

Research Project Primus

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1 Compositeness tests for $N = k \cdot b^n \pm c$

Definition 1.1. Let $P_m(x) = 2^{-m} \cdot \left((x - \sqrt{x^2 - 4})^m + (x + \sqrt{x^2 - 4})^m \right)$, where m and x are nonnegative integers.

Conjecture 1.1.

Let $N = k \cdot b^n - c$ such that $b \equiv 0 \pmod{2}, n > bc, k > 0, c > 0$

and $c \equiv 1, 7 \pmod{8}$

Let $S_i = P_b(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_{bk/2}(P_{b/2}(6))$, thus

If N is prime then $S_{n-1} \equiv P_{(b/2) \cdot \lceil c/2 \rceil}(6) \pmod{N}$

Conjecture 1.2.

Let $N = k \cdot b^n - c$ such that $b \equiv 0, 4, 8 \pmod{12}, n > bc, k > 0, c > 0$

and $c \equiv 3, 5 \pmod{8}$.

Let $S_i = P_b(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_{bk/2}(P_{b/2}(6))$, thus

If N is prime then $S_{n-1} \equiv P_{(b/2) \cdot \lfloor c/2 \rfloor}(6) \pmod{N}$

Conjecture 1.3.

Let $N = k \cdot b^n - c$ such that $b \equiv 2, 6, 10 \pmod{12}, n > bc, k > 0, c > 0$

and $c \equiv 3, 5 \pmod{8}$.

Let $S_i = P_b(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_{bk/2}(P_{b/2}(6))$, thus

If N is prime then $S_{n-1} \equiv -P_{(b/2) \cdot \lfloor c/2 \rfloor}(6) \pmod{N}$

Conjecture 1.4.

Let $N = k \cdot b^n + c$ such that $b \equiv 0 \pmod{2}, n > bc, k > 0, c > 0$

and $c \equiv 1, 7 \pmod{8}$

Let $S_i = P_b(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_{bk/2}(P_{b/2}(6))$, thus

If N is prime then $S_{n-1} \equiv P_{(b/2) \cdot \lfloor c/2 \rfloor}(6) \pmod{N}$

Conjecture 1.5.

Let $N = k \cdot b^n + c$ such that $b \equiv 0, 4, 8 \pmod{12}, n > bc, k > 0, c > 0$

and $c \equiv 3, 5 \pmod{8}$.

Let $S_i = P_b(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_{bk/2}(P_{b/2}(6))$, thus

If N is prime then $S_{n-1} \equiv P_{(b/2) \cdot \lceil c/2 \rceil}(6) \pmod{N}$

Conjecture 1.6.

Let $N = k \cdot b^n + c$ such that $b \equiv 2, 6, 10 \pmod{12}, n > bc, k > 0, c > 0$

and $c \equiv 3, 5 \pmod{8}$.

Let $S_i = P_b(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_{bk/2}(P_{b/2}(6))$, thus

If N is prime then $S_{n-1} \equiv -P_{(b/2) \cdot \lceil c/2 \rceil}(6) \pmod{N}$

Proof attempt by mathlove

First of all,

$$\begin{aligned} P_{b/2}(6) &= 2^{-b/2} \left((6 - 4\sqrt{2})^{b/2} + (6 + 4\sqrt{2})^{b/2} \right) \\ &= (3 - 2\sqrt{2})^{b/2} + (3 + 2\sqrt{2})^{b/2} \\ &= p^b + q^b \end{aligned}$$

where $p = \sqrt{2} - 1, q = \sqrt{2} + 1$ with $pq = 1$.

From

$$S_0 = P_{bk/2}(P_{b/2}(6)) = 2^{-bk/2} \left((2p^b)^{bk/2} + (2q^b)^{bk/2} \right) = p^{b^2k/2} + q^{b^2k/2}$$

and $S_i = P_b(S_{i-1})$, we can prove by induction on $i \in \mathbb{N}$ that

$$S_i = p^{b^{i+2}k/2} + q^{b^{i+2}k/2}.$$

By the way,

$$\begin{aligned}
p^{N+1} + q^{N+1} &= \sum_{i=0}^{N+1} \binom{N+1}{i} (\sqrt{2})^i ((-1)^{N+1-i} + 1) \\
&= \sum_{j=0}^{(N+1)/2} \binom{N+1}{2j} 2^{j+1} \\
&\equiv 2 + 2^{(N+3)/2} \pmod{N} \\
&\equiv 2 + 4 \cdot 2^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \pmod{N}
\end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned}
p^{N+3} + q^{N+3} &= \sum_{i=0}^{N+3} \binom{N+3}{i} (\sqrt{2})^i ((-1)^{N+3-i} + 1) \\
&= \sum_{j=0}^{(N+3)/2} \binom{N+3}{2j} 2^{j+1} \\
&\equiv 2 + \binom{N+3}{2} \cdot 2^2 + \binom{N+3}{N+1} \cdot 2^{\frac{N+3}{2}} + 2^{\frac{N+5}{2}} \pmod{N} \\
&\equiv 14 + 12 \cdot 2^{\frac{N-1}{2}} + 8 \cdot 2^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \pmod{N}
\end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

For $N \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{8}$, since $2^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \equiv 1 \pmod{N}$, from (1)(2), we can prove by induction on $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ that

$$p^{N+2i-1} + q^{N+2i-1} \equiv p^{2i} + q^{2i} \pmod{N} \tag{3}$$

For $N \equiv 3, 5 \pmod{8}$, since $2^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \equiv -1 \pmod{N}$, from (1)(2), we can prove by induction on $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ that

$$p^{N+2i-1} + q^{N+2i-1} \equiv -(p^{2i-2} + q^{2i-2}) \pmod{N} \tag{4}$$

To prove (3)(4), we can use

$$\begin{aligned}
p^{N+2(i+1)-1} + q^{N+2(i+1)-1} &\equiv (p^{N+2i-1} + q^{N+2i-1}) (p^2 + q^2) - \\
&\quad - (p^{N+2(i-1)-1} + q^{N+2(i-1)-1}) \pmod{N}
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
p^{N+2(i-1)-1} + q^{N+2(i-1)-1} &\equiv (p^{N+2i-1} + q^{N+2i-1}) (p^{-2} + q^{-2}) - \\
&\quad - (p^{N+2(i+1)-1} + q^{N+2(i+1)-1}) \pmod{N}
\end{aligned}$$

Now, for $N \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{8}$, from (3), we can prove by induction on $j \in \mathbb{N}$ that

$$p^{j(N+2i-1)} + q^{j(N+2i-1)} \equiv p^{2ij} + q^{2ij} \pmod{N} \tag{5}$$

Also, for $N \equiv 3, 5 \pmod{8}$, from (4), we can prove by induction on $j \in \mathbb{N}$ that

$$p^{j(N+2i-1)} + q^{j(N+2i-1)} \equiv (-1)^j (p^{j(2i-2)} + q^{j(2i-2)}) \pmod{N} \tag{6}$$

To prove (5)(6), we can use

$$\begin{aligned} p^{(j+1)(N+2i-1)} + q^{(j+1)(N+2i-1)} &\equiv (p^{j(N+2i-1)} + q^{j(N+2i-1)}) (p^{N+2i-1} + q^{N+2i-1}) - \\ &\quad - (p^{(j-1)(N+2i-1)} + q^{(j-1)(N+2i-1)}) \pmod{N} \end{aligned}$$

For conjecture 1.1, $N \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{8}$ follows from the conditions $N = k \cdot b^n - c$ such that $b \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$, $n > bc$, $k > 0$, $c > 0$ and $c \equiv 1, 7 \pmod{8}$. Then, we can say that conjecture 1.1 is true because using (5) and setting $c = 2d - 1$ gives

$$\begin{aligned} S_{n-1} &= p^{b^{n+1}k/2} + q^{b^{n+1}k/2} \\ &= p^{(b/2)(N+c)} + q^{(b/2)(N+c)} \\ &= p^{(b/2)(N+2d-1)} + q^{(b/2)(N+2d-1)} \\ &\equiv p^{2 \cdot d \cdot (b/2)} + q^{2 \cdot d \cdot (b/2)} \pmod{N} \\ &\equiv P_{(b/2) \cdot d}(6) \pmod{N} \\ &\equiv P_{(b/2) \cdot \lceil c/2 \rceil}(6) \pmod{N} \end{aligned}$$

Q.E.D.

For conjecture 1.2, $N \equiv 3, 5 \pmod{8}$ follows from the conditions $N = k \cdot b^n - c$ such that $b \equiv 0, 4, 8 \pmod{12}$, $n > bc$, $k > 0$, $c > 0$, and $c \equiv 3, 5 \pmod{8}$. Then, we can say that conjecture 1.2 is true because using (6) and setting $c = 2d - 1$ gives

$$\begin{aligned} S_{n-1} &= p^{b^{n+1}k/2} + q^{b^{n+1}k/2} \\ &= p^{(b/2)(N+c)} + q^{(b/2)(N+c)} \\ &= p^{(b/2)(N+2d-1)} + q^{(b/2)(N+2d-1)} \\ &\equiv (-1)^{b/2} (p^{(b/2) \cdot (2d-2)} + q^{(b/2) \cdot (2d-2)}) \pmod{N} \\ &\equiv P_{(b/2) \cdot (d-1)}(6) \pmod{N} \\ &\equiv P_{(b/2) \cdot \lfloor c/2 \rfloor}(6) \pmod{N} \end{aligned}$$

Q.E.D.

For conjecture 1.3, $N \equiv 3, 5 \pmod{8}$ follows from the conditions $N = k \cdot b^n - c$ such that $b \equiv 2, 6, 10 \pmod{12}$, $n > bc$, $k > 0$, $c > 0$, and $c \equiv 3, 5 \pmod{8}$. Then, we can say that conjecture 1.3 is true because using (6) and setting $c = 2d - 1$ gives

$$\begin{aligned} S_{n-1} &= p^{b^{n+1}k/2} + q^{b^{n+1}k/2} \\ &= p^{(b/2)(N+c)} + q^{(b/2)(N+c)} \\ &= p^{(b/2)(N+2d-1)} + q^{(b/2)(N+2d-1)} \\ &\equiv (-1)^{b/2} (p^{(b/2) \cdot (2d-2)} + q^{(b/2) \cdot (2d-2)}) \pmod{N} \\ &\equiv -P_{(b/2) \cdot (d-1)}(6) \pmod{N} \\ &\equiv -P_{(b/2) \cdot \lfloor c/2 \rfloor}(6) \pmod{N} \end{aligned}$$

Q.E.D.

For conjecture 1.4, $N \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{8}$ follows from the conditions $N = k \cdot b^n + c$ such that $b \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$, $n > bc$, $k > 0$, $c > 0$ and $c \equiv 1, 7 \pmod{8}$. Then, we can say that conjecture 1.4 is true because using (5) and setting $c = 2d - 1$ gives

$$\begin{aligned}
S_{n-1} &= p^{b^{n+1}k/2} + q^{b^{n+1}k/2} \\
&= p^{(b/2)(N-c)} + q^{(b/2)(N-c)} \\
&= p^{(b/2)(N-2d+1)} + q^{(b/2)(N-2d+1)} \\
&= p^{(b/2)(N+2(-d+1)-1)} + q^{(b/2)(N+2(-d+1)-1)} \\
&\equiv p^{2 \cdot (-d+1) \cdot (b/2)} + q^{2 \cdot (-d+1) \cdot (b/2)} \pmod{N} \\
&\equiv q^{2 \cdot (d-1) \cdot (b/2)} + p^{2 \cdot (d-1) \cdot (b/2)} \pmod{N} \\
&\equiv P_{(b/2) \cdot (d-1)}(6) \pmod{N} \\
&\equiv P_{(b/2) \cdot \lceil c/2 \rceil}(6) \pmod{N}
\end{aligned}$$

Q.E.D.

