#### COUNTING PRIMES IN RESIDUE CLASSES

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ABSTRACT. We explain how the Meissel-Lehmer-Lagarias-Miller-Odlyzko method for computing  $\pi(x)$  can be used to compute efficiently  $\pi(x, k, l)$ , the number of primes congruent to l modulo k up to x. As an application, we computed the number of prime numbers of the form  $4n \pm 1$  less than x for several values of x up to  $10^{20}$  and found a new region where  $\pi(x, 4, 3)$  is less than  $\pi(x, 4, 1)$  near  $x = 10^{18}$ .

## 1. INTRODUCTION

In the 1870's, the German astronomer Meissel designed a method to compute the value of  $\pi(x)$ , the number of prime numbers up to x. The method has been improved by many authors since then. The most important improvement is due to Lagarias-Miller-Odlyzko [LMO85] which obtained a method requiring  $O(x^{2/3}/\log x)$  time and computed the value of  $\pi(4 \cdot 10^{16})$ . Further improvements were obtained by the first author and Rivat [DR96] with  $O(x^{2/3}/\log^2 x)$  time and who computed  $\pi(10^{18})$ . Finally, Gourdon, using ideas originating from Lagarias-Miller-Odlyzko, implemented a parallel version of the algorithm and computed, to date, values of  $\pi(x)$  up to  $4 \cdot 10^{22}$ .

For l and k two relatively prime positive integers, one defines  $\pi(x, k, l)$  as the number of prime numbers up to x that are congruent to l modulo k. Asymptotically the numbers  $\pi(x, k, l)$  are all of same size,  $\varphi(k)^{-1}x/\log x$ . However it has been known for quite some time that there are more primes in the congruence classes that are non-quadratic residues modulo k than in those that are. Heuristically, this bias can be explained from the fact that these classes contain more composite numbers than the latter since they contain all the squares (see also [RS94]).

For k = 4, there are two classes, the numbers congruent to 1 modulo 4, the quadratic residues, and the numbers congruent to 3 modulo 4, the non-quadratic residues. In this setting Littlewood proved that (see [Ing90] for the  $\Omega_{\pm}$  notation)

$$\pi(x,4,3) - \pi(x,4,1) = \Omega_{\pm} \left( \frac{x^{1/2}}{\log x} \log \log \log x \right).$$

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Therefore there are infinitely many sign changes for the function  $\delta(x) = \pi(x, 4, 3) - \pi(x, 4, 1)$ . Define two disjoint subsets of the set of integers:

$$\Delta^{+} = \{ x \ge 2 : \delta(x) > 0 \}$$
  
$$\Delta^{-} = \{ x \ge 2 : \delta(x) < 0 \}.$$

For A be a subset of the positive integers, the logarithmic density d(A) is defined as the following limit, if it exists

$$d(A) = \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{1}{\log x} \sum_{\substack{a \in A \\ a \le x}} \frac{1}{a}$$

Note that any set A admitting a density in the usual sense, admits also a logarithmic density, and the two densities are equal. However, there exist some sets (e.g. the set of numbers whose decimal expansion starts with 1) with a logarithmic density (in this example  $\log 2/\log 10$ ) but not having a density in the usual sense.

In [RS94], Rubinstein and Sarnak proved that under suitable generalization of RH both sets admit a logarithmic density. More exactly, they proved, conditionally under these assumptions, that

$$d(\Delta^+) = 0.99592...$$
 and  $d(\Delta^-) = 0.00407...$  (1.1)

These results have been further generalized and improved in [FM00] and [BFHR01].

From the computational point of view, several people have been searching for region containing elements of  $\Delta^-$  (see [Lee57], [BH78], [BFHR01]). So far, eight regions have been found and we have discovered a new region using the method described in this paper. See the last section for more details.

In this article, we will prove the following theorem:

**Theorem 1.** Let x > 0, and let k and l be two relatively prime positive integers. There exists an algorithm which computes  $\pi(x, k, l)$  in time  $O(x^{2/3}/\ln^2 x)$ .

