

Robin's criterion on divisibility

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Abstract Robin's criterion states that the Riemann hypothesis is true if and only if the inequality $\sigma(n) < e^\gamma \times n \times \log \log n$ holds for all natural numbers $n > 5040$, where $\sigma(n)$ is the sum-of-divisors function of n and $\gamma \approx 0.57721$ is the Euler-Mascheroni constant. We show that the Robin inequality is true for all natural numbers $n > 5040$ that are not divisible by some prime between 2 and 1771559. We prove that the Robin inequality holds when $\frac{\pi^2}{6} \times \log \log n' \leq \log \log n$ for some $n > 5040$ where n' is the square free kernel of the natural number n . The possible smallest counterexample $n > 5040$ of the Robin inequality implies that $q_m > e^{30.99733785}$, $1 < \frac{1.25 \times \log(4.7312714399)}{\log q_m} + \frac{\log N_m}{\log n}$, $(\log n)^\beta < 1.0501395952 \times \log(N_m)$ and $n < (4.7312714399)^m \times N_m$, where $N_m = \prod_{i=1}^m q_i$ is the primorial number of order m , q_m is the largest prime divisor of n and $\beta = \prod_{i=1}^m \frac{q_i^{a_i+1}}{q_i^{a_i+1}-1}$ when n is an Hardy-Ramanujan integer of the form $\prod_{i=1}^m q_i^{a_i}$.

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1 Introduction

In mathematics, the Riemann hypothesis is a conjecture that the Riemann zeta function has its zeros only at the negative even integers and complex numbers with real part $\frac{1}{2}$ [3]. As usual $\sigma(n)$ is the sum-of-divisors function of n [4]:

$$\sum_{d|n} d$$

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where $d \mid n$ means the integer d divides n and $d \nmid n$ means the integer d does not divide n . Define $f(n)$ to be $\frac{\sigma(n)}{n}$. Say Robins(n) holds provided

$$f(n) < e^\gamma \times \log \log n.$$

The constant $\gamma \approx 0.57721$ is the Euler-Mascheroni constant and \log is the natural logarithm. The importance of this property is:

Theorem 1.1 Robins(n) holds for all natural numbers $n > 5040$ if and only if the Riemann hypothesis is true [8].

It is known that Robins(n) holds for many classes of numbers n . Robins(n) holds for all natural numbers $n > 5040$ that are not divisible by 2 [4]. On the one hand, we prove that Robins(n) holds for all natural numbers $n > 5040$ that are not divisible by some prime between 3 and 1771559. We recall that an integer n is said to be square free if for every prime divisor q of n we have $q^2 \nmid n$ [4].

Theorem 1.2 Robins(n) holds for all natural numbers $n > 5040$ that are square free [4].

In addition, we show that Robins(n) holds for some $n > 5040$ when $\frac{\pi^2}{6} \times \log \log n' \leq \log \log n$ such that n' is the square free kernel of the natural number n . Let $q_1 = 2, q_2 = 3, \dots, q_m$ denote the first m consecutive primes, then an integer of the form $\prod_{i=1}^m q_i^{a_i}$ with $a_1 \geq a_2 \geq \dots \geq a_m \geq 0$ is called an Hardy-Ramanujan integer [4]. A natural number n is called superabundant precisely when, for all natural numbers $m < n$

$$f(m) < f(n).$$

Theorem 1.3 If n is superabundant, then n is an Hardy-Ramanujan integer [2].

Theorem 1.4 The smallest counterexample of the Robin inequality greater than 5040 must be a superabundant number [1].

On the other hand, suppose that $n > 5040$ is the possible smallest counterexample of the Robin inequality, then we prove that $q_m > e^{30.99733785}$, $1 < \frac{1.25 \times \log(4.7312714399)}{\log q_m} + \frac{\log N_m}{\log n}$, $(\log n)^\beta < 1.0501395952 \times \log(N_m)$ and $n < (4.7312714399)^m \times N_m$, where $N_m = \prod_{i=1}^m q_i$ is the primorial number of order m , q_m is the largest prime divisor of n and $\beta = \prod_{i=1}^m \frac{q_i^{a_i+1}}{q_i^{a_i+1}-1}$ when n is an Hardy-Ramanujan integer of the form $\prod_{i=1}^m q_i^{a_i}$.

