

# Proof of the Twin Primes Conjecture

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Abstract. In this paper, a proof of the Prime Number Conjecture is presented, using set theory.

## 1. Introduction

The Twin Primes Conjecture says: There are infinitely many pairs of twin primes. Twin primes are those that are separated by two units. Namely,  
 $\{ (3, 5), (5, 7), (11, 13), (17, 19), (29, 31), \dots \}$

Proof

Let  $W$  be a set, defined as

$$W = \{2n | n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } n \geq 4\} \quad (1)$$

To have the entire set  $W$ , 5 cases are presented in the interval  $[n - 1, n + 1]$  with  $n \geq 4$

- i)  $(p, p + 2)$  where  $p$  is a prime number
- ii)  $(p, t)$  where  $t$  is an odd number not prime
- iii)  $(t, p)$
- iv)  $(s, s + 2)$  where  $s$  is an even number
- v)  $(t, t + 2)$

Derived from the previous cases, let us consider the following sets

$$A_1 = \{(p, p + 2) | p + (p + 2) \in W\} \quad (2)$$

$$A_2 = \{(p, t) | p + t \in W\} \quad (3)$$

$$A_3 = \{(t, p) | t + p \in W\} \quad (4)$$

$$A_4 = \{(s, s + 2) | s + (s + 2) \in W\} \quad (5)$$

$$A_5 = \{(t, t + 2) | t + (t + 2) \in W\} \quad (6)$$

From the above, we have

$$W = (A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3 \cup A_4 \cup A_5) \quad (7)$$

But as the  $A_4$  set

$$A_4 = \{10, 14, 18, 22, 26, 30, \dots\} = \{4(n-1) + 10 | n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } n \geq 1\} \quad (8)$$

$$\Rightarrow |A_4| = \infty \quad (9)$$

So we will only take

$$(A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3 \cup A_5) \quad (10)$$

and, we must prove

$$|A_1| = \infty \quad (11)$$

$$|A_2| = \infty \quad (12)$$

$$|A_3| = \infty \quad (13)$$

$$|A_5| = \infty \quad (14)$$

Let B be the following set

$$B = \{(2n+1, 2n+3) | (2n+1) + (2n+3) \in W \text{ with } n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } n \geq 1\} \quad (15)$$

$$\Rightarrow |B| = \infty \quad (16)$$

Also, note that

$$B = (A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3 \cup A_5) \quad (17)$$

Let us take the following differences between sets

$$B - (A_2 \cup A_3 \cup A_5) = A_1 \quad (18)$$

$$B - (A_1 \cup A_3 \cup A_5) = A_2 \quad (19)$$

$$B - (A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_5) = A_3 \quad (20)$$

$$B - (A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3) = A_5 \quad (21)$$

later

$$|B - (A_2 \cup A_3 \cup A_5)| = |A_1| \quad (22)$$

$$|B - (A_1 \cup A_3 \cup A_5)| = |A_2| \quad (23)$$

$$|B - (A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_5)| = |A_3| \quad (24)$$

$$|B - (A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3)| = |A_5| \quad (25)$$

now, suppose that

$$|B - (A_2 \cup A_3 \cup A_5)| = |A_1| < \infty \quad (26)$$

$$\Rightarrow |B| < \infty \quad (27)$$

and

$$|(A_2 \cup A_3 \cup A_5)| < \infty \quad (28)$$

But by equation (16)

$$|B| = \infty \quad (29)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{than equation (26)} \quad |A_1| = \infty \quad (30)$$

$$|B - (A_1 \cup A_3 \cup A_5)| = |A_2| < \infty \quad (31)$$

$$\Rightarrow |B| < \infty \quad (32)$$

and

$$|(A_1 \cup A_3 \cup A_5)| < \infty \quad (33)$$

But by equation (16)

$$|B| = \infty \quad (34)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{than equation (31)} \quad |A_2| = \infty \quad (35)$$

and by equation (30), equation (33) leaves us

$$|(A_1 \cup A_3 \cup A_5)| = \infty \quad (36)$$

$$|B - (A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_5)| = |A_3| < \infty \quad (37)$$

$$\Rightarrow |B| < \infty \quad (38)$$

and

$$|(A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_5)| < \infty \quad (39)$$

But by equation (16)

$$|B| = \infty \quad (40)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{than equation (37)} \quad |A_3| = \infty \quad (41)$$

and by equations (30) and (35), equation (39) leaves us

$$|(A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_5)| = \infty \quad (42)$$

$$|B - (A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3)| = |A_5| < \infty \quad (43)$$

$$\Rightarrow |B| < \infty \quad (44)$$

and

$$|(A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3)| < \infty \quad (45)$$

But by equation (16)

$$|B| = \infty \quad (46)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{than equation (43)} \quad |A_5| = \infty \quad (47)$$

and by equations (30), (35), and (41), equation (45) leaves us

$$|(A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3)| = \infty \quad (48)$$

Then by the equations (35), (41) and (47), we are left with the equation (28)

$$|(A_2 \cup A_3 \cup A_5)| = \infty \quad (49)$$

then, from equations (30) and (49) we conclude

$$|A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3 \cup A_5| = \infty \quad (50)$$

of equations (16), (17) and (50)

$$|B| = \infty = |A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3 \cup A_5| \quad (51)$$

and from equations (2) and (30), we have infinite pairs of twin primes

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