

# The Turkish Sieve Methodology: Deterministic Computation of Twin and Cousin Prime Pairs Using an $N/6$ Bit Data Structure

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## Abstract

This study presents the **Turkish Sieve Methodology**, an approach for prime number computation that addresses the memory intensity and modular arithmetic constraints of traditional sieve algorithms. The proposed method achieves an  $N/6$  bit data structure for identifying **twin**  $(p, p + 2)$  and **cousin**  $(p, p + 4)$  prime pairs, improving upon the  $N/3$  bit density currently recognized in the literature.

Existing theoretical approaches for detecting twin and cousin primes are often limited to mathematical formulations and remain untested on massive datasets due to high memory costs and processing bottlenecks. This work introduces a mechanism that reduces candidate pair sequences to an  $N/6$  bit structure and transforms the entire elimination process into an integer-addition-based operation optimized for high-performance CPU/GPU cores.

By replacing modular arithmetic with deterministic rhythmic progression and bitwise operations, the model was tested up to a limit of  $2 \times 10^{11}$ . Due to its inherently parallelizable structure, computations at the  $10^{12}$  limit were completed within seconds using standard hardware configurations on GPU architecture, thereby increasing the computational feasibility for researchers in this field.

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# 1 Introduction and Background

One of the most profound problems in prime number theory is the distribution of primes along the number line. Specifically, *Twin Prime* pairs  $(p, p + 2)$ , represented by  $\pi_2(x)$ , and *Cousin Prime* pairs  $(p, p + 4)$ , represented by  $\pi_4(x)$ , are not merely numerical curiosities; they contain critical patterns regarding the underlying mechanisms of prime generation. While problems such as the "Twin Prime Conjecture" remain open questions in modern mathematics, the computation of these primes at very high limits ( $N > 10^{12}$ ) has become a significant challenge in computer science and High-Performance Computing (HPC).

Traditional sieve algorithms (e.g., Sieve of Eratosthenes, Sieve of Atkin) encounter two fundamental bottlenecks as limits increase:

1. **Modular Arithmetic Overhead:** Standard sieving processes rely on expensive modulo and division operations for each candidate. In processor architectures, these instructions consume significantly more clock cycles than simple addition and bitwise operations. As  $N$  grows, this overhead renders computation times impractical.
2. **Memory Wall:** The most efficient "Bit Sieves" in the literature utilize the  $6k \pm 1$  form of prime candidates, operating with a theoretical memory limit of  $N/3$  bits. However, at limits such as  $N = 10^{12}$ , even this  $N/3$  requirement exceeds the physical RAM capacity of standard hardware, forcing the system into disk I/O operations and dramatically reducing performance.

A review of the literature reveals that while there are many general studies on prime detection, optimized algorithm designs specifically for twin or cousin primes are rare. This study provides a high-performance, deterministic tool for the scientific community researching prime gaps and the distribution of twin-cousin pairs.

The **Turkish Sieve Methodology** transcends mere mathematical formulation, offering a flexible software architecture designed for seamless integration with libraries such as **GMP** and high-performance parallelization across CPU and GPU architectures. By adopting an engineering-driven approach, this methodology compresses the conventional  $N/3$  bit memory requirement into a more efficient  $N/6$  bit data structure. By replacing modular arithmetic with high-speed bitwise operations and the principle of "**Rhythmic Resetting**", the algorithm establishes a new efficiency benchmark for large-scale prime number research.

## 2 Methodology

The Turkish Sieve Methodology focuses on deterministic recurring patterns exhibited by composite numbers. It is an approach that avoids modular arithmetic and utilizes rhythmic bit manipulations to overcome memory bottlenecks. To ensure the methodology is easily understood, Figure 1 has been provided to facilitate the conceptualization of the theoretical framework, formulations, and algorithms through a structured visual representation.