For conjecture 1.5, $N \equiv 3, 5 \pmod{8}$ follows from the conditions $N = k \cdot b^n + c$ such that $b \equiv 0, 4, 8 \pmod{12}$, $n > bc$, $k > 0$, $c > 0$, and $c \equiv 3, 5 \pmod{8}$. Then, we can say that conjecture 1.5 is true because using (6) and setting $c = 2d - 1$ gives

$$\begin{aligned}
S_{n-1} &= p^{b^{n+1}k/2} + q^{b^{n+1}k/2} \\
&= p^{(b/2)(N-c)} + q^{(b/2)(N-c)} \\
&= p^{(b/2)(N-2d+1)} + q^{(b/2)(N-2d+1)} \\
&= p^{(b/2)(N+2(-d+1)-1)} + q^{(b/2)(N+2(-d+1)-1)} \\
&\equiv (-1)^{b/2} \left(p^{(b/2) \cdot (2(-d+1)-2)} + q^{(b/2) \cdot (2(-d+1)-2)} \right) \pmod{N} \\
&\equiv q^{(b/2) \cdot 2d} + p^{(b/2) \cdot 2d} \pmod{N} \\
&\equiv P_{(b/2) \cdot d}(6) \pmod{N} \\
&\equiv P_{(b/2) \cdot \lceil c/2 \rceil}(6) \pmod{N}
\end{aligned}$$

Q.E.D.

For conjecture 1.6, $N \equiv 3, 5 \pmod{8}$ follows from the conditions $N = k \cdot b^n + c$ such that $b \equiv 2, 6, 10 \pmod{12}$, $n > bc$, $k > 0$, $c > 0$, and $c \equiv 3, 5 \pmod{8}$. Then, we can say that conjecture 1.6 is true because using (6) and setting $c = 2d - 1$ gives

$$\begin{aligned}
S_{n-1} &= p^{b^{n+1}k/2} + q^{b^{n+1}k/2} \\
&= p^{(b/2)(N-c)} + q^{(b/2)(N-c)} \\
&= p^{(b/2)(N-2d+1)} + q^{(b/2)(N-2d+1)} \\
&= p^{(b/2)(N+2(-d+1)-1)} + q^{(b/2)(N+2(-d+1)-1)} \\
&\equiv (-1)^{b/2} \left(p^{(b/2) \cdot (2(-d+1)-2)} + q^{(b/2) \cdot (2(-d+1)-2)} \right) \pmod{N} \\
&\equiv - \left(q^{(b/2) \cdot 2d} + p^{(b/2) \cdot 2d} \right) \pmod{N} \\
&\equiv -P_{(b/2) \cdot d}(6) \pmod{N} \\
&\equiv -P_{(b/2) \cdot \lceil c/2 \rceil}(6) \pmod{N}
\end{aligned}$$

Q.E.D.

2 Primality tests for specific classes of $N = k \cdot 2^m \pm 1$

Throughout this post we use the following notations: \mathbb{Z} -the set of integers, \mathbb{N} -the set of positive integers, $\left(\frac{a}{p}\right)$ -the Jacobi symbol, (m, n) -the greatest common divisor of m and n , $S_n(x)$ -the sequence defined by $S_0(x) = x$ and $S_{k+1}(x) = (S_k(x))^2 - 2$ ($k \geq 0$).

Basic Lemmas and Theorems

Definition 2.1. For $P, Q \in \mathbb{Z}$ the Lucas sequence $\{V_n(P, Q)\}$ is defined by $V_0(P, Q) = 2, V_1(P, Q) = P, V_{n+1}(P, Q) = PV_n(P, Q) - QV_{n-1}(P, Q)$ ($n \geq 1$). Let $D = P^2 - 4Q$. It is known that

$$V_n(P, Q) = \left(\frac{P + \sqrt{D}}{2}\right)^n + \left(\frac{P - \sqrt{D}}{2}\right)^n$$

Lemma 2.1. Let $P, Q \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then

$$V_n(P, Q) = \sum_{r=0}^{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor} \frac{n}{n-r} \binom{n-r}{r} P^{n-2r} (-Q)^r$$

Theorem 2.1. (Zhi-Hong Sun)

For $m \in \{2, 3, 4, \dots\}$ let $p = k \cdot 2^m \pm 1$ with $0 < k < 2^m$ and k odd. If $b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$, $(p, c) = 1$ and $\left(\frac{2c+b}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{2c-b}{p}\right) = -\left(\frac{c}{p}\right)$ then p is prime if and only if $p \mid S_{m-2}(x)$, where

$$x = c^{-k} V_k(b, c^2) = \sum_{r=0}^{(k-1)/2} \frac{k}{k-r} \binom{k-r}{r} (-1)^r (b/c)^{k-2r}$$

Lemma 2.2. Let n be odd positive number, then

$$\left(\frac{-1}{n}\right) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } n \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \\ -1, & \text{if } n \equiv 3 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$$

Lemma 2.3. Let n be odd positive number, then

$$\left(\frac{2}{n}\right) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } n \equiv 1, 7 \pmod{8} \\ -1, & \text{if } n \equiv 3, 5 \pmod{8} \end{cases}$$

Lemma 2.4. Let n be odd positive number, then case 1. ($n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$)

$$\left(\frac{3}{n}\right) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \\ 0 & \text{if } n \equiv 0 \pmod{3} \\ -1 & \text{if } n \equiv 2 \pmod{3} \end{cases}$$

case 2. ($n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$)

$$\left(\frac{3}{n}\right) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n \equiv 2 \pmod{3} \\ 0 & \text{if } n \equiv 0 \pmod{3} \\ -1 & \text{if } n \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \end{cases}$$

Proof. Since $3 \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ if we apply the law of quadratic reciprocity we have two cases . If $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ then $\left(\frac{3}{n}\right) = \left(\frac{n}{3}\right)$ and the result follows . If $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ then $\left(\frac{3}{n}\right) = -\left(\frac{n}{3}\right)$ and the result follows .

Lemma 2.5. *Let n be odd positive number , then*

$$\left(\frac{5}{n}\right) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n \equiv 1, 4 \pmod{5} \\ 0 & \text{if } n \equiv 0 \pmod{5} \\ -1 & \text{if } n \equiv 2, 3 \pmod{5} \end{cases}$$

Proof. Since $5 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ if we apply the law of quadratic reciprocity we have $\left(\frac{5}{n}\right) = \left(\frac{n}{5}\right)$ and the result follows .

Lemma 2.6. *Let n be odd positive number , then case 1. ($n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$)*

$$\left(\frac{-3}{n}\right) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n \equiv 1, 11 \pmod{12} \\ 0 & \text{if } n \equiv 3, 9 \pmod{12} \\ -1 & \text{if } n \equiv 5, 7 \pmod{12} \end{cases}$$

case 2. ($n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$)

$$\left(\frac{-3}{n}\right) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n \equiv 5, 7 \pmod{12} \\ 0 & \text{if } n \equiv 3, 9 \pmod{12} \\ -1 & \text{if } n \equiv 1, 11 \pmod{12} \end{cases}$$

Proof. $\left(\frac{-3}{n}\right) = \left(\frac{-1}{n}\right) \left(\frac{3}{n}\right)$. Applying the law of quadratic reciprocity we have : if $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ then $\left(\frac{3}{n}\right) = \left(\frac{n}{3}\right)$. If $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ then $\left(\frac{3}{n}\right) = -\left(\frac{n}{3}\right)$. Applying the Chinese remainder theorem in both cases several times we get the result .

Lemma 2.7. *Let n be odd positive number , then case 1. ($n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$)*

$$\left(\frac{7}{n}\right) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n \equiv 1, 2, 4 \pmod{7} \\ 0 & \text{if } n \equiv 0 \pmod{7} \\ -1 & \text{if } n \equiv 3, 5, 6 \pmod{7} \end{cases}$$

case 2. ($n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$)

$$\left(\frac{7}{n}\right) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n \equiv 3, 5, 6 \pmod{7} \\ 0 & \text{if } n \equiv 0 \pmod{7} \\ -1 & \text{if } n \equiv 1, 2, 4 \pmod{7} \end{cases}$$

Proof. Since $7 \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ if we apply the law of quadratic reciprocity we have two cases . If $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ then $\left(\frac{7}{n}\right) = \left(\frac{n}{7}\right)$ and the result follows . If $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ then $\left(\frac{7}{n}\right) = -\left(\frac{n}{7}\right)$ and the result follows .

Lemma 2.8. *Let n be odd positive number , then case 1. ($n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$)*

$$\left(\frac{-6}{n}\right) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n \equiv 1, 5, 19, 23 \pmod{24} \\ 0 & \text{if } n \equiv 3, 9, 15, 21 \pmod{24} \\ -1 & \text{if } n \equiv 7, 11, 13, 17 \pmod{24} \end{cases}$$

case 2. ($n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$)

$$\left(\frac{-6}{n}\right) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n \equiv 7, 11, 13, 17 \pmod{24} \\ 0 & \text{if } n \equiv 3, 9, 15, 21 \pmod{24} \\ -1 & \text{if } n \equiv 1, 5, 19, 23 \pmod{24} \end{cases}$$

Proof. $\left(\frac{-6}{n}\right) = \left(\frac{-1}{n}\right) \left(\frac{2}{n}\right) \left(\frac{3}{n}\right)$. Applying the law of quadratic reciprocity we have : if $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ then $\left(\frac{3}{n}\right) = \left(\frac{n}{3}\right)$. If $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ then $\left(\frac{3}{n}\right) = -\left(\frac{n}{3}\right)$. Applying the Chinese remainder theorem in both cases several times we get the result .

Lemma 2.9. *Let n be odd positive number , then*

$$\left(\frac{10}{n}\right) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n \equiv 1, 3, 9, 13, 27, 31, 37, 39 \pmod{40} \\ 0 & \text{if } n \equiv 5, 15, 25, 35 \pmod{40} \\ -1 & \text{if } n \equiv 7, 11, 17, 19, 21, 23, 29, 33 \pmod{40} \end{cases}$$

Proof. $\left(\frac{10}{n}\right) = \left(\frac{2}{n}\right) \left(\frac{5}{n}\right)$. Applying the law of quadratic reciprocity we have : $\left(\frac{5}{n}\right) = \left(\frac{n}{5}\right)$. Applying the Chinese remainder theorem several times we get the result .

The Main Result

Theorem 2.2. *Let $N = k \cdot 2^m - 1$ such that $m > 2$, $3 \mid k$, $0 < k < 2^m$ and*

$$\begin{cases} k \equiv 1 \pmod{10} \text{ with } m \equiv 2, 3 \pmod{4} \\ k \equiv 3 \pmod{10} \text{ with } m \equiv 0, 3 \pmod{4} \\ k \equiv 7 \pmod{10} \text{ with } m \equiv 1, 2 \pmod{4} \\ k \equiv 9 \pmod{10} \text{ with } m \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$$

*Let $b = 3$ and $S_0(x) = V_k(b, 1)$, thus
 N is prime iff $N \mid S_{m-2}(x)$*

Proof. Since $N \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ and $b = 3$ from Lemma 2.2 we know that $\left(\frac{2-b}{N}\right) = -1$. Similarly , since $N \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$ or $N \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$ and $b = 3$ from Lemma 2.5 we know that $\left(\frac{2+b}{N}\right) = -1$. From Lemma 2.1 we know that $V_k(b, 1) = x$. Applying Theorem 2.1 in the case $c = 1$ we get the result.

Q.E.D.

