# Proposition for a Goldbach's conjecture demonstration 

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One tries to demonstrate Goldbach's conjecture. One defines 4 variables :

$$
\begin{aligned}
& X_{a}(n)=\#\{p+q=n \text { such that } p \text { and } q \text { odd, } 3 \leqslant p \leqslant n / 2, p \text { and } q \text { primes }\} \\
& X_{b}(n)=\#\{p+q=n \text { such that } p \text { and } q \text { odd, } 3 \leqslant p \leqslant n / 2, p \text { compound and } q \text { prime }\} \\
& X_{c}(n)=\#\{p+q=n \text { such that } p \text { and } q \text { odd, } 3 \leqslant p \leqslant n / 2, p \text { prime and } q \text { compound }\} \\
& X_{d}(n)=\#\{p+q=n \text { such that } p \text { and } q \text { odd, } 3 \leqslant p \leqslant n / 2, p \text { and } q \text { compound }\}
\end{aligned}
$$

In the following, one notes $E(x)$ the integer part of $x$ (i.e. $\lfloor x\rfloor$ ) and $\pi(x)$ the number of prime numbers lesser than or equal to $x$. We have the equality above : it follows from recurrence demonstrations that can be found in [DV] a note written in octobre 2014*

$$
\begin{equation*}
X_{d}(n)-X_{a}(n)=E(n / 4)-\pi(n)+\delta(n) \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

$\delta(n)$ takes values 0,1 or 2 .
Simplification of note [DV] propositions provided by Alain Connes in may 2018 : [(1) results from the very general fact on any subsets and intersection and union cardinalities :

$$
\begin{equation*}
\#(P \cup Q)+\#(P \cap Q)=\#(P)+\#(Q) \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

Here neglecting limit cases that contribute to $\delta(n)$ ), one sees that
(a) $\#(P \cap Q)$ corresponds to $X_{a}(n)$.
(b) $\#(P \cup Q)$ corresponds to $E(n / 4)-X_{d}(n)$.
(c) $\#(P)+\#(Q)$ corresponds to $\pi(n)$.

Then we have a very simple proof of (1) as a consequence of (2).]
Let us see now a property concerning $X_{a}(n)$.
We decide to represent compound numbers by gray color and prime numbers by white color.
We represent odd numbers between 3 and $n / 2$ by rectangles in the bottom of the drawing above and odd numbers between $n / 2$ and $n$, complementary to $n$ of numbers from the bottom of the drawing by rectangles in the top of the drawing. Rectangles represent contiguous columns associated to decompositions as two odds'sum, and containing $x$ in their bottom part and $n-x$ their complementary in their top part. Columns are contiguously positioned according to the nature of decompositions they contain (according to their type $a, b, c$ or $d)$.

We use those colors :

- green for $\#(P \cap Q)$;
- red for $\#(P \cup Q)$;
- blue for $\#(P)+\#(Q)=\pi(n)$.

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Figure 1:n'decompositions contiguously positionned according to their nature
Let us remind the set identity $(2): \#(P)+\#(Q)-\#(P \cup Q)=\#(P \cap Q)$.
and let's replace cardinals by associated variables, we obtain

$$
\pi(n)-E(n / 4)+X_{d}(n)-\delta(n)=X_{a}(n)
$$

and we wish to have the insurance that $X_{a}(n)$ is always strictly positive since it counts Goldbach's $n$ 's decompositions (as sum of two primes).
Although, if we demonstrated that $X_{a}(n)=X_{d}(n)-E(n / 4)+\pi(n)-\delta(n)$ is a relation always verified, this relation doesn't guarantee that above a certain integer range, $X_{a}(n)$ is always strictly positive.

