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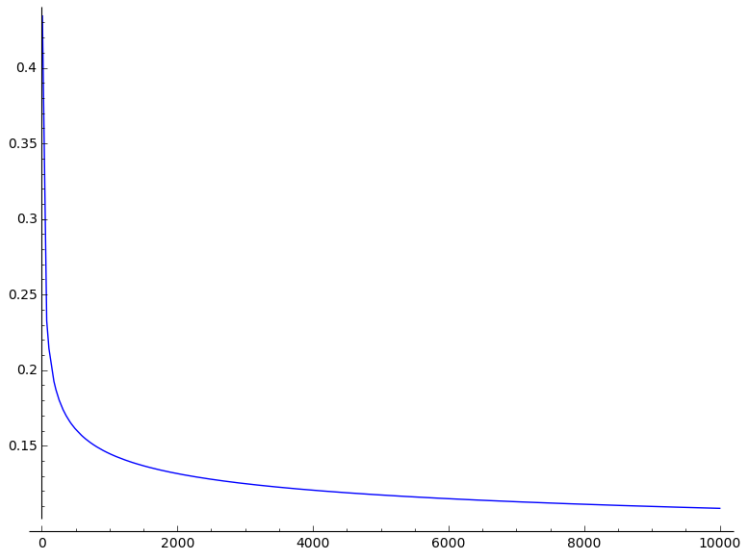
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**Definition:** For a natural number  $n$ , let  $\pi(n)$  denote the number of primes less than  $n$ .

$n$	$\pi(n)$	$\frac{\pi(n)}{n}$	$\frac{1}{\ln(n)}$	$\frac{\frac{\pi(n)}{n}}{\frac{1}{\ln(n)}}$
5	2	.4	.62	0.64516...
10	4	.4	.43429...	0.92104...
100	25	.25	.21714...	1.15133...
1,000	168	.168	.14476...	1.16054...
10,000	1229	.1229	.10857...	1.13199...
100,000	8592	.09592	.08685...	1.10443...
1,000,000	78498	.078498	.07238...	1.08452...

**The Prime Number Theorem:** As  $n$  approaches infinity, the proportion of primes less than or equal to  $n$  approaches  $\frac{1}{\ln(n)}$ ,  
Specifically,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{\pi(n)/n}{1/\ln(n)} \right) = 1.$$



$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\ln(x)} \sim \frac{\pi(x)}{x}$$

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**Twin Prime Conjecture:** There are infinitely many primes whose difference is 2.

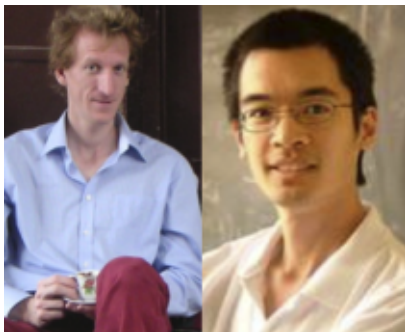


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**Green and Tao's Theorem:** There are arbitrarily long arithmetic progressions of primes.



Ben Green and Terence Tao, 2004



**Question:** Is there some sort of generating function for primes?



Marin Mersenne, 1588-1648



Frank Nelson Cole, 1861-1926

**Definition:** A *Mersenne Prime* is a prime of the form  $2^p - 1$ , where  $p$  is prime. A prime of the form  $2^{2^k} + 1$  is called a *Fermat Prime*.