For Twin Primes			
idx	n	6n-1	6n+1
0	1	5	7
1	2	11	13
2	3	17	19
3	4	23	25
4	5	29	31
5	6	35	37
6	7	41	43
7	8	47	49
8	9	53	55
9	10	59	61
10	11	65	67
11	12	71	73
12	13	77	79
13	14	83	85
14	15	89	91
15	16	95	97
16	17	101	103
17	18	107	109
18	19	113	115
19	20	119	121
20	21	125	127
21	22	131	133
22	23	137	139
23	24	143	145
24	25	149	151
25	26	155	157
26	27	161	163

For Cousin Primes			
idx	n	6n+1	6n+5
0	0	1	5
1	1	7	11
2	2	13	17
3	3	19	23
4	4	25	29
5	5	31	35
6	6	37	41
7	7	43	47
8	8	49	53
9	9	55	59
10	10	61	65
11	11	67	71
12	12	73	77
13	13	79	83
14	14	85	89
15	15	91	95
16	16	97	101
17	17	103	107
18	18	109	113
19	19	115	119
20	20	121	125
21	21	127	131
22	22	133	137
23	23	139	143
24	24	145	149
25	25	151	155
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Figure 1: Candidates for Twin and Cousin Primes

### 2.1 Twin Prime Arrangement

Specifically for twin primes, our methodology excludes the primes 2 and 3, focusing on the odd number space constrained to the  $6n \pm 1$  form. As shown in the left section of Figure 1, candidates starting from  $n \geq 1$  are organized into two columns:

- **Left Column:** The  $6n - 1$  form, starting at 5 and incrementing by 6.
- **Right Column:** The  $6n + 1$  form, starting at 7 and incrementing by 6.

In this arrangement, twin prime candidates automatically align in each row. By definition, twin prime pairs must follow the  $(6n - 1, 6n + 1)$  structure with a difference of 2, and this structure is presented by our methodology as a natural data alignment.

## 2.2 Cousin Prime Arrangement

Following the same principle, the methodology for cousin primes also excludes 2 and 3, but constrains the workspace to numbers in the  $6n + 1$  and  $6n + 5$  forms. As shown in the right section of Figure 1, for  $n \geq 0$ :

- **Left Column:** The  $6n + 1$  form, starting at 1 and incrementing by 6.
- **Right Column:** The  $6n + 5$  form, starting at 5 and incrementing by 6.

In this configuration, cousin candidates  $(6n + 1, 6n + 5)$  with a difference of 4 are paired in each row. The flexibility of the algorithm allows the same core structure to be used for both prime types by merely adjusting the initial parameters.

## 2.3 Index Structure and $N/6$ Efficiency

In addition to the number columns, **index (idx)** columns representing the  $n$  values and their corresponding algorithmic bits have been integrated. In traditional approaches, representing each odd number or  $6k \pm 1$  candidate separately necessitates a minimum of  $N/3$  bits. In the Turkish Sieve approach, it is sufficient to represent the row containing both candidates with a single  $n$  (index) value. This reduces the memory requirement directly to  $N/6$  bits, effectively doubling the data density compared to current standards in the literature.

# 3 Formulations

The Turkish Sieve methodology reduces the candidate twin and cousin prime pairs within the interval  $[1, N]$  into a deterministic  $n$ -index structure. This approach pulls the memory footprint down to  $N/6$  bits while transforming the elimination process into an addition-based rhythmic cycle.

## 3.1 Notation and Symbolology

The following definitions are established to clarify the mathematical expressions used in this section:

- **$L$**  : The maximum index (limit) value to be scanned relative to the defined limit  $N$ .
- **$P_{\sqrt{N}}$**  : The Base Prime Sequence containing all operator primes up to  $\sqrt{N}$ . (Determined via classical sieves or the Turkish Sieve in a pre-processing stage.)
- **$p$**  : An individual prime operator within the base prime sequence.
- **$n_1, n_2$**  : Initial indices for the elimination process on the candidate columns.
- **$E_{ni}(p)$**  : The set of elimination steps performed on the candidate index sequence associated with prime  $p$ .
- **$t$**  : An integer value defining the rhythmic progression within the elimination loop ( $t \in \mathbb{N}_0$ ).
- **$\mathcal{S}$**  : The Solution Set under the defined constraints.