We note

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { Credit }(n)=\sum_{3 \leqslant x \leqslant n / 2}(\text { BooleanPrime }(x) \wedge \neg \text { BooleanPrime }(n-x) \wedge \text { BooleanPrime }(n+2-x)) \\
& \operatorname{Debit}(n)=\sum_{3 \leqslant x \leqslant n / 2}(\text { BooleanPrime }(x) \wedge \text { BooleanPrime }(n-x) \wedge \neg \operatorname{BooleanPrime}(n+2-x))
\end{aligned}
$$

We find the following recurrence relation for $X_{a}(n)$, very accounting :

$$
X_{a}(n+2)=X_{a}(n)+\operatorname{Credit}(n)-\operatorname{Debit}(n)+\text { BooleanPrime }\left(\frac{n+2}{2}\right)
$$

Adding the boolean BooleanPrime $\left(\frac{n+2}{2}\right)$ ensure $X_{a}(n)$ 's positivity for all $2 p$ with $p$ prime, $2 p$ verifying trivially Goldbach's conjecture.
Except those trivial cases of Goldbach's conjecture verification, we wish to demonstrate that $X_{a}(n)$ is always greater than $\operatorname{Debit}(n)$. We know that $X_{a}(n)$ is always strictly positive below $4.10^{18}$ (by computer calculations from Oliveira e Silva in 2014).

First we explain what ensure $X_{a}(n)$ positivity for numbers $n=6 k+2$.
Variables values arrays in annex show that for nearly all $n=6 k+2$ (notably in the second array), we have

$$
X_{a}(n)=\operatorname{Debit}(n)+\epsilon(n)
$$

$\epsilon(n)$ has either value 1 (when 3 is a Goldbach's decomponent of $n, 1$ being compound, $3+(n-3)$ decomposition is not counted by $\operatorname{Debit}(n)$ ) or value 0 .
We see studying $\operatorname{Credit}(n)$ and $\operatorname{Debit}(n)$ definitions that among prime numbers lesser than $n / 2$, ones are counted by $\operatorname{Credit}(n)$ while the others are counted by $\operatorname{Debit}(n)$, because all prime numbers lesser than $n$ can't be simultaneously Goldbach's decomponents of $n$. This argument ensure the strict positivity of Credit( $n$ ).
Let us see now why, in the case in which $n$ is of the form $6 k+2, \operatorname{Debit}(n)=X_{a}(n)-\epsilon(n)$ : in such a case, prime numbers of the form $6 k^{\prime}-1$ can't be Goldbach's decomponent of $n$ because if it were the case, $n-x=(6 k+2)-\left(6 k^{\prime}-1\right)=6\left(k-k^{\prime}\right)+3$ would be divisible by 3 . Prime numbers $x$ that can be Goldbach's decomponents of $n$ are thus of the form $6 k^{\prime}+1$; this fact has as consequance that
$n+2-x=(6 k+4)-\left(6 k^{\prime}+1\right)=6\left(k-k^{\prime}\right)+3$ is divisible by 3 and is thus countable as a debit. We have $X_{a}(n)=\operatorname{Debit}(n)+\epsilon(n)$, that could implies $X_{a}(n)$ 's vanishing but the Credit( $n$ ) addition, Credit $(n)$ being strictly positive permits to avoid such a vanishing.

In the case where $n$ is of the form $6 k$ or $6 k+4$, one sees that $X_{a}(n)$ is always strictly greater than $\operatorname{Debit}(n)$, what guarantees its strict positivity when one substracts $\operatorname{Debit}(n)$ to it. Let us try to explain why this is the case : by its definition, $\operatorname{Debit}(n)$ is the cardinality of a subset of the set of cardinal $X_{a}(n)$ (indeed, $\operatorname{Debit}(n)$ counts Goldbach's decompositions of $n=x+(n-x)$ such that $n+2-x$ is not prime); if $X_{a}(n)$ were equal to $\operatorname{Debit}(n)$, we would have, from the definition of $\operatorname{Debit}(n)$, for all Goldbach's decomposition of $n$, at the same time $n-x$ prime and $n+2-x$ prime, implying that $x+(n+2-x)$ would be a Goldbach's decomposition of $n+2$ (i.e. that all Goldbach's decompositions $p 1+p 2$ of $n$ would be inherited as Goldbach's decompositions $p 1+(p 2+2)$ by $n+2)$. But we know by congruences study $\|^{\dagger}$ that $x$ is a Goldbach's decomponent of $n$ if and only if $x \not \equiv n(\bmod p)$ for every $p$ lesser than $\sqrt{n}$. All those incongruences couldn't be verified all at the same time, on one side by $x$ and $n$, and on the other side by $x$ and $n+2$. This has as consequence that for even numbers $n$ of the forms $6 k$ and $6 k+4, \operatorname{Debit}(n)<X_{a}(n)$ and it implies, by inheritance from $n$ to $n+2$, that $X_{a}(n)$ is strictly positive for all $n \geqslant 6$.

