

ALIEN CODES AND THEIR AUTOMATED AND HUMAN EXPLANATIONS

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OEIS: $\geq$ 350000 finite sequences in 2021

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THE ON-LINE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF INTEGER SEQUENCES[®]

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(Greetings from [The On-Line Encyclopedia of Integer Sequences!](#))

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The prime numbers.

(Formerly M0652 N0241)

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COMMENTS See [A065091](#) for comments, formulas etc. concerning only odd primes. For all information concerning prime powers, see [A000961](#). For contributions concerning "almost primes" see [A002808](#).

A number p is prime if (and only if) it is greater than 1 and has no positive divisors except 1 and p .

A natural number is prime if and only if it has exactly two (positive) divisors.

A prime has exactly one proper positive divisor, 1.

Some Invented Explanations for OEIS (“Alien Coder”)

- A4578: Expansion of $\sqrt[3]{8}$ in base 3:
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- A2580: $\sqrt[3]{2}$ Hales's blog: <https://t.ly/tHs1d>
- A2 Kolakoski sequence: $a(n)$ is length of n -th run: $1 + \text{pop}(\text{loop}(\text{push}(\text{loop}(\text{pop}(x), x \text{ div } 2, x), (x + \text{pop}(x)) \bmod 2) + x, x, \text{push}(1, 0)))$

TL;DR

- A machine can find explanations for over 135k OEIS sequences
- This is done *from scratch*, without any domain knowledge
- N. Sloane: The OEIS: *A Fingerprint File for Mathematics* (2021)
- About 350k integer sequences in 2021 from all parts of math
- We use a simple Search-Verify-Train positive feedback loop
- Developed by us for combining learning & proving since 2006
- However, one of the most surprising experiments in my life:
- 980 iterations and still refuses to plateau - counters RL wisdom
- Since it interleaves symbolic breakthroughs and statistical learning?
- The electricity bill is only 2-3k EUR, you can do this at home
- Btw., we experimentally verify Occam's Razor
- Evolving (self-improving) population of 5.2M matching explanations
- Some of them unusual/novel/alien - how do we show them correct?
- Connections to Solomonoff Induction, AIXI, Gödel Machine?

Brief Intro to What I Normally Do: ML+ATP for Math

- What is mathematical and scientific thinking?
- Pattern-matching, analogy, induction/learning from examples
- Deductive reasoning and proving
- Complicated feedback loops between learning and deduction
- Using a lot of previous knowledge - both for induction and deduction
- We need to develop such methods on computers
- Are there any large corpora suitable for nontrivial deduction?
- Yes! Large libraries of formal proofs and theories
- So let's try to develop strong AI on them!
- In my case done for 25-30 years. Recent overviews:
 - *Learning Guided Automated Reasoning: A Brief Survey. 2024*
 - *AI4REASON*: http://ai4reason.org/PR_CORE_SCIENTIFIC_4.pdf

ENIGMA: Feedback prove/learn loop on formal math

- Done on 57880 Mizar Mathematical Library problems recently
- Efficient **ML-guidance inside the best ATPs** (E prover and more)
- Training of the ML-guidance is *interleaved* with proving harder problems
- Ultimately a **70% improvement** over the original strategy:
- ... from 14933 proofs to 25397 proofs (all 10s CPU - no cheating)
- **75% of the Mizar corpus** reached in July 2021 - higher times and many runs: https://github.com/ai4reason/ATP_Proofs
- Details in our Mizar60 paper: <https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.06686>

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solved	14933	16574	20366	21564	22839	22413	23467	22910	23753
$S\%$	+0%	+10.5%	+35.8%	+43.8%	+52.3%	+49.4%	+56.5%	+52.8%	+58.4
$S+$	+0	+4364	+6215	+7774	+8414	+8407	+8964	+8822	+9274
$S-$	-0	-2723	-782	-1143	-508	-927	-430	-845	-454

	$S \odot M_{12}^3$	$S \oplus M_{12}^3$	$S \odot M_{16}^3$	$S \oplus M_{16}^3$
solved	24159	24701	25100	25397
$S\%$	+61.1%	+64.8%	+68.0%	+70.0%
$S+$	+9761	+10063	+10476	+10647
$S-$	-535	-295	-309	-183

What Are the Current AI/TP TODOs/Bottlenecks?

- High-level structuring of proofs - proposing **good lemmas**
- Proposing **new concepts, definitions and theories**
- Proposing new **targeted algorithms**, decision procedures, tactics
- Proposing good **witnesses** for existential proofs
- All these problems involve **synthesis of some mathematical objects**
- Btw., constructing proofs is also a synthesis task
- This talk: explore **learning-guided synthesis for OEIS**
- Interesting research topic and tradeoff in learning/AI/proving:
- Learning **direct guessing of objects** (this talk) vs **guidance for search procedures** (ENIGMA and friends)
- Start looking also at **semantics rather than just syntax** of the objects

Quotes: Learning vs. Reasoning vs. Guessing

“C’est par la logique qu’on démontre, c’est par l’intuition qu’on invente.”

(It is by logic that we prove, but by intuition that we discover.)

– Henri Poincaré, *Mathematical Definitions and Education*.

“Hypothesen sind Netze; nur der fängt, wer auswirft.”

(Hypotheses are nets: only he who casts will catch.)

– Novalis, quoted by Popper – *The Logic of Scientific Discovery*

Certainly, let us learn proving, but also let us learn guessing.

– G. Polya - *Mathematics and Plausible Reasoning*

*Galileo once said, "Mathematics is the language of Science." Hence, facing the same laws of the physical world, **alien mathematics** must have a good deal of similarity to ours.*

– R. Hamming - *Mathematics on a Distant Planet*

QSynt: Semantics-Aware Synthesis of Math Objects



- Gauthier (et al) 2019-26
- Synthesize math expressions based on **semantic** characterizations
- i.e., not just on the **syntactic** descriptions (e.g. proof situations)
- **Tree Neural Nets** and **Monte Carlo Tree Search** (a la AlphaZero)
- Later also various (small) **language models** with their search methods
- **Invent programs for OEIS sequences FROM SCRATCH** (no LLM cheats)
- ~135k sequences and 5.2M explanations invented so far (980 iterations):
80+ different characterizations of primes
- Non-neural (Turing complete) symbolic computing and **semantics** collaborate with the statistical/neural learning
- Program evolution governed by high-level criteria (Occam, efficiency)

Generating programs for OEIS sequences

0, 1, 3, 6, 10, 15, 21, ...