2 A Central Lemma

These are known results:

Lemma 2.1 [4]. For $n > 1$:

$$f(n) < \prod_{q \mid n} \frac{q}{q-1}. \quad (2.1)$$

Lemma 2.2 [5].

$$\prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{q_k^2}} = \zeta(2) = \frac{\pi^2}{6}. \quad (2.2)$$

The following is a key lemma. It gives an upper bound on $f(n)$ that holds for all natural numbers n . The bound is too weak to prove $\text{Robins}(n)$ directly, but is critical because it holds for all natural numbers n . Further the bound only uses the primes that divide n and not how many times they divide n .

Lemma 2.3 Let $n > 1$ and let all its prime divisors be $q_1 < \dots < q_m$. Then,

$$f(n) < \frac{\pi^2}{6} \times \prod_{i=1}^m \frac{q_i + 1}{q_i}.$$

Proof Putting together the lemmas 2.1 and 2.2 yields the proof:

$$f(n) < \prod_{i=1}^m \left(\frac{q_i}{q_i - 1} \right) = \prod_{i=1}^m \left(\frac{q_i + 1}{q_i} \times \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{q_i^2}} \right) < \frac{\pi^2}{6} \times \prod_{i=1}^m \frac{q_i + 1}{q_i}.$$

3 Robin on Divisibility

We know the following lemmas:

Lemma 3.1 [6]. Let $n > e^{23.762143}$ and let all its prime divisors be $q_1 < \dots < q_m$, then

$$\left(\prod_{i=1}^m \frac{q_i}{q_i - 1} \right) < \frac{1771561}{1771560} \times e^{\gamma} \times \log \log n.$$

Lemma 3.2 $\text{Robins}(n)$ holds for all natural numbers $10^{10^{13.11485}} \geq n > 5040$ [7].

Theorem 3.3 Suppose $n > 5040$. If there exists a prime $q \leq 1771559$ with $q \nmid n$, then $\text{Robins}(n)$ holds.

Proof We have that $f(n) < \frac{1771561}{1771560} \times e^{\gamma} \times \log \log(n)$ for any number $n > 10^{10^{13.11485}}$ since the inequality $10^{10^{13.11485}} > e^{23.762143}$ is satisfied. Note that $f(n) < \frac{n}{\varphi(n)} = \prod_{q|n} \frac{q}{q-1}$ from the lemma 2.1, where $\varphi(x)$ is the Euler's totient function. Suppose that n is not divisible by some prime $q \leq 1771559$ and $n \geq 10^{10^{13.11485}}$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} f(n) &< \frac{n}{\varphi(n)} \\ &= \frac{n \times q}{\varphi(n \times q)} \times \frac{q-1}{q} \\ &< \frac{1771561}{1771560} \times \frac{q-1}{q} \times e^{\gamma} \times \log \log(n \times q) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{f(n)}{e^\gamma \times \log \log(n)} &< \frac{1771561}{1771560} \times \frac{q-1}{q} \times \frac{\log \log(n \times q)}{\log \log(n)} \\
&\leq \frac{1771561}{1771560} \times \frac{q-1}{q} \times \frac{\log \log(n \times q)}{\log \log(n)} \\
&= \frac{1771561}{1771560} \times \frac{q-1}{q} \times \frac{\log \log(n) + \log(1 + \frac{\log(q)}{\log(n)})}{\log \log(n)} \\
&= \frac{1771561}{1771560} \times \frac{q-1}{q} \times \left(1 + \frac{\log(1 + \frac{\log(q)}{\log(n)})}{\log \log(n)} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

So

$$\frac{f(n)}{e^\gamma \times \log \log(n)} < \frac{1771561}{1771560} \times \frac{q-1}{q} \times \left(1 + \frac{\log(1 + \frac{\log(q)}{\log(n)})}{\log \log(n)} \right)$$

for $n \geq 10^{10^{13.11485}}$. The right hand side is less than 1 for $q \leq 1771559$ and $n \geq 10^{10^{13.11485}}$. Therefore, Robins(n) holds.

4 On the Greatest Prime Divisor

We know that

Lemma 4.1 [9]. For $x \geq 286$:

$$\prod_{q \leq x} \frac{q}{q-1} < e^\gamma \times \left(\log x + \frac{1}{2 \times \log(x)} \right).$$

Theorem 4.2 Let $\prod_{i=1}^m q_i^{a_i}$ be the representation of n as a product of primes $q_1 < \dots < q_m$ with natural numbers as exponents a_1, \dots, a_m . If $n > 5040$ is the smallest integer such that Robins(n) does not hold, then $q_m > e^{30.99733785}$.

