

## Two conjectures on Smarandache's divisor products sequence

**Abstract.** In this paper I make the following two conjectures on the *Smarandache's divisor products sequence* where a term  $P(n)$  of the sequence is defined as the product of the positive divisors of  $n$ : (1) there exist an infinity of  $n$  composites such that the number  $m = P(n) + n - 1$  is prime; (2) there exist an infinity of  $n$  composites such that the number  $m = P(n) - n + 1$  is prime.

The *Smarandache's divisor products sequence* (see A007955 in OEIS):

: 1, 2, 3, 8, 5, 36, 7, 64, 27, 100, 11, 1728, 13, 196, 225, 1024, 17, 5832, 19, 8000, 441, 484, 23, 331776, 125, 676, 729, 21952, 29, 810000, 31, 32768, 1089, 1156, 1225, 10077696, 37, 1444, 1521, 2560000, 41, 3111696, 43, 85184, 91125, 2116, 47, 254803968 (...)

### Conjecture 1:

Let  $P(n)$  be the *Smarandache's divisor products sequence* where a term  $P(n)$  of the sequence is defined as the product of the positive divisors of  $n$ : there exist an infinity of  $n$  composites such that the number  $m = P(n) + n - 1$  is prime.

Note that for  $n$  primes, because  $P(n) = n$ ,  $P(n) + n - 1 = 2*n - 1$  and is already conjectured that there exist an infinity of primes of the form  $2*q - 1$ , where  $q$  prime.

The sequence of primes  $m$ :

:  $m = 3$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (2, 2)$ ;  
:  $m = 11$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (4, 8)$ ;  
:  $m = 41$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (6, 36)$ ;  
:  $m = 71$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (8, 64)$ ;  
:  $m = 109$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (10, 100)$ ;  
:  $m = 1739$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (12, 1728)$ ;  
:  $m = 239$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (15, 225)$ ;  
:  $m = 1039$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (16, 1024)$ ;  
:  $m = 5849$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (18, 5832)$ ;  
:  $m = 461$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (21, 441)$ ;  
:  $m = 149$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (25, 125)$ ;  
:  $m = 701$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (26, 676)$ ;  
:  $m = 1259$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (35, 1225)$ ;  
:  $m = 1481$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (38, 1444)$ ;  
:  $m = 2560039$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (40, 2560000)$ ;

:  $m = 2161$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (46, 2116)$ ;  
 (...)

Examples of larger  $m$ :

:  $m = 46656000059$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (60, 46656000000)$ ;  
 :  $m = 782757789791$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (96, 782757789696)$ ;  
 :  $m = 1586874323051$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (108, 1586874322944)$ ;  
 :  $m = 634562281237119143$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (168, 634562281237118976)$ .

Note that  $m$  is prime for  $n = 12, 60, 96, 108, 168$ . I conjecture that  $m$  is prime for an infinity of  $n$  of the form  $12 \cdot k$ .

### Conjecture 2:

Let  $P(n)$  be the *Smarandache's divisor products sequence* where a term  $P(n)$  of the sequence is defined as the product of the positive divisors of  $n$ : there exist an infinity of  $n$  composites such that the number  $m = P(n) - n + 1$  is prime.

Note that for  $n$  primes, because  $P(n) = n$ ,  $P(n) - n + 1 = 1$ .

The sequence of primes  $m$ :

:  $m = 5$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (4, 8)$ ;  
 :  $m = 31$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (6, 36)$ ;  
 :  $m = 19$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (9, 27)$ ;  
 :  $m = 211$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (15, 225)$ ;  
 :  $m = 1009$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (16, 1024)$ ;  
 :  $m = 421$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (21, 441)$ ;  
 :  $m = 463$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (22, 484)$ ;  
 :  $m = 331753$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (24, 331776)$ ;  
 :  $m = 149$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (25, 125)$ ;  
 :  $m = 1123$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (34, 1156)$ ;  
 :  $m = 254803921$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (48, 254803968)$ ;  
 (...)

Examples of larger  $m$ :

:  $m = 531440999911$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (90, 531441000000)$ ;  
 :  $m = 389328928561$ , prime, for  $(n, P(n)) = (208, 389328928768)$ .

Note that  $m$  is prime for  $n = 24, 48$ . I conjecture that  $m$  is prime for an infinity of  $n$  of the form  $12 \cdot k$ .