

# PRIMES & HIS FAVORITE THINGS (ANALYSIS & # theory)

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$\log(x)$  = natural log

$$f(x) \sim g(x) \iff \left| \frac{f(x) - g(x)}{g(x)} \right| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } x \rightarrow \infty$$

▶ Euclid (c.a. 300BC)

• Fundamental Th<sup>m</sup> of Arithmetic

▶ every pos. integer can be written as a product of primes in a unique way. (well, upto reordering so if we impose an order then unique.)

$$n = p_1^{e_1} p_2^{e_2} \dots p_n^{e_n} \leftarrow \text{prime-power factorization}$$

CONCEPT: primes are atomic.

• Th<sup>m</sup>/ There are infinitely many primes because any finite list of primes is incomplete. (follows from FTA by slick argument ~~for~~)

▶ Euler (AD 1737): maybe most creative mathematician that ever lived.

Th<sup>m</sup>/ There are  $\infty$  many primes because

$$\sum_{p \text{ prime}} \frac{1}{p} = \infty$$

Euler writes: " $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{7} + \dots = \log(\log(\infty))$ "

Proof:  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^s}$  define  $\zeta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^s}$  converges for  $s > 1$  and diverges at  $s=1$  by  $\int$ -test.

an s-series  
since p is reserved to mean prime it's equal

$$\begin{aligned} \text{By FTA, } \zeta(s) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^s} \\ &= \prod_p \left( \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p^{ks}} \right) = \\ &= \left( 1 + \frac{1}{2^s} + \frac{1}{4^s} + \dots \right) \left( 1 + \frac{1}{3^s} + \frac{1}{9^s} + \dots \right) \\ &= \prod_p \frac{1}{1 - 1/p^s} \\ &= \prod_p \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p^s} \right)^{-1} \quad \text{for } s > 0 \end{aligned}$$

formally take log, following Euler, for  $s > 1$

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$$\begin{aligned}\log(\zeta(s)) &= - \sum_p \log\left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s}\right) \\ &= - \left( \sum_p \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{-1}{n p^{ns}} \right) \\ &= \sum_p \frac{1}{p^s} + \sum_p \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p^{ms}} \quad (*)\end{aligned}$$

For  $s > 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_p \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n p^{ns}} &\leq \sum_p \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p^n} = \sum_p \frac{1}{p^2} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p^m} \\ &= \sum_p \frac{1}{p^2} \left( \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{p}} \right) \\ &= \sum_p \frac{1}{p(p-1)} \\ &\leq \sum_1 \frac{1}{n^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{6} < \infty\end{aligned}$$

Take the limit as  $s \rightarrow 1^+$  both sides of \*

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow 1^+} \log(\zeta(s)) = \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_p \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n p^{ns}} < \infty$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\lim_{s \rightarrow 1^+} \left( \sum_p \frac{1}{p^s} \right) = +\infty} \quad //$$

Remark: this proof opens the door to using calculus/analysis to study # theory.

Gauss (AD 1792 or 1793) (he was 15 or 16)

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CONJECTURE: Given an integer  $t$  the "probability" that  $t$  is prime is  $\frac{1}{\log t}$

We interpret this to mean

$$\pi(x) = \#\{p \leq x : p \text{ prime}\} \sim \int_2^x \frac{dt}{\log t} = \text{Li}(x)$$

Prime # Th<sup>m</sup> In Rudimentary Form.

Gauss explicitly calculated the error in  $\pi(x)$  by  $\text{Li}(x)$  was small.

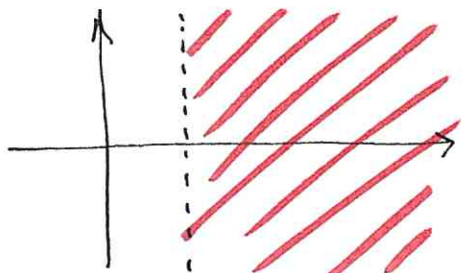
• no progress for about 70 years.

Riemann (AD 1859/1860): Gives an 8 page address on prime # theory: lays out plan for proving the P#T.

summary: "the zeros of  $\zeta(s)$  know everything about the primes"

• Where have all the zeros gone?

$$\zeta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^s} \quad \text{for } s > 1 \quad \dots \quad \text{How CAN THIS BE ZERO!? } \sum \text{ pos. #'s.}$$



▶ formula above, good for  $\text{Real}(s) > 1$ .

• The Euler Product  $\zeta(s) = \prod_p \left(1 - \frac{1}{p^s}\right)^{-1} \Rightarrow$  still no zeros.