Proof According to the theorems 1.3 and 1.4, the primes $q_1 < \dots < q_m$ must be the first m consecutive primes and $a_1 \geq a_2 \geq \dots \geq a_m \geq 0$ since $n > 5040$ should be an Hardy-Ramanujan integer. From the theorem 3.3, we know that necessarily $q_m \geq 1771559$. So,

$$e^\gamma \times \log \log n \leq f(n) < \prod_{q \leq q_m} \frac{q}{q-1} < e^\gamma \times \left(\log q_m + \frac{1}{2 \times \log(q_m)} \right)$$

because of the lemmas 2.1 and 4.1. Hence,

$$\log \log n - \frac{1}{2 \times \log(q_m)} < \log q_m.$$

However, from the lemma 3.2 and theorem 3.3, we would obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \log \log n - \frac{1}{2 \times \log(q_m)} &\geq 13.11485 \times \log(10) + \log \log 10 - \frac{1}{2 \times \log(1771559)} \\ &> 30.99733785. \end{aligned}$$

Since, we have that

$$\log q_m > \log \log n - \frac{1}{2 \times \log(q_m)} > 30.99733785$$

then, we would obtain that $q_m > e^{30.99733785}$ under the assumption that $n > 5040$ is the smallest integer such that Robins(n) does not hold.

5 Some Feasible Cases

In basic number theory, for a given prime number p , the p -adic order of a natural number n is the highest exponent $v_p \geq 0$ such that p^{v_p} divides n . This is a known result:

Lemma 5.1 *In general, we know that Robins(n) holds for a natural number $n > 5040$ that satisfies $v_2(n) \leq 19$, where $v_p(n)$ is the p -adic order of n [6].*

We can easily prove that Robins(n) is true for certain kind of numbers:

Lemma 5.2 *Robins(n) holds for $n > 5040$ when $q \leq 7$, where q is the largest prime divisor of n .*

Proof This is an immediate consequence of theorem 3.3.

The next theorem implies that Robins(n) holds for a wide range of natural numbers $n > 5040$.

Theorem 5.3 *Let $\frac{\pi^2}{6} \times \log \log n' \leq \log \log n$ for some $n > 5040$ such that n' is the square free kernel of the natural number n . Then Robins(n) holds.*

Proof Let n' be the square free kernel of the natural number n , that is the product of the distinct primes q_1, \dots, q_m . By assumption we have that

$$\frac{\pi^2}{6} \times \log \log n' \leq \log \log n.$$

For all square free $n' \leq 5040$, Robins(n') holds if and only if $n' \notin \{2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 30\}$ [4]. However, Robins(n) holds for all $n > 5040$ when $n' \in \{2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 15, 30\}$ due to the lemma 5.2. When $n' > 5040$, we know that Robins(n') holds and so

$$f(n') < e^\gamma \times \log \log n'$$

because of the theorem 1.2. By the previous lemma 2.3:

$$f(n) < \frac{\pi^2}{6} \times \prod_{i=1}^m \frac{q_i + 1}{q_i}.$$

Suppose by way of contradiction that $\text{Robins}(n)$ fails. Then

$$f(n) \geq e^\gamma \times \log \log n.$$

We claim that

$$\frac{\pi^2}{6} \times \prod_{i=1}^m \frac{q_i + 1}{q_i} > e^\gamma \times \log \log n.$$

Since otherwise we would have a contradiction. This shows that

$$\frac{\pi^2}{6} \times \prod_{i=1}^m \frac{q_i + 1}{q_i} > \frac{\pi^2}{6} \times e^\gamma \times \log \log n'.$$

Thus

$$\prod_{i=1}^m \frac{q_i + 1}{q_i} > e^\gamma \times \log \log n',$$

and

$$\prod_{i=1}^m \frac{q_i + 1}{q_i} > f(n'),$$

This is a contradiction since $f(n')$ is equal to

$$\frac{(q_1 + 1) \times \cdots \times (q_m + 1)}{q_1 \times \cdots \times q_m}$$

according to the formula $f(x)$ for the square free numbers [4].

6 On Possible Counterexample

For every prime number $p_n > 2$, we define the sequence $Y_n = \frac{e^{\frac{1}{2 \times \log(p_n)}}}{(1 - \frac{1}{\log(p_n)})}$.

