## The On-Line Encyclopedia of Integer Sequences

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# THE ON-LINE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF INTEGER SEQUENCES ${ }^{\circledR}$ 

founded in 1964 by N. J. A. Sloane

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Enter a sequence, word, or sequence number:

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1,2,3,6,11,23,47,106,235
$$

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Content is available under The OEIS End-User License Agreement.
COMMENTS 9 is the multiplicative unit. A number $n$ is a dismal prime if it is not a
dismal product (see A087062 for definition) $r^{* s}$ where neither $r$ nor $s$ is 9.
All dismal primes must contain a 9, so this is a subset of A011539.
Also, numbers $n$ such that the dismal sum of the dismal prime divisors of $n$
is n . (From N. J. A. Sloane, Aug 23 2010)
LINKS David Applegate and N. J. A. Sloane, Table of $n, a(n)$ for $n=1 . .22095$ [all
primes with at most 6 digits]
D. Applegate, C program for dismal arithmetic and number theory
Index entries for sequences related to dismal arithmetic
EXAMPLE 8 is not prime since $8=8 * 8$. 9 is not prime since it is the multiplicative
unit. 10 is not prime since $10=10 * 8$. Thus 19 is the smallest prime.
CROSSREFS Cf. A087062, A087636, A087638, A087984.
Sequence in context: A047985 A061763 A088474 * A038364 A151360 A109276
Adjacent sequences: $\overline{\mathrm{A} 087094} \overline{\mathrm{~A} 087095} \overline{\mathrm{~A} 087096} * \overline{\mathrm{~A} 087098} \overline{\mathrm{~A} 087099} \overline{\mathrm{~A} 087100}$
KEYWORD nonn, easy, base
AUTHOR Marc LeBrun (mlb(AT)well.com), oct 202003

## Outline of Talk

- About the OEIS
- Sequences from Geometry
- Sequences from Arithmetic
- "Music" andVideos
- The BANFF "Integer Sequences and KI2" Conference


## OEIS.org

- Fun: $2,4,6,3,9, I 2,8, I 0,5, I 5, \ldots$ ?
- Addictive (better than video games)
- Accessible (free, friendly)
- Street creds (4000 citations)
- Interesting, educational
- Essential reference
- Low-hanging fruit
- Need editors


## Facts about the OEIS

- Accurate information about 250000 sequences
- Definition, formulas, references, links, programs
- View as list, table, graph, music!
- 200 new entries and updates every day
- 4000 articles and books cite the OEIS
- Often called one of best math sites on the Web
- Since 20IO, a moderatedWiki


## Main Uses for OEIS

- To see if your sequence is new, to find references, formulas, programs
- Catalan or Collatz? (Very easy or very hard!)
- Many collaborations, very international
- Source of fascinating research problems
- Has led many people into mathematics
- Fun, Escape


# Sequences from Geometry 

- Slicing a pancake
- Kobon triangles
- Lines in plane
- Circles in plane
- Tiling a square with dominoes

Maximal number of pieces formed when slicing a pancake with n cuts


# Kobon Triangles 

## Kobon Fujimura, circa 1983

A6066

## Kobon Triangles

How many non-overlapping triangles can you draw with n lines?


| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 7 | 11 | 15 | 21 |

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a(10) is 25 or 26

## Kobon triangles (cont.)

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Johannes Bader: 17 lines, 85 triangle, maximum possible

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left.\left.\frac{a(1)=1}{a(2)=2}\right|_{(2.1) P_{2}} ^{L}+1.1\right) \tag{1.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

