

# The Divergence of the Prime Harmonic Series

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## Abstract

In this work, we prove the lower bound  $\ln(H_n) - \ln(\frac{5}{3})$  for the partial sum of the Prime Harmonic series and, based on this, the divergence of the Prime Harmonic Series  $\sum_{p=1}^n [p \text{ prime}] \cdot \frac{1}{p}$ . The proof relies on the unique squarefree decomposition of natural numbers. This proof is similar to Euler's original proof (which was highly informal and morally questionable). Its advantage over proofs by contradiction, like the famous one by Paul Erdős, is that it provides a relatively good lower bound for the partial sums.

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## 1 Auxiliary lemmas

**theory** *Prime-Harmonic-Misc*

**imports**

*Complex-Main*

*~/src/HOL/Number-Theory/Number-Theory*

**begin**

**lemma** *sum-list-nonneg*:  $\forall x \in \text{set } xs. x \geq 0 \implies \text{sum-list } xs \geq (0 :: 'a :: \text{ordered-ab-group-add})$   
**by** (*induction xs*) *auto*

**lemma** *sum-telescope'*:

**assumes**  $m \leq n$

**shows**  $(\sum k = \text{Suc } m..n. f k - f (\text{Suc } k)) = f (\text{Suc } m) - (f (\text{Suc } n) :: 'a :: \text{ab-group-add})$

**by** (*rule dec-induct[OF assms]*) (*simp-all add: algebra-simps*)

**lemma** *dvd-prodI*:

**assumes** *finite A x ∈ A*

**shows**  $f\ x\ \text{dvd}\ \text{prod}\ f\ A$

**proof** –

**from** *assms* **have**  $\text{prod}\ f\ A = f\ x * \text{prod}\ f\ (A - \{x\})$

**by** (*intro prod.remove simp-all*)

**thus** *?thesis* **by** *simp*

**qed**

**lemma** *dvd-prodD*:  $\text{finite}\ A \implies \text{prod}\ f\ A\ \text{dvd}\ x \implies a \in A \implies f\ a\ \text{dvd}\ x$

**by** (*erule dvd-trans[OF dvd-prodI]*)

**lemma** *multiplicity-power-nat*:

$\text{prime}\ p \implies n > 0 \implies \text{multiplicity}\ p\ (n \wedge k :: \text{nat}) = k * \text{multiplicity}\ p\ n$

**by** (*induction k*) (*simp-all add: prime-elem-multiplicity-mult-distrib*)

**lemma** *multiplicity-prod-prime-powers-nat'*:

$\text{finite}\ S \implies \forall p \in S. \text{prime}\ p \implies \text{prime}\ p \implies$

$\text{multiplicity}\ p\ (\prod S :: \text{nat}) = (\text{if}\ p \in S\ \text{then}\ 1\ \text{else}\ 0)$

**using** *multiplicity-prod-prime-powers[of S p λ-. 1]* **by** *simp*

**lemma** *prod-prime-subset*:

**assumes** *finite A finite B*

**assumes**  $\bigwedge x. x \in A \implies \text{prime}\ (x :: \text{nat})$

**assumes**  $\bigwedge x. x \in B \implies \text{prime}\ x$

**assumes**  $\prod A\ \text{dvd}\ \prod B$

**shows**  $A \subseteq B$

**proof**

**fix** *x* **assume**  $x \in A$

**from** *assms(4)[of 0]* **have**  $0 \notin B$  **by** *auto*

**with** *assms* **have** *nonzero*:  $\forall z \in B. z \neq 0$  **by** (*intro ballI notI*) *auto*

**from** *x assms* **have**  $1 = \text{multiplicity}\ x\ (\prod A)$

**by** (*subst multiplicity-prod-prime-powers-nat'*) *simp-all*

**also from** *assms nonzero* **have**  $\dots \leq \text{multiplicity}\ x\ (\prod B)$  **by** (*intro dvd-imp-multiplicity-le*) *auto*

**finally have**  $\text{multiplicity}\ x\ (\prod B) > 0$  **by** *simp*

**moreover from** *assms x* **have** *prime x* **by** *simp*

**ultimately show**  $x \in B$  **using** *assms(2,4)*

**by** (*subst (asm) multiplicity-prod-prime-powers-nat'*) (*simp-all split: if-split-asm*)

**qed**

**lemma** *prod-prime-eq*:

**assumes** *finite A finite B*  $\bigwedge x. x \in A \implies \text{prime}\ (x :: \text{nat}) \bigwedge x. x \in B \implies \text{prime}\ x$

