

ON THE GOLDBACH CONJECTURE IN ARITHMETIC PROGRESSIONS

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ABSTRACT. It is proved that for a given integer N and for all but $\ll (\log N)^B$ prime numbers $k \leq N^{5/48-\varepsilon}$ the following is true: For any positive integers $b_i, i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$, $(b_i, k) = 1$ that satisfy $N \equiv b_1 + b_2 + b_3 \pmod{k}$, N can be written as $N = p_1 + p_2 + p_3$, where the $p_i, i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ are prime numbers that satisfy $p_i \equiv b_i \pmod{k}$.

1. Introduction. Vinogradov [17] has proved that every sufficiently large odd positive integer can be written as the sum of three primes. This theorem has been generalized in many ways. In 1953, Ayoub [1] proved the following result: *If k is a fixed positive integer, $b_i, i = 1, 2, 3$, are integers with $(b_i, k) = 1$ and $J(N; k, b_1, b_2, b_3)$ is the number of solutions of the equation*

$$\begin{cases} N = p_1 + p_2 + p_3, \\ p_j \equiv b_j \pmod{k}, \end{cases}$$

then

$$J(N; k, b_1, b_2, b_3) = (N; k) \frac{N^2}{2 \log^3 N} (1 + o(1)),$$

where for odd integer $N \equiv b_1 + b_2 + b_3 \pmod{k}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(N, k) &= \frac{C(k)}{k^2} \prod_{p|k} \frac{p^3}{(p-1)^3 + 1} \prod_{\substack{p|N \\ p \nmid k}} \frac{(p-1)((p-1)^2 - 1)}{(p-1)^3 + 1} \\ &\quad \times \prod_{p>2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{(p-1)^3} \right), \end{aligned}$$

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