ON THE VALIDITY OF THE RIEMANN HYPOTHESIS

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Abstract

In this paper, we have used the partial Euler product to examine the validity of the Riemann Hypothesis. The Dirichlet series with the Mobius function $M(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/n^s$ has been modified and represented in terms of the partial Euler product by progressively eliminating the numbers that first have a prime factor 2, then 3, then 5, up to the prime number $p_r$ to obtain the series $M(s, p_r)$. It is shown that the series $M(s)$ and the new series $M(s, p_r)$ have the same region of convergence for every $p_r$. Unlike the partial sum of $M(s)$ that has irregular behavior, the partial sum of the new series exhibits regular behavior as $p_r$ approaches infinity. This has allowed the use of integration methods to compute the partial sum of the new series to determine its region of convergence and to provide an answer for the validity of the Riemann Hypothesis.

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1 Introduction

The Riemann zeta function $\zeta(s)$ satisfies the following functional equation over the complex plain [1]

$$\zeta(1-s) = 2(2\pi)^2 \cos(0.5s\pi)\Gamma(s)\zeta(s), \quad (1)$$

where, $s = \sigma + it$ is a complex variable and $s \neq 1$.

For $\sigma > 1$ (or $\Re(s) > 1$), $\zeta(s)$ can be expressed by the following series

$$\zeta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^s}, \quad (2)$$

or by the following product over the primes $p_i$’s

$$\frac{1}{\zeta(s)} = \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_i^s}\right), \quad (3)$$

where, $p_1 = 2$, $\prod_{i=1}^{\infty} (1 - 1/p_i^s)$ is the Euler product and $\prod_{i=1}^{r} (1 - 1/p_i^s)$ is the partial Euler product. The above series and product representations of $\zeta(s)$ are absolutely convergent for $\sigma > 1$. 
The region of the convergence for the sum in Equation (2) can be extended to \( \Re(s) > 0 \) by using the alternating series \( \eta(s) \) where
\[
\eta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s},
\]
and
\[
\zeta(s) = \frac{1}{1 - 2^{1-s}} \eta(s).
\]

One may notice that the term \( 1 - 2^{1-s} \) is zero at \( s = 1 \). This zero cancels the simple pole that \( \zeta(s) \) has at \( s = 1 \) enabling the extension (or analog continuation) of the zeta function series representation over the critical strip \( 0 < \Re(s) < 1 \).

It is well known that all of the non-trivial zeros of \( \zeta(s) \) are located in the critical strip \( 0 < \Re(s) < 1 \). Riemann stated that all non-trivial zeros were very probably located on the critical line \( \Re(s) = 0.5 \) [2]. There are many equivalent statements for the Riemann Hypothesis (RH) and one of them involves the Dirichlet series with the Mobius function.

The Mobius function \( \mu(n) \) is defined as follows
\[
\mu(n) = 1, \text{ if } n = 1.
\]
\[
\mu(n) = (-1)^k, \text{ if } n = \prod_{i=1}^{k} p_i, p_i's \text{ are distinct primes.}
\]
\[
\mu(n) = 0, \text{ if } p^2 | n \text{ for some } p.
\]

The Dirichlet series \( M(s) \) with the Mobius function is defined as
\[
M(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\mu(s)}{n^s}.
\]

This series is absolutely convergent to \( 1/\zeta(s) \) for \( \Re(s) > 1 \) and conditionally convergent to \( 1/\zeta(s) \) for \( \Re(s) = 1 \). The Riemann hypothesis is equivalent to the statement that \( M(s) \) is conditionally convergent to \( 1/\zeta(s) \) for \( \Re(s) > 0.5 \).

Gonek, Hughes and Keating [3] have done an extensive research into establishing a relationship between \( \zeta(s) \) and its partial Euler product for \( \Re(s) < 1 \). Gonek stated “Analytic number theorists believe that an eventual proof of the Riemann Hypothesis must use both the Euler product and functional equation of the zeta-function. For there are functions with similar functional equations but no Euler product, and functions with an Euler product but no functional equation.” In section 4, we will present a functional equation for \( \zeta(s) \) using its partial Euler product. The method is based on writing the Euler product formula as follows
\[
1/\zeta(s) = \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i^s} \right) = \prod_{i=1}^{r} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i^s} \right) \prod_{r+1}^{\infty} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i^s} \right) .
\]

The above equation is valid for \( \sigma > 1 \). To be able to represent \( \zeta(s) \) in term of its partial Euler product for \( \sigma \leq 1 \), we have to replace the term \( \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} (1 - 1/p_i^s) \) with an equivalent one that allows the analytic continuation for the representation of \( \zeta(s) \) for \( \sigma \leq 1 \). Thus, the new term, that we need to introduce to replace \( \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} (1 - 1/p_i^s) \), must have a zero that cancels the pole that \( \zeta(s) \) has at \( s = 1 \). In the section 4, we will use the complex analysis to compute this new term and then represent \( \zeta(s) \) in terms of its partial Euler product. In sections (2), (5) and (6), we
have introduced an alternative method to compute $\zeta(s)$ in terms of its partial Euler product. This alternative method is based on modifying the Dirichlet series with the Mobius function. The results of these two methods were then analyzed and used to examine the validity of the Riemann Hypothesis.

In this paper, we claim the Riemann Hypothesis is invalid. We support our claim by proving that the series $M(\sigma)$ is divergent for $\sigma < 1$. We have achieved this result by introducing a method to represent the Dirichlet series $M(s)$ (defined by Equation (6)) in terms of the partial Euler product. This task is achieved by first eliminating the numbers that have the prime factor 2 to generate the series $M(s, 2)$. For the series $M(s, 2)$, we then eliminate the numbers with the prime factor 3 to generate the series $M(s, 3)$, and so on, up to the prime number $p_r$. In essence, in sections 2, we have applied the sieving technique to modify the series $M(s)$ to include only the numbers with prime factors greater than $p_r$. In the literature, numbers with prime factors less than $y$ are called $y$-smooth while numbers with prime factors greater than $y$ are called $y$-rough. In essence, our approach is to compute the Dirichlet series over $p_r$-rough numbers. In section 3, we have shown that the series $M(s)$ and the new series $M(s, p_r)$ have the same region of convergence.

So far, the efforts to use the series $M(\sigma)$ to examine the validity of the Riemann Hypothesis have failed due to the irregular behavior of the partial sum of the series $M(\sigma)$. In sections 5 and 6, we have shown that the partial sum of the new series $M(\sigma, p_r)$ exhibits regular behavior as $p_r$ approaches infinity. This has allowed the use of integration methods to compute the partial sum of the new series and consequently determine its region of convergence. With this analysis and using the zeta function representation in terms of its partial Euler product (section 4), we have been able to show in section 6 that the series $M(\sigma, p_r)$ and $M(\sigma)$ are divergent for $\sigma < 1$. Thus, non-trivial zeros can be found arbitrary close to the line $\text{Re}(s) = 1$.

2 Applying the Sieving Method to the Dirichlet Series $M(s)$.

The Dirichlet series $M(s)$ with the Mobius function is defined as

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

where $\mu(n)$ is the Mobius function. Thus,

$$M(s) = 1 - \frac{1}{2^s} - \frac{1}{3^s} + 0 \frac{1}{4^s} - \frac{1}{5^s} + \frac{1}{6^s} \ldots.$$ 

It should be pointed out that our definition of $M(s)$ is different from Mertins function $M(x)$ that is commonly found in the literature and defined as $M(x) = \sum_{1 \leq n \leq x} \mu(n)$.

Next, we introduce the series $M(s, 2)$ by eliminating all the numbers that have a prime factor 2. Thus, $M(s, 2)$ can be written as

$$M(s, 2) = 1 - \frac{1}{3^s} - \frac{1}{5^s} - \frac{1}{7^s} + 0 \frac{1}{9^s} - \frac{1}{11^s} - \frac{1}{13^s} + \frac{1}{15^s} \ldots.$$
Our analysis to test the conditional convergence of these series \((M(s)\) and \(M(s,2)\) for \(\sigma \leq 1\)) is based on comparing correspondent terms of these two series. Therefore, rearrangement and permutation of the terms may have a significant impact on analyzing the region of convergence of both series. Thus, it essential to have the same index for both series \(M(s)\) and \(M(s,2)\) refer to the same term. Hence, we will represent \(M(s,2)\) as follows

\[
M(s,2) = 1 + \frac{0}{2^s} - \frac{1}{3^s} + \frac{0}{4^s} - \frac{1}{5^s} + \frac{0}{6^s} - \frac{1}{7^s} - \frac{0}{8^s}, \ldots,
\]

or

\[
M(s,2) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\mu(n,2)}{n^s}, \tag{7}
\]

where

\[
\mu(n,2) = \mu(n), \text{ if } n \text{ is an odd number,}
\]

\[
\mu(n,2) = 0, \text{ if } n \text{ is an even number.}
\]

The above series \(M(s,2)\) can be further modified by eliminating all the numbers that have a prime factor 3 to get the series \(M(s,3)\) where

\[
M(s,3) = 1 - \frac{1}{5^s} - \frac{1}{7^s} - \frac{1}{11^s} - \frac{1}{13^s} - \frac{1}{17^s} - \frac{1}{19^s} - \frac{1}{23^s} + \frac{0}{25^s}, \ldots,
\]

or more conveniently

\[
M(s,3) = 1 + \frac{0}{2^s} - \frac{0}{3^s} + \frac{0}{4^s} - \frac{1}{5^s} + \frac{0}{6^s} - \frac{1}{7^s} - \frac{0}{8^s}, \ldots,
\]

and so on.

Let \(I(p_r)\) represent, in ascending order, the integers with distinct prime factors that belong to the set \(\{p_i : p_i > p_r\}\). Let \(\{1, I(p_r)\}\) be the set of 1 and \(I(p_r)\) (for example, \(\{1, I(2)\}\) is the set of square-free odd numbers), then we define the series \(M(s,p_r)\) as

\[
M(s,p_r) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\mu(n,p_r)}{n^s}, \tag{8}
\]

where

\[
\mu(n,p_r) = \mu(n), \text{ if } n \in \{1, I(p_r)\},
\]

otherwise, \(\mu(n,p_r) = 0.\)

It can be easily shown that, for every prime number \(p_r\), the series \(M(s,p_r)\) converges absolutely for \(\Re(s) > 1\). Furthermore, it can be shown that, for \(\Re(s) > 1\), \(M(s,p_r)\) satisfies the following equation

\[
M(s) = M(s,p_r) \prod_{i=1}^{r} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_i^s}\right). \tag{9}
\]

Since

\[
M(s) = \frac{1}{\zeta(s)} = \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_i^s}\right),
\]

then we conclude that, for \(\Re(s) > 1\), \(M(s,p_r)\) approaches 1 as \(p_r\) approaches infinity.
3 The region of convergence for the series $M(s)$ and $M(s, p_r)$.

In this section, we will deal with the question of the relationship between the conditional convergence of the two series $M(s, p_r)$ and $M(s)$ over the strip $0.5 < \Re(s) \leq 1$. Theorem 1 establishes the relationship between the conditional convergence of the series $M(s, p_r)$ and $M(s)$ along the real axis (or along the line $0.5 < \sigma \leq 1$) while Theorems 2 establishes the relationship between the conditional convergence of the two series $M(s)$ and $M(s, p_r)$ for $0.5 < \Re(s) \leq 1$.

**Theorem 1** For $s = \sigma + i0$, where $0.5 < \sigma \leq 1$ and for every prime number $p_r$, the series $M(\sigma)$ converges conditionally if and only if the series $M(\sigma, p_r)$ converges conditionally. Furthermore, $M(\sigma)$ and $M(\sigma, p_r)$ are related as follows

$$M(\sigma) = M(\sigma, p_r) \prod_{i=1}^{r} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i^\sigma} \right).$$

(10)

The proof of Theorem 1 is outlined in Appendix 1.

**Theorem 2** For $s = \sigma + it$, where $0.5 < \sigma \leq 1$ and for every prime number $p_r$, the series $M(s)$ converges conditionally if and only if the series $M(s, p_r)$ converges conditionally. Furthermore, $M(s)$ and $M(s, p_r)$ are related as follows

$$M(s) = M(s, p_r) \prod_{i=1}^{r} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i^s} \right).$$

(11)

The proof of Theorem 2 follows from the fact that $M(s)$ and $M(s, p_r)$ are Dirichlet series. Consequently, the series $M(s)$ is conditionally convergent if and only if the series $M(\sigma)$ is conditionally convergent. Also, the series $M(s, p_r)$ is conditionally convergent if and only if the series $M(\sigma, p_r)$ is conditionally convergent. Using Theorem 1, we then conclude that the series $M(s)$ is conditionally convergent if and only if the series $M(s, p_r)$ is conditionally convergent.

The second part of the theorem can be also proved by first defining $M(s, p_r; N_1, N_2)$ as the partial sum

$$M(s, p_r; N_1, N_2) = \sum_{n=N_1}^{N_2} \frac{\mu(n, p_r)}{n^s},$$

(12)

where $N_2 \geq p_r$. Then, we have

$$M(s, p_r-1; 1, N p_r) = M(s, p_r; 1, N p_r) - \frac{1}{p_r^s} M(s, p_r; 1, N).$$

(13)

Since the series $M(s, p_r)$ is conditionally convergent, then the partial sums $M(s, p_r; 1, N p_r)$ and $M(s, p_r; 1, N)$ are both convergent to $M(s, p_r)$ as $N$ approaches infinity. Hence, as $N$ approaches infinity, we obtain

$$M(s, p_r-1) = \lim_{N \to \infty} M(s, p_r-1; 1, N p_r) = M(s, p_r) \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_r^s} \right).$$

By repeating this process $r - 1$ times, we then obtain

$$M(s) = M(s, p_r) \prod_{i=1}^{r} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i^s} \right).$$
4 Functional representation of $\zeta(s)$ using its partial Euler product.

