

# Z Sieve Method

## Abstract

**A primary sieve method, Z Sieve Method, is presented. With this method, formulas are deduced for the estimation of the number of twins and the number of Goldbach partitions, with accuracies comparable with that of Hardy-Littlewood's and Grandall-Pomenrance's.**

**Based on this method, the nature of  $\prod_{P \geq 3} \frac{P(P-2)}{(P-1)^2}$ ,  $\prod_{P|N} \frac{P-1}{P-2}$ , and other terms of formulas are expounded.**

**Furthermore, this method shows the probable of the formulas for calculation of the number of twins and the number of Goldbach partitions, for which the results are exactly the same as real values and of birth of the proofs of these two conjectures.**

In this paper, the main purpose of the Z Sieve Method, is to apply it to Twin Conjecture and Goldbach Conjecture.

Although Prime Theorem is well known, for the convenience of expressing and applying Z Sieve Method, I apply it to express Prime Theorem as below.

For an odd number series: 1, 3, 5...N-1 (N is an even number), denote S(i) is the number of the terms, which is sifted by  $P_i$  only and we have

$$S(1) = \left[ \frac{N + P_1}{2P_1} \right];$$

$$S(2) = \left[ \frac{N + P_2}{2P_2} \right] - \left[ \frac{N + P_1P_2}{2P_1P_2} \right];$$

$$S(3) = \left[ \frac{N + P_3}{2P_3} \right] - \left[ \frac{N + P_1P_3}{2P_1P_3} \right] - \left[ \frac{N + P_2P_3}{2P_2P_3} \right] + \left[ \frac{N + P_1P_2P_3}{2P_1P_2P_3} \right];$$

$$S(4) = \left[ \frac{N + P_4}{2P_4} \right] - \sum_{1 \leq i < 4} \left[ \frac{N + P_iP_4}{2P_iP_4} \right] + \sum_{1 \leq i < j < 4} \left[ \frac{N + P_iP_jP_4}{2P_iP_jP_4} \right] - \left[ \frac{N + P_1P_2P_3P_4}{2P_1P_2P_3P_4} \right];$$

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$$S(r) = \left[ \frac{N + P_r}{2P_r} \right] - \sum_{1 \leq i < r} \left[ \frac{N + P_iP_r}{2P_iP_r} \right] + \sum_{1 \leq i < j < r} \left[ \frac{N + P_iP_jP_r}{2P_iP_jP_r} \right] - \dots + (-1)^{r+1} \left[ \frac{N + P_1P_2 \dots P_r}{2P_1P_2 \dots P_r} \right], \text{ where}$$

e P is a prime and  $3 = P_1 < P_2 \dots < P_r \leq \sqrt{N} < P_{r+1}$ . The number of the total terms is  $\left\lfloor \frac{N}{2} \right\rfloor$  or  $\left\lfloor \frac{N+1}{2} \right\rfloor$ . Therefore, the number of primes less N,  $\pi(N)$  is:

$$\pi(N) = \left\lfloor \frac{N+1}{2} \right\rfloor - \sum_{1 \leq i \leq r} \left\lfloor \frac{N+P_i}{2P_i} \right\rfloor + \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq r} \left\lfloor \frac{N+P_i P_j}{2P_i P_j} \right\rfloor - \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq r} \left\lfloor \frac{N+P_i P_j P_k}{2P_i P_j P_k} \right\rfloor + \dots + (-1)^r \left\lfloor \frac{N+P_1 P_2 \dots P_r}{2P_1 P_2 \dots P_r} \right\rfloor + r.$$

To figure the number of twin primes less N,  $Z_2(N)$ , by Z Sieve Method make 2 odd number series A and B and one composite series C (A,B) as below:

A: 1, 3, 5... N-5, N-3, N-1;

B: 3, 5, 7... N-3, N-1; N+1;

C: (1, 3), (3, 5), (5, 7)...(N-5, N-3), (N-3, N-1), (N-1, N+1),

where  $A_i + 2 = B_i$  and  $C_i (A_i, B_i)$ .

