

# A Complete Proof Of The Riemann Hypothesis Based On A New Expression Of $\zeta(s)$

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**Abstract** Based on Hadamard product, a new expression of the completed zeta function  $\zeta(s)$  is obtained, i.e.,

$$\zeta(s) = \zeta(0) \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{\beta_i^2}{\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2} + \frac{(s - \alpha_i)^2}{\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2} \right)^{d_i}$$

where  $\rho_i = \alpha_i + j\beta_i, \bar{\rho}_i = \alpha_i - j\beta_i$  are complex conjugate zeros of  $\zeta(s)$ ,  $0 < \alpha_i < 1$  and  $\beta_i \neq 0$  are real numbers,  $d_i \geq 1$  are the multiplicities of  $\rho_i$ ,  $i$  are natural numbers from 1 to infinity,  $\beta_i$  are in order of increasing  $|\beta_i|$ , i.e.,  $|\beta_1| \leq |\beta_2| \leq |\beta_3| \leq \dots$ . Then we have, by the functional equation  $\zeta(s) = \zeta(1-s)$ , that

$$\zeta(0) \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{\beta_i^2}{\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2} + \frac{(s - \alpha_i)^2}{\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2} \right)^{d_i} = \zeta(0) \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{\beta_i^2}{\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2} + \frac{(1-s - \alpha_i)^2}{\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2} \right)^{d_i}$$

i.e.,

$$\prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \left( 1 + \frac{(s - \alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2} \right)^{d_i} = \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \left( 1 + \frac{(1-s - \alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2} \right)^{d_i}$$

which, by Lemma 3, is equivalent to

$$\alpha_i = \frac{1}{2}, \text{ with } i \text{ from } 1 \text{ to infinity.}$$

Thus, we conclude that the Riemann Hypothesis is true.

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## 1 Introduction

It has been almost 163 years since the Riemann Hypothesis (RH) was proposed in 1859 [1]. Many efforts and achievements have been made towards proving this celebrated hypothesis, but it is still an open problem [2–3].

The Riemann zeta function is the function of complex variable  $s$ , defined in the half-plane  $\Re(s) > 1$  by the absolutely convergent series [2]

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

Riemann showed how to extend zeta function to the whole complex plane  $\mathbb{C}$  by analytic continuation

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

where  $\theta(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-n^2\pi x}$  being the Jacobi theta function,  $\Gamma$  being the Gamma function in the following Weierstrass expression (Meanwhile, there are also Gauss expression, Euler expression, and integral expression of the Gamma function.)

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma(s)} = s \cdot e^{\gamma s} \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{s}{n}\right) e^{-s/n} \quad (3)$$

where  $\gamma$  is the Euler-Mascheroni constant.

The connection between the Riemann zeta function and prime numbers can be established through the well-known Euler product.

$$\zeta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^s} = \prod_p (1 - p^{-s})^{-1}, \Re(s) > 1 \quad (4)$$

the product being over the prime numbers  $p$ .

As shown by Riemann,  $\zeta(s)$  extends to  $\mathbb{C}$  as a meromorphic function with only a simple pole at  $s = 1$ , with residue 1, and satisfies the following functional equation

$$\pi^{-\frac{s}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) \zeta(s) = \pi^{-\frac{1-s}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{1-s}{2}\right) \zeta(1-s) \quad (5)$$

The Riemann zeta function  $\zeta(s)$  has zeros at the negative even integers:  $-2, -4, -6, -8, \dots$  and one refers to them as the **trivial zeros**. The other zeros of  $\zeta(s)$  are the complex numbers, i.e., **non-trivial zeros** [2].

In 1896, Hadamard [4] and Poussin [5] independently proved that no zeros could lie on the line  $\Re(s) = 1$ . Together with the functional equation and the fact that there are no zeros with real part greater than 1, this showed that all non-trivial zeros must lie in the interior of the critical strip  $0 < \Re(s) < 1$ . This

was a key step in their first proofs of the famous **Prime Number Theorem**.

Later on, Hardy (1914) <sup>[6]</sup>, Hardy and Littlewood (1921) <sup>[7]</sup> showed that there are infinitely many zeros on the critical line  $\Re(s) = \frac{1}{2}$ , which was an astonishing result at that time.

