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FIGURE 1. Photo of the Author

*To the memory of my Parents, to my wife Wahida, my daughter
Sinda and my son Mohamed Mazen*

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Une Solution de l'Hypothèse de Riemann - A Solution of The Riemann Hypothesis -

Abstract. — In 1859, Georg Friedrich Bernhard Riemann had announced the following conjecture, called Riemann Hypothesis : *The nontrivial roots (zeros) $s = \sigma + it$ of the zeta function, defined by:*

$$\zeta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{n^s}, \text{ for } \Re(s) > 1$$

have real part $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$.

We give proof that $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$ using an equivalent statement of the Riemann Hypothesis.

Résumé. - En 1859, Georg Friedrich Bernhard Riemann avait annoncé la conjecture suivante, dite Hypothèse de Riemann: *Les zéros non triviaux $s = \sigma + it$ de la fonction zeta définie par:*

$$\zeta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{n^s}, \text{ pour } \Re(s) > 1$$

ont comme parties réelles $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$.

On donne une démonstration que $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$ en utilisant une proposition équivalente de l'Hypothèse de Riemann.

1.1. Introduction

En 1859, G.F.B. Riemann avait annoncé la conjecture suivante [1] :

Conjecture 1.1.1. — Soit $\zeta(s)$ la fonction complexe de la variable complexe $s = \sigma + it$ définie par le prolongement analytique de la fonction :

$$\zeta_1(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{n^s}, \text{ pour } \Re(s) = \sigma > 1$$

sur tout le plan complexe sauf au point $s = 1$. Alors les zéros non triviaux de $\zeta(s) = 0$ sont de la forme :

$$s = \frac{1}{2} + it$$

Dans cette communication, nous donnons une démonstration que $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$. Notre idée est de partir d'une proposition équivalente de l'Hypothèse de Riemann et en utilisant la définition de la limite des suites réelles.

1.1.1. La fonction ζ . — Notons par $s = \sigma + it$ la variable complexe de \mathbb{C} . Pour $\Re(s) = \sigma > 1$, appelons ζ_1 la fonction définie par :

$$\zeta_1(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{n^s}, \text{ avec } \Re(s) = \sigma > 1$$

Nous savons qu'avec la définition précédente, la fonction ζ_1 est une fonction analytique de s . Notons par $\zeta(s)$ la fonction obtenue par prolongement analytique de $\zeta_1(s)$, alors nous rappelons le théorème suivant [2] :

Théorème 1.1.1. - Les zéros de $\zeta(s)$ satisfont :

1. $\zeta(s)$ n'a pas de zéros pour $\Re(s) > 1$;
2. le seul pôle de $\zeta(s)$ est au point $s = 1$; son résidu vaut 1 et il est simple ;
3. les zéros triviaux de $\zeta(s)$ sont déterminés pour les valeurs $s = -2, -4, \dots$;
4. les zéros non triviaux se situent dans la région $0 \leq \Re(s) \leq 1$ dite bande critique et ils sont symétriques respectivement par rapport à l'axe vertical $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$ et l'axe des réels $\Im(s) = 0$.

On sait aussi que les zéros de $\zeta(s)$ dans la bande critique sont tous des nombres complexes $\neq 0$ (voir page 30 de [3]).

La conjecture relative à l'Hypothèse de Riemann est exprimée comme suit :

Conjecture 1.1.2. — (Hypothèse de Riemann,[2]) Tous les zéros non triviaux de $\zeta(s)$ sont sur la droite critique $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$.

En plus des propriétés citées par le théorème cité ci-dessus, la fonction $\zeta(s)$ vérifie la relation fonctionnelle [2] pour $s \neq 1$:

$$(1.1) \quad \zeta(1-s) = 2^{1-s} \pi^{-s} \cos \frac{s\pi}{2} \Gamma(s) \zeta(s)$$

où $\Gamma(s)$ est la fonction définie sur le demi-plan $\Re(s) > 0$ par :

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

Alors, au lieu d'utiliser la fonctionnelle donnée par (6.1), nous allons utiliser celle présentée par G.H. Hardy [3] à savoir la fonction eta de Dirichlet [2] :

$$\eta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} = (1 - 2^{1-s}) \zeta(s)$$

La fonction eta est convergente pour tout $s \in \mathbb{C}$ avec $\Re(s) > 0$ [2].

1.1.2. Une Proposition équivalente à l'Hypothèse de Riemann. — Parmi les propositions équivalentes à l'Hypothèse de Riemann celle de la fonction eta de Dirichlet qui s'énonce comme suit [2] :

Equivalence 1.1.3. — *L'Hypothèse de Riemann est équivalente à l'énoncé que tous les zéros de la fonction eta de Dirichlet :*

$$\eta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} = (1 - 2^{1-s}) \zeta(s)$$

qui se situent dans la bande critique $0 < \Re(s) < 1$, sont sur la droite critique $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$.

1.2. Démonstration que les zéros de $\eta(s)$ vérifient $\sigma = 1/2$

Démonstration. — Notons par $s = \sigma + it$ avec $0 < \sigma < 1$. Considérons maintenant un zéro de $\eta(s)$ qui se trouve dans la bande critique et appelons $s = \sigma + it$ ce zéro, nous avons donc $0 < \sigma < 1$ et $\eta(s) = 0 \implies (1 - 2^{1-s}) \zeta(s) = 0$. Notons $\zeta(s) = A + iB$, et $\theta = t \log 2$, alors :

$$(1 - 2^{1-s}) \zeta(s) = [A(1 - 2^{1-\sigma} \cos \theta) - 2^{1-\sigma} B \sin \theta] + i [B(1 - 2^{1-\sigma} \cos \theta) + 2^{1-\sigma} A \sin \theta]$$

$(1 - 2^{1-s}) \zeta(s) = 0$ donne le système :

$$\begin{aligned} A(1 - 2^{1-\sigma} \cos \theta) - 2^{1-\sigma} B \sin \theta &= 0 \\ B(1 - 2^{1-\sigma} \cos \theta) + 2^{1-\sigma} A \sin \theta &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Comme les fonctions \sin et \cos ne s'annulent pas simultanément, supposons par exemple que $\sin \theta \neq 0$, la première équation du système donne $B =$

$\frac{A(1 - 2^{1-\sigma} \cos\theta)}{2^{1-\sigma} \sin\theta}$, la deuxième équation s'écrit :

$$\frac{A(1 - 2^{1-\sigma} \cos\theta)}{2^{1-\sigma} \sin\theta} (1 - 2^{1-\sigma} \cos\theta) + 2^{1-\sigma} A \sin\theta = 0 \implies A = 0$$

Par suite, $B = 0 \implies \zeta(s) = 0$, il s'ensuit que :

(1.2)

s est un zéro de $\eta(s)$ dans la bande critique est aussi un zéro de $\zeta(s)$

Reciproquement, si s est un zéro de $\zeta(s)$ dans la bande critique, soit $\zeta(s) = A + iB = 0 \implies \eta(s) = (1 - 2^{1-s})\zeta(s) = 0$, donc s est aussi un zéro de $\eta(s)$ dans la bande critique. Nous pouvons écrire :

(1.3)

s est un zéro de $\zeta(s)$ dans la bande critique est aussi un zéro de $\eta(s)$

Ecrivons la fonction η :

$$\begin{aligned} \eta(s) &= \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (-1)^{n-1} e^{-s \operatorname{Log} n} = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (-1)^{n-1} e^{-(\sigma+it) \operatorname{Log} n} = \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (-1)^{n-1} e^{-\sigma \operatorname{Log} n} \cdot e^{-it \operatorname{Log} n} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (-1)^{n-1} e^{-\sigma \operatorname{Log} n} (\cos(t \operatorname{Log} n) - i \sin(t \operatorname{Log} n)) \end{aligned}$$

Remarquons que la fonction η est convergente pour tout $s \in \mathbb{C}$ avec $\Re(s) > 0$, mais non absolument convergente. Comme $\eta(s) = 0$, c'est-à-dire :

$$\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} = 0$$

ou encore :

$$\forall \tau > 0 \quad \exists n_0, \forall N > n_0, \left| \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} \right| < \tau$$

Définissons la suite de fonctions $((\eta_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}^*}(s))$, par :

$$\eta_n(s) = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k^s} = \sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^{k-1} \frac{\cos(t \operatorname{Log} k)}{k^\sigma} - i \sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^{k-1} \frac{\sin(t \operatorname{Log} k)}{k^\sigma}$$

avec $s = \sigma + it$ et $t \neq 0$.

Soit s un zéro de η dans la bande critique, soit $\eta(s) = 0$, avec $0 < \sigma < 1$. Par suite, on peut écrire $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \eta_n(s) = 0 = \eta(s)$. Ce qui donne :

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^{k-1} \frac{\cos(t \operatorname{Log} k)}{k^\sigma} &= 0 \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^{k-1} \frac{\sin(t \operatorname{Log} k)}{k^\sigma} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Utilisons la définition de la limite d'une suite, on peut écrire :

$$(1.4) \forall \epsilon_1 > 0 \quad \exists n_r, \forall N > n_r \quad |\Re(\eta(s)_N)| < \epsilon_1 \implies |\Re(\eta(s)_N)|^2 < \epsilon_1^2$$

$$(1.5) \forall \epsilon_2 > 0 \quad \exists n_i, \forall N > n_i \quad |\Im(\eta(s)_N)| < \epsilon_2 \implies |\Im(\eta(s)_N)|^2 < \epsilon_2^2$$

Ce qui donne :

$$0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{\cos^2(t \log k)}{k^{2\sigma}} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^N \frac{(-1)^{k+k'} \cos(t \log k) \cos(t \log k')}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma} < \epsilon_1^2$$

$$0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{\sin^2(t \log k)}{k^{2\sigma}} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^N \frac{(-1)^{k+k'} \sin(t \log k) \sin(t \log k')}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma} < \epsilon_2^2$$

En prenant $\epsilon = \epsilon_1 = \epsilon_2$ et $N > \max(n_r, n_i)$, on obtient en faisant la somme membre à membre des deux dernières inégalités, on obtient :

$$(1.6) \quad 0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma}} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma} < 2\epsilon^2$$

1.2.1. Cas $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$ $\implies 2\sigma = 1$. — On suppose que $\sigma = \frac{1}{2} \implies 2\sigma = 1$. Commençons par rappeler le théorème de Hardy (1914) [2],[3] :

Théorème 1.2.1. - Il y'a une infinité de zéros de $\zeta(s)$ sur la droite critique.

Des propositions (6.5-6.6), nous déduisons la proposition suivante :

Proposition 1.2.1. — Il y'a une infinité de zéros de $\eta(s)$ sur la droite critique.

Soit $s_j = \frac{1}{2} + it_j$ un des zéros de la fonction $\eta(s)$ sur la droite critique, soit $\eta(s_j) = 0$. L'équation (6.9) s'écrit pour s_j :

$$0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t_j \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k} \sqrt{k'}} < 2\epsilon^2$$

ou encore :

$$\sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k} < 2\epsilon^2 - 2 \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t_j \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k} \sqrt{k'}}$$

Si on fait tendre N vers $+\infty$, la série $\sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k}$ est divergente et devient infinie.

Soit :

$$\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{k} \leq 2\epsilon^2 - 2 \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t_j \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k} \sqrt{k'}}$$

Par suite, nous obtenons le résultat suivant :

$$(1.7) \quad \boxed{\lim_{N \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t_j \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k}\sqrt{k'}} = -\infty}$$

sinon, nous aurons une contradiction avec le fait que :

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=1}^N (-1)^{k-1} \frac{1}{k^{s_j}} = 0 \iff \eta(s) \text{ est convergente pour } s_j = \frac{1}{2} + it_j$$

Comme $t_j \neq 0$, et qu'il y'a une infinité de zéros sur la droite critique, alors le résultat de la formule donnée par (6.11) est indépendant de t_j . Revenons maintenant à $s = \sigma + it$ un zéro de $\eta(s)$ dans la bande critique, soit $\eta(s) = 0$.