Count  $C_i$  is a composite term, if either  $A_i$  or  $B_i$  is a composite.  $C_i$  is a twin term, if both  $A_i$  and  $B_i$  is a prime. After sifting all the composite terms from C series, the rest of the terms of C series are twins except  $C_1 (1, 3)$ .

For sifting series C, do the way as S(i) above and follow the steps below:

1-A Sift all the composite terms by  $P_1$  from series C(A): AS(1);

1-B Sift all the composite terms by  $P_1$  from series C(B): BS(1);

2-A Sift all the composite terms by  $P_2$  only from the rest terms of series C(A): AS(2);

2-B Sift all the composite terms by  $P_2$  only from the rest terms of series C(B): BS(2);

3-A Sift all the composite terms by  $P_3$  only from the rest terms of series C(A): AS(3);

3-B Sift all the composite terms by  $P_3$  only from the rest terms of series C(B): BS(3);

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r-A Sift all the composite terms by  $P_r$  only from the rest terms of series C(A): AS(r);

r-B Sift all the composite terms by  $P_r$  only from the rest terms of series C(B): BS(r).

The number of the total terms of C series is  $\left\lfloor \frac{N}{2} \right\rfloor$  or  $\left\lfloor \frac{N+1}{2} \right\rfloor$ . Therefore,

$$Z_2(N) = \left\lfloor \frac{N+1}{2} \right\rfloor - AS(1) - BS(1) - AS(2) - BS(2) - AS(3) - BS(3) - \dots - AS(r) - BS(r) + T_2(\sqrt{N}) + F(0/-1).$$

Because  $A_i + 2 = B_i$ , if  $P_1 | A_i$ ,  $P_1$  is not divisible by  $B_i$ , therefore  $AS(1) = \left\lfloor \frac{N+P_1}{2P_1} \right\rfloor$  and

$BS(1) = \left\lfloor \frac{N+P_1}{2P_1} \right\rfloor$ . AS(2) is the number of the composite terms divisible by  $P_2$  on series C (A) minus the number of the composite terms divisible by  $P_1 P_2$  on series C (A) and

minus the number of the composite terms on series C (B), which is  $P_2 | A_i$  and  $P_1 | B_i$

$$AS(2) = \left[ \frac{N + P_2}{2P_2} \right] - \left[ \frac{N + P_1P_2}{2P_1P_2} \right] - \left[ \frac{N + P_1P_2 + V(2)_{1A}P_2}{2P_1P_2} \right],$$

where  $V(2)_{1A}$  stands for a factor related to the sifting composites of  $P_2$  on  $C(A)$  series involving total 2 primes ( $P_1$  and  $P_2$ ) and the positions of the composites of  $P_1$  on  $C(B)$  series.  $V(2)_{1A}$  is determined by their positions of the corresponding composites of  $P_2$  and  $P_1$  on  $C(A)$  and  $C(B)$ .

Similar to  $AS(2)$ ,

$$BS(2) = \left[ \frac{N + P_2}{2P_2} \right] - \left[ \frac{N + P_1P_2}{2P_1P_2} \right] - \left[ \frac{N + P_1P_2 + V(2)_{1B}P_2}{2P_1P_2} \right],$$

$$AS(3) = \left[ \frac{N + P_3}{2P_3} \right] - \left[ \frac{N + P_1P_3}{2P_1P_3} \right] - \left[ \frac{N + P_1P_3 + V(2)_{1A}P_3}{2P_1P_3} \right] - \left[ \frac{N + P_2P_3}{2P_2P_3} \right] -$$

$$- \left[ \frac{N + P_2P_3 + V(2)_{2A}P_3}{2P_2P_3} \right] + \left[ \frac{N + P_1P_2P_3}{2P_1P_2P_3} \right] + \left[ \frac{N + P_1P_2P_3 + V(3)_{2A}P_1P_3}{2P_1P_2P_3} \right] +$$