An **undesirable large program**:

```
if x = 0 then 0 else  
if x = 1 then 1 else  
if x = 2 then 3 else  
if x = 3 then 6 else ...
```

Small program (Occam's Razor):

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i$$

Fast program (efficiency criteria):

$$\frac{n \times n + n}{2}$$

Programming language

- Constants: 0, 1, 2
- Variables: x, y
- Arithmetic: $+, -, \times, \text{div}, \text{mod}$
- Condition : if $\dots \leq 0$ then $\dots$ else $\dots$
- $\text{loop}(f, a, b) := u_a$ where $u_0 = b$,

$$u_n = f(u_{n-1}, n)$$

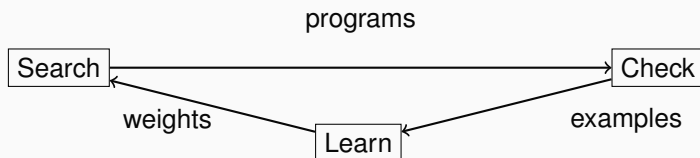
- Two other loop constructs: loop2 , a while loop (compr)

Example:

$$2^{\mathbf{x}} = \prod_{y=1}^{\mathbf{x}} 2 = \text{loop}(2 \times x, \mathbf{x}, 1)$$

$$\mathbf{x}! = \prod_{y=1}^{\mathbf{x}} y = \text{loop}(y \times x, \mathbf{x}, 1)$$

Search-Verify-Train Positive Feedback Loop



- **Analogous** to our Prove/Learn feedback loops in learning-guided proving (since 2006 – **Machine Learner for Automated Reasoning** – MaLAREa))
- However, the OEIS setting allows **much faster feedback** on *symbolic conjecturing*
- (But: see Part 2 of the talk for bringing this back to the proving setting)

Search-Verify-Train Feedback Loop for OEIS

- **search phase:** LM synthesizes many programs for input sequences
- typically 240 candidate programs for each input using **beam search**
- **84M programs** for OEIS in several hours on the GPU (depends on model)
- **checking phase:** the millions of programs **efficiently evaluated**
- resource limits used, **fast indexing** structures for OEIS sequences
- check if the program generates *any* OEIS sequence (**hindsight replay**)
- we keep the **shortest** (Occams's razor) and **fastest** program (efficiency)
- from iter. 501, we also keep the program with the **best speed/length ratio**
- **learning phase:** LM **trains to translate** the “solved” OEIS sequences into the best program(s) generating them
- from iter. 336: **train LMs to transform** (generalization, optimization)
- our learned version of human-coded methods like **ILP and compilation**

Search-Verify-Train Feedback Loop

- The weights of the LM either trained from **scratch** or **continuously updated**
- This yields *new minds vs seasoned experts* (who have seen it all)
- We also train experts on varied selections of data, in varied ways
- **Orthogonality**: common in theorem proving - different experts help
- Each iteration of the self-learning loop discovers **more solutions**
- ... also **improves/optimizes existing solutions**
- The **alien mathematician** thus self-evolves
- Occam's razor and efficiency are used for its **weak supervision**
- Quite different from today's LLM approaches:
- LLMs do **one-time** training on everything human-invented
- Our **Alien** instead **starts from zero knowledge**
- Evolves increasingly nontrivial skills, may **diverge from humans**
- **Turing complete** (unlike Go/Chess) – arbitrary complex algorithms

QSynt web interface for program invention

Applications Places 896MHz Mon 11:40 Mon

grid01.ciirc.cvut.cz/~thibault/qsynt.html - Chromium

QSynt: AI rediscovers Fibonacci sequence

grid01.ciirc.cvut.cz/~thibault/qsynt.html

Not secure | grid01.ciirc.cvut.cz/~thibault/qsynt.html

QSynt: Program Synthesis for Integer Sequences

Propose a sequence of integers:

2 3 5 7 11 13 17 19 23 29

Timeout (maximum 300s)

10

Generated integers (maximum 100)

32

Send Reset

A few sequences you can try:

0 1 1 0 1 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 1
0 1 4 9 16 21 25 28 36 37 49
0 1 3 6 10 15
2 3 5 7 11 13 17 19 23 29 31 37 41 43
1 1 2 6 24 120
2 4 16 256

QSynt inventing Fermat pseudoprimes

Positive integers k such that $2^k \equiv 2 \pmod k$. (341 = 11 * 31 is the first non-prime)

First 16 generated numbers (f(0),f(1),f(2),...):

2 3 5 7 11 13 17 19 23 29 31 37 41 43 47 53

Generated sequence matches best with: [A15919](#)(1-75), [A100726](#)(0-59), [A40](#)(0-58)

Program found in 5.81 seconds

$f(x) := 2 + \text{compr}(\backslash x.\text{loop}(\backslash(x,i).2*x + 2, x, 2) \bmod (x + 2), x)$

Run the equivalent Python program [here](#) or in the window below:

Brython

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Brython version: 3.10.6

```
1 def f2(X):
2     x = 2
3     for i in range(1, X + 1):
4         x = 2*x + 2
5     return x
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7 def f1(X):
8     x, i = 0, 0
9     while i <= X:
10        if f2(x) % (x + 2) <= 0:
11            i = i + 1
12            x = x + 1
13        return x - 1
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15 def f0(X):
16     return 2 + f1(X)
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18 for x in range(32):
19     print(f0(x))
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Lucas/Fibonacci characterization of (pseudo)primes

input sequence: 2,3,5,7,11,13,17,19,23,29

invented output program:

```
f(x) := compr(\(x,y).(loop2(\(x,y).x + y, \(x,y).x, x, 1, 2) - 1)
          mod (1 + x), x + 1) + 1
```

human conjecture: x is prime iff? x divides $(\text{Lucas}(x) - 1)$

PARI program:

```
? lucas(n) = fibonacci(n+1)+fibonacci(n-1)
? b(n) = (lucas(n) - 1) % n
```

Counterexamples (Bruckman-Lucas pseudoprimes):

