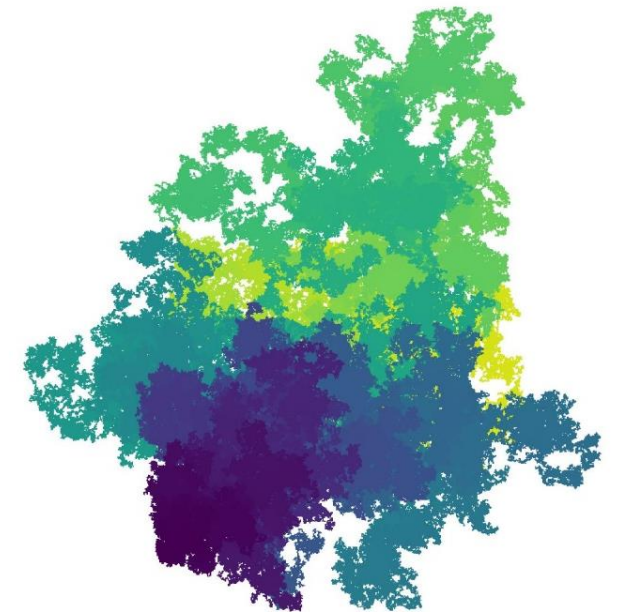
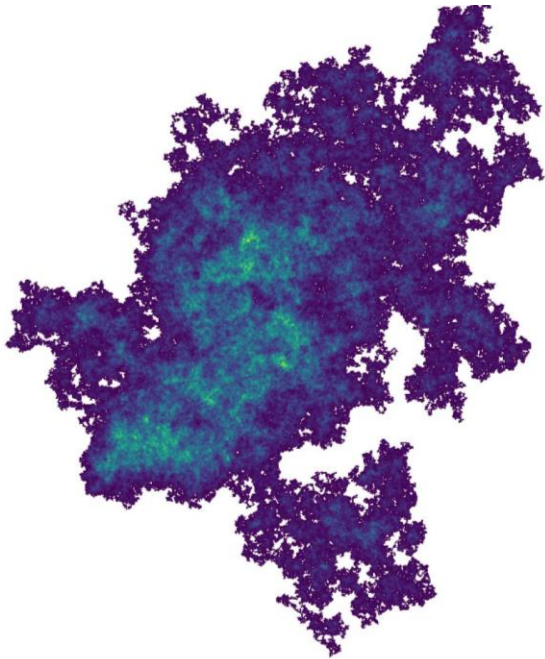


Prime numbers & Random Walks

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Prime numbers; open problems

I Goldbach's Conjecture: Every even $n > 2$ is the sum of two primes.

II Twin Prime Conjecture: There are infinitely many twin primes.

III Is there always a prime between n^2 and $(n+1)^2$?

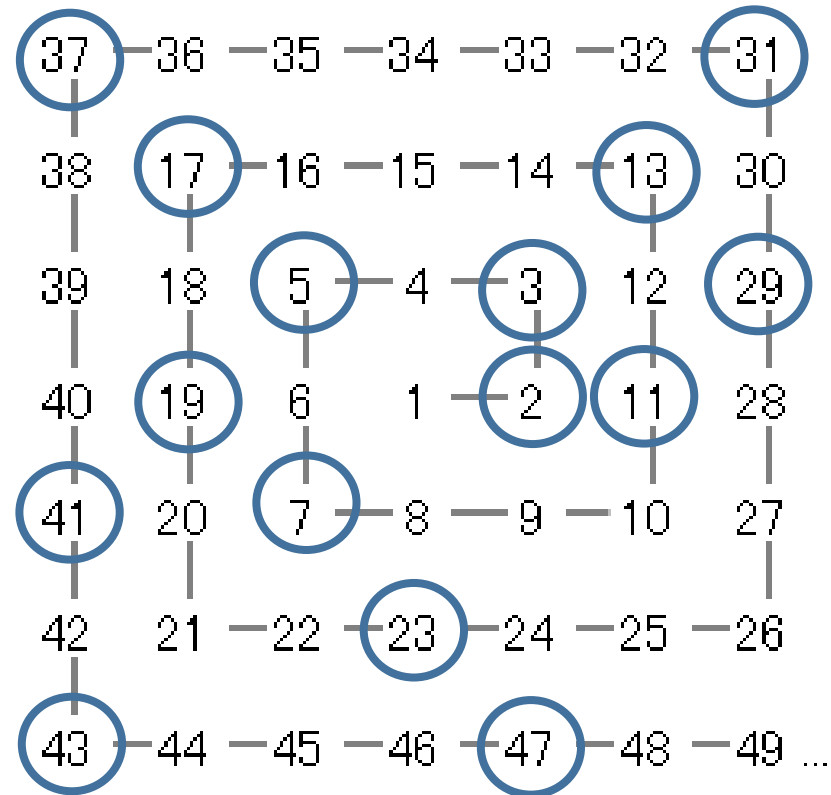
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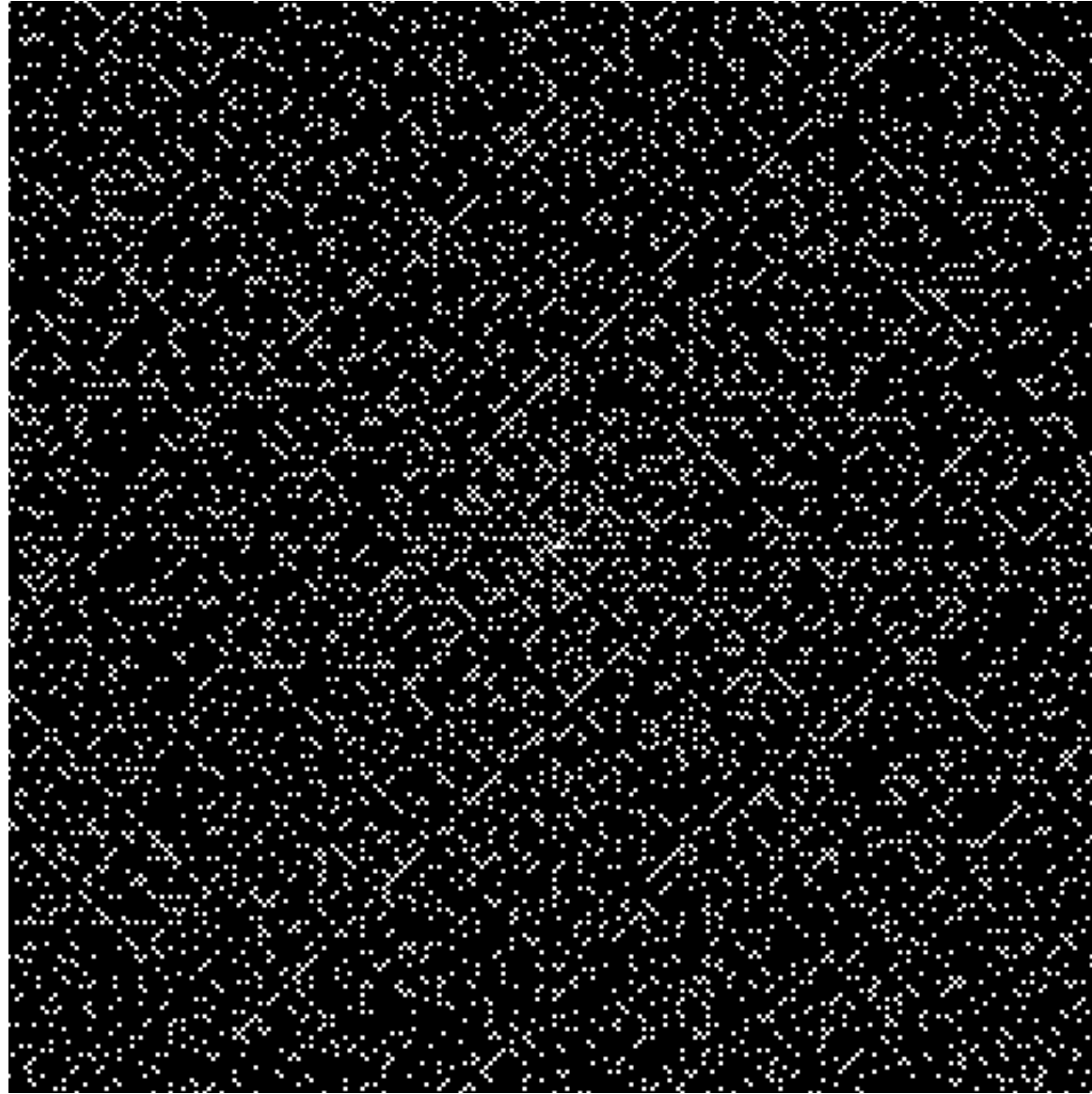
V ...

Prime numbers in 2d.

| | | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------|
| 37 | —36 | —35 | —34 | —33 | —32 | —31 |
| | | | | | | |
| 38 | 17 | —16 | —15 | —14 | —13 | 30 |
| | | | | | | |
| 39 | 18 | 5 | —4 | —3 | 12 | 29 |
| | | | | | | |
| 40 | 19 | 6 | 1 | —2 | 11 | 28 |
| | | | | | | |
| 41 | 20 | 7 | —8 | —9 | —10 | 27 |
| | | | | | | |
| 42 | 21 | —22 | —23 | —24 | —25 | —26 |
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| 43 | —44 | —45 | —46 | —47 | —48 | —49 ... |

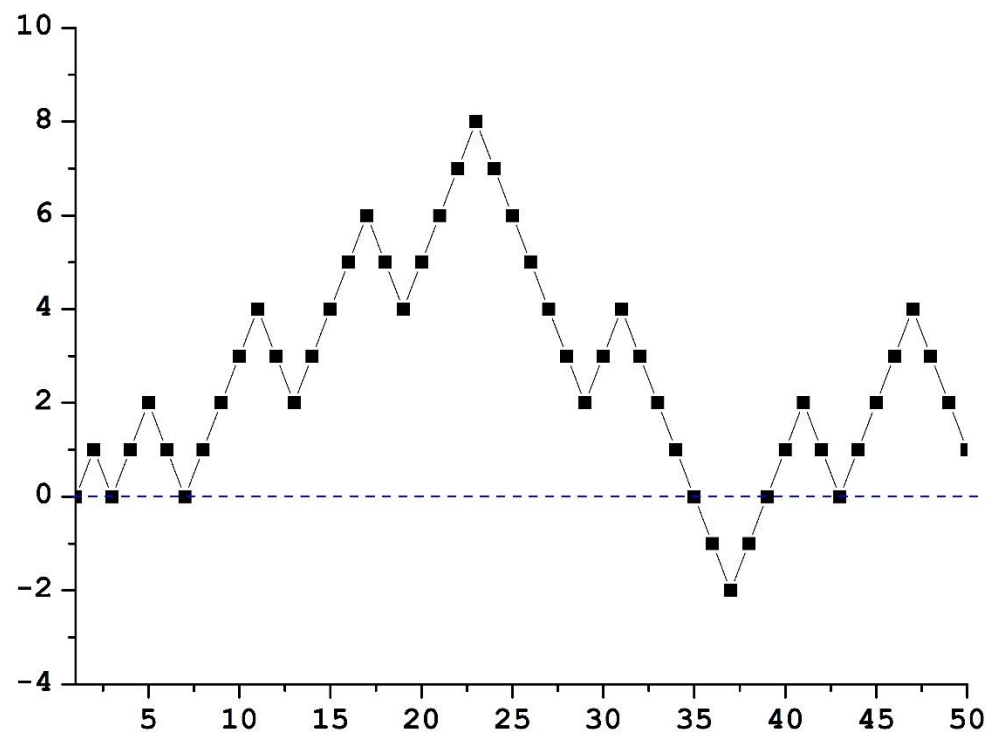
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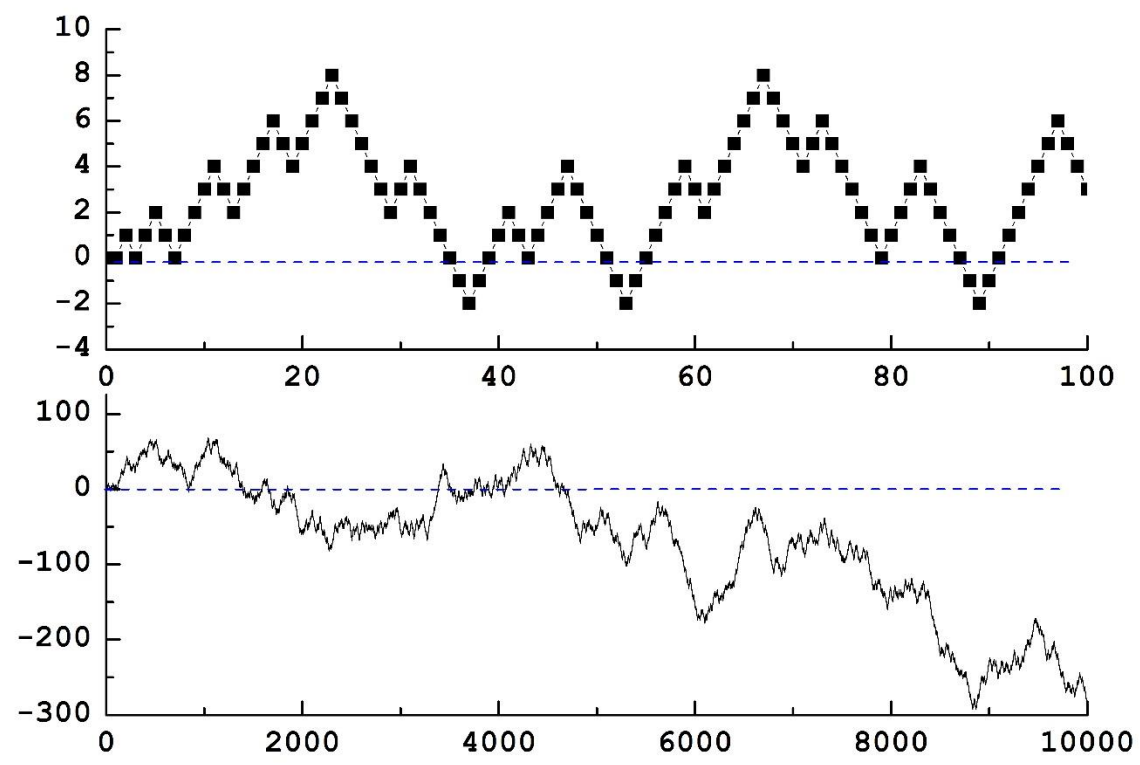