Theorems 1 and 2 of the previous section provide a relationship between $\zeta(s) = 1/M(s)$ and the partial Euler product $\prod_{i=1}^{r}(1 - 1/p_i^s)$. In this section, we will use the prime counting function to derive a functional representation for $\zeta(s)$ using its partial Euler product. This functional representation is then used to provide a second relationship between $\zeta(s) = 1/M(s)$ and the partial Euler product $\prod_{i=1}^{r}(1 - 1/p_i^s)$. These two relationships will then be analyzed in sections (5) and (6) and later used to examine the validity of the Riemann Hypothesis.

We will start this task by first writing $\zeta(s)$ for $\sigma > 1$ as follows

$$1/\zeta(s) = \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_i^s}\right) = \prod_{i=1}^{r} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_i^s}\right) \prod_{r+1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_i^s}\right).$$  \hspace{1cm} (14)

For $\sigma > 0.5$, we have

$$\log \prod_{i=r+1}^{r} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_i^s}\right) = \sum_{i=r+1}^{r} \log \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_i^s}\right),$$

or

$$\log \prod_{i=r+1}^{r} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_i^s}\right) = \sum_{i=r+1}^{r} \left(-\frac{1}{p_i^s} - \frac{1}{2p_i^{2s}} - \frac{1}{3p_i^{3s}} - \ldots\right).$$

Let $\delta$ be defined as the sum

$$\delta = \sum_{i=r+1}^{r} \left(-\frac{1}{2p_i^{2s}} - \frac{1}{3p_i^{3s}} - \frac{1}{4p_i^{4s}} - \ldots\right).$$  \hspace{1cm} (15)

Thus,

$$\log \prod_{i=r+1}^{r} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_i^s}\right) = -\sum_{i=r+1}^{r} \frac{1}{p_i^s} + \delta.$$  \hspace{1cm} (16)

Since $|\delta| < \sum_{n=p_{r+1}}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2p_{r+1}^s} + \frac{1}{3p_{r+1}^s} + \frac{1}{4p_{r+1}^s} + \ldots\right)$, thus $\delta = O(p_{r+1}^{1-2\sigma}/(2\sigma - 1))$. Furthermore, if $2\sigma - 1$ is a fixed positive number, then $\delta = O(p_{r+1}^{1-2\sigma})$.

Using the Prime Number Theorem (PNT) with a suitable constant $a > 0$, the number of primes less than $x$ is given by [4, page 43]

$$\pi(x) = \text{Li}(x) + O \left(x e^{-a \sqrt{\log x}}\right),$$  \hspace{1cm} (17)

or

$$\pi(x) = \text{Li}(x) + O \left(x/(\log x)^{k}\right),$$  \hspace{1cm} (18)

where $\text{Li}(x)$ is the Logarithmic Integral of $x$ and $k$ is a number greater than zero.

Using Stieltjes integral [5], we may write the sum $\sum_{i=r+1}^{r} \frac{1}{p_i^{s}}$ for $\sigma > 1$ as follows

$$\sum_{i=r+1}^{r} \frac{1}{p_i^{s}} = \int_{x=p_{r+1}}^{p_{r+2}} \frac{d\pi(x)}{x^{\sigma}}.$$  \hspace{1cm} (19)
Using Equation (18) for the representation of \( \pi(x) \), we may then write the integral in Equation (19) as [5, Theorem 2, page 57]

\[
\sum_{i=r_1}^{r_2} \frac{1}{p_i^\sigma} = \int_{p_{r_1}}^{p_{r_2}} \frac{1}{x^\sigma} \frac{1}{\log x} \, dx + O\left(\frac{1}{(\log p_{r_1})^k}\right),
\]

(20)

where \( k \) is a number greater than zero. Therefore,

\[
\sum_{i=r_1}^{r_2} \frac{1}{p_i^\sigma} = \int_{p_{r_1}}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^\sigma} \frac{1}{\log x} \, dx - \int_{p_{r_2}}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^\sigma} \frac{1}{\log x} \, dx + O\left(\frac{1}{(\log p_{r_1})^k}\right).
\]

(21)

Recalling that the Exponential Integral \( E_1(r) \) is given by

\[
E_1(r) = \int_{r}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-u}}{u} \, du,
\]

and using the substitutions \( u = (\sigma - 1) \log p_r \), \( du = (\sigma - 1) \, dx \) and \( x^\sigma / x = e^u \), then for \( \sigma > 1 \), we may write Equation (21) as

\[
\sum_{i=r_1}^{r_2} \frac{1}{p_i^\sigma} = E_1 \left( (\sigma - 1) \log p_{r_1} \right) - E_1 \left( (\sigma - 1) \log p_{r_2} \right) + O\left(\frac{1}{(\log p_{r_1})^k}\right).
\]

(22)

Combining Equations (16) and (22) and noting that, for \( \sigma > 1 \), \( E_1 \left( (\sigma - 1) \log p_{r_2} \right) \) approaches zero as \( p_{r_2} \) approaches infinity, we may write Equation (14) for \( \sigma > 1 \) as

\[
-\log \zeta(\sigma) = \sum_{i=1}^{r} \log \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i^\sigma} \right) - \sum_{i=r+1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p_i^\sigma} + \delta,
\]

or

\[
\log \zeta(\sigma) + \sum_{i=1}^{r} \log \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i^\sigma} \right) - E_1 \left( (\sigma - 1) \log p_{r+1} \right) = \epsilon,
\]

where \( \epsilon = O(1/(\log p_{r_1})^k) \) is an arbitrarily small number attained by setting \( p_r \) sufficiently large. Therefore,

\[
\zeta(\sigma) \prod_{i=1}^{r} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i^\sigma} \right) \exp \left( -E_1 \left( (\sigma - 1) \log p_{r+1} \right) \right) = 1 + \epsilon.
\]

(23)

As \( p_r \) approaches infinity, \( \epsilon \) approaches zero. Hence, the right side of the above equation approaches 1 as \( p_r \) approaches infinity.

Similarly, for \( \Re(s) > 1 \), we can use the following expression for \( E_1(s) \)

\[
E_1(s) = \int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-xs}}{x} \, dx,
\]

to show that

\[
\lim_{r \to \infty} \left\{ \zeta(s) \prod_{i=1}^{r} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i^s} \right) \exp \left( -E_1 ((s - 1) \log p_{r+1}) \right) \right\} = 1.
\]

(24)
Let the function \( G(s, p_r) \) be defined as
\[
G(s, p_r) = \zeta(s) \prod_{i=1}^{r} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i^s} \right) \exp \left( -E_1((s-1) \log p_{r+1}) \right)
\]  

where, \( G(s, p_r) \) is a regular function for \( \Re(s) > 1 \). Referring to Equation (24), the function \( G(s, p_r) \) approaches 1 as \( p_r \) approaches infinity. It should be noted that, for every \( p_r \), the function \( \exp \left( -E_1((s-1) \log p_{r+1}) \right) \) is an entire function, the function \( \zeta(s) \) is analytic everywhere except at \( s = 1 \) and the function \( \prod_{i=1}^{r} \left( 1 - 1/p_i^s \right) \) is analytic for \( \Re(s) > 0 \). Thus, for any \( \sigma > 1 \), the function \( G(s, p_r) \) can be considered as a sequence of analytic functions. Furthermore, as \( p_r \) (or \( r \)) approaches infinity, this sequence is uniformly convergent over the half plane with \( \sigma > 1 + \epsilon \) (where, \( \epsilon \) is an arbitrary small number). Therefore, by the virtue of the Weiestrass theorem, the limit is also analytic function [6] (Weiestrass theorem states that if the function sequence \( f_n \) is analytic over the region \( \Omega \) and \( f_n \) is uniformly convergent to a function \( f \), then \( f \) is also analytic on \( \Omega \) and \( f_n \) converges uniformly to \( f \) on \( \Omega \)). If we define this limit as \( G(s) \), where
\[
G(s) = \lim_{r \to \infty} G(s, p_r)
\]
then, \( G(s) \) is analytic over the half plane \( \Re(s) > 1 \) and it is equal to 1 by the virtue of Equation (24).

Next, we will extend the above results to the line \( s = 1 + it \). We will then show that if RH is valid, then for the strip \( s = \sigma + it \) where, \( 0.5 < \sigma < 1 \), the above results will also be valid with the limit of \( G(s, p_r) \) is 1 as \( p_r \) approaches infinity.

We will start this task by showing that although both \( \zeta(s) \) and \( E_1((s-1) \log p_{r+1}) \) have a singularity at \( s = 1 \), the product \( G(s, p_r) \) has a removable singularity at \( s = 1 \) for every \( p_r \). This can be shown by first expanding \( \zeta(s) \) as a Laurent series about its singularity at \( s = 1 \)
\[
\zeta(s) = \frac{1}{s-1} + \gamma - \gamma_1(s-1) + \gamma_2 \frac{(s-1)^2}{2!} - \gamma_3 \frac{(s-1)^3}{3!} + ...,
\]
where \( \gamma \) is the Euler-Mascheroni constant and \( \gamma_i \)'s are the Stieltjes constants. For \( s = 1 + \epsilon \), where \( \epsilon = \epsilon_1 + i\epsilon_2 \), \( \epsilon_1 \) and \( \epsilon_2 \) are arbitrary small numbers, the above equation can be written as
\[
\zeta(s) = \frac{1}{\epsilon} + \gamma - \gamma_1 \epsilon + \gamma_2 \frac{\epsilon^2}{2!} - \gamma_3 \frac{\epsilon^3}{3!} + ...
\]

Furthermore, for \( \sigma > 1 \), using the definition of the Exponential Integral, we may write \( E_1(s) \) as
\[
E_1(s) = -\gamma - \log s + s - \frac{s^2}{2!} + \frac{s^3}{3!} - \frac{s^4}{4!} + ....
\]

Thus, for \( s = 1 + \epsilon \), we have
\[
\exp \left( -E_1((s-1) \log p_r) \right) = e^\gamma \epsilon \log p_r \exp \left( -\epsilon \log p_r + \frac{\epsilon \log p_r}{2} - \frac{(\epsilon \log p_r)^2}{3} + .... \right).
\]

By taking the product \( \zeta(s) \exp \left( -E_1((s-1) \log p_r) \right) \) and allowing \( \epsilon \) to approach zero, we then obtain
\[
\lim_{s \to 1} \{ \zeta(s) \exp \left( -E_1((s-1) \log p_r) \right) \} = e^\gamma \log p_r.
\]
However, it is well known that the partial Euler product at \( s = 1 \) can be written as [8]

\[
\prod_{i=1}^{r} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i} \right) = e^{-\gamma} \log p_r + O \left( \frac{1}{(\log p_r)^2} \right) .
\] (32)

Multiplying Equations (31) and (32), we may conclude that at \( s = 1 \), \( G(s, p_r) \) approaches 1 as \( p_r \) approaches infinity. Furthermore, for \( s = 1 + it \) and \( t \neq 1 \), the value of \( \exp(-E_1(it \log p_r)) \) approaches 1 as \( p_r \) approaches infinity and since

\[
\lim_{r \to \infty} \left\{ \zeta(s) \prod_{i=1}^{r} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i^s} \right) \right\} = 1 ,
\]

therefore, for \( s = 1 + it \), we have the following

\[
\lim_{r \to \infty} G(s, p_r) = \lim_{r \to \infty} \left\{ \zeta(s) \prod_{i=1}^{r} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i^s} \right) \exp \left( -E_1 ((s - 1) \log p_{r+1}) \right) \right\} = 1 .
\]

So far, we have shown that the function \( G(s, p_r) \) is uniformly convergent to 1 when \( \Re(s) > 1 \). We have also shown that \( G(s, p_r) \) is convergent to 1 for \( \Re(s) = 1 \). In the following, we will show that, assuming the validity of the Riemann Hypothesis, the function \( G(s, p_r) \) is uniformly convergent to 1 for every value of \( s \) with \( \Re(s) > 0.5 + \epsilon \), where \( \epsilon \) is an arbitrary small number. Toward this goal, we will first show that the function \( G(s, p_r) \) is convergent for any value of \( s \) on the real axis with \( \sigma > 0.5 \). This can be achieved by first writing the expressions for \( G(\sigma, p_{r1}) \) and \( G(\sigma, p_{r2}) \) (where \( r_2 \) is an arbitrary large number greater than \( r_1 \))

\[
G(\sigma, p_{r1}) = \zeta(\sigma) \exp \left( -E_1 (\sigma - 1) \log p_{r1+1} \right) \prod_{i=1}^{r1} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i^\sigma} \right) ,
\] (33)

\[
G(\sigma, p_{r2}) = \zeta(\sigma) \exp \left( -E_1 (\sigma - 1) \log p_{r2+1} \right) \prod_{i=1}^{r2} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i^\sigma} \right) .
\] (34)

Since the function \( G(s, p_r) \) is analytic that is not equal to 0 for \( \sigma > 0.5 \), hence we can divide Equation (34) by Equation (33) and then take the logarithm to obtain

\[
\log \left( \frac{G(\sigma, p_{r2})}{G(\sigma, p_{r1})} \right) = E_1 ((\sigma - 1) \log p_{r1+1}) - E_1 ((\sigma - 1) \log p_{r2+1}) + \log \left( \prod_{i=r1+1}^{r2} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i^\sigma} \right) \right) .
\] (35)