Note that the computation time of this algorithm is exactly that of the algorithm for the computation of  $\pi(x)$  given in [DR96]. Indeed, loops that ranged through the primes less than a given bound *B* in the computation of  $\pi(x)$  are now replaced by  $\varphi(k)$  loops, one for each invertible class modulo *k* ranging through the primes less than *B* in that class. Therefore, the total number of operations stays the same. In particular, the running time does not depend on the values of *k* or *l*. Of course, for fixed values of *x* and *k*, the computation of all  $\pi(x, k, l)$  where *l* ranges through the  $\varphi(k)$  invertible residue classes modulo *k* is done in  $O(\varphi(k)x^{2/3}/\ln^2 x)$  time. And therefore the computation time of the two values  $\pi(x, 4, 1)$  and  $\pi(x, 4, 3)$  is twice that of  $\pi(x)$ .

### 2. Proof of theorem 1

We now explain the method we used to compute  $\pi(x, k, l)$  for large values of x. It is the natural adaptation of the method used in [DR96], in particular the total time complexity is the same (for a fixed k and l). From now on, we assume that kis fixed and write  $\pi(x, l)$  instead of  $\pi(x, k, l)$ . Let y be a real positive number and let T(x, y, l) to be the set of positive integers n such that:

$$\begin{cases} n \le x, \\ n \equiv l \pmod{k}, \\ p \mid n \Rightarrow p > y. \end{cases}$$

Assume that y is such that  $x^{1/3} \leq y \leq x^{1/2}$ , then each element n of T(x, y, l) has at most two (not necessarily distinct) prime factors. Thus we can split this set into three disjoint subsets  $T_0(x, y, l)$ ,  $T_1(x, y, l)$ , and  $T_2(x, y, l)$ , according to the number of (not necessarily distinct) prime factors.

Let F(x, y, l) be the cardinality of T(x, y, l). The set  $T_0(x, y, l)$  contains only 1 (resp. is empty) if l = 1 (resp.  $l \neq 1$ ). Its cardinality is thus  $\delta_{l,1}$ . The set  $T_1(x, y, l)$ contains all the prime numbers p with  $y and <math>p \equiv l \pmod{k}$ . Therefore, its cardinality is  $\pi(x, l) - \pi(y, l)$ . Finally, let  $P_2(x, y, l)$  denote the cardinality of  $T_2(x, y, l)$ . Putting everything together and rearranging terms, we get

$$\pi(x,l) = F(x,y,l) - \delta_{l,1} + \pi(y,l) - P_2(x,y,l).$$
(2.1)

### 2.1. Computation of $P_2(x, y, l)$ . We have

$$P_{2}(x, y, l) = \sum_{\substack{y   
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with the implicit convention that  $\pi(a, lp^{-1}) = \pi(a, n)$  with  $n \equiv lp^{-1} \pmod{k}$ .

We use an auxiliary sieve to obtain all primes up to  $x^{1/2}$  and a parallel sieve of all invertible classes modulo k up to x/y to get the value of  $\pi(x/p, n)$ . We thus compute the first sum of equation (2.2) in time  $O((x/y) \log \log x)$ .

The second sum in (2.2) is computed directly using the primes p coming from the auxiliary sieve. The computation time is  $O(x^{\frac{1}{2}+\epsilon})$ , that is negligible compared to  $O(x^{\frac{2}{3}}/\ln^2 x)$ .

2.2. Computation of  $\pi(y, l)$ . We compute a table of all the prime numbers up to y partitioned according to their class modulo k using a sieve. The values of  $\pi(y, n)$  for all classes n invertible modulo k is deduced directly from this table. This table and the values  $\pi(x, n)$  will prove useful later. This can be done in  $O(y \ln y)$  time, that is again negligible compared to  $O(x^{\frac{2}{3}}/\ln^2 x)$ .

2.3. Computation of F(x, y, l). Recall that F(x, y, l) counts the number of elements in T(x, y, l). Let us number the prime numbers  $p_1 = 2, p_2 = 3, \ldots$  For a positive integer a, let  $\tilde{T}(x, a, l) = T(x, p_a, l)$  and  $\tilde{F}(x, a, l) = F(x, p_a, l)$ . Thus,  $F(x, y, l) = \tilde{F}(x, a, l)$  where a is the largest index such that  $p_a \leq y$ . We also set  $\tilde{T}(x, 0, l) = T(x, 0, l)$  and  $\tilde{F}(x, 0, l) = F(x, 0, l)$ .

