

Conjecture that states that any Carmichael number is a cm-composite

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Abstract. In two of my previous papers I defined the notions of c-prime respectively m-prime. In this paper I will define the notion of cm-prime and the notions of c-composite, m-composite and cm-composite and I will conjecture that any Carmichael number is a cm-composite.

Introduction:

Though, as I mentioned in Abstract, I already defined the notions of c-prime and m-prime in previous papers, in order to be, this paper, self-contained, I shall define them here too.

Definition 1:

We name a c-prime a positive odd integer which is either prime either semiprime of the form $p(1)*q(1)$, $p(1) < q(1)$, with the property that the number $q(1) - p(1) + 1$ is either prime either semiprime $p(2)*q(2)$ with the property that the number $q(2) - p(2) + 1$ is either prime either semiprime with the property showed above... (until, eventually, is obtained a prime).

Example: 4979 is a c-prime because $4979 = 13*383$, where $383 - 13 + 1 = 371 = 7*53$, where $53 - 7 + 1 = 47$, a prime.

Definition 2:

We name a m-prime a positive odd integer which is either prime either semiprime of the form $p(1)*q(1)$, with the property that the number $p(1) + q(1) - 1$ is either prime either semiprime $p(2)*q(2)$ with the property that the number $p(2) + q(2) - 1$ is either prime either semiprime with the property showed above... (until, eventually, is obtained a prime).

Example: 5411 is a m-prime because $5411 = 7*773$, where $7 + 773 - 1 = 779 = 19*41$, where $19 + 41 - 1 = 59$, a prime.

Definition 3:

We name a cm-prime a positive odd integer which is either prime either semiprime of the form $p(1)*q(1)$, $p(1) < q(1)$, with the following two properties:

- : the number $q(1) - p(1) + 1$ is either prime either semiprime $p(2)*q(2)$ with the property that the number $q(2) - p(2) + 1$ is either prime either semiprime with the property showed above... (until, eventually, is obtained a prime);
- : the number $p(2) + q(2) - 1$ is either prime either semiprime with the property showed above... (until, eventually, is obtained a prime).

Example: 5411 is a c-prime because $5411 = 7*773$, where $773 - 7 + 1 = 767 = 13*59$, where $59 - 13 + 1 = 47$, a prime, but is also a m-prime because $7 + 773 - 1 = 779 = 19*41$, where $19 + 41 - 1 = 59$, a prime. So, being in the same time a c-prime and a m-prime, we say that the number 5411 is a cm-prime.

Definition 4:

We name a c-composite the composite number $n = p(1)*p(2)*...*p(m)$, where $p(1), p(2), ..., p(m)$ are the prime factors of n , which has often the following property: there exist $p(k)$ and $p(h)$, where $p(k)$ is the product of some distinct prime factors of n and $p(h)$ the product of the other distinct prime factors such that the number $p(k) - p(h) + 1$ is a c-prime.

Definition 5:

We name a m-composite the composite number $n = p(1)*p(2)*...*p(m)$, where $p(1), p(2), ..., p(m)$ are the prime factors of n , which has often the following property: there exist $p(k)$ and $p(h)$, where $p(k)$ is the product of some distinct prime factors of n and $p(h)$ the product of the other distinct prime factors such that the number $p(k) + p(h) - 1$ is a m-prime.

Definition 6:

We name a cm-composite the composite number $n = p(1)*p(2)*...*p(m)$, where $p(1), p(2), ..., p(m)$ are the prime factors of n , which has the following property: there exist $p(k)$ and $p(h)$, where $p(k)$ is the product of some distinct prime factors of n and $p(h)$ the product of the other distinct prime factors such that the number $p(k) - p(h) + 1$ is a c-prime and the number $p(k) + p(h) - 1$ is a m-prime.

Note: We will consider the number 1 to be a prime in the six definitions from above; we will not discuss the controverted nature of number 1, just not to repeat in definitions "a prime or number 1".

Conjecture: Any Carmichael number is a cm-composite.

Verifying the conjecture(for the first 11 Carmichael numbers):

For $561 = 3 \cdot 11 \cdot 17$ we have:

: the number $3 \cdot 17 - 11 + 1 = 41$, a prime;

: the number $3 \cdot 17 + 11 - 1 = 61$, a prime.

For $1105 = 5 \cdot 13 \cdot 17$ we have:

: the number $5 \cdot 17 - 13 + 1 = 73$, a prime;

: the number $5 \cdot 17 + 13 - 1 = 97$, a prime.

For $1729 = 7 \cdot 13 \cdot 19$ we have:

: the number $7 \cdot 13 - 19 + 1 = 73$, a prime;

: the number $7 \cdot 13 + 19 - 1 = 109$, a prime.

For $2465 = 5 \cdot 17 \cdot 29$ we have:

: the number $5 \cdot 17 - 29 + 1 = 57 = 3 \cdot 19$, a c-prime because $19 - 3 + 1 = 17$, a prime;

: the number $5 \cdot 17 + 29 - 1 = 113$, a prime.

For $2821 = 7 \cdot 13 \cdot 31$ we have:

: the number $7 \cdot 31 - 13 + 1 = 205 = 5 \cdot 41$, a c-prime because $41 - 5 + 1 = 37$, a prime;

: the number $7 \cdot 31 + 13 - 1 = 229$, a prime.

For $6601 = 7 \cdot 23 \cdot 41$ we have:

: the number $23 \cdot 41 - 7 + 1 = 937$, a prime;

: the number $23 \cdot 41 + 7 - 1 = 949 = 13 \cdot 73$, a m-prime because $13 + 73 - 1 = 85 = 5 \cdot 17$ and $5 + 17 - 1 = 21 = 3 \cdot 7$ and $3 + 7 - 1 = 9 = 3 \cdot 3$ and $3 + 3 - 1 = 5$, a prime.

For $8911 = 7 \cdot 19 \cdot 67$ we have:

: the number $7 \cdot 19 - 67 + 1 = 67$, a prime;

: the number $7 \cdot 19 + 67 - 1 = 199$, a prime.

For $10585 = 5 \cdot 29 \cdot 73$ we have:

: the number $5 \cdot 29 - 73 + 1 = 73$, a prime;

: the number $5 \cdot 29 + 73 - 1 = 217 = 7 \cdot 31$, a m-prime because $7 + 31 - 1 = 37$, a prime.

For $15841 = 7 \cdot 31 \cdot 73$ we have:

: the number $7 \cdot 31 - 73 + 1 = 145 = 5 \cdot 29$, a c-prime because $29 - 5 + 1 = 25$ and $5 - 5 + 1 = 1$;

: the number $7 \cdot 31 + 73 - 1 = 289$, a m-prime because $17 + 17 - 1 = 33 = 3 \cdot 11$ and $3 + 11 - 1 = 13$, a prime.

For $29341 = 13 \cdot 37 \cdot 61$ we have:

: the number $13 \cdot 37 - 61 + 1 = 421$, a prime;

: the number $13 \cdot 37 + 61 - 1 = 541$, a prime.

For $41041 = 7 \cdot 11 \cdot 13 \cdot 41$ we have:

: the number $11 \cdot 41 - 7 \cdot 13 + 1 = 361$, a c-prime because $19 - 19 + 1 = 1$;

: the number $11 \cdot 41 + 7 \cdot 13 - 1 = 541$, a prime.