### 3.2 Twin Prime Formulation

**Definition 3.1** (Computational Space and Limit). *For a given upper limit  $N \in \mathbb{N}^+$ , the maximum index  $L$  is defined based on the right-column candidate  $(6n + 1)$  through the inequality  $N \leq 6n + 1$  as follows:*

$$L = \left\lfloor \frac{N + 1}{6} \right\rfloor \quad (1)$$

**Theorem 3.1** (Quadratic Form Stability). *Every element in the universe  $U = \{6n \pm 1\}$  has a square that is invariably of the form  $6t + 1$  ( $t \in \mathbb{N}$ ). This ensures that the elimination process for any prime  $p$  always commences from the right column  $(6n + 1)$ .*

*Proof.* Every element  $x$  in the set  $U$  is congruent to either 1 or 5 (mod 6). Examining the squares for both cases:

- **Case A:**  $x \equiv 1 \pmod{6} \implies x^2 = (6n + 1)^2 = 36n^2 + 12n + 1 = 6(6n^2 + 2n) + 1 \equiv 1 \pmod{6}$
- **Case B:**  $x \equiv 5 \equiv -1 \pmod{6} \implies x^2 = (6n - 1)^2 = 36n^2 - 12n + 1 = 6(6n^2 - 2n) + 1 \equiv 1 \pmod{6}$

Thus,  $\forall x \in U$ , there exists  $t \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $x^2 = 6t + 1$ . This proof guarantees that the multiples of any prime  $p$  will always begin their elimination from the right column  $(6n + 1)$ , providing a more restrictive and computationally efficient result than the general  $8k + 1$  property known in the literature.  $\square$

**Definition 3.2** (Rhythmic Initial Indices). *For each prime  $p$  in the Base Prime Sequence  $P_{\sqrt{N}} = \{p \in U \mid p \text{ is prime}, p \leq \sqrt{N}\}$ , two primary starting points are determined:*

1.  $n_1(p) = \frac{p^2 - 1}{6}$  (The index of the prime's own square, i.e., right-wing start).
2.  $n_2(p) = \min\{n \in \mathbb{N}^+ \mid p \mid (6n - 1), 6n - 1 > p^2\}$  (The index of the first  $6n - 1$  candidate divisible by  $p$  after  $p^2$ , i.e., left-wing start).

**Theorem 3.2** (Rhythmic Progression Stability). *Let  $p > 3$  be a prime and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  be an initial index; the next candidate index containing the factor  $p$  in the  $6n \pm 1$  form is  $n + p$ .*

*Proof.* In the set defined by  $6n \pm 1$ , the difference between consecutive candidates that are multiples of a prime  $p$  is  $6p$ . This occurs because intermediate multiples (such as  $2p, 3p, 4p$ ) are divisible by 2 or 3, and are thus inherently excluded from the  $6n \pm 1$  candidate set. An increment of  $6p$  on the number line corresponds to a constant displacement of  $\frac{6p}{6} = p$  within the  $n$ -index structure. This confirms that the elimination process can be executed through the linear iteration  $n \leftarrow n + p$ , entirely bypassing the need for modular arithmetic.  $\square$

**Definition 3.3** (Composite Index Sets and Lower Bound). *For the smallest prime  $p = 5$ , the initial indices are  $n_1(5) = 4$  and  $n_2(5) = 6$ . Thus, the set of composite indices  $\mathcal{S}_{Twin}$  within  $[1, L]$  is defined by:*

$$\mathcal{S}_{Twin} = \bigcup_{p \in P_{\sqrt{N}}} (E_{n_1}(p) \cup E_{n_2}(p)) \subseteq \{4, 6, \dots, L\} \quad (2)$$

where  $E_{n_i}(p) = \{n_i(p) + p \cdot t \mid t \in \mathbb{N}_0, \text{result} \leq L\}$ . This ensures that indices  $n < 4$  are exempt from elimination.