Now, we split the elements of T(x, a, l) into two subsets: the first one containing those which are divisible by  $p_{a+1}$ , and the second those which are not. Clearly, the

cardinality of the first set is  $\tilde{F}(x/p_{a+1}, a, lp_{a+1}^{-1})$  and that of the second is  $\tilde{F}(x, a + 1, l)$ . We have proved the induction formula

$$\tilde{F}(x, a+1, l) = \tilde{F}(x, a, l) - \tilde{F}(x/p_{a+1}, a, lp_{a+1}^{-1}).$$
(2.3)

Together with the initial conditions

$$\tilde{F}(x,0,l) = \left\lceil \frac{x+1-l}{k} \right\rceil$$
 and  $\tilde{F}(x,a,l) = 0$  whenever  $x < 1$ 

we could use equation (2.3) to compute F(x, y, l). However, such a method would require more than  $x^{1-\varepsilon}$  time.

Another extreme method would be to sieve all the positive integers congruent to l modulo k up to x by all the prime numbers up to y and count what is left. But, this is even worse since that would take more than  $x \log \log x$  time.

In fact, the best way to compute F(x, y, l) is to use a mix between these two methods as it was already done in [LMO85], p. 542. Let  $z \ge y$  be a real number. Using the induction formula (2.3) to unfold the terms F(x/m, p, n) while  $m \le z$ and  $p \ge 2$ , we get an expression with terms of the form F(u, 0, n) which are easily computed and terms of the form F(u, p, n) with u < x/z which can be computed using a sieve up to x/z (instead of x in a "sieve only" method). More precisely, we get the following formula

$$F(x, y, l) = S_0 + S$$

with

$$S_{0} = \sum_{\substack{m \leq z \\ \gamma(m) \leq y}} \mu(m) \tilde{F}\left(\frac{x}{m}, 0, lm^{-1}\right)$$
$$S = -\sum_{\substack{b < a \ m \leq z < mp_{b} \\ \delta(m) > p_{b} \\ \gamma(m) \leq y}} \mu(m) \tilde{F}\left(\frac{x}{mp_{b}}, b - 1, l(mp_{b})^{-1}\right)$$

where  $\delta(m)$  (resp.  $\gamma(m)$ ) denotes the smallest (resp. largest) prime number dividing m if m > 1, and  $\delta(1) = \gamma(1) = 1$ .

2.4. Computation of S. We split the sum (recall that a is the largest integer such that  $p_a \leq y$ )

$$S = -\sum_{\substack{p_b < y \ m \le z < mp_b \\ \delta(m) > p_b \\ \gamma(m) \le y}} \sum_{\substack{m \le z < mp_b \\ \beta(m) > p_b \\ \gamma(m) \le y}} \mu(m) F\left(\frac{x}{mp_b}, p_{b-1}, l(mp_b)^{-1}\right) = S_1 + S_2 + S_3$$

into three parts according to the size of  $p_b$ :

$$S_{1} = -\sum_{x^{1/3} < p_{b} < y} \sum_{\substack{m \le z < mp_{b} \\ \delta(m) > p_{b} \\ \gamma(m) \le y}} \mu(m) F\left(\frac{x}{mp_{b}}, p_{b-1}, l(mp_{b})^{-1}\right)$$

$$S_{2} = -\sum_{x^{1/4} < p_{b} \le x^{1/3}} \sum_{\substack{m \le z < mp_{b} \\ \delta(m) > p_{b} \\ \gamma(m) \le y}} \mu(m) F\left(\frac{x}{mp_{b}}, p_{b-1}, l(mp_{b})^{-1}\right)$$

$$S_{3} = -\sum_{\substack{p_{b} \le x^{1/4}}} \sum_{\substack{m \le z < mp_{b} \\ \delta(m) > p_{b} \\ \gamma(m) \le y}} \mu(m) F\left(\frac{x}{mp_{b}}, p_{b-1}, l(mp_{b})^{-1}\right)$$