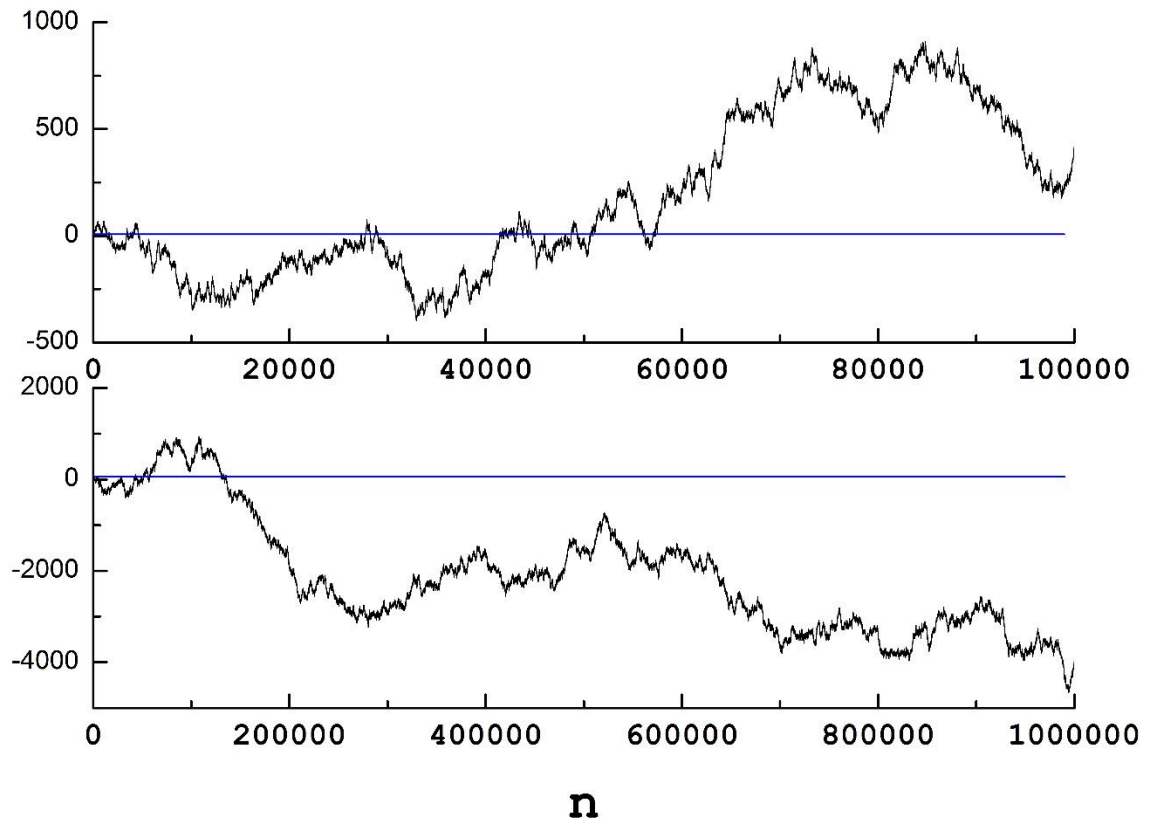


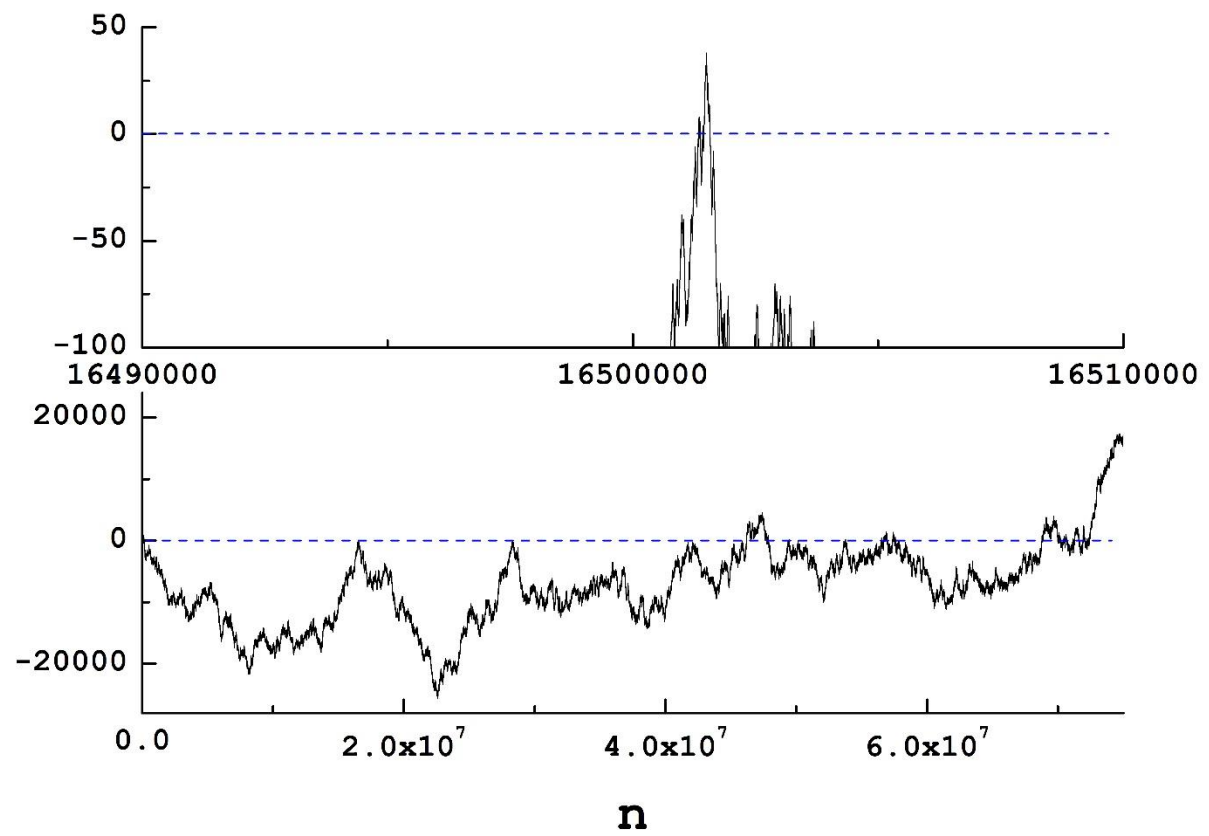
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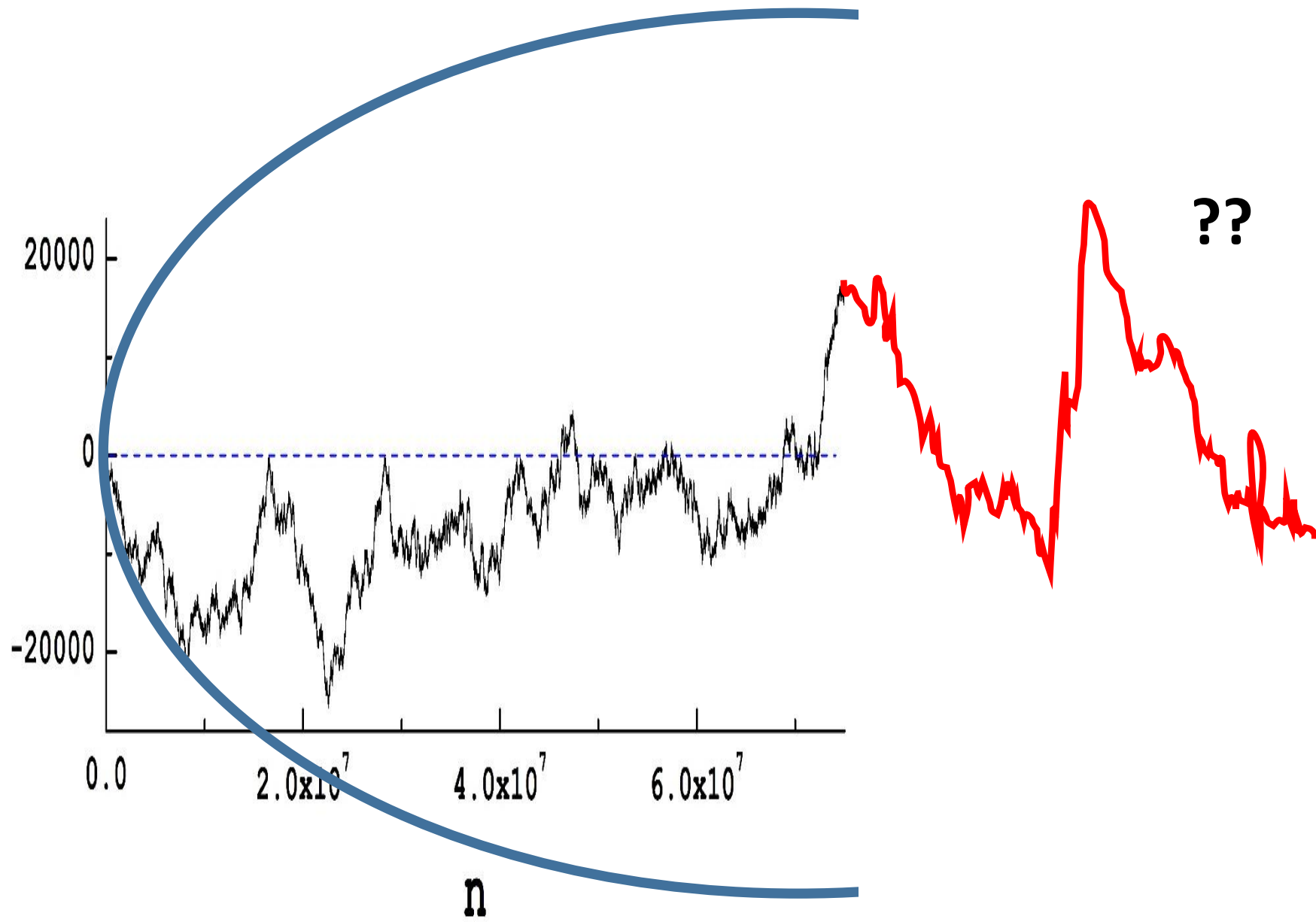
Prime numbers in $2d$











Mertens conjecture

Mertens function:

$$M(n) = \sum_{1 \leq k \leq n} \mu(k),$$

$\mu(k)$ is the Möbius function;

$\mu(n) = +1$ if n is a **square-free** positive integer with an **even** number of prime factors. (6, 10,..)

$\mu(n) = -1$ if n is a **square-free** positive integer with an **odd** number of prime factors. (2, 3, ...)

$\mu(n) = 0$ if n has a squared prime factor. (4, 9, ...)

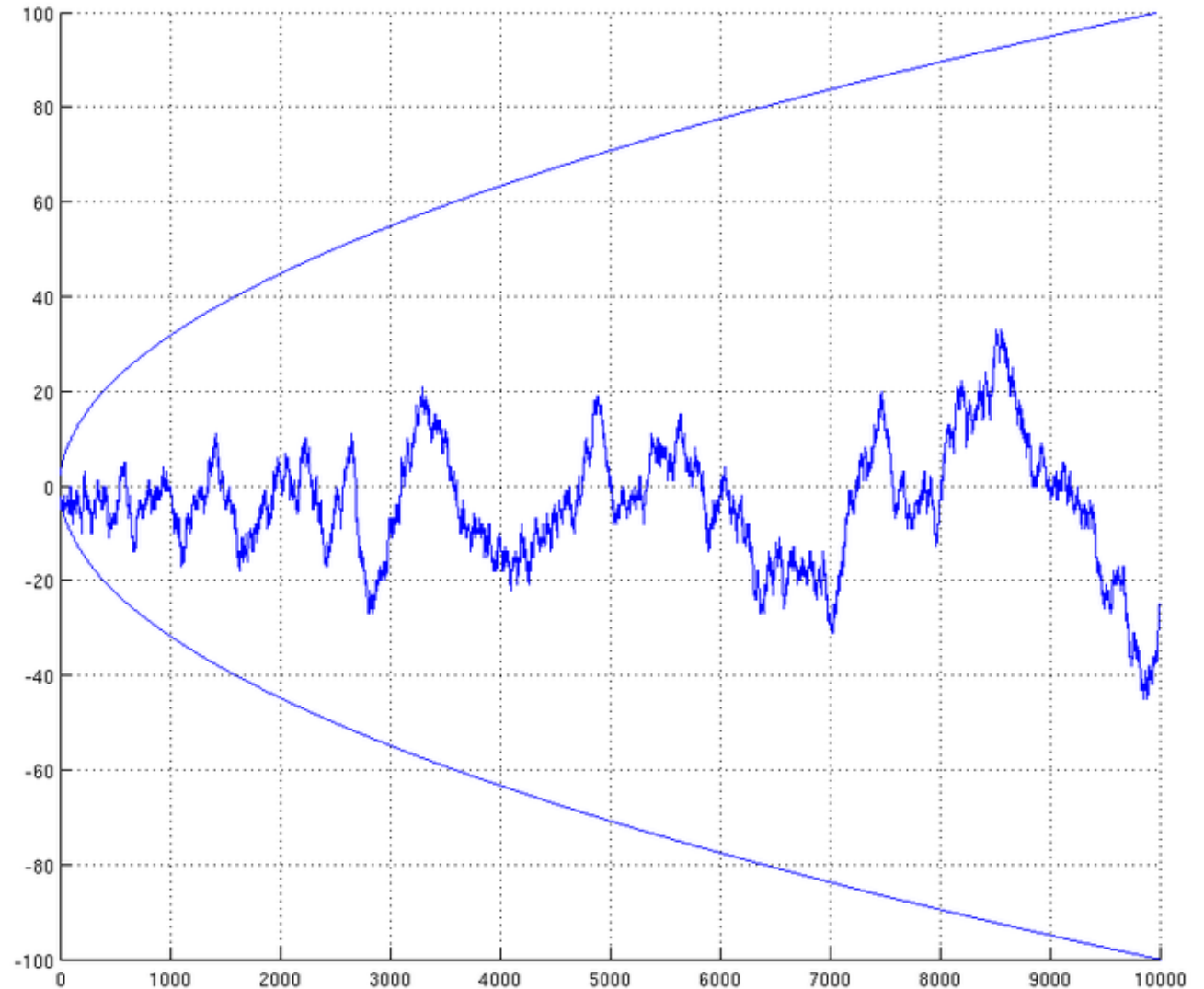
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|----------|---|----|----|---|----|---|----|---|---|----|
| n | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| $\mu(n)$ | 1 | -1 | -1 | 0 | -1 | 1 | -1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |

Mertens conjecture

... for all $n > 1$,

$$|M(n)| < \sqrt{n}.$$

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Disproof of the Mertens conjecture