$$+ \left[ \frac{N + P_1P_2P_3 + V(3)_{1A}P_2P_3}{2P_1P_2P_3} \right] + \left[ \frac{N + P_1P_2P_3 + V(3)_{1,2A}P_3}{2P_1P_2P_3} \right],$$

$$BS(3) = \left[ \frac{N + P_3}{2P_3} \right] - \left[ \frac{N + P_1P_3}{2P_1P_3} \right] - \left[ \frac{N + P_1P_3 + V(2)_{1B}P_3}{2P_1P_3} \right] - \left[ \frac{N + P_2P_3}{2P_2P_3} \right] -$$

$$- \left[ \frac{N + P_2P_3 + V(2)_{2B}P_3}{2P_2P_3} \right] + \left[ \frac{N + P_1P_2P_3}{2P_1P_2P_3} \right] + \left[ \frac{N + P_1P_2P_3 + V(3)_{2B}P_1P_3}{2P_1P_2P_3} \right] +$$

$$+ \left[ \frac{N + P_1P_2P_3 + V(3)_{1B}P_2P_3}{2P_1P_2P_3} \right] + \left[ \frac{N + P_1P_2P_3 + V(3)_{1,2B}P_3}{2P_1P_2P_3} \right],$$

$$AS(r) = \left[ \frac{N + P_r}{2P_r} \right] - \sum_{1 \leq i < r} \left[ \frac{N + P_iP_r}{2P_iP_r} \right] - \sum_{1 \leq i < r} \left[ \frac{N + P_iP_r + V(r)_{iA}P_r}{2P_iP_r} \right] +$$

$$+ \sum_{1 \leq i < j < r} \left[ \frac{N + P_iP_jP_r}{2P_iP_jP_r} \right] + \sum_{1 \leq i < j < r} \left[ \frac{N + P_iP_jP_r + V(r)_{iA}P_jP_r}{2P_iP_jP_r} \right] +$$

$$+ \sum_{1 \leq i < j < r} \left[ \frac{N + P_iP_jP_r + V(r)_{i,jA}P_r}{2P_iP_jP_r} \right] + \dots + (-1)^r \left[ \frac{N + P_1P_2 \dots P_r}{2P_1P_2 \dots P_r} \right] +$$

$$+ (-1)^r \sum_{1 \leq i < r} \left[ \frac{N + P_1P_2 \dots P_r + V(r)_{iA}P_j \dots P_r}{2P_1P_2 \dots P_r} \right] +$$