No. of ways to arrange $n$ lines in the plane

$$
I, 2,4,9,47,79 I, 37830
$$

$$
a(3)=4
$$


$(3.1) P_{3}$
(3.2) $P_{2} L$


A24I600

$$
a(4)=9
$$


(4.1) $P_{4}$ (4.2) $P_{3} L$
(4.3) $P_{2}^{2}$
(4.4) $P_{2} S_{2}(a)(4.5) P_{2} S_{2}(b)$


$$
\text { (4.6) } P_{2} S_{2}(c)
$$


$(4.7) S_{4} \quad(4.8) S_{3} L$
$(4.9) G_{4}$
$a(5)=47$. Summary:
$P_{5}: 1, P_{4} L: 1, P_{3} P_{2}: 1, P_{3} S_{2}: 4, P_{2}^{2} L: 6$,
$P_{2} G_{3}: 14, P_{2} S_{3}: 3, S_{5}: 1, S_{4} L: 1, S_{6}^{3}, 6 Q_{5} G$.
$S_{3}^{2}: 3, S_{3} S_{2}: 6, G_{5}: 6$
A24I600 (cont.)

(a)

(b)

(c)

(d)

$$
(5.8)-(5 \cdot 13)
$$

$$
P_{2}^{2} L:
$$


(b)

(d)
(e)

## A90338

A subset: $n$ lines in general position

I, I, I, I, 6, 43, 922, 38609
Wild and Reeves, 2004

5 lines in general position: 6 ways

$a(5)=6$



## Tiling a Square with Dominoes

36 ways to tile a 4X4 square

$$
a(2)=36
$$



1, 2, 36, 6728, 12988816, 258584046368, 53060477521960000 , ..
(A4003)

$$
a(n)=\prod_{j=1}^{n} \prod_{k=1}^{n}\left(4 \cos ^{2} \frac{j \pi}{2 n+1}+4 \cos ^{2} \frac{k \pi}{2 n+1}\right)
$$

(Kastelyn, I96I)

## Two days ago:

Laura Florescu, Daniela Morar, David Perkinson, Nicholas Salter, Tianyuan Xu, Sandpiles and Dominos, 2015

1, 2, 36, 6728, 12988816, 258584046368, $53060477521960000 / 5, \ldots$... !
(A256043)

$\begin{aligned} & \text { \# grains } \\ & \boldsymbol{\square}=0 \\ & \square=1 \\ & \square=2 \\ & \square=3\end{aligned}$

Wigure 1: [dentity element for the sandpile group of the $400 \times 400$ sandpile grid graph.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { Two Sequences That Agree For } \\
& \text { a Long Time } \\
& \left\lfloor\frac{2 n}{\log 2}\right\rfloor=\text { A078608 } \\
& \left\lceil\frac{2}{2^{1 / n}-1}\right\rceil \quad \begin{array}{l}
\text { Differs for first time at } \mathrm{n}= \\
77745|9| 5729368
\end{array} \\
& \text { (see AI29935) }
\end{aligned}
$$

# Sequences from Arithmetic 

- Lunar primes
- The EKG sequence
- Curling number conjecture
- Gijswijt's sequence


## Lunar Arithmetic

## David Applegate, Marc LeBrun and NJAS (J.I.S. 20II)

(For Martin Gardner)
Arithmetic on the moon!

- $\quad i+j=\operatorname{MAX}\{i, j\}$
- $\quad i \times j=\operatorname{MIN}\{i, j\}$

19
$\times 24$
No carries!


## Thm.: Lunar arithmetic is commutative, associative, distributive

## Lunar squares

$0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9$, 100, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 200, ...
(A870 I 9)

## Lunar primes?

## What is a prime?

Ans. Only factorization is $p=1 \times p$

## But what is "I"?

Ans. The multiplicative identity:

$$
\begin{gathered}
\text { "l" } \times \mathrm{n}=\mathrm{n} \text { for all } \mathrm{n} \\
\text { But } \mid \times 3=1 \text {, so " } \mathrm{l} " \neq \mathrm{l} \\
\text { So "l" }=9 \text {, since } 9 \times \mathrm{n}=\mathrm{n} \text { for all } \mathrm{n} .
\end{gathered}
$$

If $u \times v=9$ then $u=v=9$, so 9 is the only unit.

