

# A classification of primes in four classes using the MC function

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**Abstract.** In few of my previous papers I defined the MC function. In this paper I make a classification of primes in four classes using a formula involving this function, id est the formula  $p + MC(p + 2) - 5$ , where  $p$  is prime. The classification is strict, a prime can not belong simultaneously to two classes.

**Introduction:** In this paper I classify the primes in four classes; the criterion of classification is the value of the number  $N = p + MC(p + 2) - 5$ , where  $p$  is the namely prime.

**Class I:** primes  $p$  for which  $p + MC(p + 2) - 5 = p$ .

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: 3 + MC(5) - 5 = 3;  
: 7 + MC(9) - 5 = 7;  
: 19 + MC(19) - 5 = 19;  
: 23 + MC(23) - 5 = 23;  
: 43 + MC(45) - 5 = 43;  
: 61 + MC(63) - 5 = 67;  
: 79 + MC(81) - 5 = 79;  
: 83 + MC(85) - 5 = 83;  
: 127 + MC(129) - 5 = 127;  
: 131 + MC(133) - 5 = 131;  
: 151 + MC(153) - 5 = 151;  
: 167 + MC(169) - 5 = 167.
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**Class II:** Primes  $p$  for which  $p + MC(p + 2) - 5 = N$ , where  $N$  is prime.

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: 5 + MC(7) - 5 = 7;  
: 11 + MC(13) - 5 = 19;  
: 17 + MC(19) - 5 = 31;  
: 41 + MC(43) - 5 = 79;  
: 61 + MC(63) - 5 = 67;  
: 71 + MC(73) - 5 = 139;  
: 73 + MC(75) - 5 = 79;  
: 89 + MC(91) - 5 = 103;  
: 101 + MC(103) - 5 = 199;  
: 107 + MC(109) - 5 = 211;  
: 137 + MC(139) - 5 = 271;  
: 191 + MC(193) - 5 = 379.
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**Class III:** Primes  $p$  for which  $p + MC(p + 2) - 5 = p + 2$ , where  $p + 2$  is not prime.

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: 13 + MC(15) - 5 = 15;  
: 37 + MC(39) - 5 = 39;  
: 53 + MC(55) - 5 = 55;  
: 97 + MC(99) - 5 = 99;  
: 109 + MC(111) - 5 = 111;  
: 113 + MC(115) - 5 = 115;  
: 157 + MC(159) - 5 = 159;  
: 173 + MC(175) - 5 = 175.
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**Class IV:** Primes  $p$  for which  $p + MC(p + 2) - 5 = N$ , where  $N$  is composite and does not belong to the class III.

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: 29 + MC(31) - 5 = 55;  
: 31 + MC(33) - 5 = 39;  
: 47 + MC(13) - 5 = 55;  
: 59 + MC(61) - 5 = 115;  
: 103 + MC(105) - 5 = 121;  
: 139 + MC(141) - 5 = 147;  
: 149 + MC(151) - 5 = 295;  
: 163 + MC(165) - 5 = 175;  
: 179 + MC(181) - 5 = 355;  
: 181 + MC(183) - 5 = 187.
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**Note:** From the first 42 odd primes, 32 belong to one of the first three classes, the "regular ones" because they are defined by a formula, and just 10 belong to the fourth class, the "irregular" one.