1}{2y}}^{u=(2(k+2)+1)\frac{\pi x-1}{2y}} \frac{e^u}{e^{\frac{u}{x-1}}-1} \cos\left(y\frac{u}{x-1}\right) \frac{1}{x-1} e^{\frac{u}{x-1}} du = \int_{u_k}^{u_{k+2}} g(u) \cos\left(y\frac{u}{x-1}\right) du$$

$$= \int_{u_k}^{u_{k+1}} g(t) \cos\left(y\frac{t}{x-1}\right) dt + \int_{u_{k+1}}^{u_{k+2}} g(u) \cos\left(y\frac{u}{x-1}\right) du$$

$$= \int_{u_{k+1}}^{u_{k+2}} \cos\left(y\frac{u}{x-1}\right) (g(u) - g(u-\tau)) du$$

$$\tau = \frac{\pi}{y}$$

where $\frac{\pi}{y}$ (it is found by changing the variable $u = t + \tau$), and so the integral

$$\int_{u=(2k+1)\frac{\pi x-1}{2y}}^{u=(2(k+2)+1)\frac{\pi x-1}{2y}} \frac{e^u}{e^{\frac{u}{x-1}}-1} \cos\left(y\frac{u}{x-1}\right) \frac{1}{x-1} e^{\frac{u}{x-1}} du$$

is different from 0 and its sign does not depend on $k \in 2\mathbb{Z}$ (we

have the same result if $k \in 2\mathbb{Z} + 1$).

By using the note above :

Let $f(u) = \frac{e^u}{e^{\frac{u}{x-1}}-1} \cos\left(y\frac{u}{x-1}\right) \frac{1}{x-1} e^{\frac{u}{x-1}}$, and $u_k = (2k+1)\frac{\pi x-1}{2y}$, $k \in \mathbb{Z}$.

we have $-\Re\left(\int_0^{+\infty} \frac{t^{z-1}}{e^t-1} dt\right) = \lim_{u_k \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{u_k} f(u) du$

If $\int_{-\infty}^{u_i} f(u) du \geq 0$:

So :

- Either $f'(u_i) \geq 0$ (f increasing in the vicinity of u_i)

In this case : $-\Re\left(\int_0^{+\infty} \frac{t^{z-1}}{e^t-1} dt\right) = \int_{-\infty}^{u_i} f(u) du + \int_{u_i}^{u_{i+1}} f(u) du + \sum_{k \in 2\mathbb{N}} \int_{u_{k+1}}^{u_{(k+2)+i+1}} f(u) du > 0$

- Or either $f'(u_i) \leq 0$ (f decreasing in the vicinity of u_i)

In this case : $-\Re\left(\int_0^{+\infty} \frac{t^{z-1}}{e^t-1} dt\right) = \int_{-\infty}^{u_i} f(u) du + \sum_{k \in 2\mathbb{N}} \int_{u_{k+1}}^{u_{(k+2)+i}} f(u) du > 0$

Similarly:

If $\int_{-\infty}^{u_i} f(u) du \leq 0$:

So :

- Either $f'(u_i) \geq 0$,

In this case : $-\Re\left(\int_0^{+\infty} \frac{t^{z-1}}{e^t-1} dt\right) = \int_{-\infty}^{u_i} f(u) du + \sum_{k \in 2\mathbb{N}} \int_{u_{k+1}}^{u_{(k+2)+i}} f(u) du < 0$

- Or either $f'(u_i) \leq 0$,

In this case : $-\Re\left(\int_0^{+\infty} \frac{t^{z-1}}{e^t-1} dt\right) = \int_{-\infty}^{u_i} f(u) du + \int_{u_i}^{u_{i+1}} f(u) du + \sum_{k \in 2\mathbb{N}} \int_{u_{k+1}}^{u_{(k+2)+i+1}} f(u) du < 0$

Proof of the theorem

We know ([3,4]) that : $\zeta(z)\Gamma(z) = \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{t^{z-1}}{e^t-1} dt$

As $\Gamma(z+1) = z\Gamma(z)$, then $\zeta(z)(z-1)\Gamma(z-1) = \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{t^{z-1}}{e^t-1} dt$

But the gamma function also checks the Legendre duplication formula [3] :

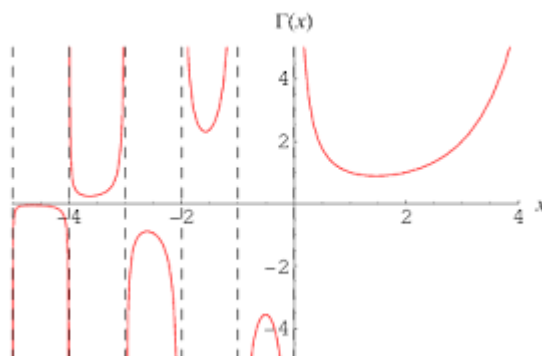
$$\Gamma(z)\Gamma\left(z+\frac{1}{2}\right) = 2^{1-2z} \pi^{\frac{1}{2}} \Gamma(2z). \text{ so } \Gamma(z-1)\Gamma\left(z-\frac{1}{2}\right) = 2^{3-2z} \pi^{\frac{1}{2}} \Gamma(2z-2).$$

And we deduce : $\zeta(z)(z-1)2^{3-2z} \pi^{\frac{1}{2}} \Gamma(2z-2) = \Gamma\left(z-\frac{1}{2}\right) \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{t^{z-1}}{e^t-1} dt$

If $\zeta(s)=0$ with s a non trivial zero of ζ , then, by symmetry of the zeros about the critical line $\Re(z)=\frac{1}{2}$, we can assume that $s = \frac{1}{2} - \alpha + i\beta$ with $0 \leq \alpha < \frac{1}{2}$ (because it is known that any non-trivial zero belongs to the critical strip : $\{s \in \mathbb{C} : 0 < \Re(s) < 1\}$)

But from the Euler's reflection formula: $\Gamma(1-z)\Gamma(z) = \frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi z)}$, $\forall z \notin \mathbb{Z}$, we have $\Gamma\left(s-\frac{1}{2}\right) \neq 0$, so by tending z towards s and by using the lemma 1, we will have: $\Gamma(2s-2) = \Gamma(-1-2\alpha+i2\beta) = +\infty$, and consequently we deduce that: $\Gamma(-1-2\alpha) = +\infty$

The study of Gamma -See Figure [gamma function] - Shows that the only possible case is $-1-2\alpha = -1$, so $\alpha=0$.



Theorem [The Sghiar's function and the prime numbers] :

Let $\hat{S}(z) = \zeta\left(-\frac{\Gamma(z)+1}{z/2}\right)$. If $z \in \mathbb{N}^*$, then $\hat{S}(z)=0 \iff z$ is a prime number

Proof : It follows from Wilson's theorem [1] - which assures that p is a prime number if and only if $(p-1)! \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$, and the fact that the trivial zeros of ζ are $-2\mathbb{N}^*$.

III. Conclusion

The Gamma function Γ and the Mertens function M are closely linked to the Riemann zeta function ζ . What is curious is that by the same techniques the Mertens function allowed the proof of the Riemann hypothesis in [2], and the gamma function allowed also in this article a simple, short and elegant proof of the Riemann hypothesis.

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