Theorem 2.3. Let $N = k \cdot 2^m - 1$ such that $m > 2$, $3 \mid k$, $0 < k < 2^m$ and

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} k \equiv 3 \pmod{42} \text{ with } m \equiv 0, 2 \pmod{3} \\ k \equiv 9 \pmod{42} \text{ with } m \equiv 0 \pmod{3} \\ k \equiv 15 \pmod{42} \text{ with } m \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \\ k \equiv 27 \pmod{42} \text{ with } m \equiv 1, 2 \pmod{3} \\ k \equiv 33 \pmod{42} \text{ with } m \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{3} \\ k \equiv 39 \pmod{42} \text{ with } m \equiv 2 \pmod{3} \end{array} \right.$$

Let $b = 5$ and $S_0(x) = V_k(b, 1)$, thus N is prime iff $N \mid S_{m-2}(x)$

Proof. Since $N \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ and $N \equiv 11 \pmod{12}$ and $b = 5$ from Lemma 2.6 we know that $\left(\frac{2-b}{N}\right) = -1$. Similarly, since $N \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ and $N \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$ or $N \equiv 2 \pmod{7}$ or $N \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$ and $b = 5$ from Lemma 2.7 we know that $\left(\frac{2+b}{N}\right) = -1$. From Lemma 2.1 we know that $V_k(b, 1) = x$. Applying Theorem 2.1 in the case $c = 1$ we get the result.

Q.E.D.

Theorem 2.4. Let $N = k \cdot 2^m + 1$ such that $m > 2$, $0 < k < 2^m$ and

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} k \equiv 1 \pmod{42} \text{ with } m \equiv 2, 4 \pmod{6} \\ k \equiv 5 \pmod{42} \text{ with } m \equiv 3 \pmod{6} \\ k \equiv 11 \pmod{42} \text{ with } m \equiv 3, 5 \pmod{6} \\ k \equiv 13 \pmod{42} \text{ with } m \equiv 4 \pmod{6} \\ k \equiv 17 \pmod{42} \text{ with } m \equiv 5 \pmod{6} \\ k \equiv 19 \pmod{42} \text{ with } m \equiv 0 \pmod{6} \\ k \equiv 23 \pmod{42} \text{ with } m \equiv 1, 3 \pmod{6} \\ k \equiv 25 \pmod{42} \text{ with } m \equiv 0, 2 \pmod{6} \\ k \equiv 29 \pmod{42} \text{ with } m \equiv 1, 5 \pmod{6} \\ k \equiv 31 \pmod{42} \text{ with } m \equiv 2 \pmod{6} \\ k \equiv 37 \pmod{42} \text{ with } m \equiv 0, 4 \pmod{6} \\ k \equiv 41 \pmod{42} \text{ with } m \equiv 1 \pmod{6} \end{array} \right.$$

Let $b = 5$ and $S_0(x) = V_k(b, 1)$, thus N is prime iff $N \mid S_{m-2}(x)$

Proof. Since $N \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and $N \equiv 5 \pmod{12}$ and $b = 5$ from Lemma 2.6 we know that $\left(\frac{2-b}{N}\right) = -1$. Similarly, since $N \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and $N \equiv 3 \pmod{7}$ or $N \equiv 5 \pmod{7}$ or $N \equiv 6 \pmod{7}$ and $b = 5$ from Lemma 2.7 we know that $\left(\frac{2+b}{N}\right) = -1$. From Lemma 2.1 we know that $V_k(b, 1) = x$. Applying Theorem 2.1 in the case $c = 1$ we get the result.

Q.E.D.

Theorem 2.5. Let $N = k \cdot 2^m + 1$ such that $m > 2$, $0 < k < 2^m$ and

$$\begin{cases} k \equiv 1 \pmod{6} \text{ and } k \equiv 1, 7 \pmod{10} \text{ with } m \equiv 0 \pmod{4} \\ k \equiv 5 \pmod{6} \text{ and } k \equiv 1, 3 \pmod{10} \text{ with } m \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \\ k \equiv 1 \pmod{6} \text{ and } k \equiv 3, 9 \pmod{10} \text{ with } m \equiv 2 \pmod{4} \\ k \equiv 5 \pmod{6} \text{ and } k \equiv 7, 9 \pmod{10} \text{ with } m \equiv 3 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$$

Let $b = 8$ and $S_0(x) = V_k(b, 1)$, thus N is prime iff $N \mid S_{m-2}(x)$

Proof. Since $N \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and $N \equiv 17 \pmod{24}$ and $b = 8$ from Lemma 2.8 we know that $\left(\frac{2-b}{N}\right) = -1$. Similarly, since $N \equiv 17 \pmod{40}$ or $N \equiv 33 \pmod{40}$ and $b = 8$ from Lemma 2.9 we know that $\left(\frac{2+b}{N}\right) = -1$. From Lemma 2.1 we know that $V_k(b, 1) = x$. Applying Theorem 2.1 in the case $c = 1$ we get the result.

Q.E.D.

3 Three prime generating recurrences

Prime number generator I

Let $b_n = b_{n-1} + \text{lcm}(\lfloor \sqrt{2} \cdot n \rfloor, b_{n-1})$ with $b_1 = 2$ then $a_n = b_{n+1}/b_n - 1$ is either 1 or prime .

Conjecture 3.1. 1. Every term of this sequence a_i is either prime or 1 .

2. Every prime of the form $\lfloor \sqrt{2} \cdot n \rfloor$ is member of this sequence .

Prime number generator II

Let $b_n = b_{n-1} + \text{lcm}(\lfloor \sqrt{3} \cdot n \rfloor, b_{n-1})$ with $b_1 = 3$ then $a_n = b_{n+1}/b_n - 1$ is either 1 or prime .

Conjecture 3.2. 1. Every term of this sequence a_i is either prime or 1 .

2. Every prime of the form $\lfloor \sqrt{3} \cdot n \rfloor$ is member of this sequence .

Prime number generator III

Let $b_n = b_{n-1} + \text{lcm}(\lfloor \sqrt{n^3} \rfloor, b_{n-1})$ with $b_1 = 2$ then $a_n = b_{n+1}/b_n - 1$ is either 1 or prime .

Conjecture 3.3. 1. Every term of this sequence a_i is either prime or 1 .

2. Every prime of the form $\lfloor \sqrt{n^3} \rfloor$ is member of this sequence .

4 Some properties of Fibonacci numbers

Conjecture 4.1. If p is prime, not 5, and $M \geq 2$ then :

$$M^{F_p} \equiv M^{(p-1)(1-(\frac{p}{5}))^2} \pmod{\frac{M^p-1}{M-1}}$$

Conjecture 4.2. If p is prime, and $M \geq 2$ then :

$$M^{F_{p-(\frac{p}{5})}} \equiv 1 \pmod{\frac{M^p-1}{M-1}}$$

Corollary of Cassini's formula

Corollary 4.1. For $n \geq 2$:

$$F_n = \begin{cases} \lfloor \sqrt{F_{n-1} \cdot F_{n+1}} \rfloor, & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ \lceil \sqrt{F_{n-1} \cdot F_{n+1}} \rceil, & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

5 A modification of Riesel's primality test

Definition 5.1. Let $P_m(x) = 2^{-m} \cdot \left((x - \sqrt{x^2 - 4})^m + (x + \sqrt{x^2 - 4})^m \right)$, where m and x are nonnegative integers .

Corollary 5.1. Let $N = k \cdot 2^n - 1$ such that $n > 2$, k odd, $3 \nmid k$, $k < 2^n$, and f is proper factor of $n - 2$.

Let $S_i = P_{2^f}(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_k(4)$, thus

N is prime iff $S_{(n-2)/f} \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$

6 Primality criteria for specific classes of $N = k \cdot 2^n + 1$

Definition 6.1. Let $P_m(x) = 2^{-m} \cdot \left((x - \sqrt{x^2 - 4})^m + (x + \sqrt{x^2 - 4})^m \right)$, where m and x are nonnegative integers .

Conjecture 6.1. Let $N = 3 \cdot 2^n + 1$ such that $n > 2$ and $n \equiv 1, 2 \pmod{4}$

Let $S_i = P_2(S_{i-1})$ with

$$S_0 = \begin{cases} P_3(32), & \text{if } n \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \\ P_3(28), & \text{if } n \equiv 2 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$$

thus, N is prime iff $S_{n-2} \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$

Conjecture 6.2. Let $N = 5 \cdot 2^n + 1$ such that $n > 2$ and $n \equiv 1, 3 \pmod{4}$

Let $S_i = P_2(S_{i-1})$ with

$$S_0 = \begin{cases} P_5(28), & \text{if } n \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \\ P_5(32), & \text{if } n \equiv 3 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$$

thus, N is prime iff $S_{n-2} \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$

Conjecture 6.3. Let $N = 7 \cdot 2^n + 1$ such that $n > 2$ and $n \equiv 0, 2 \pmod{4}$

Let $S_i = P_2(S_{i-1})$ with

$$S_0 = \begin{cases} P_7(8), & \text{if } n \equiv 0 \pmod{4} \\ P_7(32), & \text{if } n \equiv 2 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$$

thus, N is prime iff $S_{n-2} \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$

Conjecture 6.4. Let $N = 9 \cdot 2^n + 1$ such that $n > 3$ and $n \equiv 2, 3 \pmod{4}$

Let $S_i = P_2(S_{i-1})$ with

$$S_0 = \begin{cases} P_9(28), & \text{if } n \equiv 2 \pmod{4} \\ P_9(32), & \text{if } n \equiv 3 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$$

thus, N is prime iff $S_{n-2} \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$

Conjecture 6.5. Let $N = 11 \cdot 2^n + 1$ such that $n > 3$ and $n \equiv 1, 3 \pmod{4}$

Let $S_i = P_2(S_{i-1})$ with

$$S_0 = \begin{cases} P_{11}(8), & \text{if } n \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \\ P_{11}(28), & \text{if } n \equiv 3 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$$

thus, N is prime iff $S_{n-2} \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$

Conjecture 6.6. Let $N = 13 \cdot 2^n + 1$ such that $n > 3$ and $n \equiv 0, 2 \pmod{4}$

Let $S_i = P_2(S_{i-1})$ with

$$S_0 = \begin{cases} P_{13}(32), & \text{if } n \equiv 0 \pmod{4} \\ P_{13}(8), & \text{if } n \equiv 2 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$$

thus, N is prime iff $S_{n-2} \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$

7 Congruence only holding for primes

Theorem 7.1. (Wilson)

A natural number $n > 1$ is a prime iff:

$$(n-1)! \equiv -1 \pmod{n}.$$

Theorem 7.2. A natural number $n > 2$ is a prime iff:

$$\prod_{k=1}^{n-1} k \equiv n-1 \pmod{\sum_{k=1}^{n-1} k}.$$

Proof

Necessity: If n is a prime, then

$$\prod_{k=1}^{n-1} k \equiv n-1 \pmod{\sum_{k=1}^{n-1} k}.$$

If n is an odd prime, then by Theorem 7.1 we have

$$\prod_{k=1}^{n-1} k \equiv n-1 \pmod{n}$$

Hence, $n \mid ((n-1)! - (n-1))$ and therefore $n \mid (n-1)((n-2)! - 1)$.

Since $n \nmid (n-1)$ it follows $n \mid ((n-2)! - 1)$, hence

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{2} \mid (n-1)((n-2)! - 1),$$

thus

$$\prod_{k=1}^{n-1} k \equiv n-1 \pmod{\sum_{k=1}^{n-1} k}.$$

Sufficiency: If

$$\prod_{k=1}^{n-1} k \equiv n-1 \pmod{\sum_{k=1}^{n-1} k}$$

then n is a prime.

Suppose n is a composite and p is a prime such that $p \mid n$, then since $\sum_{k=1}^{n-1} k = \frac{n(n-1)}{2}$ it

follows $p \mid \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} k$. Since

$$\prod_{k=1}^{n-1} k \equiv n-1 \pmod{\sum_{k=1}^{n-1} k},$$

we have

$$\prod_{k=1}^{n-1} k \equiv n-1 \pmod{p}.$$

However, since $p \leq n-1$ it divides $\prod_{k=1}^{n-1} k$, and so

$$\prod_{k=1}^{n-1} k \equiv 0 \pmod{p},$$

a contradiction. Hence n must be prime.

Q.E.D.