$\prod A = \prod B$

**shows**  $A = B$

**using** *assms* **by** (*intro equalityI prod-prime-subset*) *simp-all*

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lemma ln-ln-nonneg:
  assumes  $x: x \geq (3 :: \text{real})$ 
  shows  $\ln (\ln x) \geq 0$ 
proof -
  have  $\exp 1 \leq (3 :: \text{real})$  by (rule exp-le)
  hence  $\ln (\exp 1) \leq \ln (3 :: \text{real})$  by (subst ln-le-cancel-iff) simp-all
  also from  $x$  have  $\dots \leq \ln x$  by (subst ln-le-cancel-iff) simp-all
  finally have  $\ln 1 \leq \ln (\ln x)$  using  $x$  by (subst ln-le-cancel-iff) simp-all
  thus ?thesis by simp
qed

end

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## 2 Squarefree decomposition of natural numbers

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theory Squarefree-Nat
imports
  Main
  ~/src/HOL/Number-Theory/Number-Theory
  Prime-Harmonic-Misc
begin

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The squarefree part of a natural number is the set of all prime factors that appear with odd multiplicity. The square part, correspondingly, is what remains after dividing by the squarefree part.

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definition squarefree-part ::  $\text{nat} \Rightarrow \text{nat set}$  where
  squarefree-part  $n = \{p \in \text{prime-factors } n. \text{ odd } (\text{multiplicity } p \ n)\}$ 

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definition square-part ::  $\text{nat} \Rightarrow \text{nat}$  where
  square-part  $n = (\text{if } n = 0 \text{ then } 0 \text{ else } (\prod p \in \text{prime-factors } n. p ^ (\text{multiplicity } p \ n \ \text{div } 2)))$ 

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lemma squarefree-part-0 [simp]: squarefree-part 0 = {}
by (simp add: squarefree-part-def)

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lemma square-part-0 [simp]: square-part 0 = 0
by (simp add: square-part-def)

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lemma squarefree-decompose:  $\prod (\text{squarefree-part } n) * \text{square-part } n ^ 2 = n$ 
proof (cases n = 0)

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  case False
  def  $A \equiv \text{squarefree-part } n$  and  $s \equiv \text{square-part } n$ 
  have  $(\prod A) = (\prod p \in A. p ^ (\text{multiplicity } p \ n \ \text{mod } 2))$ 
    by (intro prod.cong) (auto simp: A-def squarefree-part-def elim!: oddE)
  also have  $\dots = (\prod p \in \text{prime-factors } n. p ^ (\text{multiplicity } p \ n \ \text{mod } 2))$ 
    by (intro prod.mono-neutral-left) (auto simp: A-def squarefree-part-def)
  also from False have  $\dots * s ^ 2 = n$ 
    by (simp add: s-def square-part-def prod.distrib [symmetric] power-add [symmetric])

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*power-mult [symmetric] prime-factorization-nat [symmetric]*

*algebra-simps*  
                   *prod-power-distrib*  
**finally show**  $\prod A * s^2 = n$  .  
**qed simp**

**lemma** *squarefree-part-pos [simp]*:  $\prod (\text{squarefree-part } n) > 0$   
**using** *prime-gt-0-nat unfolding squarefree-part-def by auto*

**lemma** *squarefree-part-subset [intro]*:  $\text{squarefree-part } n \subseteq \text{prime-factors } n$   
**unfolding squarefree-part-def by auto**

**lemma** *squarefree-part-finite [simp]*:  $\text{finite } (\text{squarefree-part } n)$   
**by** (*rule finite-subset[OF squarefree-part-subset]*) *simp*

**lemma** *squarefree-part-dvd [simp]*:  $\prod (\text{squarefree-part } n) \text{ dvd } n$   
**by** (*subst (2) squarefree-decompose [of n, symmetric]*) *simp*

**lemma** *squarefree-part-dvd' [simp]*:  $p \in \text{squarefree-part } n \implies p \text{ dvd } n$   
**by** (*rule dvd-prod[OF - squarefree-part-dvd]*) *simp-all*

