We now exploit this give an upper bound for the number of primes all together. We'll prove this for the special case $X = 2^m$. We have

$$\pi(2^m) - \pi(2^{m-1}) \le \frac{2^m}{\log}(2)\log(2^{m-1}) + O(1)$$

$$\pi(2^{m-1}) - \pi(2^{m-2}) \le \frac{2^{m-1}\log(2)}{\log(2^{m-2})} + O(1) \cdots$$

Therefore, if we add up the number of primes in all these intervals, we find

$$\pi(2^m) \le \sum_{j=2}^m \frac{2^j}{j-1} + O(\log(2^m))$$

I claim that there is a constant *C* such that for all *m*,

$$\pi(2^m) \le C\frac{2^m}{m} + O(m)$$

It suffices to show the following:

Claim Suppose C > 4 is a constant such that for some $m_0 \ge 3$, $\sum_{j=2}^{m_0} \frac{2^j}{j-1} \le C \frac{2^{m_0}}{m_0}$. Then the same inequality holds for all $m \ge m_0$.

To prove this, we proceed by induction on *m*: we have

$$\sum_{j=2}^{m+1} \frac{2^j}{j-1} = \sum_{j=2}^m \frac{2^j}{j-1} + \frac{2^{m+1}}{m}$$
$$\leq C \frac{2^m}{m} + \frac{2^{m+1}}{m}$$
$$= (\frac{C}{2}+1)\frac{2^{m+1}}{m}$$
$$= \frac{C+2}{2m}(m+1)\frac{2^{m+1}}{m+1}$$
$$\leq (C+2)\frac{2}{3}\frac{2^{m+1}}{m+1} \text{ since } m \geq 3$$
$$\leq C \frac{2^{m+1}}{m+1} \text{ since } C > 4.$$

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