• we need to go on a quest to find zeros.

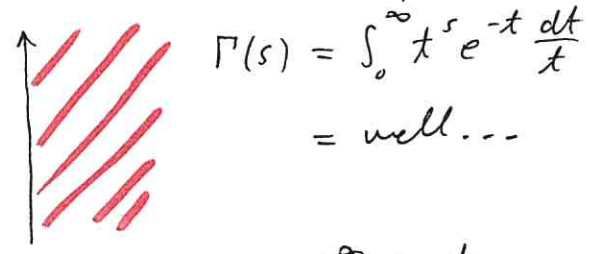
▶ How do we analytically continue a function?

↳ By all means!  
necessary.

Euler studied the fact.

$$\Gamma(s) = \int_0^{\infty} t^s e^{-t} \frac{dt}{t} \quad (\text{Riemann would have noted works for } \text{Re}(s) > 0)$$

in a quest to find a smooth interpolation of  $n!$  Lets play with  $\Gamma$  a bit.



I.B.P. on  $\Gamma(s+1) = \int_0^{\infty} t^s e^{-t} dt \leftarrow \begin{cases} u = t^s & du = e^{-t} dt \\ du = s t^{s-1} & u = -e^{-t} \end{cases}$

$$= -e^{-t} t^s \Big|_0^{\infty} + s \int_0^{\infty} t^{s-1} e^{-t} dt$$

$$= s \int_0^{\infty} t^{s-1} e^{-t} \frac{dt}{t}$$

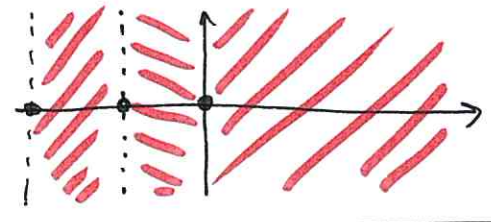
$$= s \Gamma(s).$$

But,  $\Gamma(1) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} dt = 1 \Rightarrow \Gamma(n+1) = n!$  (Euler probably thought of  $s$  as real)

Notice,

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

makes sense for  $\text{Re}(s) > -1, s \neq 0$



extend via the integral f-la each strip.

$$s=0, s=-1, s=-2, \dots$$

each a simple pole.  $\Rightarrow$  meromorphic extension.

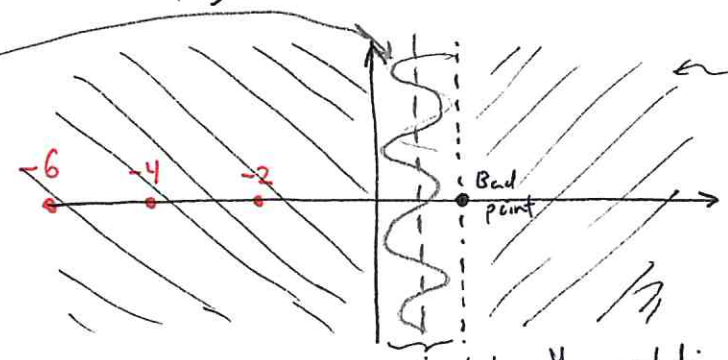
Riemann proved in 1859 ~ 1860 or so...

The Zeta fact. can be analytically continued to the whole complex plane

$\mathbb{C}$  except for a simple pole of residue 1. Furthermore,

$$(*) \quad \pi^{-s/2} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) \zeta(s) = \pi^{-(1-s)/2} \Gamma\left(\frac{1-s}{2}\right) \zeta(1-s) \quad \text{for all } s \in \mathbb{C} - \{1\}.$$

critical strip.  $0 < \text{Re}(s) < 1$   
critical line  $\text{Re}(s) = \frac{1}{2}$



Here  $\zeta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^s} = \prod_p \left(1 + \frac{1}{p^s}\right)$

$\Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right)$ 's poles  $\Rightarrow \zeta(s)$  has zeros at  $s = -2n$  for  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

missed by the relation \* above.



