



**Definition 1.** *The Riemann Zeta function is defined as*

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

for  $\text{Re}(s) > 1$ .

**Theorem 1.**

$$\zeta(s) = \prod_p \frac{1}{1 - p^{-s}} \quad (2)$$

where the product runs over all prime numbers  $p$  and  $\text{Re}(s) > 1$ .

This is a very classic result, for a more advanced and general proof see [1].

*Proof.* Notice first that:

$$\prod_p \frac{1}{1 - p^{-s}} = \prod_p \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{p^s}}$$

now remember that for  $|q| < 1$  the geometric series converges i.e.  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} q^k = \frac{1}{1-q}$

and notice that for  $\text{Re}(s) > 1$ ,  $\left| \frac{1}{p^s} \right| < 1$  for any prime  $p$ , therefore:

$$\prod_p \frac{1}{1 - p^{-s}} = \prod_p \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{p^s}} = \prod_p \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{p^s} \right)^k$$

now it is simply a matter of noticing that multiplying over all prime numbers  $p$  and over all their possible powers means exactly summing over all numbers:

$$\prod_p \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{p^s} \right)^k = 1 + \left( \frac{1}{p_1} \right)^s + \left( \frac{1}{p_2} \right)^s + \dots + \left( \frac{1}{p_1 * p_2} \right)^s + \left( \frac{1}{p_1 * p_2} \right)^s + \dots = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^s}$$

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## References

- [1] Tom M Apostol. *Introduction to analytic number theory*. Springer Science & Business Media, 2013.