8 Primality test for $N = 2 \cdot 3^n - 1$

Definition 8.1. Let $P_m(x) = 2^{-m} \cdot \left((x - \sqrt{x^2 - 4})^m + (x + \sqrt{x^2 - 4})^m \right)$, where m and x are nonnegative integers.

Conjecture 8.1. Let $N = 2 \cdot 3^n - 1$ such that $n > 1$.

Let $S_i = P_3(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_3(a)$, where

$$a = \begin{cases} 6, & \text{if } n \equiv 0 \pmod{2} \\ 8, & \text{if } n \equiv 1 \pmod{2} \end{cases}$$

thus, N is prime iff $S_{n-1} \equiv a \pmod{N}$

9 Compositeness tests for specific classes of generalized Fermat numbers

Definition 9.1. Let $P_m(x) = 2^{-m} \cdot \left((x - \sqrt{x^2 - 4})^m + (x + \sqrt{x^2 - 4})^m \right)$, where m and x are nonnegative integers .

Conjecture 9.1. Let $F_n(b) = b^{2^n} + 1$ such that $n > 1$, b is even, $3 \nmid b$ and $5 \nmid b$.

Let $S_i = P_b(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_{b/2}(P_{b/2}(8))$, thus

If $F_n(b)$ is prime then $S_{2^n-2} \equiv 0 \pmod{F_n(b)}$

Conjecture 9.2. Let $F_n(6) = 6^{2^n} + 1$ such that $n > 1$.

Let $S_i = P_6(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_3(P_3(32))$, thus

If $F_n(6)$ is prime then $S_{2^n-2} \equiv 0 \pmod{F_n(6)}$

10 Primality tests for specific classes of $N = k \cdot 6^n - 1$

Definition 10.1. Let $P_m(x) = 2^{-m} \cdot \left((x - \sqrt{x^2 - 4})^m + (x + \sqrt{x^2 - 4})^m \right)$, where m and x are nonnegative integers .

Conjecture 10.1.

Let $N = k \cdot 6^n - 1$ such that $n > 2, k > 0$,

$k \equiv 2, 5 \pmod{7}$ and $k < 6^n$.

Let $S_i = P_6(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_{3k}(P_3(5))$, thus

N is prime iff $S_{n-2} \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$

Conjecture 10.2.

Let $N = k \cdot 6^n - 1$ such that $n > 2, k > 0$,

$k \equiv 3, 4 \pmod{5}$ and $k < 6^n$.

Let $S_i = P_6(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_{3k}(P_3(3))$, thus

N is prime iff $S_{n-2} \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$

Incomplete proof by mathlove

I'm going to prove that

if N is prime, then $S_{n-2} \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$

for both conjectures.

(For the first conjecture)

First of all,

$$P_3(5) = 2^{-3} \cdot \left(\left(5 - \sqrt{21} \right)^3 + \left(5 + \sqrt{21} \right)^3 \right) = 110$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned}
S_0 &= P_{3k}(P_3(5)) = P_{3k}(110) = 2^{-3k} \cdot \left(\left(110 - \sqrt{110^2 - 4} \right)^{3k} + \left(110 + \sqrt{110^2 - 4} \right)^{3k} \right) \\
&= \left(\frac{110 - \sqrt{110^2 - 4}}{2} \right)^{3k} + \left(\frac{110 + \sqrt{110^2 - 4}}{2} \right)^{3k} \\
&= \left(55 - 12\sqrt{21} \right)^{3k} + \left(55 + 12\sqrt{21} \right)^{3k} \\
&= (a^2)^{3k} + (b^2)^{3k} \\
&= a^{6k} + b^{6k}
\end{aligned}$$

where $a = 2\sqrt{7} - 3\sqrt{3}$, $b = 2\sqrt{7} + 3\sqrt{3}$ with $ab = 1$.

From this, we can prove by induction that

$$S_i = a^{6^{i+1}k} + b^{6^{i+1}k}.$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
S_{n-2} &= a^{\frac{N+1}{6}} + b^{\frac{N+1}{6}} = \left(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right)^{\frac{N+1}{2}} + \left(\frac{\sqrt{7}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right)^{\frac{N+1}{2}} = \\
&= 2^{-\frac{N+1}{2}} \left((\sqrt{7} - \sqrt{3})^{\frac{N+1}{2}} + (\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{3})^{\frac{N+1}{2}} \right).
\end{aligned}$$

By the way, for N prime,

$$\begin{aligned}
(\sqrt{7} - \sqrt{3})^{N+1} + (\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{3})^{N+1} &= \sum_{i=0}^{N+1} \binom{N+1}{i} (\sqrt{7})^i ((-\sqrt{3})^{N+1-i} + (\sqrt{3})^{N+1-i}) \\
&= \sum_{j=0}^{(N+1)/2} \binom{N+1}{2j} (\sqrt{7})^{2j} \cdot 2(\sqrt{3})^{N+1-2j} \\
&= \sum_{j=0}^{(N+1)/2} \binom{N+1}{2j} 7^j \cdot 2 \cdot 3^{\frac{N+1}{2}-j} \\
&\equiv 2 \cdot 3^{\frac{N+1}{2}} + 7^{\frac{N+1}{2}} \cdot 2 \pmod{N} \\
&\equiv 2 \cdot 3 + (-7) \cdot 2 \pmod{N} \\
&\equiv -8 \pmod{N}
\end{aligned}$$

This is because $N \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ and $N \equiv \pm 2 \cdot (-1)^n - 1 \equiv 1, 4 \pmod{7}$ implies that

$$3^{(N-1)/2} \equiv 1 \pmod{N}, \quad 7^{(N-1)/2} \equiv -1 \pmod{N}.$$

From this, since $2^{N-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{N}$,

$$\begin{aligned}
2^{N+1} S_{n-2}^2 &= (\sqrt{7} - \sqrt{3})^{N+1} + (\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{3})^{N+1} + 2 \cdot 4^{\frac{N+1}{2}} \\
&\equiv -8 + 2 \cdot 2^{N-1} \cdot 4 \pmod{N} \\
&\equiv 0 \pmod{N}
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, $S_{n-2} \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$.

Q.E.D.

(For the second conjecture)

$$P_3(3) = 2^{-3} \cdot \left((3 - \sqrt{5})^3 + (3 + \sqrt{5})^3 \right) = 18$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_0 = P_{3k}(P_3(3)) &= 2^{-3k} \cdot \left((18 - \sqrt{18^2 - 4})^{3k} + (18 + \sqrt{18^2 - 4})^{3k} \right) \\ &= (9 - 4\sqrt{5})^{3k} + (9 + 4\sqrt{5})^{3k} = c^{6k} + d^{6k} \end{aligned}$$

where $c = \sqrt{5} - 2$, $d = \sqrt{5} + 2$ with $cd = 1$.

We can prove by induction that

$$S_i = c^{6^{i+1}k} + d^{6^{i+1}k}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} S_{n-2} &= c^{\frac{N+1}{6}} + d^{\frac{N+1}{6}} = \left(\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \right)^{\frac{N+1}{2}} + \left(\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \right)^{\frac{N+1}{2}} = \\ &= 2^{-\frac{N+1}{2}} \left((\sqrt{5} - 1)^{\frac{N+1}{2}} + (\sqrt{5} + 1)^{\frac{N+1}{2}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

By the way, for N prime,

$$\begin{aligned} (\sqrt{5} - 1)^{N+1} + (\sqrt{5} + 1)^{N+1} &= \sum_{i=0}^{N+1} \binom{N+1}{i} (\sqrt{5})^i ((-1)^{N+1-i} + 1^{N+1-i}) \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{(N+1)/2} \binom{N+1}{2j} (\sqrt{5})^{2j} \cdot 2 \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{(N+1)/2} \binom{N+1}{2j} 5^j \cdot 2 \\ &\equiv 2 + 5^{\frac{N+1}{2}} \cdot 2 \pmod{N} \\ &\equiv 2 + (-5) \cdot 2 \pmod{N} \\ &\equiv -8 \pmod{N} \end{aligned}$$

This is because $N \equiv 2, 3 \pmod{5}$ implies that

$$5^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \equiv -1 \pmod{N}.$$

From this, since $2^{N-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{N}$,

$$\begin{aligned} 2^{N+1} S_{n-2}^2 &= (\sqrt{5} - 1)^{N+1} + (\sqrt{5} + 1)^{N+1} + 2 \cdot 4^{\frac{N+1}{2}} \\ &\equiv -8 + 2 \cdot 2^{N-1} \cdot 4 \pmod{N} \\ &\equiv 0 \pmod{N} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $S_{n-2} \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$.

Q.E.D.

11 Compositeness tests for specific classes of $N = k \cdot b^n - 1$

Definition 11.1. Let $P_m(x) = 2^{-m} \cdot \left((x - \sqrt{x^2 - 4})^m + (x + \sqrt{x^2 - 4})^m \right)$, where m and x are nonnegative integers .

Conjecture 11.1. Let $N = k \cdot b^n - 1$ such that $n > 2$, k is odd, $3 \nmid k$, b is even, $3 \nmid b$, $k < b^n$.
Let $S_i = P_b(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_{bk/2}(P_{b/2}(4))$, thus
if N is prime then $S_{n-2} \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$

Conjecture 11.2. Let $N = k \cdot b^n - 1$ such that $n > 2$, $k < b^n$ and

$$\begin{cases} k \equiv 3 \pmod{30} \text{ with } b \equiv 2 \pmod{10} \text{ and } n \equiv 0, 3 \pmod{4} \\ k \equiv 3 \pmod{30} \text{ with } b \equiv 4 \pmod{10} \text{ and } n \equiv 0, 2 \pmod{4} \\ k \equiv 3 \pmod{30} \text{ with } b \equiv 6 \pmod{10} \text{ and } n \equiv 0, 1, 2, 3 \pmod{4} \\ k \equiv 3 \pmod{30} \text{ with } b \equiv 8 \pmod{10} \text{ and } n \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$$

Let $S_i = P_b(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_{bk/2}(P_{b/2}(18))$, thus
If N is prime then $S_{n-2} \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$

Conjecture 11.3. Let $N = k \cdot b^n - 1$ such that $n > 2$, $k < b^n$ and

$$\begin{cases} k \equiv 9 \pmod{30} \text{ with } b \equiv 2 \pmod{10} \text{ and } n \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{4} \\ k \equiv 9 \pmod{30} \text{ with } b \equiv 4 \pmod{10} \text{ and } n \equiv 0, 2 \pmod{4} \\ k \equiv 9 \pmod{30} \text{ with } b \equiv 6 \pmod{10} \text{ and } n \equiv 0, 1, 2, 3 \pmod{4} \\ k \equiv 9 \pmod{30} \text{ with } b \equiv 8 \pmod{10} \text{ and } n \equiv 0, 3 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$$

Let $S_i = P_b(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_{bk/2}(P_{b/2}(18))$, thus
If N is prime then $S_{n-2} \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$

Conjecture 11.4. Let $N = k \cdot b^n - 1$ such that $n > 2$, $k < b^n$ and

$$\begin{cases} k \equiv 21 \pmod{30} \text{ with } b \equiv 2 \pmod{10} \text{ and } n \equiv 2, 3 \pmod{4} \\ k \equiv 21 \pmod{30} \text{ with } b \equiv 4 \pmod{10} \text{ and } n \equiv 1, 3 \pmod{4} \\ k \equiv 21 \pmod{30} \text{ with } b \equiv 8 \pmod{10} \text{ and } n \equiv 1, 2 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$$

Let $S_i = P_b(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_{bk/2}(P_{b/2}(3))$, thus
If N is prime then $S_{n-2} \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$

12 Compositeness tests for specific classes of $N = k \cdot 3^n \pm 2$

Definition 12.1. Let $P_m(x) = 2^{-m} \cdot \left((x - \sqrt{x^2 - 4})^m + (x + \sqrt{x^2 - 4})^m \right)$, where m and x are nonnegative integers .

Conjecture 12.1. Let $N = k \cdot 3^n - 2$ such that $n \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$, $n > 2$, $k \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and $k > 0$.