[^1] Goldbach that can be downloaded at http://denisevellachemla.eu

Annex 1a: variables values array for even numbers between 6 and 100

| $n$ | $X_{a}(n)$ | Credit | Debit | BooleanPrime ( $\frac{n+2}{2}$ ) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 6 | 1 | 0 | 0 |  |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 10 | 2 | 0 | 1 |  |
| 12 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 14 | 2 | 1 | 1 |  |
| 16 | 2 | 1 | 1 |  |
| 18 | 2 | 1 | 1 |  |
| 20 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 22 | 3 | 1 | 1 |  |
| 24 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| 26 | 3 | 2 | 3 |  |
| 28 | 2 | 2 | 1 |  |
| 30 | 3 | 1 | 2 |  |
| 32 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| 34 | 4 | 2 | 2 |  |
| 36 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 1 |
| 38 | 2 | 3 | 2 |  |
| 40 | 3 | 3 | 2 |  |
| 42 | 4 | 2 | 3 |  |
| 44 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| 46 | 4 | 3 | 2 |  |
| 48 | 5 | 2 | 3 |  |
| 50 | 4 | 3 | 4 |  |
| 52 | 3 | 3 | 1 |  |
| 54 | 5 | 2 | 4 |  |
| 56 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 1 |
| 58 | 4 | 4 | 2 |  |
| 60 | 6 | 1 | 5 | 1 |
| 62 | 3 | 4 | 2 |  |
| 64 | 5 | 4 | 3 |  |
| 66 | 6 | 1 | 5 |  |
| 68 | 2 | 5 | 2 |  |
| 70 | 5 | 4 | 3 |  |
| 72 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 1 |
| 74 | 5 | 4 | 4 |  |
| 76 | 5 | 5 | 3 |  |
| 78 | 7 | 1 | 4 |  |
| 80 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 1 |
| 82 | 5 | 5 | 2 |  |
| 84 | 8 | 3 | 7 | 1 |
| 86 | 5 | 4 | 5 |  |
| 88 | 4 | 7 | 2 |  |
| 90 | 9 | 2 | 7 |  |
| 92 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 1 |
| 94 | 5 | 6 | 4 |  |
| 96 | 7 | 2 | 6 |  |
| 98 | 3 | 6 | 3 |  |
| 100 | 6 | 6 | 4 |  |

Annex 1b: variables values array for even numbers between 99900 and 100000

| $n$ | $X_{a}(n)$ | Credit | Debit | BooleanPrime ( $\frac{n+2}{2}$ ) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 99900 | 1655 | 475 | 1436 |  |
| 99902 | 694 | 731 | 694 |  |
| 99904 | 731 | 1053 | 577 |  |
| 99906 | 1207 | 506 | 1091 |  |
| 99908 | 622 | 824 | 622 |  |
| 99910 | 824 | 1097 | 633 |  |
| 99912 | 1288 | 484 | 1176 | 1 |
| 99914 | 597 | 617 | 597 |  |
| 99916 | 617 | 1435 | 452 |  |
| 99918 | 1600 | 541 | 1352 |  |
| 99920 | 789 | 601 | 789 |  |
| 99922 | 601 | 1212 | 464 |  |
| 99924 | 1349 | 510 | 1223 |  |
| 99926 | 636 | 586 | 636 |  |
| 99928 | 586 | 1424 | 420 |  |
| 99930 | 1590 | 538 | 1383 |  |
| 99932 | 745 | 630 | 745 |  |
| 99934 | 630 | 1107 | 508 |  |
| 99936 | 1229 | 467 | 1109 |  |
| 99938 | 587 | 859 | 587 |  |
| 99940 | 859 | 1015 | 675 |  |
| 99942 | 1199 | 541 | 1064 |  |
| 99944 | 676 | 835 | 676 |  |
| 99946 | 835 | 1010 | 665 |  |
| 99948 | 1180 | 630 | 1000 |  |
| 99950 | 810 | 613 | 810 |  |
| 99952 | 613 | 1089 | 508 |  |
| 99954 | 1194 | 494 | 1083 |  |
| 99956 | 605 | 660 | 605 |  |
| 99958 | 660 | 1802 | 399 |  |
| 99960 | 2063 | 374 | 1819 |  |
| 99962 | 618 | 606 | 618 |  |
| 99964 | 606 | 1113 | 497 |  |
| 99966 | 1222 | 565 | 1079 |  |
| 99968 | 708 | 900 | 708 |  |
| 99970 | 900 | 1009 | 719 |  |
| 99972 | 1190 | 587 | 1041 |  |
| 99974 | 736 | 601 | 736 |  |
| 99976 | 601 | 1140 | 477 |  |
| 99978 | 1264 | 620 | 1083 |  |
| 99980 | 801 | 607 | 801 | 1 |
| 99982 | 608 | 1092 | 484 |  |
| 99984 | 1216 | 475 | 1089 | 1 |
| 99986 | 603 | 736 | 603 |  |
| 99988 | 736 | 1596 | 477 |  |
| 99990 | 1855 | 425 | 1642 |  |
| 99992 | 638 | 650 | 637 |  |
| 99994 | 651 | 1163 | 511 |  |
| 99996 | 1303 | 478 | 1177 | 1 |
| 99998 | 605 | 810 | 605 |  |
| 100000 | 810 | 1213 | 600 |  |