So $p$ is prime if its only factorization is $p=9 \times p$

## Lunar primes (cont.)

$p$ is prime if only factorization is $p=9 \times p$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { 7? No, } 7=7 \times 7 \\
& \text { 13? No, } 13 \times 4
\end{aligned}
$$

## So must have 9 as a digit.

9? No, 9 is the unit
Lunar primes:
(A87097)
19, 29, 39, 49, 59, 69, 79, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 109, 209, ...

$$
(119=19 \times 19 \text { is not a prime })
$$

## There are infinitely many primes 109 is prime!

Proof:


Similarly, 10... 009 is prime!

# The EKG Sequence 

Jonathan Ayres, 200 I

## EKG Sequence (A644I3)

$$
\begin{aligned}
& I, 2,4,6,3,9,|2,8,|0,5,| 5, \ldots \\
& a(I)=I, a(2)=2, \\
& a(n)=\min k \text { such that }
\end{aligned}
$$

- GCD $\{\mathrm{a}(\mathrm{n}-\mathrm{I}), \mathrm{k}\}>\mathrm{I}$
- $k$ not already in sequence
- Jonathan Ayres, 2001
- Analyzed by Lagarias, Rains, NJAS, Exper. Math., 2002
- Gordon Hamilton, Videos related to this sequence:





## Theorems:

## EKG Sequence

- The sequence is a permutation of the natural numbers
- $c_{1} n \leq a(n) \leq c_{2} n$


## Conjectures

- $a(n) \sim n\left(1+\frac{1}{3 \log n}\right)$
for the main terms
- $\quad \cdots, 2 p, p, 3 p, \cdots($ primes $p>2)$
(Proved by Hofman \& Pilipczuk, 2008)

EKG Sequence LEMMA I IF $\infty$ MANY MULTIPLES OF PRIME P APPEAR, THEN ALL MULTIPLES DO.
Pf. kp not in sequence

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \exists n_{0} \text { sit. } n \geqslant n_{0} \Rightarrow a(n)>k p \\
& \therefore a(n)=i p \quad \therefore a(n+1)=k p, *
\end{aligned}
$$

LEMMA 2 IF ALL MULTIPLES OF $p$ APPEAR THEN ALL NUMBERS DO.
Pa. K not in sequence

$$
a(n)=k i p \quad a(n+1)=k \quad \geqslant
$$

THEOREM $\{a(x)\}$ IS PERM, OF $\{1,2-3\}$
Pf. IF $\infty$ MANY DIFF PRIMES,

$$
\therefore \infty \text { MANY } 2 p^{\prime} \text { ', USE } L_{1}, L 2 \text {. }
$$

IF FINITELY MANY DIFFI PRIMES, ONE APPEARS DD OFTEN, USE LI,LZ. QED

## The Curling Number Conjecture

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Definition
of
Curling
Number


CURLING NUMBER CONJECTURE

- start with any finite string
- APPEND CURLING NUMBER

REPEAT

- THEN MUST REACH A I !?
E.G.

START: $222322>$
THEN $\left.\begin{array}{lllllllll}2 & 3 & 2 & 2 & 2 & 3 & 3 & 2 & 1\end{array}\right]$ Boo!

# Gijswijt's Sequence 

Dion Gijswijt, 2004

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## Gijswijt's Sequence

Fokko v. d. Bult, Dion Gijswijt, John Linderman, N. J.A. Sloane, Allan Wilks (J. Integer Seqs., 2007)

Start with I, always append curling number

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 11 \underline{2} \\
& 1 \left\lvert\, \begin{array}{llll}
1 & \underline{2} & \underline{3}
\end{array}\right. \\
& \text { | } 12 \\
& \text { 1 1 } 22232 \\
& 112 \\
& \begin{array}{llllll}
1 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 2 & 3
\end{array} \\
& 112 \\
& \begin{array}{llllllllllllllll}
1 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 2 & 3 & 2 & \underline{2} & \underline{2} & \underline{3} & \underline{2} & \underline{2} & \underline{2} & \underline{3} & \underline{3} & \underline{2}
\end{array} \\
& 112 \\
& a(220)=4
\end{aligned}
$$