To compute the logarithm of the partial Euler product in Equation (35), we recall Equation (16)

\[
\log \prod_{r1+1}^{r2} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i^s} \right) = - \sum_{r=r1+1}^{r2} \frac{1}{p_i^s} + \delta ,
\]

where \( \delta = O(p_{r1+1}^{1-2\sigma} / (2\sigma - 1)) \). Furthermore, on RH, we have

\[
\pi(x) = \text{Li}(x) + O \left( \sqrt{x} \log x \right) ,
\] (36)
where Li(x) is the Logarithmic Integral of x. Using Equation (36) for the representation of the prime counting function, we may then obtain (Appendix 2)

\[ \sum_{i=r+1}^{r^2} \frac{1}{p_i^s} = E_1((\sigma - 1) \log p_{r+1}) - E_1((\sigma - 1) \log p_r) + \varepsilon, \]

where \( \varepsilon = O \left( (p_{r+1}^{0.5 - \sigma} \log p_r) / (\sigma - 0.5)^2 \right). \) Hence, Equation (35) can be written as

\[ \log \left( \frac{G(\sigma, p_r)}{G(\sigma, p_{r+1})} \right) = \varepsilon + \delta + E_1((\sigma - 1) \log p_{r+2}) - E_1((\sigma - 1) \log p_r). \]

Since \( E_1((\sigma - 1) \log p_{r+2}) - E_1((\sigma - 1) \log p_r) \) approaches zero as \( p_r \) approaches zero, thus

\[ \lim_{p_r \to \infty} \log \left( \frac{G(\sigma, p_r)}{G(\sigma, p_{r+1})} \right) = \varepsilon + \delta. \]

For the above equation, it should be pointed that we have kept \( p_r \) fixed while we allowed \( p_{r+2} \) to approach infinity. Hence \( G(\sigma, p_r) \) is bounded as \( p_r \) approaches infinity. Furthermore, for \( \sigma > 0.5 + \varepsilon, \varepsilon + \delta \) can be made arbitrary small by choosing \( p_r \) arbitrary large, thus the limit of \( G(\sigma, p_r) \) exists as \( p_r \) approaches infinity and it is given by

\[ G(\sigma) = \lim_{r \to \infty} G(\sigma, p_r) \quad (37) \]

This proves that, on RH, \( G(\sigma, p_r) \) is convergent as \( p_r \) approaches infinity and thus \( G(\sigma) \) exists for \( \sigma > 0.5. \) In Appendix 3, we have shown that, on RH and for \( \Re(s) > 0.5, \) we have

\[ \sum_{i=r+1}^{r^2} \frac{1}{p_i^s} = E_1((s - 1) \log p_{r+1}) - E_1((s - 1) \log p_r) + \varepsilon, \quad (38) \]

where \( \varepsilon = O \left( \frac{1}{(\sigma - 0.5)^2} p_{r+1}^{0.5 - \sigma} \log p_r \right). \) Thus, we can follow the same steps and show that \( G(s, p_r) \) is convergent as \( p_r \) approaches infinity and thus \( G(s) \) exists for \( \Re(s) > 0.5 \) (it should be pointed out, that the term \( \varepsilon \) in Equation (38) can be determined in terms of the non-trivial zero if the von Mangoldt function is used in deriving Equation (38) instead of using the prime counting function).

It should be noted that, while the function sequence \( G(s, p_r) \) is not uniformly convergent when the region of convergence is extended all the way to the line \( \sigma = 0.5, \) it however uniformly converges for any rectangle extending from \(-iT\) to \(iT\) (for any arbitrary large \( T \)) and with \( \sigma > 0.5 + \varepsilon, \) where \( \varepsilon \) is an arbitrary small number. This follows from the fact that, on RH, \( \varepsilon \) (or, the \( O \) term) is bounded for any \( \sigma > 0.5 + \varepsilon. \) Since \( G(s, p_r) \) is analytic for \( \Re(s) > 0 \) and it is uniformly convergent for \( \Re(s) > 0.5 + \varepsilon, \) thus \( G(s) \) is analytic for the half right complex plain with \( \Re(s) > 0.5 + \varepsilon \) (Weiestrass theorem [6]). Since we have shown that \( G(s) = 1 \) for \( \Re(s) \geq 1, \) thus on RH, \( G(s) = 1 \) for \( \Re(s) > 0.5 + \varepsilon. \) Hence, we have the following theorem

**Theorem 3** For \( s = \sigma + it \) and \( \sigma > 0.5, \) the following holds if RH is valid

\[ \lim_{r \to \infty} \left\{ \zeta(s) \prod_{i=1}^{r} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i^s} \right) \exp \left( -E_1((s - 1) \log p_{r+1}) \right) \right\} = 1. \quad (39) \]

\[ \lim_{r \to \infty} \left\{ M(s, p_r) \exp \left( E_1((s - 1) \log p_{r+1}) \right) \right\} = 1. \quad (40) \]
It should be also pointed out that Theorem 3 can be generalized to the case where there are no non-trivial zeros for values of $s$ with $\Re(s) > a$ (where $a > 0.5$). For this case, Equation (39) is valid for every $s$ with $\Re(s) > a$ and $\varepsilon$ in Appendix 3 is given by $O\left(\frac{|s+1|}{(|\sigma-a|^2 \sigma} p_r a-\sigma \log p_r\right).

Equation (39) of Theorem 3 can be written as follows

$$\log \zeta(s) + \log \prod_{i=1}^{r_2} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i^s} \right) = E_1 \left( (s - 1) \log p_{r_2+1} \right) = 0,$$

where the equality of both sides is attained as $r_2$ (or $p_{r_2}$) approaches infinity. It should be noted that while both functions $\log \zeta(s)$ and $E_1 \left( (s - 1) \log p_{r_2+1} \right)$ have a branch cut along the real axis where $0.5 \leq \sigma < 1$, the difference (i.e. $\log \zeta(s) - E_1 \left( (s - 1) \log p_{r_2+1} \right)$) does not have a branch cut. For $r < r_2$, the above equation can be then written as

$$\log \zeta(s) = E_1 \left( (s - 1) \log p_{r+1} \right) - \sum_{s=i=1}^{r} \log \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i^s} \right) - \sum_{i=r+1}^{r_2} \log \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i^s} \right).$$

Since, on RH and for $\Re(s) > 0.5$, we have (refer to Appendix 3)

$$- \sum_{i=r+1}^{r_2} \log \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i^s} \right) = \sum_{i=r+1}^{r_2} \frac{1}{p_i^s} + \delta = E_1 \left( (s - 1) \log p_{r+1} \right) - E_1 \left( (s - 1) \log p_{r_2} \right) + \varepsilon$$

where $\varepsilon = O \left( \frac{t+1}{(\sigma - 0.5)^2 \sigma} p_r 0.5-\sigma \log p_r \right)$, therefore

$$\log \zeta(s) = - \sum_{i=1}^{r} \log \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i^s} \right) + E_1 \left( (s - 1) \log p_{r+1} \right) + O \left( \frac{t+1}{(\sigma - 0.5)^2 \sigma} p_r 0.5-\sigma \log p_r \right).$$

Taking the exponential of both side, we then obtain

$$\zeta(s) \prod_{i=1}^{r} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i^s} \right) = \exp \left( E_1 \left( (s - 1) \log p_{r+1} \right) \right) \left( 1 + O \left( \frac{t+1}{(\sigma - 0.5)^2 \sigma} p_r 0.5-\sigma \log p_r \right) \right).$$

or,

$$M(s, p_r) = \exp \left( -E_1 \left( (s - 1) \log p_r \right) \right) \left( 1 + O \left( \frac{t+1}{(\sigma - 0.5)^2 \sigma} p_r 0.5-\sigma \log p_r \right) \right).$$

In the following two sections, we will use Theorem 3 and Equation (38) in conjunction with Theorems 1 and 2 to show that the series $M(\sigma, p_r)$ and $M(\sigma)$ diverge for $\sigma < 1$

5 **The series $M(\sigma, p_r)$ at $\sigma = 1$.**

In this section, we will provide an estimate for the partial sum $M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a)$ as $a$ approaches infinity. This estimate will be computed by using Equation (38) and noting that $M(1, p_r)$ equals zero for every $p_r$. Therefore, for every $p_r$, $M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a)$ approaches zero as $a$ approaches infinity. In Appendix 4, we have first shown that the partial sum $M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a)$ is bounded and that for every $p_r$ and $N$, we have
\[
|M(1, p_r; 1, N)| = \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{N} \mu(n, p_r)}{n} \leq 2.
\]

Before we present the details of our method, it is important to note that the partial sum \(M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a)\) can be also generated using \(y\)-smooth numbers. The \(y\)-smooth numbers are the numbers that have only prime factors less than or equal to \(y\). These numbers have been extensively analyzed in the literature [10]. In [10], a clever method was presented to generate the partial sum \(M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a)\). With this method and using the inclusion-exclusion principle [10, page 248], one can then provide an estimate for the partial sum \(M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a)\). In this section, we will provide a more general approach to compute \(M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a)\). The main advantage of our approach is the ability to extend it to compute the partial sum for values of \(s\) other than 1. We will present our method in the following two steps.

- In the first step of our approach, we will show that, for every \(a\) and as \(p_r\) approaches infinity, the partial sum \(M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a)\) is a function of only \(a\) (independent of \(p_r\)). Toward this end, we define the function \(f(a, p_r)\) as

\[
f(a, p_r) = M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a) = \sum_{n=1}^{p_r^a} \frac{\mu(n, p_r)}{n}.
\]

We will then show that, for every \(a\) and as \(p_r\) approaches infinity, the function \(f(a, p_r)\) approaches a deterministic function \(\rho(a)\). In other words; if we plot \(M(1, p_r; 1, N)\) (where \(N = p_r^a\)) as a function of \(a = \log N/\log p_r\), then for each value of \(a\) and as \(p_r\) approaches infinity, \(f(a, p_r)\) approaches a unique value \(\rho(a)\). This is equivalent to the statement

\[
\rho(a) = \lim_{p_r \to \infty} f(a, p_r) = \lim_{p_r \to \infty} M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a).
\]

This result can be achieved by first noting that the partial sum \(M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a)\) for \(1 < a < 2\) is given by

\[
M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a) = 1 - \sum_{p_r \leq p_i < p_r^a} \frac{1}{p_i}.
\]

If we define \(M_1(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a)\) as

\[
M_1(1, p_r; p_r, p_r^a) = \sum_{p_r \leq p_i < p_r^a} \frac{1}{p_i},
\]

then, using Stieltjes integral, we obtain

\[
M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a) = 1 - M_1(1, p_r; p_r, p_r^a) = 1 - \int_{p_r}^{p_r^a} \frac{\pi(x)}{x} \, \mathrm{d}x = 1 - \int_1^{p_r^a} \frac{d\pi(p_r^y)}{p_r^y}.
\]

On RH, we have

\[
d\pi(p_r^y) = d\text{Li}(p_r^y) + dO(\sqrt[p_r^y]{\log(p_r^y)}),
\]

or
\[ d\pi(p_r^y) = \frac{1}{\log(p_r^y)} \, dp_r^y + dO(\sqrt{p_r^y \log(p_r^y)}) = \frac{p_r^y}{y} \, dy + dO(\sqrt{p_r^y \log(p_r^y)}). \]

Hence, for \(1 < a < 2\), we have

\[ M(1, p_r^a; 1, p_r^a) = 1 - \int_1^a \frac{dy}{y} + \int_1^a \frac{dO(\sqrt{p_r^y \log(p_r^y)})}{p_r^y} = 1 - \log(a) + O(g_1(p_r, a)), \]

where

\[ O(g_1(p_r, a)) = \int_1^a \frac{dO(\sqrt{p_r^y \log(p_r^y)})}{p_r^y}. \]

As \(p_r\) approaches infinity, \(O(g_1(p_r, a))\) approaches zero. Consequently,

\[ \lim_{p_r \to \infty} M(1, p_r^a; 1, p_r^a) = 1 - \log a. \]

The terms of the partial sum \(M(1, p_r^a; 1, p_r^a)\) for \(a\) in the range \(1 < a < 3\) are either a reciprocal of a prime or a reciprocal of the product of two primes. Therefore, for \(1 < a < 3\), we have

\[ M(1, p_r^a; 1, p_r^a) = 1 - \sum_{p_r \leq p_1 < p_r^a} \frac{1}{p_1} + \frac{1}{p_1 p_2}, \]

where \(p_1\) and \(p_2\) are two distinct primes that are greater than or equal to \(p_r\). Let \(M_2(1, p_r^a; 1, p_r^a)\) be defined as

\[ M_2(1, p_r^a; 1, p_r^a) = \sum_{p_r \leq p_1 < p_2 < p_1 p_2 < p_r^a} \frac{1}{p_1 p_2} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{p_r \leq p_1 < p_r^a} \frac{1}{p_1} M_1(1, p_r^a; p_r^a/p_1) + r_2, \]

where the factor of half was added since each term of the form \(1/(p_1 p_2)\) is repeated twice. It should be also noted that the second sum of the above equation includes non square-free terms (notice that, there is no repetition in any of the non square-free terms). The term \(r_2\) was added to offset the contribution by these non square-free terms. We will show later that the contribution by these terms (or \(r_2\)) approaches zero as \(p_r\) approaches infinity. Using Stieltjes integral, we then have

\[ M_2(1, p_r^a; 1, p_r^a) = \frac{1}{2} \int_1^{a-1} \frac{d\pi(p_r^y)}{p_r^y} (\log(a - y) + O(g_1(p_r^a; a - y))) + r_2. \]

Hence

\[ M(1, p_r^a; 1, p_r^a) = 1 - \log(a) + O(g_1(p_r, a)) + \frac{1}{2} \int_1^{a-1} \frac{\log(a - y)}{y} \, dy + O(g_2(p_r, a - y)), \]

where

\[ O(g_2(p_r, a)) = \int_1^{a-1} \frac{O(g_1(p_r, a - y))}{y} \, dy + \int_1^{a-1} \frac{\log(a - y)}{y} \, dy + O(\sqrt{p_r^y \log(p_r^y)}) + \int_1^{a-1} \frac{O(g_1(p_r, a - y))}{p_r^y} \, dy + r_2. \]
It can be easily shown that, for any fixed value of \(a\), the three integrals on the right side of the above equation approach zero as \(p_r\) approaches infinity. We will also show later that \(r_2\) approaches zero as \(p_r\) approaches infinity. Thus, for \(1 \leq a < 3\), we have

\[
\lim_{p_r \to \infty} M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a) = 1 - \log a + \int_1^{a-1} \frac{\log(a - y)}{y} dy
\]

Therefore, as \(p_r\) approaches infinity, \(M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a)\) is only dependent on \(a\).

