

# Understanding and Attempting Proof of Goldbach Conjecture

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## 1 Introduction

In this article, we attempt to prove or provide a better understanding of this well known problem. Most computer science and mathematics graduates will have sufficient background to understand the content. We also ignore very edge cases and focus on the way of thinking. We also do not attempt to prove obvious facts.

## 2 Definitions

### N-multiple

An integer has  $n$  repeatable prime integer factors.  $n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus 1$ . Examples,  $2 \times 3$  is 2-multiple.  $2 \times 2 \times 3$  is 3-multiple and  $3 \times 5 \times 7$  is 3-multiple.

### Odd Multiple

We only use nature numbers as the factors, in this case, 1 and 2 are removed.

## 3 Axioms

For convenience, we don't explicitly clarify  $n$  is even and it is large enough in all occurrences.

### Axiom (Prime number):

Prime numbers are the holes in odd numbers such that odd multiples fail to fill in. It can also be understood as nature numbers subtract even numbers and odd multiples.

### Axiom (Neighbor Numbers are Co-prime):

Or 邻数因子互斥 in Chinese. Given any number  $n$ ,  $n$  and  $n + 1$  are co-prime. If we put  $n$  in unique factorial format eg  $p_1^{e_1} \cdot p_2^{e_2} \cdots p_l^{e_l}$ , it will be more obvious  $p_1^{e_1} \cdot p_2^{e_2} \cdots p_l^{e_l} + 1$  does not share any factor with  $n$ . Further  $n - 1$  does not share any factor with  $n$ .

### Axiom (Neighboring Zone Factorization Analysis):

For number sequence  $n, n - 1, \cdots, n - i, \cdots, n - m, m < n$ . We call  $i$  the  $\delta$ . In this zone, a number only shares factors that are factors of current  $\delta$  and previous  $\delta$ s' with larger numbers.

When  $\delta$  is prime and  $n$  is subtracting this prime, we need fill in an odd-multiple, other wise we hit a prime and satisfy the conjecture. That creates two situations.

First,  $n$  and  $\delta$  is not co-prime or  $\delta$  is a factor of  $n$ . The upper bound of this happening is  $\mathcal{O}(n)$ . Compared to the total number of primes smaller than  $n$ , we can ignore this situation and continue.

Second,  $n$  and  $\delta$  is co-prime. To create the odd-multiple, we can not use the factors from previous  $\delta$ s. Thus  $n - \delta$  has to use a new prime, not in the factors set of  $\delta$ s, not in the factorization of any larger numbers in this zone.

## 4 Application in Goldbach Conjecture

Let's try with 85292 to show how to calculate the Goldbach prime pair 79 and 85213, partly manual with computer program aid. I also use Chatgpt aiding Latex writing. Pay attention to steps at  $m = 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29, 31, 37, 41, 47, 53, 67, 71, 73, 79$ .

*Proof of Goldbach Conjecture.* In zone  $[n - m, n]$ , as  $\delta$  is growing, the factorization in this zone will get all the primes smaller or equal to  $m$  sequentially. Then gradually  $m$  passes  $\sqrt{n}$ . We know between  $n - \sqrt{n}$  and  $\sqrt{n}$ , there is a big gap of numbers. If situation one discussed in last section happens, we ignore it and continue. But it is certain situation two will follow, a new prime never used is forced in. The primes less equal to  $\sqrt{n}$  has run out. We can only fill in one but ONLY ONE prime that is bigger than  $\sqrt{n}$ .  $n$  minus a prime is hitting a prime.  $\square$

Table 1: n=85292

| $n - m$ | Factorization of $n - m$                                    | $-m$ |
|---------|---|------|
| 85212   | $2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 263$ | -80  |
| 85213   | 85213   | -79  |
| 85214   | $2 \times 137 \times 311$                                   | -78  |
| 85215   | $3 \times 5 \times 13 \times 19 \times 23$                  | -77  |
| 85216   | $2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2663$         | -76  |
| 85217   | $11 \times 61 \times 127$                                   | -75  |
| 85218   | $2 \times 3 \times 7 \times 2029$                           | -74  |
| 85219   | $31 \times 2749$  | -73  |
| 85220   | $2 \times 2 \times 5 \times 4261$                           | -72  |
| 85221   | $3 \times 3 \times 17 \times 557$                           | -71  |
| 85222   | $2 \times 42611$  | -70  |
| 85223   | 85223   | -69  |
| 85224   | $2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 53 \times 67$          | -68  |
| 85225   | $5 \times 5 \times 7 \times 487$                            | -67  |
| 85226   | $2 \times 43 \times 991$                                    | -66  |
| 85227   | $3 \times 28409$  | -65  |
| 85228   | $2 \times 2 \times 11 \times 13 \times 149$                 | -64  |
| 85229   | 85229   | -63  |
| 85230   | $2 \times 3 \times 3 \times 5 \times 947$                   | -62  |
| 85231   | $29 \times 2939$  | -61  |
| 85232   | $2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 7 \times 761$          | -60  |
| 85233   | $3 \times 28411$  | -59  |
| 85234   | $2 \times 19 \times 2243$                                   | -58  |
| 85235   | $5 \times 17047$  | -57  |
| 85236   | $2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 7103$                           | -56  |
| 85237   | 85237   | -55  |
| 85238   | $2 \times 17 \times 23 \times 109$                          | -54  |
| 85239   | $3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 7 \times 11 \times 41$          | -53  |
| 85240   | $2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 5 \times 2131$                  | -52  |
| 85241   | $13 \times 79 \times 83$                                    | -51  |
| 85242   | $2 \times 3 \times 14207$                                   | -50  |