By *A. M. Odlyzko* at Murray Hill and *H. J. J. te Riele* at Amsterdam

Conjectures

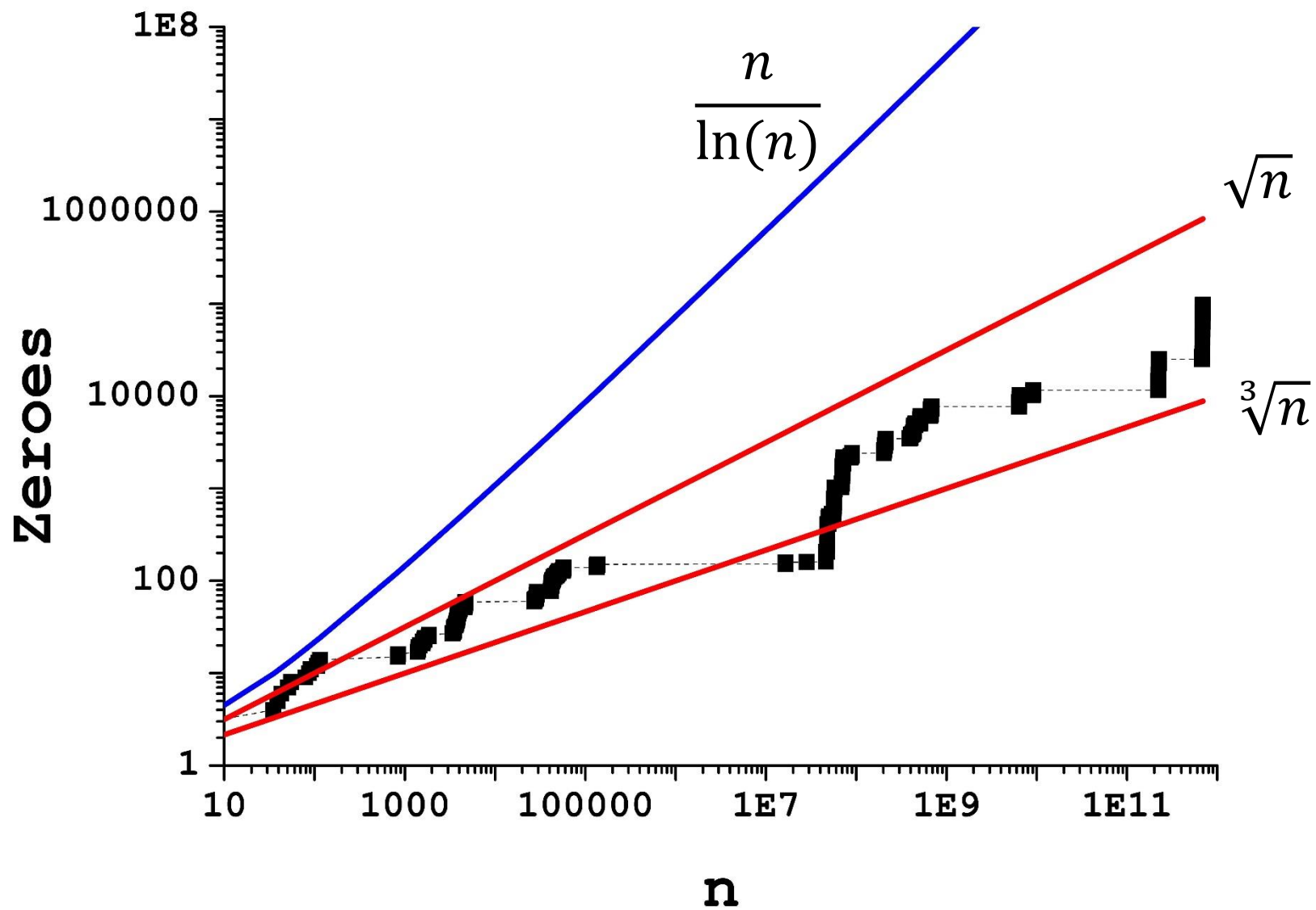
I. The number of cuts (zeroes) in the x axis tends to infinity. i.e, being $Z(n)$ the number of zeroes in the Ladder

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Z(n) = \infty$$

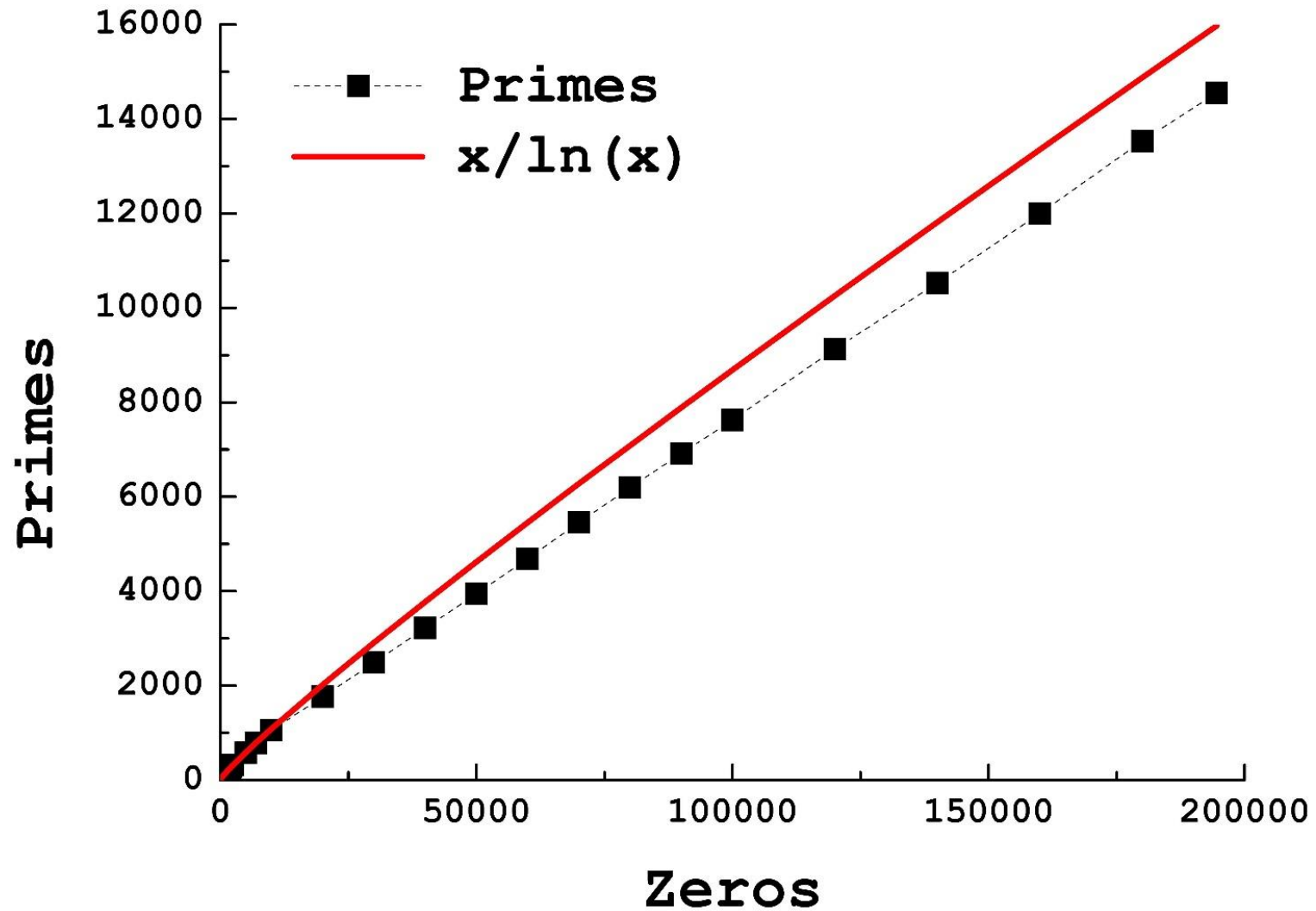
II. The slope, $\varepsilon(n)$, of the Ladder is zero in the limit when n goes to infinity.