$$+ \dots + (-1)^r \left[ \frac{N + P_1P_2 \dots P_r + V(r)_{i,j \dots r-1A}P_r}{2P_1P_2 \dots P_r} \right];$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
BS(r) &= \left[ \frac{N + P_r}{2P_r} \right] - \sum_{1 \leq i < r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_r}{2P_i P_r} \right] - \sum_{1 \leq i < r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_r + V(r)_{iB} P_r}{2P_i P_r} \right] + \\
&+ \sum_{1 \leq i < j < r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j P_r}{2P_i P_j P_r} \right] + \sum_{1 \leq i < j < r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j P_r + V(r)_{iB} P_j P_r}{2P_i P_j P_r} \right] + \\
&+ \sum_{1 \leq i < j < r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j P_r + V(r)_{i,jB} P_r}{2P_i P_j P_r} \right] + \dots + (-1)^r \left[ \frac{N + P_1 P_2 \dots P_r}{2P_1 P_2 \dots P_r} \right] + \\
&+ (-1)^r \sum_{1 \leq i < r} \left[ \frac{N + P_1 P_2 \dots P_r + V(r)_{iB} P_j \dots P_r}{2P_1 P_2 \dots P_r} \right] + \\
&+ \dots + (-1)^r \left[ \frac{N + P_1 P_2 \dots P_r + V(r)_{i,j \dots r-1B} P_r}{2P_1 P_2 \dots P_r} \right].
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
Z_2(N) &= \left[ \frac{N+1}{2} \right] - AS(1) - BS(1) - AS(2) - BS(2) - AS(3) - BS(3) - \dots - AS(r) - \\
&BS(r) + T_2(\sqrt{N}) + F(0/-1) = \\
&= \left[ \frac{N+1}{2} \right] - 2 \sum_{1 \leq i \leq r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i}{2P_i} \right] + 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j}{2P_i P_j} \right] + \\
&+ \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j + V(2)_{iA} P_j}{2P_i P_j} \right] + \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j + V(2)_{iB} P_j}{2P_i P_j} \right] - \\
&- 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j P_k}{2P_i P_j P_k} \right] - \\
&- \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j P_k + V(3)_{iA} P_j P_k}{2P_i P_j P_k} \right] - \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j P_k + V(3)_{iB} P_j P_k}{2P_i P_j P_k} \right] - \\
&- \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j P_k + V(3)_{i,jA} P_k}{2P_i P_j P_k} \right] - \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j P_k + V(3)_{i,jB} P_k}{2P_i P_j P_k} \right] + \\
&+ \dots +
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + (-1)^r 2 \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j \dots P_r}{2 P_i P_j \dots P_r} \right] + (-1)^r \sum_{1 \leq i < r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j \dots P_r + V(r)_{iA} P_j P_k \dots P_r}{2 P_i P_j \dots P_r} \right] + \\
& + (-1)^r \sum_{1 \leq i, j < r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j \dots P_r + V(r)_{ijA} P_k \dots P_r}{2 P_i P_j \dots P_r} \right] + \\
& + \dots + (-1)^r \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j \dots P_r + V(r)_{ij \dots (r-1)A} P_r}{2 P_i P_j \dots P_r} \right] + \\
& + (-1)^r \sum_{1 \leq i < r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j \dots P_r + V(r)_{iB} P_j P_k \dots P_r}{2 P_i P_j \dots P_r} \right] + \\
& + (-1)^r \sum_{1 \leq i, j < r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j \dots P_r + V(r)_{ijB} P_k \dots P_r}{2 P_i P_j \dots P_r} \right] + \\
& + \dots + (-1)^r \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j \dots P_r + V(r)_{ij \dots (r-1)B} P_r}{2 P_i P_j \dots P_r} \right] + T_2(\sqrt{N}) + F(0/-1),
\end{aligned}$$

where  $T_2(\sqrt{N})$  is the number of the real twin primes less  $\sqrt{N}$ , which should be added due to all the primes less  $\sqrt{N}$  sure including twins less  $\sqrt{N}$  were sifted, and  $F(0/-1)$  is the adjusted term related to the first term  $C(1,3)$  and the last term  $C(N-1, N+1)$ .  $F(0/-1) = -1$ , in 3 cases: first,  $N < 9$ ; second,  $(N-1)$  is a prime and  $(N+1)$  is a composite; third, both  $(N-1)$  and  $(N+1)$  are a composite and the smallest factor of  $(N+1)$  is smaller than that of  $(N-1)$ . Otherwise,  $F(0/-1) = 0$ .

In discussing factor  $V$ , denote common formats:  $P_a$ ,  $P_b$ ,  $V(a+b)_{aA}$ , and

$\left[ \frac{N + P_a P_b + V(a+b)_{aA} P_b}{2 P_a P_b} \right]$  where  $P_a$  and  $P_b$  are a group of primes and  $V(a+b)_{aA}$ , stands for a factor related to the sifting composites of  $P_b$  on  $C(A)$  series involving total  $a+b$  primes ( $P_a$  and  $P_b$ ) and composites of  $P_a$  on  $C(B)$  series.

For an odd number system on series  $C(A)$ :

$P_b, 3P_b, 5P_b, \dots (2P_a - 1)P_b$ , each of which is divisible by  $P_b$ , and the number of the total terms of the number system is  $P_a$ . Therefore, the corresponding number system on series  $C(B)$  is a complete residue system (mod  $P_a$ ):

$P_b+2, 3P_b+2, 5P_b+2, \dots (2P_a - 1)P_b+2$ . This means there is one and only one term

$C_i(A_i, B_i)$  to meet the condition:  $P_b | A_i$  and  $P_a | B_i$ .

