
Zbl 1085.11048**Saidak, Filip****An elementary proof of a theorem of Delange.** (English)

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Let $\omega(n)$ denote the number of different primes dividing n . In 1916, Hardy and Ramanujan established that the normal order of $\omega(n)$ is $\log \log n$. P. Turán derived an innovative proof of this result in 1934 by first showing that

$$S(x) := \sum_{n \leq x} (\omega(n) - \log \log x)^2 \ll x \log \log x.$$

The aim of the paper under review is to obtain by elementary methods the stronger result

$$S(x) = x \log \log x + \Theta x + O\left(\frac{x \log \log x}{\log x}\right),$$

where the constant Θ is given explicitly. The author points out in the acknowledgements that *P. Diaconis*, *F. Mosteller* and *H. Onishi* established the same result in [J. Number Theory 9, 187–202 (1977; Zbl 0355.10043)]. A key ingredient in both proofs is an asymptotic formula with an error term $o(1)$ for the sum $\sum_{pq \leq x} \frac{1}{pq}$, where p, q are primes.

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