**lemma** *square-part-dvd [simp]*:  $\text{square-part } n^2 \text{ dvd } n$   
**by** (*subst (2) squarefree-decompose [of n, symmetric]*) *simp*

**lemma** *square-part-dvd' [simp]*:  $\text{square-part } n \text{ dvd } n$   
**by** (*subst (2) squarefree-decompose [of n, symmetric]*) *simp*

**lemma** *squarefree-part-le*:  $p \in \text{squarefree-part } n \implies p \leq n$   
**by** (*cases n = 0*) (*simp-all add: dvd-imp-le*)

**lemma** *square-part-le*:  $\text{square-part } n \leq n$   
**by** (*cases n = 0*) (*simp-all add: dvd-imp-le*)

**lemma** *square-part-pos [simp]*:  $n > 0 \implies \text{square-part } n > 0$   
**unfolding square-part-def using prime-gt-0-nat by auto**

**lemma** *zero-not-in-squarefree-part [simp]*:  $0 \notin \text{squarefree-part } n$   
**unfolding squarefree-part-def by auto**

**lemma** *multiplicity-squarefree-part*:  
 $\text{prime } p \implies \text{multiplicity } p (\prod (\text{squarefree-part } n)) = (\text{if } p \in \text{squarefree-part } n$   
*then 1 else 0)*  
**using** *squarefree-part-subset[of n]*  
**by** (*intro multiplicity-prod-prime-powers-nat'*) *auto*

The squarefree part really is square, its only square divisor is 1.

**lemma** *square-dvd-squarefree-part-iff*:  
 $x^2 \text{ dvd } \prod (\text{squarefree-part } n) \iff x = 1$

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proof (rule iffI, rule multiplicity-eq-nat)
  assume dvd:  $x^2 \text{ dvd } \prod (\text{squarefree-part } n)$ 
  hence  $x \neq 0$  using squarefree-part-subset[of n] prime-gt-0-nat by (intro notI)
auto
  thus  $x: x > 0$  by simp

  fix  $p :: \text{nat}$  assume  $p: \text{prime } p$ 
  from  $p \ x$  have  $2 * \text{multiplicity } p \ x = \text{multiplicity } p \ (x^2)$ 
    by (simp add: multiplicity-power-nat)
  also from dvd have  $\dots \leq \text{multiplicity } p \ (\prod (\text{squarefree-part } n))$ 
    by (intro dvd-imp-multiplicity-le) simp-all
  also have  $\dots \leq 1$  using multiplicity-squarefree-part[of p n] p by simp
  finally show  $\text{multiplicity } p \ x = \text{multiplicity } p \ 1$  by simp
qed simp-all

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lemma squarefree-decomposition-unique1:
  assumes squarefree-part  $m = \text{squarefree-part } n$ 
  assumes square-part  $m = \text{square-part } n$ 
  shows  $m = n$ 
  by (subst (1 2) squarefree-decompose [symmetric]) (simp add: assms)

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lemma squarefree-decomposition-unique2:
  assumes  $n: n > 0$ 
  assumes decomp:  $n = (\prod A2 * s2^2)$ 
  assumes prime:  $\bigwedge x. x \in A2 \implies \text{prime } x$ 
  assumes fin: finite A2
  assumes s2-nonneg:  $s2 \geq 0$ 
  shows  $A2 = \text{squarefree-part } n$  and  $s2 = \text{square-part } n$ 

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proof -
  def A1  $\equiv \text{squarefree-part } n$  and s1  $\equiv \text{square-part } n$ 
  have finite A1 unfolding A1-def by simp
  note fin =  $\langle \text{finite } A1 \rangle \langle \text{finite } A2 \rangle$ 

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  have  $A1 \subseteq \text{prime-factors } n$  unfolding A1-def using squarefree-part-subset .
  note subset = this prime

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  have  $\prod A1 > 0 \ \prod A2 > 0$  using subset(1) prime-gt-0-nat
    by (auto intro!: prod-pos dest: prime)
  from  $n$  have  $s1 > 0$  unfolding s1-def by simp
  from assms have  $s2 \neq 0$  by (intro notI) simp
  hence  $s2 > 0$  by simp
  note pos =  $\langle \prod A1 > 0 \rangle \langle \prod A2 > 0 \rangle \langle s1 > 0 \rangle \langle s2 > 0 \rangle$ 