Let $S_i = P_3(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_{3k}(4)$, thus
If N is prime then $S_{n-1} \equiv P_1(4) \pmod{N}$

Conjecture 12.2. Let $N = k \cdot 3^n - 2$ such that $n \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$, $n > 2$, $k \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and $k > 0$.

Let $S_i = P_3(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_{3k}(4)$, thus

If N is prime then $S_{n-1} \equiv P_3(4) \pmod{N}$

Conjecture 12.3. Let $N = k \cdot 3^n + 2$ such that $n > 2$, $k \equiv 1, 3 \pmod{8}$ and $k > 0$.

Let $S_i = P_3(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_{3k}(6)$, thus

If N is prime then $S_{n-1} \equiv P_3(6) \pmod{N}$

Conjecture 12.4. Let $N = k \cdot 3^n + 2$ such that $n > 2$, $k \equiv 5, 7 \pmod{8}$ and $k > 0$.

Let $S_i = P_3(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_{3k}(6)$, thus

If N is prime then $S_{n-1} \equiv P_1(6) \pmod{N}$

13 Compositeness tests for $N = b^n \pm b \pm 1$

Definition 13.1. Let $P_m(x) = 2^{-m} \cdot \left((x - \sqrt{x^2 - 4})^m + (x + \sqrt{x^2 - 4})^m \right)$, where m and x are nonnegative integers.

Conjecture 13.1. Let $N = b^n - b - 1$ such that $n > 2$, $b \equiv 0, 6 \pmod{8}$.

Let $S_i = P_b(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_{b/2}(6)$,

thus

if N is prime, then $S_{n-1} \equiv P_{(b+2)/2}(6) \pmod{N}$.

Conjecture 13.2. Let $N = b^n - b - 1$ such that $n > 2$, $b \equiv 2, 4 \pmod{8}$.

Let $S_i = P_b(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_{b/2}(6)$,

thus

if N is prime, then $S_{n-1} \equiv -P_{b/2}(6) \pmod{N}$.

Conjecture 13.3. Let $N = b^n + b + 1$ such that $n > 2$, $b \equiv 0, 6 \pmod{8}$.

Let $S_i = P_b(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_{b/2}(6)$,

thus

if N is prime, then $S_{n-1} \equiv P_{b/2}(6) \pmod{N}$.

Conjecture 13.4. Let $N = b^n + b + 1$ such that $n > 2$, $b \equiv 2, 4 \pmod{8}$.

Let $S_i = P_b(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_{b/2}(6)$,

thus

if N is prime, then $S_{n-1} \equiv -P_{(b+2)/2}(6) \pmod{N}$.

Conjecture 13.5. Let $N = b^n - b + 1$ such that $n > 3$, $b \equiv 0, 2 \pmod{8}$.

Let $S_i = P_b(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_{b/2}(6)$,

thus

if N is prime, then $S_{n-1} \equiv P_{b/2}(6) \pmod{N}$.

Conjecture 13.6. Let $N = b^n - b + 1$ such that $n > 3$, $b \equiv 4, 6 \pmod{8}$.

Let $S_i = P_b(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_{b/2}(6)$,

thus

if N is prime, then $S_{n-1} \equiv -P_{(b-2)/2}(6) \pmod{N}$.

Conjecture 13.7. Let $N = b^n + b - 1$ such that $n > 3$, $b \equiv 0, 2 \pmod{8}$.

Let $S_i = P_b(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_{b/2}(6)$,

thus

if N is prime, then $S_{n-1} \equiv P_{(b-2)/2}(6) \pmod{N}$.

Conjecture 13.8. Let $N = b^n + b - 1$ such that $n > 3$, $b \equiv 4, 6 \pmod{8}$.

Let $S_i = P_b(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_{b/2}(6)$,

thus

if N is prime, then $S_{n-1} \equiv -P_{b/2}(6) \pmod{N}$.

Proof attempt by mathlove

First of all,

$$\begin{aligned} S_0 = P_{b/2}(6) &= 2^{-\frac{b}{2}} \cdot \left((6 - 4\sqrt{2})^{\frac{b}{2}} + (6 + 4\sqrt{2})^{\frac{b}{2}} \right) \\ &= (3 - 2\sqrt{2})^{\frac{b}{2}} + (3 + 2\sqrt{2})^{\frac{b}{2}} \\ &= (\sqrt{2} - 1)^b + (\sqrt{2} + 1)^b \\ &= p^b + q^b \end{aligned}$$

where $p = \sqrt{2} - 1$, $q = \sqrt{2} + 1$ with $pq = 1$.

Now, we can prove by induction that

$$S_i = p^{b^{i+1}} + q^{b^{i+1}}.$$

By the way,

$$\begin{aligned} p^{N+1} + q^{N+1} &= \sum_{i=0}^{N+1} \binom{N+1}{i} (\sqrt{2})^i ((-1)^{N+1-i} + 1) \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{(N+1)/2} \binom{N+1}{2j} 2^{j+1} \\ &\equiv 2 + 2^{(N+3)/2} \pmod{N} \\ &\equiv 2 + 4 \cdot 2^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \pmod{N} \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned} p^{N+3} + q^{N+3} &= \sum_{i=0}^{N+3} \binom{N+3}{i} (\sqrt{2})^i ((-1)^{N+3-i} + 1) \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{(N+3)/2} \binom{N+3}{2j} 2^{j+1} \\ &\equiv 2 + \binom{N+3}{2} \cdot 2^2 + \binom{N+3}{N+1} \cdot 2^{\frac{N+3}{2}} + 2^{\frac{N+5}{2}} \pmod{N} \\ &\equiv 14 + 12 \cdot 2^{\frac{N-1}{2}} + 8 \cdot 2^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \pmod{N} \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

Here, for $N \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{8}$, since $2^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \equiv 1 \pmod{N}$, from (1)(2), we can prove by induction that

$$p^{N+2i-1} + q^{N+2i-1} \equiv p^{2i} + q^{2i} \pmod{N} \quad (3)$$

For $N \equiv 3, 5 \pmod{8}$, since $2^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \equiv -1 \pmod{N}$, from (1)(2), we can prove by induction that

$$p^{N+2i-1} + q^{N+2i-1} \equiv -(p^{2i-2} + q^{2i-2}) \pmod{N} \quad (4)$$

To prove (3)(4), we can use

$$\begin{aligned} p^{N+2(i+1)-1} + q^{N+2(i+1)-1} &\equiv (p^{N+2i-1} + q^{N+2i-1})(p^2 + q^2) - \\ &\quad - (p^{N+2(i-1)-1} + q^{N+2(i-1)-1}) \pmod{N} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} p^{N+2(i-1)-1} + q^{N+2(i-1)-1} &\equiv (p^{N+2i-1} + q^{N+2i-1})(p^{-2} + q^{-2}) - \\ &\quad - (p^{N+2(i+1)-1} + q^{N+2(i+1)-1}) \pmod{N} \end{aligned}$$

(Note that (3)(4) holds for **every integer** i (not necessarily positive) because of $pq = 1$.)
Conjecture 13.1 is true because from (3)

$$\begin{aligned} S_{n-1} &= p^{N+b+1} + q^{N+b+1} \\ &\equiv p^{b+2} + q^{b+2} \pmod{N} \\ &\equiv P_{(b+2)/2}(6) \pmod{N} \end{aligned}$$

Conjecture 13.2 is true because from (4)

$$\begin{aligned} S_{n-1} &= p^{N+b+1} + q^{N+b+1} \\ &\equiv -(p^b + q^b) \pmod{N} \\ &\equiv -P_{b/2}(6) \pmod{N} \end{aligned}$$

Conjecture 13.3 is true because from (3)

$$\begin{aligned} S_{n-1} &= p^{N-b-1} + q^{N-b-1} \\ &\equiv p^{-b} + q^{-b} \pmod{N} \\ &\equiv q^b + p^b \pmod{N} \\ &\equiv P_{b/2}(6) \pmod{N} \end{aligned}$$

Conjecture 13.4 is true because from (4)

$$\begin{aligned} S_{n-1} &= p^{N-b-1} + q^{N-b-1} \\ &\equiv -(p^{-b-2} + q^{-b-2}) \pmod{N} \\ &\equiv -(q^{b+2} + p^{b+2}) \pmod{N} \\ &\equiv -P_{(b+2)/2}(6) \pmod{N} \end{aligned}$$

Conjecture 13.5 is true because from (3)

$$\begin{aligned} S_{n-1} &= p^{N+b-1} + q^{N+b-1} \\ &\equiv p^b + q^b \pmod{N} \\ &\equiv P_{b/2}(6) \pmod{N} \end{aligned}$$

Conjecture 13.6 is true because from (4)

$$\begin{aligned} S_{n-1} &= p^{N+b-1} + q^{N+b-1} \\ &\equiv -(p^{b-2} + q^{b-2}) \pmod{N} \\ &\equiv -P_{(b-2)/2}(6) \pmod{N} \end{aligned}$$

Conjecture 13.7 is true because from (3)

$$\begin{aligned} S_{n-1} &= p^{N-b+1} + q^{N-b+1} \\ &\equiv p^{-b+2} + q^{-b+2} \pmod{N} \\ &\equiv q^{b-2} + p^{b-2} \pmod{N} \\ &\equiv P_{(b-2)/2}(6) \pmod{N} \end{aligned}$$

Conjecture 13.8 is true because from (4)

$$\begin{aligned} S_{n-1} &= p^{N-b+1} + q^{N-b+1} \\ &\equiv -(p^{-b} + q^{-b}) \pmod{N} \\ &\equiv -(q^b + p^b) \pmod{N} \\ &\equiv -P_{b/2}(6) \pmod{N} \end{aligned}$$

Q.E.D.

14 Primality test for $N = 8 \cdot 3^n - 1$

Definition 14.1. Let $P_m(x) = 2^{-m} \cdot \left((x - \sqrt{x^2 - 4})^m + (x + \sqrt{x^2 - 4})^m \right)$, where m and x are nonnegative integers .

Conjecture 14.1. Let $N = 8 \cdot 3^n - 1$ such that $n > 1$.

Let $S_i = P_3(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_{12}(4)$

thus ,

N is prime iff $S_{n-1} \equiv 4 \pmod{N}$

Incomplete proof by David Speyer

Let's unwind your formula.

$$\begin{aligned} S_{n-1} &= P_{4 \cdot 3^n}(4) = (2 + \sqrt{3})^{4 \cdot 3^n} + (2 - \sqrt{3})^{4 \cdot 3^n} \\ &= (2 + \sqrt{3})^{4 \cdot 3^n} + (2 + \sqrt{3})^{-4 \cdot 3^n} = (2 + \sqrt{3})^{(N+1)/2} + (2 + \sqrt{3})^{-(N+1)/2}. \end{aligned}$$

You are testing whether or not $S_{n-1} \equiv 4 \pmod N$ or, on other words,

$$(2 + \sqrt{3})^{(N+1)/2} + (2 + \sqrt{3})^{-(N+1)/2} \equiv 4 \pmod N. \quad (*)$$

If N is prime: (This section is rewritten to use some observations about roots of unity. It may therefore look a bit less motivated.) The prime N is $-1 \pmod{24}$, so $N^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{24}$ and the finite field \mathbb{F}_{N^2} contains a primitive 24-th root of unity, call it η . We have $(\eta + \eta^{-1})^2 = 2 + \sqrt{3}$, for one of the two choices of $\sqrt{3}$ in \mathbb{F}_N . (Since $N \equiv -1 \pmod{12}$, we have $\binom{3}{N} = 1$.) Now, $\eta \notin \mathbb{F}_N$. However, we compute $(\eta + \eta^{-1})^N = \eta^N + \eta^{-N} = \eta^{-1} + \eta$, since $N \equiv -1 \pmod{24}$. So $\eta + \eta^{-1} \in \mathbb{F}_N$ and we deduce that $2 + \sqrt{3}$ is a square in \mathbb{F}_N .