Lemma 6.1 *For every prime number $p_n > 2$, the sequence Y_n is strictly decreasing.*

Proof This lemma is obvious.

In mathematics, the Chebyshev function $\theta(x)$ is given by

$$\theta(x) = \sum_{p \leq x} \log p$$

where $p \leq x$ means all the prime numbers p that are less than or equal to x .

Lemma 6.2 [9]. *For $x \geq 41$:*

$$\theta(x) > (1 - \frac{1}{\log(x)}) \times x.$$

We will prove another important inequality:

Lemma 6.3 *Let q_1, q_2, \dots, q_m denote the first m consecutive primes such that $q_1 < q_2 < \dots < q_m$ and $q_m > 286$. Then*

$$\prod_{i=1}^m \frac{q_i}{q_i - 1} < e^\gamma \times \log(Y_m \times \theta(q_m)).$$

Proof From the lemma 6.2, we know that

$$\theta(q_m) > \left(1 - \frac{1}{\log(q_m)}\right) \times q_m.$$

In this way, we can show that

$$\begin{aligned} \log(Y_m \times \theta(q_m)) &> \log\left(Y_m \times \left(1 - \frac{1}{\log(q_m)}\right) \times q_m\right) \\ &= \log q_m + \log\left(Y_m \times \left(1 - \frac{1}{\log(q_m)}\right)\right). \end{aligned}$$

We know that

$$\begin{aligned} \log\left(Y_m \times \left(1 - \frac{1}{\log(q_m)}\right)\right) &= \log\left(\frac{e^{\frac{1}{2 \times \log(q_m)}}}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{\log(q_m)}\right)} \times \left(1 - \frac{1}{\log(q_m)}\right)\right) \\ &= \log\left(e^{\frac{1}{2 \times \log(q_m)}}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2 \times \log(q_m)}. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, we obtain that

$$\log q_m + \log\left(Y_m \times \left(1 - \frac{1}{\log(q_m)}\right)\right) \geq \left(\log q_m + \frac{1}{2 \times \log(q_m)}\right).$$

Due to the lemma 4.1, we prove that

$$\prod_{i=1}^m \frac{q_i}{q_i - 1} < e^\gamma \times \left(\log q_m + \frac{1}{2 \times \log(q_m)}\right) < e^\gamma \times \log(Y_m \times \theta(q_m))$$

when $q_m > 286$.

We use the following lemma:

Lemma 6.4 [6]. *Let $\prod_{i=1}^m q_i^{a_i}$ be the representation of n as a product of primes $q_1 < \dots < q_m$ with natural numbers as exponents a_1, \dots, a_m . Then,*

$$f(n) = \left(\prod_{i=1}^m \frac{q_i}{q_i - 1}\right) \times \prod_{i=1}^m \left(1 - \frac{1}{q_i^{a_i+1}}\right).$$

The following theorems have a great significance, because these mean that the possible smallest counterexample of the Robin inequality greater than 5040 must be very close to its square free kernel.

Theorem 6.5 Let $\prod_{i=1}^m q_i^{a_i}$ be the representation of n as a product of primes $q_1 < \dots < q_m$ with natural numbers as exponents a_1, \dots, a_m . If $n > 5040$ is the smallest integer such that Robins(n) does not hold, then $(\log n)^\beta < Y_m \times \log(N_m)$, where $N_m = \prod_{i=1}^m q_i$ is the primorial number of order m and $\beta = \prod_{i=1}^m \frac{q_i^{a_i+1}}{q_i^{a_i+1}-1}$.

Proof According to the theorems 1.3 and 1.4, the primes $q_1 < \dots < q_m$ must be the first m consecutive primes and $a_1 \geq a_2 \geq \dots \geq a_m \geq 0$ since $n > 5040$ should be an Hardy-Ramanujan integer. From the theorem 4.2, we know that necessarily $q_m > e^{30.99733785}$. From the lemma 6.4, we note that

$$f(n) = \left(\prod_{i=1}^m \frac{q_i}{q_i-1} \right) \times \prod_{i=1}^m \left(1 - \frac{1}{q_i^{a_i+1}} \right).$$