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  have eq':  $\text{multiplicity } p \ s1 = \text{multiplicity } p \ s2$ 
     $\text{multiplicity } p \ (\prod A1) = \text{multiplicity } p \ (\prod A2)$ 
    if  $p: \text{prime } p$  for  $p$ 
  proof -
    def  $m \equiv \text{multiplicity } p$ 

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from decomp have  $m (\prod A1 * s1^2) = m (\prod A2 * s2^2)$  unfolding A1-def
s1-def
  by (simp add: A1-def s1-def squarefree-decompose)
with p pos have  $eq: m (\prod A1) + 2 * m s1 = m (\prod A2) + 2 * m s2$ 
  by (simp add: m-def prime-elem-multiplicity-mult-distrib multiplicity-power-nat)
moreover from fin subset p have  $m (\prod A1) \leq 1 m (\prod A2) \leq 1$  unfolding
m-def
  by ((subst multiplicity-prod-prime-powers-nat', auto) [])
ultimately show  $m s1 = m s2$  by linarith
with eq show  $m (\prod A1) = m (\prod A2)$  by simp
qed

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show  $s2 = \text{square-part } n$ 
  by (rule multiplicity-eq-nat) (insert pos eq'(1), auto simp: s1-def)
have  $\prod A2 = \prod (\text{squarefree-part } n)$ 
  by (rule multiplicity-eq-nat) (insert pos eq'(2), auto simp: A1-def)
with fin subset show  $A2 = \text{squarefree-part } n$  unfolding A1-def
  by (intro prod-prime-eq) auto
qed

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lemma squarefree-decomposition-unique2':
  assumes decomp:  $(\prod A1 * s1^2) = (\prod A2 * s2^2 :: \text{nat})$ 
  assumes fin: finite A1 finite A2
  assumes subset:  $\bigwedge x. x \in A1 \implies \text{prime } x \bigwedge x. x \in A2 \implies \text{prime } x$ 
  assumes pos:  $s1 > 0 s2 > 0$ 
  defines  $n \equiv \prod A1 * s1^2$ 
  shows  $A1 = A2 s1 = s2$ 
proof -
  from pos have  $n: n > 0$  using prime-gt-0-nat
  by (auto simp: n-def intro!: prod-pos dest: subset)
  have  $A1 = \text{squarefree-part } n s1 = \text{square-part } n$ 
  by ((rule squarefree-decomposition-unique2[of n A1 s1], insert assms n, simp-all) [])
  moreover have  $A2 = \text{squarefree-part } n s2 = \text{square-part } n$ 
  by ((rule squarefree-decomposition-unique2[of n A2 s2], insert assms n, simp-all) [])
  ultimately show  $A1 = A2 s1 = s2$  by simp-all
qed

