

M3PM16/M4PM16 SOLUTIONS 8. 21.3.2014

Q1: *Sum-function of ϕ* (J 85-86).

As $\phi = \mu * I$ (Problems 4 Q1(v)), $\phi(n) = \sum_{md=n} \mu(d)m$. So

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{n \leq x} \phi(n) &= \sum_{d \leq x} \mu(d) \sum_{m \leq x/d} m \\
 &= \sum_{d \leq x} \mu(d) \cdot \frac{1}{2} [x/d] ([x/d] + 1) \\
 &= \sum_{d \leq x} \mu(d) \cdot \frac{1}{2} (x/d + O(1))(x/d + O(1)) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} x^2 \sum_{d \leq x} \mu(d)/d^2 + O(x \sum_{d \leq x} 1/d).
 \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{d \leq x} \mu(d)/d^2 &= \sum_1^\infty \mu(d)/d^2 + O(\sum_x^\infty 1/d^2) \\
 &= \frac{6}{\pi^2} + O(1/x), \\
 \sum_{d \leq x} 1/d &= \log x + \gamma + o(1)
 \end{aligned}$$

(I.4 L3). So

$$\sum_{n \leq x} \phi(n) = \frac{1}{2} x^2 \left(\frac{6}{\pi^2} + O(1/x) \right) + O(x \log x) = \frac{3}{\pi^2} x^2 + O(x \log x). \quad //$$

Q2: *$Q(x)$ and PNT.*

By Problems 7 Q3, with $\nu(n) := \mu(d)$ if $n = d^2$, 0 otherwise,

$$|\mu| = \nu * u.$$

In DHI (II.9 L14), take $a = u$, sum-function $A = [.]$, $b = \nu$, sum-function

$$B(x) := \sum_{n \leq x} \nu(n) = \sum_{d^2 \leq x} \mu(d) = \sum_{d \leq \sqrt{x}} \mu(d) = M(\sqrt{x}).$$

So DHI gives, for $1 < y < x$,

$$\begin{aligned}
Q(x) &= \sum_{n \leq x} |\mu|(n) = \sum_{n \leq x} (u * \nu)(x) \\
&= \sum_{j \leq y} M(\sqrt{x/j}) + \sum_{k \leq x/y} \nu(k)[x/k] - [y]M(\sqrt{x/y}) \\
&= \sum_{j \leq y} M(\sqrt{x/j}) + \sum_{d \leq \sqrt{x/y}} \mu(d)[x/d^2] - [y]M(\sqrt{x/y}). \tag{i}
\end{aligned}$$

Writing $[\cdot] = \cdot + \{\cdot\} = \cdot + O(1)$, the second term in (i) is

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{d \leq \sqrt{x/y}} \mu(d)(x/d^2 + O(1)) &= x \sum_{d \leq \sqrt{x/y}} \mu(d)/d^2 + O(\sqrt{x/y}) \\
&= x \left(\sum_1^\infty \mu(d)/d^2 - \sum_{d > \sqrt{x/y}} \dots \right) + O(\sqrt{x/y}) \\
&= \frac{6}{\pi^2}x - x \int_{\sqrt{x/y}}^\infty dM(u)/u^2 + O(\sqrt{x/y}). \tag{ii}
\end{aligned}$$

But as $M(x) = o(x)$ (given),

$$\int_z^\infty dM(u)/u^2 = -M(z)/z^2 + 2 \int_z^\infty M(u)du/u^3 = o(1/z) + \int_z^\infty o(1/u^2).du = o(1/z).$$

So the second term in (ii) is $x.o(\sqrt{y/x}) = o(\sqrt{xy}) = o_y(\sqrt{x})$. Similarly, $\sum_{j \leq y} M(\sqrt{x/j}) = o_y(\sqrt{x})$. Combining,

$$Q(x) = \frac{6}{\pi^2}x + o_y(x) + O(\sqrt{x/y}).$$

Take the first (x -) term on the right to the left, divide by \sqrt{x} , and let $x \rightarrow \infty$. The right becomes $o_y(1) + O(1/\sqrt{y})$. We can then let $y \rightarrow \infty$, to get

$$\limsup_{x \rightarrow \infty} |Q(x) - \frac{6}{\pi^2}x|/\sqrt{x} = 0 : \quad Q(x) = \frac{6}{\pi^2}x + o(\sqrt{x}). \quad // \quad \text{NHB}$$