III. Envelope function?

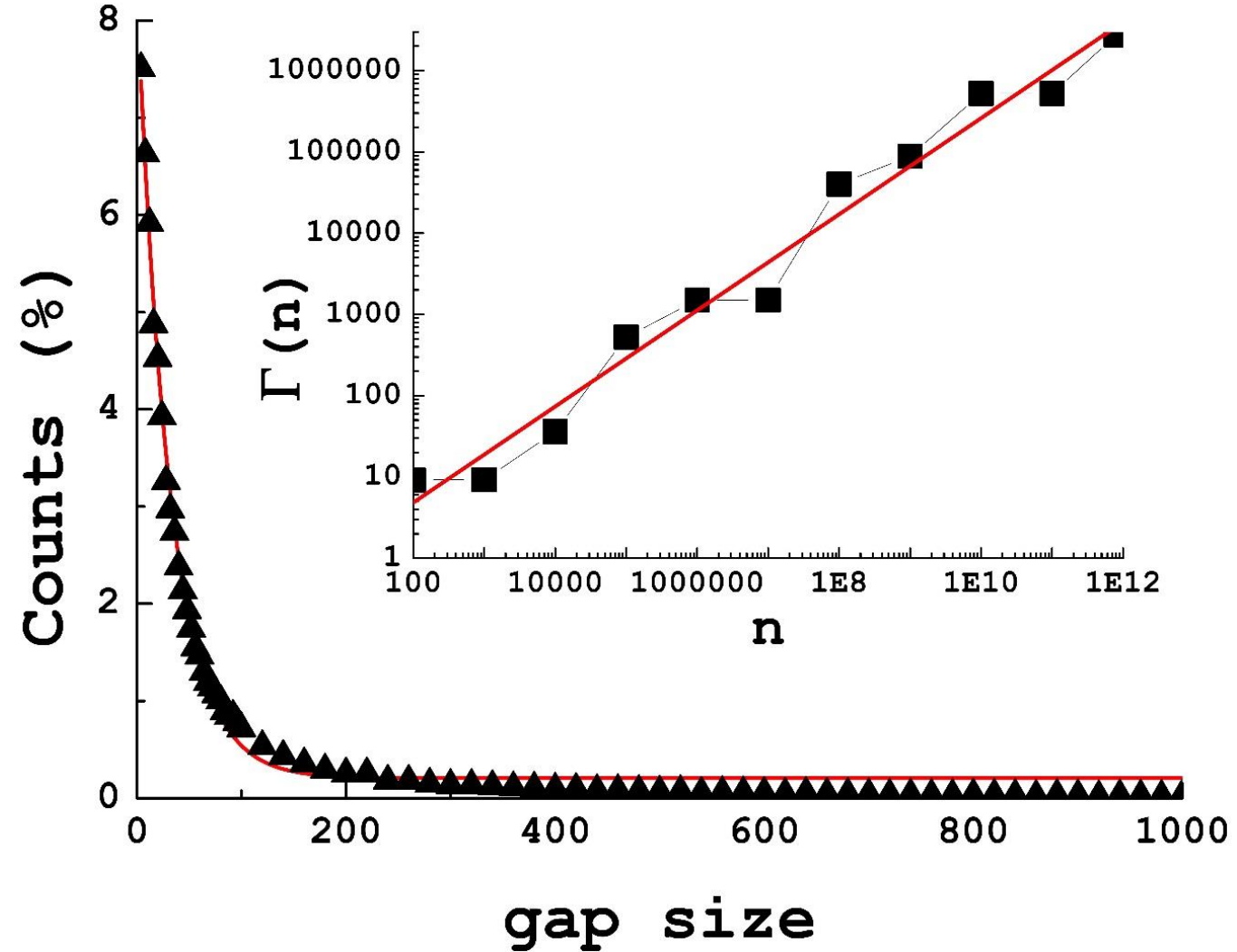
~200,000 zeroes in 8×10^{12}



Results II. Prime numbers



Results III. Gaps



Benford Law

Examples

Fibonacci numbers

Factorials $n!$

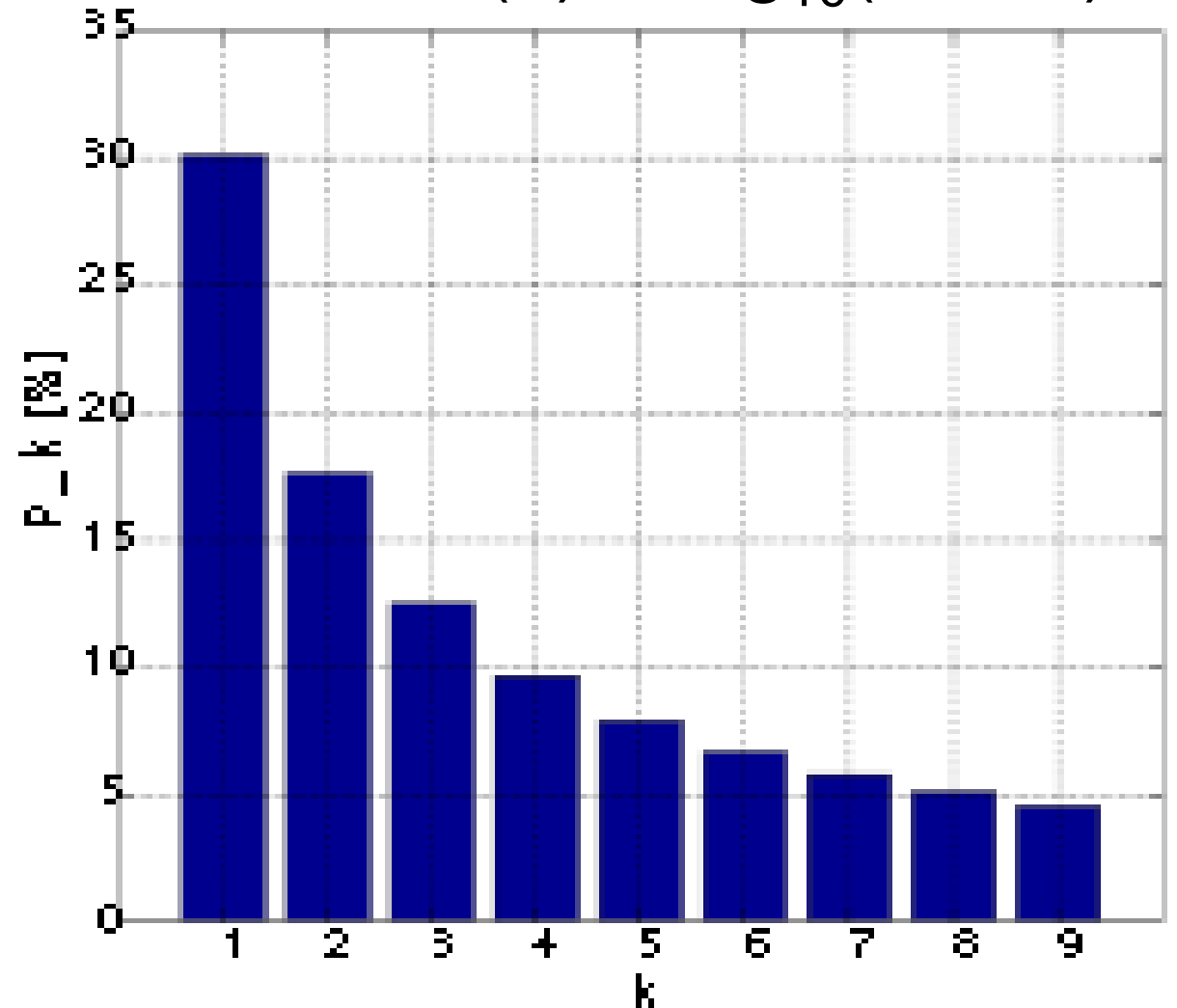
Powers n^m

Binomial coefs $\binom{n}{m}$

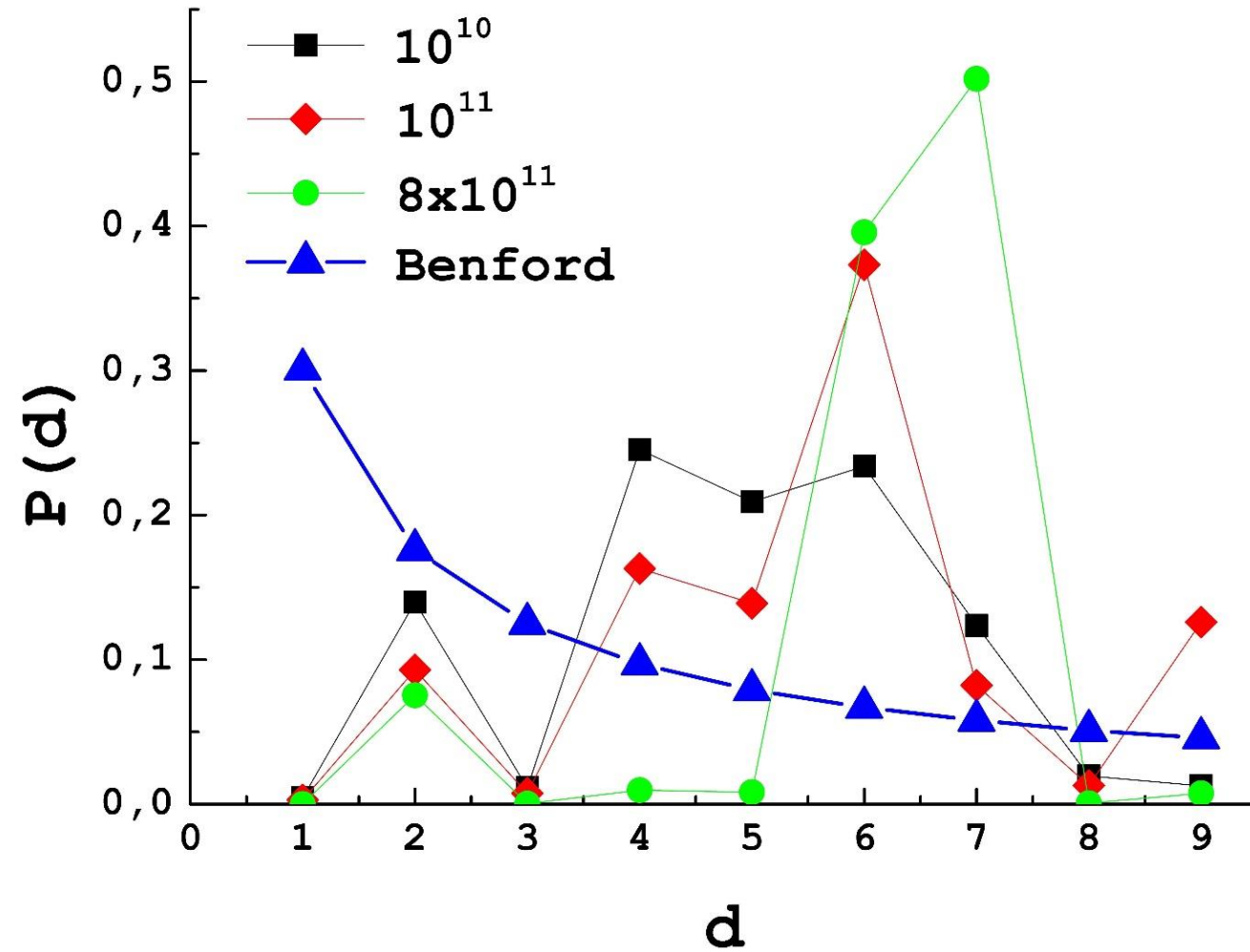
Etc..

Length of rivers...

$$P(d) = \log_{10}(1+1/d)$$



Benford Law



Determinants

Prime numbers sequence: 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29, 31, 37, 41, 43, ...

$$D_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 5 & 7 \end{vmatrix} = -1$$

$$D_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 11 & 13 \\ 17 & 19 \end{vmatrix} = -12$$

$$D_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 23 & 29 \\ 31 & 37 \end{vmatrix} = -48$$

...

Determinants

Jacob's Ladder Zeroes sequence: 1, 3, 7, 35, 39, 43, 51, 55, 79, 87, 91, 107 ...

$$D_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 7 & 35 \end{vmatrix} = 14$$

$$D_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 39 & 43 \\ 51 & 55 \end{vmatrix} = -48$$

$$D_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 79 & 87 \\ 91 & 107 \end{vmatrix} = 538$$

...

Determinants

Jacob's Ladder Zeros sequence: 1, 3, 7, 35, 39, 43, 51...

$$D_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 7 & 35 \end{vmatrix} = 14$$

Leading digit

→ 1

$$D_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 39 & 43 \\ 51 & 55 \end{vmatrix} = -48$$

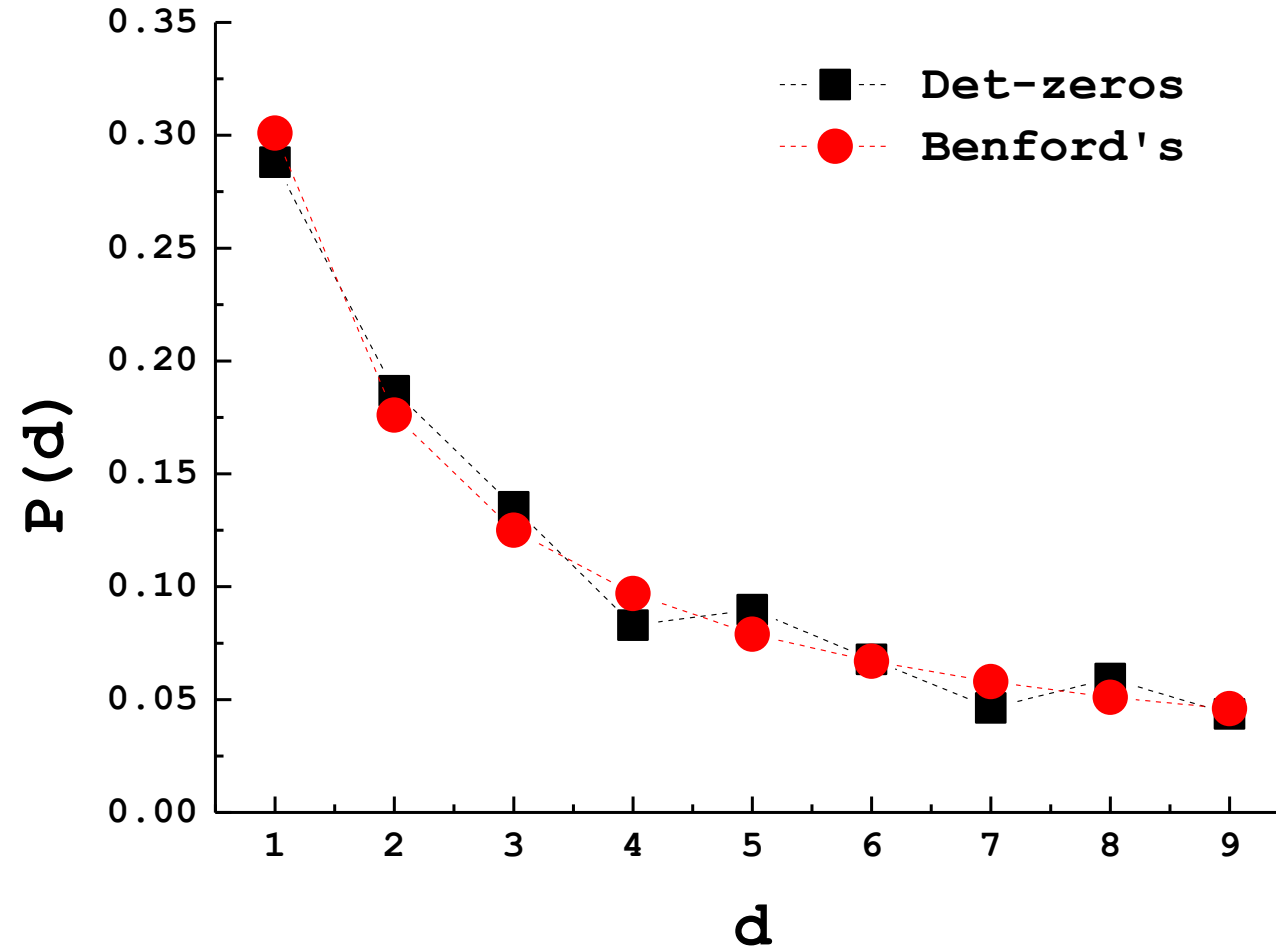
→ 4

$$D_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 79 & 87 \\ 91 & 107 \end{vmatrix} = 538$$

→ 5

...

Determinants



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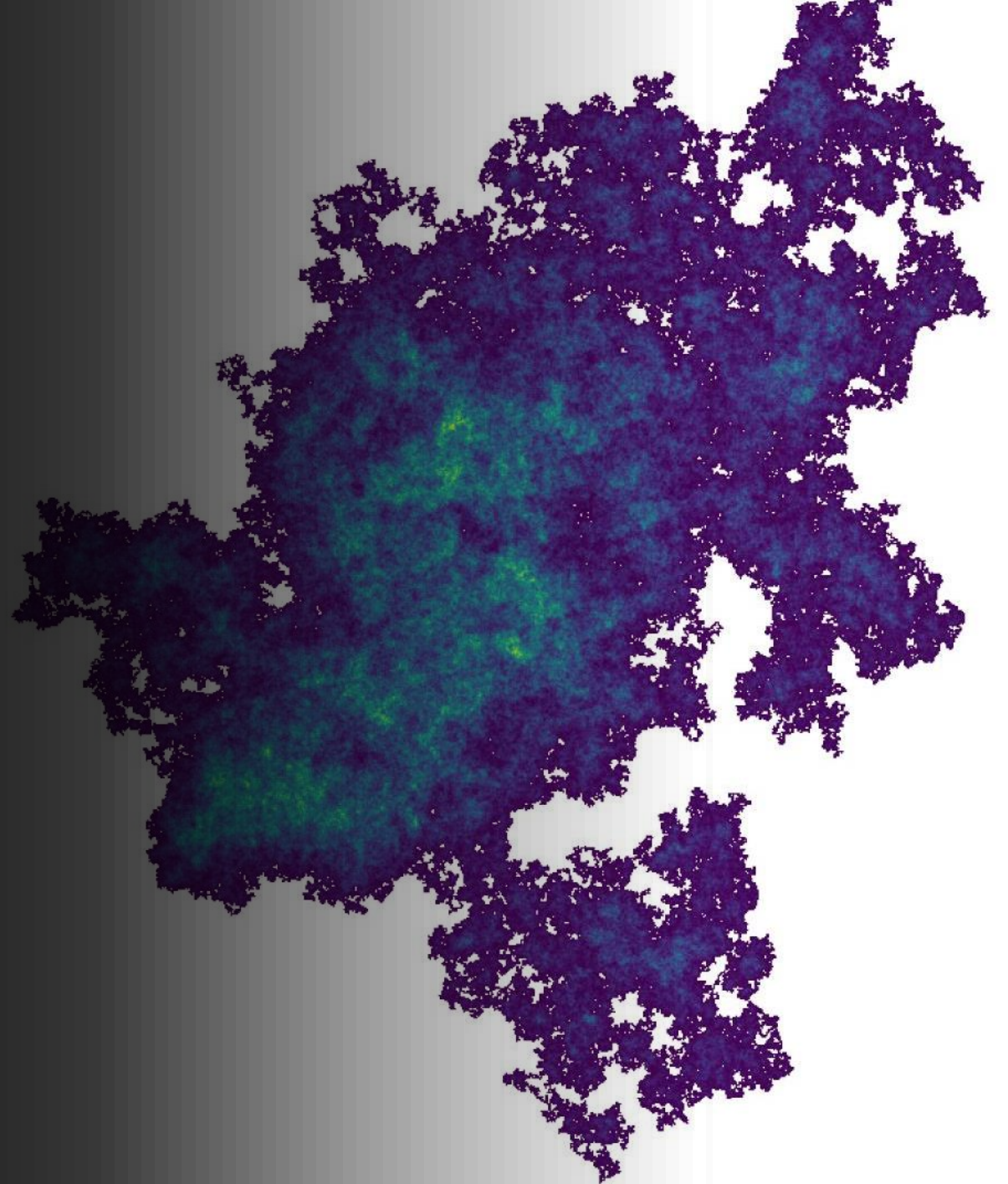
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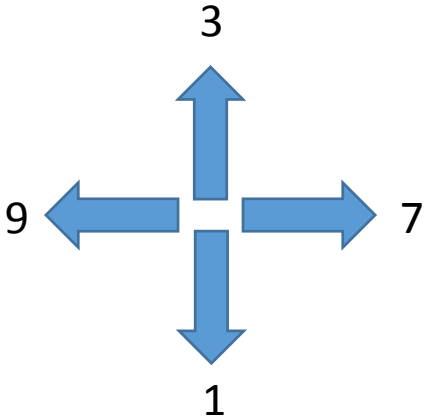


THAT'S THE
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Prime numbers and random
walks in a square grid



Original PW. (Let's call it A1)



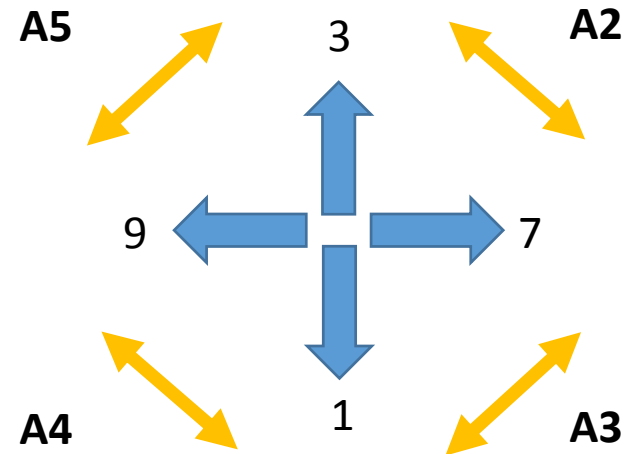
Possible “nonequivalent” algorithms?