The sum  $S_1$  is easy to deal with. For each  $p_b$  and each m, we have  $mp_b > x^{2/3}$ , so

$$\frac{x}{mp_b} < x^{1/3} < p_b$$

and therefore

$$F\left(\frac{x}{mp_b}, p_{b-1}, l(mp_b)^{-1}\right) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } l(mp_b)^{-1} = 1\\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

since  $T(x/(mp_b), b-1, l(mp)^{-1})$  is respectively {1} or  $\emptyset$ .

Furthermore, note that m is prime since all its prime factors are larger than  $p_b > x^{1/3}$  and  $m \le z \le x^{1/2}$ . Thus,  $\mu(m)$  is always equal to -1 and  $S_1$  actually counts the primes congruent to  $lp_b^{-1}$  modulo k:

$$S_1 = \sum_{x^{1/3} < p_b < y} \sum_{\substack{p_b < q \le y \\ q \equiv l p_b^{-1} \pmod{k}}} 1.$$

The sum  $S_1$  is computed in negligible time O(y).

Consider the sum  $S_2$ . Reasoning as above it is clear that m is a prime number. Therefore, we will write q instead of m to emphasize this fact. We get

$$S_2 = \sum_{x^{1/4} < p_b \le x^{1/3}} \sum_{p_b < q \le y} F\left(\frac{x}{qp_b}, p_{b-1}, l(qp_b)^{-1}\right).$$

Let u be an element of  $T(x/(qp_b), p_{b-1}, l(qp_b)^{-1})$ . Then u has at most one prime factor since all its prime factors must be larger than or equal to  $p_b > x^{1/4}$ , and, on the other hand, u must be smaller than  $x/(qp_b) \le x^{1/2}$ . Thus, u must be a prime unless  $l \equiv qp_b \pmod{k}$  in which case u = 1 is also valid. So, we get the formula (writing simply p instead of  $p_b$ ):

$$S_2 = \sum_{x^{1/4}$$

where  $\delta_{qp,l}$  equals 1 if  $qp \equiv l \pmod{k}$  and 0 otherwise. The max in the sum is due to the fact that, whenever  $\pi(x/(qp), l(qp)^{-1}) - \pi(p-1, l(qp)^{-1}) < 0$ , the corresponding set  $T(x/(qp), p-1, l(qp)^{-1})$  contains only 1 if  $qp \equiv l \pmod{k}$  and is empty otherwise.

We split again this sum:

$$S_2 = U_1 + U_2 + U_3$$

with (note that the max condition translates to the fact that  $q < x/p^2$ ):

$$U_{1} = \sum_{x^{1/4}   

$$U_{2} = \sum_{x^{1/4}   

$$U_{3} = -\sum_{x^{1/4}$$$$$$

We rewrite the sums  $U_2$  and  $U_3$  in the following way:

$$U_{2} = \sum_{\substack{1 \le m < k \\ (m,k)=1}} \sum_{\substack{x^{1/4} < p \le x^{1/3} \\ p \equiv m \pmod{k}}} \sum_{\substack{p < q \le y \\ q \equiv lm^{-1} \pmod{k}}} 1$$
  
$$= \sum_{\substack{1 \le m < k \\ (m,k)=1}} \sum_{\substack{x^{1/4} < p \le x^{1/3} \\ p \equiv m \pmod{k}}} \left[ \pi(y, lm^{-1}) - \pi(p, lm^{-1}) \right]$$
  
$$= \sum_{\substack{1 \le m < k \\ (m,k)=1}} \pi(y, lm^{-1}) \left[ \pi(x^{1/3}, m) - \pi(x^{1/4}, m) \right] - \sum_{x^{1/4} < p \le x^{1/3}} \pi(p, lp^{-1})$$

and, letting y(p) denote the minimum between y and  $x/p^2$ :

$$U_{3} = -\sum_{\substack{1 \le m < k \ (m,k) = 1}} \sum_{x^{1/4} < p \le x^{1/3}} \sum_{\substack{p < q \le y(p) \\ q \equiv lm^{-1} \pmod{k}}} \pi(p-1, mp^{-1})$$
$$= -\sum_{\substack{1 \le m < k \ (m,k) = 1}} \sum_{x^{1/4} < p \le x^{1/3}} \pi(p-1, mp^{-1}) \Big[ \pi(y(p), lm^{-1}) - \pi(p, lm^{-1}) \Big]$$

Each sum is computed in a negligible time  $O(x^{1/3})$  using the precomputed table of prime numbers sorted by congruences classes mentioned above.