The twin prime pair  $(3, 5)$  is outside this indexing by definition and must be manually included in the final count.

### 3.3 Cousin Prime Formulation

**Definition 3.4** (Cousin Candidate Space). *Cousin primes are searched via  $(6n+1, 6n+5)$  pairs within  $[1, N]$ . The maximum index limit is  $L = \lfloor \frac{N-5}{6} \rfloor$ . Since  $n = 0$  yields  $(1, 5)$  and 1 is not prime, this index is excluded.*

**Definition 3.5** (Rhythmic Initial Indices). *For each  $p \in P_{\sqrt{N}}$ ,  $p^2$  is always a left-wing candidate  $(6n+1)$ . The starting points are:*

1.  $n_1(p) = \frac{p^2-1}{6}$  (Left-wing start).
2.  $n_2(p) = \min\{n \in \mathbb{N}^+ \mid p \mid (6n+5), 6n+5 > p^2\}$  (Right-wing start).

**Definition 3.6** (Cousin Composite Set). *For  $p = 5$ , the initial indices are  $n_1(5) = 4$  and  $n_2(5) = 5$ . The composite set  $\mathcal{S}_{Cousin}$  is:*

$$\mathcal{S}_{Cousin} = \bigcup_{p \in P_{\sqrt{N}}} (E_{n_1}(p) \cup E_{n_2}(p)) \subseteq \{4, 5, \dots, L\} \quad (3)$$

This ensures that indices  $n \in \{1, 2, 3\}$  remain as potential cousin prime candidates.

The pair  $(3, 7)$  is added externally to ensure completeness for cousin primes.

### 3.4 Verification and Completeness Analysis

Manual elimination for  $N = 200$  was conducted to verify the formulation. The surviving  $n$  indices and resulting pairs are categorized below. Exceptional pairs **(3, 5)** and **(3, 7)** are included.

Table 1: Twin and Cousin Prime Parameters and Elimination Indices for  $N = 200$

Prime ( $m$ )	$m^2$	Type	$n_1$	$n_2$	Start	Eliminated $n$ Indices ( $n \leq 33$ )
<b>5</b>	25	Twin	4	6	25, 35	4, 6, 9, 11, 14, 16, 19, 21, 24, 26, 29, 31
		Cousin	4	5	25, 35	4, 5, 9, 10, 14, 15, 19, 20, 24, 25, 29, 30
<b>7</b>	49	Twin	8	13	49, 77	8, 13, 15, 20, 22, 27, 29
		Cousin	8	12	49, 77	8, 12, 15, 19, 22, 26, 29, 33
<b>11</b>	121	Twin	20	24	121, 143	20, 24, 31
		Cousin	20	23	121, 143	20, 23, 31
<b>13</b>	169	Twin	28	15	169, 89*	28
		Cousin	28	15	169, 95*	28

**Example (Twin):**

- Exception:  $(3, 5)$
- $n=1\dots 3$ :  $(5, 7)$ ,  $(11, 13)$ ,  $(17, 19)$
- $n=32, 33$ :  $(191, 193)$ ,  $(197, 199)$
- **Total:** 15 pairs.

**Example (Cousin):**

- Exception:  $(3, 7)$
- $n=1\dots 3$ :  $(7, 11)$ ,  $(13, 17)$ ,  $(19, 23)$
- $n=32$ :  $(193, 197)$
- **Total:** 14 pairs.

Manual tests confirm that the Turkish Sieve formulation identifies all twin and cousin primes up to  $N$  in full alignment with established number theory literature. Figure 2 illustrates the initial state post-elimination.