So $(2 + \sqrt{3})^{(N-1)/2} \equiv 1 \pmod N$ and $(2 + \sqrt{3})^{(N+1)/2} \equiv (2 + \sqrt{3}) \pmod N$. Similarly, $(2 + \sqrt{3})^{-(N+1)/2} \equiv (2 + \sqrt{3})^{-1} \equiv 2 - \sqrt{3} \pmod N$ and $(*)$ holds.

If N is not prime. Earlier, I said that I saw no way to control whether or not $(*)$ held when N was composite. I said that there seemed to be no reason it should hold and that, furthermore, it was surely very rare, because N is exponentially large, so it is unlikely for a random equality to hold modulo N .

Since then I had a few more ideas about the problem, which don't make it seem any easier, but clarify to me why it is so hard. To make life easier, let's assume that $N = p_1 p_2 \cdots p_j$ is square free. Of course, $(*)$ holds modulo N if and only if it holds modulo every p_i .

Let η be a primitive 24-th root of unity in an appropriate extension of \mathbb{F}_{p_j} . The following equations all take place in this extension of \mathbb{F}_{p_j} . It turns out that $(*)$ factors quite a bit:

$$\begin{aligned} (2 + \sqrt{3})^{(N+1)/2} + (2 + \sqrt{3})^{-(N+1)/2} &= 4 \\ (2 + \sqrt{3})^{(N+1)/2} &= 2 \pm \sqrt{3} \\ (\eta + \eta^{-1})^{(N+1)} &= (\eta + \eta^{-1})^2 \text{ or } (\eta^5 + \eta^{-5})^2 \\ (\eta + \eta^{-1})^{(N+1)/2} &\in \{\eta + \eta^{-1}, \eta^3 + \eta^{-3}, \eta^5 + \eta^{-5}, \eta^7 + \eta^{-7}\}. \quad (\dagger) \end{aligned}$$

Here is what I would like to do at this point, to follow the lines of the Lucas-Lehmer test, but cannot.

(1) I'd like to know that $(\eta + \eta^{-1})^{(N+1)/2} = \eta + \eta^{-1}$, not one of the other options in (\dagger) . (This is what actually occurs in the N prime case, as shown previously.) This would imply that $(\eta + \eta^{-1})^{(N-1)/2} = 1 \in \mathbb{F}_{p_j}$.

(2) I'd like to know that the order of $\eta + \eta^{-1}$ was precisely $(N - 1)/2$, not some divisor thereof.

(3) I'd like to thereby conclude that the multiplicative group of \mathbb{F}_{p_j} was of order divisible by $(N - 1)/2$, and thus $p_j \geq (N - 1)/2$. This would mean that there was basically only room for one p_j , and we would be able to conclude primality.

Now, (1) isn't so bad, because you could directly compute in the ring $\mathbb{Z}/(N\mathbb{Z})[\eta]/(\eta^8 - \eta^4 + 1)$, rather than trying to disguise this ring with elementary polynomial formulas. So, while I don't see that your algorithm checks this point, it wouldn't be hard.

And (2) \implies (3) is correct.

But you have a real problem with (2). This way this works in the Lucas-Lehmer test is that you are trying to prove that $2 + \sqrt{3}$ has order precisely 2^p in the field $\mathbb{F}_{2^{p-1}}[\sqrt{3}] \cong \mathbb{F}_{(2^p-1)^2}$. You already know that $(2 + \sqrt{3})^{2^p} = 1$. So it is enough to check that $(2 + \sqrt{3})^{2^{p-1}} = -1$, not 1.

In the current situation, the analogous thing would be to check that $(\eta + \eta^{-1})^{(N-1)/(2q)} \neq 1$ for every prime q dividing $(N-1)/2$. But I have no idea which primes divide $q!$ This seems like an huge obstacle to a proof that (*) implies N is prime.

To repeat: I think it may well be true that (*) implies N is prime, simply because there is no reason that (†) should hold once $N \neq p_j$, and the odds of (†) happening by accident are exponentially small. But I see no global principle implying this.

Q.E.D.

15 Generalization of Kilford's primality theorem

Conjecture 15.1. *Natural number n greater than two is prime iff :*

$$\prod_{k=1}^{n-1} (b^k - a) \equiv \frac{a^n - 1}{a - 1} \pmod{\frac{b^n - 1}{b - 1}}$$

where $b > a > 1$.

16 Prime generating sequence

Definition 16.1. Let $b_n = b_{n-2} + \text{lcm}(n-1, b_{n-2})$ with $b_1 = 2, b_2 = 2$ and $n > 2$.

Let $a_n = b_{n+2}/b_n - 1$

Conjecture 16.1. 1. Every term of this sequence a_i is either prime or 1.

2. Every odd prime number is member of this sequence.

3. Every new prime in sequence is a next prime from the largest prime already listed.

Incomplete proof by Markus Schepherd

This is the full argument for conjectures 2 and 3. First we need the general relation between $\text{gcd}(a, b)$ and $\text{lcm}[a, b]$: $a \cdot b = (a, b) \cdot [a, b]$. Then we note that the lowest common multiple $[n-1, b_{n-2}]$ is in particular a multiple of b_{n-2} , say kb_{n-2} with $1 \leq k \leq n-1$. Hence we have $b_n = b_{n-2}(k+1)$, so in every step the term b_n gets a new factor between 2 and n which means in particular that all prime factors of b_n are less or equal to n . Now we rearrange a_n with the above observation to $a_n = \frac{n+1}{(n+1, b_n)}$. Let p be a prime. Then $(p, b_{p-1}) = 1$ since all prime factors of b_{p-1} are strictly smaller than p . But then $a_{p-1} = \frac{p}{(p, b_{p-1})} = p$ as claimed in conjecture 2. Further, we have obviously $a_n \leq n+1$ for all n , so the first index for which the prime p can appear in the sequence is $p-1$ which immediately implies conjecture 3.

Q.E.D.

17 Primality test using Euler's totient function

Theorem 17.1. (Wilson)

A positive integer n is prime iff $(n - 1)! \equiv -1 \pmod{n}$

Theorem 17.2. A positive integer n is prime iff $\varphi(n)! \equiv -1 \pmod{n}$.

Proof

Necessity : If n is prime then $\varphi(n)! \equiv -1 \pmod{n}$

If n is prime then we have $\varphi(n) = n - 1$ and

by Theorem 17.1 : $(n - 1)! \equiv -1 \pmod{n}$,

hence $\varphi(n)! \equiv -1 \pmod{n}$.

Sufficiency : If $\varphi(n)! \equiv -1 \pmod{n}$ then n is prime

For $n = 2$ and $n = 6$:

$\varphi(2)! \equiv -1 \pmod{2}$ and 2 is prime .

$\varphi(6)! \not\equiv -1 \pmod{6}$ and 6 is composite .

For $n \neq 2, 6$:

Suppose n is composite and p is the least prime such that $p \mid n$,

then we have $\varphi(n)! \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$.

Since $\varphi(n) \geq \sqrt{n}$ for all n except $n = 2$ and $n = 6$

and $p \leq \sqrt{n}$ it follows $p \mid \varphi(n)!$, hence $\varphi(n)! \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$

a contradiction .

Therefore , n must be prime .

Q.E.D.

18 Primality tests for specific classes of Proth numbers

Theorem 18.1. Let $N = k \cdot 2^n + 1$ with $n > 1$, $k < 2^n$, $3 \mid k$, and

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} k \equiv 3 \pmod{30}, & \text{with } n \equiv 1, 2 \pmod{4} \\ k \equiv 9 \pmod{30}, & \text{with } n \equiv 2, 3 \pmod{4} \\ k \equiv 21 \pmod{30}, & \text{with } n \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{4} \\ k \equiv 27 \pmod{30}, & \text{with } n \equiv 0, 3 \pmod{4} \end{array} \right.$$

thus,

N is prime iff $5^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \equiv -1 \pmod{N}$.

Proof

Necessity : If N is prime then $5^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \equiv -1 \pmod{N}$

Let N be a prime , then by Euler criterion :

$$5^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \equiv \left(\frac{5}{N}\right) \pmod{N}$$

If N is a prime then $N \equiv 2, 3 \pmod{5}$ and therefore : $\left(\frac{N}{5}\right) = -1$.

Since $N \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ according to the law of quadratic reciprocity it follows that : $\left(\frac{5}{N}\right) = -1$.

Hence , $5^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \equiv -1 \pmod{N}$.

Sufficiency : If $5^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \equiv -1 \pmod{N}$ then N is prime
 If $5^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \equiv -1 \pmod{N}$ then by Proth's theorem N is prime .
 Q.E.D.

Theorem 18.2. Let $N = k \cdot 2^n + 1$ with $n > 1$, $k < 2^n$, $3 \mid k$, and

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} k \equiv 3 \pmod{42}, \quad \text{with } n \equiv 2 \pmod{3} \\ k \equiv 9 \pmod{42}, \quad \text{with } n \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{3} \\ k \equiv 15 \pmod{42}, \quad \text{with } n \equiv 1, 2 \pmod{3} \\ k \equiv 27 \pmod{42}, \quad \text{with } n \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \\ k \equiv 33 \pmod{42}, \quad \text{with } n \equiv 0 \pmod{3} \\ k \equiv 39 \pmod{42}, \quad \text{with } n \equiv 0, 2 \pmod{3} \end{array} \right.$$

thus, N is prime iff $7^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \equiv -1 \pmod{N}$

Proof

Necessity : If N is prime then $7^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \equiv -1 \pmod{N}$

Let N be a prime, then by Euler criterion :

$$7^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \equiv \left(\frac{7}{N}\right) \pmod{N}$$

If N is prime then $N \equiv 3, 5, 6 \pmod{7}$ and therefore : $\left(\frac{N}{7}\right) = -1$.

Since $N \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ according to the law of quadratic reciprocity it follows that : $\left(\frac{7}{N}\right) = -1$.

Hence, $7^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \equiv -1 \pmod{N}$.

Sufficiency : If $7^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \equiv -1 \pmod{N}$ then N is prime

If $7^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \equiv -1 \pmod{N}$ then by Proth's theorem N is prime .

Q.E.D.

Theorem 18.3. Let $N = k \cdot 2^n + 1$ with $n > 1$, $k < 2^n$, $3 \mid k$, and

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} k \equiv 3 \pmod{66}, \quad \text{with } n \equiv 1, 2, 6, 8, 9 \pmod{10} \\ k \equiv 9 \pmod{66}, \quad \text{with } n \equiv 0, 1, 3, 4, 8 \pmod{10} \\ k \equiv 15 \pmod{66}, \quad \text{with } n \equiv 2, 4, 5, 7, 8 \pmod{10} \\ k \equiv 21 \pmod{66}, \quad \text{with } n \equiv 1, 2, 4, 5, 9 \pmod{10} \\ k \equiv 27 \pmod{66}, \quad \text{with } n \equiv 0, 2, 3, 5, 6 \pmod{10} \\ k \equiv 39 \pmod{66}, \quad \text{with } n \equiv 0, 1, 5, 7, 8 \pmod{10} \\ k \equiv 45 \pmod{66}, \quad \text{with } n \equiv 0, 4, 6, 7, 9 \pmod{10} \\ k \equiv 51 \pmod{66}, \quad \text{with } n \equiv 0, 2, 3, 7, 9 \pmod{10} \\ k \equiv 57 \pmod{66}, \quad \text{with } n \equiv 3, 5, 6, 8, 9 \pmod{10} \\ k \equiv 63 \pmod{66}, \quad \text{with } n \equiv 1, 3, 4, 6, 7 \pmod{10} \end{array} \right.$$

thus,

N is prime iff $11^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \equiv -1 \pmod{N}$

Proof

Necessity : If N is prime then $11^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \equiv -1 \pmod{N}$

Let N be a prime , then by Euler criterion :

$$11^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \equiv \left(\frac{11}{N}\right) \pmod{N}$$

If N is prime then $N \equiv 2, 6, 7, 8, 10 \pmod{11}$ and therefore : $\left(\frac{N}{11}\right) = -1$.