Repeating the previous process \([a]\) times (where \([x]\) is the integer value of \(x\)) and by using the induction method, we can show that, as \(p_r\) approaches infinity, the partial sum \(M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a)\) is dependent on only \(a\). Specifically, we first write the partial sum \(M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a)\) as follows

\[
M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a) = 1 - M_1(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a) + M_2(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a) - \ldots + (-1)^j M_j(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a) + \ldots + (-1)^{[a]-1} M_{[a]-1}(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a) + (-1)^{[a]} M_{[a]}(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a),
\]

where

\[
M_j(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a) = \sum_{p_r \leq p_{i1} < p_{i2} < \ldots < p_{ij} < p_{i1}p_{i2} \ldots p_{ij} < p_r^a} \frac{1}{p_{i1}p_{i2} \ldots p_{ij}},
\]

and \(p_{i1}, p_{i2}, \ldots, p_{ij}\) are \(j\) distinct prime numbers greater than or equal to \(p_r\). If we assume that \(M_{j-1}(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a)\) is given by

\[
M_{j-1}(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a) = h_{j-1}(a) + O(g_{j-1}(p_r, a))
\]

where \(h_{j-1}(a)\) is a function of \(a\) and \(O(g_{j-1}(p_r, a))\) approaches zero as \(p_r\) approaches infinity, then

\[
M_j(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a) = \frac{1}{j} \sum_{p_r \leq p_{i1} < \ldots < p_{i(j-1)} < p_r^a} \frac{1}{p_{i1}} M_{j-1}(1, p_r; p_r^a/p_{i1}) + r_j,
\]

where the factor of \(1/j\) was added since each term of the form \(1/(p_{i1}p_{i2} \ldots p_{ij})\) is repeated \(j\) times. It should be also noted that the sum of the above equation includes non square-free terms. The term \(r_j\) was added to offset the contribution by these non square-free terms. We will show later that the contribution by these terms (or \(r_j\)) approaches zero as \(p_r\) approaches infinity. Using Stieltjes integral, we then have

\[
M_j(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a) = \frac{1}{j} \int_1^{a-1} \frac{d\pi(p_r y)}{p_r y} (h_{j-1}(a - y) + O(g_{j-1}(p_r, a - y))) + r_j.
\]

Hence

\[
M_j(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a) = \frac{1}{j} \int_1^{a-1} \frac{h_{j-1}(a - y)}{y} dy + O(g_j(p_r, a)),
\]

where the first term is a definite integral with only one variable \(y\) integrated over the range \(1 \leq y \leq a - 1\). Thus, the definite integral is a function of only \(a\). We define this function as \(h_j(a)\). The second term is given by
\[ O(g_j(p_r, a)) = \int_1^{a-1} \frac{O(g_{j-1}(p_r, a - y))}{y} dy + \int_1^{a-1} h_{j-1}(a - y) \frac{dO(\sqrt{p_r}y \log(p_r)^y)}{p_r^y} + \int_1^{a-1} O(g_{j-1}(p_r, a - y)) \frac{dO(\sqrt{p_r}y \log(p_r)^y)}{p_r^y} + r_j. \]

It can be easily shown that, for a fixed value of \( a \), the three integrals on the right side of the above equation approach zero as \( p_r \) approaches infinity. We will also show later that \( r_j \) approaches zero as \( p_r \) approaches infinity. Hence, as \( p_r \) approaches infinity, we have

\[
\lim_{p_r \to \infty} M_j(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a) = \frac{1}{j} \int_1^{a-1} \frac{h_{j-1}(a - y)}{y} dy = h_j(a)
\]

where \( h_1(a) = \log(a) \). Hence, for every \( a \) and as \( p_r \) approaches infinity, we have

\[
\lim_{p_r \to \infty} M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a) = 1 - h_1(a) + h_2(a) - h_3(a) + ... + (-1)^{|a|} h_{|a|}(a) = \rho(a). \quad (44)
\]

It should be pointed out that the above equation implies that the partial sums \( M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a) \) and \( M(1, p_r^a; 1, p_r^{a+y}) \) (where, \( p_r^a \) is a prime number) have the same limit as \( p_r \) approaches infinity. Hence,

\[
\lim_{p_r \to \infty} M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a) = \lim_{p_r \to \infty} M(1, p_r^a; 1, p_r^{a+y}) = \rho(a). \quad (45)
\]

Equation (45) will be used in the next step to estimate the asymptotic behavior of the function \( \rho(a) \) as \( a \) approaches infinity.

As it mentioned earlier, the partial sum \( M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a) \) constructed by this process included non square-free terms (i.e \( r_i \)'s). In the following, we will show that, for every \( a \) and as \( p_r \) approaches infinity, the total contribution by these non square-free terms approaches zero as well. Toward this end, let \( S_0 \) be the sum of the terms with the factor \( 1/p_r^2 \). Let \( S_1 \) be the sum of the remaining terms with the factor \( 1/(p_r+1)^2 \), \( S_2 \) be the sum of the remaining terms with the factor \( 1/(p_r+2)^2 \), and so on. Let \( S \) be sum of all the terms associated with non square-free terms. Thus, \( S \) is given by

\[
S = \frac{1}{p_r^2} S_0 + \frac{1}{p_r+1^2} S_1 + ... + \frac{1}{p_r+t^2} S_L,
\]

where \( p_r+t \) is the largest prime where its square is less than \( p_r^a \). However,

\[
|S_0|, |S_1|, ..., |S_l| < 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + ... + \frac{1}{p_r^a}.
\]

Thus,

\[
|S_0|, |S_1|, ..., |S_l| = O(a \log p_r).
\]

Therefore

\[
S = \left( \frac{1}{p_r^2} + \frac{1}{p_r+1^2} + ... + \frac{1}{p_r+t^2} \right) O(a \log p_r).
\]
Hence, the contribution by the non square-free terms $R$ is given by,

$$S = O(a \log p_r/p_r).$$

Consequently, for every $a$ and as $p_r$ approaches infinity, $S$ (or the contribution by the non square-free terms) approaches zero.

- In the second step, we write the partial sum $M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a)$ as the sum of two components. The first one is the deterministic or regular component and it is given by $\rho(a)$. The second one is the irregular component $R(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a)$ given by $M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a) - \rho(a)$. We will then show that the function $\rho(a)$ is the Dickman function that has been extensively used to analyze the properties of $y$-smooth numbers.

Toward this end, we write the partial sum $M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a)$ as the following sum

$$M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a) = 1 - \sum_{p_r < p_i < p_r^{a/2}} \frac{1}{p_i} M(1, p_i; 1, p_r^a/p_i) - \sum_{p_r^{a/2} < p_i < p_r^a} \frac{1}{p_i}.$$  \hspace{1cm} (46)

Notice that the above equation is justified by the virtue that $M(1, p_i; 1, p_r^a/p_i)$ is comprised of 1 and the terms of the form $1/n$ where $p_i < n \leq p^a/p_r$. Furthermore, every factor of $n$ is greater than $p_i$. The second sum was added since the first sum is void of the terms $1/p_i$’s for $p_r^{a/2} \leq p_i \leq p_r^a$. Using Stieltjes integral, we can write the above equation as follows

$$M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a) = 1 - \int_{1}^{a/2} \frac{d\pi(p_r^y)}{p_r^y} M(1, p_r^y; 1, p_r^a/p_r^y) - \int_{a/2}^{a} \frac{d\pi(p_r^y)}{p_r^y},$$  \hspace{1cm} (47)

where, on RH, $d\pi(p_r^y)$ is given by $dLi(p_r^y) + O(\sqrt{p_r^y} \log(p_r^y))$. It should pointed out that while Equations (46) and (47) provide the value of the partial sum $M(s, p_r; 1, p_r^a)$ at $s = 1$, they can be easily modified to compute the partial sum for any value of $s$ to the right of the line $\sigma = 0.5$. This task will be achieved in the next section and it will be the key step to examine the validity of the Riemann Hypothesis.

As $p_r$ approaches infinity, $M(1, p_r^y; 1, p_r^{a-y})$ approaches $\rho(a/y - 1)$ (refer to Equation (45)). Therefore, as $p_r$ approaches infinity, we have

$$\rho(a) = 1 - \int_{1}^{a/2} \frac{\rho \left( \frac{a}{y} - 1 \right)}{y} dy - \int_{a/2}^{a} \frac{dy}{y}.$$  \hspace{1cm} (48)

It is shown in Appendix 4 that $|M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a)| \leq 2$ for every $p_r$ and $a$. Hence, $|\rho(a)| \leq 2$. Consequently, $\rho(a)$ approaches zero as $a$ approaches infinity (this follows from the fact that if $\rho(a)$ does not converge to zero, then the first integral of the above equation diverges as $a$ approaches infinity which then leads to the divergence of $\rho(a)$. This contradicts our earlier statement that $|\rho(a)| \leq 2$). Thus, as $a$ approaches infinity, we have

$$\int_{1}^{a/2} \frac{\rho \left( \frac{a}{y} - 1 \right)}{y} dy = 1 - \log 2.$$  \hspace{1cm} (49)

A key step in our method to examine the validity of the the Riemann Hypothesis is the computation of the rate at which $\rho(a)$ decays to zero. This task will be achieved by using Equation
(48) to compute the difference $\rho(a + \Delta a) - \rho(a)$ (where, $\Delta a$ is an arbitrary small number) to obtain

$$\rho(a + \Delta a) - \rho(a) = -\int_{1}^{(a+\Delta a)/2} \frac{\rho \left( \frac{a+\Delta a}{y} - 1 \right)}{y} dy + \int_{1}^{a/2} \frac{\rho \left( \frac{a}{y} - 1 \right)}{y} dy - \int_{(a+\Delta a)/2}^{(a+\Delta a)} \frac{dy}{y} + \int_{a/2}^{a} \frac{dy}{y}.$$  

Since the third integral of the above equation is equal to the fourth integral, therefore

$$\rho(a + \Delta a) - \rho(a) = -\int_{1}^{(a+\Delta a)/2} \frac{\rho \left( \frac{a+\Delta a}{y} - 1 \right)}{y} dy + \int_{1}^{a/2} \frac{\rho \left( \frac{a}{y} - 1 \right)}{y} dy.$$  

If we define $y = (1 + \Delta a/a)z$, then we have

$$\rho(a + \Delta a) - \rho(a) = -\int_{1/(1+\Delta a/a)}^{(a+\Delta a)/2/(1+\Delta a/a)} \frac{\rho \left( \frac{a}{z} - 1 \right)}{z} dz + \int_{1}^{a/2} \frac{\rho \left( \frac{a}{y} - 1 \right)}{y} dy.$$  

Thus,

$$\rho(a + \Delta a) - \rho(a) = -\int_{1/(1+\Delta a/a)}^{1} \frac{\rho \left( \frac{a}{z} - 1 \right)}{z} dz.$$  

Dividing both sides of the above equation by $\Delta a$ and letting $\Delta a$ approach zero, we then obtain

$$\frac{dp(a)}{da} = -\frac{\rho(a - 1)}{a}, \quad (50)$$  

where $\rho(a) = 1 - \log(a)$ for $1 \leq a \leq 2$. Equation (50) is a first order non-linear delay differential equation that has been extensively analyzed in the literature [10][12]. The function $\rho(a)$ is known as the Dickman function. As $a$ approaches infinity, $\rho(a)$ can be given by the following estimate [10]

$$\rho(a) = \left( \frac{e + o(1)}{a \log a} \right)^a. \quad (51)$$  

For sufficiently large values of $a$ ($a > 20$), we have $\rho(a) < a^{-a}$.