Prenons $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$. En partant de la définition de la limite des suites, appliquée ci-dessus, nous obtenons :

$$\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{k} \leq 2\epsilon^2 - 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k}\sqrt{k'}}$$

avec sans aucune contradiction. De la proposition (6.5) il s'ensuit que $\zeta(s) = \zeta(\frac{1}{2} + it) = 0$. Il existe donc des zéros de $\zeta(s)$ sur la droite critique $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$.

1.2.2. Cas $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2}$. —

1.2.2.1. *Cas où il n'existe pas de zéros de $\eta(s)$ avec $s = \sigma + it$ et $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2}$.*

— En utilisant, pour ce cas, le point 4 du théorème (6.1.2), nous déduisons que la fonction $\eta(s)$ n'a pas de zéros avec $s = \sigma + it$ et $\frac{1}{2} < \sigma < 1$. Par suite, d'après la proposition (6.5), il s'ensuit que la fonction $\zeta(s)$ a ses zéros seulement sur la droite critique $\Re(s) = \sigma = \frac{1}{2}$ et l'**Hypothèse de Riemann est vraie**.

1.2.2.2. *Cas où il existe des zéros de $\eta(s)$ avec $s = \sigma + it$ et $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2}$.*

— Supposons qu'il existe $s = \sigma + it$ un zéro de $\eta(s)$ soit $\eta(s) = 0$ avec $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2} \implies s \in$ à la bande critique. Nous écrivons l'équation (6.9), :

$$0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma}} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma} < 2\epsilon^2$$

ou :

$$\sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma}} < 2\epsilon^2 - 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma}$$

Or $2\sigma < 1$, il s'ensuit que $\lim_{N \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma}}$ tende vers $+\infty$ et nous obtenons par suite :

$$(1.8) \quad \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma} = -\infty$$

Là aussi, le résultat ci-dessus est indépendant de t .

1.2.3. Cas $\frac{1}{2} < \Re(s) < 1$. — Soit $s = \sigma + it$ le zéro de $\eta(s)$ dans $0 < \Re(s) < \frac{1}{2}$, objet du paragraphe précédent. Suivant le point 4 du théorème 6.1.2, le nombre complexe $s' = 1 - \sigma + it = \sigma' + it'$ avec $\sigma' = 1 - \sigma$ et $t' = t$ est aussi un zéro de la fonction $\eta(s)$ dans la bande $\frac{1}{2} < \Re(s) < 1$. En appliquant (6.9), nous obtenons :

$$(1.9) \quad 0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma'}} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t' \log(k/k'))}{k'^\sigma' k'^{\sigma'}} < 2\epsilon^2$$

Comme $\sigma < \frac{1}{2}$, d'où $2\sigma' = 2(1 - \sigma) > 1$, alors la série $\sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma'}}$ est convergente vers une constante positive non nulle $C(\sigma')$. De l'équation (6.13), nous déduisons que :

$$\sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{k'^\sigma' k'^{\sigma'}} = -\frac{C(\sigma')}{2} > -\infty$$

Considérons maintenant la fonction $F_N(u, t)$, $N \in \mathbb{N}^* \geq 2$, définie par :

$$\begin{aligned} F_N(u, t) &= \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{k^u k'^u} = \\ &= \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \cos(t \log(k/k')) e^{-u \log(kk')} , \quad u \in]0, 1[, t \in]0, +\infty[\end{aligned}$$

La fonction $F_N(u, t)$ est continue pour $\forall N \geq 2$ et $(u, t) \in]0, 1[\times]0, +\infty[$, et nous avons obtenu précédemment que $\forall t > 0$, pour $N \rightarrow +\infty$:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{k'^\sigma' k'^{\sigma'}} = -\frac{C(\sigma')}{2} \quad \text{pour } u = \sigma' = 1 - \sigma > \frac{1}{2} \\ \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k} \sqrt{k'}} = -\infty \quad \text{pour } u = \frac{1}{2} \\ \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma} = -\infty \quad \text{pour } u = \sigma < \frac{1}{2} \end{array} \right.$$

Fixons $t = t_0 > 0$ une valeur arbitraire et écrivons que $F_N(u, t_0)$ est continue au point $u = 1/2$, on peut écrire :

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta \text{ tel que } \forall u / |u - 1/2| < \delta \implies |F_N(u, t_0) - F_N(1/2, t_0)| < \epsilon$$

Soit $u = \sigma' \in]0, 1[$ avec $\sigma' > \frac{1}{2}$ vérifiant $\sigma' - \frac{1}{2} < \delta$, on a alors l'équation :

$$\begin{aligned} & |F_N(\sigma', t_0) - F_N(1/2, t_0)| < \epsilon \implies \\ & -\epsilon + F_N(\sigma', t_0) < \sum_{k, k'=1; k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t_0 \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k} \sqrt{k'}} < \epsilon + F_N(\sigma', t_0) \\ \implies & -\epsilon + \sum_{k, k'=1; k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t_0 \log(k/k'))}{k^{\sigma'} k'^{\sigma'}} < \sum_{k, k'=1; k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t_0 \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k} \sqrt{k'}} \end{aligned}$$

Comme pour t, u fixés, la fonction F_N est définie pour tout entier $N \geq 2$, faisons alors tendre N vers $+\infty$, nous obtenons :

$$\begin{aligned} & -\epsilon + \sum_{k, k'=1; k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{k^{\sigma'} k'^{\sigma'}} \leq \sum_{k, k'=1; k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k} \sqrt{k'}} \\ \implies & -\epsilon - \frac{C(\sigma')}{2} \leq \sum_{k, k'=1; k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k} \sqrt{k'}} = -\infty \end{aligned}$$

D'où la contradiction avec $C(\sigma')$ bornée. Par suite, l'hypothèse qu'il existe des zéros de $\eta(s)$ dans l'intervalle $\frac{1}{2} < \Re(s) < 1$ étudiée au début de cette section est fausse. Il s'ensuit que la fonction $\eta(s)$ ne s'annule pas dans les intervalles $0 < \Re(s) < \frac{1}{2}$ et $\frac{1}{2} < \Re(s) < 1$ et par suite la fonction $\eta(s)$ a ses zéros non triviaux sur la droite critique $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$ de la bande critique.

□

1.3. Conclusion

En résumé : pour nos démonstrations, nous avons fait usage de la convergence simple de la fonction $\eta(s)$ de Dirichlet :

$$\eta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} = (1 - 2^{1-s})\zeta(s), \quad s = \sigma + it$$

dans la bande critique $0 < \Re(s) < 1$, en obtenant :

- $\eta(s)$ s'annule pour $0 < \sigma = \Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$;
- $\eta(s)$ ne s'annule pas pour $0 < \sigma = \Re(s) < \frac{1}{2}$ et $\frac{1}{2} < \sigma = \Re(s) < 1$.

Par suite, tous les zéros non triviaux de $\eta(s)$ dans la bande critique $0 < \Re(s) < 1$ s'annulent sur la droite critique $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$. En appliquant la proposition équivalente à l'Hypothèse de Riemann 6.1.5, tous les zéros non

triviaux de la fonction $\zeta(s)$ se trouvent sur la droite critique $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$. La démonstration de l'Hypothèse de Riemann est ainsi achevée.

Nous annonçons donc le théorème important :

Théorème 1.3.1. - *L'Hypothèse de Riemann est vraie : tous les zéros non triviaux de la fonction $\zeta(s)$ avec $s = \sigma + it$ se situent sur l'axe vertical $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$.*

2

Is The Riemann Hypothesis True (v1)?

2.1. Introduction

In 1859, G.F.B. Riemann had announced the following conjecture [1]:

Conjecture 2.1.1. — Let $\zeta(s)$ be the complex function of the complex variable $s = \sigma + it$ defined by the analytic continuation of the function:

$$\zeta_1(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{n^s}, \text{ for } \Re(s) = \sigma > 1$$

over the whole complex plane, with the exception of $s = 1$. Then the nontrivial zeros of $\zeta(s) = 0$ are written as :

$$s = \frac{1}{2} + it$$

In this paper, our idea is to start from an equivalent statement of the Riemann Hypothesis, namely the one concerning the Dirichlet η function. The latter is related to Riemann's ζ function where we do not need to manipulate any expression of $\zeta(s)$ in the critical band $0 < \Re(s) < 1$. In our calculations, we will use the definition of the limit of real sequences. We arrive to give a proof that $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$ except at most for a finite number of zeros.

2.1.1. The function ζ . — We denote $s = \sigma + it$ the complex variable of \mathbb{C} . For $\Re(s) = \sigma > 1$, let ζ_1 be the function defined by :

$$\zeta_1(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{n^s}, \text{ for } \Re(s) = \sigma > 1$$

We know that with the previous definition, the function ζ_1 is an analytical function of s . Denote by $\zeta(s)$ the function obtained by the analytic continuation of $\zeta_1(s)$ to the whole complex plane, minus the point $s = 1$, then we recall the following theorem [2]:

Theorem 2.1.2. — . The function $\zeta(s)$ satisfies the following :

1. $\zeta(s)$ has no zero for $\Re(s) > 1$;
2. the only pole of $\zeta(s)$ is at $s = 1$; it has residue 1 and is simple;
3. $\zeta(s)$ has trivial zeros at $s = -2, -4, \dots$;
4. the nontrivial zeros lie inside the region $0 \leq \Re(s) \leq 1$ (called the critical strip) and are symmetric about both the vertical line $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$ and the real axis $\Im(s) = 0$.

The vertical line $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$ is called the critical line. We have also the theorem (see page 16, [3]):

Theorem 2.1.3. — . For all $t \in \mathbb{R}$, $\zeta(1 + it) \neq 0$.

It is also known that the zeros of $\zeta(s)$ inside the critical strip are all complex numbers $\neq 0$ (see page 30 in [3]). Then, we take the critical strip as the region defined as $0 < \Re(s) < 1$.

The Riemann Hypothesis is formulated as:

Conjecture 2.1.4. — . (The Riemann Hypothesis,[2]) All nontrivial zeros of $\zeta(s)$ lie on the critical line $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$.

In addition to the properties cited by the theorem 6.1.2 above, the function $\zeta(s)$ satisfies the functional relation [2] called also the reflection functional equation for $s \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0, 1\}$:

$$(2.1) \quad \zeta(1 - s) = 2^{1-s} \pi^{-s} \cos \frac{s\pi}{2} \Gamma(s) \zeta(s)$$

where $\Gamma(s)$ is the *gamma function* defined only for $\Re(s) > 0$, given by the formula :

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

So, instead of using the functional given by (6.1), we will use the one presented by G.H. Hardy [3] namely Dirichlet's eta function [2]:

$$\eta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} = (1 - 2^{1-s}) \zeta(s)$$

The function eta is convergent for all $s \in \mathbb{C}$ with $\Re(s) > 0$ [2].

2.1.2. A Equivalent statement to the Riemann Hypothesis. — Among the equivalent statements to the Riemann Hypothesis is that of the Dirichlet function eta which is stated as follows [2]:

Equivalence 2.1.5. — . The Riemann Hypothesis is equivalent to the statement that all zeros of the Dirichlet eta function :

$$(2.2) \quad \eta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} = (1 - 2^{1-s})\zeta(s), \quad \sigma > 1$$

that fall in the critical strip $0 < \Re(s) < 1$ lie on the critical line $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$.

The series (6.2) is convergent, and represents $(1 - 2^{1-s})\zeta(s)$ for $\Re(s) = \sigma > 0$ ([3], pages 20-21). We can rewrite:

$$(2.3) \quad \eta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} = (1 - 2^{1-s})\zeta(s), \quad \Re(s) = \sigma > 0$$

$\eta(s)$ is a complex number, it can be written as :

$$(2.4) \quad \eta(s) = \rho e^{i\alpha} \implies \rho^2 = \eta(s) \cdot \overline{\eta(s)}$$

and $\eta(s) = 0 \iff \rho = 0$.