However, we know that

$$\prod_{i=1}^m \frac{q_i}{q_i-1} < e^\gamma \times \log(Y_m \times \log(N_m))$$

because of the lemma 6.3 when $q_m > e^{30.99733785}$. If we multiply by $\prod_{i=1}^m \left(1 - \frac{1}{q_i^{a_i+1}} \right)$ the both sides of the previous inequality, then we obtain that

$$f(n) < e^\gamma \times \log(Y_m \times \log(N_m)) \times \prod_{i=1}^m \left(1 - \frac{1}{q_i^{a_i+1}} \right).$$

If n is the smallest integer exceeding 5040 that does not satisfy the Robin inequality, then

$$e^\gamma \times \log \log n < e^\gamma \times \log(Y_m \times \log(N_m)) \times \prod_{i=1}^m \left(1 - \frac{1}{q_i^{a_i+1}} \right)$$

because of

$$e^\gamma \times \log \log n \leq f(n).$$

That is the same as

$$\prod_{i=1}^m \frac{q_i^{a_i+1}}{q_i^{a_i+1}-1} \times \log \log n < \log(Y_m \times \log(N_m))$$

which is equivalent to

$$(\log n)^\beta < Y_m \times \log(N_m)$$

where $\beta = \prod_{i=1}^m \frac{q_i^{a_i+1}}{q_i^{a_i+1}-1}$. Therefore, the proof is done.

Theorem 6.6 Let $\prod_{i=1}^m q_i^{a_i}$ be the representation of n as a product of primes $q_1 < \dots < q_m$ with natural numbers as exponents a_1, \dots, a_m . If $n > 5040$ is the smallest integer such that Robins(n) does not hold, then $(\log n)^\beta < 1.0501395952 \times \log(N_m)$, where $N_m = \prod_{i=1}^m q_i$ is the primorial number of order m and $\beta = \prod_{i=1}^m \frac{q_i^{a_i+1}}{q_i^{a_i+1}-1}$.

Proof From the theorem 4.2, we know that necessarily $q_m > e^{30.99733785}$. Using the theorem 6.5, we obtain that

$$(\log n)^\beta < 1.0501395952 \times \log(N_m)$$

due to the lemma 6.1 since we have that $Y_m < 1.0501395952$ when $q_m > e^{30.99733785}$.

Theorem 6.7 Let $\prod_{i=1}^m q_i^{a_i}$ be the representation of n as a product of primes $q_1 < \dots < q_m$ with natural numbers as exponents a_1, \dots, a_m . If $n > 5040$ is the smallest integer such that Robins(n) does not hold, then $n < (4.7312714399)^m \times N_m$, where $N_m = \prod_{i=1}^m q_i$ is the primorial number of order m .

Proof According to the theorems 1.3 and 1.4, the primes $q_1 < \dots < q_m$ must be the first m consecutive primes and $a_1 \geq a_2 \geq \dots \geq a_m \geq 0$ since $n > 5040$ should be an Hardy-Ramanujan integer. From the lemma 6.3, we know that

$$\prod_{i=1}^m \frac{q_i}{q_i - 1} < e^\gamma \times \log(Y_m \times \theta(q_m)) = e^\gamma \times \log \log(N_m^{Y_m})$$

for $q_m > e^{30.99733785}$. In this way, if $n > 5040$ is the smallest integer such that Robins(n) does not hold, then $n < N_m^{Y_m}$ since by the lemma 2.1 we have that

$$f(n) < \prod_{i=1}^m \frac{q_i}{q_i - 1}.$$

That is the same as $n < N_m^{Y_m-1} \times N_m$. We can check that $q_m^{Y_m-1}$ is monotonically decreasing for all primes $q_m > e^{30.99733785}$. Certainly, the function

$$g(x) = x^{\left(\frac{e^{\frac{1}{2 \times \log(x)}}}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{\log(x)}\right)} - 1 \right)}$$

complies that its derivative is lesser than zero for all real numbers $x \geq e^{30.99733785}$. Consequently, we would have that

$$q_m^{Y_m-1} < g(e^{30.99733785}) < 4.7312714399$$

for all primes $q_m > e^{30.99733785}$. Moreover, we would obtain that

$$q_m^{Y_m-1} > q_j^{Y_m-1}$$

for every integer $1 \leq j < m$. Finally, we can state that $n < (4.7312714399)^m \times N_m$ since $N_m^{Y_m-1} < (4.7312714399)^m$ when $n > 5040$ is the smallest integer such that Robins(n) does not hold.

