

Two conjectures on Super-Poulet numbers with two respectively three prime factors

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Abstract. In this paper I make two conjectures on Super-Poulet numbers with two, respectively three prime factors.

Definition:

Super-Poulet numbers are the Poulet numbers whose divisors d all satisfy the relation d divides $2^d - 2$ (see the sequence A050217 in OEIS for the list of Super-Poulet numbers).

Note:

Every 2-Poulet number (Poulet number with only two prime factors) is also a Super-Poulet number (see the sequence A214305 for the list of 2-Poulet numbers).

Conjecture 1:

For any 2-Poulet number $q \cdot r$ (obviously q and r primes, distinct ($q < r$) beside the case of the two 2-Poulet numbers which are the squares of the two known Wieferich primes) is true one of the following two statements:

- i) there exist n positive integer such that $r = n \cdot q - n + 1$;
- ii) there exist p prime, p greater than 7, also n and m positive integers, such that $q = n \cdot p - n + 1$ and $r = m \cdot p - m + 1$.

Verifying the conjecture:

(For the first twenty-two 2-Poulet numbers)

: 341 = 11*31 and 31 = 11*3 - 2;
: 1387 = 19*73 and 73 = 19*4 - 3;
: 2047 = 23*89 and 89 = 23*4 - 3;
: 2701 = 37*73 and 73 = 37*2 - 1;
: 3277 = 29*113 and 113 = 29*4 - 3;
: 4033 = 37*109 and 109 = 37*3 - 2;
: 4369 = 17*257 and 257 = 17*6 - 5;
: 4681 = 31*151 and 151 = 31*5 - 4;
: 5461 = 43*127 and 127 = 43*3 - 2;

: $7957 = 73 \cdot 109$ and $73 = 6 \cdot 13 - 5$ while $109 = 9 \cdot 13 - 8$;
 : $8321 = 53 \cdot 157$ and $157 = 53 \cdot 3 - 2$;
 : $10261 = 31 \cdot 331$ and $331 = 31 \cdot 11 - 10$;
 : $13747 = 59 \cdot 233$ and $233 = 59 \cdot 4 - 3$;
 : $14491 = 43 \cdot 337$ and $337 = 43 \cdot 8 - 7$;
 : $15709 = 23 \cdot 683$ and $683 = 23 \cdot 31 - 30$;
 : $18721 = 97 \cdot 193$ and $193 = 97 \cdot 2 - 1$;
 : $19951 = 71 \cdot 281$ and $281 = 71 \cdot 4 - 3$;
 : $23377 = 97 \cdot 241$ and $97 = 6 \cdot 17 - 5$ while $241 = 15 \cdot 17 - 14$;
 : $31417 = 89 \cdot 353$ and $353 = 89 \cdot 4 - 3$;
 : $31609 = 73 \cdot 433$ and $433 = 73 \cdot 6 - 5$;
 : $31621 = 103 \cdot 307$ and $307 = 103 \cdot 3 - 2$;
 : $35333 = 89 \cdot 397$ and $89 = 4 \cdot 23 - 3$ while $397 = 18 \cdot 23 - 17$.

Note that the conjecture is obviously true for the case of the two 2-Poulet numbers which are the squares of the two known Wieferich primes, i.e. $1194649 = 1093^2$ and $12327121 = 3511^2$. For instance, the prime 1093 can be written in seven distinct ways like $n \cdot p - p + 1$, where p prime: $1093 = 2 \cdot 547 - 1 = 7 \cdot 157 - 6 = 14 \cdot 79 - 13 = 21 \cdot 53 - 20 = 26 \cdot 43 - 25 = 39 \cdot 29 - 38 = 197 \cdot 7 - 6$ (and, of course, $1093 = 1093 \cdot 1 - 0$).

Conjecture 2:

For any Super-Poulet number with three prime factors $p \cdot q \cdot r$ (obviously p, q and r primes, $p < q < r$) is true one of the following two statements:

- iii) there exist n and m positive integers such that $q = n \cdot p - n + 1$ and $r = m \cdot p - m + 1$;
- iv) there exist s prime, s greater than 7, also a, b and c positive integers, such that $p = a \cdot s - a + 1$, $q = b \cdot s - b + 1$ and $r = c \cdot s - c + 1$.

Verifying the conjecture:

(For the first 18 such Super-Poulet numbers)

: $294409 = 37 \cdot 73 \cdot 109$ and $73 = 37 \cdot 2 - 1$ while $109 = 37 \cdot 3 - 2$;
 : $1398101 = 23 \cdot 89 \cdot 683$ and $89 = 23 \cdot 4 - 3$ while $683 = 23 \cdot 31 - 30$;
 : $1549411 = 31 \cdot 151 \cdot 331$ and $151 = 31 \cdot 5 - 4$ while $331 = 31 \cdot 11 - 10$;
 : $1840357 = 43 \cdot 127 \cdot 337$ and $127 = 43 \cdot 3 - 2$ while $337 = 43 \cdot 8 - 7$;
 : $12599233 = 97 \cdot 193 \cdot 673$ and $193 = 97 \cdot 2 - 1$ while $673 = 97 \cdot 7 - 6$;

: $13421773 = 53 \cdot 157 \cdot 1613$ and $157 = 53 \cdot 3 - 2$ while $1613 = 53 \cdot 31 - 30$;
 : $15162941 = 59 \cdot 233 \cdot 1103$ and $233 = 59 \cdot 4 - 3$ while $1103 = 59 \cdot 19 - 18$;
 : $15732721 = 97 \cdot 241 \cdot 673$ and $97 = 17 \cdot 6 - 5$ while $241 = 17 \cdot 15 - 14$ also $673 = 17 \cdot 42 - 41$;
 : $28717483 = 59 \cdot 233 \cdot 2089$ and $233 = 59 \cdot 4 - 3$ while $2089 = 59 \cdot 36 - 35$;
 : $29593159 = 43 \cdot 127 \cdot 5419$ and $127 = 43 \cdot 3 - 2$ while $5419 = 43 \cdot 129 - 128$;
 : $61377109 = 157 \cdot 313 \cdot 1249$ and $313 = 157 \cdot 2 - 1$ while $1249 = 157 \cdot 8 - 7$;
 : $66384121 = 89 \cdot 353 \cdot 2113$ and $353 = 89 \cdot 4 - 3$ while $2113 = 89 \cdot 24 - 23$;
 : $67763803 = 103 \cdot 307 \cdot 2143$ and $307 = 103 \cdot 3 - 2$ while $2143 = 103 \cdot 21 - 20$;
 : $74658629 = 89 \cdot 397 \cdot 2113$ and $89 = 23 \cdot 4 - 3$ while $397 = 23 \cdot 18 - 17$ while $2113 = 23 \cdot 96 - 95$;
 : $78526729 = 43 \cdot 337 \cdot 5419$ and $337 = 43 \cdot 8 - 7$ while $5419 = 43 \cdot 129 - 128$;
 : $90341197 = 103 \cdot 307 \cdot 2857$ and $307 = 103 \cdot 3 - 2$ while $2857 = 103 \cdot 28 - 27$;
 : $96916279 = 167 \cdot 499 \cdot 1163$ and $499 = 499 \cdot 3 - 2$ while $1163 = 167 \cdot 7 - 6$;
 : $109322501 = 101 \cdot 601 \cdot 1801$ and $601 = 101 \cdot 6 - 5$ while $1801 = 101 \cdot 18 - 17$.