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The hard part of the computation of F(x, y, l) is the computation of the sum  $U_1$ . We write

$$\begin{aligned} U_1 &= \sum_{x^{1/4}$$

with

$$W_{1} = \sum_{x^{1/4}   

$$W_{2} = \sum_{x/y^{2}   

$$W_{3} = \sum_{x/y^{2}   

$$W_{4} = \sum_{(x/y)^{1/2}$$$$$$$$

$$W_5 = \sum_{(x/y)^{1/2}$$

The sums  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  are computed directly. Since x/qp can be as large as  $x^{1/2}$ , we use a parallel sieve of all invertible classes modulo k up to  $x^{1/2}$  to get the values of  $\pi(x/(qp), l(qp)^{-1})$ .

For  $W_3$ , since q is larger than  $(x/p)^{1/2}$  a large number of consecutive values of q give the same value of  $\pi(x/(qp), l(qp)^{-1})$ , henceforth this sum can be evaluated more efficiently by grouping these consecutive values of q. The same technique applies to  $W_5$ .

Finally, the sum  $W_4$  is computed using, once again, the precomputed table.

The exact time complexity of the computation of these sums are given in [DR96], in any case they are  $O(x^{2/3}/\log^2 x)$ .

# 3. Numerical results

We have implemented the method described above in C++ on a DEC Alpha EV6 500MHz and a Pentium III 1GHz. We have computed the values of  $\pi(x, 4, 1)$  and

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 $\pi(x,4,3)$  for  $x = d \cdot 10^j$  with  $1 \le d \le 9$  and  $10 \le j \le 19$  and also for  $x = 10^{20}$ . These values are given in table 2.

We have also made a thorough search of regions where  $\delta(x)$  is negative for most of the values of x. Indeed, Equation 1.1 shows that a search with a step of 0.004 on a logarithmic scale for a large interval of values of x would hit values x for which  $\delta(x) < 0$  with a good chance. We performed a computation of the values of  $\delta(x_0 \times r^n)$  for  $x_0 = 1,000$  and r = 1.004, up to x = 1,088,537,721,123,564,252 (as far as today). When the value of  $\delta(x)$  obtained was positive but relatively small, we computed several values of  $\delta$  near x to see whether or not there was a region in the area. This method leaded to the rediscovery of all the previous regions already known (see below) and also to the discovery of a new region around  $x = 10^{18}$ . Note that we do not claim this search to be exhaustive since the method may miss narrow regions. Figure 1 gives a graph of these computations. On the horizontal axis are the values of x on a logarithmic scale, on the vertical axis are the values of  $\delta(x) \log(x)/\sqrt{x}$ .

**Table 1** Known regions where  $\delta(x) < 0$ 

Region	Starts at	
1	26,861	Leech [Lee57], 1957
2	$6.16  imes 10^5$	Leech [Lee57], 1957
3	$1.23  imes 10^7$	Lehmer, 1969
4	$9.51  imes 10^8$	Lehmer, 1969
5	$6.31  imes 10^9$	Bays and Hudson [BH78], 1979
6	$1.85  imes 10^{10}$	Bays and Hudson [BH78], 1979
7	$1.49\times10^{12}$	Bays and Hudson, 1996
8	$9.32 \times 10^{12}$	Bays et al. [BFHR01], 2001
9	$9.97\times10^{17}$	

The new region extends as far as  $1.005 \times 10^{18}$ , so it surrounds  $10^{18}$ . It should be noted that  $10^{18}$  does not belong to  $\Delta^-$ , but still the value of  $\delta(10^{18})$  is relatively small.

