# **The Distribution of Prime Numbers**

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we discovered a new sequence of prime numbers, every term of this sequence is either a prime number or equal to 1.

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#### 1. Introduction

A number is said to be a prime number if the number is divisible by 1 and itself; otherwise it's composite.

Some prime numbers are 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29, 31, 37, 41, 43, 47,...

The distribution of prime numbers which was treated in many researche for a formula can be helps in generating the prime numbers or testing if the given numbers is prime. In this paper, we present some known formula.

Mill's showed that there existe a real number A > 1 such that  $f(n) = [A^{3^n}]$  is a prime number for any integers n, approximately A=1.306377883863,... (see A051021). The first few values

 $f(n) = \{2, 11, 1361, 2521008887, 16022236204009818131831320183, ...\}, (see A051254)$ 

Euler's quadratic polynomial  $n^2 + n + 41$  is prime for all n between 0 and 39, however, it is not prime for all integers.

The Rowland sequence of prime numbers composed entirely of 1's and primes, the sequence defined by the recurrence relation

$$r(n) = r(n-1) + \gcd(n, r(n-1)); r(1) = 1$$

The sequence of differences r(n + 1) - r(n)

(sequence A132199 in the OEIS).

For more details and formulas see[2]. In this paper, we present an interesting sequence which play the same role of Rowland sequence composite by a prime number or 1.

### 2. The sequence of b(n) and a(n)

The sequence b(n) satisfy the following recursive formula

$$b(n) = (n-1)b(n-1) - nb(n-2); n \ge 4$$

With the starting conditions b(2) = -1, and b(3) = 1.

The first few values of b(n).

b(n)={-1, 1, 7, 23, 73, 277, 1355, 8347, 61573, 523913, 5024167, 53479135, 624890417, 7946278813,...}

Other formula of b(n) as continued fraction

$$\frac{b(n)}{n^2 - n - 1} = \frac{1}{2 - \frac{3}{3 - \frac{4}{4 - \frac{5}{(n-1) - \frac{n}{n - (n+1)}}}}; \text{ for } n \ge 2$$

In this section, we present our sequence of prime numbers defined in the conjecture as follows.

**Conjecture**. The sequence a(n) satisfy the following formula

$$a(n) = \frac{n^2 - n - 1}{gcd(b(n), n^2 - n - 1)} ; for n \ge 2$$

Where gcd(x, y) denotes the greatest common divisor of x and y.

The values of a(n).

1, 5, 11, 19, 29, 41, 11, 71, 89, 109, 131, 31, 181, 19, 239, 271, 61, 31, 379, 419, 461, 101, 29, 599, 59, 701, 151, 811, 79, 929, 991, 211, 59, 41, 1259, 1, 281, 1481, 1559, 149, 1721, 1, 61, 1979, 2069, 2161, 1, 2351, 79, 2549, 241, 1, 2861, 2969, 3079, 3191,...

Every term of this sequence is either a prime number or equal to 1.

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(Concerned with the sequence A132199)