We know the following results:

Lemma 6.8 [9]. For $x \geq 114$:

$$\pi(x) < 1.25 \times \frac{x}{\log x}$$

where $\pi(x)$ is the prime counting function.

Lemma 6.9 *If $n > 5040$ is the smallest integer such that $\text{Robins}(n)$ does not hold, then $p < \log n$ where p is the largest prime divisor of n [4].*

Theorem 6.10 *Let $\prod_{i=1}^m q_i^{a_i}$ be the representation of n as a product of primes $q_1 < \dots < q_m$ with natural numbers as exponents a_1, \dots, a_m . If $n > 5040$ is the smallest integer such that $\text{Robins}(n)$ does not hold, then $1 < \frac{1.25 \times \log(4.7312714399)}{\log q_m} + \frac{\log N_m}{\log n}$, where $N_m = \prod_{i=1}^m q_i$ is the primorial number of order m .*

Proof Note that $n < (4.7312714399)^m \times N_m$ when n is the smallest integer such that $\text{Robins}(n)$ does not hold. If we apply the logarithm to the both sides, then

$$\log n < \log(4.7312714399)^m + \log N_m$$

which is equivalent to

$$\log n < m \times \log(4.7312714399) + \log N_m.$$

According to the lemma 6.8, we have that

$$\log n < 1.25 \times \frac{q_m}{\log q_m} \times \log(4.7312714399) + \log N_m.$$

From the lemma 6.9, we would have

$$\log n < 1.25 \times \frac{\log n}{\log q_m} \times \log(4.7312714399) + \log N_m.$$

which is the same as

$$1 < \frac{1.25 \times \log(4.7312714399)}{\log q_m} + \frac{\log N_m}{\log n}$$

after of dividing by $\log n$.

7 Another Bound

This is a known result:

Lemma 7.1 [9]. *For $x > 1$:*

$$\sum_{q \leq x} \frac{1}{q} < \log \log x + B + \frac{1}{\log^2 x} \quad (7.1)$$

where

$$B = 0.2614972128 \dots$$

denotes the (Meissel-)Mertens constant [9].

We show another result:

Lemma 7.2 *For $x \geq 11$, we have*

$$\sum_{q \leq x} \frac{1}{q} < \log \log x + \gamma - 0.12.$$

Proof Let's define $H = \gamma - B$. The lemma 7.1 is the same as

$$\sum_{q \leq x} \frac{1}{q} < \log \log x + \gamma - \left(H - \frac{1}{\log^2 x}\right).$$

For $x \geq 11$,

$$\left(H - \frac{1}{\log^2 x}\right) > \left(0.31 - \frac{1}{\log^2 11}\right) > 0.12$$

and thus,

$$\sum_{q \leq x} \frac{1}{q} < \log \log x + \gamma - \left(H - \frac{1}{\log^2 x}\right) < \log \log x + \gamma - 0.12.$$

8 On a Square Free Number

We know the following results:

Lemma 8.1 [4]. For $0 < a < b$:

$$\frac{\log b - \log a}{b - a} = \frac{1}{(b - a)} \int_a^b \frac{dt}{t} > \frac{1}{b}. \quad (8.1)$$

Lemma 8.2 [4]. For $q > 0$:

$$\log(q + 1) - \log q = \int_q^{q+1} \frac{dt}{t} < \frac{1}{q}. \quad (8.2)$$

We know from the theorem 1.2 that Robins(n) holds for all natural numbers $n > 5040$ that are square free.

Lemma 8.3 For a square free number

$$n = q_1 \times \cdots \times q_m$$

such that $q_1 < q_2 < \cdots < q_m$ are odd prime numbers, $q_m \geq 11$ and $3 \nmid n$, then:

$$\frac{\pi^2}{6} \times \frac{3}{2} \times \sigma(n) \leq e^\gamma \times n \times \log \log(2^{19} \times n).$$

Proof By induction with respect to $\omega(n)$, that is the number of distinct prime factors of n [4]. Put $\omega(n) = m$ [4]. We need to prove the assertion for those integers with $m = 1$. From a square free number n , we obtain

$$\sigma(n) = (q_1 + 1) \times (q_2 + 1) \times \cdots \times (q_m + 1) \quad (8.3)$$

when $n = q_1 \times q_2 \times \cdots \times q_m$ [4]. In this way, for every prime number $q_i \geq 11$, then we need to prove

$$\frac{\pi^2}{6} \times \frac{3}{2} \times \left(1 + \frac{1}{q_i}\right) \leq e^\gamma \times \log \log(2^{19} \times q_i). \quad (8.4)$$