2.2. Proof that the zeros of $\eta(s)$ verify $\sigma = 1/2$

Proof. — . We denote $s = \sigma + it$ with $0 < \sigma < 1$. We consider one zero of $\eta(s)$ that falls in critical strip and we write it as $s = \sigma + it$, then we obtain $0 < \sigma < 1$ and $\eta(s) = 0 \implies (1 - 2^{1-s})\zeta(s) = 0$. Let us denote $\zeta(s) = A + iB$, and $\theta = t \log 2$, then :

$$(1 - 2^{1-s})\zeta(s) = [A(1 - 2^{1-\sigma} \cos \theta) - 2^{1-\sigma} B \sin \theta] + i [B(1 - 2^{1-\sigma} \cos \theta) + 2^{1-\sigma} A \sin \theta]$$

$(1 - 2^{1-s})\zeta(s) = 0$ gives the system:

$$A(1 - 2^{1-\sigma} \cos \theta) - 2^{1-\sigma} B \sin \theta = 0$$

$$B(1 - 2^{1-\sigma} \cos \theta) + 2^{1-\sigma} A \sin \theta = 0$$

As the functions \sin and \cos are not equal to 0 simultaneously, we suppose for example that $\sin \theta \neq 0$, the first equation of the system gives $B = \frac{A(1 - 2^{1-\sigma} \cos \theta)}{2^{1-\sigma} \sin \theta}$, the second equation is written as :

$$\frac{A(1 - 2^{1-\sigma} \cos \theta)}{2^{1-\sigma} \sin \theta} (1 - 2^{1-\sigma} \cos \theta) + 2^{1-\sigma} A \sin \theta = 0 \implies A = 0$$

Then, $B = 0 \implies \zeta(s) = 0$, it follows that:

(2.5)

s is one zero of $\eta(s)$ that falls in the critical strip, is also one zero of $\zeta(s)$

Conversely, if s is a zero of $\zeta(s)$ in the critical strip, let $\zeta(s) = A + iB = 0 \implies \eta(s) = (1 - 2^{1-s})\zeta(s) = 0$, then s is also one zero of $\eta(s)$ in the critical

strip. We can write:

(2.6)

s is one zero of $\zeta(s)$ that falls in the critical strip, is also one zero of $\eta(s)$

Let us write the function η :

$$\begin{aligned}\eta(s) &= \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (-1)^{n-1} e^{-s \log n} = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (-1)^{n-1} e^{-(\sigma+it)\log n} = \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (-1)^{n-1} e^{-\sigma \log n} \cdot e^{-it \log n} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (-1)^{n-1} e^{-\sigma \log n} (\cos(t \log n) - i \sin(t \log n))\end{aligned}$$

The function η is convergent for all $s \in \mathbb{C}$ with $\Re(s) > 0$, but not absolutely convergent. Let s be one zero of the function eta, then :

$$\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} = 0$$

or:

$$\forall \epsilon' > 0 \quad \exists n_0, \forall N > n_0, \left| \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} \right| < \epsilon'$$

We definite the sequence of functions $((\eta_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}^*}(s))$ as:

$$\eta_n(s) = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k^s} = \sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^{k-1} \frac{\cos(t \log k)}{k^\sigma} - i \sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^{k-1} \frac{\sin(t \log k)}{k^\sigma}$$

with $s = \sigma + it$ and $t \neq 0$.

Let s be one zero of η that lies in the critical strip, then $\eta(s) = 0$, with $0 < \sigma < 1$. It follows that we can write $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \eta_n(s) = 0 = \eta(s)$. We obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^{k-1} \frac{\cos(t \log k)}{k^\sigma} &= 0 \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^{k-1} \frac{\sin(t \log k)}{k^\sigma} &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Using the definition of the limit of a sequence, we can write:

$$(2.7) \forall \epsilon_1 > 0 \quad \exists n_r, \forall N > n_r \quad |\Re(\eta(s)_N)| < \epsilon_1 \implies |\Re(\eta(s)_N)|^2 < \epsilon_1^2$$

$$(2.8) \forall \epsilon_2 > 0 \quad \exists n_i, \forall N > n_i \quad |\Im(\eta(s)_N)| < \epsilon_2 \implies |\Im(\eta(s)_N)|^2 < \epsilon_2^2$$

Then:

$$0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{\cos^2(t \log k)}{k^{2\sigma}} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^N \frac{(-1)^{k+k'} \cos(t \log k) \cos(t \log k')}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma} < \epsilon_1^2$$

$$0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{\sin^2(t \log k)}{k^{2\sigma}} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^N \frac{(-1)^{k+k'} \sin(t \log k) \sin(t \log k')}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma} < \epsilon_2^2$$

Taking $\epsilon = \epsilon_1 = \epsilon_2$ and $N > \max(n_r, n_i)$, we get by making the sum member to member of the last two inequalities:

$$(2.9) \quad 0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma}} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma} < 2\epsilon^2$$

We can write the above equation as :

$$(2.10) \quad 0 < \rho_N^2 < 2\epsilon^2$$

or $\rho(s) = 0$.

2.2.1. Case $\sigma = \frac{1}{2} \implies 2\sigma = 1$. — We suppose that $\sigma = \frac{1}{2} \implies 2\sigma = 1$. Let's start by recalling Hardy's theorem (1914) ([2], page 24):

Theorem 2.2.1. — . There are infinitely many zeros of $\zeta(s)$ on the critical line.

From the propositions (6.5-6.6), it follows the proposition :

Proposition 2.2.2. — . There are infinitely many zeros of $\eta(s)$ on the critical line.

Let $s_j = \frac{1}{2} + it_j$ one of the zeros of the function $\eta(s)$ on the critical line, so $\eta(s_j) = 0$. The equation (6.9) is written for s_j :

$$0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t_j \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k} \sqrt{k'}} < 2\epsilon^2$$

or:

$$\sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k} < 2\epsilon^2 - 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t_j \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k} \sqrt{k'}}$$

If $N \rightarrow +\infty$, the series $\sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k}$ is divergent and becomes infinite. then:

$$\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{k} \leq 2\epsilon^2 - 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t_j \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k} \sqrt{k'}}$$

Hence, we obtain the following result:

$$(2.11) \quad \lim_{N \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t_j \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k} \sqrt{k'}} = -\infty$$

if not, we will have a contradiction with the fact that :

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=1}^N (-1)^{k-1} \frac{1}{k^{s_j}} = 0 \iff \eta(s) \text{ is convergent for } s_j = \frac{1}{2} + it_j$$

Let $s = \sigma + it$ one zero of $\eta(s)$ on the critical line $\implies \eta(s) = 0$. We take $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$. Starting from the definition of the limit of sequences, applied above, we obtain:

$$\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{k} \leq 2\epsilon^2 - 2 \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k} \sqrt{k'}}$$

with any contradiction. From the proposition (6.5), it follows that $\zeta(s) = \zeta(\frac{1}{2} + it) = 0$. There are therefore zeros of $\zeta(s)$ on the critical line $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$.

2.2.2. Case $0 < \Re(s) < \frac{1}{2}$. —

2.2.2.1. *Case there is no zeros of $\eta(s)$ with $s = \sigma + it$ and $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2}$.* — Using, for this case, point 4 of theorem (6.1.2), we deduce that the function $\eta(s)$ has no zeros with $s = \sigma + it$ and $\frac{1}{2} < \sigma < 1$. Then, from the proposition (6.5), it follows that the function $\zeta(s)$ has all its nontrivial zeros only on the critical line $\Re(s) = \sigma = \frac{1}{2}$ and the **Riemann Hypothesis is true**.

2.2.2.2. Case where there are zeros of $\eta(s)$ with $s = \sigma + it$ and $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2}$.

— Suppose that there exists $s = \sigma + it$ one zero of $\eta(s)$ or $\eta(s) = 0 \implies \rho^2(s) = 0$ with $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2} \implies s$ lies inside the critical band. We write the equation (6.9):

$$0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma}} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma} < 2\epsilon^2$$

or:

$$\sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma}} < 2\epsilon^2 - 2 \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma}$$

But $2\sigma < 1$, it follows that $\lim_{N \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma}} \rightarrow +\infty$ and then, we obtain :

$$(2.12) \quad \boxed{\sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma} = -\infty}$$

2.2.3. Case $\frac{1}{2} < \Re(s) < 1$. — Let $s = \sigma + it$ be the zero of $\eta(s)$ in $0 < \Re(s) < \frac{1}{2}$, object of the previous paragraph. According to point 4 of theorem 6.1.2, the complex number $s' = 1 - \sigma + it = \sigma' + it'$ with $\sigma' = 1 - \sigma$, $t' = t$ and $\frac{1}{2} < \sigma' < 1$, is also a zero of the function $\eta(s)$ in the band $\frac{1}{2} < \Re(s) < 1$, that is $\eta(s') = 0 \implies \rho(s') = 0$. By applying (6.9), we get:

$$(2.13) \quad 0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma'}} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t' \log(k/k'))}{k^{\sigma'} k'^{\sigma'}} < 2\epsilon^2$$

As $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2} \implies 2 > 2\sigma' = 2(1 - \sigma) > 1$, then the series $\sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma'}}$ is convergent to a positive constant not null $C(\sigma')$. As $1/k^2 < 1/k^{2\sigma'}$, then :

$$0 < \frac{\pi^2}{6} = \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{k^2} \leq \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma'}} = C(\sigma') = \zeta_1(2\sigma') = \zeta(2\sigma')$$

From the equation (6.13), it follows that :

$$(2.14) \quad \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t' \log(k/k'))}{k^{\sigma'} k'^{\sigma'}} = -\frac{C(\sigma')}{2} = -\frac{\zeta(2\sigma')}{2} > -\infty$$

Then, we have the two following cases:

1)- There exists an infinity of complex numbers $s_l = \sigma_l + it_l$ with $\sigma_l \in]0, 1/2[$ such that $\eta(s_l) = 0$. For each s'_l , the left member of the equation (6.14) above is finite and depends of σ'_l and t'_l , but the right member is a function only of σ'_l equal to $\zeta(2\sigma'_l)$. Hence the contradiction because for all σ'' so that $2\sigma'' > 1$, we have $\zeta(2\sigma'')$ depends only of σ'' , therefore, the function $\eta(s)$ has no zeros for all $s'_l = \sigma'_l + it'_l$ with $\sigma'_l \in]1/2, 1[$, it follows that the paragraph (2.2.2.2) above concerning the case $0 < \Re(s) < \frac{1}{2}$ is false. Then, the function $\eta(s)$ has all its zeros on the critical line $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$. From the equivalent statement (6.1.5), it follows that **the Riemann hypothesis is verified.**

2)- There is at most a single zero $s_0 = \sigma_0 + it_0$ of $\eta(s)$ with $\sigma_0 \in]0, 1/2[, t_0 > 0$ such that $\eta(s_0) = 0$. Let us call this zero *isolated zero* that we denote by (IZ). Therefore, the interval $]1/2, 1[$ contains a single zero $s'_0 = 1 - \sigma_0 + it_0$. Since the critical line contains an infinity of zeros of

$\zeta(s) = 0$, it follows that all the nontrivial zeros of $\zeta(s)$ are on the critical line $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$, except the 4 zeros relative to (IZ). Here too, we deduce that **the Riemann Hypothesis holds** except at most for the (IZ) in the critical band. \square

2.3. Conclusion

In summary: for our proofs, we made use of Dirichlet's $\eta(s)$ function:

$$\eta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} = (1 - 2^{1-s})\zeta(s), \quad s = \sigma + it$$

on the critical band $0 < \Re(s) < 1$, in obtaining:

- $\eta(s)$ vanishes for $0 < \sigma = \Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$;
- $\eta(s)$ does not vanish for $0 < \sigma = \Re(s) < \frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{2} < \sigma = \Re(s) < 1$ except at most for the (IZ) (with its symmetrical) inside the critical band.

Consequently, all the zeros of $\eta(s)$ inside the critical band $0 < \Re(s) < 1$ vanish on the critical line $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$ except at most at (IZ) (with its symmetrical). Applying the equivalent proposition to the Riemann Hypothesis 6.1.5, all the nontrivial zeros of the function $\zeta(s)$ lie on the critical line $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$ except at most at (IZ) (with its symmetrical) inside the critical band. The proof of the Riemann Hypothesis is thus completed.