To compute the irregular component of $M(1,p_r;1,p_r^a)$, we notice that $R(1,p_r;1,p_r^a)$ is given by

$$R(1,p_r;1,p_r^a) = M(1,p_r;1,p_r^a) - \rho(a).$$  

Thus, $R(1,p_r;1,p_r^a)$ can be computed by subtracting Equation (48) from Equation (47) to obtain

$$R(1,p_r;1,p_r^a) = -\int_{1}^{a/2} \rho(a/y - 1) \frac{dO(\sqrt{p_r^y \log(p_r^y)})}{p_r^y} - \int_{1}^{a/2} R(1,p_r^y;1,p_r^{a-y}) \frac{d\pi(p_r^y)}{p_r^y} - \int_{a/2}^{a} \frac{dO(\sqrt{p_r^y \log(p_r^y)})}{p_r^y}. \quad (52)$$  

For sufficiently large $a$ and due to the exponential decay of $\rho(a/y - 1)$ and $p_r^{-y}$, the contribution by first integral of the above equation is negligible compared to the other terms. Thus, for sufficiently large $a$, the above equation can be written as follows
\[
R(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a) = -\int_1^{a/2} R(1, p_r^y; 1, p_r^{2-y}) \frac{d\pi(p_y^p)}{p_y^p} - \int_{a/2}^a dO(\sqrt{p_y} \log(p_y)) \frac{1}{p_y^p}.
\] (53)

So far, we have shown that the regular component of \(M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a)\) is given by \(\rho(a)\). Since \(\int_1^a d\rho(x) = \rho(a) - \rho(1) = \rho(a) - 1\), therefore the regular component of \(M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a)\) can be also written as
\[
\rho(a) = \int_1^a d\rho(x) + 1 = 1 + \int_0^a \rho'(x) dx.
\]

Similarly, for values of \(s \neq 1\), we can consider that \(M(s, p_r; 1, p_r^a)\) is comprised of two components. The first component is the regular component defined as \(F(\alpha, a)\) (where \(\alpha = (s - 1) \log p_r\)) and is given by
\[
F(\alpha, a) = 1 + \int_1^a p_r^{(1-s)x} d\rho(x) = 1 + \int_0^a p_r^{(1-s)x} \rho'(x) dx,
\]
or,
\[
F(\alpha, a) = 1 + \int_0^a e^{-\alpha x} \rho'(x) dx,
\] (54)

while the irregular component is given by \(M(s, p_r; 1, p_r^a) - F(\alpha, a)\). Notice that for \(s = 1\), we have \(\alpha = 0\) and \(F(0, a) = \rho(a)\). We now define \(F(\alpha)\) as
\[
F(\alpha) = \lim_{a \to \infty} F(\alpha, a) = 1 + \int_0^\infty e^{-\alpha x} \rho'(x) dx.
\] (55)

Thus, for \(\Re(s) \geq 1\), \(\alpha\) is a complex variable in the complex plane to the right of the line \(\sigma = 1\). Hence, the integral \(\int_0^\infty e^{-\alpha x} \rho'(x) dx\) is the Laplace transform of the function \(\rho'(x)\) and is given by \(F(\alpha) - 1\) (where \(F(\alpha)\) is the regular component of the series \(M(s, p_r)\), i.e. \(M(s, p_r; 1, \infty)\)). Since the Laplace transform of \(\rho(x)\) is given by \(e^{-E_1(s)/s}\) [11, page 569][12], therefore the Laplace transform of \(\rho'(x)\) is then given by \(s\mathcal{L}(\rho(x)) - \rho(0)\). Hence
\[
F(\alpha) = e^{-E_1(\alpha)}
\]

Remarkably, these results agree with what we have obtained in Theorem 3. In Theorem 3, we have shown that
\[
\lim_{r \to \infty} \{M(s, p_r) \exp(E_1((s - 1) \log p_{r+1}))\} = 1,
\]
or referring to Equation (43), we have
\[
M(s, p_r) = e^{-E_1(\alpha)} (1 + \epsilon(p_r, s)),
\] (56)

where \(\epsilon(p_r, s) = O\left(\frac{|s|}{(\sigma - 0.5)^2} p_r^{1/2 - \sigma} \log p_r\right)\). Consequently, for \(\Re(s) \geq 1\), we then obtain
\[
M(s, p_r) = F(\alpha) (1 + \epsilon(p_r, s)).
\] (57)

where \(F(\alpha)\) is the regular component of the series \(M(s, p_r)\) and \(F(\alpha)\epsilon(p_r, s)\) is the irregular component of the series \(M(s, p_r)\). It should be emphasized here that the regular component \(F(\alpha)\) is the value of \(M(s, p_r)\) due to the \(\text{Li}(x)\) component of the prime counting function \(\pi(x)\).
It is also important to note that the irregular component is not the same as the difference between the partial sum $M(s, p_r; 1, p_r^a)$ and the series $M(s, p_r)$. Therefore, except for $s = 1$ (where the irregular component $\epsilon(p_r, s)$ is zero for every $p_r$), $\epsilon(p_r, s)$ is not zero although it approaches zero as $p_r$ approaches infinity.

Notice that on RH, the previous analysis should also hold for $\Re(s) > 0.5$. This analysis and its application to examine the validity of the Riemann Hypothesis will be presented in the next section.

6 The series $M(\sigma, p_r)$ for $\sigma < 1$ and the Riemann Hypothesis.

In this section, we will examine the convergence of the series $M(s, p_r)$ for $0.5 < \Re(s) < 1$ by first computing the partial sum $M(s, p_r; 1, p_r^a)$. In the previous section, Equation (46) was used to compute $M(1, p_r; 1, p_r^a)$. In this section, we will modify this equation to compute $M(s, p_r; 1, p_r^a)$ for $s \neq 1$ as follows

$$M(s, p_r; 1, p_r^a) = 1 - \sum_{p_r \leq p_i < p_r^a/2} \frac{1}{p_i^s} M(s, p_i; 1, p_r^a / p_i) - \sum_{p_r^a/2 \leq p_i < p_r^a} \frac{1}{p_i^s}. \quad (58)$$

Using Stieltjes integral, we can write the above equation as

$$M(s, p_r; 1, p_r^a) = 1 - \int_{1}^{a/2} \frac{d\pi(p_r^y)}{p_r^y} M(s, p_r^y; 1, p_r^a / p_r^y) - \int_{a/2}^a \frac{d\pi(p_r^y)}{p_r^y}. \quad (59)$$

On the real axis (i.e. $s = \sigma$), we then have

$$M(\sigma, p_r; 1, p_r^a) = 1 - \int_{1}^{a/2} \frac{d\pi(p_r^y)}{p_r^y} M(\sigma, p_r^y; 1, p_r^a / p_r^y) - \int_{a/2}^a \frac{d\pi(p_r^y)}{p_r^y}. \quad (60)$$

Using Theorem 3, on RH, the partial sum $M(\sigma, p_r; 1, p_r^a)$ is convergent as $a$ approaches infinity and its value is given by

$$\lim_{a \to \infty} M(\sigma, p_r; 1, p_r^a) = M(\sigma, p_r) = \exp \left( -E_1(-\beta) \right) (1 + \epsilon(p_r, s)), \quad (61)$$

where $\beta = -\alpha = (1 - \sigma) \log p_r$ (note that $\beta > 0$ for $\sigma < 1$).

Since the right side of Equation (60) is convergent as $a$ approaches infinity, therefore the differentiation of the left side with respect to $a$ has to approach zero as $a$ approaches infinity. In other words; on RH and for $\sigma > 0.5$, we have

$$\lim_{a \to \infty} \frac{d}{da} \left( \int_{1}^{a/2} \frac{d\pi(p_r^y)}{p_r^y} M(\sigma, p_r^y; 1, p_r^a - y) + \int_{a/2}^a \frac{d\pi(p_r^y)}{p_r^y} \right) = 0 \quad (62)$$

We claim that, for $\sigma < 1$, the above derivative diverges to infinity as $a$ approaches infinity. Consequently, the series $M(\sigma, p_r)$ and $M(\sigma, p_r)$ diverge for $\sigma < 1$ and non-trivial zeros can be found arbitrary close to the line $\Re(s) = 1$. To prove our claim, we first write the first integral in Equation (62) as follows
\[ \int_{1}^{a/2} M(\sigma, p, y; 1, p^{-y}) \frac{d\pi(p, y)}{p^\sigma} = \int_{1}^{a/2} F((\sigma - 1) \log p^y, a/y - 1) \frac{d\pi(p, y)}{p^\sigma} + \int_{1}^{a/2} R(\sigma, p, y; 1, p^{-y}) \frac{d\pi(p, y)}{p^\sigma}. \]  

(63)

The first integral on the right side of Equation (63) can be then written as

\[ \int_{1}^{a/2} F((\sigma - 1) \log p^y, a/y - 1) \frac{d\pi(p, y)}{p^\sigma} = \int_{1}^{a/2} F((\sigma - 1) \log p^y, a/y - 1) \frac{d\text{Li}(p, y)}{p^\sigma} + \int_{1}^{a/2} F((\sigma - 1) \log p^y, a/y - 1) \frac{dO(\sqrt{p^y \log(p^y)})}{p^\sigma}. \]

where

\[ F((\sigma - 1) \log p^y, a) = 1 + \int_{0}^{a} \rho'(x)e^{x(1-\sigma)\log p^y} dx = 1 + \int_{0}^{a} \rho'(x)e^{x\beta} dx, \]

and

\[ F((\sigma - 1) \log p^y, a/y - 1) = 1 + \int_{0}^{a/y-1} \rho'(x)e^{x(1-\sigma)\log p^y} dx = 1 + \int_{0}^{a/y-1} \rho'(x)e^{y\beta} dx. \]

Hence, the first integral on the right side of Equation (63) can be then written as

\[ \int_{1}^{a/2} F((\sigma - 1) \log p^y, a/y - 1) \frac{d\pi(p, y)}{p^\sigma} = \int_{1}^{a/2} \frac{d\text{Li}(p, y)}{p^\sigma} + \int_{1}^{a/2} \frac{d\text{Li}(p, y)}{p^\sigma} \int_{0}^{a/y-1} \rho'(x)e^{y\beta} dx + \int_{1}^{a/2} F((\sigma - 1) \log p^y, a/y - 1) \frac{dO(\sqrt{p^y \log(p^y)})}{p^\sigma}. \]

(64)

To compute the second integral on the right side of Equation (63) (i.e. the integral \( \int_{1}^{a/2} R(\sigma, p, y; 1, p^{-y})d\pi(p, y)/p^\sigma \)), we first write Equation (52) for \( \sigma > 0.5 \) as follows

\[ R(\sigma, p, 1, p^a) = -\int_{1}^{a/2} F((\sigma - 1) \log p^y, a/y - 1) \frac{dO(\sqrt{p^y \log(p^y)})}{p^\sigma} - \int_{1}^{a/2} R(\sigma, p, y; 1, p^{-y}) \frac{d\pi(p, y)}{p^\sigma} - \int_{a/2}^{a} \frac{dO(\sqrt{p^y \log(p^y)})}{p^\sigma}, \]

or

\[ \int_{1}^{a/2} R(\sigma, p, y; 1, p^{-y}) \frac{d\pi(p, y)}{p^\sigma} = -R(\sigma, p, 1, p^a) - \int_{a/2}^{a} \frac{dO(\sqrt{p^y \log(p^y)})}{p^\sigma}. \]

(65)

Combining Equations (64) and (65), we then obtain
\[
\int_{1}^{a/2} M(\sigma, p_r^y, 1, p_r^{a-y}) \frac{d\pi(p_r^y)}{p_r^y} = \int_{1}^{a/2} \frac{d\text{Li}(p_r^y)}{p_r^y} + \int_{1}^{a/2} \frac{d\text{Li}(p_r^y)}{p_r^y} \int_{0}^{a/y-1} \rho'(x) e^{yx\beta} dx - R(\sigma, p_r; 1, p_r^a) - \int_{a/2}^{a} \frac{dO(\sqrt{p_r^y \log(p_r^y)})}{p_r^y}.
\]

Let \( J \) be defined as

\[
J = \int_{1}^{a/2} \frac{d\pi(p_r^y)}{p_r^y} M(\sigma, p_r^y, 1, p_r^{a-y}) + \int_{a/2}^{a} \frac{d\pi(p_r^y)}{p_r^y},
\]

then

\[
J = \int_{1}^{a} \frac{d\text{Li}(p_r^y)}{p_r^y} + \int_{1}^{a/2} \frac{d\text{Li}(p_r^y)}{p_r^y} \int_{0}^{a/y-1} \rho'(x) e^{yx\beta} dx - R(\sigma, p_r; 1, p_r^a) - \int_{a/2}^{a} \frac{dO(\sqrt{p_r^y \log(p_r^y)})}{p_r^y}.
\]

(66)

To compute the derivative of \( J \) with respect to \( a \) as \( a \) approaches infinity, we note that on RH and for \( \sigma < 0.5 \), \( R(\sigma, p_r; 1, p_r^a) \) is convergent as \( a \) approaches infinity. Hence, as \( a \) approaches infinity, \( dR(\sigma, p_r; 1, p_r^a)/da \) approaches zero. Furthermore, it can be easily shown that the derivative of the last term with respect to \( a \) rapidly approaches zero as \( a \) approaches infinity. Consequently, as \( a \) approaches infinity, we have

\[
\frac{dJ}{da} = \frac{d}{da} \int_{1}^{a} \frac{d\text{Li}(p_r^y)}{p_r^y} + \frac{d}{da} \int_{1}^{a/2} \frac{d\text{Li}(p_r^y)}{p_r^y} \int_{0}^{a/y-1} \rho'(x) e^{yx\beta} dx.
\]

The derivative of the first integral of the above equation can be easily computed as follows

\[
\frac{d}{da} \int_{1}^{a} \frac{d\text{Li}(p_r^y)}{p_r^y} = \frac{d}{da} \int_{1}^{a} \frac{1}{p_r^y} \frac{p_r^y dy}{y} = \frac{d}{da} \int_{1}^{a} \frac{e^{by}}{y} = \frac{e^{by}}{a}.
\]