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end

### 3 The Prime Harmonic Series

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theory Prime-Harmonic
imports
  ~~/src/HOL/Analysis/Analysis
  ~~/src/HOL/Number-Theory/Number-Theory
  Prime-Harmonic-Misc
  Squarefree-Nat
begin

```

### 3.1 Auxiliary equalities and inequalities

First of all, we prove the following result about rearranging a product over a set into a sum over all subsets of that set.

**lemma** *prime-harmonic-aux1*:

**fixes**  $A :: 'a :: \text{field set}$

**shows**  $\text{finite } A \implies (\prod_{x \in A}. 1 + 1 / x) = (\sum_{x \in \text{Pow } A}. 1 / \prod x)$

**proof** (*induction rule: finite-induct*)

**fix**  $a :: 'a$  **and**  $A :: 'a \text{ set}$

**assume**  $a: a \notin A$  **and**  $\text{fin}: \text{finite } A$

**assume** *IH*:  $(\prod_{x \in A}. 1 + 1 / x) = (\sum_{x \in \text{Pow } A}. 1 / \prod x)$

**from**  $a$  **and**  $\text{fin}$  **have**  $(\prod_{x \in \text{insert } a \ A}. 1 + 1 / x) = (1 + 1 / a) * (\prod_{x \in A}. 1 + 1 / x)$  **by** *simp*

**also from**  $\text{fin}$  **have**  $\dots = (\sum_{x \in \text{Pow } A}. 1 / \prod x) + (\sum_{x \in \text{Pow } A}. 1 / (a * \prod x))$

**by** (*subst IH*) (*auto simp add: algebra-simps sum-divide-distrib*)

**also from**  $\text{fin } a$  **have**  $(\sum_{x \in \text{Pow } A}. 1 / (a * \prod x)) = (\sum_{x \in \text{Pow } A}. 1 / \prod (\text{insert } a \ x))$

**by** (*intro sum.cong refl, subst prod.insert*) (*auto dest: finite-subset*)

**also from**  $a$  **have**  $\dots = (\sum_{x \in \text{insert } a \ ' \ \text{Pow } A}. 1 / \prod x)$

**by** (*subst sum.reindex*) (*auto simp: inj-on-def*)

**also from**  $\text{fin } a$  **have**  $(\sum_{x \in \text{Pow } A}. 1 / \prod x) + \dots = (\sum_{x \in \text{Pow } A \cup \text{insert } a \ ' \ \text{Pow } A}. 1 / \prod x)$

**by** (*intro sum.union-disjoint [symmetric]*) (*simp, simp, blast*)

**also have**  $\text{Pow } A \cup \text{insert } a \ ' \ \text{Pow } A = \text{Pow } (\text{insert } a \ A)$  **by** (*simp only: Pow-insert*)

**finally show**  $(\prod_{x \in \text{insert } a \ A}. 1 + 1 / x) = (\sum_{x \in \text{Pow } (\text{insert } a \ A)}. 1 / \prod x)$

**qed** *simp*

Next, we prove a simple and reasonably accurate upper bound for the sum of the squares of any subset of the natural numbers, derived by simple telescoping. Our upper bound is approximately 1.67; the exact value is  $\frac{\pi^2}{6} \approx 1.64$ . (cf. Basel problem)

**lemma** *prime-harmonic-aux2*:

**assumes**  $\text{finite } (A :: \text{nat set})$

**shows**  $(\sum_{k \in A}. 1 / (\text{real } k \ ^ 2)) \leq 5/3$

**proof** –

**def**  $n \equiv \text{max } 2 \ (\text{Max } A)$

**have**  $n: n \geq \text{Max } A \ n \geq 2$  **by** (*auto simp: n-def*)

**with** *assms* **have**  $A \subseteq \{0..n\}$  **by** (*auto intro: order.trans[OF Max-ge]*)

**hence**  $(\sum_{k \in A}. 1 / (\text{real } k \ ^ 2)) \leq (\sum_{k=0..n}. 1 / (\text{real } k \ ^ 2))$  **by** (*intro sum-mono2*) *auto*

**also from**  $n$  **have**  $\dots = 1 + (\sum_{k=\text{Suc } 1..n}. 1 / (\text{real } k \ ^ 2))$  **by** (*simp add: sum-head-Suc*)

**also have**  $(\sum_{k=\text{Suc } 1..n}. 1 / (\text{real } k \ ^ 2)) \leq$

$(\sum_{k=\text{Suc } 1..n}. 1 / (\text{real } k \ ^ 2 - 1/4))$  **unfolding** *power2-eq-square*

**by** (*intro sum-mono divide-left-mono mult-pos-pos*)

*(linarith, simp-all add: field-simps less-1-mult)*  