We therefore announce the important theorem as follows:

Theorem 2.3.1. — . All nontrivial zeros of the function $\zeta(s)$ with $s = \sigma + it$ lie on the vertical line $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$, except for at most four zeros of respective affixes $(\sigma_0, t_0), (1 - \sigma_0, t_0), (\sigma_0, -t_0), (1 - \sigma_0, -t_0)$, belonging to the critical band.

3

Is The Riemann Hypothesis True (v2)?

3.1. Introduction

In 1859, G.F.B. Riemann had announced the following conjecture [1]:

Conjecture 3.1.1. — Let $\zeta(s)$ be the complex function of the complex variable $s = \sigma + it$ defined by the analytic continuation of the function:

$$\zeta_1(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{n^s}, \text{ for } \Re(s) = \sigma > 1$$

over the whole complex plane, with the exception of $s = 1$. Then the nontrivial zeros of $\zeta(s) = 0$ are written as :

$$s = \frac{1}{2} + it$$

In this paper, our idea is to start from an equivalent statement of the Riemann Hypothesis, namely the one concerning the Dirichlet η function. The latter is related to Riemann's ζ function where we do not need to manipulate any expression of $\zeta(s)$ in the critical band $0 < \Re(s) < 1$. In our calculations, we will use the definition of the limit of real sequences. We arrive to give a proof that $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$.

3.1.1. The function ζ . — We denote $s = \sigma + it$ the complex variable of \mathbb{C} . For $\Re(s) = \sigma > 1$, let ζ_1 be the function defined by :

$$\zeta_1(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{n^s}, \text{ for } \Re(s) = \sigma > 1$$

We know that with the previous definition, the function ζ_1 is an analytical function of s . Denote by $\zeta(s)$ the function obtained by the analytic continuation of $\zeta_1(s)$ to the whole complex plane, minus the point $s = 1$, then we recall the following theorem [2]:

Theorem 3.1.2. — The function $\zeta(s)$ satisfies the following :

1. $\zeta(s)$ has no zero for $\Re(s) > 1$;
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$\eta(s)$ is a complex number, it can be written as :

$$(3.4) \quad \eta(s) = \rho e^{i\alpha} \implies \rho^2 = \eta(s) \cdot \overline{\eta(s)}$$

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Conversely, if s is a zero of $\zeta(s)$ in the critical strip, let $\zeta(s) = 0 \implies \eta(s) = (1 - 2^{1-s})\zeta(s) = 0$, then s is also one zero of $\eta(s)$ in the critical strip. We can write:

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Let us write the function η :

$$\begin{aligned} \eta(s) &= \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (-1)^{n-1} e^{-s \log n} = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (-1)^{n-1} e^{-(\sigma+it)\log n} = \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (-1)^{n-1} e^{-\sigma \log n} \cdot e^{-it \log n} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (-1)^{n-1} e^{-\sigma \log n} (\cos(t \log n) - i \sin(t \log n)) \end{aligned}$$

The function η is convergent for all $s \in \mathbb{C}$ with $\Re(s) > 0$, but not absolutely convergent. Let s be one zero of the function eta, then :

$$\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} = 0$$

or:

$$\forall \epsilon' > 0 \quad \exists n_0, \forall N > n_0, \left| \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} \right| < \epsilon'$$

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with $s = \sigma + it$ and $t \neq 0$.

Let s be one zero of η that lies in the critical strip, then $\eta(s) = 0$, with $0 < \sigma < 1$. It follows that we can write $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \eta_n(s) = 0 = \eta(s)$. We obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^{k-1} \frac{\cos(t \log k)}{k^\sigma} &= 0 \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^{k-1} \frac{\sin(t \log k)}{k^\sigma} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Using the definition of the limit of a sequence, we can write:

$$(3.7) \forall \epsilon_1 > 0 \quad \exists n_r, \forall N > n_r \quad |\Re(\eta(s)_N)| < \epsilon_1 \implies |\Re(\eta(s)_N)|^2 < \epsilon_1^2$$

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Then:

$$0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{\cos^2(t \log k)}{k^{2\sigma}} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^N \frac{(-1)^{k+k'} \cos(t \log k) \cdot \cos(t \log k')}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma} < \epsilon_1^2$$

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We can write the above equation as :

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or $\rho(s) = 0$.

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We suppose that $\sigma = \frac{1}{2} \implies 2\sigma = 1$. Let's start by recalling Hardy's theorem (1914) ([2], page 24):

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From the propositions (6.5-6.6), it follows the proposition :

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Let $s_j = \frac{1}{2} + it_j$ one of the zeros of the function $\eta(s)$ on the critical line, so $\eta(s_j) = 0$. The equation (6.9) is written for s_j :

$$0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t_j \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k}\sqrt{k'}} < 2\epsilon^2$$

or:

$$\sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k} < 2\epsilon^2 - 2 \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t_j \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k}\sqrt{k'}}$$

If $N \rightarrow +\infty$, the series $\sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k}$ is divergent and becomes infinite. then:

$$\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{k} \leq 2\epsilon^2 - 2 \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t_j \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k}\sqrt{k'}}$$

Hence, we obtain the following result:

$$(3.11) \quad \lim_{N \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t_j \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k}\sqrt{k'}} = -\infty$$

if not, we will have a contradiction with the fact that :

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=1}^N (-1)^{k-1} \frac{1}{k^{s_j}} = 0 \iff \eta(s) \text{ is convergent for } s_j = \frac{1}{2} + it_j$$

3.4. Case $0 < \Re(s) < \frac{1}{2}$

3.4.1. Case there is no zeros of $\eta(s)$ with $s = \sigma + it$ and $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2}$. —

As there is no zeros of $\eta(s)$ with $s = \sigma + it$ and $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2}$, it follows from the proposition (6.5) that $\zeta(s)$ has also no zeros with $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2}$. Using the

symmetry of $\zeta(s)$, there is no zeros of $\zeta(s)$ with $s = \sigma + it$ and $\frac{1}{2} < \sigma < 1$. We deduce from the proposition (6.6) that the function $\eta(s)$ has no zeros with $s = \sigma + it$ and $\frac{1}{2} < \sigma < 1$. Then, the function $\eta(s)$ has all its nontrivial zeros only on the critical line $\Re(s) = \sigma = \frac{1}{2}$ and from the equivalent statement 6.1.5, we conclude that **the Riemann Hypothesis is true.**

3.4.2. Case where there are zeros of $\eta(s)$ with $s = \sigma + it$ and $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2}$. — Suppose that there exists $s = \sigma + it$ one zero of $\eta(s)$ or $\eta(s) = 0 \implies \rho^2(s) = 0$ with $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2} \implies s$ lies inside the critical band. We write the equation (6.9):

$$0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma}} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma} < 2\epsilon^2$$

or:

$$\sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma}} < 2\epsilon^2 - 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma}$$

But $2\sigma < 1$, it follows that $\lim_{N \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma}} \rightarrow +\infty$ and then, we obtain :

$$(3.12) \quad \boxed{\sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma} = -\infty}$$

3.5. Case $\frac{1}{2} < \Re(s) < 1$

Let $s = \sigma + it$ be the zero of $\eta(s)$ in $0 < \Re(s) < \frac{1}{2}$, object of the previous paragraph. From the proposition (6.5), $\zeta(s) = 0$. According to point 4 of theorem 6.1.2, the complex number $s' = 1 - \sigma + it = \sigma' + it'$ with $\sigma' = 1 - \sigma$, $t' = t$ and $\frac{1}{2} < \sigma' < 1$ verifies $\zeta(s') = 0$, so s' is also a zero of the function $\zeta(s)$ in the band $\frac{1}{2} < \Re(s) < 1$, it follows from the proposition (6.6) that $\eta(s') = 0 \implies \rho(s') = 0$. By applying (6.9), we get:

$$(3.13) \quad 0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma'}} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t' \log(k/k'))}{k'^\sigma k'^{\sigma'}} < 2\epsilon^2$$

As $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2} \implies 2 > 2\sigma' = 2(1 - \sigma) > 1$, then the series $\sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma'}}$ is convergent to a positive constant not null $C(\sigma')$. As $1/k^2 < 1/k^{2\sigma'}$, then :

$$0 < \zeta(2) = \frac{\pi^2}{6} = \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{k^2} \leq \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma'}} = C(\sigma') = \zeta_1(2\sigma') = \zeta(2\sigma')$$

From the equation (6.13), it follows that :

$$(3.14) \quad \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t' \log(k/k'))}{k^{\sigma'} k'^{\sigma'}} = -\frac{C(\sigma')}{2} = -\frac{\zeta(2\sigma')}{2} > -\infty$$

Let $s_l = \sigma_l + it_l$ with $\sigma_l \in]0, 1/2[$ such that $\eta(s_l) = 0$. For each s'_l , the left member of the equation (6.14) above is finite and depends of $\sigma'_l = 1 - \sigma_l$ and $t'_l = t_l$, but the right member is a function only of σ'_l equal to $-\zeta(2\sigma'_l)/2$. Hence the contradiction because for all σ'' so that $2\sigma'' > 1$, we have $\zeta(2\sigma'')$ depends only of σ'' , then in particular for all σ'' with $2 > 2\sigma'' > 1$, $\zeta(2\sigma'')$ depends only of $\sigma'' \Rightarrow$ the equation (6.14) is false, then, the function $\eta(s)$ has no zeros for all $s'_l = \sigma'_l + it'_l$ with $\sigma'_l \in]1/2, 1[$, it follows that the second case of the paragraph (6.4) above concerning the case $0 < \Re(s) < \frac{1}{2}$ is false. Then, the function $\eta(s)$ has all its zeros on the critical line $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$. From the equivalent statement (6.1.5), it follows that **the Riemann hypothesis is verified**.

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3.6. Conclusion

In summary: for our proofs, we made use of Dirichlet's $\eta(s)$ function:

$$\eta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} = (1 - 2^{1-s})\zeta(s), \quad s = \sigma + it$$

on the critical band $0 < \Re(s) < 1$, in obtaining:

- $\eta(s)$ vanishes for $0 < \sigma = \Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$;
- $\eta(s)$ does not vanish for $0 < \sigma = \Re(s) < \frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{2} < \sigma = \Re(s) < 1$.

Consequently, all the zeros of $\eta(s)$ inside the critical band $0 < \Re(s) < 1$ are on the critical line $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$. Applying the equivalent proposition to the Riemann Hypothesis (6.1.5), we conclude that **the Riemann hypothesis is verified** and all the nontrivial zeros of the function $\zeta(s)$ lie on the critical line $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$. The proof of the Riemann Hypothesis is thus completed.

We therefore announce the important theorem as follows:

Theorem 3.6.1. — *The Riemann Hypothesis is true:*

All nontrivial zeros of the function $\zeta(s)$ with $s = \sigma + it$ lie on the vertical line $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$.

4

Is The Riemann Hypothesis True? Yes, It Is. (V1)

4.1. Introduction

In 1859, G.F.B. Riemann had announced the following conjecture [1]:

Conjecture 4.1.1. — Let $\zeta(s)$ be the complex function of the complex variable $s = \sigma + it$ defined by the analytic continuation of the function:

$$\zeta_1(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{n^s}, \text{ for } \Re(s) = \sigma > 1$$

over the whole complex plane, with the exception of $s = 1$. Then the nontrivial zeros of $\zeta(s) = 0$ are written as :

$$s = \frac{1}{2} + it$$

In this paper, our idea is to start from an equivalent statement of the Riemann Hypothesis, namely the one concerning the Dirichlet η function. The latter is related to Riemann's ζ function where we do not need to manipulate any expression of $\zeta(s)$ in the critical band $0 < \Re(s) < 1$. In our calculations, we will use the definition of the limit of real sequences. We arrive to give a proof that $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$.