The derivative of the second integral can be computed as follows

\[
\frac{d}{da} \int_{1}^{a/2} \frac{d\text{Li}(p_r^y)}{p_r^y} \int_{0}^{a/y-1} \rho'(x) e^{yx\beta} dx = \lim_{\Delta a \to \infty} \frac{1}{\Delta a} \left( \int_{1}^{(a+\Delta a)/2} \frac{e^{by}}{y} dy \int_{0}^{(a+\Delta a)/y-1} \rho'(x) e^{yx\beta} dx - \int_{1}^{a/2} \frac{e^{by}}{y} dy \int_{0}^{a/y-1} \rho'(x) e^{yx\beta} dx \right).
\]

Since \( \rho'(x) = 0 \) for \( 0 \leq x < 1 \), therefore

\[
\frac{d}{da} \int_{1}^{a/2} \frac{e^{by}}{y} dy \int_{0}^{a/y-1} \rho'(x) e^{yx\beta} dx = \lim_{\Delta a \to \infty} \frac{1}{\Delta a} \left( \int_{1}^{a/2} \frac{e^{by}}{y} dy \int_{0}^{(a+\Delta a)/y-1} \rho'(x) e^{yx\beta} dx \right),
\]

or

\[
\frac{d}{da} \int_{1}^{a/2} \frac{e^{by}}{y} \int_{0}^{a/y-1} \rho'(x) e^{yx\beta} dx = \lim_{\Delta a \to \infty} \frac{1}{\Delta a} \left( \int_{1}^{a/2} \frac{e^{by}}{y} \rho'(a/y - 1) e^{(a/y-1)y\beta} dy \right).
\]

Therefore
\[
\frac{d}{da} \int_{1}^{a/2} e^{\beta y} \frac{1}{y} \int_{0}^{a/y - 1} \rho'(x) e^{yx^\beta} dx = e^{\alpha \beta} \int_{1}^{a/2} \frac{\rho'(a/y - 1)}{y^2} dy
\]

Let \( c \) be defined as

\[
c = \lim_{a \to \infty} \int_{1}^{a/2} \frac{\rho'(a/y - 1)}{y^2} dy.
\]

Therefore, as \( a \) approaches infinity, we have

\[
\frac{d}{da} \left( \int_{1}^{a/2} \frac{d\pi(p_r, y)}{p_r^{\sigma y}} M(\sigma, p_r; 1, p_r^{\sigma - y}) + \int_{a/2}^{a} \frac{d\pi(p_r, y)}{p_r^{\sigma y}} \right) = e^{\alpha \beta} \left( 1 + \frac{c}{a} \right).
\]

Thus, for \( \beta > 0 \) or for \( \sigma < 1 \) (recall that \( \beta = (1 - \sigma) \log p_r \)), the above derivative approaches infinity as \( a \) approaches infinity. Thus, the series \( M(\sigma, p_r) \) diverges for \( \sigma < 1 \). This implies that the Riemann Hypothesis is invalid and the zeros can be found arbitrary close to line \( \Re(s) = 1 \).

**Appendix 1**

To prove the first part of Theorem 1 (i.e. for \( s = \sigma + i0 \) and \( 0.5 < \sigma \leq 1 \), the series \( M(\sigma, p_r) \) converges conditionally if \( M(\sigma) \) converges conditionally), we first start with proving that \( M(\sigma, 2) \) is conditionally convergent if \( M(\sigma) \) is convergent. Since \( M(\sigma) \) is convergent, then for any arbitrary small number \( \delta \), there exists an integer \( N_0 \) such that for every integer \( N > N_0 \)

\[
|M(\sigma; N, \infty)| = \left| \sum_{n=N}^{\infty} \frac{\mu(n)}{n^\sigma} \right| < \delta
\]

(67)

Let the sums \( M(\sigma; 1, N), M(\sigma; N+1, 2N), M(\sigma; 2N+1, 2^2 N), M(\sigma; 2^{2}N+1, 2^{3} N), \ldots, M(\sigma; 2^{L-1}N+1, 2^{L}N) \) be defined as

\[
M(\sigma; 1, N) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \frac{\mu(n)}{n^\sigma} = A_1,
\]

\[
M(\sigma; N+1, 2N) = \sum_{n=N+1}^{2N} \frac{\mu(n)}{n^\sigma} = \delta_1,
\]

\[
M(\sigma; 2N+1, 2^2 N) = \sum_{n=2N+1}^{2^2 N} \frac{\mu(n)}{n^\sigma} = \delta_2,
\]

\[
M(\sigma; 2^2 N+1, 2^3 N) = \sum_{n=2^2 N+1}^{2^3 N} \frac{\mu(n)}{n^\sigma} = \delta_3,
\]

\[
M(\sigma; 2^L-1 N+1, 2^L N) = \sum_{n=2^{L-1}N+1}^{2^L N} \frac{\mu(n)}{n^\sigma} = \delta_L.
\]
Throughout the analysis in this appendix, \( N \) will be a fixed number (that is larger than \( N_0 \)) while the test for the convergence will be achieved by letting \( L \) approach infinity.

Let \( \delta(l) \) be defined as the maximum of \(|\delta_1|, |\delta_{l+1}|, |\delta_{l+2}|, ..., |\delta_L|, |\delta_l + \delta_{l+1} + \delta_{l+2}|, ..., |\delta_l + \delta_{l+1} + ... + \delta_L|\), then by the virtue of the convergence of \( M(\sigma) \),

\[
|\delta_1|, |\delta_2|, |\delta_3|, ..., |\delta_L|, |\delta_1 + \delta_2 + \delta_3|, ..., |\delta_1 + \delta_2 + \delta_3 + ... + \delta_L| \leq \delta(l) 
\]

We also have

\[
|\delta_l|, |\delta_{l+1}|, |\delta_{l+2}|, ..., |\delta_L|, |\delta_l + \delta_{l+1} + \delta_{l+2}|, ..., |\delta_l + \delta_{l+1} + ... + \delta_L| \leq \delta(l),
\]

where by the virtue of the convergence of \( M(\sigma) \), \( \delta(l) \) can be set arbitrary close to zero (since \( \delta \), defined in Equation 67, can be set arbitrary close to zero by setting \( N_0 \) arbitrary large).

Furthermore, let the sums \( M(\sigma, 2; 1, N) \), \( M(\sigma, 2; N+1, 2N) \), \( M(\sigma, 2; 2N+1, 2^2N) \), \( M(\sigma, 2; 2^2N+1, 2^3N) \), ..., \( M(\sigma, 2; 2^{L-1}N + 1, 2^L N) \) be defined as

\[
M(\sigma, 2; 1, N) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \frac{\mu(n, 2)}{n^\sigma} = B_1,
\]

\[
M(\sigma, 2; N+1, 2N) = \sum_{n=N+1}^{2N} \frac{\mu(n, 2)}{n^\sigma} = \epsilon_1,
\]

\[
M(\sigma, 2; 2N+1, 2^2N) = \sum_{n=2N+1}^{2^2N} \frac{\mu(n, 2)}{n^\sigma} = \epsilon_2,
\]

\[
M(\sigma, 2; 2^2N+1, 2^3N) = \sum_{n=2^2N+1}^{2^3N} \frac{\mu(n, 2)}{n^\sigma} = \epsilon_3,
\]

\[
M(\sigma, 2; 2^{L-1}N + 1, 2^L N) = \sum_{n=2^{L-1}N+1}^{2^L N} \frac{\mu(n, 2)}{n^\sigma} = \epsilon_L,
\]

Since

\[
\sum_{n=1}^{2N} \frac{\mu(n)}{n^\sigma} = \sum_{n=1}^{2N} \frac{\mu(n, 2)}{n^\sigma} - \sum_{n=1}^{N} \frac{\mu(n, 2)}{(2n)^\sigma},
\]

thus

\[
M(\sigma; 1, 2N) = M(\sigma, 2; 1, 2N) - \frac{1}{2^\sigma} M(\sigma, 2; 1, N).
\]

Similarly, since

\[
\sum_{n=2^i N+1}^{2^{i+1} N} \frac{\mu(n)}{n^\sigma} = \sum_{n=2^i N+1}^{2^{i+1} N} \frac{\mu(n, 2)}{n^\sigma} - \sum_{n=2^{i-1} N+1}^{2^i N} \frac{\mu(n, 2)}{(2n)^\sigma},
\]

thus

\[
M(\sigma; 2^i N + 1, 2^{i+1} N) = M(\sigma, 2; 2^i N + 1, 2^{i+1} N) - \frac{1}{2^\sigma} M(\sigma, 2; 2^{i-1} N + 1, 2^i N).
\]

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Therefore, setting $\delta = \gamma$, where

$$\delta = \varepsilon_1 - \frac{1}{2\sigma}B_1,$$

$$\delta_2 = \varepsilon_2 - \frac{1}{2\sigma}\varepsilon_1,$$

$$\delta_3 = \varepsilon_3 - \frac{1}{2\sigma}\varepsilon_2,$$

$$\delta_L = \varepsilon_L - \frac{1}{2\sigma}\varepsilon_{L-1},$$

where $|\delta_1|, |\delta_2|, |\delta_3|, ..., |\delta_L|, |\delta_1 + \delta_2|, |\delta_1 + \delta_2 + \delta_3|, |\delta_1 + \delta_2 + \delta_3 + ... + \delta_L| \leq \delta(1) \leq 2\delta$ and $\delta$ can be set arbitrary close to zero. Hence

$$\varepsilon_1 = \frac{1}{2\sigma}\varepsilon_1 + \delta_2,$$

$$\varepsilon_3 = \frac{1}{2\sigma}\varepsilon_2 + \delta_3 = \frac{1}{2\sigma}\varepsilon_1 + \frac{1}{2\sigma}\delta_2 + \delta_3,$$

$$\varepsilon_4 = \frac{1}{2\sigma}\varepsilon_3 + \delta_4 = \frac{1}{2\sigma}\varepsilon_2 + \frac{1}{2\sigma}\delta_2 + \frac{1}{2\sigma}\delta_3 + \delta_4,$$

$$\varepsilon_L = \frac{1}{2\sigma}\varepsilon_{L-1} + \delta_L = \frac{1}{2(L-1)\sigma}\varepsilon_1 + \frac{1}{2(L-2)\sigma}\delta_2 + \frac{1}{2(L-3)\sigma}\delta_3 + ... + \delta_L.$$

Therefore,

$$\varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_2 + \varepsilon_3 + ... + \varepsilon_L = \left(1 + \frac{1}{2\sigma} + \frac{1}{2\sigma} + ... + \frac{1}{2(L-1)\sigma}\right)\varepsilon_1 + \left(\delta_2 + \delta_3 + ... + \delta_L\right) + \frac{1}{2\sigma}(\delta_2 + \delta_3 + ... + \delta_{L-1}) + \frac{1}{2\sigma}(\delta_2 + \delta_3 + ... + \delta_{L-2}) + ... + \frac{1}{2(L-2)\sigma}\delta_2.$$

Since $|\delta_2| \leq \delta(1)$, $|\delta_2 + \delta_3| \leq \delta(1)$, $...$, $|\delta_1 + \delta_2 + \delta_3 + ... + \delta_L| \leq \delta(1)$, hence

$$|\delta_2 + \delta_3 + ... + \delta_L| + \frac{1}{2\sigma}|\delta_2 + \delta_3 + ... + \delta_{L-1}| + ... + \frac{1}{2(L-2)\sigma}|\delta_2| \leq \left|\delta(1) + \frac{1}{2\sigma}\delta(1) + ... + \frac{1}{2(L-2)\sigma}\delta(1)\right|,$$

or

$$|\delta_2 + \delta_3 + ... + \delta_L| + \frac{1}{2\sigma}|\delta_2 + \delta_3 + ... + \delta_{L-1}| + ... + \frac{1}{2(L-2)\sigma}|\delta_2| \leq \frac{2^\sigma}{2\sigma - 1}|\delta(1)|.$$

Therefore

$$\varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_2 + \varepsilon_3 + ... + \varepsilon_L = \left(1 + \frac{1}{2\sigma} + \frac{1}{2\sigma} + ... + \frac{1}{2\sigma}\right)\varepsilon_1 + \gamma_1,$$

where $\gamma_1$ is of the same order as that of $\delta(1)$ (where $\delta(1)$ can be set arbitrary close to zero by setting $\delta$, defined in Equation 67, arbitrary close to zero).
As \( L \) approaches infinity, we then obtain

\[
\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \epsilon_i = \frac{2\sigma}{2\sigma - 1} \epsilon_1 + \gamma_1.
\]

Therefore, if the series \( M(\sigma) \) is convergent, then the sum \( M(\sigma, 2; N + 1, \infty) \) (which is equal to \( \epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2 + \epsilon_3 + \ldots \)) is bounded by the sum \( M(\sigma, 2; N + 1, 2N) \) (which is equal to \( \epsilon_1 \)).

The previous process can be repeated with the substitution of \( A_1 \) and \( B_1 \) in Equation (68) with \( A_2 \) and \( B_2 \), where \( A_2 = M(\sigma; 1, 2N) \) and \( B_2 = M(\sigma, 2; 1, 2N) \), to obtain

\[
A_2 + \delta_2 = B_2 + \epsilon_2 - \frac{1}{2\sigma} B_2.
\]

Thus,

\[
A_2 = B_2 - \frac{1}{2\sigma} B_2 + \frac{1}{2\sigma} \epsilon_1.
\]

Following the same process, we can show that the sum \( M(\sigma, 2; 2N + 1, \infty) \) is given by

\[
\sum_{i=2}^{\infty} \epsilon_i = \frac{1}{2^{\sigma}-1} \epsilon_1 + \gamma_2.
\]

where \( \gamma_2 \) is of the same order as that of \( \delta(2) \) (where \( \delta(2) \) can be set arbitrary close to zero by setting \( \delta \), defined in Equation 67, arbitrary close to zero).