```
? for(n=1,4000,if(b(n)==0,if(isprime(n),0,print(n))))
```

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QSynt inventing primes using Wilson's theorem

n is prime iff $(n - 1)! + 1$ is divisible by n (i.e.: $(n - 1)! \equiv -1 \pmod{n}$)

First 32 generated numbers ($f(0), f(1), f(2), \dots$):

0 1 1 0 1 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 1 0

Generated sequence matches best with: [A10051](#)(0-100), [A252233](#)(0-29), [A283991](#)(0-24)

Program found in 5.17 seconds

$f(x) := (\text{loop}(\backslash(x,i).x * i, x, x) \bmod (x + 1)) \bmod 2$

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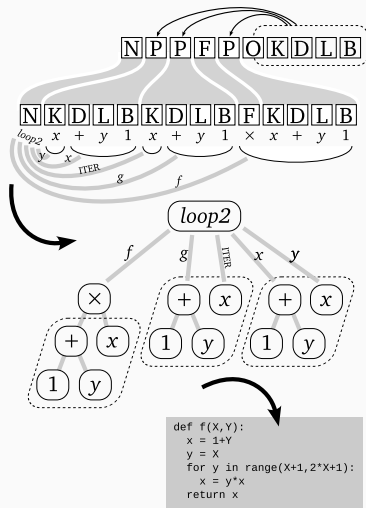
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4         x = x * i
5     return x
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7 def f0(X):
8     return (f1(X) % (X + 1)) % 2
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10 for x in range(32):
11     print (f0(x))
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Introducing Local Macros/Definitions

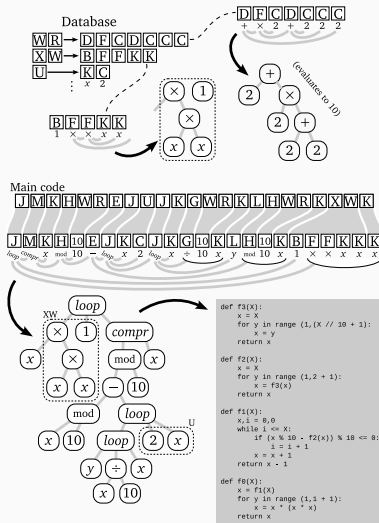
A macro/expanded version of a program invented for A1813: $a(n) = (2n)!/n!$.
1, 2, 12, 120, 1680, 30240, 665280, 17297280, 518918400, 17643225600,



Introducing Global Macros/Definitions

A macro/expanded version of A14187 (cubes of palindromes).

0, 1, 8, 27, 64, 125, 216, 343, 512, 729, 1331, 10648, 35937, 85184,



Five Different Self-Learning Runs

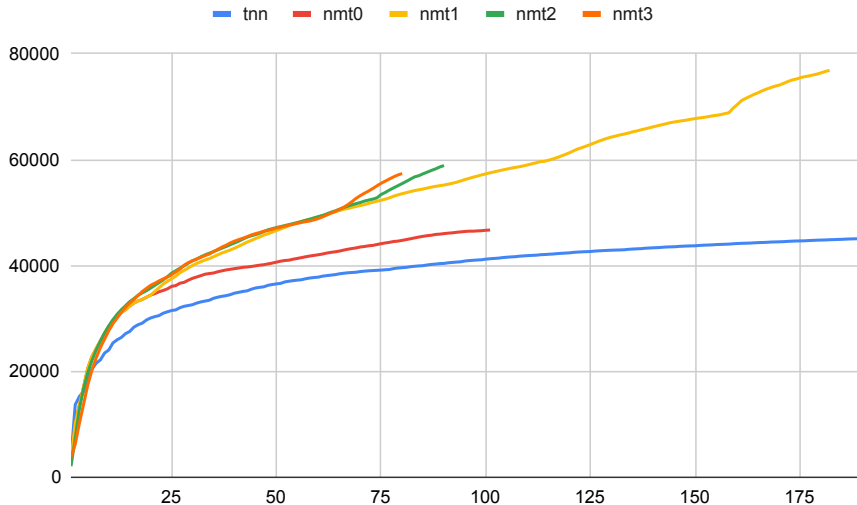


Figure: Cumulative counts of solutions.

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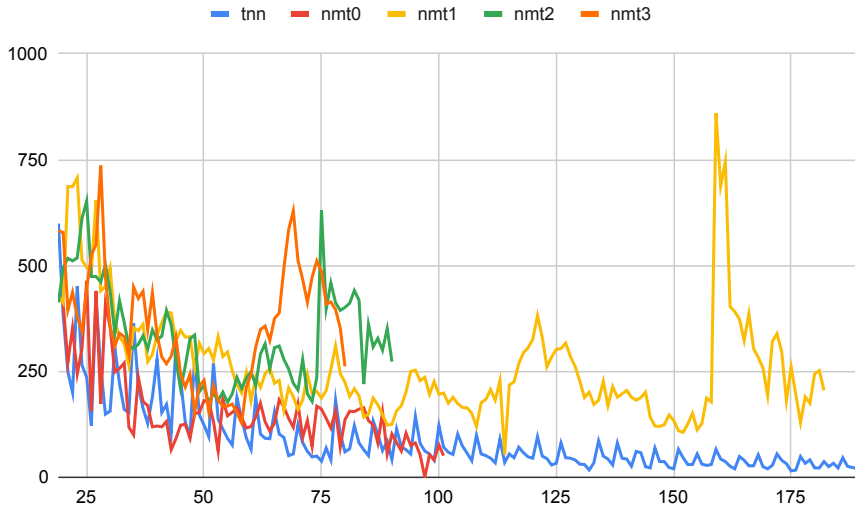


Figure: Increments of solutions.

Speed Evolution – Technology Breakthroughs

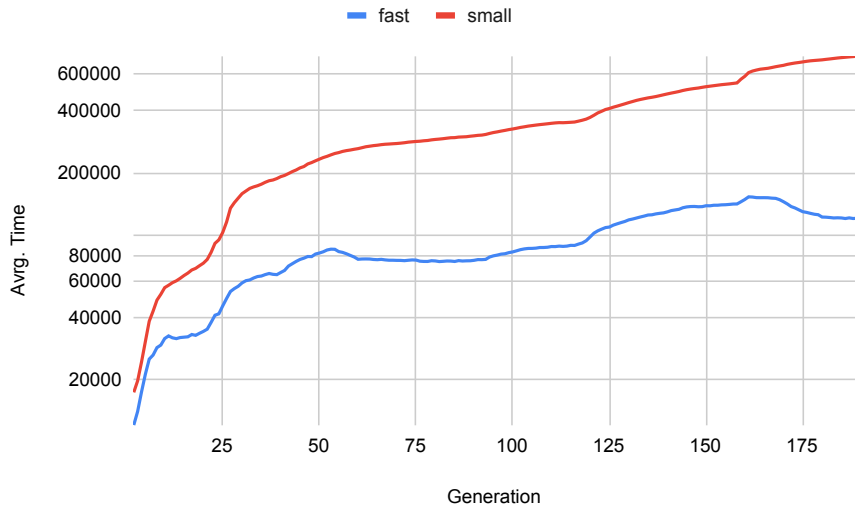
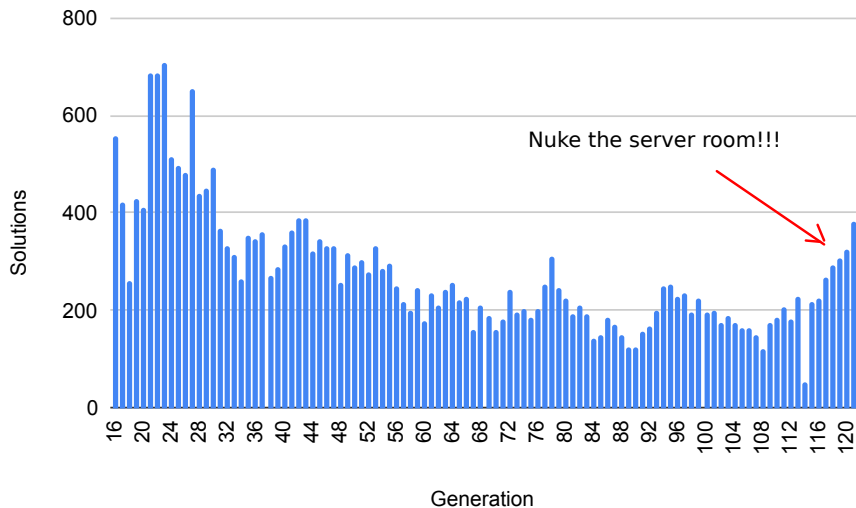
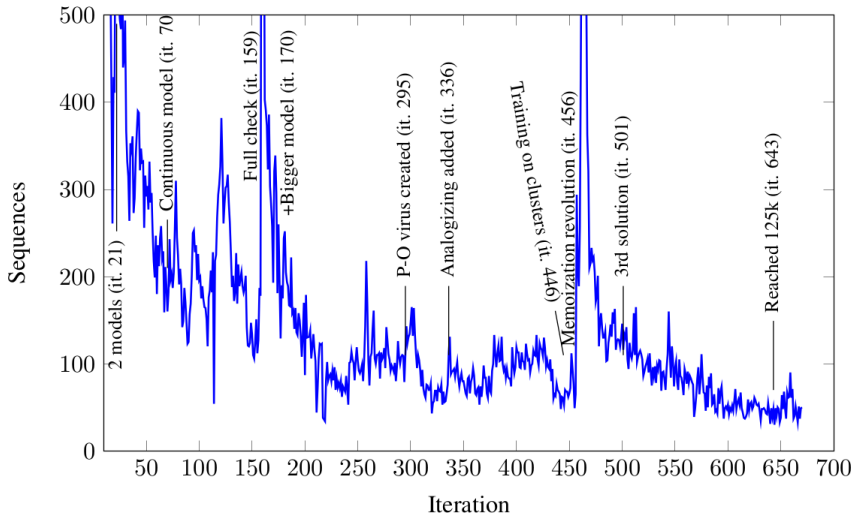


Figure: Avrg. time in iterations

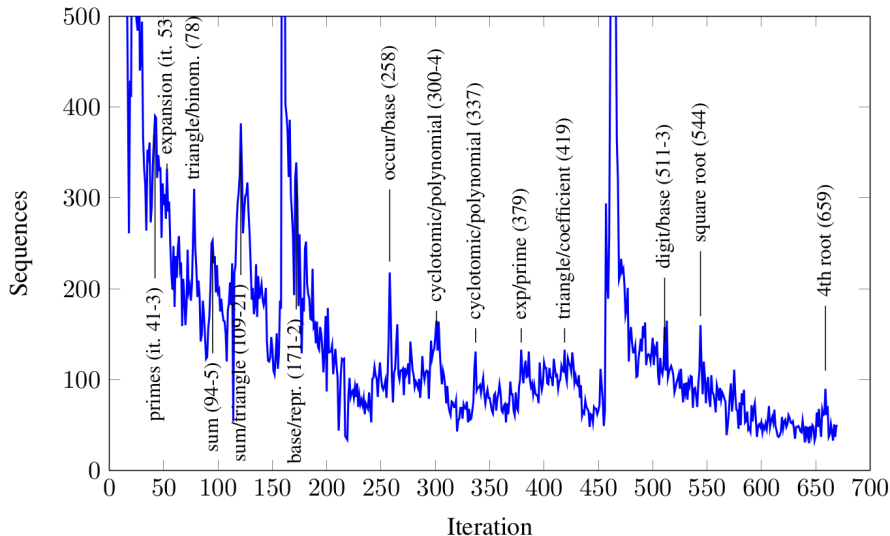
Singularity Take-Off X-mas Card (December 2022)



Human Made Technology Jumps



Some Automatic Technology Jumps



Some Automatic Technology Jumps

- iter 53: expansion/prime: A29363 Expansion of $1/((1 - x^4)(1 - x^7)(1 - x^9)(1 - x^{10}))$
- iter 78: triangle/binomial: A38313 Triangle whose (i,j)-th entry is $\text{binomial}(i, j) * 10^{i-j} * 11^j$
- iter 94-5: sum: A100192 $a(n) = \text{Sum}_{k=0..n} \text{binomial}(2n, n+k) * 2^k$
- 109-121: sum/triangle: A182013 Triangle of partial sums of Motzkin numbers
- 171-2: base/representation: A39080 n st base-9 repr. has the same number of 0's and 4's
- 258: occur/base: A44533 n st "2,0" occurs in the base 7 repr of n but not of $n+1$
- 300-304: cyclotomic/polynomial: A14620 Inverse of 611th cyclotomic polynomial
- 379: exp/prime: A124214 E.g.f.: $\exp(x)/(2 - \exp(3 * x))^{1/3}$
- 419: triangle/coefficient: A15129 Triangle of (Gaussian) q -binomial coefficients for $q = -13$
- 511,3: digit/base/prime: A260044 Primes with decimal digits in 0,1,3.
- 544: square root: A10538 Decimal expansion of square root of 87.
- 659: 4th root: A11084 Decimal expansion of 4th root of 93.

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Serious Math Conjecturing – Elliptic Curves (2024)

- **Sander Dahmen:** *Here are some OEIS labels related to elliptic curves (and hence modular forms), ordered by difficulty. It would be interesting to know if some of these appear in your results.*