Yellow arrow means changing
3 for 7 in algorithm A1
(leaving other numbers untouched)

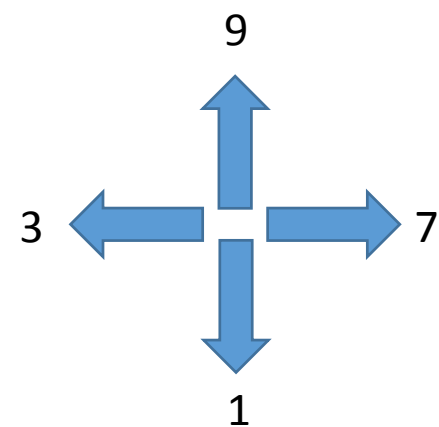
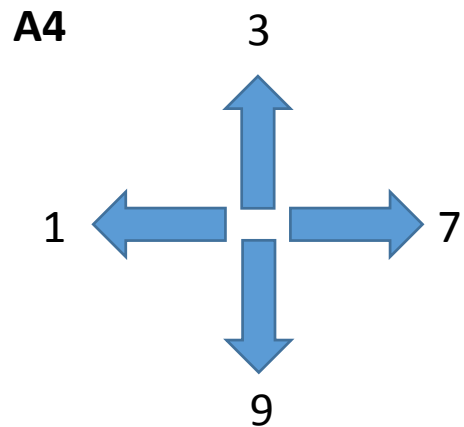
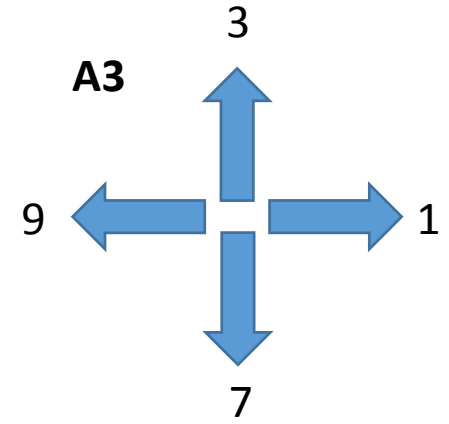
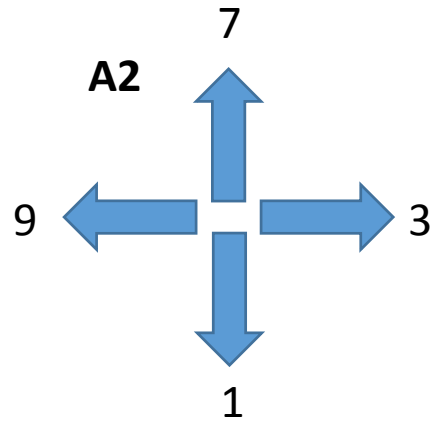
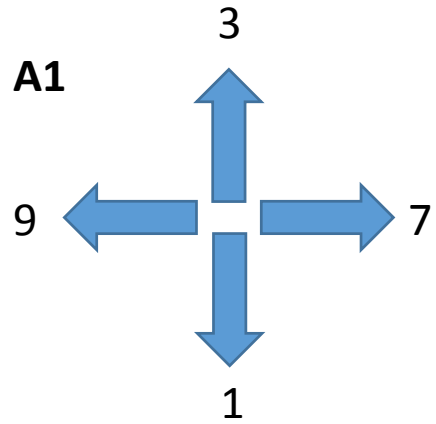
→ This creates Algorithm A2

Same for the rest.

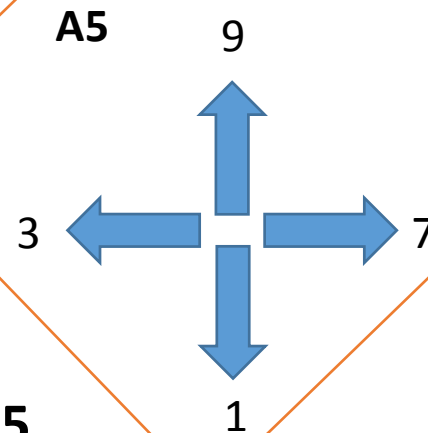
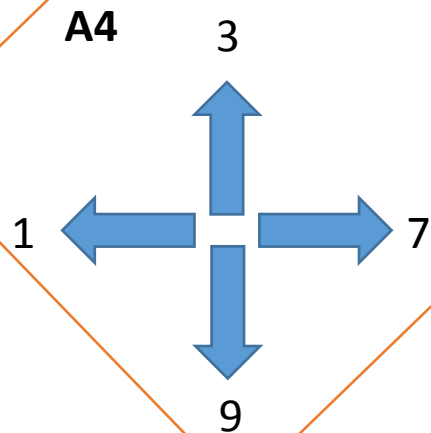
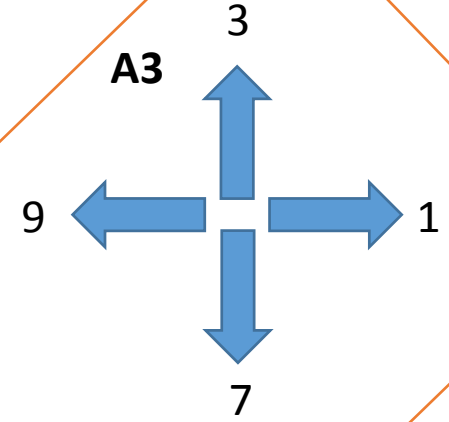
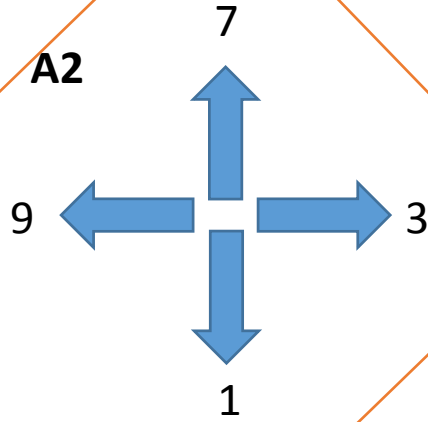
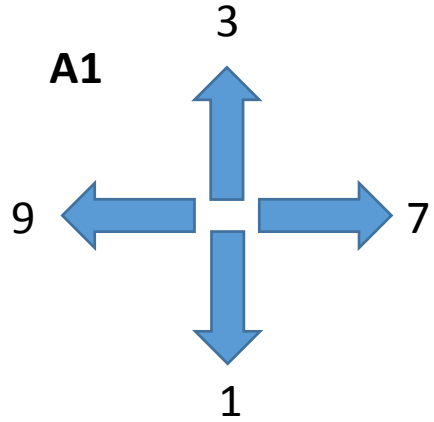
The rest are symmetries
or rotations.



Possible “nonequivalent” algorithms: 5?



Nonequivalent" algorithms: 5? NO. Just 3



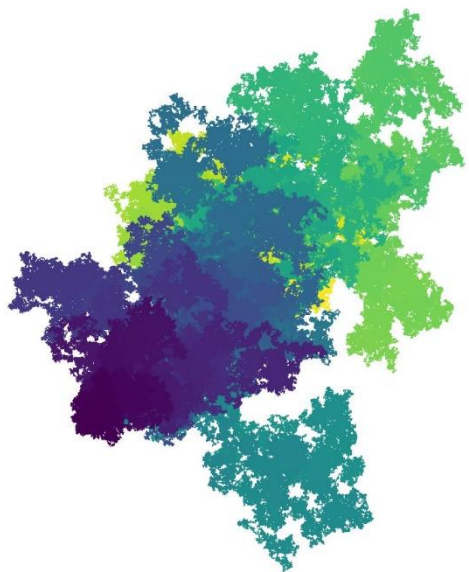
A2 = A4

& A3 = A5

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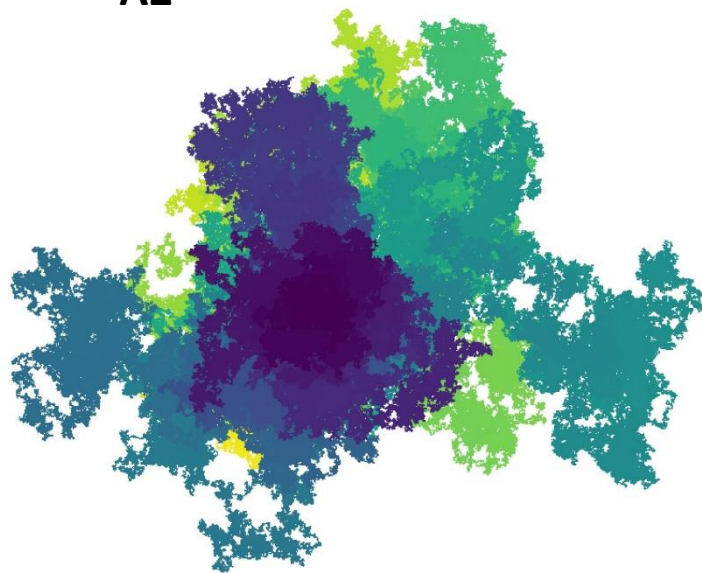
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A1