## In addition Riemann conjectures

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- ①  $\zeta(s)$  has only many zeros in the critical strip
- ② even gives an approximate formula for the # of nontrivial zeros.
- ③ gives an explicit formula relating prime #'s to zeros of  $\zeta(s)$

Notation:  $\Lambda(n) = \begin{cases} \log(p) & \text{if } n = p^k \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

### Von Mangoldt (AP 1895)

$$\text{Thm: } \sum_{p^k \leq x} \log(p) = \sum_{n \leq x} \Lambda(n) = x - \frac{\zeta'(0)}{\zeta(0)} - \sum_{\substack{p \\ \zeta(p)=0}} \frac{x^p}{p}$$

Btw:  $\underbrace{\zeta(0) = -\frac{1}{2}}_{\text{easy}}$  and  $\underbrace{\frac{\zeta'(0)}{\zeta(0)} = \log(2\pi)}_{\text{not so easy -- Hadamard Product.}}$

- ④ "It seems very likely that all of the nontrivial zeros of  $\zeta(s)$  lie on the line  $\text{Re}(s) = 1/2$ " (Riemann Hypothesis)
- $\rightarrow \# \{p \leq x\} = \int_2^x \frac{dt}{\log(t)} + O(\sqrt{x} \log(x))$

Sketch Proof: Start with

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\text{Re}(s)=2} \frac{y^s}{s} ds = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 0 < y < 1 \\ 1/2 & \text{if } y = 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } y > 1 \end{cases}$$

And note that

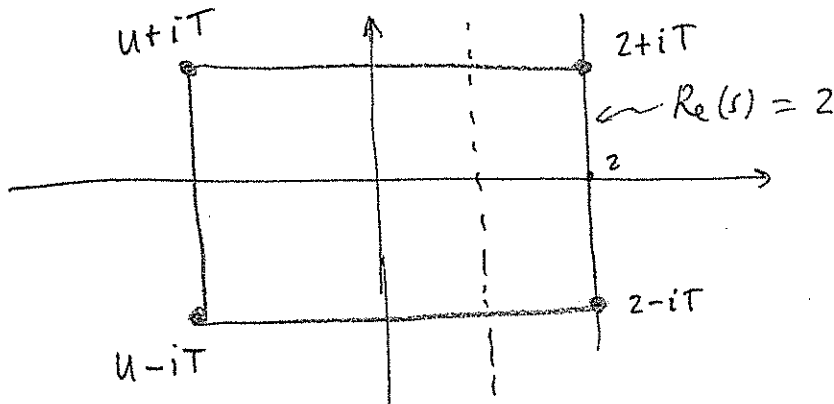
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\zeta'(s)}{\zeta(s)} &= \frac{d}{ds} \left( \log(\zeta(s)) \right) = -\frac{d}{ds} \sum_p \log \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p^s} \right) \\ &= -\sum_p \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{p^s}} \left( -\log\left(\frac{1}{p}\right) \frac{1}{p^s} \right) \\ &= -\sum_p \frac{\log(p)}{p^s} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p^{ks}} \\ &= \sum_p \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\log(p)}{p^{ns}} = -\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\Lambda(n)}{n^s} \end{aligned}$$

If  $x \notin \mathbb{Z}$

$$\sum_{n \leq x} \Lambda(n) = \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\text{Re}(s)=2} \sum_{n \leq x} \frac{\Lambda(n)}{n^s} \frac{x^s}{s} ds$$

$$= \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\text{Re}(s)=2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\Lambda(n)}{n^s} \frac{x^s}{s} ds = \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\text{Re}(s)=2} \frac{\zeta'(s)}{\zeta(s)} \frac{x^s}{s} ds$$

$$= \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{2-iT}^{2+iT} \frac{\zeta'(s)}{\zeta(s)} \frac{x^s}{s} ds + E_1(T, x) \quad \text{where } E_1(T, x) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } T \rightarrow \infty$$



$$= \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{R(T, u)} \frac{\zeta'(s)}{\zeta(s)} \frac{x^s}{s} ds + E_1(T, x) + E_2(T, u, x) \quad \text{as } u \rightarrow -\infty$$

$$= x - \frac{\zeta'(0)}{\zeta(0)} - \sum_p \frac{x^p}{p} + \dots \quad \text{need to calculate Residues inside the rectangle.}$$

(~~the~~) Von Mangoldt's Result! (So you after Riemann to get it)

Returning to early eq<sup>n</sup>

$$\sum_{p^k \leq x} \log(p) = \sum_{n \leq x} \Lambda(n) = x - \frac{\zeta'(0)}{\zeta(0)} - \sum_{\substack{p: \\ \zeta(p)=0}} \frac{x^p}{p}$$

$$= x - \log(2\pi) - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^{-2n}}{2n} - \sum_{\text{non-trivial } \rho} \frac{x^\rho}{\rho}$$

$$= x - \log(2\pi) - \frac{1}{2} \log(1-x^{-2}) - \sum_{\text{non-trivial } \rho} \frac{x^\rho}{\rho}$$