1016-11-306 Eric Bach* (bach@cs.wisc.edu), Computer Sciences Dept., 1210 West Dayton St., Madison, WI 53711, and Jonathan Sorenson (sorenson@butler.edu), Computer Science and Software Engineering, Butler University, Indianapolis, IN 46208. Computing Prime Harmonic Sums. Preliminary report.

We discuss a method whereby the sum of 1/p for the primes up to x can be computed using about $x^{2/3}$ time and $x^{1/3}$ space. It is a modification of an algorithm due to Lagarias, Miller, and Odlyzko for evaluating $\pi(x)$, the count of primes up to x. To test the method, we used it to determine that the prime harmonic sum first exceeds 4 at x = 1801241230056600523. Using some new algorithmic ideas that we will describe, we made this determination using only one high-precision evaluation of the sum. (Received February 14, 2006)