- A006571 A030187 A030184 A128263 A187096 A251913
- **JU:** *We have the first three:*
- A6571 : `loop((push(loop((pop(x) * loop(if (pop(x) mod y) <= 0 then ((if (y mod loop(1 + (x + x), 2, 2)) <= 0 then (x - y) else x) - y) else x, y, push(0, y))) + x, y, push(0, x)), x) * 2) div y, x, 1)`
- A30187 : `loop(push(loop((pop(x) * loop(if (pop(x) mod y) <= 0 then (x - loop(if (x mod (((2 + y) * y) - 1)) <= 0 then (x + x) else x, 2, y)) else x, y, push(0, y))) + x, y, push(0, x)), x) div y, x, 1)`
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A6571: Expansion of $q * \text{Product}_{k \geq 1} (1 - q^k)^2 * (1 - q^{11*k})^2$

A30187: Expansion of $\eta(q) * \eta(q^2) * \eta(q^7) * \eta(q^{14})$ in powers of q .

A30184: Expansion of $\eta(q) * \eta(q^3) * \eta(q^5) * \eta(q^{15})$ in powers of q .

Part 2: Are Alien Programs Correct?

- 1 We can **test** with more terms in the sequences (b-files in the OEIS)
- 2 We can **ask human mathematicians** (supported by various tools)
- 3 We can try to **automatically prove** program equivalence

1. Generalization of the Solutions to Larger Indices

- Are the programs **correct**?
- And can we experimentally **verify Occam's razor**?
(implications for how we should be designing ML/AI systems!)
- OEIS provides **additional terms** for some of the OEIS entries
- Among 78118 solutions, 40,577 of them have a b-file with 100 terms
- We evaluate both the **small** and the **fast** programs on them
- Here, 14,701 small and 11,056 fast programs time out.
- **90.57%** of the remaining slow programs check
- **77.51%** for the fast programs
- This means that **SHORTER EXPLANATIONS ARE MORE RELIABLE!**
(**Occam was right**, so why is everybody building trillion-param LLMs???)
- Common error: reliance on an approximation of a real number, such as π .

2. Infinite Math-Nerd Sniping

- We have 5.2M problems for math nerds like this one:
- **JU**: *This thing works for the first 1k values (just checked) - any idea why?*
- <https://oeis.org/A004578> - Expansion of $\sqrt{8}$ in base 3.
- $\text{loop2}(((y * y) \text{ div } (x + y)) + y, y, x + x, 2, \text{loop}((1 + 2) * x, x, 2)) \bmod (1 + 2)$
- **MO**: *Not a proof, just a rough idea: The program iterates the function $q \mapsto 2+q / 1+q$, where q is a rational number. This converges to $\sqrt{2}$. The number q is represented by an integer 'a' such that $a = 3^x * (2 * q)$, where 'x' is the input. Once the approximation is good enough, $a = \text{floor}(3^x * \sqrt{8})$, so $a \bmod 3$ is the digit we want.*

3. Are two QSynt programs equivalent?

- As with primes, we often find **many programs** for one OEIS sequence
- Currently we have almost 5.2M programs for the 135k sequences
- On average about 38 programs per “solved” sequence
- It may be quite hard to see that the programs **are equivalent**
- Extend to Schmidhuber’s **Gödel Machine**?
- A simple example for 0, 2, 4, 6, 8, ... with two programs f and g :
 - $f(0) = 0, f(n) = 2 + f(n - 1)$ if $n > 0$
 - $g(n) = 2 * n$
 - conjecture: $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}. g(n) = f(n)$
- We can ask mathematicians, but we have **thousands of such problems**
- Or we can try to **ask our ATPs** (and thus create a large ATP benchmark)!
- Here is one SMT encoding by Janota & Gauthier:

