## Prime and Twin Prime Theory

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## Abstract

In this article, we use method of a modified sieve of Eratosthenes to prove the prime and the twin prime theory.

We use  $p_i$  for all the primes, 2,3,5,7,11,13,...., i=1,2,3,....,

If a prime pair  $(p_m, p_{m+1})$  is a twin prime, then it can be written as (6k-1, 6k+1) for some k.

Let  $p_m \not\equiv \prod_{i=1...m} p_i$ ,

Theorem 1, When sieve up to  $p_m$ , the total number of the remaining numbers  $\{R_j^m\}$ , inside of  $(0, p_m \sharp)$  is  $\prod_{i=1...m} (p_i - 1)$ ,

We can generate the remaining numbers for period  $(0, p_{m+1}\sharp)$  when sieve upto  $p_{m+1}$  by sequence of the remaining numbers  $\{R_j^m\}$ , inside of  $(0, p_m \sharp)$  as following;

 $\{ R_j^m \}, \{ p_m \sharp + R_j^m \}, \{ 2x p_m \sharp + R_j^m \}, \dots, \{ (p_{m+1}-1)x p_m \sharp + R_j^m \}, \}$ 

and then taking out the terms of {  $p_{m+1} \times R_j^m$ },

Obviously the total number of the remaining numbers when sieve up o  $p_{m+1}$  in the period of  $(1, p_{m+1}\sharp)$  is,

$$\prod_{i=1...m} (p_i - 1) \ge p_{m+1} - \prod_{i=1...m} (p_i - 1) = \prod_{i=1...m+1} (p_i - 1),$$

For m=2, the remaining numbers in (0, 6), are 1 and 5 when sieve upto 3, the period of (0,6) is the building blocks for the period (0, 30), and the remaining numbers 1 and 5 are the basic numbers to generate all the remaining numbers in period (0, 30) when sieve upto prime number 5. It can be seen from the following, blocked sequence;

(0,1,2,3,4,5,6)(7,8,9,10,11,12)(13,14,15,16,17,18)(19,20,21,22,23,24)(25,26,27,28,29,30),

the new generated remaining numbers are;

(,1,..,5,)(7,..,11,.)(13,..,17,)(19,..,23,)(25,..,29,),

there remaining twin pairs of

(5,7), (11,13), (17,19), (23,25), (29,1),

if we treat (29,1) as one twin.

after taking out the two remaining numbers 1 and 5 time 5, it left the following remaining sequence;

(,1,,,,...)(7,,,,11,,)(13,,,,17,)(19,,,,23,)(...,,,29,),

and the remaining twin pairs are,

(11,13),(17,19),(29,1);

It is clear that all the remining number twins are generated by basic numbers, 1 and 5 too, And all the primes and twin primes are also from the two basic numbers, 1 and 5.

Similarly we have the following for the remaining twins,

Theorem 2;

When sieve up to  $p_m$ , the total number of the remaining number twins inside of  $(0, p_m \sharp)$  is  $\prod_{i=2...m} (p_i - 2)$ ,

In general not all the remaining twins are twin primes. We need to sieve more larger primes to get twin primes.

Let  $p_M$  be the least prime satisfied the  $p_m \sharp < p_M^2$ , then we sieve upto  $p_M$  for the period  $(0, p_m \sharp)$ , then all those still remaining numbers are primes and remaining twins are twin primes.

Theorem 3;

When sieve up to  $p_{m+1}$ , the total number of the remaining numbers inside period ((k-1)x $p_m$  $\sharp$ , k x  $p_m$  $\sharp$ ) is equal approximately to  $\prod_{i=1...m+1}(p_i-1)$ /  $p_{m+1} \pm 1$ ,

particulary for the period of  $(0, p_m \sharp)$ ,

This is equivalent to the following theorem,

Theorem 4;

For any number d with  $(d, p_m \sharp) = 1$ , no common factor with  $p_m \sharp$ , when sieve upto  $p_m$ , the total number of the remaining numbers inside period (0,  $p_m \sharp/d$ ) is equal approximately to  $\prod_{i=1...m} (p_i - 1) / d \pm 1$ ,

When sieve up to  $p_M$ , the total number of the remaining numbers inside period  $(0, p_m \sharp)$  are those remaining numbers when sieve up to  $p_{M-1}$  in the same period  $(0, p_m \sharp)$  subtract those remaining numbers when sieve up to  $p_{M-1}$ in the period  $(0, p_m \sharp/p_M)$  multiplied by  $p_M$ .