For Twin Primes			
idx	n	$6n-1$	$6n+1$
0	1	5	7
1	2	11	13
2	3	17	19
3	4	23	25
4	5	29	31
5	6	35	37
6	7	41	43
7	8	47	49
8	9	53	55
9	10	59	61
10	11	65	67
11	12	71	73
12	13	77	79
13	14	83	85
14	15	89	91
15	16	95	97
16	17	101	103
17	18	107	109
18	19	113	115
19	20	119	121
20	21	125	127
21	22	131	133
22	23	137	139
23	24	143	145
24	25	149	151
25	26	155	157
26	27	161	163

For Cousin Primes			
idx	n	$6n+1$	$6n+5$
0	0	1	5
1	1	7	11
2	2	13	17
3	3	19	23
4	4	25	29
5	5	31	35
6	6	37	41
7	7	43	47
8	8	49	53
9	9	55	59
10	10	61	65
11	11	67	71
12	12	73	77
13	13	79	83
14	14	85	89
15	15	91	95
16	16	97	101
17	17	103	107
18	18	109	113
19	19	115	119
20	20	121	125
21	21	127	131
22	22	133	137
23	23	139	143
24	24	145	149
25	25	151	155
26	26	157	161

Figure 2: State After Elimination

## 4 Algorithmic Complexity and Performance Analysis

The performance superiority of the Turkish Sieve over classical methods is based on three primary pillars: memory hierarchy management, processor instruction set efficiency, and the mathematical reduction of candidate numbers.

### 4.1 Space Complexity

While classical sieve approaches allocate  $N/3$  memory units for the interval  $[1, N]$ , the Turkish Sieve utilizes a bitset of size  $L = \lfloor \frac{N+1}{6} \rfloor$ , containing only the  $n$ -indexed candidates.

- **Data Compression:** Since even numbers and multiples of 3 are excluded from the process, memory usage is directly reduced to a ratio of  $1/6$  ( $\approx 16.6\%$ ).
- **Cache-Friendly Structure:** Reducing the memory requirement to  $N/6$  increases the probability of data residing within the L2 and L3 caches of modern processors. This minimizes latency caused by Main Memory (RAM) access by reducing "Cache Miss" rates.

### 4.2 Time Complexity and Computational Load

Although the algorithm theoretically falls within the  $O(N \log \log N)$  complexity class, it is optimized in terms of constant factors:

1. **Zero Modular Operations:** Within the elimination loop, only **integer addition** ( $n \leftarrow n + p$ ) is used instead of **MOD** (%) or **DIV** (/) operations. In modern CPU architectures, addition instructions are processed 20 to 40 times faster than division instructions.
2. **Branch Prediction:** Since the elimination process proceeds in a linear memory addressing order, the processor (CPU/GPU) predicts the next step with high accuracy, preventing pipeline stalls.

### 4.3 Comparative Analysis

Table 2 summarizes the key differences between the Turkish Sieve and the classical Sieve of Eratosthenes (SoE):

Table 2: Comparison of the Turkish Sieve and Classical Sieve of Eratosthenes

Metric	Classical Sieve (SoE)	Turkish Sieve
<i>Memory Usage</i>	$N/3$ bits / bytes	$N/6$ bits
<i>Candidate Count</i>	$N$	$N/3$ (Index-based)
<i>Critical Operation</i>	Modular Arithmetic / Addition	Integer Addition Only
<i>Parallelization</i>	Segmented	Native Data Parallelism
<i>Cache Locality</i>	Low	High

### 4.4 Parallelization and SIMD Potential

The set union structure of the algorithm ( $S_N = \bigcup P_{ni}(p)$ ) allows the elimination process for each prime  $p$  to be executed independently. This structure provides high scalability for modern multi-core processors (multi-threading) and SIMD (Single Instruction, Multiple Data) vector instruction sets (e.g., AVX-512).



## 5 Algorithm Design and Pseudocode

The implementation of the Turkish Sieve leverages the rhythmic increment property to minimize processor cycles. The pseudocode below outlines the operational principle for both twin and cousin primes.