```
(set-logic UFLIA)
(define-fun-rec f ((x Int)) Int (ite (<= x 0) 0 (+ 2 (f (- x 1)))))
(assert (exists ((c Int)) (and (> c 0) (not (= (f c) (* 2 c))))))
(check-sat)
```

Inductive proof by Vampire of the $f = g$ equivalence

```
% SZS output start Proof for rec2
1. f(X0) = $ite($lesseq(X0,0), 0,$sum(2,f($difference(X0,1)))) [input]
2. ? [X0 : $int] : ($greater(X0,0) & ~f(X0) = $product(2,X0)) [input]
[...]
43. ~$less(0,X0) | iG0(X0) = $sum(2,iG0($sum(X0,-1))) [evaluation 40]
44. (! [X0 : $int] : (($product(2,X0) = iG0(X0) & ~$less(X0,0)) => $product(2,$sum(X0,1)) = iG0($sum(X0,1)))
    & $product(2,0) = iG0(0)) => ! [X1 : $int] : ($less(0,X1) => $product(2,X1) = iG0(X1)) [induction hypo]
[...]
49. ~$product(2,0) != iG0(0) | $product(2,$sum(sK3,1)) != iG0($sum(sK3,1)) | ~$less(0,sK1) [resolution 48,41]
50. $product(2,0) != iG0(0) | $product(2,sK3) = iG0(sK3) | ~$less(0,sK1) [resolution 47,41]
51. $product(2,0) != iG0(0) | ~$less(sK3,0) | ~$less(0,sK1) [resolution 46,41]
52. 0 != iG0(0) | $product(2,$sum(sK3,1)) != iG0($sum(sK3,1)) | ~$less(0,sK1) [evaluation 49]
53. 0 != iG0(0) | $product(2,sK3) = iG0(sK3) | ~$less(0,sK1) [evaluation 50]
54. 0 != iG0(0) | ~$less(sK3,0) | ~$less(0,sK1) [evaluation 51]
55. 0 != iG0(0) | ~$less(sK3,0) [subsumption resolution 54,39]
57. 1 <=> $less(sK3,0) [avatar definition]
59. ~$less(sK3,0) <- (~1) [avatar component clause 57]
61. 2 <=> 0 = iG0(0) [avatar definition]
64. ~1 | ~2 [avatar split clause 55,61,57]
65. 0 != iG0(0) | $product(2,sK3) = iG0(sK3) [subsumption resolution 53,39]
67. 3 <=> $product(2,sK3) = iG0(sK3) [avatar definition]
69. $product(2,sK3) = iG0(sK3) <- (3) [avatar component clause 67]
70. 3 | ~2 [avatar split clause 65,61,67]
71. 0 != iG0(0) | $product(2,$sum(sK3,1)) != iG0($sum(sK3,1)) [subsumption resolution 52,39]
72. $product(2,$sum(1,sK3)) != iG0($sum(1,sK3)) | 0 != iG0(0) [forward demodulation 71,5]
74. 4 <=> $product(2,$sum(1,sK3)) = iG0($sum(1,sK3)) [avatar definition]
76. $product(2,$sum(1,sK3)) != iG0($sum(1,sK3)) <- (~4) [avatar component clause 74]
77. ~2 | ~4 [avatar split clause 72,74,61]
82. 0 = iG0(0) [resolution 36,10]
85. 2 [avatar split clause 82,61]
246. iG0($sum(X1,1)) = $sum(2,iG0($sum($sum(X1,1),-1))) | $less(X1,0) [resolution 43,14]
251. $less(X1,0) | iG0($sum(X1,1)) = $sum(2,iG0(X1)) [evaluation 246]
[...]
1176. $false <- (~1, 3, ~4) [subsumption resolution 1175,1052]
1177. 1 | ~3 | 4 [avatar contradiction clause 1176]
1178. $false [avatar sat refutation 64,70,77,85,1177]
% SZS output end Proof for rec2
% Time elapsed: 0.016 s
```

A new Benchmark for Proving Such Equivalences

- Initially (2023) about **30k problems** for proving Fast=Small
- About 16k problems seem to **require induction**
- This is quite hard: SMTs can do a lot of arithmetic
- But not so much induction
- **Baseline ATP/SMT performance:** **poor** (504 by CVC5)
- Solution: **build another self-learning loop!**
- This will be a genuine Prove-Learn loop
- However, focused on **conjecturing the inductive predicates**

OEIS Benchmark Problems

Each problem involves proving:

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{N}, \quad f_{\text{small}}(x) = f_{\text{fast}}(x)$$

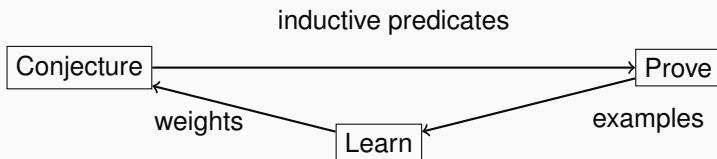
SMT encoding:

$$\exists c \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad c \geq 0 \wedge \neg(f_{\text{small}}(c) = f_{\text{fast}}(c))$$

Example (A217, Triangular numbers):

$$\sum_{k=1}^x k = \frac{x^2 + x}{2}$$

Conjecture-Prove-Train Positive Feedback Loop



- Unlike in the OEIS loop, here we do not just test but prove
- Proving is usually (much) **slower than testing**
- Hence we call an SMT (Z3) with a low time limit (200 ms)
- We try to **minimize the solutions**
- We again **train on the shortest and fastest solutions**
- Overall, very similar to the OEIS loop in the technology used:
- We use NMT to **translate from the program to the inductive predicate**

Approach: Self-Learning Loop

Another iterative loop:

- 1 **Train** NMT to learn solved problems and predicates.
- 2 **Generate** predicates using trained NMT.
- 3 **Attempt proofs** with Z3 using generated predicates.
- 4 Select predicates based on heuristics (size, solution speed).
- 5 Each iteration: 2-4 ATP runs (1–3 hrs each).
- 6 Significant discoveries lead to performance jumps.

Technical Details

Grammar for predicates:

$0, 1, 2, x, y \mid A + B \mid A - B \mid A \times B \mid A \text{ div } B \mid A \text{ mod } B$
 $\text{cond}(A, B, C), \quad \text{loop}(F, A, B),$
 $\text{loop2}(F, G, A, B, C), \quad \text{compr}(F, A)$

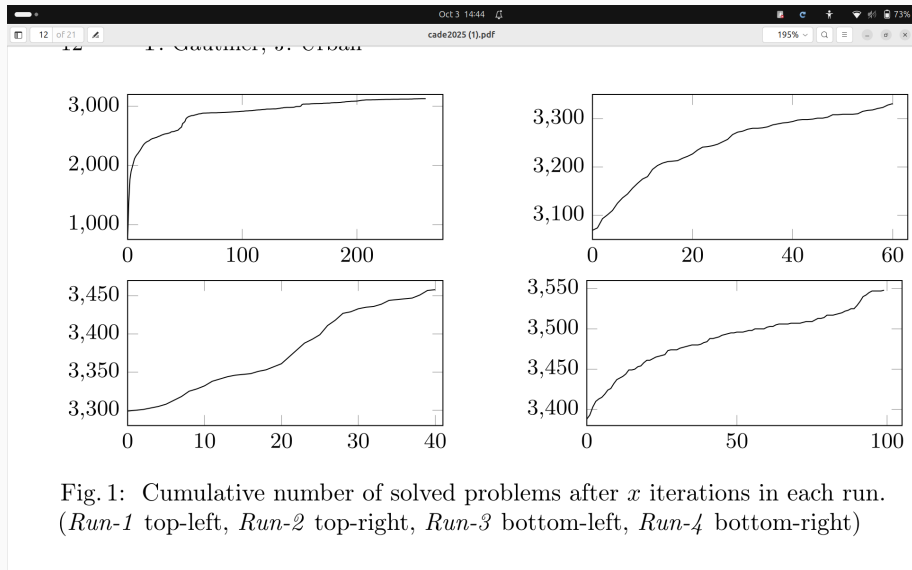
Filtering via:

- Semantic evaluation.
- Fingerprinting (equivalence checking).
- Removing predicates not dependent on induction variable.

Neural Predicate Generation:

- Neural Machine Translation (Encoder-Decoder with Attention).
- Training data: Encoded problems and induction predicates.
- Beam search width: 240.
- Data augmentation by expanding function definitions and adding rare indices.

Self Learning Loop for Proving Fast=Small



Example of Influential General Discovery

Discovery at Iteration 41 (*Run-1*) led to predicate:

$$s(x) = s(1) \wedge v(1 + x) = w(x) + v(x) + w(x) \quad (\text{P1})$$

Applied to program equality: A198766

$$\underbrace{\underbrace{loop(5 \times (2 + X), X, 1)}_v + 2}_{w,s} = \underbrace{\underbrace{loop2(X \times Y, Y, X, 7, 5)}_{w,s}}_{w,s} \text{ div } 2 \quad (\text{Eq1})$$

Sequences:

- $v(0) = 1, \quad v(x + 1) = 5v(x) + 10$
- $w(0) = 7, \quad s(0) = 5, \quad w(x + 1) = w(x) \cdot s(x)$

Generality of Predicate Across OEIS Problems

Other equalities discovered:

$$\text{loop}(10X + 4, X, 1) = 2 \cdot (\text{loop2}(X \cdot Y, Y, X, 2, 10) \text{ div } 9) \quad (\text{A2278})$$

$$\text{loop}(6X + 6, X, 0) = 2 \cdot (\text{loop2}(X \cdot Y, Y, X, 3, 6) \text{ div } 5) \quad (\text{A105281})$$

Implicit transformations:

- $v(x + 1) - v(x) = 4v(x) + 10, 9v(x) + 4, 5v(x) + 6$
- Predicate (P1) generalizes these without needing hardcoded constants.

Further Examples

Example 1 A2411: Pentagonal pyramidal numbers (Gaussian sum variation).

Problem: $\underbrace{\text{loop}(X + Y, X, 0)}_v \times X = (((X \times X) + X) \text{ div } 2) \times X$

Math: $x \times \sum_{k=1}^x k = \frac{x \times x + x}{2} \times x$ Solution: $0 \leq x \wedge x \times x + x = 2 \times v(x)$

The proof requires one predicate on the *loop function* v defining $\text{loop}(X + Y, X, 0)$. We can also observe that our machine learning algorithm restricted the induction step to nonnegative integers by adding the conjunct $0 \leq x$ 16

Further Examples

Example 2 [A205646](#): empty faces in Freij's family of Hansen polytopes.

We first simplify the original problem by evaluating constant programs and reducing polynomials. The problem can then be restated as:

$$\underbrace{\text{loop}(3 \times X, X, 1)}_v + 16 = \underbrace{\text{loop2}(X \times Y, Y, X \text{ div } 2, \text{loop}(3, x \text{ mod } 2, 1), 9))}_{w,s} + 16$$

Mathematically, the equation is $3^x + 16 = 3^{(x \bmod 2)} \times 9^{(x \text{ div } 2)} + 16$. The fast program is saving time by computing 3^x as $3^{(x \bmod 2)} \times 9^{(x \text{ div } 2)}$ (this is the basis of the *fast exponentiation* algorithm [\[9\]](#)). It stores the value of $9 = 1 + 2 \times (2 + 2)$ in the second component of the loop y to avoid recomputing it at each iteration of the loop. The solution consists of 6 predicates:

$$\begin{aligned} w(1+x) &= v(1+x) \wedge w(x) = v(x), v(x) = w(x) \wedge w(1+x) = v(1+x) \\ x \leq w(2), x \leq w(x), s(x) &= s(1), s(x+1) = s(x) \end{aligned}$$

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A000002 Kolakoski sequence: $a(n)$ is length of n -th run; $a(1) = 1$; sequence consists just of 1's and 2's.
(Formerly M0190 N0070)

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1, 2, 2, 1, 1, 2, 1, 2, 2, 1, 2, 2, 1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 2, 2, 1, 2, 1, 1, 2, 1, 2, 2,
1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 2, 1, 2, 2, 1, 2, 2, 1, 1, 2, 1, 2, 2, 1, 2, 1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 2, 2,
1, 2, 2, 1, 1, 2, 1, 2, 2, 1, 2, 2, 1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 2, 1, 2, 2, 1, 2, 1, 1, 2, 2,
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Historical note: the sequence might be better called the Oldenburger-Kolakoski sequence, since it was discussed by Rufus Oldenburger in 1939; see links. - [Clark Kimberling](#), Dec 06 2012. However, to avoid confusion, this sequence will be known in the OEIS as the Kolakoski sequence. It is undesirable to have some entries refer to the Oldenburger-Kolakoski sequence and others to the Kolakoski sequence. - [N. J. A. Sloane](#), Nov 22 2017

It is an unsolved problem to show that the density of 1's is equal to $1/2$.

A weaker problem is to construct a combinatorial bijection between

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We have invented a simple and working (checked up to 500 positions) program for **Kolakoski** (<https://oeis.org/A2>) !

Now someone please prove that it is correct ;-)

