

where $\dot{+}$ denotes addition modulo one. Thus (3) is equivalent to requiring that $\Theta_1 \dot{+} \Theta_2$ and Θ_1 have the same distribution. If we set

$$\phi(n) = E\{e^{2\pi in\Theta_1}\} = \int_0^1 e^{2\pi in\theta_1} dF_{\Theta_1}(\theta_1),$$

then (3) and the independence of Θ_1, Θ_2 imply

$$\phi(n) = E\{e^{2\pi in(\Theta_1 \dot{+} \Theta_2)}\} = E\{e^{2\pi in(\Theta_1 + \Theta_2)}\} = \phi^2(n)$$

so that $\phi(n) = 0$ or 1 . Certainly $\phi(0) = 1$. There are two cases to be examined.

Case 1. $\phi(n) = 0$ for all $n \neq 0$.

It follows from the uniqueness theorem for Fourier-Stieltjes series that $dF_{\Theta_1}(d\theta_1) = d\theta_1$ and hence $\Pr(M_1 \leq x) = F_\infty(x)$.

Case 2. $\phi(n) = 1$ for some $n \neq 0$.

Let m be the smallest positive integer such that $\phi(m) = 1$. Then

$$0 = \int_0^1 (1 - e^{2\pi im\theta_1}) dF_{\Theta_1}(\theta_1) = \int_0^1 (1 - \cos 2\pi m\theta_1) dF_{\Theta_1}(\theta_1).$$

It follows that F_{Θ_1} is a 'step function' with points of discontinuity at $\theta_k = k/m$ ($k = 1, 2, \dots, m$) and, hence, $\phi(n + m) = \phi(n)$ ($n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$). We assert that $\phi(n) = 1$ if and only if $n = km$ for some integer k ; for if $\phi(n) = 1$ with $km < n < (k + 1)m$ then $\phi(n - km) = \phi(n) = 1$ while $0 < n - km < m$ contradicting the minimality of m . The uniqueness theorem for Fourier-Stieltjes series now shows that $\Pr(M_1 \leq x) = F_m(x)$.

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New Primes of the Form $n^4 + 1$

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This note presents some results of a continuation of the author's systematic factorization of integers of the form $n^4 + 1$ [1].

An electronic computer at l'Institut Blaise Pascal in Paris has been used to find solutions of the congruence $x^4 + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ for all primes of the form $8k + 1$ in the interval $10^6 < p < 4 \cdot 10^6$, thereby extending the previous range of such tables listed in [1].

With the aid of these tables, the complete factorization of $n^4 + 1$ has now been effected for all even values of n less than 2040 and for all odd values less than 2397.

Thus, the primality of $\frac{1}{2}(n^4 + 1)$ has been established for the following 116 values of n :

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|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 1007 | 1163 | 1401 | 1655 | 1853 | 2051 | 2205 | 2349 |
| 1013 | 1173 | 1441 | 1683 | 1865 | 2061 | 2209 | 2363 |
| 1015 | 1183 | 1457 | 1687 | 1905 | 2069 | 2215 | 2369 |
| 1019 | 1253 | 1463 | 1737 | 1909 | 2071 | 2223 | 2373 |
| 1041 | 1259 | 1483 | 1745 | 1915 | 2073 | 2245 | |
| 1047 | 1269 | 1485 | 1751 | 1935 | 2079 | 2247 | |
| 1049 | 1275 | 1493 | 1755 | 1945 | 2097 | 2255 | |
| 1053 | 1305 | 1527 | 1757 | 1967 | 2125 | 2261 | |
| 1057 | 1327 | 1529 | 1765 | 1977 | 2131 | 2279 | |
| 1071 | 1333 | 1533 | 1789 | 1985 | 2141 | 2283 | |
| 1087 | 1353 | 1547 | 1809 | 2001 | 2143 | 2305 | |
| 1101 | 1355 | 1557 | 1813 | 2007 | 2145 | 2311 | |
| 1119 | 1371 | 1567 | 1823 | 2011 | 2149 | 2315 | |
| 1123 | 1381 | 1569 | 1829 | 2013 | 2163 | 2333 | |
| 1125 | 1383 | 1571 | 1841 | 2037 | 2175 | 2341 | |
| 1135 | 1389 | 1635 | 1849 | 2039 | 2193 | 2343 | |

Similarly, corresponding to the following 94 values of n , the integer $n^4 + 1$ has been shown to be prime:

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|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 1038 | 1170 | 1322 | 1472 | 1598 | 1688 | 1824 | 1942 |
| 1042 | 1180 | 1330 | 1486 | 1610 | 1700 | 1836 | 1944 |
| 1072 | 1200 | 1344 | 1496 | 1612 | 1706 | 1850 | 1948 |
| 1076 | 1202 | 1382 | 1536 | 1618 | 1710 | 1854 | 1952 |
| 1088 | 1218 | 1388 | 1540 | 1622 | 1718 | 1864 | 1956 |
| 1126 | 1236 | 1404 | 1542 | 1638 | 1722 | 1870 | 1962 |
| 1132 | 1238 | 1406 | 1552 | 1644 | 1738 | 1892 | 1972 |
| 1136 | 1246 | 1428 | 1554 | 1646 | 1754 | 1910 | 1978 |
| 1142 | 1252 | 1434 | 1558 | 1650 | 1772 | 1916 | 1986 |
| 1144 | 1270 | 1442 | 1568 | 1652 | 1788 | 1926 | 1994 |
| 1150 | 1280 | 1446 | 1586 | 1666 | 1806 | 1932 | |
| 1152 | 1302 | 1458 | 1594 | 1680 | 1820 | 1934 | |

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Some Additional Factorizations of $2^n \pm 1$

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Herein are set forth some details of three new factorizations of integers of the form $2^n \pm 1$.

The first of these is the complete factorization of $2^{119} - 1$, which possesses as algebraic factors the Mersenne primes $2^7 - 1 = 127$ and $2^{17} - 1 = 131071$. The quotient is known to be divisible by 239 and 20231. There then remains the factorization of the integer

$$N = 82\ 57410\ 95583\ 43357\ 90279,$$

which was proved composite by E. Gabard of Poitiers, France.

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