There are 2 extreme values of  $V(a+b)_{aA}$ :  $P_a - 1$  and  $1 - P_a$ , when  $N = A_i = P_b$  and

$N = A_i = (2P_a - 1)P_b$  respectively. The range of the value of  $\frac{P_a P_b + V(a+b)_{aA} P_b}{2 P_a P_b}$  is

$$\text{fractional: } \frac{1}{2P_a} \leq \frac{P_a P_b + V(a+b)_{aA} P_b}{2 P_a P_b} \leq 1 - \frac{1}{2P_a} \quad \text{or} \quad \left| \frac{P_a P_b + V(a+b)_{aA} P_b}{2 P_a P_b} \right| < 1.$$

In addition, denote an odd integer  $m$  ( $1 \leq m \leq 2P_a - 1$ ) to have  $mP_b$  on series C(A), where  $P_b > P_a$ , and to have  $\frac{mP_b + P_aP_b + V(a+b)_{aA}P_b}{2P_aP_b} = 1$  and  $P_a | mP_b + 2$  for sifting

composite terms of  $P_b$  on series C(A) and composite terms of  $P_a$  on series C(B). Likewise, for an odd number system  $P_b, 3P_b, 5P_b \dots (2P_a - 1)P_b$  on series C(B) and its corresponding system  $P_b - 2, 3P_b - 2, 5P_b - 2 \dots (2P_a - 1)P_b - 2$  on series C(A), denote an positive integer  $m'$  ( $1 < m' < 2P_a - 1$ ), where  $P_b > P_a$ , to have

$\frac{m'P_b + P_aP_b + V(a+b)_{aB}P_b}{2P_aP_b} = 1$  and  $P_a | m'P_b - 2$  for sifting composite terms of  $P_b$  on series C(B) and composite terms of  $P_a$  on series C(A).

$$\text{From } \frac{mP_b + P_aP_b + V(a+b)_{aA}P_b}{2P_aP_b} = 1 \text{ and } \frac{m'P_b + P_aP_b + V(a+b)_{aB}P_b}{2P_aP_b} = 1,$$

we have  $V(a+b)_{aA} = P_a - m$  and  $V(a+b)_{aB} = P_a - m'$ . From  $P_a | mP_b + 2$  and  $P_a | m'P_b - 2$ , we have  $P_a | m + m'$ . Since  $1 < m, m' < 2P_a - 1$ , one solution is  $m = m' = P_a$ , then  $V(a+b)_{aA} = P_a - m = 0$  and  $V(a+b)_{aB} = P_a - m' = 0$ . We may write  $V(a+b)_{aA} = -V(a+b)_{aB}$ .

If both  $m$  and  $m'$  is greater than  $P_a$ ,  $2P_a < m + m' < 4P_a - 2$  because  $1 < m, m' < 2P_a - 1$ , there is only one number,  $3P_a$ , between  $2P_a$  and  $4P_a - 2$ , which can be divided by  $P_a$ . However, both  $m$  and  $m'$  are an odd number, so the sum of  $m$  and  $m'$  is an even number then  $m + m' \neq 3P_a$ . For the same reason, if both  $m$  and  $m'$  is smaller than  $P_a$ , the sum of  $m$  and  $m'$  can not be divided by  $P_a$  either.