As a summary, we have the following results on the properties of the non-trivial zeros of  $\zeta(s)$  <sup>[4–9]</sup>.

**Lemma 1:** Non-trivial zeroes of  $\zeta(s)$ , noted as  $\rho = \alpha + j\beta$ , have the following properties

- 1) The number of non-trivial zeroes is infinity;
- 2)  $\beta \neq 0$ ;
- 3)  $0 < \alpha < 1$ ;
- 4)  $\rho, \bar{\rho}, 1 - \bar{\rho}, 1 - \rho$  are all non-trivial zeroes.

As further study, a completed zeta function  $\xi(s)$  is defined as

$$\xi(s) = \frac{1}{2}s(s-1)\pi^{-\frac{s}{2}}\Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right)\zeta(s) \quad (6)$$

It is well-known that  $\xi(s)$  is an entire function of order 1. This implies  $\xi(s)$  is analytic, and can be expressed as infinite polynomial, in the whole complex plane  $\mathbb{C}$ .

In addition, replacing  $s$  with  $1-s$  in Eq.(6), and combining Eq.(5), we have the following functional equation

$$\xi(s) = \xi(1-s) \quad (7)$$

Considering the definition of  $\xi(s)$ , and recalling Eq.(3), the trivial zeros of  $\zeta(s)$  are canceled by the poles of  $\Gamma(\frac{s}{2})$ . The zero of  $s-1$  and the pole of  $\zeta(s)$  cancel; the zero  $s=0$  and the pole of  $\Gamma(\frac{s}{2})$  cancel <sup>[9–10]</sup>. Thus, all the zeros of  $\xi(s)$  are exactly the nontrivial zeros of  $\zeta(s)$ . Then we have the following Lemma 2.

**Lemma 2:** Zeros of  $\xi(s)$  coincide with non-trivial zeros of  $\zeta(s)$ .

According to Lemma 2, the following two statements for the RH are equivalent.

**Statement 1 of the RH:** All the non-trivial zeros of  $\zeta(s)$  have real part equal to  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

**Statement 2 of the RH:** All the zeros of  $\xi(s)$  have real part equal to  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

To prove the RH, the natural thinking is to estimate the number of zeros of  $\zeta(s)$  in some certain closed areas according to the Argument Principle. Along this train of thought, there are some famous research works. Let  $N(T)$  denote

the number of zeros of  $\zeta(s)$  inside the rectangle:  $0 < \alpha < 1, 0 < \beta \leq T$ , and let  $N_0(T)$  denote the number of zeros of  $\zeta(s)$  on the line  $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}, 0 < \beta \leq T$ . Selberg proved that there exist positive constants  $c$  and  $T_0$ , such that  $N_0(T) > cN(T)$ , ( $T > T_0$ )<sup>[11]</sup>, later on, Levinson proved that  $c \geq \frac{1}{3}$ <sup>[12]</sup>, Lou and Yao proved that  $c \geq 0.3484$ <sup>[13]</sup>, Conrey proved that  $c \geq \frac{2}{5}$ <sup>[14]</sup>, Bui, Conrey and Young proved that  $c \geq 0.41$ <sup>[15]</sup>, Feng proved that  $c \geq 0.4128$ <sup>[16]</sup>.

On the other hand, many zeros have been calculated by hand or by computers. Among others, Riemann found the first three non-trivial zeros<sup>[17]</sup>. Gram found the first 15 zeros based on Euler-Maclaurin summation<sup>[18]</sup>. Titchmarsh calculated the 138<sup>th</sup> to 195<sup>th</sup> zeros using the Riemann-Siegel formula<sup>[19–20]</sup>. Here are the first three zeros:  $\frac{1}{2} \pm j14.1347251$ ;  $\frac{1}{2} \pm j21.0220396$ ;  $\frac{1}{2} \pm j25.0108575$ .

