Disproof of the Riemann Hypothesis

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Abstract

Let's define $S(x) = \vartheta(x) - x$, where $\vartheta(x)$ is the Chebyshev function. We prove that the Riemann Hypothesis is false when $\int_x^\infty \frac{S(y) \times (1 + \log y)}{y^2 \times \log^2 y} dy \ge \frac{S(x)^2}{x^2 \times \log x}$ is satisfied for some number $x \ge 121$. In addition, we demonstrate that the previous inequality is satisfied when $S(x) \ge 0$ for some number $x \ge 121$. It is known that S(x) changes sign infinitely often. In this way, we show that the Riemann Hypothesis is indeed false.

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1. Introduction

In mathematics, the Riemann Hypothesis is a conjecture that the Riemann zeta function has its zeros only at the negative even integers and complex numbers with real part $\frac{1}{2}$ [1]. Let $N_n = 2 \times 3 \times 5 \times 7 \times 11 \times \cdots \times p_n$ denotes a primorial number of order n such that p_n is the n^{th} prime number. Say Nicolas (p_n) holds provided

$$\prod_{q|N_n} \frac{q}{q-1} > e^{\gamma} \times \log \log N_n.$$

The constant $\gamma \approx 0.57721$ is the Euler-Mascheroni constant, log is the natural logarithm, and $q \mid N_n$ means the prime number q divides to N_n . The importance of this property is:

Theorem 1.1. [2], [3]. Nicolas (p_n) holds for all prime numbers $p_n > 2$ if and only if the Riemann Hypothesis is true.

In mathematics, the Chebyshev function $\vartheta(x)$ is given by

$$\vartheta(x) = \sum_{p \le x} \log p$$

where $p \le x$ means all the prime numbers p that are less than or equal to x. We know this:

Theorem 1.2. [4].

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{\vartheta(x)}{x} = 1.$$

Theorem 1.3. [5]. For x > 1:

$$\vartheta(x) < (1 + \frac{1}{2 \times \log x}) \times x.$$

Let's define $S(x) = \vartheta(x) - x$. It is a known result that:

Theorem 1.4. [6]. S(x) changes sign infinitely often.

We also know that

Theorem 1.5. [3]. For $x \ge 121$:

$$\log \log \vartheta(x) \ge \log \log x + \frac{S(x)}{x \times \log x} - \frac{S(x)^2}{x^2 \times \log x}$$

Let's define $H = \gamma - B$ such that $B \approx 0.2614972128$ is the Meissel-Mertens constant [7]. We know from the constant H, the following formula:

Theorem 1.6. [8].

$$\sum_{q} \left(\log(\frac{q}{q-1}) - \frac{1}{q} \right) = \gamma - B = H.$$

For $x \ge 2$, the function u(x) is defined as follows

$$u(x) = \sum_{q > x} \left(\log(\frac{q}{q-1}) - \frac{1}{q} \right).$$

Nicolas showed that

Theorem 1.7. [3]. For $x \ge 2$:

$$0 < u(x) \le \frac{1}{2 \times (x-1)}.$$

Let's define:

$$\delta(x) = \left(\sum_{q \le x} \frac{1}{q} - \log\log x - B\right).$$

Robin theorem states the following result:

Theorem 1.8. [9]. $\delta(x)$ changes sign infinitely often.

In addition, the Mertens second theorem states that:

Theorem 1.9. [7].

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \delta(x) = 0.$$

Besides, Rosser and Schoenfeld derived a remarkable identity:

Theorem 1.10. [5].

$$\sum_{q \le x} \frac{1}{q} = \log \log x + B + \frac{S(x)}{x \times \log x} - \int_{x}^{\infty} \frac{S(y) \times (1 + \log y)}{y^2 \times \log^2 y} dy.$$

We define another function:

$$\overline{w}(x) = \left(\sum_{q \le x} \frac{1}{q} - \log \log \vartheta(x) - B\right).$$

Putting all together yields the proof that the inequality $\varpi(x) > u(x)$ is satisfied for a number $x \ge 3$ if and only if Nicolas(p) holds, where p is the greatest prime number such that $p \le x$. In this way, we introduce another criterion for the Riemann Hypothesis based on the Nicolas criterion and deduce some of its consequences. One of these consequences is that the Riemann Hypothesis is indeed false.

2. Results

Theorem 2.1. The inequality $\varpi(x) > u(x)$ is satisfied for a number $x \ge 3$ if and only if Nicolas(p) holds, where p is the greatest prime number such that $p \le x$.