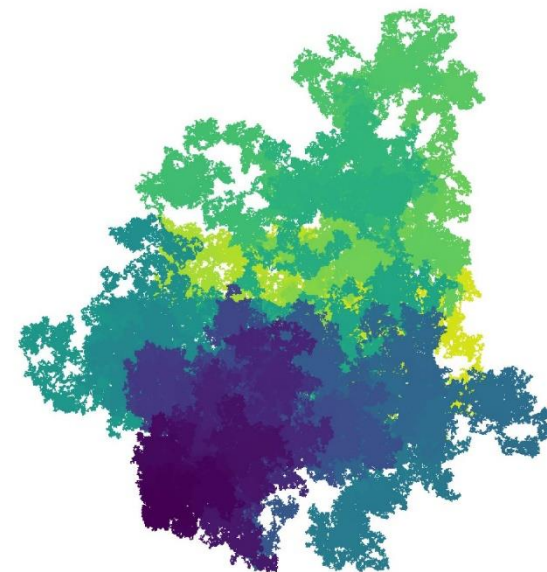
A = 245970

A2



A2 = 271026

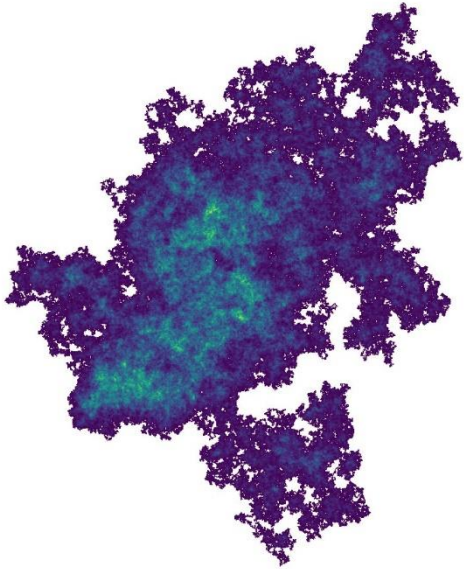
A3



A3 = 209327

$N=10E8$

A1

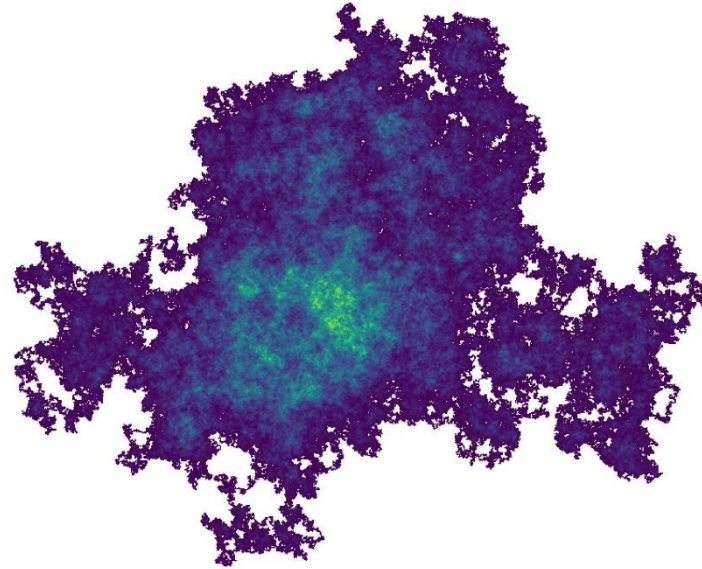


A = 245970

$Z_M = 3126$

V = 768,902,220

A2

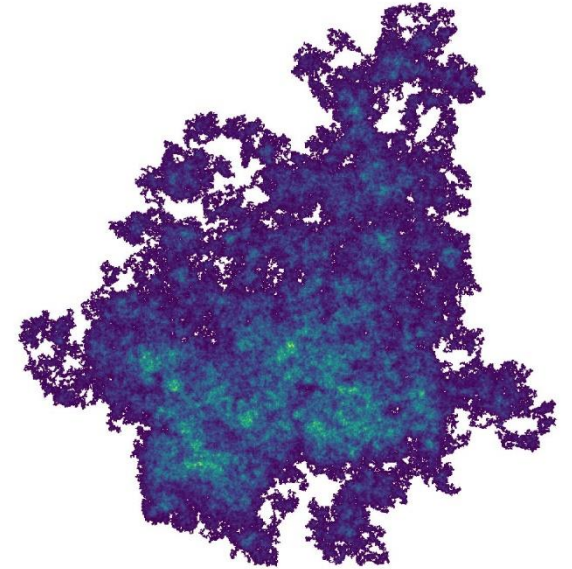


A2 = 271026

$Z_M = 2646$

V = 717,134,796

A3

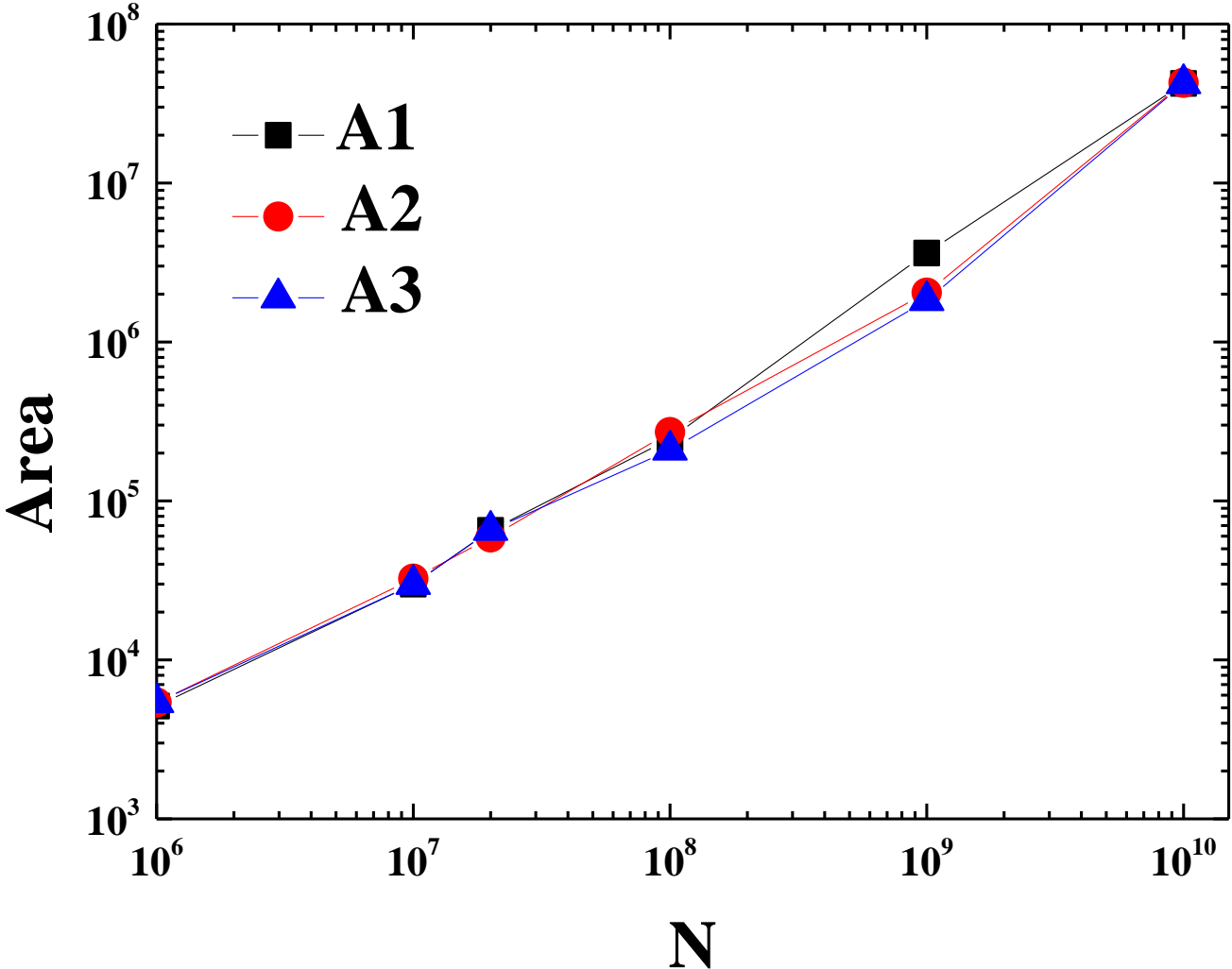


A3 = 209327

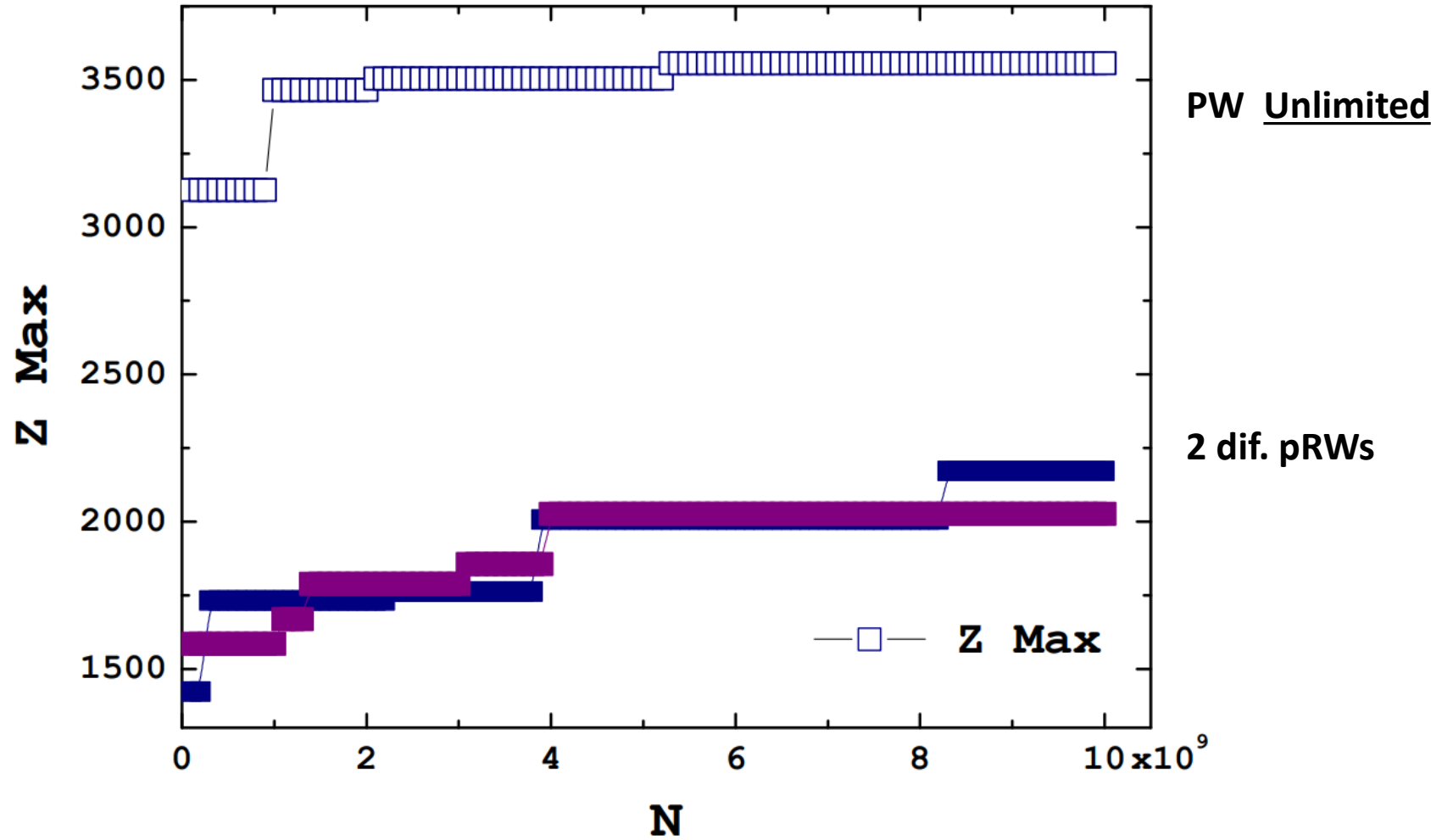
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V = 855,728,776

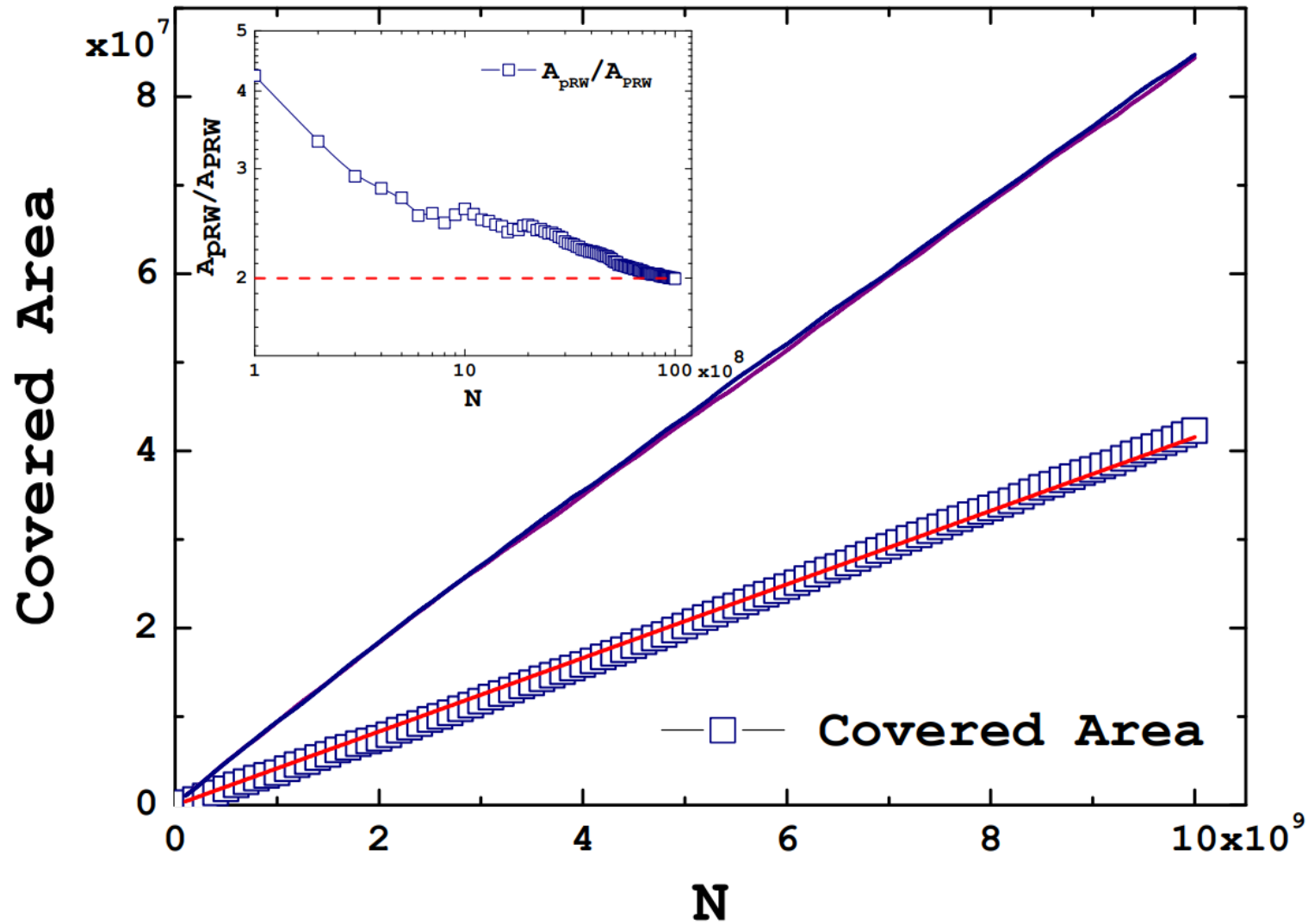
Area



Z Max



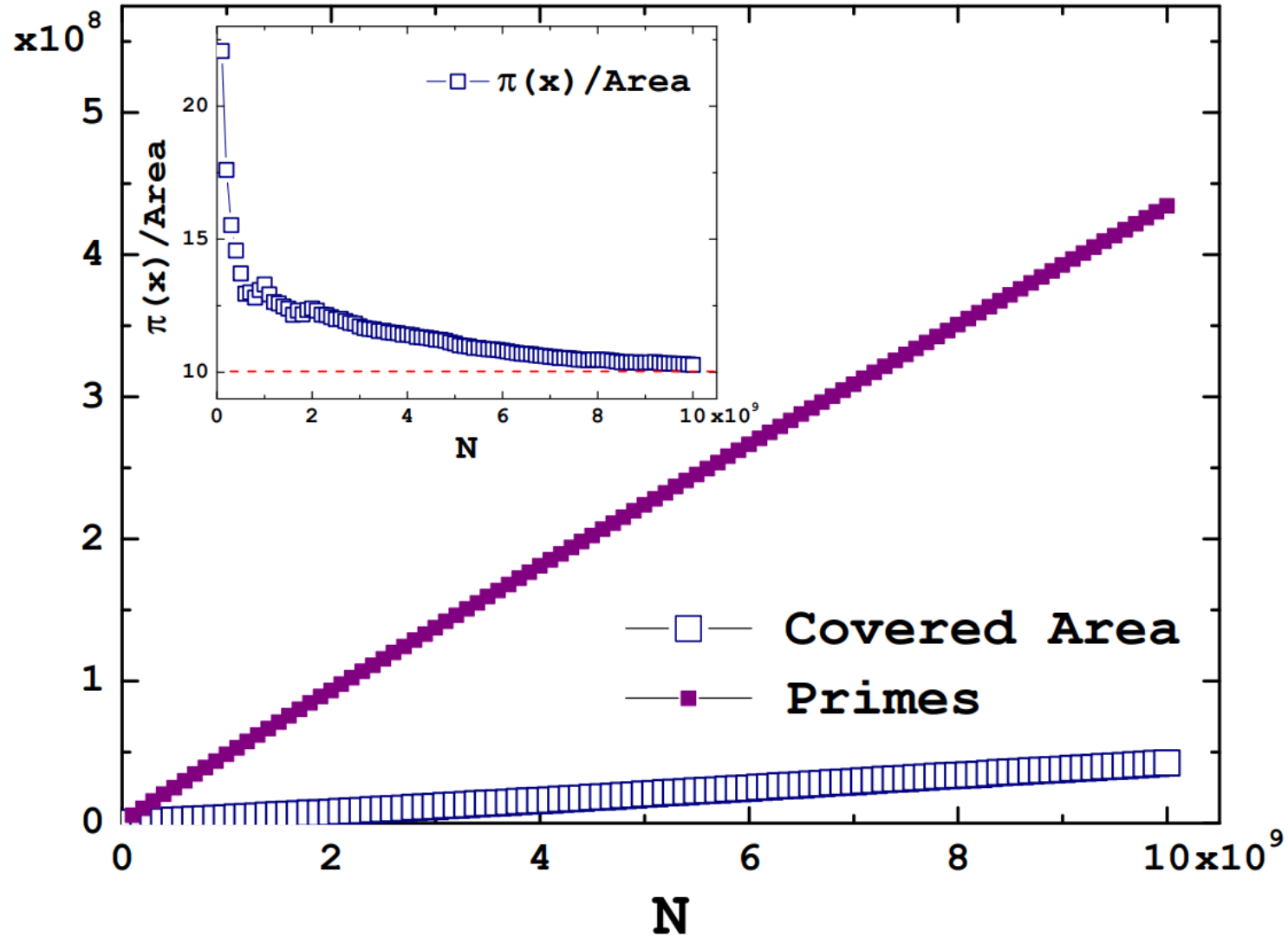
PW vs pseudoRW



lim = 2.0 ?