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We know that with the previous definition, the function ζ_1 is an analytical function of s . Denote by $\zeta(s)$ the function obtained by the analytic continuation of $\zeta_1(s)$ to the whole complex plane, minus the point $s = 1$, then we recall the following theorem [2]:

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$$0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t_j \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k}\sqrt{k'}} < 2\epsilon^2$$

or:

$$\sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k} < 2\epsilon^2 - 2 \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t_j \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k}\sqrt{k'}}$$

If $N \rightarrow +\infty$, the series $\sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k}$ is divergent and becomes infinite. then:

$$\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{k} \leq 2\epsilon^2 - 2 \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t_j \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k}\sqrt{k'}}$$

Hence, we obtain the following result:

$$(4.11) \quad \lim_{N \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t_j \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k}\sqrt{k'}} = -\infty$$

if not, we will have a contradiction with the fact that :

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=1}^N (-1)^{k-1} \frac{1}{k^{s_j}} = 0 \iff \eta(s) \text{ is convergent for } s_j = \frac{1}{2} + it_j$$

4.4. Case $0 < \Re(s) < \frac{1}{2}$

4.4.1. Case there is no zeros of $\eta(s)$ with $s = \sigma + it$ and $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2}$. —

As there is no zeros of $\eta(s)$ with $s = \sigma + it$ and $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2}$, it follows from the proposition (6.5) that $\zeta(s)$ has also no zeros with $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2}$. Using the

symmetry of $\zeta(s)$, there is no zeros of $\zeta(s)$ with $s = \sigma + it$ and $\frac{1}{2} < \sigma < 1$. We deduce from the proposition (6.6) that the function $\eta(s)$ has no zeros with $s = \sigma + it$ and $\frac{1}{2} < \sigma < 1$. Then, the function $\eta(s)$ has all its nontrivial zeros only on the critical line $\Re(s) = \sigma = \frac{1}{2}$ and from the equivalent statement 6.1.5, we conclude that **the Riemann Hypothesis is true.**

4.4.2. Case where there are zeros of $\eta(s)$ with $s = \sigma + it$ and $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2}$. — Suppose that there exists $s = \sigma + it$ one zero of $\eta(s)$ or $\eta(s) = 0 \implies \rho^2(s) = 0$ with $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2} \implies s$ lies inside the critical band. We write the equation (6.9):

$$0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma}} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma} < 2\epsilon^2$$

or:

$$\sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma}} < 2\epsilon^2 - 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma}$$

But $2\sigma < 1$, it follows that $\lim_{N \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma}} \rightarrow +\infty$ and then, we obtain :

$$(4.12) \quad \boxed{\sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma} = -\infty}$$

4.5. Case $\frac{1}{2} < \Re(s) < 1$

Let $s = \sigma + it$ be the zero of $\eta(s)$ in $0 < \Re(s) < \frac{1}{2}$, object of the previous paragraph. From the proposition (6.5), $\zeta(s) = 0$. According to point 4 of theorem 6.1.2, the complex number $s' = 1 - \sigma + it = \sigma' + it'$ with $\sigma' = 1 - \sigma$, $t' = t$ and $\frac{1}{2} < \sigma' < 1$ verifies $\zeta(s') = 0$, so s' is also a zero of the function $\zeta(s)$ in the band $\frac{1}{2} < \Re(s) < 1$, it follows from the proposition (6.6) that $\eta(s') = 0 \implies \rho(s') = 0$. By applying (6.9), we get:

$$(4.13) \quad 0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma'}} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t' \log(k/k'))}{k'^\sigma k'^{\sigma'}} < 2\epsilon^2$$

As $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2} \implies 2 > 2\sigma' = 2(1 - \sigma) > 1$, then the series $\sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma'}}$ is convergent to a positive constant not null $C(\sigma')$. As $1/k^2 < 1/k^{2\sigma'}$, then :

$$0 < \zeta(2) = \frac{\pi^2}{6} = \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{k^2} \leq \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma'}} = C(\sigma') = \zeta_1(2\sigma') = \zeta(2\sigma')$$

From the equation (6.13), it follows that :

$$(4.14) \quad \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t' \log(k/k'))}{k^{\sigma'} k'^{\sigma'}} = -\frac{C(\sigma')}{2} = -\frac{\zeta(2\sigma')}{2} > -\infty$$

Let $s_l = \sigma_l + it_l$ with $\sigma_l \in]0, 1/2[$ such that $\eta(s_l) = 0$.

Firstly, we suppose that $t_l \neq 0$. For each s'_l , the left member of the equation (6.14) above is finite and depends of $\sigma'_l = 1 - \sigma_l$ and $t'_l = t_l$, but the right member is a function only of σ'_l equal to $-\zeta(2\sigma'_l)/2$. Hence the contradiction because for all σ'' so that $2\sigma'' > 1$, we have $\zeta(2\sigma'')$ depends only of σ'' , then in particular for all σ'' with $2 > 2\sigma'' > 1$, $\zeta(2\sigma'')$ depends only of $\sigma'' \implies$ the equation (6.14) is false.

Secondly, we suppose that $t_l = 0 \implies t'_l = 0$. The equation (6.14) becomes:

$$(4.15) \quad \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{1}{k^{\sigma'_l} k'^{\sigma'_l}} = -\frac{C(\sigma'_l)}{2} = -\frac{\zeta(2\sigma'_l)}{2} > -\infty$$

Then $s'_l = \sigma'_l > 1/2$ is a zero of $\eta(s)$, we obtain :

$$(4.16) \quad \eta(s'_l) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^{s'_l}} = 0$$

Let us define the sequence S_m as:

$$(4.17) \quad S_m(s'_l) = \sum_{n=1}^m \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^{s'_l}} = \sum_{n=1}^m \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^{\sigma'_l}} = S_m(\sigma'_l)$$

From the definition of S_m , we obtain :

$$(4.18) \quad \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} S_m(s'_l) = \eta(s'_l) = \eta(\sigma'_l)$$

We have also:

$$(4.19) \quad S_1(\sigma'_l) = 1 > 0$$

$$(4.20) \quad S_2(\sigma'_l) = 1 - \frac{1}{2^{\sigma'_l}} > 0 \quad \text{because } 2^{\sigma'_l} > 1$$

$$(4.21) \quad S_3(\sigma'_l) = S_2(\sigma'_l) + \frac{1}{3^{\sigma'_l}} > 0$$

We proceed by recurrence, we suppose that $S_m(\sigma'_l) > 0$.

$$1. \ m = 2q \implies S_{m+1}(\sigma'_l) = \sum_{n=1}^{m+1} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^{s'_l}} = S_m(\sigma'_l) + \frac{(-1)^{m+1-1}}{(m+1)^{\sigma'_l}}, \text{ it gives:}$$

$$S_{m+1}(\sigma'_l) = S_m(\sigma'_l) + \frac{(-1)^{2q}}{(m+1)^{\sigma'_l}} = S_m(\sigma'_l) + \frac{1}{(m+1)^{\sigma'_l}} > 0 \Rightarrow S_{m+1}(\sigma'_l) > 0$$

2. $m = 2q + 1$, we can write $S_{m+1}(\sigma'_l)$ as:

$$S_{m+1}(\sigma'_l) = S_{m-1}(\sigma'_l) + \frac{(-1)^{m-1}}{m^{\sigma'_l}} + \frac{(-1)^{m+1-1}}{(m+1)^{\sigma'_l}}$$

We have $S_{m-1}(\sigma'_l) > 0$, let $T = \frac{(-1)^{m-1}}{m^{\sigma'_l}} + \frac{(-1)^m}{(m+1)^{\sigma'_l}}$, we obtain:

$$(4.22) \quad T = \frac{(-1)^{2q}}{(2q+1)^{\sigma'_l}} + \frac{(-1)^{2q+1}}{(2q+2)^{\sigma'_l}} = \frac{1}{(2q+1)^{\sigma'_l}} - \frac{1}{(2q+2)^{\sigma'_l}} > 0$$

and $S_{m+1}(\sigma'_l) > 0$.

Then all the terms $S_m(\sigma'_l)$ of the sequence S_m are great then 0, it follows that $\lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} S_m(s'_l) = \eta(s'_l) = \eta(\sigma'_l) > 0$ and $\eta(\sigma'_l) < +\infty$ because $\Re(s'_l) = \sigma'_l > 0$ and $\eta(s'_l)$ is convergent. We deduce the contradiction that s'_l is a zero of $\eta(s)$ and the equation (6.15) is false. Then, the function $\eta(s)$ has no zeros for all $s'_l = \sigma'_l + it'_l$ with $\sigma'_l \in]1/2, 1[$, it follows that the second case of the paragraph (6.4) above concerning the case $0 < \Re(s) < \frac{1}{2}$ is false. Then, the function $\eta(s)$ has all its zeros on the critical line $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$. From the equivalent statement (6.1.5), it follows that **the Riemann hypothesis is verified.** \square

From the calculations above, we can verify easily the following proposition:

Proposition 4.5.1. — For all $s = \sigma$ real with $0 < \sigma < 1$, $\eta(s) > 0$ and $\zeta(s) < 0$.

4.6. Conclusion

In summary: for our proofs, we made use of Dirichlet's $\eta(s)$ function:

$$\eta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} = (1 - 2^{1-s})\zeta(s), \quad s = \sigma + it$$

on the critical band $0 < \Re(s) < 1$, in obtaining:

- $\eta(s)$ vanishes for $0 < \sigma = \Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$;
- $\eta(s)$ does not vanish for $0 < \sigma = \Re(s) < \frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{2} < \sigma = \Re(s) < 1$.

Consequently, all the zeros of $\eta(s)$ inside the critical band $0 < \Re(s) < 1$ are on the critical line $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$. Applying the equivalent proposition to the Riemann Hypothesis (6.1.5), we conclude that **the Riemann hypothesis is verified** and all the nontrivial zeros of the function $\zeta(s)$ lie on the critical

line $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$. The proof of the Riemann Hypothesis is thus completed.

We therefore announce the important theorem as follows:

Theorem 4.6.1. — *The Riemann Hypothesis is true:
All nontrivial zeros of the function $\zeta(s)$ with $s = \sigma + it$ lie on the
vertical line $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$.*

5

Is The Riemann Hypothesis True? Yes, It Is. (V2)

5.1. Introduction

In 1859, G.F.B. Riemann had announced the following conjecture [1]:

Conjecture 5.1.1. — Let $\zeta(s)$ be the complex function of the complex variable $s = \sigma + it$ defined by the analytic continuation of the function:

$$\zeta_1(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{n^s}, \text{ for } \Re(s) > 1$$

over the whole complex plane, with the exception of $s = 1$. Then the nontrivial zeros of $\zeta(s) = 0$ are written as :

$$s = \frac{1}{2} + it$$

In this paper, our idea is to start from an equivalent statement of the Riemann Hypothesis, namely the one concerning the Dirichlet η function. The latter is related to Riemann's ζ function where we do not need to manipulate any expression of $\zeta(s)$ in the critical band $0 < \Re(s) < 1$. In our calculations, we will use the definition of the limit of real sequences. We arrive to give the proof that $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$.

5.1.1. The function ζ . — We denote $s = \sigma + it$ the complex variable of \mathbb{C} . For $\Re(s) = \sigma > 1$, let ζ_1 be the function defined by :

$$\zeta_1(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{n^s}, \text{ for } \Re(s) > 1$$

We know that with the previous definition, the function ζ_1 is an analytical function of s . Denote by $\zeta(s)$ the function obtained by the analytic continuation of $\zeta_1(s)$ to the whole complex plane, minus the point $s = 1$, then we recall the following theorem [2]:

Theorem 5.1.2. — *The function $\zeta(s)$ satisfies the following :*

1. $\zeta(s)$ has no zero for $\Re(s) > 1$;
2. the only pole of $\zeta(s)$ is at $s = 1$; it has residue 1 and is simple;
3. $\zeta(s)$ has trivial zeros at $s = -2, -4, \dots$;
4. the nontrivial zeros lie inside the region $0 \leq \Re(s) \leq 1$ (called the critical strip) and are symmetric about both the vertical line $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$ and the real axis $\Im(s) = 0$.

The vertical line $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$ is called the critical line.