## Gijswijt, continued

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## Gijswijt, continued

## Is there a 5 ?

300,000 terms: no 5
$2 \cdot 10^{6}$ terms: no 5
$10^{120}$ terms: no 5
NJAS, FvdB: first 5 at about term $10^{10^{23}}$

## Gijswijt, continued

## First n appears at about term


(F.v.d. Bult et al., J. Integer Sequences, 2007)
(A90822)

Gijswijt, continued

# Proofs could be simplified if Curling Number Conjecture were true 

## How far can you get with an initial string of $n$ 2's and 3's <br> (before a I appears)?

THE UNIQUE RECORD STARTS:
LENGTH 8: 23222323 $\rightarrow 66$
LENGTH 22:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 232232232322232322323 \\
& \rightarrow 142
\end{aligned}
$$

LENGH $48 \rightarrow 179$

LENGTH $77 \rightarrow 250$
JOINT WORK WITH
$\frac{\text { BEN CHAFFIN }}{\text { (INTEL) }}$

LET $\mu(n)=$ MAX LENGTH
ATTAINED STARTING WITH n 2's \& 3's.
IF $S$ ACHENES $\mu(n) \geq \mu(n-1)+1$
THEN $S$ DOES NOT
CONTAIN $W^{4}, W \neq \phi$.
(SO MOT 2222)
Searched $\mathrm{n}<=53$
Conjecture
-• S ALSO DOES
NOT CONTAIN 33. Searched $\mathrm{n}<=80$

Curling Number Conjecture, continued


## "Music" and Videos

Reminder: New keywords "hear" and "look"

## Pascal's triangle <br> A7318

## Hofstadter $Q$ sequence A5I85

$$
\mathrm{a}(1)=\mathrm{a}(2)=1 ; \mathrm{a}(\mathrm{n})=\mathrm{a}(\mathrm{n}-\mathrm{a}(\mathrm{n}-1))+\mathrm{a}(\mathrm{n}-\mathrm{a}(\mathrm{n}-2)) \text { for } \mathrm{n}>2 .
$$

## $\mathrm{wt}(\mathrm{n})$ and $4^{\wedge} \mathrm{wt}(\mathrm{n})$ together

(AI20 and AI02376, Taiko drum and xylophone)

## Martin Paech's arrangement of A242353

## Recaman's sequence A5I32

(Midi "instrument" FX-7)

## Samuel Vriezen, Toccata III (200I)

## Faure, Prelude, Op. I03, \#3

(in G Minor)

## Videos about sequences

Charles McKeague, Fibonacci numbers
Dale Gerdemann, Fibonacci tree
Christobal Vila, Nature by numbers
Robert Walker, Golden Rhythmicon
Gordon Hamilton, Wrecker ball sequence (Recaman's sequence)

There are nearly 200 videos, movies, animations in the OEIS - we need more!

## The BANFF Integer Sequences K-I2 Conference

Conference organized by Gordon Hamilton and me
Feb. 27 - March I, 2015


Feb. 27-Mar. 12015
Banff International Research Station

## 32-Page Report

## Integer Sequences K-12

## Detailed Report on Individual Sequences For Each Grade

54 Pages

## Selected Integer Sequences

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$\qquad$
McNuggets Numbers: A214777 .......................................................................................... 3
Polyomino Perimeter: $\underline{\text { A027709 ..................................................................................p. } 6}$
Staircases (trapezoidal numbers): $\underline{\text { A069283 ..............................................................p. } 9}$
Figurate Numbers: $\underline{\text { A000217 }} \underline{\text { A005891, A000537, etc. ........................................p. } 10}$

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