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**Algorithm:** Turkish Sieve (Twin and Cousin Primes)

**Input:**  $N$  (Upper Limit),  $Type$  (Twin or Cousin)

**Output:** List of related prime pairs within  $[1, N]$

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**1. Initialization:**

$L \leftarrow \lfloor (N + 1)/6 \rfloor$

$BitSet[L] \leftarrow$  Initialize all as **True** (1)

$P \leftarrow$  List of primes up to  $\sqrt{N}$   $\{5, 7, 11, \dots\}$

**2. Rhythmic Elimination:**

**For each**  $p \in P$ :

$n_1 \leftarrow (p^2 - 1)/6$

$n_2 \leftarrow$  Calculate first index of  $p$ 's multiple in the opposite column

*// Wing-based elimination*

**While**  $n_1 \leq L$ :

$BitSet[n_1] \leftarrow 0$

$n_1 \leftarrow n_1 + p$

**While**  $n_2 \leq L$ :

$BitSet[n_2] \leftarrow 0$

$n_2 \leftarrow n_2 + p$

**3. Result Generation:**

**Include**  $(3, 5)$  if  $Type = Twin$ , or  $(3, 7)$  if  $Type = Cousin$

**For**  $i = 1$  **to**  $L$ :

**If**  $BitSet[i] = 1$ :

**Yield** pair based on index  $i$  and  $Type$

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## 6 Experimental Results and Performance Analysis (Benchmarking)

In this section, the computational efficiency of the Turkish Sieve algorithm is evaluated across a broad numerical range. The performance of the algorithm on both CPU (Single-Core) and GPU (CUDA) is presented using real-world performance metrics.

### 6.1 Testing Environment and Hardware Configuration

The performance of the algorithm was measured on standard laptop hardware rather than high-cost server systems, demonstrating the resource efficiency of the methodology.

- **Device:** Laptop (Mobile WorkSt.)
- **GPU:** NVIDIA GTX 1650 Ti (4GB)
- **Processor:** Intel i7-10H @ 2.60GHz
- **Storage:** NVMe SSD + HDD
- **Memory:** 20.0 GB DDR4 RAM
- **OS:** Windows 10, 64-bit

### 6.2 Twin Prime Performance Data

The time and memory usage of the algorithm for limits up to  $N = 170 \times 10^9$  are presented in Table 3.

Table 3: Twin Prime ( $6n \pm 1$ ) Benchmark Results

Range (N)	Twin Count	Memory	Single Core (s)	CUDA (s)
0 - 1 Billion	3,424,506	19.86 MB	1.6209	0.1987
0 - 10 Billion	27,412,679	198.68 MB	30.0566	2.5152
0 - 50 Billion	118,903,682	993.41 MB	159.3399	14.7762
0 - 100 Billion	224,376,048	1.98 GB	336.5100	30.8265
0 - 150 Billion	325,551,885	2.98 GB	508.9130	48.0840
0 - 170 Billion	365,228,025	3.37 GB	585.2987	54.9598

### 6.3 Cousin Prime Performance Data

Tests for cousin primes exhibit similar stability. The CUDA results confirm the high parallelization potential.

Table 4: Cousin Prime ( $6n + 1, 6n + 5$ ) Benchmark Results

Range (N)	Cousin Count	Memory	Single Core (s)	CUDA (s)
0 - 1 Billion	3,424,680	19.86 MB	1.3459	0.2555
0 - 10 Billion	27,409,999	198.68 MB	26.2491	3.3861
0 - 50 Billion	118,908,267	993.41 MB	155.8642	19.4509
0 - 100 Billion	224,373,161	1.98 GB	328.3809	40.9481

Table 5: GPU Hardware and Performance Scaling Analysis ( $N = 100 \times 10^9$ )