The idea of this paper is originated from Euler's work on proving that

$$1 + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{4^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \cdots = \frac{\pi^2}{6} \quad (8)$$

This interesting and famous result is deduced from two types of infinite expansions, i.e., infinite polynomial and infinite product as follows

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sin x}{x} &= 1 - \frac{x^2}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{5!} - \frac{x^6}{7!} + \cdots \\ &= (1 - \frac{x^2}{\pi^2})(1 - \frac{x^2}{4\pi^2})(1 - \frac{x^2}{9\pi^2}) \cdots \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

This paper is also motivated by the fact that  $\zeta(s)$  can be expressed by the following Hadamard product, which was first proposed by Riemann. However, it was Hadamard<sup>[21]</sup> who showed the validity of this infinite product expansion.

$$\zeta(s) = \zeta(0) \prod_{\rho} (1 - \frac{s}{\rho}) = \frac{1}{2} \prod_{\rho} (1 - \frac{s}{\rho}) \quad (10)$$

where  $\rho$  are precisely the non-trivial zeros of the Riemann zeta function  $\zeta(s)$ , or in another word,  $\rho$  runs over the zeros of the completed zeta function  $\xi(s)$ .

## 2 A Complete Proof of the RH

This section is planned to present a proof of the Riemann Hypothesis. We first prove that Statement 2 of the RH is true, and then by Lemma 2 we know that Statement 1 of the RH is also true. For this purpose, we need the following Lemma 3 and Lemma 4.

**Lemma 3:** Given two infinite products

$$f(s) = \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{(s - \alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} \quad (11)$$

and

$$f(1-s) = \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{(1-s - \alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} \quad (12)$$

where  $s$  is a complex variable,  $\alpha_i \neq 0$  and  $\beta_i \neq 0$  are real numbers,  $d_i \geq 1$  are natural numbers,  $i$  are natural numbers from 1 to infinity,  $\beta_i$  are in order of increasing  $|\beta_i|$ , i.e.,  $|\beta_1| \leq |\beta_2| \leq |\beta_3| \leq \dots$ .

Then we have that

$$f(s) = f(1-s) \Leftrightarrow \alpha_i = \frac{1}{2}, \text{ with } i \text{ from 1 to infinity.} \quad (13)$$

where " $\Leftrightarrow$ " is the equivalent sign.

**Proof:** The proof is based on Mathematical Induction and Transfinite Induction. We first prove that  $P(n)$  holds for all natural numbers  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and then prove that  $P(\infty)$  holds.

First of all, we have the following fact:

$$\begin{aligned} \left(1 + \frac{(s - \alpha)^2}{\beta^2}\right)^d &= \left(1 + \frac{(1-s - \alpha)^2}{\beta^2}\right)^d \\ \Leftrightarrow \\ (s - \alpha)^2 &= (1-s - \alpha)^2 \\ \Leftrightarrow \alpha &= \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

where  $d \geq 1$  is a natural number,  $\alpha \neq 0$  and  $\beta \neq 0$  are real numbers.

Let  $P(n)$  be:

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(s - \alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} &= \prod_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(1-s - \alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} \\ \Leftrightarrow \\ \begin{cases} \left(1 + \frac{(s - \alpha_1)^2}{\beta_1^2}\right)^{d_1} = \left(1 + \frac{(1-s - \alpha_1)^2}{\beta_1^2}\right)^{d_1} \\ \dots \\ \left(1 + \frac{(s - \alpha_n)^2}{\beta_n^2}\right)^{d_n} = \left(1 + \frac{(1-s - \alpha_n)^2}{\beta_n^2}\right)^{d_n} \end{cases} & \quad (15) \\ \Leftrightarrow \\ \alpha_i &= \frac{1}{2}, i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n \end{aligned}$$

According to Eq.(14),  $P(1)$  is an obvious fact as the **Base Case**, i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \prod_{i=1}^1 \left(1 + \frac{(s - \alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_1} = \prod_{i=1}^1 \left(1 + \frac{(1 - s - \alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_1} \\
& \Leftrightarrow \\
& \left(1 + \frac{(s - \alpha_1)^2}{\beta_1^2}\right) = \left(1 + \frac{(1 - s - \alpha_1)^2}{\beta_1^2}\right) \\
& \Leftrightarrow \\
& \alpha_1 = \frac{1}{2}
\end{aligned} \tag{16}$$