If we repeat the process \( l \) times, we obtain

\[
A_l = B_l - \frac{1}{2\sigma} B_l + \frac{1}{2^{(l-1)\sigma}} \epsilon_1,
\]

where \( A_l = M(\sigma; 1, 2^lN) \) and \( B_l = M(\sigma, 2; 1, 2^lN) \) and the sum \( M(\sigma, 2; 2^lN + 1, \infty) \) is given by

\[
\sum_{i=l}^{\infty} \epsilon_i = \frac{1}{2^{(l-2)\sigma}} \frac{1}{2^{\sigma}-1} \epsilon_1 + \gamma_l.
\]

where \( \gamma_l \) is of the same order as that of \( \delta(l) \). Since by the virtue of the convergence of \( M(\sigma) \), \( \delta(l) \) tends to zero as \( l \) approaches infinity, therefore \( \gamma_l \) and the above sum approach zero as \( l \) approaches infinity.

Thus, we conclude that \( M(\sigma, 2; 2^lN + 1, \infty) \) (given by \( \sum_{i=l}^{\infty} \epsilon_i \)) approaches zero as \( l \) approaches infinity. Furthermore, as \( l \) approaches infinity, \( B = \lim_{l \to \infty} B_l \) approaches its limit given by

\[
\left(1 - \frac{1}{2\sigma}\right) B = M(\sigma; 1, \infty).
\]

Hence,

\[
\left(1 - \frac{1}{2\sigma}\right) M(\sigma, 2) = M(\sigma).
\]
Similarly, following the same steps, we can show that

\[
\left(1 - \frac{1}{3^\sigma}\right) M(\sigma, 3; 1, \infty) = M(\sigma, 2; 1, \infty).
\]

or

\[
\left(1 - \frac{1}{2^\sigma}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{3^\sigma}\right) M(\sigma, 3; 1, \infty) = M(\sigma; 1, \infty).
\]

This task can be achieved by first defining

\[
M(\sigma, 2; 1, N) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \frac{\mu(n, 2)}{n^\sigma} = A_1,
\]

\[
M(\sigma, 2; N + 1, 3N) = \sum_{n=N+1}^{3N} \frac{\mu(n, 2)}{n^\sigma} = \delta_1,
\]

\[
M(\sigma, 2; 3N + 1, 3^2N) = \sum_{n=3N+1}^{3^2N} \frac{\mu(n, 2)}{n^\sigma} = \delta_2,
\]

\[
M(\sigma, 2; 3^{L-1}N + 1, 3^LN) = \sum_{n=3^{L-1}N+1}^{3^LN} \frac{\mu(n, 2)}{n^\sigma} = \delta_L,
\]

and

\[
M(\sigma, 3; 1, N) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \frac{\mu(n, 3)}{n^\sigma} = B_1,
\]

\[
M(\sigma, 3; N + 1, 3N) = \sum_{n=N+1}^{3N} \frac{\mu(n, 3)}{n^\sigma} = \epsilon_1,
\]

\[
M(\sigma, 3; 3N + 1, 3^2N) = \sum_{n=3N+1}^{3^2N} \frac{\mu(n, 3)}{n^\sigma} = \epsilon_2,
\]

\[
M(\sigma, 3; 3^{L-1}N + 1, 3^LN) = \sum_{n=3^{L-1}N+1}^{3^LN} \frac{\mu(n, 3)}{n^\sigma} = \epsilon_L,
\]

Since

\[
\sum_{n=1}^{3N} \frac{\mu(n, 2)}{n^\sigma} = \sum_{n=1}^{3N} \frac{\mu(n, 3)}{n^\sigma} - \sum_{n=1}^{N} \frac{\mu(n, 3)}{(3n)^\sigma},
\]

thus

\[
M(\sigma, 2; 1, 3N) = M(\sigma, 3; 1, 3N) - \frac{1}{3^\sigma} M(\sigma, 3; 1, N).
\]
Similarly,

\[ M(\sigma, 2; 3^l N + 1, 3^{l+1} N) = M(\sigma, 3; 3^l N + 1, 3^{l+1} N) - \frac{1}{3^\sigma} M(\sigma, 3; 3^{l-1} N + 1, 3^l N) \]

Following the same process, we can show that

\[ \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \epsilon_i = \frac{3^\sigma}{3^\sigma - 1} \epsilon_1 + \gamma_1, \]

where \( \gamma_1 \) is of the same order as that of \( \delta(1) \) (\( \delta(l) \) is defined as the maximum of \( |\delta_l|, |\delta_{l+1}|, |\delta_{l+2}|, \ldots, |\delta_L|, |\delta_l + \delta_{l+1}|, |\delta_l + \delta_{l+1} + \delta_{l+2}|, \ldots, |\delta_l + \delta_{l+1} + \ldots + \delta_L| \)).

Similarly, if we define \( A_2 = M(\sigma, 2; 1, 3N) \) and \( B_2 = M(\sigma, 3; 1, 3N) \), then

\[ A_2 = B_2 - \frac{1}{3^\sigma} B_2 + \frac{1}{3^\sigma} \epsilon_1. \]

Therefore

\[ \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} \epsilon_i = \frac{1}{3^\sigma - 1} \epsilon_1 + \gamma_2. \]

where \( \gamma_2 \) is of the same order as that of \( \delta(2) \).

Repeating the steps \( l \) times, we then obtain

\[ \sum_{i=l}^{\infty} \epsilon_i = \frac{1}{3(l-2)^\sigma} \frac{1}{3^\sigma - 1} \epsilon_1 + \gamma_l. \]

where \( \gamma_l \) is of the same order as that of \( \delta(l) \). Hence the above sum approaches zero as \( l \) approaches infinity.

Thus, we conclude that \( M(\sigma, 3; 3^l N + 1, \infty) \) (given by \( \sum_{i=l}^{\infty} \epsilon_i \)) approaches zero as \( l \) approaches infinity. Furthermore, as \( l \) approaches infinity, \( B = \lim_{l \to \infty} B_l \) approaches its limit given by

\[ \left( 1 - \frac{1}{3^\sigma} \right) B = M(\sigma, 2; 1, \infty). \]

Hence,

\[ \left( 1 - \frac{1}{3^\sigma} \right) M(\sigma, 3) = M(\sigma, 2). \]

Repeating the process \( r \) times, we then conclude

\[ M(\sigma) = M(\sigma, p_r) \prod_{i=1}^{r} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i^\sigma} \right). \]

The second part of the theorem can be proved by recalling
\[ M(s, p_{r-1}; 1, N_{p_r}) = M(s, p_r; 1, N_{p_r}) - \frac{1}{p_i^{s}} M(s, p_r; 1, N). \]

If both series \( M(s, p_{r-1}) \) and \( M(s, p_r) \) are convergent, then as \( N \) approaches infinity, we obtain
\[
M(s, p_{r-1}) = M(s, p_r) \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i^{s}} \right).
\]

Repeating the process \( r \) times, we then conclude
\[
M(\sigma) = M(\sigma, p_r) \prod_{i=1}^{r} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p_i^{\sigma}} \right).
\]

**Appendix 2**

Assuming RH is valid and for \( \sigma > 0.5 \), to show that
\[
\sum_{i=r}^{2} \frac{1}{p_i^{\sigma}} = E_1((\sigma - 1) \log p_r) - E_1((\sigma - 1) \log p_2) + \varepsilon
\]

where, \( \varepsilon = O\left( \frac{1}{(\sigma - 0.5)^2} \log p_1 \right) \), we first recall that
\[
\sum_{i=r}^{2} \frac{1}{p_i^{\sigma}} = \int_{p_1}^{p_2} \frac{d\pi(x)}{x^{\sigma}} = \int_{p_1}^{p_2} \frac{1}{x^{\sigma}} \log x dx + \int_{p_1}^{p_2} \frac{1}{x^{\sigma}} dO(\sqrt{x} \log x).
\]

We will first compute the integral with the \( O \) notation. This can be done by integration by parts to obtain
\[
\int_{p_1}^{p_2} \frac{1}{x^{\sigma}} dO(\sqrt{x} \log x) = \frac{O\left( \sqrt{p_2} \log p_2 \right)}{p_2^{\sigma}} - \frac{O\left( \sqrt{p_1} \log p_1 \right)}{p_1^{\sigma}} - \int_{p_1}^{p_2} O\left( \sqrt{x} \log x \right) \left( \frac{1}{x^{\sigma}} \right)
\]

Since \( x > 0 \), thus
\[
\int_{p_1}^{p_2} \frac{1}{x^{\sigma}} dO(\sqrt{x} \log x) = \frac{O\left( \sqrt{p_2} \log p_2 \right)}{p_2^{\sigma}} - \frac{O\left( \sqrt{p_1} \log p_1 \right)}{p_1^{\sigma}} - O\left( \int_{p_1}^{p_2} \sqrt{x} \log x d\left( \frac{1}{x^{\sigma}} \right) \right)
\]

With the substitution of variables \( y = \log x \), we then obtain
\[
\int_{p_1}^{p_2} \sqrt{x} \log x d\left( \frac{1}{x^{\sigma}} \right) = - \int_{p_1}^{p_2} \sigma y e^{(\frac{1}{2} - \sigma)y} dy.
\]

Since
\[
\int x e^{ax} dx = \left( \frac{x}{a} - \frac{1}{a^2} \right) e^{ax},
\]
therefore
\[
\int_{p_1}^{p_2} \sqrt{x} \log x d\left( \frac{1}{x^{\sigma}} \right) = -\sigma \left( \frac{\log p_2}{0.5 - \sigma} - \frac{1}{(0.5 - \sigma)^2} \right) p_2^{0.5 - \sigma} + \sigma \left( \frac{\log p_1}{0.5 - \sigma} - \frac{1}{(0.5 - \sigma)^2} \right) p_1^{0.5 - \sigma}.
\]
\[ \int_{p_1}^{p_2} \frac{1}{x^\sigma (\sqrt{x} \log x)} \, dx = O \left( \frac{p_1^{0.5-\sigma} \log p_1}{(\sigma - 0.5)^2} \right) \]  

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Hence, for \( \sigma > 0.5 \), we have

\[ \int_{p_1}^{p_2} \frac{1}{x^\sigma (\sqrt{x} \log x)} \, dx = E_1((\sigma - 1) \log p_1) - E_1((\sigma - 1) \log p_2) \]

For \( \sigma \geq 1 \), the integral \( \int_{p_1}^{p_2} \frac{1}{x^\sigma \log x} \, dx \) can be computed directly from the definition of the Exponential Integral \( E_1(r) = \int_r^\infty \frac{e^{-u}}{u} \, du \) (where \( r \geq 0 \)) to obtain

\[ \int_{p_1}^{p_2} \frac{1}{x^\sigma \log x} \, dx = E_1((\sigma - 1) \log p_1) - E_1((\sigma - 1) \log p_2) \]

It should be pointed out that although the functions \( E_1((\sigma - 1) \log p_1) \) and \( E_1((\sigma - 1) \log p_2) \) have a singularity at \( \sigma = 1 \), the difference has a removable singularity at \( \sigma = 1 \). This follows from the fact that as \( \sigma \) approaches 1, the difference can be written as

\[ E_1((\sigma - 1) \log p_1) - E_1((\sigma - 1) \log p_2) = -\log ((1 - \sigma) \log p_1) - \gamma + \log ((1 - \sigma) \log p_2) + \gamma \]

or,

\[ \lim_{\sigma \to 1} \int_{p_1}^{p_2} \frac{1}{x^\sigma \log x} \, dx = \lim_{\sigma \to 1} E_1((\sigma - 1) \log p_1) - E_1((\sigma - 1) \log p_2) = -\log p_1 + \log p_2 \]

To compute the integral \( \int_{p_1}^{p_2} \frac{1}{x^\sigma \log x} \, dx \) for \( \sigma < 0 \), we first use the substantiation \( y = \log x \) to obtain

\[ \int_{p_1}^{p_2} \frac{1}{x^\sigma \log x} \, dx = \int_{\log p_1}^{\log p_2} \frac{e^{(1-\sigma)y}}{y} \, dy = \int_{\epsilon}^{\log p_2} \frac{e^{(1-\sigma)y}}{y} \, dy - \int_{\epsilon}^{\log p_1} \frac{e^{(1-\sigma)y}}{y} \, dy \]

where, \( \epsilon \) is an arbitrary small positive number. With the variable substantiations \( z_1 = y/\log p_1 \) and \( z_2 = y/\log p_2 \), we then obtain

\[ \int_{p_1}^{p_2} \frac{1}{x^\sigma \log x} \, dx = \int_{\epsilon/\log p_2}^{1} \frac{e^{(1-\sigma)(\log p_2)z_2}}{z_2} \, dz_2 - \int_{\epsilon/\log p_1}^{1} \frac{e^{(1-\sigma)(\log p_1)z_1}}{z_1} \, dz_1. \]