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FIGURE 1.  $(\log(x), \delta(x) \log(x) / \sqrt{(x)})$ 

x	$\pi(x,4,1)$	$\pi(x,4,3)$	$\delta(x)$
$1 \times 10^{10}$	227523275	227529235	5960
$2 \times 10^{10}$	441101890	441104825	2935
$3 \times 10^{10}$	649997354	650008571	11217
$4 \times 10^{10}$	855972440	855982992	10552
$5 \times 10^{10}$	1059822165	1059832412	10247
$6 \times 10^{10}$	1262014995	1262023159	8164
$7 \times 10^{10}$	1462847357	1462852181	4824
$8 \times 10^{10}$	1662521926	1662537319	15393
$9 \times 10^{10}$	1861205914	1861223076	17162
$1 \times 10^{11}$	2059020280	2059034532	14252
$2 \times 10^{11}$	4003548492	4003556566	8074
$3 \times 10^{11}$	5909207980	5909231154	23174
$4 \times 10^{11}$	7790493403	7790512253	18850
$5 \times 10^{11}$	9654058131	9654078010	19879
$6 \times 10^{11}$	11503736012	11503765773	29761
$7 \times 10^{11}$	13342013346	13342060963	47617
$8 \times 10^{11}$	15170671955	15170711571	39616
$9 \times 10^{11}$	16990975120	16991012465	37345
$1 \times 10^{12}$	18803924340	18803987677	63337
$2 \times 10^{12}$	36650920051	36650976087	56036
$3 \times 10^{12}$	54170123581	54170175121	51540
$4 \times 10^{-2}$ 5 × 10 <sup>12</sup>	1483010234	(14831318/1	00770
$5 \times 10^{-6} \times 10^{12}$	105600668560	105600758460	80000
$0 \times 10$ $7 \times 10^{12}$	100000000000000000000000000000000000000	100090708409	164225
$8 \times 10^{12}$	139504962196	139505108614	146418
$9 \times 10^{12}$	156300160163	156300193944	33781
$1 \times 10^{13}$	173032709183	173032827655	118472
$2 \times 10^{13}$	337947869842	337948039428	169586
$3 \times 10^{13}$	500060778623	500060890229	111606
$4 \times 10^{13}$	660405866854	660406104847	237993
$5  imes 10^{13}$	819461739349	819462025217	285868
$6 \times 10^{13}$	977505071501	977505356756	285255
$7 \times 10^{13}$	1134716310961	1134716560342	249381
$8 \times 10^{13}$	1291221836521	1291222276965	440444
$9 \times 10^{13}$	1447116002078	1447116248704	246626
$1 \times 10^{14}$	1602470783672	1602470967129	183457
$2 \times 10^{14}$	3135212239502	3135212411812	172310
$3 \times 10^{14}$	4643720595358	4643721004921	409563
$4 \times 10^{14}$	6136911872530	6136912282960	410430
$5 \times 10^{14}$	7618916303080	7618917351539	1048459
$0 \times 10^{14}$	9092127220696	9092128070873	850177
$( \times 10^{14})$	10558104318534	10558104592488	273954
$\delta \times 10^{11}$	1201/944/98977	1201/945509183	1150199
$9 \times 10^{-1}$ 1 $\times 10^{15}$	10472402000049	134/24038120/1	051700
1 × 10	14922204100404	14922200001104	901100

# Table 2

x	$\pi(x,4,1)$	$\pi(x,4,3)$	$\delta(x)$
$2 \times 10^{15}$	29239107639569	29239108042321	402752
$3 \times 10^{15}$	43344300693083	43344302117035	1423952
$4 \times 10^{15}$	57315493601108	57315495302891	1701783
$5  imes 10^{15}$	71188707903700	71188709292663	1388963
$6 \times 10^{15}$	84984830526287	84984832028263	1501976
$7 \times 10^{15}$	98717495795309	98717498283021	2487712
$8  imes 10^{15}$	112396302108982	112396304209617	2100635
$9 \times 10^{15}$	126028365161887	126028368292040	3130153
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