For the **Inductive Case**, assume that  $P(n)$  hold, we need to show that  $P(n+1)$  holds too. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \prod_{i=1}^{n+1} \left(1 + \frac{(s - \alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} = \prod_{i=1}^{n+1} \left(1 + \frac{(1 - s - \alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} \\
& \Leftrightarrow \\
& \prod_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(s - \alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} \left(1 + \frac{(s - \alpha_{n+1})^2}{\beta_{n+1}^2}\right)^{d_{n+1}} = \prod_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(1 - s - \alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} \left(1 + \frac{(1 - s - \alpha_{n+1})^2}{\beta_{n+1}^2}\right)^{d_{n+1}} \\
& \Leftrightarrow \text{(by Lemma 4)} \\
& \left\{ \begin{aligned} \prod_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(s - \alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} &= \prod_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(1 - s - \alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} \\ \left(1 + \frac{(s - \alpha_{n+1})^2}{\beta_{n+1}^2}\right)^{d_{n+1}} &= \left(1 + \frac{(1 - s - \alpha_{n+1})^2}{\beta_{n+1}^2}\right)^{d_{n+1}} \end{aligned} \right. \\
& \Leftrightarrow \text{(by Eq.(15))} \\
& \left\{ \begin{aligned} \left(1 + \frac{(s - \alpha_1)^2}{\beta_1^2}\right)^{d_1} &= \left(1 + \frac{(1 - s - \alpha_1)^2}{\beta_1^2}\right)^{d_1} \\ \dots & \\ \left(1 + \frac{(s - \alpha_n)^2}{\beta_n^2}\right)^{d_n} &= \left(1 + \frac{(1 - s - \alpha_n)^2}{\beta_n^2}\right)^{d_n} \\ \left(1 + \frac{(s - \alpha_{n+1})^2}{\beta_{n+1}^2}\right)^{d_{n+1}} &= \left(1 + \frac{(1 - s - \alpha_{n+1})^2}{\beta_{n+1}^2}\right)^{d_{n+1}} \end{aligned} \right. \\
& \Leftrightarrow \text{(by Eq.(14))} \\
& \alpha_i = \frac{1}{2}, i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n, n+1
\end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

That is to say  $P(n+1)$  holds when  $P(n)$  is true.

Hence by Mathematical Induction,  $P(n)$  is true for all natural numbers  $n$ .

Next, we prove that  $P(\infty)$  holds by considering well-ordered ordinal set  $A$  indexing the family of statements  $P(\gamma : \gamma \in A)$ ,  $A = \mathbb{N} \cup \{\omega\}$  with the ordering that  $n < \omega$  for all natural numbers  $n$ ,  $\omega$  is the first limit ordinal.

It is well-known that  $\omega = \bigcup \{\gamma : \gamma < \omega\}$ .

To prove that  $P(\infty)$  holds, it suffices to prove the **Limit Case**, i.e.,  $P(\gamma < \omega) \Rightarrow P(\omega)$ .

Now, suppose that  $P(\omega)$  does not hold, then  $\zeta(s)$  has at least one pair of zeros off the critical line, i.e.,  $\alpha_i \neq \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $i < \omega$ , which contradicts that  $P(\gamma < \omega)$  holds. Thus, the assumption that  $P(\omega)$  does not hold, is false. Then the limit case is true, i.e.,  $P(\gamma < \omega) \Rightarrow P(\omega)$ . Hence we conclude by Transfinite Induction that  $P(\infty)$  holds.

That completes the proof of Lemma 3.

**Lemma 4:** We have that

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{i=1}^{n+1} \left(1 + \frac{(s - \alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} &= \prod_{i=1}^{n+1} \left(1 + \frac{(1-s - \alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} \\ \Leftrightarrow \\ \left\{ \prod_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(s - \alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} = \prod_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(1-s - \alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} \right. \\ \left. \left(1 + \frac{(s - \alpha_{n+1})^2}{\beta_{n+1}^2}\right)^{d_{n+1}} = \left(1 + \frac{(1-s - \alpha_{n+1})^2}{\beta_{n+1}^2}\right)^{d_{n+1}} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

where  $s$  is a complex variable,  $\alpha_i \neq 0$  and  $\beta_i \neq 0$  are real numbers,  $n \geq 1$ ,  $d_i \geq 1$ , and  $i$  are all natural numbers,  $\beta_i$  are in order of increasing  $|\beta_i|$ , i.e.,  $|\beta_1| \leq |\beta_2| \leq |\beta_3| \leq \dots$ .