```
(base) mtp@air-03:~/big2/oe2/oeis-synthesis5/src/exp/exp737-knn-chk$ grep -B2 'B K P K C G K J K K
P D C H O K D K B A O J P D' stats_sol
https://oeis.org/A2 : 1 2 2 1 1 2 1 2 2 1 2 2 1 1 2 1 1 2 2 1 2 1 1 2 2 1 2 1 1 2 2 1 2 2 1 1 2 1 2 2
1 2 1 1 2 1 1 2 2 1 2 2 1 1 2 1 2 2 1 2 2 1 1 2 1 1 2 2 1 2 1 1 2 2 1 2 2 1 1 2 1 2 2 1 1 2 1 2 2 1
2 1 1 2 1 2 2
size 24, time 6886: 1 + pop(loop(push(loop(pop(x), x div 2, x), (x + pop(x)) mod 2) + x, x, push(1, 0)))
B K P K C G K J K K P D C H O K D K B A O J P D
```

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Hales, Thomas Callister <hales@pitt.edu>

Fri, Apr 18, 9:39 PM



to Isaac, me ▾

Hi Isaac,

I now entirely believe your interpretation. Based on your comments in your email and at our meeting yesterday, I have further refactored the Python code for the function f1. The new version of f1 relies on your observation that the head of the list x is the current offset, while the tail of the list x stores the list reversal of the **Kolakoski** sequence (minus -1). It should be a (somewhat) straightforward induction argument to prove correctness, making cases in the induction according to the parities of "parity" and "offset".

