

## Proof of Conjecture in A364639

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Notations.

Let  $T235791(n, k) = \lceil \frac{(n+1)}{k} - \frac{k+1}{2} \rceil$  denote the  $k$ -th term in the  $n$ -th row of the triangle of sequence

A235791,  $1 \leq n, 1 \leq k \leq A003056(n)$ , and  $T235791(n, k) = 0$  for  $k > A003056(n)$ .

$T237591(n, k) = T235791(n, k) - T235791(n, k+1)$ .

$T(n, k) = T235791(n, k) - T235791(n, k+1) - T235791(n-1, k) + T235791(n-1, k+1)$ .

$T(k^*(k+1)/2, k) = 1$  for  $k \geq 1$ .

Claim:  $-1 \leq a(n) \leq +1$  holds for every term  $a(n)$  in this sequence.

The value of a term in sequence A364639 is determined by some  $2 \times 2$  square  $\begin{pmatrix} s_{i,j} & s_{i,j+1} \\ s_{i+1,j} & s_{i+1,j+1} \end{pmatrix}$  in the triangle of A235791 where the border blanks in positions  $(\frac{n}{2}(n+1)-1, n)$  are replaced by 0's.

Since  $0 \leq s_{i+1,j} - s_{i,j} \leq 1$  and  $0 \leq s_{i+1,j+1} - s_{i,j+1} \leq 1$  the inequalities

$-1 \leq (s_{i+1,j} - s_{i,j}) - (s_{i+1,j+1} - s_{i,j+1}) \leq +1$  hold.

Claim: Every term  $T(n, k)$ ,  $n > A000217(k)$ , in column  $k$  has period  $A002378(k) = k^*(k+1)$ .

$T235791(n + k^*(k+1), k) = T235791(n, k) + k + 1$  and  $T235791(n + k^*(k+1), k+1) = T235791(n, k) + k$ , so that  $T(n + k^*(k+1), k) = T235791(n, k) + k + 1 - T235791(n, k) - k - T235791(n-1, k) - k - 1 + T235791(n-1, k) + k = T(n, k)$ .

Claim: The sequential periodic sections after the initial term 1 in each column  $k \geq 1$  start with  $k-1$  0's and end with  $k$  0's:

After having established periodicity, verifying the claim for the first periodic section is sufficient.

By definition,  $T235791(\frac{k}{2}(k+1)+j, k) = 1$  for  $1 \leq j < k = A003056(\frac{k}{2}(k+1))$ .

For the first set of  $k-1$  0's,  $T(\frac{k}{2}(k+1)+j, k) = T235791(\frac{k}{2}(k+1)+j, k) - T235791(\frac{k}{2}(k+1)+j, k+1) - T235791(\frac{k}{2}(k+1)+j-1, k) + T235791(\frac{k}{2}(k+1)+j-1, k+1) = 1 - 0 - 1 + 0 = 0$ , for  $1 \leq j < k$ .

For the second set of  $k$  0's,  $T(\frac{k}{2}(k+1)+k^2+j, k) =$

$(T235791(\frac{k}{2}(k+1)+k^2+j, k) - T235791(\frac{k}{2}(k+1)+k^2+j, k+1)) - (T235791(\frac{k}{2}(k+1)+k^2+j-1, k) - T235791(\frac{k}{2}(k+1)+k^2+j-1, k+1)) = ((k+1) - (k-1)) - ((k+1) - (k-1)) = 0$ , for  $1 \leq j \leq k$ .