



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

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

for  $Re(s) > 1$ .

**Theorem 1.** The Laurent expansion for  $\zeta(s)$  around the pole at  $s = 1$  is:

$$\zeta(s) = \frac{1}{s-1} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{k!} \gamma_k (s-1)^k \quad (2)$$

where  $\gamma_k$  are called Stieltjes constants and are defined via

$$\gamma_k = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left( \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{(\log(n))^k}{n} - \frac{(\log(N))^{k+1}}{k+1} \right).$$

*Proof.* We will use the following equation for the Zeta function:

$$\zeta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{n^s} + \frac{N^{1-s}}{s-1} - s \int_N^{\infty} \frac{x - [x]}{x^{s+1}} dx \quad (3)$$

true for  $Re(s) > 0$ ,  $N = 1, 2, \dots$  and  $[x] := \max\{k \in \mathbb{Z} : k \leq x\}$ , known as "floor" of  $x$  or integer part of  $x$  this is sometimes known as [Representation by Euler-Maclaurin Formula](#).

Focus on the term:

$$\sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{n^s} + \frac{N^{1-s}}{s-1}$$

adding and subtracting  $\frac{1}{s-1}$  gives us

$$\frac{1}{s-1} + \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{n^s} + \frac{N^{1-s}}{s-1} - \frac{1}{s-1} = \frac{1}{s-1} + \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{n^s} - \frac{N^{1-s}}{1-s} + \frac{1}{1-s} = \frac{1}{s-1} + \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{n^s} - \frac{N^{1-s} - 1}{1-s}.$$

Write  $n^{1-s}$  and  $N^{1-s}$  in the exponential form and substitute with their power series about  $s = 1$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{s-1} + \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{n} e^{(1-s)\log(n)} - \frac{e^{(1-s)\log(N)} - 1}{1-s} \\
&= \frac{1}{s-1} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{n} \frac{(1-s)^k \log(n)^k}{k!} \right) - \frac{\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(1-s)^k \log(N)^k}{k!} - 1}{(1-s)} \\
&= \frac{1}{s-1} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{n} \frac{(1-s)^k \log(n)^k}{k!} \right) - \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1-s)^k \log(N)^k}{k!}}{(1-s)} \quad (4) \\
&= \frac{1}{s-1} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{n} \frac{(1-s)^k \log(n)^k}{k!} \right) - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(1-s)^{k+1} \log(N)^{k+1}}{(k+1)!(1-s)} \\
&= \frac{1}{s-1} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left[ \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{n} \frac{(1-s)^k \log(n)^k}{k!} - \frac{(1-s)^k \log(N)^{k+1}}{(k+1)!} \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{s-1} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(1-s)^k}{k!} \left[ \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{\log(n)^k}{n} - \frac{\log(N)^{k+1}}{k+1} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

By using 4 in 3 we find

$$\zeta(s) = \frac{1}{s-1} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(1-s)^k}{k!} \left[ \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{\log(n)^k}{n} - \frac{\log(N)^{k+1}}{k+1} \right] - s \int_N^{\infty} \frac{x - [x]}{x^{s+1}} dx \quad (5)$$

Given this is true  $\forall N \in \mathbb{N}$  it will remain true for  $N \rightarrow \infty$ , therefore:

$$\begin{aligned}
\zeta(s) &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{s-1} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(1-s)^k}{k!} \left[ \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{\log(n)^k}{n} - \frac{\log(N)^{k+1}}{k+1} \right] - s \int_N^{\infty} \frac{x - [x]}{x^{s+1}} dx \\
&= \frac{1}{s-1} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(1-s)^k}{k!} \left[ \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left( \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{\log(n)^k}{n} - \frac{\log(N)^{k+1}}{k+1} \right) \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{s-1} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(1-s)^k}{k!} \gamma_k = \frac{1}{s-1} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{k!} \gamma_k (s-1)^k \quad (6)
\end{aligned}$$

where we used the fact that  $|\int_N^{\infty} \frac{x-[x]}{x^{s+1}} dx| \leq \int_N^{\infty} \frac{|x-[x]|}{x^{s+1}} dx \leq \int_N^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^{s+1}} dx \leq \int_N^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^{\delta+1}} dx$  for any  $0 < \delta \leq \text{Re}(s)$  if  $\text{Re}(s) > 1$  or any  $\text{Re}(s) \geq \delta > 0$  if  $\text{Re}(s) < 1$ , therefore  $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} -s \int_N^{\infty} \frac{x-[x]}{x^{s+1}} dx = 0$ .  $\square$