```
def urban_kolakoski(n):  
    # f1 refactored  
    parity = 0  
    parity_list = [parity]  
    offset = 1
```

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From: Li, Isaac <ISL74@pitt.edu>
Date: Thursday, April 17, 2025 at 3:52 AM
To: Hales, Thomas Callister <hales@pitt.edu>
Subject: Re: A2 - Kolakoski invented

Hi professor Hales,
From my observation and intuition, I believe the function

```
def f1(X):  
    x = push(S(1),S(0))  
    i = 1  
    while i < H(X) + 1:  
        y = S(i)  
        i = i + 1  
        x = push(f2(x),((x + pop(x)) % S(2))) + x  
    return x
```

directly simulates Kolakoski sequence. f2(x) record the location where the sum of run lengths reaches the current length. And $(x + \text{pop}(x)) \% S(2)$ determine the next number in the Kolakoski sequence.
But this is a rough idea and I havent prove it yet, we can discuss it on todays meeting.

Best,

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The screenshot shows a PDF viewer window with the title bar 'Oct 7 13:22' and system icons on the right. The address bar shows 'oeis.pdf' and a zoom level of '140%'. The document content includes a bulleted list item 'A2' with a cyan highlight. The text describes the Kolakoski sequence, its notation, and its history. A note mentions it was 'written up in the Guardian' in 2014. The status is 'synthesis is probably correct'. A long description follows, defining the sequence $a(n)$ and the recursion rule. The page number '8' is centered at the bottom.

- **A2**
Short description: Kolakoski sequence: $a(n)$ is length of n -th run; $a(1) = 1$; sequence consists just of 1's and 2's.

Note: This sequence was **written up in the Guardian** in 2014. The Guardian writes, “Mathematicians drool over this sequence.”

Status: synthesis is probably correct.

Long description of the Kolakoski sequence $a(n)$: If $x \in \{1, 2\}$, let $\bar{x} = 3 - x \in \{1, 2\}$ be complementation: $\bar{2} = 1$, $\bar{1} = 2$. There are two indices i (the read index) and j (the write index) with $i < j$. Initialize $i = 1$, $j = 2$ and $a(1) = 1$. Assume $a(k)$ has been defined for all $k < j$. The recursion rule is given as follows.

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Case 1 (add run of length 1): If $a(i) = 1$, then set $a(j) = \bar{a}(j-1)$ and increment $i \leftarrow i+1$, $j \leftarrow j+1$.

Case 2 (add run of length 2): If $a(i) = 2$, then set $a(j) = a(j+1) = \bar{a}(j-1)$ and increment $i \leftarrow i+1$, $j \leftarrow j+2$.

Synthesized code in Python (after significant refactoring) is equivalent to the following

```
def synthetic_kolakoski(n):
    parity = 0
    parity_list = [parity]
    offset = 1
    for _ in range(n-1):
        parity = (offset + parity) % 2
        parity_list = parity_list + [parity]
        offset += parity_list[-1-(offset // 2)]
    # add 1 to get kolakoski
    return [parity+1 for parity in parity_list]
```

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```
def synthetic_kolakoski(n):
    parity = 0
    parity_list = [parity]
    offset = 1
    for _ in range(n-1):
        parity = (offset + parity) % 2
        parity_list = parity_list + [parity]
        offset += parity_list[-1-(offset // 2)]
    # add 1 to get kolakoski
    return [parity+1 for parity in parity_list]
```

Credit: Isaac Li was the first to understand how the synthetic program works. The refactored synthesized code here is based on his explanation of the synthetic program.