Annex 2 : rewriting rules that permit to find a letter of $n+2$ 's word knowing two letters from $n$ 's word

$$
\begin{array}{l|l|l|l}
a a \rightarrow a & b a \rightarrow a & c a \rightarrow c & d a \rightarrow c \\
a b \rightarrow b & b b \rightarrow b & c b \rightarrow d & d b \rightarrow d \\
a c \rightarrow a & b c \rightarrow a & c c \rightarrow c & d c \rightarrow c \\
a d \rightarrow b & b d \rightarrow b & c d \rightarrow d & d d \rightarrow d
\end{array}
$$

Annex 3 : parts of words associated to even numbers between 6 and 100 (are only provided the letters concerning decompositions of $n$ as sums of the form $p+x$ with $p$ a prime between 3 and $n / 2$
$a$
$a$
$a a$
$c a$
$a c a$
$a a c$
$c a a$
$a c a$
aac
caa a
$a c a \quad c a$
$c a c \quad a c$
cca aa
$a c c \quad c a$
aac ac a
caa ca a
cca cc ca
$a c c$ ac ac
cac aa ca
aca ca cc
aac cc ac a
caa ac aa c
aca ca ca c
cac ac cc a
cca aa ac a
acc ca ca c
$c a c \quad a c \quad a c \quad c \quad a$
cca ca $a a \quad a \quad a$
$a c c \quad c c \quad c a \quad c \quad c a$
$a a c$ ac ac a cc
caa ca ca a ac
cca cc cc c ca
$\operatorname{acc} a c \quad a c \quad a \quad a c$
$c a c \quad a a \quad c a \quad c \quad a a$
aca ca cc $\quad c \quad c a \quad a$
$a a c \quad c c \quad a c \quad a \quad a c \quad c$
$c a a \quad a c \quad a a \quad c \quad c a \quad a$
$c c a \quad c a \quad c a \quad c \quad c c \quad a$
$a c c \quad a c \quad c c \quad a \quad a c \quad c \quad a$
cac aa $a c \quad a \quad c a \quad a \quad a$
$a c a \quad c a \quad c a \quad c \quad c c \quad c \quad c a$
$c a c \quad c c \quad a c \quad c \quad a c \quad c \quad a c$
$c c a \quad a c \quad a a \quad a \quad a a \quad a \quad c a$
$a c c \quad c a \quad c a \quad c \quad c a \quad c \quad c c$
cac ac cc a $\quad$ cc $\quad c \quad a c \quad a$
cca $c a \quad a c \quad a \quad a c \quad a \quad c a \quad c$
$c c c \quad c c \quad c a \quad c \quad c a \quad a \quad c c \quad c$
acc ac ac $c$ ac $c$ ac $a$


[^0]:    *. Note [DV] : http://denise.vella.chemla.free.fr/numbers-and-letters.pdf also on Hal https://hal.archives-ouvertes.fr/hal01109052

[^1]:    $\dagger$. see for instance a october 2007 note, Changer l'ordre sur les entiers pour comprendre le partage des décomposants de