**also have**  $\dots = (\sum k=\text{Suc } 1..n. 1 / (\text{real } k - 1/2) - 1 / (\text{real } (\text{Suc } k) - 1/2))$   
**by** *(intro sum.cong refl) (simp-all add: field-simps power2-eq-square)*  
**also from**  $n$  **have**  $\dots = 2 / 3 - 1 / (1 / 2 + \text{real } n)$   
**by** *(subst sum-telescope') simp-all*  
**also have**  $1 + \dots \leq 5/3$  **by** *simp*  
**finally show** *?thesis* **by** *- simp*  
**qed**

### 3.2 Estimating the partial sums of the Prime Harmonic Series

We are now ready to show our main result: the value of the partial prime harmonic sum over all primes no greater than  $n$  is bounded from below by the  $n$ -th harmonic number  $H_n$  minus some constant.

In our case, this constant will be  $\frac{5}{3}$ . As mentioned before, using a proof of the Basel problem can improve this to  $\frac{\pi^2}{6}$ , but the improvement is very small and the proof of the Basel problem is a very complex one.

The exact asymptotic behaviour of the partial sums is actually  $\ln(\ln n) + M$ , where  $M$  is the Meissel–Mertens constant (approximately 0.261).

**theorem** *prime-harmonic-lower*:

**assumes**  $n: n \geq 2$

**shows**  $(\sum p \leftarrow \text{primes-upto } n. 1 / \text{real } p) \geq \ln (\text{harm } n) - \ln (5/3)$

**proof** –

– the set of primes that we will allow in the squarefree part

**def**  $P \equiv \lambda n. \text{set } (\text{primes-upto } n)$

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**fix**  $n :: \text{nat}$

**have** *finite*  $(P\ n)$  **by** *(simp add: P-def)*

} **note**  $[\text{simp}] = \text{this}$

– The function that combines the squarefree part and the square part

**def**  $f \equiv \lambda(R, s :: \text{nat}). \prod R * s^2$

–  $f$  is injective if the squarefree part contains only primes and the square part is positive.

**have** *inj*: *inj-on*  $f$   $(\text{Pow } (P\ n) \times \{1..n\})$

**proof** *(rule inj-onI, clarify, rule conjI)*

**fix**  $A1\ A2 :: \text{nat set}$  **and**  $s1\ s2 :: \text{nat}$

**assume**  $A: A1 \subseteq P\ n\ A2 \subseteq P\ n\ s1 \in \{1..n\}\ s2 \in \{1..n\}$   $f(A1, s1) = f(A2, s2)$

**have** *fin*: *finite*  $A1$  *finite*  $A2$  **by** *(rule A(1,2)[THEN finite-subset], simp)+*

**show**  $A1 = A2\ s1 = s2$

**by** *((rule squarefree-decomposition-unique2'[of A1 s1 A2 s2], insert A fin, auto simp: f-def P-def set-primes-upto)[])+*

**qed**



—  $f$  hits every number between 1 and  $n$ . It also hits a lot of other numbers, but we do not care about those, since we only need a lower bound.

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have surj: {1..n} ⊆ f ‘ (Pow (P n) × {1..n})
proof
  fix  $x$  assume  $x: x \in \{1..n\}$ 
  have  $x = f$  (squarefree-part  $x$ , square-part  $x$ ) by (simp add: f-def squarefree-decompose)
  moreover have squarefree-part  $x \in \text{Pow } (P n)$  using squarefree-part-subset[of
 $x$ ]  $x$ 
  by (auto simp: P-def set-primes-up-to intro: order.trans[OF squarefree-part-le[of
 $- x$ ]])
  moreover have square-part  $x \in \{1..n\}$  using  $x$ 
  by (auto simp: Suc-le-eq intro: order.trans[OF square-part-le[of  $x$ ]])
  ultimately show  $x \in f$  ‘ (Pow (P n) × {1..n}) by simp
qed

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— We now show the main result by rearranging the sum over all primes to a product over all all squarefree parts times a sum over all square parts, and then applying some simple-minded approximation

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have harm  $n = (\sum_{n=1..n}. 1 / \text{real } n)$  by (simp add: harm-def field-simps)
also from surj have  $\dots \leq (\sum_{n \in f$  ‘ (Pow (P n) × {1..n}). 1 / \text{real } n)