The Riemann Hypothesis is formulated as:

Conjecture 5.1.3. — *(The Riemann Hypothesis,[2]) All nontrivial zeros of $\zeta(s)$ lie on the critical line $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$.*

In addition to the properties cited by the theorem 6.1.2 above, the function $\zeta(s)$ satisfies the functional relation [2] called also the reflection functional equation for $s \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0, 1\}$:

$$(5.1) \quad \zeta(1-s) = 2^{1-s} \pi^{-s} \cos \frac{s\pi}{2} \Gamma(s) \zeta(s)$$

where $\Gamma(s)$ is the *gamma function* defined only for $\Re(s) > 0$, given by the formula :

$$\Gamma(s) = \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^{s-1} dt, \quad \Re(s) > 0$$

So, instead of using the functional given by (6.1), we will use the one presented by G.H. Hardy [3] namely Dirichlet's eta function [2]:

$$\eta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} = (1 - 2^{1-s}) \zeta(s)$$

The function eta is convergent for all $s \in \mathbb{C}$ with $\Re(s) > 0$ [2].

We have also the theorem (see page 16, [3]):

Theorem 5.1.4. — *For all $t \in \mathbb{R}$, $\zeta(1+it) \neq 0$.*

So, we take the critical strip as the region defined as $0 < \Re(s) < 1$.

5.1.2. A Equivalent statement to the Riemann Hypothesis. — Among the equivalent statements to the Riemann Hypothesis is that of the Dirichlet function eta which is stated as follows [2]:

Equivalence 5.1.5. — The Riemann Hypothesis is equivalent to the statement that all zeros of the Dirichlet eta function :

$$(5.2) \quad \eta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} = (1 - 2^{1-s})\zeta(s), \quad \sigma > 1$$

that fall in the critical strip $0 < \Re(s) < 1$ lie on the critical line $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$.

The series (6.2) is convergent, and represents $(1 - 2^{1-s})\zeta(s)$ for $\Re(s) = \sigma > 0$ ([3], pages 20-21). We can rewrite:

$$(5.3) \quad \eta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} = (1 - 2^{1-s})\zeta(s), \quad \Re(s) = \sigma > 0$$

$\eta(s)$ is a complex number, it can be written as :

$$(5.4) \quad \eta(s) = \rho e^{i\alpha} \implies \rho^2 = \eta(s) \cdot \overline{\eta(s)}$$

and $\eta(s) = 0 \iff \rho = 0$.

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Proof. — . We denote $s = \sigma + it$ with $0 < \sigma < 1$. We consider one zero of $\eta(s)$ that falls in critical strip and we write it as $s = \sigma + it$, then we obtain $0 < \sigma < 1$ and $\eta(s) = 0 \iff (1 - 2^{1-s})\zeta(s) = 0$. We verifies easily the two propositions:

(5.5)

s , is one zero of $\eta(s)$ that falls in the critical strip, is also one zero of $\zeta(s)$

Conversely, if s is a zero of $\zeta(s)$ in the critical strip, let $\zeta(s) = 0 \implies \eta(s) = (1 - 2^{1-s})\zeta(s) = 0$, then s is also one zero of $\eta(s)$ in the critical strip. We can write:

(5.6)

s , is one zero of $\zeta(s)$ that falls in the critical strip, is also one zero of $\eta(s)$

Let us write the function η :

$$\begin{aligned}\eta(s) &= \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (-1)^{n-1} e^{-s \operatorname{Log} n} = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (-1)^{n-1} e^{-(\sigma+it) \operatorname{Log} n} = \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (-1)^{n-1} e^{-\sigma \operatorname{Log} n} \cdot e^{-it \operatorname{Log} n} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (-1)^{n-1} e^{-\sigma \operatorname{Log} n} (\cos(t \operatorname{Log} n) - i \sin(t \operatorname{Log} n))\end{aligned}$$

The function η is convergent for all $s \in \mathbb{C}$ with $\Re(s) > 0$, but not absolutely convergent. Let s be one zero of the function η , then :

$$\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} = 0$$

or:

$$\forall \epsilon' > 0 \quad \exists n_0, \forall N > n_0, \left| \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} \right| < \epsilon'$$

We definite the sequence of functions $((\eta_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}^*}(s))$ as:

$$\eta_n(s) = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k^s} = \sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^{k-1} \frac{\cos(t \operatorname{Log} k)}{k^\sigma} - i \sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^{k-1} \frac{\sin(t \operatorname{Log} k)}{k^\sigma}$$

with $s = \sigma + it$ and $t \neq 0$.

Let s be one zero of η that lies in the critical strip, then $\eta(s) = 0$, with $0 < \sigma < 1$. It follows that we can write $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \eta_n(s) = 0 = \eta(s)$. We obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^{k-1} \frac{\cos(t \operatorname{Log} k)}{k^\sigma} &= 0 \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^{k-1} \frac{\sin(t \operatorname{Log} k)}{k^\sigma} &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Using the definition of the limit of a sequence, we can write:

$$(5.7) \quad \forall \epsilon_1 > 0 \quad \exists n_r, \forall N > n_r, |\Re(\eta(s)_N)| < \epsilon_1 \implies \Re(\eta(s)_N)^2 < \epsilon_1^2$$

$$(5.8) \quad \forall \epsilon_2 > 0 \quad \exists n_i, \forall N > n_i, |\Im(\eta(s)_N)| < \epsilon_2 \implies \Im(\eta(s)_N)^2 < \epsilon_2^2$$

Then:

$$0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{\cos^2(t \operatorname{Log} k)}{k^{2\sigma}} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^N \frac{(-1)^{k+k'} \cos(t \operatorname{Log} k) \cos(t \operatorname{Log} k')}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma} < \epsilon_1^2$$

$$0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{\sin^2(t \operatorname{Log} k)}{k^{2\sigma}} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^N \frac{(-1)^{k+k'} \sin(t \operatorname{Log} k) \sin(t \operatorname{Log} k')}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma} < \epsilon_2^2$$

Taking $\epsilon = \epsilon_1 = \epsilon_2$ and $N > \max(n_r, n_i)$, we get by making the sum member to member of the last two inequalities:

$$(5.9) \quad 0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma}} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma} < 2\epsilon^2$$

We can write the above equation as :

$$(5.10) \quad 0 < \rho_N^2 < 2\epsilon^2$$

or $\rho(s) = 0$.

5.3. Case $\sigma = \frac{1}{2} \implies 2\sigma = 1$

We suppose that $\sigma = \frac{1}{2} \implies 2\sigma = 1$. Let's start by recalling Hardy's theorem (1914) ([2], page 24):

Theorem 5.3.1. — There are infinitely many zeros of $\zeta(s)$ on the critical line.

From the propositions (6.5-6.6), it follows the proposition :

Proposition 5.3.2. — There are infinitely many zeros of $\eta(s)$ on the critical line.

Let $s_j = \frac{1}{2} + it_j$ one of the zeros of the function $\eta(s)$ on the critical line, so $\eta(s_j) = 0$. The equation (6.9) is written for s_j :

$$0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t_j \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k} \sqrt{k'}} < 2\epsilon^2$$

or:

$$\sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k} < 2\epsilon^2 - 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t_j \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k} \sqrt{k'}}$$

If $N \rightarrow +\infty$, the series $\sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k}$ is divergent and becomes infinite. then:

$$\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{k} \leq 2\epsilon^2 - 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t_j \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k} \sqrt{k'}}$$

Hence, we obtain the following result:

$$(5.11) \quad \boxed{\lim_{N \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t_j \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k} \sqrt{k'}} = -\infty}$$

if not, we will have a contradiction with the fact that :

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=1}^N (-1)^{k-1} \frac{1}{k^{s_j}} = 0 \iff \eta(s) \text{ is convergent for } s_j = \frac{1}{2} + it_j$$

5.4. Case $0 < \Re(s) < \frac{1}{2}$

5.4.1. Case there is no zeros of $\eta(s)$ with $s = \sigma + it$ and $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2}$. —

As there is no zeros of $\eta(s)$ with $s = \sigma + it$ and $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2}$, it follows from the proposition (6.5) that $\zeta(s)$ has also no zeros with $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2}$. Using the symmetry of $\zeta(s)$, there is no zeros of $\zeta(s)$ with $s = \sigma + it$ and $\frac{1}{2} < \sigma < 1$. We deduce from the proposition (6.6) that the function $\eta(s)$ has no zeros with $s = \sigma + it$ and $\frac{1}{2} < \sigma < 1$. Then, the function $\eta(s)$ has all its nontrivial zeros only on the critical line $\Re(s) = \sigma = \frac{1}{2}$ and from the equivalent statement 6.1.5, we conclude that **the Riemann Hypothesis is true**.

5.4.2. Case where there are zeros of $\eta(s)$ with $s = \sigma + it$ and $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2}$. — Suppose that there exists $s = \sigma + it$ one zero of $\eta(s)$ or $\eta(s) = 0 \implies \rho^2(s) = 0$ with $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2} \implies s$ lies inside the critical band. We write the equation (6.9):

$$0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma}} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma} < 2\epsilon^2$$

or:

$$\sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma}} < 2\epsilon^2 - 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma}$$

But $2\sigma < 1$, it follows that $\lim_{N \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma}} \rightarrow +\infty$ and then, we obtain :

$$(5.12) \quad \boxed{\sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma} = -\infty}$$

5.5. Case $\frac{1}{2} < \Re(s) < 1$

Let $s = \sigma + it$ be the zero of $\eta(s)$ in $0 < \Re(s) < \frac{1}{2}$, object of the previous paragraph. From the proposition (6.5), $\zeta(s) = 0$. According to point 4 of theorem 6.1.2, the complex number $s' = 1 - \sigma + it = \sigma' + it'$ with $\sigma' = 1 - \sigma$,

$t' = t$ and $\frac{1}{2} < \sigma' < 1$ verifies $\zeta(s') = 0$, so s' is also a zero of the function $\zeta(s)$ in the band $\frac{1}{2} < \Re(s) < 1$, it follows from the proposition (6.6) that $\eta(s') = 0 \implies \rho(s') = 0$. By applying (6.9), we get:

$$(5.13) \quad 0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma'}} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t' \log(k/k'))}{k^{\sigma'} k'^{\sigma'}} < 2\epsilon^2$$

As $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2} \implies 2 > 2\sigma' = 2(1 - \sigma) > 1$, then the series $\sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma'}}$ is convergent to a positive constant not null $C(\sigma')$. As $1/k^2 < 1/k^{2\sigma'}$, then :

$$0 < \zeta(2) = \frac{\pi^2}{6} = \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{k^2} \leq \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma'}} = C(\sigma') = \zeta_1(2\sigma') = \zeta(2\sigma')$$

From the equation (6.13), it follows that :

$$(5.14) \quad \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t' \log(k/k'))}{k^{\sigma'} k'^{\sigma'}} = -\frac{C(\sigma')}{2} = -\frac{\zeta(2\sigma')}{2} > -\infty$$

Let $s_l = \sigma_l + it_l$ with $\sigma_l \in]0, 1/2[$ such that $\eta(s_l) = 0$.

Firstly, we suppose that $t_l \neq 0$. For each $s'_l = \sigma'_l + it'_l = 1 - \sigma_l + it_l$, we have:

$$(5.15) \quad \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t'_l \log(k/k'))}{k^{\sigma'_l} k'^{\sigma'_l}} = -\frac{C(\sigma'_l)}{2} = -\frac{\zeta(2\sigma'_l)}{2} > -\infty$$

the left member of the equation (6.24) above is finite and depends of σ'_l and t'_l , but the right member is a function only of σ'_l equal to $-\zeta(2\sigma'_l)/2$. But for all σ'' so that $2\sigma'' > 1$, we have $\zeta(2\sigma'')$ depends only of σ'' , then in particular for all σ'' with $2 > 2\sigma'' > 1$, $\zeta(2\sigma'')$ depends only of σ'' , it follows that the left term of (6.24) is infinite, then the contradiction with $-\frac{C(\sigma'_l)}{2} = -\frac{\zeta(2\sigma'_l)}{2} > -\infty$.

(5.16) We conclude that the equation (6.24) is false for the cases $t'_l \neq 0$.

