

Exercise Sheet 1

1. Show that

$$\int_2^x \frac{dt}{\ln t} - \sum_{2 \leq n \leq x} \frac{1}{\ln n} = O(\ln x).$$

2. Show that the Cramér model predicts the *Goldbach conjecture*, that is, that for every even integer $n \geq 6$, there exist primes p and q with $p + q = n$.

3. Fix an integer $k \geq 1$ and a prime p . For any distinct integers h_1, \dots, h_k , let $\nu_p(\{h_1, \dots, h_k\})$ denote the number of distinct residue classes modulo p occupied by the h_i 's. Show that as $h \rightarrow \infty$,

$$\sum_{1 \leq h_1 < h_2 < \dots < h_k \leq h} \frac{1 - \nu_p(\mathcal{H})/p}{(1 - 1/p)^k} \sim \sum_{1 \leq h_1 < h_2 < \dots < h_k \leq h} 1.$$

4. Show that the Cramér model predicts that for a fixed real number $\lambda > 0$ and non-negative integer k ,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x} \#\{n \leq x : \pi(n + \lambda \log n) - \pi(n) = k\} = \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} e^{-\lambda}.$$