

# A new result about prime numbers:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{n}{p_n - n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1)} = +\infty$$

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## Abstract

In this short paper we propose a new result about prime numbers:

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## Preliminaries.

We write  $\ln_2 n$  instead of  $\ln \ln n$ .

Let  $p_n$  denote the  $n^{th}$  prime number.

In 1999 [1] Pierre Dusart showed that :

$$n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1) < p_n < n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 0.9484) \quad \text{for } n \geq 39017$$

In [2] and [3] it is also proved that:

$$p_n \leq n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1 + \frac{\ln_2 n - 2}{\ln n}) \quad \text{for } n \geq 688383$$

## Theorem.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{n}{p_n - n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1)} = +\infty$$

**Proof.** Remember that (in [2]):

$$p_n \leq n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1 + \frac{\ln_2 n - 2}{\ln n}) \quad \text{for } n \geq 688383$$

We deduce:

$$n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1 + \frac{\ln_2 n - 2}{\ln n}) - n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1) \geq p_n - n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1) \quad \text{for } n \geq 688383$$

Hence:

$$\frac{n}{n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1 + \frac{\ln_2 n - 2}{\ln n}) - n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1)} \leq \frac{n}{p_n - n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1)} \quad \text{for } n \geq 688383$$

We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{n}{n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1 + \frac{\ln_2 n - 2}{\ln n}) - n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1)} &= \frac{n}{\frac{n(\ln_2 n - 2)}{\ln n}} \\ \frac{n}{\frac{n(\ln_2 n - 2)}{\ln n}} &= \frac{\ln n}{\ln_2 n - 2} \end{aligned}$$

And:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\ln n}{\ln_2 n - 2} = +\infty$$

Because:

$$\frac{n}{n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1 + \frac{\ln_2 n - 2}{\ln n}) - n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1)} \leq \frac{n}{p_n - n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1)} \quad \text{for } n \geq 688383$$

We deduce:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{n}{p_n - n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1)} = +\infty$$

## Consequence.

Let  $\epsilon$  be a function defined by  $\epsilon(n)$ ,  $n$  is a natural number and  $n \geq 688383$

If:

$$\frac{n}{p_n - (n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1))} \geq \epsilon(n)$$

We have:

$$\frac{p_n - (n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1))}{n} \leq \frac{1}{\epsilon(n)}$$

And:

$$p_n - (n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1)) \leq \frac{n}{\epsilon(n)}$$

$$p_n - (n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1)) \leq \frac{n}{\epsilon(n)} = p_n \leq (n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1)) + \frac{n}{\epsilon(n)}$$

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Because:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{n}{p_n - n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1)} = +\infty$$

The  $n^{th}$  prime number is smaller than  $n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1 + \frac{1}{\epsilon(n)})$      $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \epsilon(n) = +\infty$

*Example.* The function in [2] and previously described. We have  $\epsilon(n) = \frac{\ln n}{\ln_2 n - 2}$  because

$$\frac{n}{p_n - (n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1))} \geq \frac{\ln n}{\ln_2 n - 2}$$

Let  $\phi$  be a function defined by  $\phi(n)$ ,  $n$  is a natural number and  $n \geq 688383$

If:

$$p_n \leq \phi(n) \quad \text{for } n \geq 688383$$

We have:

$$\frac{n}{p_n - (n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1))} \geq \frac{n}{\phi(n) - (n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1))}$$

And:

$$\epsilon(n) = \frac{n}{\phi(n) - (n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1))}$$

Consequently:

$$p_n \leq n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1 + \frac{\phi(n) - (n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1))}{n}) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\phi(n) - (n(\ln n + \ln_2 n - 1))}{n} = 0$$

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