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**A Carleman-Nevanlinna Theorem and Summation
of the Riemann Zeta-Function Logarithm**

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Abstract. A Carleman-Nevanlinna Theorem for a rectangle is proved. The theorem is applied to the summation of $\log |\zeta(s)|$ on the critical and other vertical lines, where $\zeta(s)$ is the Riemann zeta-function. In particular, let

$$I(\varepsilon) = \int_0^\infty e^{-\varepsilon t} \log \left| \zeta \left(\frac{1}{2} + it \right) \right| dt, \quad \varepsilon > 0,$$

and let $\{\rho_j\}$ be non-trivial zeros of $\zeta(s)$, then

$$\frac{\pi}{2} \sum_j \left| \operatorname{Re} \rho_j - \frac{1}{2} \right| = I(+0) + \frac{\pi}{2},$$

where $I(+0) := \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} I(\varepsilon)$. Thus, the Riemann hypothesis for $\zeta(s)$ holds if and only if $I(+0) = -\pi/2$.

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