**Proof:** Let's consider

$$\prod_{i=1}^{n+1} \left(1 + \frac{(s - \alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} = \prod_{i=1}^{n+1} \left(1 + \frac{(1-s - \alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} \quad (18)$$

i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} &\prod_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(s - \alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} \left(1 + \frac{(s - \alpha_{n+1})^2}{\beta_{n+1}^2}\right)^{d_{n+1}} \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(1-s - \alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} \left(1 + \frac{(1-s - \alpha_{n+1})^2}{\beta_{n+1}^2}\right)^{d_{n+1}} \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

Leaving out the trivial cases

$$\begin{aligned} \left(1 + \frac{(s - \alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} &= \left(1 + \frac{(1-s - \alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} = 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow \\ (s - \alpha_i)^2 &= (1-s - \alpha_i)^2 = -\beta_i^2, i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n, n+1 \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

which directly imply Lemma 4 is true, Eq.(18) is then equivalent to the following Eq.(21).

$$\frac{\prod_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(s - \alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i}}{\prod_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(1-s - \alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i}} = \frac{\left(1 + \frac{(1-s - \alpha_{n+1})^2}{\beta_{n+1}^2}\right)^{d_{n+1}}}{\left(1 + \frac{(s - \alpha_{n+1})^2}{\beta_{n+1}^2}\right)^{d_{n+1}}} \quad (21)$$

Another possibility  $\frac{\prod_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(s-\alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i}}{\left(1 + \frac{(1-s-\alpha_{n+1})^2}{\beta_{n+1}^2}\right)^{d_{n+1}}} = \frac{\prod_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(1-s-\alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i}}{\left(1 + \frac{(s-\alpha_{n+1})^2}{\beta_{n+1}^2}\right)^{d_{n+1}}}$  is excluded due to that means  $\left(1 + \frac{(1-s-\alpha_{n+1})^2}{\beta_{n+1}^2}\right)^{d_{n+1}}$  and  $\left(1 + \frac{(s-\alpha_{n+1})^2}{\beta_{n+1}^2}\right)^{d_{n+1}}$  are factors of  $\prod_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(s-\alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i}$  and  $\prod_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(1-s-\alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i}$ , respectively, i.e.,  $\beta_{n+1} = \beta_n, \alpha_{n+1} = 1 - \alpha_n, 1 - \alpha_{n+1} = \alpha_n, d_{n+1} \leq d_n$ , i.e., the  $(n+1)^{th}$  group of zeros  $(\alpha_{n+1} \pm j\beta_{n+1}, 1 - \alpha_{n+1} \pm j\beta_{n+1})$  with multiplicity  $d_{n+1}$  are included in the  $n^{th}$  group of zeros  $(\alpha_n \pm j\beta_n, 1 - \alpha_n \pm j\beta_n)$  with multiplicity  $d_n$ . Figure 1 gives the illustration of this situation.

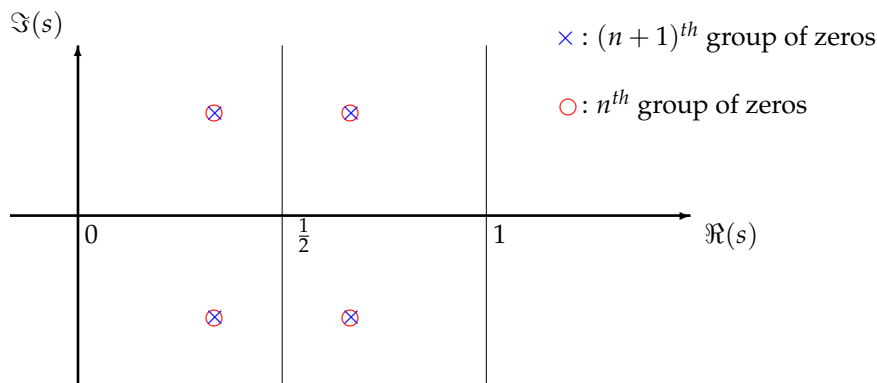


Figure 1 Illustration of the relationship between the  $n^{th}$  group of zeros and the  $(n+1)^{th}$  group of zeros of  $\zeta(s)$  while  $\beta_{n+1} = \beta_n, \alpha_{n+1} = 1 - \alpha_n$