Since $N \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ according to the law of quadratic reciprocity it follows that : $\left(\frac{11}{N}\right) = -1$.

Hence , $11^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \equiv -1 \pmod{N}$.

Sufficiency : If $11^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \equiv -1 \pmod{N}$ then N is prime

If $11^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \equiv -1 \pmod{N}$ then by Proth's theorem N is prime .

Q.E.D.

19 Generalization of Wilson's primality theorem

Theorem 19.1. For $m \geq 1$ number n greater than one is prime iff :

$$(n^m - 1)! \equiv (n - 1)! \left[\frac{(-1)^{m+1}}{2} \right] \cdot n^{\frac{n^m - mn + m - 1}{n-1}} \pmod{n^{\frac{n^m - mn + m + n - 2}{n-1}}}$$

20 Primality test for Fermat numbers using quartic recurrence equation

Let us define sequence S_i as :

$$S_i = \begin{cases} 8 & \text{if } i = 0; \\ (S_{i-1}^2 - 2)^2 - 2 & \text{otherwise .} \end{cases}$$

Theorem 20.1. $F_n = 2^{2^n} + 1, (n \geq 2)$ is a prime if and only if F_n divides $S_{2^{n-1}-1}$.

Proof

Let us define $\omega = 4 + \sqrt{15}$ and $\bar{\omega} = 4 - \sqrt{15}$ and then define L_n to be $\omega^{2^{2^n}} + \bar{\omega}^{2^{2^n}}$, we get $L_0 = \omega + \bar{\omega} = 8$, and $L_{n+1} = \omega^{2^{2^{n+1}}} + \bar{\omega}^{2^{2^{n+1}}} = (\omega^{2^{2^n}})^2 + (\bar{\omega}^{2^{2^n}})^2 = (\omega^{2^{2^n}} + \bar{\omega}^{2^{2^n}})^2 - 2 \cdot \omega^{2^{2^n}} \cdot \bar{\omega}^{2^{2^n}} = ((\omega^{2^{2^n}} + \bar{\omega}^{2^{2^n}})^2 - 2 \cdot \omega^{2^{2^n}} \cdot \bar{\omega}^{2^{2^n}})^2 - 2 \cdot \omega^{2^{2^{n+1}}} \cdot \bar{\omega}^{2^{2^{n+1}}} = ((\omega^{2^{2^n}} + \bar{\omega}^{2^{2^n}})^2 - 2 \cdot (\omega \cdot \bar{\omega})^{2^{2^n}})^2 - 2 \cdot (\omega \cdot \bar{\omega})^{2^{2^{n+1}}}$ and since $\omega \cdot \bar{\omega} = 1$ we get : $L_{n+1} = (L_n^2 - 2)^2 - 2$. Because the L_n satisfy the same inductive definition as the sequence S_i , the two sequences must be the same .

Proof of necessity

If $2^{2^n} + 1$ is prime then $S_{2^{n-1}-1}$ is divisible by $2^{2^n} + 1$

We rely on simplification of the proof of Lucas-Lehmer test by Oystein J. R. Odseth .First notice that 3 is quadratic non-residue $\pmod{F_n}$ and that 5 is quadratic non-residue $\pmod{F_n}$. Euler's criterion then gives us : $3^{\frac{F_n-1}{2}} \equiv -1 \pmod{F_n}$ and $5^{\frac{F_n-1}{2}} \equiv -1 \pmod{F_n}$. On the other hand 2 is a quadratic-residue $\pmod{F_n}$, Euler's criterion gives: $2^{\frac{F_n-1}{2}} \equiv 1 \pmod{F_n}$

Next define $\sigma = 2\sqrt{15}$, and define X as the multiplicative group of $\{a + b\sqrt{15} | a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_{F_n}\}$. We will use following lemmas :

Lemma 1. $(x + y)^{F_n} = x^{F_n} + y^{F_n} \pmod{F_n}$

Lemma 2. $a^{F_n} \equiv a \pmod{F_n}$ (Fermat little theorem)

Then in group X we have :

$$\begin{aligned} (6+\sigma)^{F_n} &\equiv (6)^{F_n} + (\sigma)^{F_n} \pmod{F_n} = 6 + (2\sqrt{15})^{F_n} \pmod{F_n} = 6 + 2^{F_n} \cdot 15^{\frac{F_n-1}{2}} \cdot \sqrt{15} \\ &\pmod{F_n} = 6 + 2 \cdot 3^{\frac{F_n-1}{2}} \cdot 5^{\frac{F_n-1}{2}} \cdot \sqrt{15} \pmod{F_n} = 6 + 2 \cdot (-1) \cdot (-1) \cdot \sqrt{15} \pmod{F_n} = \\ &= 6 + 2\sqrt{15} \pmod{F_n} = (6 + \sigma) \pmod{F_n} \end{aligned}$$

We chose σ such that $\omega = \frac{(6+\sigma)^2}{24}$. We can use this to compute $\omega^{\frac{F_n-1}{2}}$ in the group X :

$$\omega^{\frac{F_n-1}{2}} = \frac{(6+\sigma)^{F_n-1}}{24^{\frac{F_n-1}{2}}} = \frac{(6+\sigma)^{F_n}}{(6+\sigma) \cdot 24^{\frac{F_n-1}{2}}} \equiv \frac{(6+\sigma)}{(6+\sigma) \cdot (-1)} \pmod{F_n} = -1 \pmod{F_n}$$

where we use fact that :

$$24^{\frac{F_n-1}{2}} = (2^{\frac{F_n-1}{2}})^3 \cdot (3^{\frac{F_n-1}{2}}) \equiv (1^3) \cdot (-1) \pmod{F_n} = -1 \pmod{F_n}$$

So we have shown that :

$$\omega^{\frac{F_n-1}{2}} \equiv -1 \pmod{F_n}$$

If we write this as $\omega^{\frac{2^{2^n}+1-1}{2}} = \omega^{2^{2^n-1}} = \omega^{2^{2^n-2}} \cdot \omega^{2^{2^n-2}} \equiv -1 \pmod{F_n}$, multiply both sides by $\bar{\omega}^{2^{2^n-2}}$, and put both terms on the left hand side to write this as : $\omega^{2^{2^n-2}} + \bar{\omega}^{2^{2^n-2}} \equiv 0 \pmod{F_n}$ $\omega^{2^{2(2^{n-1}-1)}} + \bar{\omega}^{2^{2(2^{n-1}-1)}} \equiv 0 \pmod{F_n} \Rightarrow S_{2^{n-1}-1} \equiv 0 \pmod{F_n}$

Since the left hand side is an integer this means therefore that $S_{2^{n-1}-1}$ must be divisible by $2^{2^n} + 1$.

Proof of sufficiency

If $S_{2^{n-1}-1}$ is divisible by $2^{2^n} + 1$, then $2^{2^n} + 1$ is prime .

We rely on simplification of the proof of Lucas-Lehmer test by J. W. Bruce .If $2^{2^n} + 1$ is not prime then it must be divisible by some prime factor F less than or equal to the square root of $2^{2^n} + 1$. From the hypothesis $S_{2^{n-1}-1}$ is divisible by $2^{2^n} + 1$ so $S_{2^{n-1}-1}$ is also multiple of F , so we can write : $\omega^{2^{2(2^{n-1}-1)}} + \bar{\omega}^{2^{2(2^{n-1}-1)}} = K \cdot F$, for some integer K . We can write this equality as : $\omega^{2^{2^n-2}} + \bar{\omega}^{2^{2^n-2}} = K \cdot F$ Note that $\omega \cdot \bar{\omega} = 1$ so we can multiply both sides by $\omega^{2^{2^n-2}}$ and rewrite this relation as : $\omega^{2^{2^n-1}} = K \cdot F \cdot \omega^{2^{2^n-2}} - 1$. If we square both sides we get : $\omega^{2^{2^n}} = (K \cdot F \cdot \omega^{2^{2^n-2}} - 1)^2$ Now consider the set of numbers $a + b\sqrt{15}$ for integers a and b where $a + b\sqrt{15}$ and $c + d\sqrt{15}$ are considered equivalent if a and c differ by a multiple of F , and the same is true for b and d . There are F^2 of these numbers, and addition and multiplication can be verified to be well-defined on sets of equivalent numbers. Given the element ω (considered as representative of an equivalence class), the associative law allows us to use exponential notation for repeated products : $\omega^n = \omega \cdot \omega \cdots \omega$, where the product contains n factors and the usual rules for exponents can be justified. Consider the sequence of elements $\omega, \omega^2, \omega^3 \dots$. Because ω has the inverse $\bar{\omega}$ every element in this sequence has an inverse. So there can be at most $F^2 - 1$ different elements of this sequence. Thus there must be at least two different exponents where $\omega^j = \omega^k$ with $j < k \leq F^2$. Multiply j times by inverse of ω to get that $\omega^{k-j} = 1$ with $1 \leq k-j \leq F^2 - 1$. So we have proven that ω satisfies $\omega^n = 1$ for some positive exponent n less than or equal to $F^2 - 1$. Define the order of ω to be smallest positive integer d such that $\omega^d = 1$. So if n is any other positive integer satisfying $\omega^n = 1$ then n must be multiple of d . Write $n = q \cdot d + r$ with $r < d$. Then if $r \neq 0$ we have $1 = \omega^n = \omega^{q \cdot d + r} = (\omega^d)^q \cdot \omega^r = 1^q \cdot \omega^r = \omega^r$ contradicting the minimality of d so $r = 0$ and n is multiple of d . The relation $\omega^{2^{2^n}} = (K \cdot F \cdot \omega^{2^{2^n-2}} - 1)^2$ shows that $\omega^{2^{2^n}} \equiv 1 \pmod{F}$. So that 2^{2^n} must be multiple of the order of ω . But the relation

$\omega^{2^{2^n-1}} = K \cdot F \cdot \omega^{2^{2^n-2}} - 1$ shows that $\omega^{2^{2^n-1}} \equiv -1 \pmod{F}$ so the order cannot be any proper factor of 2^{2^n} , therefore the order must be 2^{2^n} . Since this order is less than or equal to $F^2 - 1$ and F is less or equal to the square root of $2^{2^n} + 1$ we have relation : $2^{2^n} \leq F^2 - 1 \leq 2^{2^n}$. This is true only if $2^{2^n} = F^2 - 1 \Rightarrow 2^{2^n} + 1 = F^2$. We will show that Fermat number cannot be square of prime factor .

Theorem : Any prime divisor p of $F_n = 2^{2^n} + 1$ is of the form $k \cdot 2^{n+2} + 1$ whenever n is greater than one .

So prime factor F must be of the form $k \cdot 2^{n+2} + 1$, therefore we can write : $2^{2^n} + 1 = (k \cdot 2^{n+2} + 1)^2 2^{2^n} + 1 = k^2 \cdot 2^{2n+4} + 2 \cdot k \cdot 2^{n+2} + 1 2^{2^n} = k \cdot 2^{n+3} \cdot (k \cdot 2^{n+1} + 1)$

The last equality cannot be true since $k \cdot 2^{n+1} + 1$ is an odd number and 2^{2^n} has no odd prime factors so $2^{2^n} + 1 \neq F^2$ and therefore we have relation $2^{2^n} < F^2 - 1 < 2^{2^n}$ which is contradiction so therefore $2^{2^n} + 1$ must be prime .

Q.E.D.

21 Prime number formula

$$p_n = 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{2 \cdot (\lfloor n \ln(n) \rfloor + 1)} \left(1 - \left[\frac{1}{n} \cdot \sum_{j=2}^k \left[\frac{3 - \sum_{i=1}^j \left\lfloor \frac{\lfloor \frac{j}{i} \rfloor}{\lfloor \frac{j}{i} \rfloor} \right\rfloor}{j} \right] \right] \right)$$

22 Primality criterion for specific class of $N = 3 \cdot 2^n - 1$

Definition 22.1. Let $P_m(x) = 2^{-m} \cdot \left((x - \sqrt{x^2 - 4})^m + (x + \sqrt{x^2 - 4})^m \right)$, where m and x are nonnegative integers .