| $n - m$ | Factorization of $n - m$  | $-m$ |
|---------|---|------|
| 85243   | 85243   | -49  |
| 85244   | $2 \times 2 \times 101 \times 211$  | -48  |
| 85245   | $3 \times 5 \times 5683$  | -47  |
| 85246   | $2 \times 7 \times 6089$  | -46  |
| 85247   | 85247   | -45  |
| 85248   | $2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 3 \times 37$ | -44  |
| 85249   | $163 \times 523$  | -43  |
| 85250   | $2 \times 5 \times 5 \times 5 \times 11 \times 31$                                    | -42  |
| 85251   | $3 \times 157 \times 181$   | -41  |
| 85252   | $2 \times 2 \times 21313$   | -40  |
| 85253   | $7 \times 19 \times 641$  | -39  |
| 85254   | $2 \times 3 \times 13 \times 1093$  | -38  |
| 85255   | $5 \times 17 \times 17 \times 59$   | -37  |
| 85256   | $2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 10657$  | -36  |
| 85257   | $3 \times 3 \times 9473$  | -35  |
| 85258   | $2 \times 47 \times 907$  | -34  |
| 85259   | 85259   | -33  |
| 85260   | $2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 5 \times 7 \times 7 \times 29$                            | -32  |
| 85261   | $11 \times 23 \times 337$   | -31  |
| 85262   | $2 \times 89 \times 479$  | -30  |
| 85263   | $3 \times 97 \times 293$  | -29  |
| 85264   | $2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 73 \times 73$                                    | -28  |
| 85265   | $5 \times 17053$  | -27  |
| 85266   | $2 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 1579$  | -26  |
| 85267   | $7 \times 13 \times 937$  | -25  |
| 85268   | $2 \times 2 \times 21317$   | -24  |
| 85269   | $3 \times 43 \times 661$  | -23  |
| 85270   | $2 \times 5 \times 8527$  | -22  |
| 85271   | $71 \times 1201$  | -21  |
| 85272   | $2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 11 \times 17 \times 19$                          | -20  |
| 85273   | $269 \times 317$  | -19  |
| 85274   | $2 \times 7 \times 6091$  | -18  |
| 85275   | $3 \times 3 \times 5 \times 5 \times 379$   | -17  |
| 85276   | $2 \times 2 \times 21319$   | -16  |
| 85277   | $53 \times 1609$  | -15  |
| 85278   | $2 \times 3 \times 61 \times 233$   | -14  |
| 85279   | $107 \times 797$  | -13  |
| 85280   | $2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 5 \times 13 \times 41$                           | -12  |
| 85281   | $3 \times 7 \times 31 \times 131$   | -11  |
| 85282   | $2 \times 42641$  | -10  |
| 85283   | $11 \times 7753$  | -9   |
| 85284   | $2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 3 \times 23 \times 103$                                   | -8   |
| 85285   | $5 \times 37 \times 461$  | -7   |
| 85286   | $2 \times 42643$  | -6   |

| $n - m$ | <b>Factorization of <math>n - m</math></b> | $-m$ |
|---------|--|------|
| 85287   | $3 \times 28429$                           | -5   |
| 85288   | $2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 7 \times 1523$ | -4   |
| 85289   | $17 \times 29 \times 173$                  | -3   |
| 85290   | $2 \times 3 \times 5 \times 2843$          | -2   |
| 85291   | $19 \times 67 \times 67$                   | -1   |
| 85292   | $2 \times 2 \times 21323$                  | 0    |

## 5 Final Words

It is still a little bit surreal for me to get here. I have sufficient background in computer science and mathematics in understanding what I am doing. But Number Theory is not my specialty and particularly I aimed too high for this conjecture. I hope the readers please do not be afraid to criticize any mistakes. I hope if the conjecture is not rigidly proved here, at least my article may provide any meaningful clues for further research. Though this is not my first academic writing, still these ‘final words’ may serve an ‘excuse me’ if there is any grievous mistake. Salute all the people dedicated to research in computer science and mathematics!