Next, without loss of generality, we have from Eq. (21)

$$\frac{\prod_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(s-\alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i}}{\prod_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(1-s-\alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i}} = \frac{\left(1 + \frac{(1-s-\alpha_{n+1})^2}{\beta_{n+1}^2}\right)^{d_{n+1}}}{\left(1 + \frac{(s-\alpha_{n+1})^2}{\beta_{n+1}^2}\right)^{d_{n+1}}} = k \neq 0 \quad (22)$$

where  $k$  is a constant to be determined.

Therefore Eq.(21) is equivalent to the following Eq.(23)

$$\begin{cases} \prod_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(s-\alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} = k \prod_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(1-s-\alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} \\ \left(1 + \frac{(1-s-\alpha_{n+1})^2}{\beta_{n+1}^2}\right)^{d_{n+1}} = k \left(1 + \frac{(s-\alpha_{n+1})^2}{\beta_{n+1}^2}\right)^{d_{n+1}} \end{cases} \quad (23)$$

By comparing the like terms of polynomials in both sides of Eq.(23), we know that Eq.(23) holds if and only if  $k = 1$ , that means Eq.(21) is equivalent to the



following Eq.(24)

$$\begin{cases} \prod_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(s-\alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} = \prod_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(1-s-\alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} \\ \left(1 + \frac{(1-s-\alpha_{n+1})^2}{\beta_{n+1}^2}\right)^{d_{n+1}} = \left(1 + \frac{(s-\alpha_{n+1})^2}{\beta_{n+1}^2}\right)^{d_{n+1}} \end{cases} \quad (24)$$

Recalling that Eq.(18)  $\Leftrightarrow$  Eq.(19)  $\Leftrightarrow$  Eq.(21), then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{i=1}^{n+1} \left(1 + \frac{(s-\alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} &= \prod_{i=1}^{n+1} \left(1 + \frac{(1-s-\alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} \\ \Leftrightarrow \\ \begin{cases} \prod_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(s-\alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} = \prod_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{(1-s-\alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} \\ \left(1 + \frac{(1-s-\alpha_{n+1})^2}{\beta_{n+1}^2}\right)^{d_{n+1}} = \left(1 + \frac{(s-\alpha_{n+1})^2}{\beta_{n+1}^2}\right)^{d_{n+1}} \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

That completes the proof of Lemma 4.

**Proof of the RH:** The details are delivered in three steps as follows.

Step 1: Based on the Hadamard product in Eq.(10), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta(s) &= \zeta(0) \prod_{\rho} \left(1 - \frac{s}{\rho}\right) \\ &= \zeta(0) \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{s}{\rho_i}\right) \left(1 - \frac{s}{\bar{\rho}_i}\right) \\ &= \zeta(0) \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{s}{\alpha_i + j\beta_i}\right) \left(1 - \frac{s}{\alpha_i - j\beta_i}\right) \\ &= \zeta(0) \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\beta_i^2}{\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2} + \frac{(s-\alpha_i)^2}{\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2}\right) \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

where  $\zeta(0) = \frac{1}{2}$ .

The absolute convergence of the infinite product in Eq.(26) in the form

$$\zeta(s) = \zeta(0) \prod_{\rho} \left(1 - \frac{s}{\rho}\right) \left(1 - \frac{s}{\bar{\rho}}\right) = \zeta(0) \prod_{\rho} \left(1 - \frac{s(2\alpha - s)}{|\rho|^2}\right), 0 < \alpha = \Re(\rho) < 1$$

depends on the convergence of infinite series  $\sum_{\rho} \frac{1}{|\rho|^2}$ , which is an obvious fact according to Theorem 2 in Section 2, Chapter IV of Ref.[22].