Proof. We start from the inequality:

$$\varpi(x) > u(x)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\left(\sum_{q \le x} \frac{1}{q} - \log \log \vartheta(x) - B\right) > \sum_{q > x} \left(\log(\frac{q}{q-1}) - \frac{1}{q}\right).$$

Let's add the following formula to the both sides of the inequality,

$$\sum_{q \le x} \left(\log(\frac{q}{q-1}) - \frac{1}{q} \right)$$

and due to the theorem 1.6, we obtain that

$$\sum_{q \le x} \log(\frac{q}{q-1}) - \log\log\vartheta(x) - B > H$$

because of

$$H = \sum_{q \le x} \left(\log(\frac{q}{q-1}) - \frac{1}{q} \right) + \sum_{q > x} \left(\log(\frac{q}{q-1}) - \frac{1}{q} \right)$$

and

$$\sum_{q \le x} \log(\frac{q}{q-1}) = \sum_{q \le x} \frac{1}{q} + \sum_{q \le x} \left(\log(\frac{q}{q-1}) - \frac{1}{q} \right).$$

Let's distribute it and remove *B* from the both sides:

$$\sum_{q \le x} \log(\frac{q}{q-1}) > \gamma + \log\log\vartheta(x)$$

since $H = \gamma - B$. If we apply the exponentiation to the both sides of the inequality, then we have that

$$\prod_{q \le x} \frac{q}{q-1} > e^{\gamma} \times \log \vartheta(x)$$

which means that $\mathsf{Nicolas}(p)$ holds, where p is the greatest prime number such that $p \le x$. The same happens in the reverse implication.

Theorem 2.2. The Riemann Hypothesis is true if and only if the inequality $\varpi(x) > u(x)$ is satisfied for all numbers $x \ge 3$.

Proof. This is a direct consequence of theorems 1.1 and 2.1. \Box

Theorem 2.3. If the inequality $\varpi(x) \le 0$ is satisfied for some number $x \ge 3$, then the Riemann Hypothesis should be false.

Proof. This is an implication of theorems 1.7, 2.1 and 2.2.

Theorem 2.4. If the inequalities $\delta(x) \le 0$ and $S(x) \ge 0$ are satisfied for some number $x \ge 3$, then the Riemann Hypothesis should be false.

Proof. If the inequalities $\delta(x) \le 0$ and $S(x) \ge 0$ are satisfied for some number $x \ge 3$, then we obtain that $\varpi(x) \le 0$ is also satisfied, which means that the Riemann Hypothesis should be false according to the theorem 2.3.

Theorem 2.5.

$$\lim_{x\to\infty}\varpi(x)=0.$$

Proof. We know that $\lim_{x\to\infty} \varpi(x) = 0$ for the limits $\lim_{x\to\infty} \delta(x) = 0$ and $\lim_{x\to\infty} \frac{\vartheta(x)}{x} = 1$. In this way, this is a consequence from the theorems 1.9 and 1.2.

Theorem 2.6. Under the assumption that

$$\int_{x}^{\infty} \frac{S(y) \times (1 + \log y)}{y^{2} \times \log^{2} y} dy \ge \frac{S(x)^{2}}{x^{2} \times \log x}$$

is satisfied for some number $x \ge 121$, then the Riemann Hypothesis should be false.

Proof. Under the assumption that

$$\int_{x}^{\infty} \frac{S(y) \times (1 + \log y)}{y^{2} \times \log^{2} y} dy \ge \frac{S(x)^{2}}{x^{2} \times \log x}$$

for some number $x \ge 121$, then we can deduce that

$$\sum_{q \le x} \frac{1}{q} \le \log \log x + B + \frac{S(x)}{x \times \log x} - \frac{S(x)^2}{x^2 \times \log x}$$

according to the theorem 1.10. Using the theorem 1.5, then we obtain that

$$\sum_{q \le x} \frac{1}{q} \le \log \log \vartheta(x) + B$$

due to $x \ge 121$. However, that would mean

$$\varpi(x) = \sum_{q \le x} \frac{1}{q} - \log \log \vartheta(x) - B \le 0$$

and therefore, the Riemann Hypothesis should be false because of the theorem 2.3.

Theorem 2.7. The inequality

$$\int_{x}^{\infty} \frac{S(y) \times (1 + \log y)}{y^{2} \times \log^{2} y} dy \ge \frac{S(x)^{2}}{x^{2} \times \log x}$$

is satisfied for some number $x \ge 121$ when $S(x) \ge 0$.

Proof. By the theorem 1.3, we have that:

$$\frac{S(x)}{x} = \frac{\vartheta(x) - x}{x}$$

$$< \frac{(1 + \frac{1}{2 \times \log x}) \times x - x}{x}$$

$$= \frac{x \times ((1 + \frac{1}{2 \times \log x}) - 1)}{x}$$

$$= (1 + \frac{1}{2 \times \log x} - 1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2 \times \log x}$$

$$< 1$$

for a number $x \ge 121$. In this way, we have that $0 \le \frac{S(x)}{x} < 1$ when $S(x) \ge 0$. Consequently, we obtain that $\frac{S(x)}{x} \ge \frac{S(x)^2}{x^2}$ under the assumption that $S(x) \ge 0$, since for every real number $0 \le z < 1$, the inequality $z \ge z^2$ is always satisfied. For that reason, we will have that $\frac{S(x)}{x \times \log x} \ge \frac{S(x)^2}{x^2 \times \log x}$. However, we know that

$$\int_{x}^{\infty} \frac{S(y) \times (1 + \log y)}{y^{2} \times \log^{2} y} dy = \frac{S(x)}{x \times \log x} + c$$

where $S(x) \ge 0$ and c could be a positive constant for the number $x \ge 121$ [10]. In conclusion, the theorem is true for some number $x \ge 121$ when $S(x) \ge 0$.

Theorem 2.8. The Riemann Hypothesis is indeed false.

Proof. This is a direct consequence of theorems 1.4, 2.6 and 2.7.

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