

Prime Distribution in Pythagorean Triples (1)

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Mini-Review

Using Jiang function we study the prime distribution in Pythagorean triples.

Pythagorean triples

$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2, \tag{1}$$

In coprime integers must be of the form:

$$a = x^2 - y^2, \quad b = 2xy, \quad c = x^2 + y^2, \tag{2}$$

Where x and y are coprime integers.

Theorem 1: From eqn. (2) we have,

$$a = (x + y)(x - y) \tag{3}$$

Let $x - y = 1$ and $a = x + y = P_1$, we have,

$$P_1^2 = (x + y)^2 = x^2 + y^2 + 2xy = c + b, \tag{4}$$

$$1 = (x - y)^2 = x^2 + y^2 - 2xy = c - b \tag{5}$$

From eqns. (4) and (5) we have,

$$a = P_1, \quad b = \frac{P_1^2 - 1}{2}, \quad c = \frac{P_1^2 + 1}{2} = P_2 \tag{6}$$

There are infinitely many primes P_1 such that P_2 is a prime.

Proof: We have Jiang function [1]

$$J_2(\omega) = \prod_{P>2} (P - 1 - \chi(P)), \tag{7}$$

where $\omega = \prod_{P \geq 2} P$, $\chi(P)$ is the number of solutions of congruence

$$q^2 + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{P}, \quad q = 1, \dots, P-1. \tag{8}$$

From (8) we have,

$$\chi(P) = 1 + (-1)^{\frac{P-1}{2}} \tag{9}$$

Substituting (9) into (7) we have

$$J_2(\omega) = \prod_{P>2} (P - 2 - (-1)^{\frac{P-1}{2}}) \neq 0 \tag{10}$$

Since $J_2(\omega) \neq 0$, we prove that there are infinitely many prime P_1 , such that P_2 is a prime.

We have the best asymptotic formula [1].

$$\pi_2(N, 2) = |\{P_1 \leq N : P_2 = \text{prime}\}| \sim \frac{J_2(\omega)\omega}{2\phi^2(\omega)} \frac{N}{\log^2 N} = \left(1 - \frac{1 + P(-1)^{\frac{P-1}{2}}}{(P-1)^2}\right) \frac{N}{\log^2 N}, \tag{11}$$

where $\phi(\omega) = \prod_{P \geq 2} (P - 1)$.

Theorem 2: Let $x + y = P_1$ and $x - y = P_1 - 2$, we have $a = P_1(P_1 - 2)$ and,

$$P_1^2 = (x + y)^2 = c + b, \tag{12}$$

$$(P_1 - 2)^2 = (x - y)^2 = c - b \tag{13}$$

From eqns. (12) and (13) we have,

$$a = P_1(P_1 - 2), \quad b = \frac{P_1^2 - (P_1 - 2)^2}{2}, \quad c = \frac{P_1^2 + (P_1 - 2)^2}{2} = P_2 \tag{14}$$

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Proof: We have Jiang function [1]

$$J_2(\omega) = \prod_{P>2} (P - 1 - \chi(P)), \tag{15}$$

Where $\chi(P)$ is the number of solutions of congruence

$$q^2 + (q - 2)^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{P}, \quad q = 1, \dots, P-1. \tag{16}$$

From (16) we have,

$$\chi(P) = 1 + (-1)^{\frac{P-1}{2}} \tag{17}$$

Substituting (17) into (15) we have,

$$J_2(\omega) = \prod_{P>2} (P - 2 - (-1)^{\frac{P-1}{2}}) \neq 0 \tag{18}$$

Since $J_2(\omega) \neq 0$, we prove that there are infinitely many prime P_1 such that P_2 is a prime.

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Theorem 3: Let $x - y = 1$ and $a = x + y = P_1^2$, we have,

$$a = P_1^2, \quad b = \frac{P_1^4 - 1}{2}, \quad c = \frac{P_1^4 + 1}{2} = P_2. \tag{20}$$

There are infinitely many primes P_1 such that P_2 is a prime.

Proof: We have Jiang function [1],

$$J_2(\omega) = \prod_{P>2} (P - 1 - \chi(P)), \tag{21}$$

Where $\chi(P)$ is the number of solutions of congruence,

$$q^4 + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{P}, \quad q = 1, \dots, P-1. \tag{22}$$

From (22) we have,

$$\chi(P) = 4 \text{ if } 8|P-1, \quad \chi(P) = 0 \text{ otherwise.} \tag{23}$$

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These results are in wide use in biological, physical and chemical fields.

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