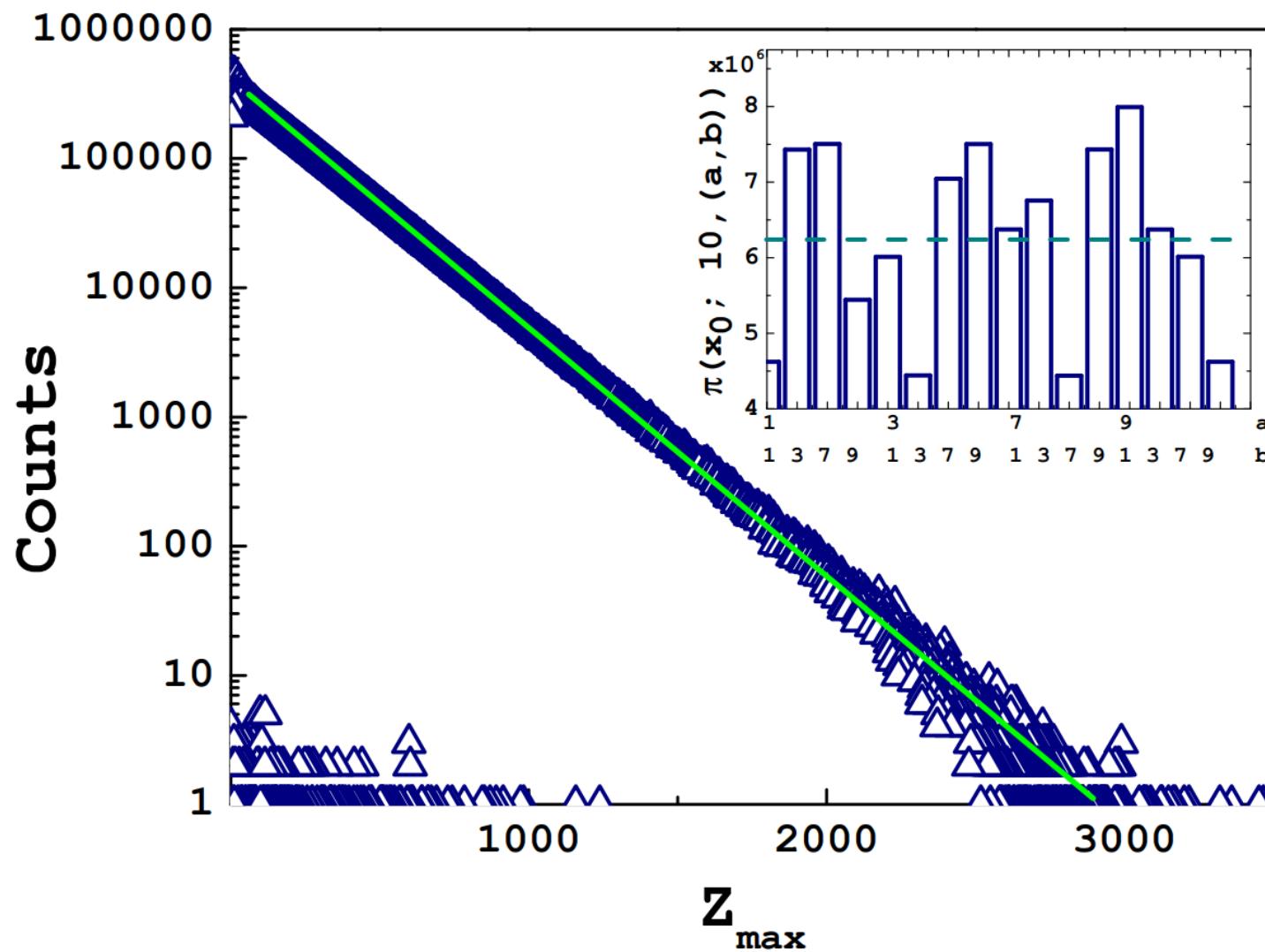
— □ — Covered Area

Area vs Number of primes



lim = 10.0 ?

Why?



Chebyshev's bias ?

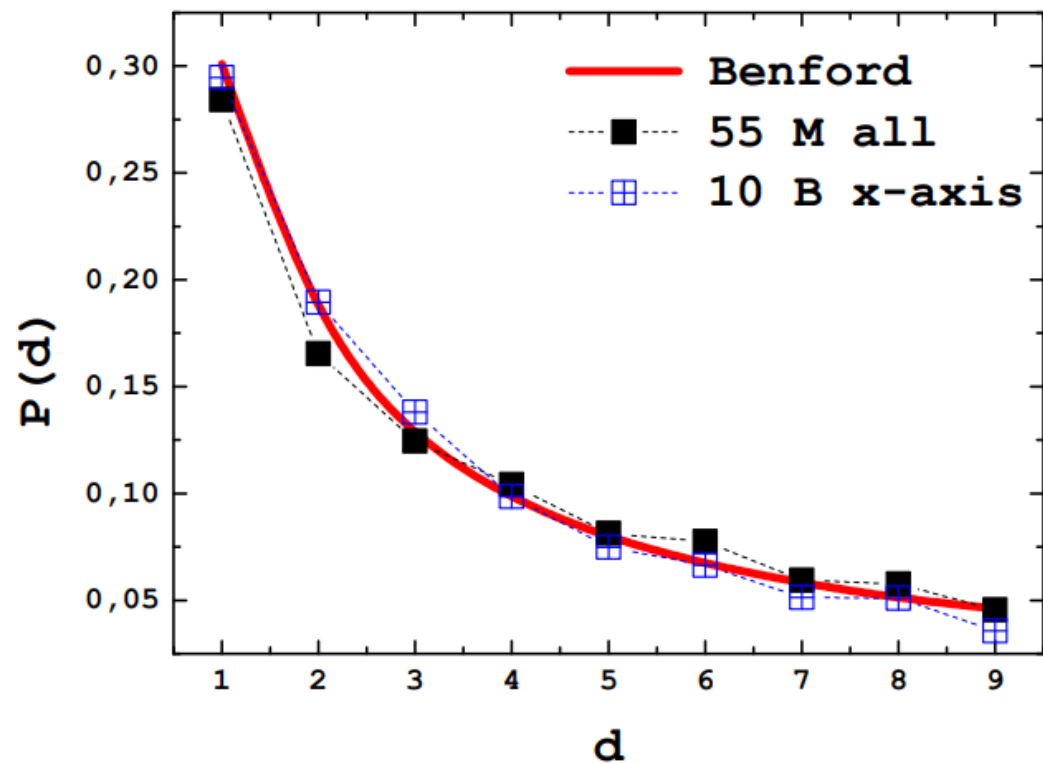


FIG. 6. (color online) Leading digit histogram of the z_{\max} values (PW up to $5.5 \cdot 10^7$). The proportion of each of the z_{\max} values is shown in black squares. Blue squares are another example, here up to 10^9 , but the (x, y) points considered are only those in the x axis. The expected values according to Benford's law are shown by the red curve.

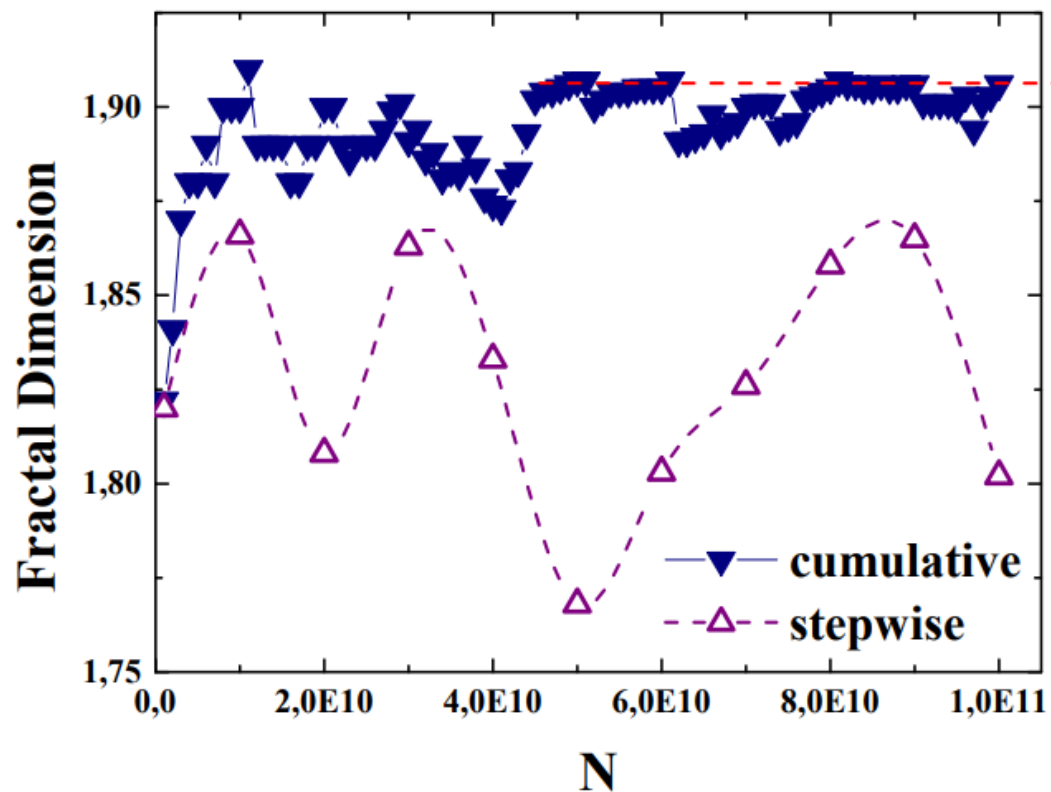
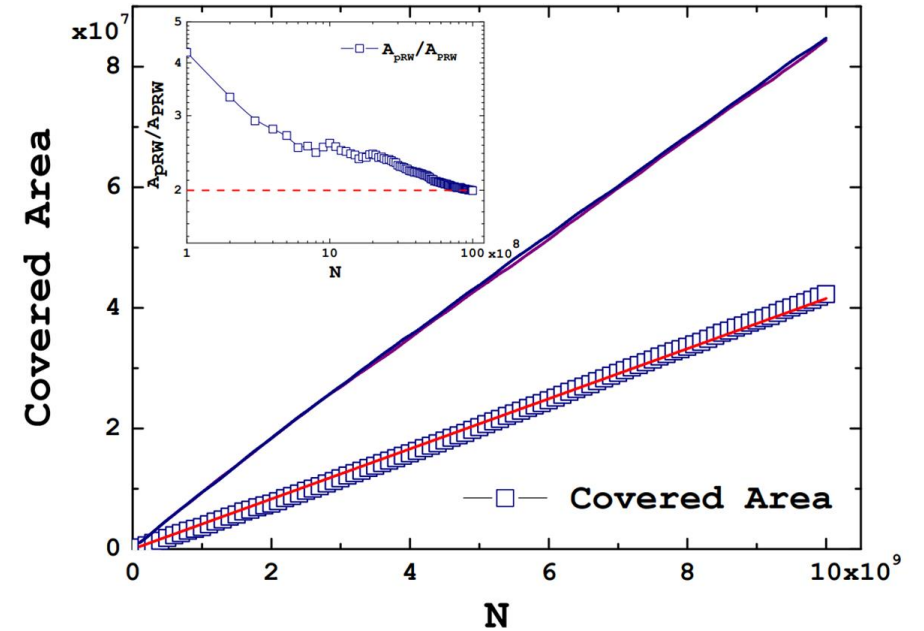


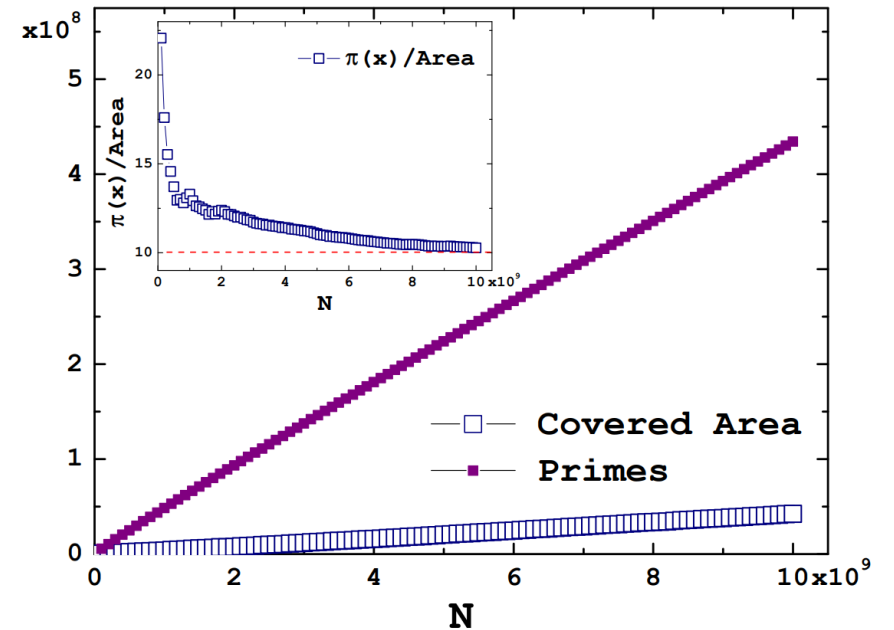
FIG. 7. Fractal dimension vs N calculated in a cumulative way (blue inverted triangles) and in steps of 10^8 (magenta empty triangles).

2 Big Open Questions

I $A_{pRW}/A_{pW} = 2.0$ when $N \rightarrow \infty$



II $\pi(N)/A_{pW} = 10.0$ when $N \rightarrow \infty$



III ...

To think

“Simple” algorithm

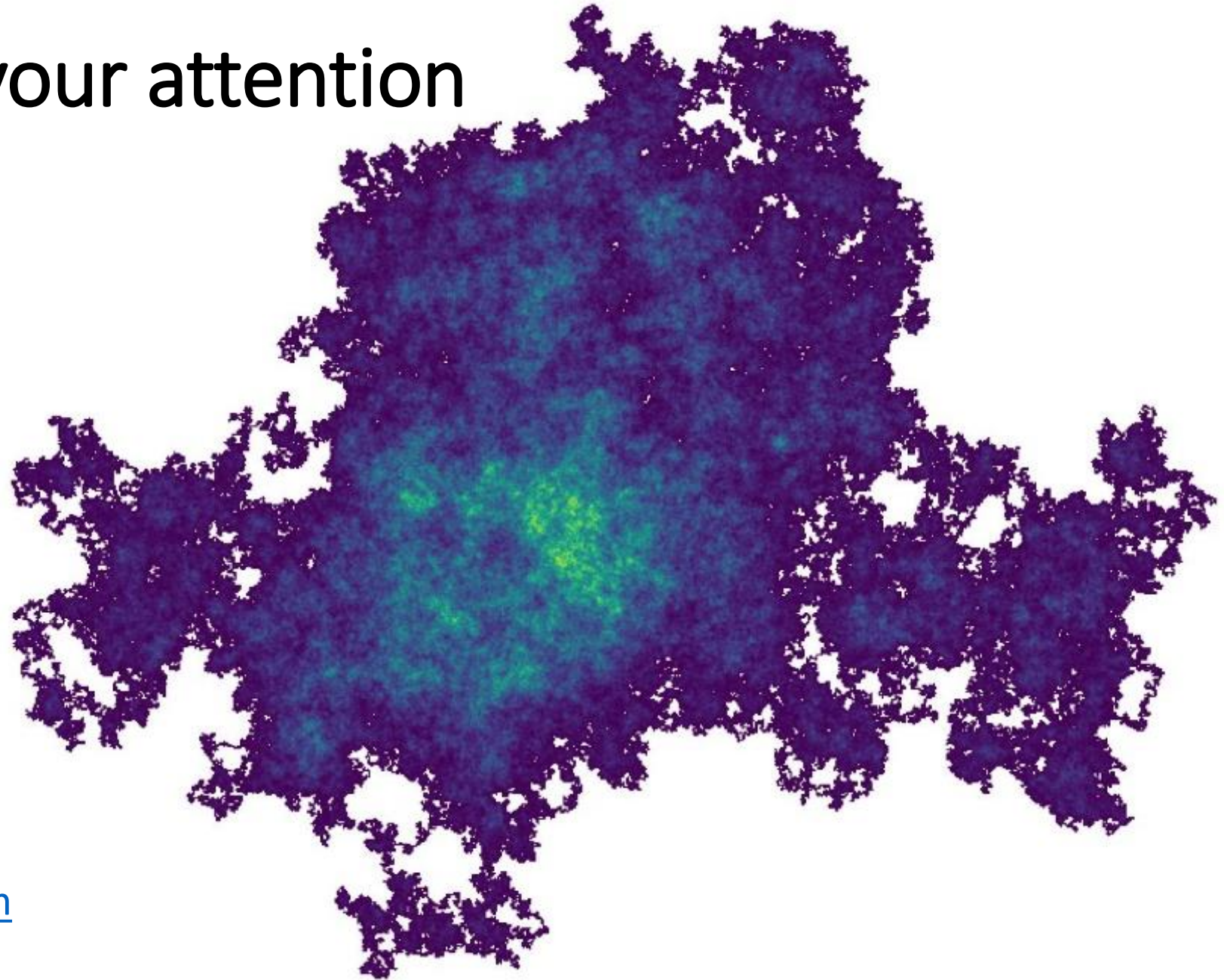
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sequence of “random” numbers

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“order” ??