Conjecture 22.1. Let $N = 3 \cdot 2^n - 1$ such that $n > 2$ and $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$

Let $S_i = P_2(S_{i-1})$ with

$$S_0 = \begin{cases} P_3(32), & \text{if } n \equiv 2 \pmod{8} \\ P_3(36), & \text{if } n \equiv 6 \pmod{8} \end{cases}$$

thus, N is prime iff $S_{n-2} \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$

23 Probable prime tests for generalized Fermat numbers

Definition 23.1. Let $P_m(x) = 2^{-m} \cdot \left((x - \sqrt{x^2 - 4})^m + (x + \sqrt{x^2 - 4})^m \right)$, where m and x are nonnegative integers.

Theorem 23.1. Let $F_n(b) = b^{2^n} + 1$ such that $n \geq 2$ and b is even number .

Let $S_i = P_b(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_b(6)$, thus if $F_n(b)$ is prime, then $S_{2^n-1} \equiv 2 \pmod{F_n(b)}$.

The following proof appeared for the first time on MSE forum in August 2016 .

Proof by mathlove . First of all, we prove by induction that

$$S_i = \alpha^{b^{i+1}} + \beta^{b^{i+1}} \quad (1)$$

where $\alpha = 3 - 2\sqrt{2}$, $\beta = 3 + 2\sqrt{2}$ with $\alpha\beta = 1$.

Proof for (1) :

$$\begin{aligned} S_0 &= P_b(6) \\ &= 2^{-b} \cdot \left((6 - 4\sqrt{2})^b + (6 + 4\sqrt{2})^b \right) \\ &= 2^{-b} \cdot \left(2^b (3 - 2\sqrt{2})^b + 2^b (3 + 2\sqrt{2})^b \right) \\ &= \alpha^b + \beta^b \end{aligned}$$

Suppose that (1) holds for i . Using the fact that

$$(\alpha^m + \beta^m)^2 - 4 = (\beta^m - \alpha^m)^2$$

we get

$$\begin{aligned} S_{i+1} &= P_b(S_i) \\ &= 2^{-b} \cdot \left(\left(\alpha^{b^{i+1}} + \beta^{b^{i+1}} - \sqrt{(\alpha^{b^{i+1}} + \beta^{b^{i+1}})^2 - 4} \right)^b + \left(\alpha^{b^{i+1}} + \beta^{b^{i+1}} + \sqrt{(\alpha^{b^{i+1}} + \beta^{b^{i+1}})^2 - 4} \right)^b \right) \\ &= 2^{-b} \cdot \left(\left(\alpha^{b^{i+1}} + \beta^{b^{i+1}} - \sqrt{(\beta^{b^{i+1}} - \alpha^{b^{i+1}})^2} \right)^b + \left(\alpha^{b^{i+1}} + \beta^{b^{i+1}} + \sqrt{(\beta^{b^{i+1}} - \alpha^{b^{i+1}})^2} \right)^b \right) \\ &= 2^{-b} \cdot \left((2\alpha^{b^{i+1}})^b + (2\beta^{b^{i+1}})^b \right) \\ &= \alpha^{b^{i+2}} + \beta^{b^{i+2}} \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

Let $N := F_n(b) = b^{2^n} + 1$. Then, from (1),

$$S_{2^n-1} = \alpha^{b^{2^n}} + \beta^{b^{2^n}} = \alpha^{N-1} + \beta^{N-1}$$

Since $\alpha\beta = 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} S_{2^n-1} &= \alpha^{N-1} + \beta^{N-1} \\ &= \alpha\beta(\alpha^{N-1} + \beta^{N-1}) \\ &= \beta \cdot \alpha^N + \alpha \cdot \beta^N \\ &= 3(\alpha^N + \beta^N) - 2\sqrt{2}(\beta^N - \alpha^N) \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

So, in the following, we find $\alpha^N + \beta^N \pmod{N}$ and $\sqrt{2}(\beta^N - \alpha^N) \pmod{N}$.

Using the binomial theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha^N + \beta^N &= (3 - 2\sqrt{2})^N + (3 + 2\sqrt{2})^N \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^N \binom{N}{i} 3^i \cdot ((-2\sqrt{2})^{N-i} + (2\sqrt{2})^{N-i}) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{(N+1)/2} \binom{N}{2j-1} 3^{2j-1} \cdot 2(2\sqrt{2})^{N-(2j-1)} \end{aligned}$$

Since $\binom{N}{2j-1} \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$ for $1 \leq j \leq (N-1)/2$, we get

$$\alpha^N + \beta^N \equiv \binom{N}{N} 3^N \cdot 2(2\sqrt{2})^0 \equiv 2 \cdot 3^N \pmod{N}$$

Now, by Fermat's little theorem,

$$\alpha^N + \beta^N \equiv 2 \cdot 3^N \equiv 2 \cdot 3 \equiv 6 \pmod{N} \quad (3)$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{2}(\beta^N - \alpha^N) &= \sqrt{2}((3 + 2\sqrt{2})^N - (3 - 2\sqrt{2})^N) \\ &= \sqrt{2} \sum_{i=0}^N \binom{N}{i} 3^i \cdot ((2\sqrt{2})^{N-i} - (-2\sqrt{2})^{N-i}) \\ &= \sqrt{2} \sum_{j=0}^{(N-1)/2} \binom{N}{2j} 3^{2j} \cdot 2(2\sqrt{2})^{N-2j} \\ &\equiv \sqrt{2} \binom{N}{0} 3^0 \cdot 2(2\sqrt{2})^N \pmod{N} \\ &\equiv 2^{N+1} \cdot 2^{(N+1)/2} \pmod{N} \\ &\equiv 4 \cdot 2^{(N+1)/2} \pmod{N} \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

By the way, since b is even with $n \geq 2$,

$$N = b^{2^n} + 1 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$$

from which

$$2^{(N-1)/2} \equiv \left(\frac{2}{N}\right) \equiv (-1)^{(N^2-1)/8} \equiv 1 \pmod{N}$$

follows where $\left(\frac{q}{p}\right)$ denotes the Legendre symbol.

So, from (4),

$$\sqrt{2}(\beta^N - \alpha^N) \equiv 4 \cdot 2^{(N+1)/2} \equiv 4 \cdot 2 \equiv 8 \pmod{N} \quad (5)$$

Therefore, finally, from (2)(3) and (5),

$$S_{2^n-1} \equiv 3(\alpha^N + \beta^N) - 2\sqrt{2}(\beta^N - \alpha^N) \equiv 3 \cdot 6 - 2 \cdot 8 \equiv 2 \pmod{F_n(b)}$$

as desired.

Q.E.D.

Theorem 23.2. Let $E_n(b) = \frac{b^{2^n}+1}{2}$ such that $n > 1$, b is odd number greater than one.

Let $S_i = P_b(S_{i-1})$ with $S_0 = P_b(6)$, thus if $E_n(b)$ is prime, then $S_{2^n-1} \equiv 6 \pmod{E_n(b)}$.

The following proof appeared for the first time on MSE forum in August 2016.

Proof by mathlove. First of all, we prove by induction that

$$S_i = p^{2b^{i+1}} + q^{2b^{i+1}} \quad (6)$$

where $p = \sqrt{2} - 1$, $q = \sqrt{2} + 1$ with $pq = 1$.

Proof for (6) :

$$S_0 = P_b(6) = 2^{-b} \cdot \left((6 - 4\sqrt{2})^b + (6 + 4\sqrt{2})^b \right) = (3 - 2\sqrt{2})^b + (3 + 2\sqrt{2})^b = p^{2b} + q^{2b}$$

Supposing that (6) holds for i gives

$$\begin{aligned} S_{i+1} &= P_b(S_i) \\ &= 2^{-b} \cdot \left(\left(S_i - \sqrt{S_i^2 - 4} \right)^b + \left(S_i + \sqrt{S_i^2 - 4} \right)^b \right) \\ &= 2^{-b} \cdot \left(\left(p^{2b^{i+1}} + q^{2b^{i+1}} - \sqrt{(q^{2b^{i+1}} - p^{2b^{i+1}})^2} \right)^b + \left(p^{2b^{i+1}} + q^{2b^{i+1}} + \sqrt{(q^{2b^{i+1}} - p^{2b^{i+1}})^2} \right)^b \right) \\ &= 2^{-b} \cdot \left(\left(p^{2b^{i+1}} + q^{2b^{i+1}} - (q^{2b^{i+1}} - p^{2b^{i+1}}) \right)^b + \left(p^{2b^{i+1}} + q^{2b^{i+1}} + (q^{2b^{i+1}} - p^{2b^{i+1}}) \right)^b \right) \\ &= 2^{-b} \cdot \left(\left(2p^{2b^{i+1}} \right)^b + \left(2q^{2b^{i+1}} \right)^b \right) \\ &= p^{2b^{i+2}} + q^{2b^{i+2}} \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

Let $N := 2^n - 1$, $M := E_n(b) = (b^{N+1} + 1)/2$. From (6), we have

$$\begin{aligned} S_{2^n-1} &= S_N \\ &= p^{2b^{N+1}} + q^{2b^{N+1}} \\ &= p^{2(2M-1)} + q^{2(2M-1)} \\ &= p^{4M-2} + q^{4M-2} \\ &= (pq)^2(p^{4M-2} + q^{4M-2}) \\ &= 3(p^{4M} + q^{4M}) - 2\sqrt{2}(q^{4M} - p^{4M}) \end{aligned}$$

Now using the binomial theorem and Fermat's little theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} p^{4M} + q^{4M} &= (17 - 12\sqrt{2})^M + (17 + 12\sqrt{2})^M \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^M \binom{M}{i} 17^i ((-12\sqrt{2})^{M-i} + (12\sqrt{2})^{M-i}) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{(M+1)/2} \binom{M}{2j-1} 17^{2j-1} \cdot 2(12\sqrt{2})^{M-(2j-1)} \\ &\equiv \binom{M}{M} 17^M \cdot 2(12\sqrt{2})^0 \pmod{M} \\ &\equiv 17 \cdot 2 \pmod{M} \\ &\equiv 34 \pmod{M} \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}
2\sqrt{2}(q^{4M} - p^{4M}) &= 2\sqrt{2}((17 + 12\sqrt{2})^M - (17 - 12\sqrt{2})^M) \\
&= 2\sqrt{2} \sum_{i=0}^M \binom{M}{i} 17^i ((12\sqrt{2})^{M-i} - (-12\sqrt{2})^{M-i}) \\
&= 2\sqrt{2} \sum_{j=0}^{(M-1)/2} \binom{M}{2j} 17^{2j} \cdot 2(12\sqrt{2})^{M-2j} \\
&= \sum_{j=0}^{(M-1)/2} \binom{M}{2j} 17^{2j} \cdot 4 \cdot 12^{M-2j} \cdot 2^{(M-2j+1)/2} \\
&\equiv \binom{M}{0} 17^0 \cdot 4 \cdot 12^M \cdot 2^{(M+1)/2} \pmod{M} \\
&\equiv 4 \cdot 12 \cdot 2 \pmod{M} \\
&\equiv 96 \pmod{M}
\end{aligned}$$

since $2^{(M-1)/2} \equiv (-1)^{(M^2-1)/8} \equiv 1 \pmod{M}$ (this is because $M \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ from $b^2 \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{16}$)

It follows from these that

$$\begin{aligned}
S_{2^n-1} &= 3(p^{4M} + q^{4M}) - 2\sqrt{2}(q^{4M} - p^{4M}) \\
&\equiv 3 \cdot 34 - 96 \pmod{M} \\
&\equiv 6 \pmod{E_n(b)}
\end{aligned}$$

as desired.

Q.E.D.