When  $m > P_a$  and  $m' < P_a$  or conversely and if  $m = P_a + n$  and  $m' = P_a - n$ , then  $P_a | m + m' = 2P_a$ . In this case,  $V(a+b)_{aA} = P_a - m = P_a - (P_a + n) = -(P_a - m') = -V(a+b)_{aB}$ . Since  $V(a+b)_{aA} = -V(a+b)_{aB}$  for all situations, we merge  $V(a+b)_{aA}$  and  $V(a+b)_{aB}$  into one term of  $\pm V(a+b)_a$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} Z_2(N) &= \left[ \frac{N+1}{2} \right] - 2 \sum_{1 \leq i \leq r} \left[ \frac{N+P_i}{2P_i} \right] + 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq r} \left[ \frac{N+P_iP_j}{2P_iP_j} \right] + \\ &+ \sum_{1 \leq i, j < k \leq r} \left[ \frac{N+P_iP_j \pm V(2)_{i,j}P_k}{2P_iP_j} \right] - 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq r} \left[ \frac{N+P_iP_jP_k}{2P_iP_jP_k} \right] - \\ &- \sum_{1 \leq i, j < k \leq r} \left[ \frac{N+P_iP_jP_k \pm V(3)_{i,j,k}P_k}{2P_iP_jP_k} \right] - \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq r} \left[ \frac{N+P_iP_jP_k \pm V(3)_{i,j}P_k}{2P_iP_jP_k} \right] + \\ &+ \dots + \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + (-1)^r 2 \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j \dots P_r}{2 P_i P_j \dots P_r} \right] + (-1)^r \sum_{1 \leq i < r} \left[ \frac{N \pm V(r)_i P_j \dots P_r}{2 P_i P_j \dots P_r} \right] + \\
& + \dots + \\
& + (-1)^r \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j \dots P_r \pm V(r)_{ij \dots (r-1)} P_r}{2 P_i P_j \dots P_r} \right] + T_2(\sqrt{N}) + F(0/-1).
\end{aligned}$$

Rewrite the formula of  $\pi(N)$  as:

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi(N) - r = \phi_1(P) &= \left[ \frac{N+1}{2} \right] - \sum_{1 \leq i \leq r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i}{2 P_i} \right] + \\
& + \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j}{2 P_i P_j} \right] - \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j P_k}{2 P_i P_j P_k} \right] + \dots + (-1)^r \left[ \frac{N + P_1 P_2 \dots P_r}{2 P_1 P_2 \dots P_r} \right].
\end{aligned}$$

Also, rewrite the formula of  $Z_2(N)$  as:

$$\begin{aligned}
Z_2(N) - T_2(\sqrt{N}) - F(0/-1) &= \phi_2(P) = \left[ \frac{N+1}{2} \right] - 2 \sum_{1 \leq i \leq r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i}{2 P_i} \right] + \\
& + 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j}{2 P_i P_j} \right] + \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j \pm V(2)_i P_j}{2 P_i P_j} \right] - \\
& - 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j P_k}{2 P_i P_j P_k} \right] - \sum_{1 \leq i, j < k \leq r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j P_k \pm V(3)_i P_j P_k}{2 P_i P_j P_k} \right] - \\
& - \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j P_k \pm V(3)_{i,j} P_k}{2 P_i P_j P_k} \right] + \\
& + (-1)^{r+1} 2 \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j \dots P_r}{2 P_i P_j \dots P_r} \right] + (-1)^{r+1} \sum_{1 \leq i < r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j \dots P_r \pm V(r)_i P_j \dots P_r}{2 P_i P_j \dots P_r} \right] + \\
& + \dots + (-1)^{r+1} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j \dots P_r \pm V(r)_{ij \dots (r-1)} P_r}{2 P_i P_j \dots P_r} \right].
\end{aligned}$$

$$Z_2(N) - T_2(\sqrt{N}) - F(0/-1) = \phi_2(P) = \phi_2(P) \times \frac{(\pi(N) - r)^2}{\phi_1(P)^2}.$$