Thank you for your attention



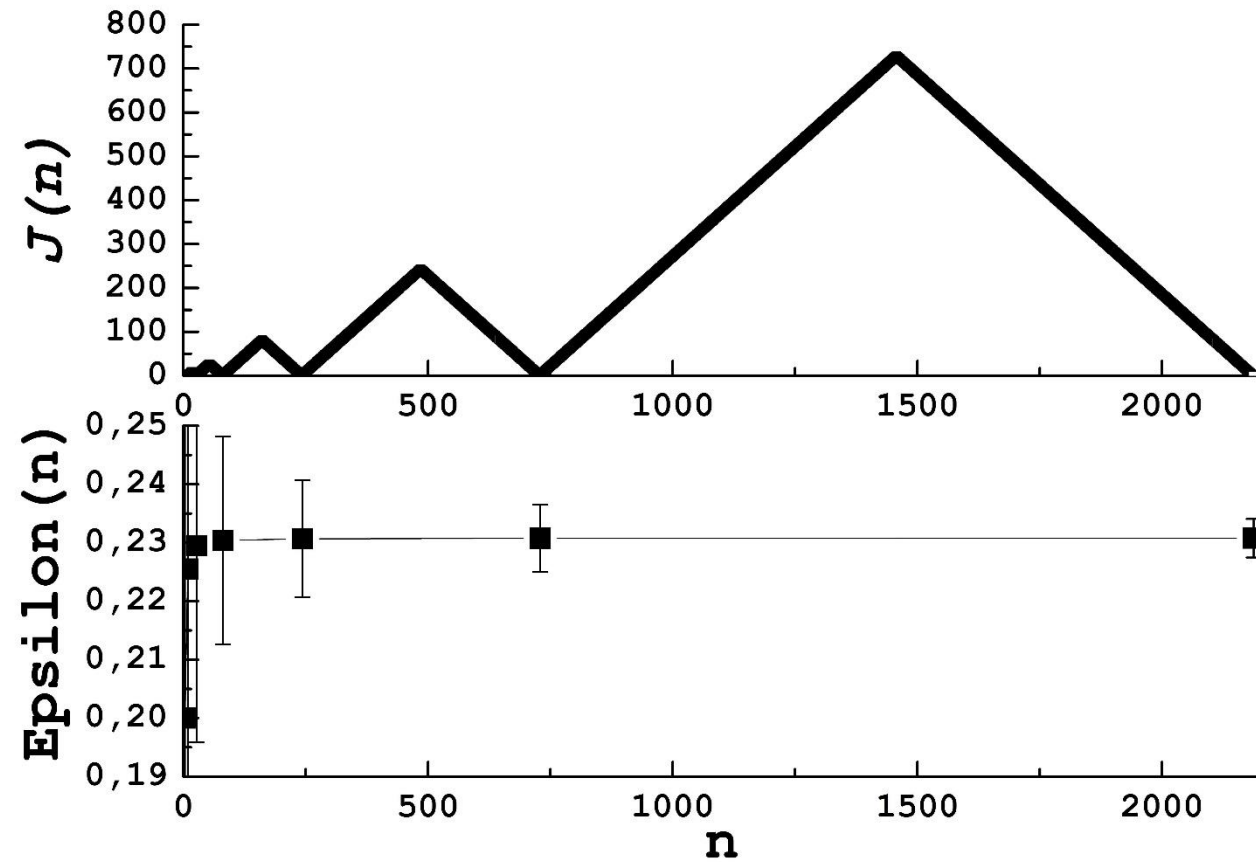
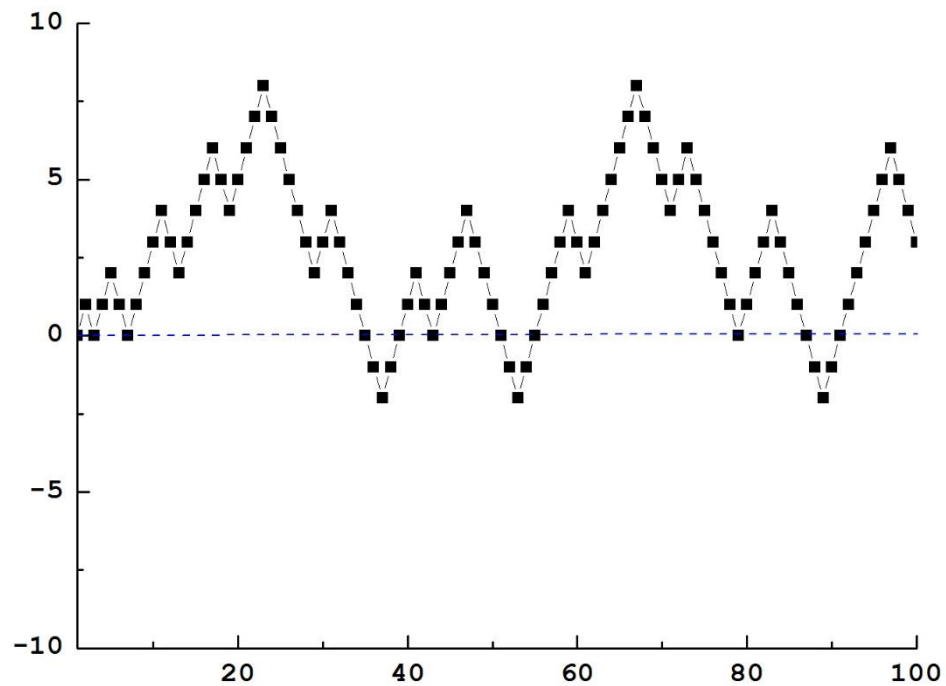
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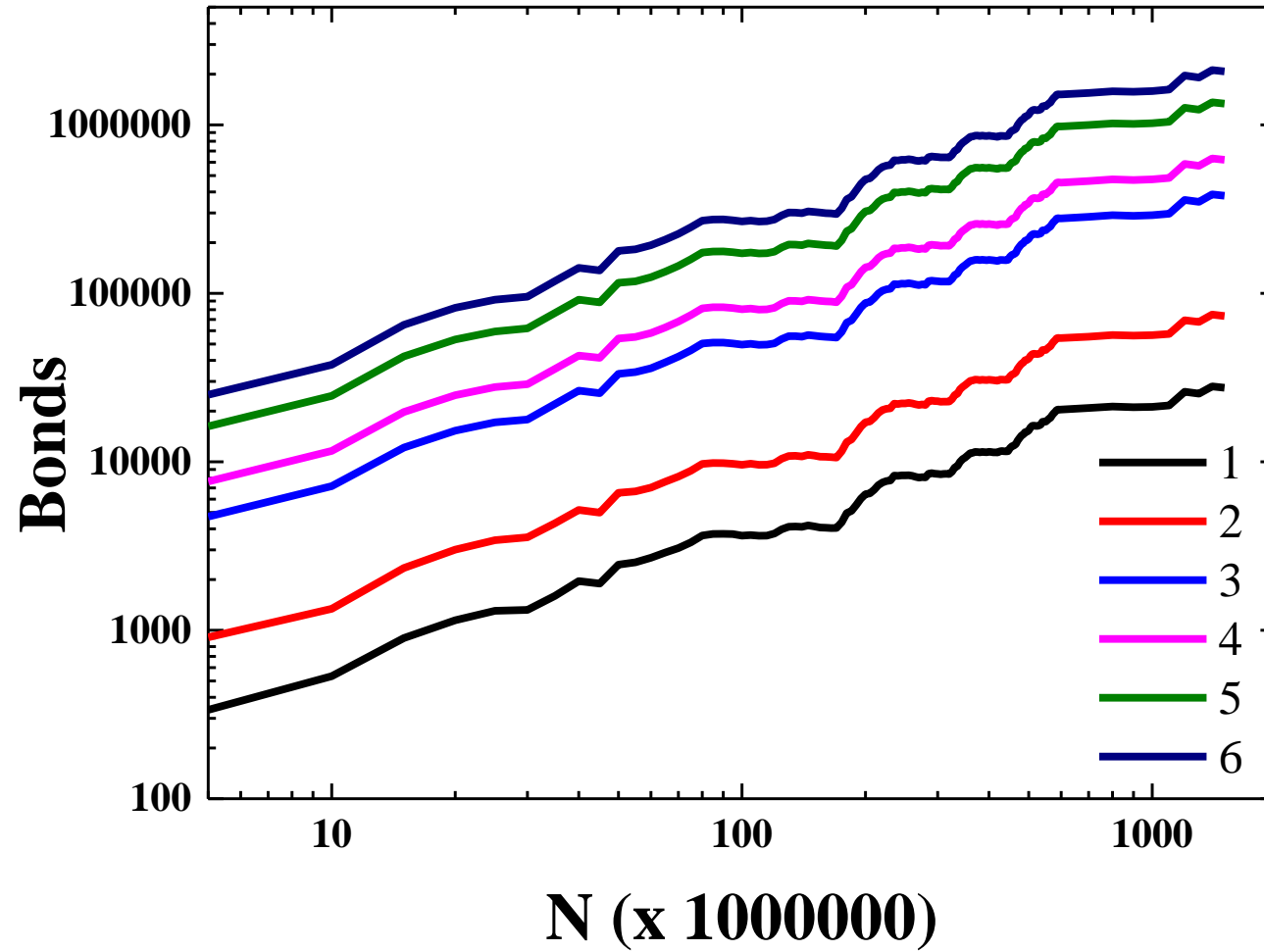
Conclusions

| Interval | Zeroes | Primes | $n/\log n$ | Diff (%) | Average gap Γ |
|------------------------|---------|--------|------------|----------|----------------------|
| $[1, 10^2]$ | 10 | 5 | 4.342 | 13.16 | 9.2 |
| $[1, 10^3]$ | 16 | 6 | 5.770 | 3.82 | 9.25 |
| $[1, 10^4]$ | 59 | 21 | 14.469 | 31.09 | 36.20 |
| $[1, 10^5]$ | 139 | 36 | 28.169 | 21.75 | 526.57 |
| $[1, 10^6]$ | 151 | 37 | 30.096 | 18.65 | 1503.97 |
| $[1, 10^7]$ | 151 | 37 | 30.096 | 18.65 | 1503.97 |
| $[1, 10^8]$ | 2,415 | 313 | 310.034 | 0.947 | 40170.11 |
| $[1, 10^9]$ | 7,730 | 846 | 863.41 | -2.058 | 887722.55 |
| $[1, 10^{10}]$ | 11,631 | 1,161 | 1,242.438 | -7.014 | 523588.07 |
| $[1, 10^{11}]$ | 11,631 | 1,161 | 1,242.438 | -7.014 | 523588.07 |
| $[1, 8 \cdot 10^{11}]$ | 194,530 | 14,556 | 15,973 | -9.734 | 2750072.04 |

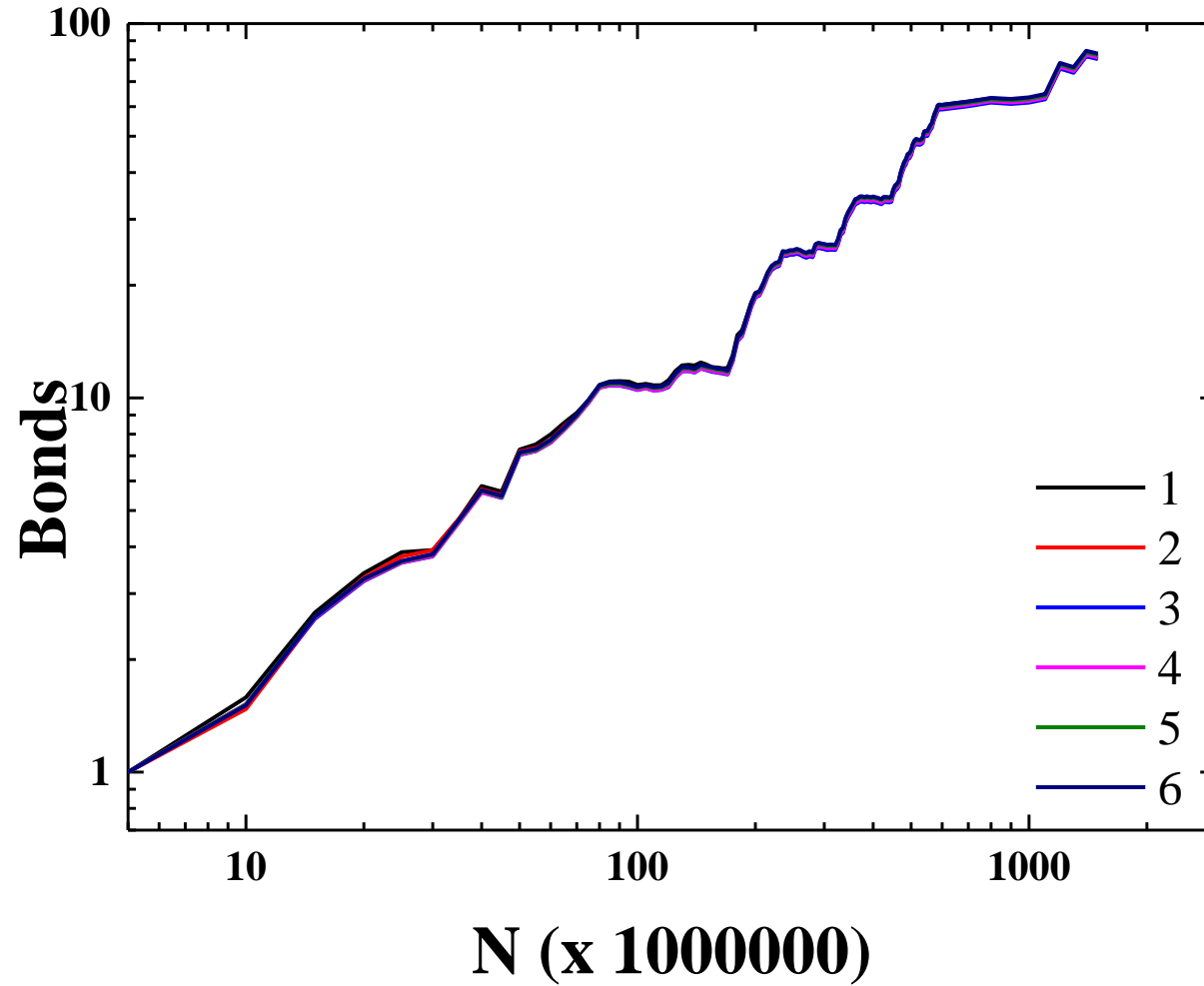
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