  by (intro sum-mono2 finite-imageI finite-cartesian-product) simp-all
also from inj have  $\dots = (\sum_{x \in \text{Pow } (P n) \times \{1..n\}}. 1 / \text{real } (f x))$ 
  by (subst sum.reindex) simp-all
also have  $\dots = (\sum_{A \in \text{Pow } (P n)}. 1 / \text{real } (\prod A)) * (\sum_{k=1..n}. 1 / (\text{real } k)^2)$ 
unfolding f-def
  by (subst sum-product, subst sum.cartesian-product) (simp add: case-prod-beta)
also have  $\dots \leq (\sum_{A \in \text{Pow } (P n)}. 1 / \text{real } (\prod A)) * (5/3)$ 
  by (intro mult-left-mono prime-harmonic-aux2 sum-nonneg)
  (auto simp: P-def intro!: prod-nonneg)
also have  $(\sum_{A \in \text{Pow } (P n)}. 1 / \text{real } (\prod A)) = (\sum_{A \in (\text{op} ‘ \text{real}) ‘ \text{Pow } (P n)}$ 
 $1 / \prod A)$ 
  by (subst sum.reindex) (auto simp: inj-on-def inj-image-eq-iff prod.reindex)
also have  $(\text{op} ‘ \text{real}) ‘ \text{Pow } (P n) = \text{Pow } (\text{real} ‘ P n)$  by (intro image-Pow-surj
 $\text{refl}$ )
also have  $(\sum_{A \in \text{Pow } (\text{real} ‘ P n)}. 1 / \prod A) = (\prod_{x \in \text{real} ‘ P n}. 1 + 1 / x)$ 
  by (intro prime-harmonic-aux1 [symmetric] finite-imageI) simp-all
also have  $\dots = (\prod_{i \in P n}. 1 + 1 / \text{real } i)$  by (subst prod.reindex) (auto simp:
 $\text{inj-on-def}$ )
also have  $\dots \leq (\prod_{i \in P n}. \exp (1 / \text{real } i))$  by (intro prod-mono) auto
also have  $\dots = \exp (\sum_{i \in P n}. 1 / \text{real } i)$  by (simp add: exp-sum)
finally have  $\ln (\text{harm } n) \leq \ln (\dots * (5/3))$  using  $n$ 
  by (subst ln-le-cancel-iff) simp-all
hence  $\ln (\text{harm } n) - \ln (5/3) \leq (\sum_{i \in P n}. 1 / \text{real } i)$ 
  by (subst (asm) ln-mult) (simp-all add: algebra-simps)
thus ?thesis unfolding P-def
  by (subst (asm) sum.distinct-set-conv-list) simp-all
qed

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We can use the inequality  $\ln(n+1) \leq H_n$  to estimate the asymptotic growth

of the partial prime harmonic series. Note that  $H_n \sim \ln n + \gamma$  where  $\gamma$  is the Euler–Mascheroni constant (approximately 0.577), so we lose some accuracy here.

**corollary** *prime-harmonic-lower'*:

**assumes**  $n: n \geq 2$

**shows**  $(\sum p \leftarrow \text{primes-upto } n. 1 / \text{real } p) \geq \ln (\ln (n + 1)) - \ln (5/3)$

**proof** –

**from** *assms ln-le-harm*[of  $n$ ] **have**  $\ln (\ln (\text{real } n + 1)) \leq \ln (\text{harm } n)$  **by** *simp*

**also from** *assms* **have**  $\dots - \ln (5/3) \leq (\sum p \leftarrow \text{primes-upto } n. 1 / \text{real } p)$

**by** (*rule prime-harmonic-lower*)

**finally show** *?thesis* **by** – *simp*

**qed**

**lemma** *Bseq-eventually-mono*:

**assumes** *eventually*  $(\lambda n. \text{norm } (f\ n) \leq \text{norm } (g\ n))$  *sequentially* *Bseq*  $g$

**shows** *Bseq*  $f$

**proof** –

**from** *assms*(1) **obtain**  $N$  **where**  $N: \bigwedge n. n \geq N \implies \text{norm } (f\ n) \leq \text{norm } (g\ n)$

**by** (*auto simp: eventually-at-top-linorder*)

**from** *assms*(2) **obtain**  $K$  **where**  $K: \bigwedge n. \text{norm } (g\ n) \leq K$  **by** (*blast elim!: BseqE*)

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**fix**  $n :: \text{nat}$

**have**  $\text{norm } (f\ n) \leq \max K (\text{Max } \{\text{norm } (f\ n) \mid n. n < N\})$

**apply** (*cases*  $n < N$ )

**apply** (*rule max.coboundedI2, rule Max.coboundedI, auto*) []

**apply** (*rule max.coboundedI1, force intro: order.trans[OF N K]*)

**done**

}