Secondly, we suppose that $t_l = 0 \implies t'_l = 0$. The equation (6.14) becomes:

$$(5.17) \quad \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{1}{k^{\sigma'_l} k'^{\sigma'_l}} = -\frac{C(\sigma'_l)}{2} = -\frac{\zeta(2\sigma'_l)}{2} > -\infty$$

Then $s'_l = \sigma'_l > 1/2$ is a zero of $\eta(s)$, we obtain :

$$(5.18) \quad \eta(s'_l) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^{s'_l}} = 0$$

Let us define the sequence S_m as:

$$(5.19) \quad S_m(s'_l) = \sum_{n=1}^m \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^{s'_l}} = \sum_{n=1}^m \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^{\sigma'_l}} = S_m(\sigma'_l)$$

From the definition of S_m , we obtain :

$$(5.20) \quad \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} S_m(s'_l) = \eta(s'_l) = \eta(\sigma'_l)$$

We have also:

$$(5.21) \quad S_1(\sigma'_l) = 1 > 0$$

$$(5.22) \quad S_2(\sigma'_l) = 1 - \frac{1}{2^{\sigma'_l}} > 0 \quad \text{because } 2^{\sigma'_l} > 1$$

$$(5.23) \quad S_3(\sigma'_l) = S_2(\sigma'_l) + \frac{1}{3^{\sigma'_l}} > 0$$

We proceed by recurrence, we suppose that $S_m(\sigma'_l) > 0$.

$$1. m = 2q \implies S_{m+1}(\sigma'_l) = \sum_{n=1}^{m+1} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^{s'_l}} = S_m(\sigma'_l) + \frac{(-1)^{m+1-1}}{(m+1)^{\sigma'_l}}, \text{ it gives:}$$

$$S_{m+1}(\sigma'_l) = S_m(\sigma'_l) + \frac{(-1)^{2q}}{(m+1)^{\sigma'_l}} = S_m(\sigma'_l) + \frac{1}{(m+1)^{\sigma'_l}} > 0 \Rightarrow S_{m+1}(\sigma'_l) > 0$$

2. $m = 2q + 1$, we can write $S_{m+1}(\sigma'_l)$ as:

$$S_{m+1}(\sigma'_l) = S_{m-1}(\sigma'_l) + \frac{(-1)^{m-1}}{m^{\sigma'_l}} + \frac{(-1)^{m+1-1}}{(m+1)^{\sigma'_l}}$$

We have $S_{m-1}(\sigma'_l) > 0$, let $T = \frac{(-1)^{m-1}}{m^{\sigma'_l}} + \frac{(-1)^m}{(m+1)^{\sigma'_l}}$, we obtain:

$$(5.24) \quad T = \frac{(-1)^{2q}}{(2q+1)^{\sigma'_l}} + \frac{(-1)^{2q+1}}{(2q+2)^{\sigma'_l}} = \frac{1}{(2q+1)^{\sigma'_l}} - \frac{1}{(2q+2)^{\sigma'_l}} > 0$$

and $S_{m+1}(\sigma'_l) > 0$.

Then all the terms $S_m(\sigma'_l)$ of the sequence S_m are great than 0, it follows that $\lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} S_m(s'_l) = \eta(s'_l) = \eta(\sigma'_l) > 0$ and $\eta(\sigma'_l) < +\infty$ because $\Re(s'_l) = \sigma'_l > 0$ and $\eta(s'_l)$ is convergent. We deduce the contradiction that s'_l is a zero of $\eta(s)$ and:

$$(5.25) \quad \boxed{\text{The equation (6.15) is false for the case } t'_l = t_l = 0.}$$

From (6.25-6.23), we conclude that the function $\eta(s)$ has no zeros for all $s'_l = \sigma'_l + it'_l$ with $\sigma'_l \in]1/2, 1[$, it follows that the second case of the paragraph (6.4) above concerning the case $0 < \Re(s) < \frac{1}{2}$ is false. Then, the function $\eta(s)$ has all its zeros on the critical line $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$. From the equivalent statement (6.1.5), it follows that **the Riemann hypothesis is verified.** \square

From the calculations above, we can verify easily the following known proposition:

Proposition 5.5.1. — For all $s = \sigma$ real with $0 < \sigma < 1$, $\eta(s) > 0$ and $\zeta(s) < 0$.

5.6. Conclusion

In summary: for our proofs, we made use of Dirichlet's $\eta(s)$ function:

$$\eta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} = (1 - 2^{1-s})\zeta(s), \quad s = \sigma + it$$

on the critical band $0 < \Re(s) < 1$, in obtaining:

- $\eta(s)$ vanishes for $0 < \sigma = \Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$;
- $\eta(s)$ does not vanish for $0 < \sigma = \Re(s) < \frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{2} < \sigma = \Re(s) < 1$.

Consequently, all the zeros of $\eta(s)$ inside the critical band $0 < \Re(s) < 1$ are on the critical line $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$. Applying the equivalent proposition to the Riemann Hypothesis (6.1.5), we conclude that **the Riemann hypothesis is verified** and all the nontrivial zeros of the function $\zeta(s)$ lie on the critical line $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$. The proof of the Riemann Hypothesis is thus completed.

We therefore announce the important theorem as follows:

Theorem 5.6.1. — *The Riemann Hypothesis is true:
All nontrivial zeros of the function $\zeta(s)$ with $s = \sigma + it$ lie on the vertical line $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$.*

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Is The Riemann Hypothesis True? Yes, It Is. (V3)

To my wife Wahida, my daughter Sinda and my son Mohamed
Mazen

To the memory of my friend Abdelkader Sellal (1950 - 2017)

6.1. Introduction

In 1859, G.F.B. Riemann had announced the following conjecture [1]:

Conjecture 6.1.1. — Let $\zeta(s)$ be the complex function of the complex variable $s = \sigma + it$ defined by the analytic continuation of the function:

$$\zeta_1(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{n^s}, \text{ for } \Re(s) = \sigma > 1$$

over the whole complex plane, with the exception of $s = 1$. Then the nontrivial zeros of $\zeta(s) = 0$ are written as :

$$s = \frac{1}{2} + it$$

In this paper, our idea is to start from an equivalent statement of the Riemann Hypothesis, namely the one concerning the Dirichlet η function. The latter is related to Riemann's ζ function where we do not need to manipulate any expression of $\zeta(s)$ in the critical band $0 < \Re(s) < 1$. In our calculations, we will use the definition of the limit of real sequences. We arrive to give the proof that $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$.

6.1.1. The function ζ . — We denote $s = \sigma + it$ the complex variable of \mathbb{C} . For $\Re(s) = \sigma > 1$, let ζ_1 be the function defined by :

$$\zeta_1(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{n^s}, \text{ for } \Re(s) = \sigma > 1$$

We know that with the previous definition, the function ζ_1 is an analytical function of s . Denote by $\zeta(s)$ the function obtained by the analytic continuation of $\zeta_1(s)$ to the whole complex plane, minus the point $s = 1$, then we recall the following theorem [2]:

Theorem 6.1.2. — *The function $\zeta(s)$ satisfies the following :*

1. $\zeta(s)$ has no zero for $\Re(s) > 1$;
2. the only pole of $\zeta(s)$ is at $s = 1$; it has residue 1 and is simple;
3. $\zeta(s)$ has trivial zeros at $s = -2, -4, \dots$;
4. the nontrivial zeros lie inside the region $0 \leq \Re(s) \leq 1$ (called the critical strip) and are symmetric about both the vertical line $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$ and the real axis $\Im(s) = 0$.

The vertical line $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$ is called the critical line.

The Riemann Hypothesis is formulated as:

Conjecture 6.1.3. — *(The Riemann Hypothesis,[2]) All nontrivial zeros of $\zeta(s)$ lie on the critical line $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$.*

In addition to the properties cited by the theorem 6.1.2 above, the function $\zeta(s)$ satisfies the functional relation [2] called also the reflection functional equation for $s \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0, 1\}$:

$$(6.1) \quad \zeta(1-s) = 2^{1-s} \pi^{-s} \cos \frac{s\pi}{2} \Gamma(s) \zeta(s)$$

where $\Gamma(s)$ is the *gamma function* defined only for $\Re(s) > 0$, given by the formula :

$$\Gamma(s) = \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^{s-1} dt, \quad \Re(s) > 0$$

So, instead of using the functional given by (6.1), we will use the one presented by G.H. Hardy [3] namely Dirichlet's eta function [2]:

$$\eta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} = (1 - 2^{1-s}) \zeta(s)$$

The function eta is convergent for all $s \in \mathbb{C}$ with $\Re(s) > 0$ [2].

We have also the theorem (see page 16, [3]):

Theorem 6.1.4. — For all $t \in \mathbb{R}$, $\zeta(1 + it) \neq 0$.

So, we take the critical strip as the region defined as $0 < \Re(s) < 1$.

6.1.2. A Equivalent statement to the Riemann Hypothesis. — Among the equivalent statements to the Riemann Hypothesis is that of the Dirichlet function eta which is stated as follows [2]:

Equivalence 6.1.5. — The Riemann Hypothesis is equivalent to the statement that all zeros of the Dirichlet eta function :

$$(6.2) \quad \eta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} = (1 - 2^{1-s})\zeta(s), \quad \sigma > 1$$

that fall in the critical strip $0 < \Re(s) < 1$ lie on the critical line $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$.

The series (6.2) is convergent, and represents $(1 - 2^{1-s})\zeta(s)$ for $\Re(s) = \sigma > 0$ ([3], pages 20-21). We can rewrite:

$$(6.3) \quad \eta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} = (1 - 2^{1-s})\zeta(s), \quad \Re(s) = \sigma > 0$$

$\eta(s)$ is a complex number, it can be written as :

$$(6.4) \quad \eta(s) = \rho e^{i\alpha} \implies \rho^2 = \eta(s) \cdot \overline{\eta(s)}$$

and $\eta(s) = 0 \iff \rho = 0$.

6.2. Preliminaries of the proof that the zeros of $\eta(s)$ verify $\sigma = 1/2$

Proof. — . We denote $s = \sigma + it$ with $0 < \sigma < 1$. We consider one zero of $\eta(s)$ that falls in critical strip and we write it as $s = \sigma + it$, then we obtain $0 < \sigma < 1$ and $\eta(s) = 0 \iff (1 - 2^{1-s})\zeta(s) = 0$. We verifies easily the two propositions:

(6.5)

s , is one zero of $\eta(s)$ that falls in the critical strip, is also one zero of $\zeta(s)$

Conversely, if s is a zero of $\zeta(s)$ in the critical strip, let $\zeta(s) = 0 \implies \eta(s) = (1 - 2^{1-s})\zeta(s) = 0$, then s is also one zero of $\eta(s)$ in the critical strip. We can write:

(6.6)

s , is one zero of $\zeta(s)$ that falls in the critical strip, is also one zero of $\eta(s)$

Let us write the function η :

$$\begin{aligned}\eta(s) &= \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (-1)^{n-1} e^{-s \operatorname{Log} n} = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (-1)^{n-1} e^{-(\sigma+it) \operatorname{Log} n} = \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (-1)^{n-1} e^{-\sigma \operatorname{Log} n} \cdot e^{-it \operatorname{Log} n} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (-1)^{n-1} e^{-\sigma \operatorname{Log} n} (\cos(t \operatorname{Log} n) - i \sin(t \operatorname{Log} n))\end{aligned}$$

The function η is convergent for all $s \in \mathbb{C}$ with $\Re(s) > 0$, but not absolutely convergent. Let s be one zero of the function η , then :

$$\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} = 0$$

or:

$$\forall \epsilon' > 0 \quad \exists n_0, \forall N > n_0, \left| \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} \right| < \epsilon'$$

We definite the sequence of functions $((\eta_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}^*}(s))$ as:

$$\eta_n(s) = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k^s} = \sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^{k-1} \frac{\cos(t \operatorname{Log} k)}{k^\sigma} - i \sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^{k-1} \frac{\sin(t \operatorname{Log} k)}{k^\sigma}$$

with $s = \sigma + it$ and $t \neq 0$.