With the variable substantiations \( w_1 = (1 - \sigma)(\log p_1)z_1 \) and \( w_2 = (1 - \sigma)(\log p_2)z_1 \) and by adding and subtracting the terms \(-\int_{(1-\sigma)\epsilon}^{(1-\sigma)\epsilon} \frac{dw_1}{w_1} + \int_{(1-\sigma)\epsilon}^{(1-\sigma)\epsilon} \frac{dw_2}{w_2} \), we then have

\[ \int_{p_1}^{p_2} \frac{1}{x^\sigma \log x} \, dx = \int_{(1-\sigma)\epsilon}^{(1-\sigma)\epsilon} \frac{e^{w_2} - 1}{w_2} \, dw_2 - \int_{(1-\sigma)\epsilon}^{(1-\sigma)\epsilon} \frac{e^{w_1} - 1}{w_1} \, dw_1 + \int_{(1-\sigma)\epsilon}^{(1-\sigma)\epsilon} \frac{dw_2}{w_2} - \int_{(1-\sigma)\epsilon}^{(1-\sigma)\epsilon} \frac{dw_1}{w_1}. \]

Using the following identity [9, page 230]

\[ \int_0^a \frac{e^t - 1}{t} \, dt = -E_1(-a) - \log(a) - \gamma \]

where \( a > 0 \), we then obtain for \( \sigma < 1 \),

\[ \int_{p_1}^{p_2} \frac{1}{x^\sigma \log x} \, dx = E_1((\sigma - 1) \log p_1) - E_1((\sigma - 1) \log p_2) \]
Hence, for $\sigma > 0.5$, we have

$$
\sum_{i=r_1}^{r^2} \frac{1}{p_i^\sigma} = E_1((\sigma - 1) \log p_{r_1}) - E_1((\sigma - 1) \log p_{r_2}) + \varepsilon
$$

It should be pointed out that in general, if there are no non-trivial zeros for values of $s$ with $\Re(s) > a$, then by following the same steps, we may also show that for $\sigma > a$, we have

$$
\sum_{i=r_1}^{r^2} \frac{1}{p_i^\sigma} = E_1((\sigma - 1) \log p_{r_1}) - E_1((\sigma - 1) \log p_{r_2}) + \varepsilon
$$

where, $\varepsilon = O(p_{r_1}^{a-\sigma} \log p_{r_1}/(\sigma - a)^2)$.

**Appendix 3**

Assuming RH is valid and for $\sigma > 0.5$, to show that

$$
\sum_{i=r_1}^{r^2} \frac{1}{p_i^s} = E_1((s - 1) \log p_{r_1}) - E_1((s - 1) \log p_{r_2}) + \varepsilon
$$

where, $\varepsilon = O\left(\frac{|s|+1}{(\sigma-0.5)\pi} p_{r_1}^{1/2-\sigma} \log p_{r_1}\right)$, we first recall that

$$
\sum_{i=r_1}^{r^2} \frac{1}{p_i^s} = \int_{p_{r_1}}^{p_{r_2}} \frac{d\pi(x)}{x^s} = \int_{p_{r_1}}^{p_{r_2}} \frac{1}{x^s \log x} dx + \int_{p_{r_1}}^{p_{r_2}} \frac{1}{x^s} dO(\sqrt{x} \log x).
$$

We will first compute the integral with the $O$ notation. This can be done by integration by parts to obtain

$$
\int_{p_{r_1}}^{p_{r_2}} \frac{1}{x^s} dO(\sqrt{x} \log x) = O(\frac{\sqrt{p_{r_2}} \log p_{r_2}}{p_{r_2}^s}) - \frac{\sqrt{p_{r_1}} \log p_{r_1}}{p_{r_1}^s} - \int_{p_{r_1}}^{p_{r_2}} O(\sqrt{x} \log x) d\left(\frac{1}{x^s}\right)
$$

The integral on the right side of the above equation can be then written as

$$
\int_{p_{r_1}}^{p_{r_2}} O(\sqrt{x} \log x) d\left(\frac{1}{x^s}\right) = -s \int_{p_{r_1}}^{p_{r_2}} O(\sqrt{x} \log x) x^{-s-1} dx.
$$

Hence,

$$
\left|\int_{p_{r_1}}^{p_{r_2}} O(\sqrt{x} \log x) d\left(\frac{1}{x^s}\right)\right| \leq |s| \int_{p_{r_1}}^{p_{r_2}} O(\sqrt{x} \log x) |x^{-s-1}| dx.
$$

Consequently,

$$
\int_{p_{r_1}}^{p_{r_2}} \frac{1}{x^s} dO(\sqrt{x} \log x) = O\left(|s|+1 \frac{p_{r_1}^{0.5-\sigma} \log p_{r_1}}{p_{r_1} \pi (\sigma-0.5)^2}\right).
$$
For \( \Re(s) \geq 1 \), the integral \( \int_{p_{r1}}^{p_{r2}} \frac{1}{x^{s}\log x} \, dx \) can be computed directly from the definition of the Exponential Integral \( E_1(z) = \int_{1}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{z}{t}} \, dt \) (where \( \Re(z) \geq 0 \)) to obtain

\[
\int_{p_{r1}}^{p_{r2}} \frac{1}{x^{s}\log x} \, dx = E_1((s - 1) \log p_{r1}) - E_1((s - 1) \log p_{r2})
\]

To compute the integral \( \int_{p_{r1}}^{p_{r2}} \frac{1}{x^{s}\log x} \, dx \) for \( \Re(z) < 1 \), we first write the integral as follows

\[
\int_{p_{r1}}^{p_{r2}} \frac{1}{x^{s}\log x} \, dx = \int_{p_{r1}}^{p_{r2}} \frac{e^{-\sigma \log x} \cos(t \log x)}{\log x} \, dx - i \int_{p_{r1}}^{p_{r2}} \frac{e^{-\sigma \log x} \sin(t \log x)}{\log x} \, dx.
\]

The first integral on the right side \( \int_{p_{r1}}^{p_{r2}} \frac{e^{-\sigma \log x} \cos(t \log x)}{\log x} \, dx \) can be computed by using the substitution \( y = \log x \) to obtain

\[
\int_{p_{r1}}^{p_{r2}} \frac{e^{-\sigma \log x} \cos(t \log x)}{\log x} \, dx = \int_{p_{r1}}^{p_{r2}} \frac{e^{(1-\sigma)y} \cos(ty)}{y} \, dy,
\]

or

\[
\int_{p_{r1}}^{p_{r2}} \frac{e^{-\sigma \log x} \cos(t \log x)}{\log x} \, dx = \int_{p_{r1}}^{p_{r2}} \frac{e^{(1-\sigma)y} \cos(ty)}{y} \, dy - \int_{p_{r1}}^{p_{r2}} \frac{e^{(1-\sigma)y}}{y} \, dy.
\]

Hence,

\[
\int_{p_{r1}}^{p_{r2}} \frac{e^{-\sigma \log x} \cos(t \log x)}{\log x} \, dx = \int\epsilon \frac{e^{(1-\sigma)y}(1 - \cos(ty))}{y} \, dy - \int\epsilon \frac{e^{(1-\sigma)y}(1 - \cos(ty))}{y} \, dy - \int_{p_{r1}}^{p_{r2}} \frac{e^{(1-\sigma)y}}{y} \, dy + \int_{p_{r1}}^{p_{r2}} \frac{e^{(1-\sigma)y}}{y} \, dy
\]

where, \( \epsilon \) is an arbitrary small positive number. With the variable substitutions \( z_1 = y/\log p_{r1} \) and \( z_2 = y/\log p_{r2} \), we then obtain

\[
\int_{p_{r1}}^{p_{r2}} \frac{e^{-\sigma \log x} \cos(t \log x)}{\log x} \, dx = \int_{\epsilon/\log p_{r1}}^{1} \frac{e^{(1-\sigma)(\log p_{r1})}z_1(1 - \cos(t(\log p_{r1})z_1))}{z_1} \, dz_1 - \int_{\epsilon/\log p_{r2}}^{1} \frac{e^{(1-\sigma)(\log p_{r2})}z_2(1 - \cos(t(\log p_{r2})z_2))}{z_2} \, dz_2 - \int_{\epsilon/\log p_{r1}}^{1} \frac{e^{(1-\sigma)(\log p_{r1})}z_1}{z_1} \, dz_1 + \int_{\epsilon/\log p_{r2}}^{1} \frac{e^{(1-\sigma)(\log p_{r2})}z_2}{z_2} \, dz_2
\]

By the virtue of the following identity ([9], page 230)

\[
\int_{0}^{1} \frac{e^{o(t)(1 - \cos(bt))}}{t} \, dt = \frac{1}{2} \log(1 + b^2/a^2) + \text{Li}(a) + \Re[E_1(1 - a + ib)],
\]

where \( a > 0 \), we then obtain the following

\[
\int_{p_{r1}}^{p_{r2}} \frac{e^{-\sigma \log x} \cos(t \log x)}{\log x} \, dx = \Re[E_1((s - 1) \log p_{r1})] + \text{Li}((1 - \sigma) \log p_{r1}) -
\]
With the variable substantiations $w_1 = (1 - \sigma)(\log p_{r_1})z_1$ and $w_1 = (1 - \sigma)(\log p_{r_1})z_2$ and by adding and subtracting the terms $\int_{(1-\sigma)\epsilon}^{-} \frac{e^{(1-\sigma)(\log p_{r_1})z_1}}{z_1} dz_1 + \int_{(1-\sigma)\epsilon}^{1} \frac{e^{(1-\sigma)(\log p_{r_2})z_2}}{z_2} dz_2$, we then have

$$\int_{p_{r_1}}^{p_{r_2}} e^{-\sigma \log x} \cos(t \log x) \frac{dx}{\log x} = \Re[E_1((s - 1) \log p_{r_1})] - \Im((1 - \sigma) \log p_{r_1}) - \Re[E_1((s - 1) \log p_{r_2})] - \Im((1 - \sigma) \log p_{r_2}) + \int_{(1-\sigma)\epsilon}^{(1-\sigma)\epsilon} e^{w_2} - 1 \frac{dw_2}{w_2} - \int_{(1-\sigma)\epsilon}^{(1-\sigma)\epsilon} e^{w_1} - 1 \frac{dw_1}{w_1} + \int_{(1-\sigma)\epsilon}^{(1-\sigma)\epsilon} e^{w_2} - 1 \frac{dw_2}{w_2} - \int_{(1-\sigma)\epsilon}^{(1-\sigma)\epsilon} e^{w_1} - 1 \frac{dw_1}{w_1}. $$

Using the following identity [9, page 230]

$$\int_{0}^{a} \frac{e^{t} - 1}{t} dt = \text{Ei}(a) - \log(a) - \gamma$$

where $a > 0$, we then obtain for $\sigma < 1$,

$$\int_{p_{r_1}}^{p_{r_2}} e^{-\sigma \log x} \cos(t \log x) \frac{dx}{\log x} = \Re[E_1((s - 1) \log p_{r_1})] - \Re[E_1((s - 1) \log p_{r_2})]$$

Similarly, using the identity [9, page 230]

$$\int_{p_0}^{p_1} \frac{e^{at} \sin(bt)}{t} dt = \pi - \arctan(b/a) + \Im[E_1(-a + ib)],$$

where $a > 0$, we can show that for $\sigma < 1$, we have

$$- \int_{p_{r_1}}^{p_{r_2}} e^{-\sigma \log x} \sin(t \log x) \frac{dx}{\log x} = \Im[E_1((s - 1) \log p_{r_1})] - \Im[E_1((s - 1) \log p_{r_2})].$$

Therefore, for $\Re(s) > 0.5$, we have

$$\sum_{i=r_1}^{s} \frac{1}{p_i^s} = E_1((s - 1) \log p_{r_1}) - E_1((s - 1) \log p_{r_2}) + \varepsilon$$

where, $\varepsilon = O\left(\frac{|s|+1}{|s|-1/2}\right)^r p_{r_1}^{1/2 - \sigma \log p_{r_1}}$. 

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Appendix 4

To show that
\[ \left| \sum_{n=1}^{N} \frac{\mu(n, p_r)}{n} \right| \leq 2 \]

we first note that
- \( \sum_{d/n} \mu(d, p_r) = 1 \), if \( n = 1 \),
- \( \sum_{d/n} \mu(d, p_r) = 1 \), if all the prime factors of \( n \) are less than \( p_r \),
- \( \sum_{d/n} \mu(d, p_r) = 0 \), if any of the prime factors of \( n \) is greater than \( p_r \).

Adding all the terms \( \sum_{d/n} \mu(d, p_r) \) for \( 1 \leq n \leq N \), we then obtain
\[ 0 < \sum_{n=1}^{N} \mu(n, p_r) \left\lfloor \frac{N}{n} \right\rfloor \leq N, \]

where \( \lfloor x \rfloor \) refers to the integer value of \( x \). Define \( r_n \) as
\[ r_n = \frac{N}{n} - \left\lfloor \frac{N}{n} \right\rfloor, \]

where \( 0 \leq r_n < 1 \). Hence, we have
\[ \sum_{n=1}^{N} \mu(n, p_r) r_n < \sum_{n=1}^{N} \mu(n, p_r) \left\lfloor \frac{N}{n} \right\rfloor + \sum_{n=1}^{N} \mu(n, p_r) r_n \leq \sum_{n=1}^{N} \mu(n, p_r) r_n \]

Since
\[ -N \leq \sum_{n=1}^{N} \mu(n, p_r) r_n \leq N, \]

thus, for every \( p_r \) we have
\[ -N < \sum_{n=1}^{N} \mu(n, p_r) \frac{N}{n} \leq 2N, \]

or
\[ -1 < \sum_{n=1}^{N} \frac{\mu(n, p_r)}{n} \leq 2. \]

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