We have

After canceling [ ], we may have

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi(N) - r = \phi_1(P) &\approx \frac{N}{2} - \sum_{1 \leq i \leq r} \frac{N}{2P_i} + \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq r} \frac{N}{2P_i P_j} - \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq r} \frac{N}{2P_i P_j P_k} + \\
&+ \dots + (-1)^r \frac{N_r}{2P_1 P_2 \dots P_r} = \\
&= \frac{N}{2} \prod_{1 \leq i \leq r} \left(1 - \frac{1}{P_i}\right). \\
Z_2(N) - T_2(\sqrt{N}) - F(0/-1) = \phi_2(P) &\approx \frac{N}{2} - 2 \sum_{1 \leq i \leq r} \left(\frac{N}{2P_i}\right) + 2^2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq r} \left(\frac{N}{2P_i P_j}\right) - \\
&- 2^3 \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq r} \left(\frac{N}{2P_i P_j P_k}\right) + \dots + (-1)^r 2^r \left(\frac{N}{2P_i P_j \dots P_r}\right) = \\
&= \frac{N}{2} \prod_{1 \leq i \leq r} \left(1 - \frac{2}{P_i}\right). \\
\frac{\phi_2(P)}{\phi_1(P)^2} &\approx \frac{N}{2} \prod_{1 \leq i \leq r} \left(1 - \frac{2}{P_i}\right) \div \left(\frac{N}{2} \prod_{1 \leq i \leq r} \left(1 - \frac{1}{P_i}\right)\right)^2 = \frac{2}{N} \prod_{1 \leq i \leq r} \left(1 - \frac{1}{(P_i - 1)^2}\right) \approx \frac{2C_2}{N},
\end{aligned}$$

where  $C_2$  is the famous twin constant.

$$Z_2(N) - T_2(\sqrt{N}) - F(0/-1) = \phi_2(P) \times \frac{(\pi(N) - r)^2}{\phi_1(P)^2} \approx \frac{2C_2}{N} \times (\pi(N) - r)^2.$$

Compared with  $Z_2(N)$  and  $\pi(N)$ ,  $T_2(\sqrt{N})$ ,  $F(0/-1)$  and  $r$  can be neglected for a

$$Z_2(N) \approx \frac{2C_2}{N} \pi^2(N).$$

large  $N$ . The formula can be further simplified as:

These formulas and their deductions above clearly and precisely express the direct relation between  $\pi(N)$ ,  $Z_2(N)$ , and  $C_2$ .

Although some terms are neglected, the calculated results by this simple formula are still very close to real data. These results and a formula to calculate the exact number of twins were written on a separate paper.

Goldback Conjecture is very similar to Twin Conjecture. We may apply Z Sieve Method in the same way to Goldbach Conjecture as to Twin Conjecture above.

For Goldbach Conjecture,  $N = P + P'$ , we build a little different A, B, and C series below.

- A: 1, 3, 5... N-5, N-3, N-1;
- B: N-1, N-3, N-5... 5, 3, 1;
- C: (1, N-1), (3, N-3), (5, N-5)...(N-5, 5), (N-3, 3), (N-1, 1),

where  $A_i + B_i = C_i = N$  and  $C_i(A_i, B_i)$ .

Denote  $Z_{1+1}(N)$  the number of total Goldbach partitions. First considering the  $N$ , which is divisible by 2 only, then all the terms of AS(1), BS(1), AS(2), BS(2), AS(3), BS(3)... AS(r), BS(r) are the same as  $Z_2(N)$  for  $Z_{1+1}(N)$  except the values of  $V$  may be different. Denote  $U$  for  $Z_{1+1}(N)$  instead of  $V$  for  $Z_2(N)$ .

For an odd number system on series C(A):  $P_b, 3P_b, \dots (2P_a-3)P_b, (2P_a-1)P_b$ , each of which is divisible by  $P_b$ , and the number of the total terms of the number system is  $P_a$ . Therefore, the corresponding number system on series C(B):  $N-P_b, N-3P_b, \dots N-(2P_a-3)P_b, N-(2P_a-1)P_b$  is a complete residue system (mod  $P_a$ ), too. There will be one and only one term in the odd number system,  $C_i(A_i, B_i)$ , to meet the condition:  $P_b | A_i$  and  $P_a | B_j$ .