For $q_i = 11$, we have

$$\frac{\pi^2}{6} \times \frac{3}{2} \times \left(1 + \frac{1}{11}\right) \leq e^\gamma \times \log \log(2^{19} \times 11)$$

is actually true. For another prime number $q_i > 11$, we have

$$\left(1 + \frac{1}{q_i}\right) < \left(1 + \frac{1}{11}\right)$$

and

$$\log \log(2^{19} \times 11) < \log \log(2^{19} \times q_i)$$

which clearly implies that the inequality (8.4) is true for every prime number $q_i \geq 11$. Now, suppose it is true for $m-1$, with $m \geq 2$ and let us consider the assertion for those square free n with $\omega(n) = m$ [4]. So let $n = q_1 \times \cdots \times q_m$ be a square free number and assume that $q_1 < \cdots < q_m$ for $q_m \geq 11$.

Case 1: $q_m \geq \log(2^{19} \times q_1 \times \cdots \times q_{m-1} \times q_m) = \log(2^{19} \times n)$.

By the induction hypothesis we have

$$\frac{\pi^2}{6} \times \frac{3}{2} \times (q_1 + 1) \times \cdots \times (q_{m-1} + 1) \leq e^\gamma \times q_1 \times \cdots \times q_{m-1} \times \log \log(2^{19} \times q_1 \times \cdots \times q_{m-1})$$

and hence

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\pi^2}{6} \times \frac{3}{2} \times (q_1 + 1) \times \cdots \times (q_{m-1} + 1) \times (q_m + 1) \leq \\ & e^\gamma \times q_1 \times \cdots \times q_{m-1} \times (q_m + 1) \times \log \log(2^{19} \times q_1 \times \cdots \times q_{m-1}) \end{aligned}$$

when we multiply the both sides of the inequality by $(q_m + 1)$. We want to show

$$\begin{aligned} & e^\gamma \times q_1 \times \cdots \times q_{m-1} \times (q_m + 1) \times \log \log(2^{19} \times q_1 \times \cdots \times q_{m-1}) \leq \\ & e^\gamma \times q_1 \times \cdots \times q_{m-1} \times q_m \times \log \log(2^{19} \times q_1 \times \cdots \times q_{m-1} \times q_m) = e^\gamma \times n \times \log \log(2^{19} \times n). \end{aligned}$$

Indeed the previous inequality is equivalent with

$$q_m \times \log \log(2^{19} \times q_1 \times \cdots \times q_{m-1} \times q_m) \geq (q_m + 1) \times \log \log(2^{19} \times q_1 \times \cdots \times q_{m-1})$$

or alternatively

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{q_m \times (\log \log(2^{19} \times q_1 \times \cdots \times q_{m-1} \times q_m) - \log \log(2^{19} \times q_1 \times \cdots \times q_{m-1}))}{\log q_m} \geq \\ & \frac{\log \log(2^{19} \times q_1 \times \cdots \times q_{m-1})}{\log q_m}. \end{aligned}$$

We can apply the inequality in lemma 8.1 just using $b = \log(2^{19} \times q_1 \times \cdots \times q_{m-1} \times q_m)$ and $a = \log(2^{19} \times q_1 \times \cdots \times q_{m-1})$. Certainly, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \log(2^{19} \times q_1 \times \cdots \times q_{m-1} \times q_m) - \log(2^{19} \times q_1 \times \cdots \times q_{m-1}) = \\ & \log \frac{2^{19} \times q_1 \times \cdots \times q_{m-1} \times q_m}{2^{19} \times q_1 \times \cdots \times q_{m-1}} = \log q_m. \end{aligned}$$

In this way, we obtain

$$\frac{q_m \times (\log \log(2^{19} \times q_1 \times \cdots \times q_{m-1} \times q_m) - \log \log(2^{19} \times q_1 \times \cdots \times q_{m-1}))}{\log q_m} > \frac{q_m}{\log(2^{19} \times q_1 \times \cdots \times q_m)}.$$

Using this result we infer that the original inequality is certainly satisfied if the next inequality is satisfied

$$\frac{q_m}{\log(2^{19} \times q_1 \times \cdots \times q_m)} \geq \frac{\log \log(2^{19} \times q_1 \times \cdots \times q_{m-1})}{\log q_m}$$

which is trivially true for $q_m \geq \log(2^{19} \times q_1 \times \cdots \times q_{m-1} \times q_m)$ [4].