Further, taking into account the possibility of multiple zeros in Eq. (26), we have

$$\zeta(s) = \zeta(0) \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\beta_i^2}{\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2} + \frac{(s-\alpha_i)^2}{\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2}\right)^{d_i} \quad (27)$$

where  $d_i \geq 1$  are natural numbers,  $i$  are natural numbers from 1 to infinity.

Step 2: Replacing  $s$  with  $1 - s$  in Eq.(27), we obtain the infinite product expression of  $\zeta(1 - s)$

$$\zeta(1 - s) = \zeta(0) \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{\beta_i^2}{\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2} + \frac{(1 - s - \alpha_i)^2}{\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2} \right)^{d_i} \quad (28)$$

Step 3: We have by  $\zeta(s) = \zeta(1 - s)$  that

$$\prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{\beta_i^2}{\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2} + \frac{(s - \alpha_i)^2}{\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2} \right)^{d_i} = \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{\beta_i^2}{\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2} + \frac{(1 - s - \alpha_i)^2}{\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2} \right)^{d_i} \quad (29)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \left( 1 + \frac{(s - \alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2} \right)^{d_i} = \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \left( 1 + \frac{(1 - s - \alpha_i)^2}{\beta_i^2} \right)^{d_i} \quad (30)$$

And that  $\beta_i$  can be certainly arranged in order of increasing  $|\beta_i|$ , i.e.,  $|\beta_1| \leq |\beta_2| \leq |\beta_3| \leq \dots$ .

Then according to Lemma 3, Eq.(30) is equivalent to  $\alpha_i = \frac{1}{2}$ , with  $i$  from 1 to infinity.

Thus, we conclude that all the zeros of the completed zeta function  $\zeta(s)$  have real part equal to  $\frac{1}{2}$ , i.e., Statement 2 of the RH is true; According to Lemma 2, Statement 1 of the RH is also true, i.e., All the non-trivial zeros of the Riemann zeta function  $\zeta(s)$  have real part equal to  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

That completes the proof of the RH.

**Remarks:** By Lemma 1, there are 2 pairs of complex zeros of  $\zeta(s)$  simultaneously, i.e.,  $\rho = \alpha + j\beta, \bar{\rho} = \alpha - j\beta, 1 - \rho = 1 - \alpha - j\beta, 1 - \bar{\rho} = 1 - \alpha + j\beta$  are all non-trivial zeroes of  $\zeta(s)$ . With the proof of the RH, i.e.,  $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$ , these 2 pairs of zeros are actually only one pair, because  $\rho = 1 - \bar{\rho} = \frac{1}{2} + j\beta, \bar{\rho} = 1 - \rho = \frac{1}{2} - j\beta$ . Thus Lemma 1 could be modified more precisely as follows.

**Lemma 1\*:** Non-trivial zeroes of  $\zeta(s)$ , noted as  $\rho = \alpha + j\beta$ , have the following properties

- 1) The number of non-trivial zeroes is infinity;
- 2)  $\beta \neq 0$ ;
- 3)  $0 < \alpha < 1$ ;
- 4)  $\rho = 1 - \bar{\rho}, \bar{\rho} = 1 - \rho$  are all non-trivial zeroes.

### 3 Conclusion

The celebrated Riemann Hypothesis is proved to be true based on a new expression of the completed zeta function  $\xi(s)$ , i.e.,

$$\xi(s) = \xi(0) \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{\beta_i^2}{\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2} + \frac{(s - \alpha_i)^2}{\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2} \right)^{d_i}$$

where  $\xi(0) = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\rho_i = \alpha_i + j\beta_i$ ,  $\bar{\rho}_i = \alpha_i - j\beta_i$  are complex conjugate zeros of  $\xi(s)$ ,  $0 < \alpha_i < 1$  and  $\beta_i \neq 0$  are real numbers,  $d_i \geq 1$  are the multiplicities of  $\rho_i$ ,  $i$  are natural numbers from 1 to infinity,  $\beta_i$  are in order of increasing  $|\beta_i|$ , i.e.,  $|\beta_1| \leq |\beta_2| \leq |\beta_3| \leq \dots$ .

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