Likewise, there are 2 extreme values of  $U(a+b)_{aA}$ :  $P_a-1$  and  $1-P_a$ . Like  $V$ , we have the range of the value of  $\frac{P_a P_b + U(a+b)_{aA} P_b}{2P_a P_b}$  is

$$\text{fractional: } \frac{1}{2P_a} \leq \frac{P_a P_b + U(a+b)_{aA} P_b}{2P_a P_b} \leq 1 - \frac{1}{2P_a} \text{ or } \left| \frac{P_a P_b + U(a+b)_{aA} P_b}{2P_a P_b} \right| < 1.$$

Denote  $m$  and  $m'$  are odd integers and  $mP_b$  on series C(A) ( $1 < m < 2P_a-1$ ), where  $P_b > P_a$ , to have  $\frac{mP_b + P_a P_b + U(a+b)_{aA} P_b}{2P_a P_b} = 1$  and  $P_a | N - mP_b$  for sifting composite terms of  $P_b$  on series C(A) and composite terms of  $P_a$  on series C(B). In the same way, we have  $\frac{m'P_b + P_a P_b + U(a+b)_{aB} P_b}{2P_a P_b} = 1$  and  $P_a | N - m'P_b$  for sifting composite terms of  $P_b$  on series C(B) and composite terms of  $P_a$  on series C(A).

From  $P_a | N - mP_b$  and  $P_a | N - m'P_b$ , we have  $P_a | m - m'$ . One possible solution is  $m = m' = P_a$  and like  $V$  we may have the other only possible solution is  $m = m' \neq P_a$ , because  $1 < m, m' < 2P_a-1$ .

Because  $U(a+b)_{aA} = P_a - m$  and  $U(a+b)_{aB} = P_a - m'$ ,  $U(a+b)_{aA} = U(a+b)_{aB}$ . We merge  $U_A$  and  $U_B$  as  $U$  to have

$$Z_{1+1}(N) = \left[ \frac{N+1}{2} \right] - 2 \sum_{1 \leq i \leq r} \left[ \frac{N+P_i}{2P_i} \right] + 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq r} \left[ \frac{N+P_i P_j}{2P_i P_j} \right] + 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq r} \left[ \frac{N+P_i P_j + U(2)_i P_j}{2P_i P_j} \right] -$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& -2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j P_k}{2 P_i P_j P_k} \right] - 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j P_k + U(3)_i P_j P_k}{2 P_i P_j P_k} \right] - \\
& - 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j P_k + U(3)_i P_i P_k}{2 P_i P_j P_k} \right] - 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j P_k + U(3)_{ij} P_k}{2 P_i P_j P_k} \right] + \\
& + (-1)^r 2 \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j \dots P_r}{2 P_i P_j \dots P_r} \right] + (-1)^r 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < r} \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j \dots P_r + U(r)_i P_j \dots P_r}{2 P_i P_j \dots P_r} \right] + \\
& + \dots + \\
& + (-1)^r 2 \left[ \frac{N + P_i P_j \dots P_r + U(r)_{ij \dots (r-1)} P_r}{2 P_i P_j \dots P_r} \right] + \sum_{N - P_i = P} 2.
\end{aligned}$$

There is only a difference between  $Z_{1+1}(N)$  and  $Z_2(N)$  for  $N$  divisible by 2 only; instead of  $T_2(N)$  and  $F(0/-1)$ ,  $Z_{1+1}(N)$  consists of  $\sum_{N - P_i = P} 2$ . Because all the  $P_i$  are to be sifted according to  $Z$  Sieve Method, when  $N - P_i$  is a prime, 2 should be added for  $Z_{1+1}(N)$ .

Like  $Z_2(N)$ , we may have

$$Z_{1+1}(N) - \sum_{N - P_i = P} 2 = \phi_2(P) \times \frac{(\pi(N) - r)^2}{\phi(P)^2} \approx \frac{2C_2}{N} \times (\pi(N) - r)^2$$

and simplify it to

$$Z_{1+1}(N) \approx \frac{2C_2}{N} \pi^2(N).$$

The simplified formula is the same for both  $Z_{1+1}(N)$  and  $Z_2(N)$ . The calculated results of  $Z_{1+1}(N)$  by this simple formula for  $N$  divisible by 2 only are very close to real values. These results and a formula to calculate the exact number of Goldbach partitions were written on a separate paper, where the factor,  $\prod_{P_i | N} \frac{P_i - 1}{P_i - 2}$ , for  $N$  divisible by odd numbers was deduced.

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