**thus** *?thesis* **by** (*blast intro: BseqI'*)

**qed**

**lemma** *Bseq-add*:

**assumes** *Bseq*  $(f :: \text{nat} \Rightarrow 'a :: \text{real-normed-vector})$

**shows** *Bseq*  $(\lambda x. f\ x + c)$

**proof** –

**from** *assms* **obtain**  $K$  **where**  $K: \bigwedge x. \text{norm } (f\ x) \leq K$  **unfolding** *Bseq-def* **by** *blast*

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**fix**  $x :: \text{nat}$

**have**  $\text{norm } (f\ x + c) \leq \text{norm } (f\ x) + \text{norm } c$  **by** (*rule norm-triangle-ineq*)

**also have**  $\text{norm } (f\ x) \leq K$  **by** (*rule K*)

**finally have**  $\text{norm } (f\ x + c) \leq K + \text{norm } c$  **by** *simp*

}

**thus** *?thesis* **by** (*rule BseqI'*)

**qed**

**lemma** *convergent-imp-Bseq*:  $\text{convergent } f \implies \text{Bseq } f$   
**by** (*simp add: Cauchy-Bseq convergent-Cauchy*)

We now use our last estimate to show that the prime harmonic series diverges. This is obvious, since it is bounded from below by  $\ln(\ln(n+1))$  minus some constant, which obviously tends to infinite.

Directly using the divergence of the harmonic series would also be possible and shorten this proof a bit..

**corollary** *prime-harmonic-series-unbounded*:

$\neg \text{Bseq } (\lambda n. \sum p \leftarrow \text{primes-upto } n. 1 / p)$  (**is**  $\neg \text{Bseq } ?f$ )

**proof**

**assume**  $\text{Bseq } ?f$

**hence**  $\text{Bseq } (\lambda n. ?f n + \ln (5/3))$  **by** (*rule Bseq-add*)

**have**  $\text{Bseq } (\lambda n. \ln (\ln (n + 1)))$

**proof** (*rule Bseq-eventually-mono*)

**from** *eventually-ge-at-top*[*of 2::nat*]

**show** *eventually*  $(\lambda n. \text{norm } (\ln (\ln (n + 1))) \leq \text{norm } (?f n + \ln (5/3)))$   
*sequentially*

**proof** *eventually-elim*

**fix**  $n :: \text{nat}$  **assume**  $n: n \geq 2$

**hence**  $\text{norm } (\ln (\ln (\text{real } n + 1))) = \ln (\ln (\text{real } n + 1))$

**using** *ln-ln-nonneg*[*of real n + 1*] **by** *simp*

**also have**  $\dots \leq ?f n + \ln (5/3)$  **using** *prime-harmonic-lower'*[*OF n*]

**by** (*simp add: algebra-simps*)

**also have**  $?f n + \ln (5/3) \geq 0$  **by** (*intro add-nonneg-nonneg sum-list-nonneg*)

*simp-all*

**hence**  $?f n + \ln (5/3) = \text{norm } (?f n + \ln (5/3))$  **by** *simp*

**finally show**  $\text{norm } (\ln (\ln (n + 1))) \leq \text{norm } (?f n + \ln (5/3))$

**by** (*simp add: add-ac*)

**qed**

**qed** *fact*

**then obtain**  $k$  **where**  $k: k > 0 \wedge n. \text{norm } (\ln (\ln (\text{real } (n::\text{nat}) + 1))) \leq k$

**by** (*auto elim!: BseqE simp: add-ac*)

**def**  $N \equiv \text{nat } [\text{exp } (\text{exp } k)]$

**have**  $N\text{-pos}: N > 0$  **unfolding**  $N\text{-def}$  **by** *simp*

**have**  $\text{real } N + 1 > \text{exp } (\text{exp } k)$  **unfolding**  $N\text{-def}$  **by** *linarith*

**hence**  $\ln (\text{real } N + 1) > \ln (\text{exp } (\text{exp } k))$  **by** (*subst ln-less-cancel-iff*) *simp-all*

**with**  $N\text{-pos}$  **have**  $\ln (\ln (\text{real } N + 1)) > \ln (\text{exp } k)$  **by** (*subst ln-less-cancel-iff*)

*simp-all*

**hence**  $k < \ln (\ln (\text{real } N + 1))$  **by** *simp*

**also have**  $\dots \leq \text{norm } (\ln (\ln (\text{real } N + 1)))$  **by** *simp*

**finally show**  $\text{False}$  **using**  $k(2)$ [*of N*] **by** *simp*

**qed**

**corollary** *prime-harmonic-series-diverges*:

$\neg \text{convergent } (\lambda n. \sum p \leftarrow \text{primes-upto } n. 1 / p)$

**using** *prime-harmonic-series-unbounded convergent-imp-Bseq* **by** *blast*

**end**