

ARITHMETIC COMBINATORICS HOMEWORK

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Let \mathbb{P} be the set of primes.

1.

a) Use Abel Summation to estimate

$$(*) \quad \sum_{n \leq x} \log n$$

b) Use Euler-Maclaurin to estimate and compare.

c) Estimate

$$\sum_{2 \leq p \leq x} \log p$$

d) See how Stirling's Formula (below) compares with (a) and (b).

$$n! \sim \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n \sqrt{2\pi n}$$

e) Compute and estimate

$$\int_1^\infty \frac{\text{frac}(t)}{t^2} dt \quad \text{and} \quad \int_1^\infty \frac{\text{frac}(t)}{t} dt$$

Estimate of (*) using Abel Summation.

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n \leq x} \log n &= [x] \log x - \int_1^x \frac{[t]}{t} dt \\ &= [x] \log x - \int_1^x \frac{t - \text{frac } t}{t} dt \\ &= [x] \log x - \int_1^x dt + \int_1^x \frac{\text{frac } t}{t} dt \\ &= [x] \log x - (x - 1) + \int_1^x \frac{\text{frac } t}{t} dt \\ \sum_{n \leq x} \log n &= [x] \log x - (x - 1) + O(\log x) \end{aligned}$$

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Theorem (Euler-Maclaurin Summation).

$$(EM) \quad \sum_{k=1}^n f(k) = \int_1^x f(t) dt + \int_1^x \text{frac}(t) f'(t) dt - f(x) \text{frac}(x)$$

Estimate of (*) using Euler-Maclaurin summation. Using (EM) with $f = \log n$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_1^n \log(n) &= \int_1^x \log(t) dt + \int_1^x \frac{\text{frac}(t)}{t} dt - \log(x) \text{frac}(x) \\ &= x \log x - x + 1 + \int_1^x \frac{\text{frac}(t)}{t} dt - \log(x) \text{frac}(x) \\ &= [x] \log x - x + 1 + \int_1^x \frac{\text{frac}(t)}{t} dt \\ \sum_1^n \log(n) &= [x] \log x - x + 1 + O(\log x) \end{aligned}$$

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Estimate of (*) using Abel Summation.

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2. For each function below determine the growth rate or state that it is 0 on average. In the former case attempt to do the same with the second order term.

1. $f_1(t) = \Re(\zeta(\frac{1}{2} + it))$
2. $f_2(t) = \Im(\zeta(\frac{1}{2} + it))$
3. $f_3(t) = Z(t)$, the Hardy Z-function.

Proof.

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3. Plot the Hardy Z-function on several intervals. Choose an interval, find all the zeros of the zeta function in that interval and make a polynomial with those same zeros. Do the same with $\cos(Kt)$ and determine the scale factor to make the functions more similar.

Proof.

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