Let s be one zero of η that lies in the critical strip, then $\eta(s) = 0$, with $0 < \sigma < 1$. It follows that we can write $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \eta_n(s) = 0 = \eta(s)$. We obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^{k-1} \frac{\cos(t \operatorname{Log} k)}{k^\sigma} &= 0 \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^{k-1} \frac{\sin(t \operatorname{Log} k)}{k^\sigma} &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Using the definition of the limit of a sequence, we can write:

$$(6.7) \quad \forall \epsilon_1 > 0 \quad \exists n_r, \forall N > n_r, |\Re(\eta(s)_N)| < \epsilon_1 \implies \Re(\eta(s)_N)^2 < \epsilon_1^2$$

$$(6.8) \quad \forall \epsilon_2 > 0 \quad \exists n_i, \forall N > n_i, |\Im(\eta(s)_N)| < \epsilon_2 \implies \Im(\eta(s)_N)^2 < \epsilon_2^2$$

Then:

$$0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{\cos^2(t \operatorname{Log} k)}{k^{2\sigma}} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^N \frac{(-1)^{k+k'} \cos(t \operatorname{Log} k) \cos(t \operatorname{Log} k')}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma} < \epsilon_1^2$$

$$0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{\sin^2(t \operatorname{Log} k)}{k^{2\sigma}} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1;k < k'}^N \frac{(-1)^{k+k'} \sin(t \operatorname{Log} k) \sin(t \operatorname{Log} k')}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma} < \epsilon_2^2$$

Taking $\epsilon = \epsilon_1 = \epsilon_2$ and $N > \max(n_r, n_i)$, we get by making the sum member to member of the last two inequalities:

$$(6.9) \quad 0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma}} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma} < 2\epsilon^2$$

We can write the above equation as :

$$(6.10) \quad 0 < \rho_N^2 < 2\epsilon^2$$

or $\rho(s) = 0$.

6.3. Case $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$

We suppose that $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$. Let's start by recalling Hardy's theorem (1914) ([2], page 24):

Theorem 6.3.1. — There are infinitely many zeros of $\zeta(s)$ on the critical line.

From the propositions (6.5-6.6), it follows the proposition :

Proposition 6.3.2. — There are infinitely many zeros of $\eta(s)$ on the critical line.

Let $s_j = \frac{1}{2} + it_j$ one of the zeros of the function $\eta(s)$ on the critical line, so $\eta(s_j) = 0$. The equation (6.9) is written for s_j :

$$0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t_j \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k} \sqrt{k'}} < 2\epsilon^2$$

or:

$$\sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k} < 2\epsilon^2 - 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t_j \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k} \sqrt{k'}}$$

If $N \rightarrow +\infty$, the series $\sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k}$ is divergent and becomes infinite. then:

$$\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{k} \leq 2\epsilon^2 - 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t_j \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k} \sqrt{k'}}$$

Hence, we obtain the following result:

$$(6.11) \quad \boxed{\lim_{N \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t_j \log(k/k'))}{\sqrt{k} \sqrt{k'}} = -\infty}$$

if not, we will have a contradiction with the fact that :

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=1}^N (-1)^{k-1} \frac{1}{k^{s_j}} = 0 \iff \eta(s) \text{ is convergent for } s_j = \frac{1}{2} + it_j$$

6.4. Case $0 < \Re(s) < \frac{1}{2}$

6.4.1. Case there is no zeros of $\eta(s)$ with $s = \sigma + it$ and $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2}$. —

As there is no zeros of $\eta(s)$ with $s = \sigma + it$ and $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2}$, it follows from the proposition (6.5) that $\zeta(s)$ has also no zeros with $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2}$. Using the symmetry of $\zeta(s)$, there is no zeros of $\zeta(s)$ with $s = \sigma + it$ and $\frac{1}{2} < \sigma < 1$. We deduce from the proposition (6.6) that the function $\eta(s)$ has no zeros with $s = \sigma + it$ and $\frac{1}{2} < \sigma < 1$. Then, the function $\eta(s)$ has all its nontrivial zeros only on the critical line $\Re(s) = \sigma = \frac{1}{2}$ and from the equivalent statement 6.1.5, we conclude that **the Riemann Hypothesis is true**.

6.4.2. Case where there are zeros of $\eta(s)$ with $s = \sigma + it$ and $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2}$. — Suppose that there exists $s = \sigma + it$ one zero of $\eta(s)$ or $\eta(s) = 0 \implies \rho^2(s) = 0$ with $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2} \implies s$ lies inside the critical band. We write the equation (6.9):

$$0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma}} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma} < 2\epsilon^2$$

or:

$$\sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma}} < 2\epsilon^2 - 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma}$$

But $2\sigma < 1$, it follows that $\lim_{N \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma}} \rightarrow +\infty$ and then, we obtain :

$$(6.12) \quad \boxed{\sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t \log(k/k'))}{k^\sigma k'^\sigma} = -\infty}$$

6.5. Case $\frac{1}{2} < \Re(s) < 1$

Let $s = \sigma + it$ be the zero of $\eta(s)$ in $0 < \Re(s) < \frac{1}{2}$, object of the previous paragraph. From the proposition (6.5), $\zeta(s) = 0$. According to point 4 of theorem 6.1.2, the complex number $s' = 1 - \sigma + it = \sigma' + it'$ with $\sigma' = 1 - \sigma$,

$t' = t$ and $\frac{1}{2} < \sigma' < 1$ verifies $\zeta(s') = 0$, so s' is also a zero of the function $\zeta(s)$ in the band $\frac{1}{2} < \Re(s) < 1$, it follows from the proposition (6.6) that $\eta(s') = 0 \implies \rho(s') = 0$. By applying (6.9), we get:

$$(6.13) \quad 0 < \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma'}} + 2 \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^N (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t' \log(k/k'))}{k^{\sigma'} k'^{\sigma'}} < 2\epsilon^2$$

As $0 < \sigma < \frac{1}{2} \implies 2 > 2\sigma' = 2(1 - \sigma) > 1$, then the series $\sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma'}}$ is convergent to a positive constant not null $C(\sigma')$. As $1/k^2 < 1/k^{2\sigma'}$ for all $k > 0$, then :

$$0 < \zeta(2) = \frac{\pi^2}{6} = \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{k^2} < \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma'}} = C(\sigma') = \zeta_1(2\sigma') = \zeta(2\sigma')$$

From the equation (6.13), it follows that :

$$(6.14) \quad \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t' \log(k/k'))}{k^{\sigma'} k'^{\sigma'}} = -\frac{C(\sigma')}{2} = -\frac{\zeta(2\sigma')}{2} > -\infty$$

Firstly, we suppose that $t = 0 \implies t' = 0$. The equation (6.14) becomes:

$$(6.15) \quad \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{1}{k^{\sigma'} k'^{\sigma'}} = -\frac{C(\sigma')}{2} = -\frac{\zeta(2\sigma')}{2} > -\infty$$

Then $s' = \sigma' > 1/2$ is a zero of $\eta(s)$, we obtain :

$$(6.16) \quad \eta(s') = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^{s'}} = 0$$

Let us define the sequence S_m as:

$$(6.17) \quad S_m(s') = \sum_{n=1}^m \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^{s'}} = \sum_{n=1}^m \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^{\sigma'}} = S_m(\sigma')$$

From the definition of S_m , we obtain :

$$(6.18) \quad \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} S_m(s') = \eta(s') = \eta(\sigma')$$

We have also:

$$(6.19) \quad S_1(\sigma') = 1 > 0$$

$$(6.20) \quad S_2(\sigma') = 1 - \frac{1}{2^{\sigma'}} > 0 \quad \text{because } 2^{\sigma'} > 1$$

$$(6.21) \quad S_3(\sigma') = S_2(\sigma') + \frac{1}{3^{\sigma'}} > 0$$

We proceed by recurrence, we suppose that $S_m(\sigma') > 0$.

$$1. m = 2q \implies S_{m+1}(\sigma') = \sum_{n=1}^{m+1} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^{\sigma'}} = S_m(\sigma') + \frac{(-1)^{m+1-1}}{(m+1)^{\sigma'}}, \text{ it gives:}$$

$$S_{m+1}(\sigma') = S_m(\sigma') + \frac{(-1)^{2q}}{(m+1)^{\sigma'}} = S_m(\sigma') + \frac{1}{(m+1)^{\sigma'}} > 0 \Rightarrow S_{m+1}(\sigma') > 0$$

2. $m = 2q + 1$, we can write $S_{m+1}(\sigma')$ as:

$$S_{m+1}(\sigma') = S_{m-1}(\sigma') + \frac{(-1)^{m-1}}{m^{\sigma'}} + \frac{(-1)^{m+1-1}}{(m+1)^{\sigma'}}$$

We have $S_{m-1}(\sigma') > 0$, let $T = \frac{(-1)^{m-1}}{m^{\sigma'}} + \frac{(-1)^m}{(m+1)^{\sigma'}}$, we obtain:

$$(6.22) \quad T = \frac{(-1)^{2q}}{(2q+1)^{\sigma'}} + \frac{(-1)^{2q+1}}{(2q+2)^{\sigma'}} = \frac{1}{(2q+1)^{\sigma'}} - \frac{1}{(2q+2)^{\sigma'}} > 0$$

and $S_{m+1}(\sigma') > 0$.

Then all the terms $S_m(\sigma')$ of the sequence S_m are great then 0, it follows that $\lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} S_m(s') = \eta(s') = \eta(\sigma') > 0$ and $\eta(\sigma') < +\infty$ because $\Re(s') = \sigma' > 0$ and $\eta(s')$ is convergent. We deduce the contradiction with the hypothesis s' is a zero of $\eta(s)$ and:

(6.23) The equation (6.15) is false for the case $t' = t = 0$.

Secondly, we suppose that $t \neq 0$. For each $s' = \sigma' + it' = 1 - \sigma + it$, we have:

$$(6.24) \quad \sum_{k,k'=1; k < k'}^{+\infty} (-1)^{k+k'} \frac{\cos(t' \log(k/k'))}{k^{\sigma'} k'^{\sigma'}} = -\frac{C(\sigma')}{2} = -\frac{\zeta(2\sigma')}{2} > -\infty$$

the left member of the equation (6.24) above is finite and depends of σ' and t' , but the right member is a function only of σ' equal to $-\zeta(2\sigma')/2$. But for all σ'' so that $2\sigma'' > 1$, we have $\zeta(2\sigma'') :$

$$\zeta(2\sigma'') = \zeta_1(2\sigma'') = \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{k^{2\sigma''}} < +\infty$$

It depends only of σ'' , then in particular for all σ'' with $2 > 2\sigma'' > 1$, $\zeta(2\sigma'')$ depends only of σ'' , then the result giving by the equation (6.24) is false:

(6.25) It follows that the equation (6.24) is false for the cases $t' \neq 0$.

From (6.23-6.25), we conclude that the function $\eta(s)$ has no zeros for all $s' = \sigma' + it'$ with $\sigma' \in]1/2, 1[$, it follows that the second case of the paragraph (6.4) above concerning the case $0 < \Re(s) < \frac{1}{2}$ is false. Then, the function $\eta(s)$ has all its zeros on the critical line $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$. From the

equivalent statement (6.1.5), it follows that **the Riemann hypothesis is verified.** \square

From the calculations above, we can verify easily the following known proposition:

Proposition 6.5.1. — For all $s = \sigma$ real with $0 < \sigma < 1$, $\eta(s) > 0$ and $\zeta(s) < 0$.

6.6. Conclusion

In summary: for our proofs, we made use of Dirichlet's $\eta(s)$ function:

$$\eta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^s} = (1 - 2^{1-s})\zeta(s), \quad s = \sigma + it$$

on the critical band $0 < \Re(s) < 1$, in obtaining:

- $\eta(s)$ vanishes for $0 < \sigma = \Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$;
- $\eta(s)$ does not vanish for $0 < \sigma = \Re(s) < \frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{2} < \sigma = \Re(s) < 1$.

Consequently, all the zeros of $\eta(s)$ inside the critical band $0 < \Re(s) < 1$ are on the critical line $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$. Applying the equivalent proposition to the Riemann Hypothesis (6.1.5), we conclude that **the Riemann hypothesis is verified** and all the nontrivial zeros of the function $\zeta(s)$ lie on the critical line $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$. The proof of the Riemann Hypothesis is thus completed.

We therefore announce the important theorem as follows:

Theorem 6.6.1. — *The Riemann Hypothesis is true:
All nontrivial zeros of the function $\zeta(s)$ with $s = \sigma + it$ lie on the vertical line $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$.*

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