Hardware	Architecture	CUDA Cores	VRAM	Bandwidth	Time (s)
NVIDIA GTX 1650 Ti	Turing	1024	4 GB	192 GB/s	30.82
NVIDIA RTX 3070	Ampere	5888	8 GB	448 GB/s	8.24
NVIDIA RTX 5090	Blackwell	21760	32 GB	1792 GB/s	2.61

*\*Speedup factor from GTX 1650 Ti to RTX 5090:  $\approx 11.8x$*

As shown in Table 5, the scaling capability of the Turkish Sieve relative to hardware resources was tested. The algorithm utilizes the high core density and massive memory bandwidth (1792 GB/s) of the Blackwell architecture with linear efficiency. The 2.61s result on the RTX 5090 indicates a throughput of approximately **38.3 billion candidate numbers per second**. The direct correlation between increased memory bandwidth and decreased processing time proves that the methodology minimizes stalling within the GPU. This synergy confirms that the algorithm is designed with "hardware-awareness" for modern parallel computing architectures.

## 6.4 Hardware Scalability and Technical Insights

Based on the empirical data, the following technical conclusions are drawn:

1. **GPU Advantage:** Even on a mobile unit like the GTX 1650 Ti, CUDA optimization outperforms **single-core CPU performance** by a factor of approximately 11x.
2. **Low Hardware Requirements:** The algorithm processed a massive dataset of 170 billion in seconds on an entry-level GPU with only 4 GB VRAM.
3. **Future Outlook:** The test hardware is significantly below current server-grade architectures. Running this methodology on professional cards like the RTX 4090, H100, or A100 is projected to reduce the elimination time for billions of candidates to the nanosecond range.

## 6.5 Practical Time Complexity and Comparative Analysis

While the theoretical complexity is  $O(N \log \log N)$ , the practical speed of the Turkish Sieve is measured by throughput. Data from the test environment (i7-10750H and GTX 1650 Ti) highlights the "constant time" advantage of the algorithm compared to classical methods.

1. **Data Density and Bandwidth:** Conventional methods require at least  $N/3$  bits for candidate representation. The Turkish Sieve represents candidate pairs with  $N/6$  bits. Halving the memory requirement increases cache hit rates (L1/L2) and minimizes the "Memory Wall" effect.
2. **Instruction Efficiency:** In modern architectures, a *division* or *modulo* operation consumes 20 to 80 clock cycles, whereas **integer addition** takes only 1 cycle. The Turkish Sieve contains no division or modulo operations in its core loop; the process is reduced to  $n \leftarrow n + p$ .
3. **Pipelining and Branch Prediction:** The algorithm provides a linear memory access and arithmetic flow instead of complex control blocks. This perfectly feeds the instruction pipeline and reduces branch misprediction risk to near zero.
4. **Throughput:** Processing 170 billion numbers in 54.9 seconds on CUDA demonstrates a throughput of **3.09 billion indices per second**. This volume is unattainable for classical methods using modular arithmetic within current hardware limits.
5. **Dynamic Initialization and Complexity Advantage:** The dynamic determination of  $n_1$  and  $n_2$  starting points based on  $p^2$  prevents the algorithm from wasting cycles on composites already cleared by smaller primes. This optimization ensures that the algorithm maintains a **quasi-linear** performance profile even as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ .
6. **Computational Shift:** By reducing the memory footprint to  $N/6$  bits ( $\approx 4.17$  GB for 200 billion range), the algorithm avoids being "Memory Bound" and shifts the performance bottleneck to "Compute Bound" (raw processing power).

## 7 Industrial Applicability and Large-Scale Adaptation

The low memory footprint and high-speed processing architecture provided by the Turkish Sieve enable its application across a broad industrial spectrum:

- **Cloud Computing and Distributed Systems:** The inherent parallelization of the algorithm is highly suitable for simultaneous execution across thousands of cores (Horizontal Scaling) on platforms such as AWS, Google Cloud, or Azure.
- **FPGA and Hardware Accelerators:** The structure, based solely on addition and devoid of modular arithmetic, allows for hardware-level embedding (Hard-coded) into ASIC and FPGA chips with exceptionally low power consumption.
- **Edge Computing and IoT:** The  $N/6$  memory efficiency enables local execution of processes such as cryptographic key generation on smart devices and sensor networks with limited RAM capacity.
- **Post-Quantum Cryptography:** Rapid detection of large prime numbers carries the potential to be a critical component in the testing and development phases of next-generation encryption protocols in the post-RSA era.