Case 2: $q_m < \log(2^{19} \times q_1 \times \cdots \times q_{m-1} \times q_m) = \log(2^{19} \times n)$.

We need to prove

$$\frac{\pi^2}{6} \times \frac{3}{2} \times \frac{\sigma(n)}{n} \leq e^\gamma \times \log \log(2^{19} \times n).$$

We know $\frac{3}{2} < 1.503 < \frac{4}{2.66}$. Nevertheless, we could have

$$\frac{3}{2} \times \frac{\sigma(n)}{n} \times \frac{\pi^2}{6} < \frac{4 \times \sigma(n)}{3 \times n} \times \frac{\pi^2}{2 \times 2.66}$$

and therefore, we only need to prove

$$\frac{\sigma(3 \times n)}{3 \times n} \times \frac{\pi^2}{5.32} \leq e^\gamma \times \log \log(2^{19} \times n)$$

where this is possible because of $3 \nmid n$. If we apply the logarithm to the both sides of the inequality, then we obtain

$$\log\left(\frac{\pi^2}{5.32}\right) + (\log(3+1) - \log 3) + \sum_{i=1}^m (\log(q_i + 1) - \log q_i) \leq \gamma + \log \log \log(2^{19} \times n).$$

In addition, note that $\log\left(\frac{\pi^2}{5.32}\right) < \frac{1}{2} + 0.12$. However, we know

$$\gamma + \log \log q_m < \gamma + \log \log \log(2^{19} \times n)$$

since $q_m < \log(2^{19} \times n)$. We use that lemma 8.2 for each term $\log(q+1) - \log q$ and thus,

$$0.12 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{q_1} + \cdots + \frac{1}{q_m} \leq 0.12 + \sum_{q \leq q_m} \frac{1}{q} \leq \gamma + \log \log q_m$$

where $q_m \geq 11$. Hence, it is enough to prove

$$\sum_{q \leq q_m} \frac{1}{q} \leq \gamma + \log \log q_m - 0.12$$

but this is true according to the lemma 7.2 for $q_m \geq 11$. In this way, we finally show the lemma is indeed satisfied.

9 Main Insight

The next result is a main insight.

Theorem 9.1 *Let $n > 5040$ and let all its prime divisors be $q_1 < \dots < q_m$. When $q_m \geq 11$, $3 \nmid n$ and $2^{20} \mid n$, then*

$$\frac{\pi^2}{6} \times \prod_{i=1}^m \frac{q_i + 1}{q_i} \leq e^\gamma \times \log \log n.$$

Proof We need to prove that

$$\frac{\pi^2}{6} \times \prod_{i=1}^m \frac{q_i + 1}{q_i} \leq e^\gamma \times \log \log n.$$

Using the formula (8.3) for the square free numbers, then we obtain that is equivalent to

$$\frac{\pi^2}{6} \times \frac{\sigma(n')}{n'} \leq e^\gamma \times \log \log n$$

where $n' = q_1 \times \dots \times q_m$ is the square free kernel of the natural number n [4]. We know that $2^{20} \mid n$ and thus,

$$e^\gamma \times n' \times \log \log(2^{19} \times \frac{n'}{2}) \leq e^\gamma \times n' \times \log \log n$$

because of $2^{19} \times \frac{n'}{2} \leq n$ where $2^{20} \mid n$ and $2 \mid n'$. So,

$$\frac{\pi^2}{6} \times \sigma(n') \leq e^\gamma \times n' \times \log \log(2^{19} \times \frac{n'}{2}).$$

According to the formula (8.3) for the square free numbers and $2 \mid n'$, then,

$$\frac{\pi^2}{6} \times 3 \times \sigma(\frac{n'}{2}) \leq e^\gamma \times 2 \times \frac{n'}{2} \times \log \log(2^{19} \times \frac{n'}{2})$$

which is the same as

$$\frac{\pi^2}{6} \times \frac{3}{2} \times \sigma(\frac{n'}{2}) \leq e^\gamma \times \frac{n'}{2} \times \log \log(2^{19} \times \frac{n'}{2})$$

where this is true according to the lemma 8.3 when $3 \nmid \frac{n'}{2}$ and $q_m \geq 11$. To sum up, the proof is complete.

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