

Why these terms are Highly Brazilian (HB) and not highly composite (HC) ?
A309493

Given:

The number of divisors of the integer n is $\tau(n)$.

The number of ways for a number n to be Brazilian is called $\beta(n)$ and

$\beta(n) = \beta'(n) + \beta''(n)$ where

- $\beta'(n)$ is the number of representations with only two digits as aa_b , and
- $\beta''(n)$ is the number of representations with at least three digits.

If the relation $\beta = f(\tau)$ between the number of Brazilian representations and the number of divisors of n was the same for all the integers, the highly composites would be the same than the highly Brazilian numbers.

For non-oblong and nonsquares numbers, $\beta'(n) = \tau(n)/2 - 1$, and,
for oblong numbers, $\beta'(n) = \tau(n)/2 - 2$.

Why the six known terms of A309493 are HB but not HC ?

There are two types of explanations:

1) For 7, 15 and 40, it is because these three terms have a Brazilian representation with 3 digits or 4 digits and they belong to [A326380](#).

n	$\tau(n)$	$\beta(n)$	$\beta'(n)$	$\beta''(n)$	Integer	Relation $\beta = f(\tau)$
2	2	0	0	0	prime	$\beta(n) = \tau(n)/2 - 1$
7	2	1	0	1	prime	$\beta(n) = \tau(n)/2$
6	4	0	0	0	oblong	$\beta(n) = \tau(n)/2 - 2$
15	4	2	1	1	non-oblong	$\beta(n) = \tau(n)/2$
24	8	3	3	0	non-oblong	$\beta(n) = \tau(n)/2 - 1$
40	8	4	3	1	non-oblong	$\beta(n) = \tau(n)/2$

Exactly,

$7 = 111_2$, 7 is the smallest Brazilian number with $\beta(7) = 1$, then $\tau(7) = \tau(2) = 2$ with $2 < 7$, hence 7 cannot be HC.

$15 = 1111_2 = 33_4$, 15 is the smallest 2-Brazilian number with $\beta(15) = 2$, then $\tau(15) = \tau(6) = 4$ with $6 < 15$, hence 15 cannot be HC.

$40 = 1111_3 = 55_7 = 44_9 = 22_{19}$, 40 is the smallest 4-Brazilian number with $\beta(40) = 4$, then $\tau(40) = \tau(24) = 8$ with $24 < 40$, hence 40 cannot be HC.

2) For 336, 1440 and 5405400, called r. It is because each of these HB terms r is non-oblong and the greatest HC m less than r is oblong with the same number of divisors.

Exactly:

r is non-oblong and belongs to [A326386](#), this term has a number of divisors equal to $\tau(r) = 2*q$, hence $\beta(r) = \tau(r)/2 - 1 = q-1$. The greatest HC number $m < r$ is oblong and has the same number of divisors as r, so $\tau(m) = \tau(r) = 2*q$. As m is oblong and belongs to [A326379](#), this term satisfies the relation $\beta(m) = \tau(m)/2 - 2 = q-2$. We have r that cannot be HC as $\tau(r) = \tau(m) = 2*q$ with $m < r$, and $\beta(r) = \beta(m) + 1$, hence r is HB.

In this array, the respective triplets (r, m, $2*q$) are (336, 240, 20), (1440, 1260, 36) and (5405400, 4324320, 384).

n	$\tau(n)$	$\beta(n)$	Integer	Relation $\beta = f(\tau)$	HC	HB
180	18	8	non-oblong	$\beta(n) = \tau(n)/2 - 1$	Yes	Yes
240	20	8	oblong	$\beta(n) = \tau(n)/2 - 2$	Yes	No
336	20	9	non-oblong	$\beta(n) = \tau(n)/2 - 1$	No	Yes
1260	36	16	oblong	$\beta(n) = \tau(n)/2 - 2$	Yes	Yes
1440	36	17	non-oblong	$\beta(n) = \tau(n)/2 - 1$	No	Yes
4324320	384	190	oblong	$\beta(n) = \tau(n)/2 - 2$	Yes	Yes
5405400	384	191	non-oblong	$\beta(n) = \tau(n)/2 - 1$	No	Yes

The first row begins with 180 because 240 is HC but not HB ([A309039](#)), and 180 is HC and HB. In the two other cases, 1260 and 4324320 both are HB and HC.

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