We use  $\{(a, b)\}^M$  to denote those remaining numbers in period (a, b) when sieve up to  $p_M$ . We have,

$$\{(0, p_m \sharp)\}^M = \{(0, p_m \sharp)\}^{M-1} - \{\{(0, p_m \sharp/p_M)\}^{M-1} \times p_M\},$$
(1)

and so on, we have,

$$\{(0, p_m \sharp)\}^{M-1} = \{(0, p_m \sharp)\}^{M-2} - \{\{(0, p_m \sharp/p_{M-1})\}^{M-2} \times p_{M-1}\},$$
(2)

and

$$\{(0, p_m \sharp/p_M)\}^{M-1} = \{(0, p_m \sharp/p_M)\}^{M-2} - \{\{(0, p_m \sharp/p_M p_{M-1})\}^{M-2} \times p_{M-1}\},\$$
(3)

and so on and on, we will have,

$$\{(0, p_m \sharp)\}^M = \sum_{d|P} \mu(d) \{\{(0, p_m \sharp/d)\}^m \times d\},\tag{4}$$

here P =  $\prod_{i=m+1...M} p_i$ .

There are no remaining number in period  $(0, p_m \sharp/d)$  when  $p_m \sharp/d < 1$ , and only one remaining number, 1, when  $1 < p_m \sharp/d < p_m$ ,

We have,

$$|\{(0, p_m \sharp)\}^M| = \sum_{d|P} \mu(d) |\{(0, p_m \sharp)\}^m| / d \pm ER_m$$
(5)

we have,

$$|\{(0, p_m \sharp)\}^M| = [\prod_{i=1\dots m} (p_i - 1)] \times [\prod_{i=m+1,\dots M} (1 - 1/p_i)] \pm ER_m$$
(6)

here, the  $ER_m$  is the possible error,

$$ER_m = |\{d; d \mid P, p_m < d < p_{m-1} \sharp\}|,$$

$$ER_m = |\{(0, p_{m-1}\sharp)\}^m| - |\{(0, p_{m-1}\sharp)\}^M|$$
(7)

$$ER_m = \prod_{i=1\dots m} (p_i - 1)/p_m - [\prod_{i=1\dots m-1} (p_i - 1)] \times [\prod_{i=m,\dots M} (1 - 1/p_i)] + ER_{m-1}$$
(8)

We have,

$$ER_m = \sum_{l=1,m} \left[\prod_{i=1...l} (p_i - 1)/p_l\right] \times \left[1 - \prod_{i=l+1,..M} (1 - 1/p_i)\right],\tag{9}$$

Then we have,

Theorem 5;

when sieve up to  $p_M$  for the  $(0, p_m \sharp)$ , the total number of the remaining primes inside  $(0, p_m \sharp)$  is equal approximately to  $\prod_{i=1...m} (p_i - 1) \prod_{j=m+1...M} (1 - 1/p_j) \pm ER_m$ ,

here  $ER_m$  as above.

Similarly for the twin primes we have,

Theorem 6;

when sieve up to  $p_M$  for the  $(0, p_m \sharp)$ , the total number of the remaining twin primes inside  $(0, p_m \sharp)$  is equal approximately to  $\prod_{i=2...m} (p_i - 2) \prod_{j=m+1...M} (1 - 2/p_j) \pm ER_m$ ,

and here  $ER_m$  is the same as above.

This also proves the twin prime conjecture.