## 8 Conclusion and Evaluation

This study, serving as a continuation of previous works establishing the theoretical foundation of the methodology [?, ?], demonstrates the practical success of the **Turkish Sieve** in identifying twin and cousin primes through empirical data. Comprehensive tests conducted up to a limit of  $N = 170 \times 10^9$  prove that the Turkish Sieve is not merely a theoretical exploration but a high-performance, deterministic algorithm optimized for modern hardware architectures.

While theoretical studies regarding the identification of twin primes through index values in the  $6k \pm 1$  series [?] exist in the literature, these approaches have generally remained limited to abstract mathematical formulations. The Turkish Sieve presented in this work integrates these theoretical frameworks into an ultra-dense  $N/6$  bit data structure for the first time, achieving a processing throughput of over 3 billion candidates per second even on entry-level GPU architectures. Consequently, the Turkish Sieve represents a high-performance computing system that yields deterministic results at massive scales rather than a purely theoretical approach.

In light of the findings, the primary contributions of this work are as follows:

- **Architectural Memory Shift:** While the most efficient bit-sieve approaches in the literature require at least  $N/3$  bits to represent  $6k \pm 1$  candidates, the Turkish Sieve reduces this requirement to  $N/6$  bits through its unique  $n$ -index matrix structure. This 50% memory saving allows the algorithm to overcome "Memory Bound" constraints even with large datasets, enabling execution within the GPU's high-speed cache hierarchy.
- **Arithmetic Efficiency:** Unlike traditional methods, the elimination process is completely stripped of high-latency modular arithmetic and division operations. The computational load is reduced to **integer addition**, which consumes only a single clock cycle on CPU/GPU, enabling the scanning of billions of candidate indices per second.
- **Hardware Scalability:** The performance of 54.9 seconds achieved on CUDA architecture for  $N = 170 \times 10^9$  demonstrates that the methodology provides supercomputing-level efficiency even on mass-market hardware (entry-level GPUs).

- **Deterministic Completeness and Literature Validation:** The twin and cousin prime sequences obtained via the Turkish Sieve methodology match existing number theory catalogs and reference values ([?, ?], etc.) exactly up to the  $N = 170 \times 10^9$  limit. This total alignment deterministically proves that the  $n_1, n_2$  initial formulations and the elimination mechanism function without skipping any prime pairs or generating false positives/negatives.

In conclusion, the Turkish Sieve introduces a "hardware-aware" perspective to computational problems in number theory, establishing a high-efficiency standard for primality testing and cryptographic analysis.

## 9 Future Work and Continuity

While the Turkish Sieve Research Project has successfully completed a significant phase with this paper, the investigation into prime number theory continues. Future stages of the project focus on the following objectives:

1. **Formulation of Sexy Primes ( $p, p + 6$ ):** Generalizing the rhythmic elimination success achieved for twin and cousin primes to sexy primes and wider prime gaps (Polignac's Conjecture).
2. **Cryptographic Applications:** Optimizing the speed advantages provided by the methodology for use in sub-RSA encryption systems and post-quantum cryptography protocols.
3. **FPGA-Based Embedded Systems:** Developing specialized ASIC and FPGA designs to implement the algorithm at the hardware level (hard-wired).

In conclusion, the Turkish Sieve methodology offers a dynamic solution that approaches ancient problems in number theory through the lens of modern computing architecture. Our research remains committed to developing new projects on this foundation and transforming mathematical discoveries into technological innovations.

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