The basic idea of the synthetic code is that the offset is even exactly at the beginning of a Kolakoski run of length 2. In this way, with even offset, the update instruction `parity = (offset + parity) % 2` reduces to `parity = parity` so that to `parity_list` are appended two consecutive equal values. Otherwise, the offset is odd, and the instruction `parity = (offset+parity) % 2` reverses the parity, so that alternating parities are appended to `parity_list`, producing runs of length 1. Also `offset//2` is tracking the growing gap $j - i$ between the read index i and the write index j .

To do: state the precise relationship among j , i , `offset`. Note that the gap $j - i$ increases by one each time case 2 of the recursion is executed, which happens exactly when a run of length 2 is created. Also, `offset//2` increases by one each time the offset is incremented from an odd integer to the next even integer. This also occurs exactly when a run of length 2 is created.

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A070526 Value of n-th cyclotomic polynomial at 2^n .

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1, 5, 73, 257, 1082401, 4033, 4432676798593, 4294967297, 18014398643699713,
1098438933505, 1298708349570020393652962442872833, 281474959933441,
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OFFSET 1,2

LINKS [Table of n, a\(n\) for n=1..13.](#)

EXAMPLE n=5: $a(5)=C[5,32]=1+32+1024+32768+1048576=1082401$

MATHEMATICA Table[Cyclotomic[w, 2^w], {w, 1, 15}]

CROSSREFS Cf. [A070518](#)-[A070525](#).

Sequence in context: [A383924](#) [A138623](#) [A206280](#) * [A070530](#) [A248046](#)
[A059017](#)

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**Josef Urban** <josef.urban@gmail.com>
to Thomas, thibault ▾

Sat, Jul 26, 11:11AM



And now this:

<https://oeis.org/A70526> : 1 5 73 257 1082401 4033 4432676798593
size 30, time 14521: loop(loop2(if (x mod y) <= 0 then (x div y) else x, pop(y), y, push(loop(1 + (x + x), y, 1), x),
(2 + x) * x, 1)
KLHLKLGKILPLBKDDLBKOKNCKDKFBJ

Python:

```
...
self.a)))
def pop(self):
    return A(self.a) if tl(self.a) == None else A(tl(self.a))
def push(self, other):
    return A((hd(self.a), other.a))

def S(a):
```

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**Hales, Thomas Callister**  <hales@pitt.edu> Sat, Jul 26, 5:24 PM    
to me, thibault ▾

Nice! Your program is computing A70526 as a subsequence of [OEIS A019320](#). [ChatGPT can explain](#) the relationship between the two sequences. I still need to finish an analysis of how you compute A019320.

...

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**Hales, Thomas Callister**  <hales@pitt.edu> Sat, Jul 26, 8:32 PM    
to me, thibault ▾

Here is the refactored code for A019320. It is an incredibly simple algorithm. I don't have a proof that it works. It is similar to, but not identical to, the formulas in the formula section at OEIS for A019320.


```
def f1C(X):  
    i = 100/X
```

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 **Hales, Thomas Callister**  <hales@pitt.edu>
to me, thibault ▾

Sun, Jul 27, 8:24 PM ☆ 😊 ⏪ ⋮

DeepSeek's answer is quite incomplete. ChatGPT has found the correct answer, which establishes the correctness of the synthesized program. The proof uses a theorem called Bang-Zsigmondy theorem, which I wasn't familiar with.

My query: Let $\text{Cyclotomic}[n, x]$ be the n th cyclotomic polynomial evaluated at x , using Mathematica notation. By properties of cyclotomic polynomials, we have that $\text{Cyclotomic}[d, x]$ divides $x^n - 1$, if d divides n . Is there any number theoretic reason why $\text{Cyclotomic}[d, 2]$ divides $2^n - 1$ (and $d < n$) necessarily implies that d divides n ? Or perhaps it is not true?

[ChatGPT o3 response.](#)

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- [A70526](#)

Short description: Value of n -th cyclotomic polynomial at 2^n .

Verdict: The synthesis is correct and remarkable.

Analysis: Let $\Phi_n(x)$ be the n th cyclotomic polynomial evaluated at x . An examination of the code reveals that the synthetic procedure computes $\Phi_k(2)$ and uses an identity $\Phi_{n^2}(2) = \Phi_n(2^n)$ to extract sequence A70526 as a subsequence $k = n^2$ of $k \mapsto \Phi_k(2)$. We have $\Phi_{n^2}(2) = \Phi_n(2^n)$ because for all x , we have $\Phi_{n^2}(x) = \Phi_n(x^n)$ (because both monic polynomials have roots at exactly the primitive n^2 -roots of unity). It is remarkable that the synthesis uses this identity as an empirically discovered fact.

We now give an analysis of the sequence $\Phi_n(2)$, which is [A019320](#).

Short description: Cyclotomic polynomials at $x = 2$.

Analysis: An examination of the code reveals that the synthetic procedure is as follows. Suppose that $\Phi_j(2)$ has been computed for $j < n$. Initialize $x = 2^n - 1$. For each $j = n - 1$ down to $j = 1$, if $x \bmod \Phi_j(2) = 0$, replace x with $x/\Phi_j(2)$. The terminal value of x after the loop is $x = \Phi_n(2)$.

Why does this work? According to an [explanation provided by ChatGPT-o3](#), the reason is based on the Bang-Zsigmondy (BZ) theorem. (Urban tried the same query in Deepseek, which was unable to provide a satisfactory explanation.)

(ChatGPT Query)

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perhaps it is not true?

(ChatGPT-o3 response, thought for 1m 2s)

It's *almost* true, but not quite.

Counterexample. Take $d = 6$. Then $\Phi_6(x) = x^2 - x + 1$, so $\Phi_6(2) = 3$. Since 2 has order 2 modulo 3, we have $3 \mid 2^n - 1$ iff n is even. In particular, with $n = 8$ we get

$$\Phi_6(2) = 3 \mid 2^8 - 1 = 255, \quad \text{but } 6 \nmid 8.$$

Here $d = 6 < n = 8$, yet $d \nmid n$.

Why this is the only exception. For $d > 1$ and $d \neq 6$, the Bang-Zsigmondy theorem guarantees a *primitive prime divisor* p of $2^d - 1$: a prime p dividing $2^d - 1$ but no $2^k - 1$ with $k < d$. Such a prime necessarily divides $\Phi_d(2)$, and the multiplicative order of 2 modulo p is exactly d . Therefore, if $\Phi_d(2) \mid 2^n - 1$, then in particular $p \mid 2^n - 1$, so the order of 2 mod p divides n ; hence $d \mid n$.

The only failure of this argument for base 2 is at $d = 6$, because $2^6 - 1 = 63 = 3^2 \cdot 7$ has *no* primitive prime divisor (both $3 \mid 2^2 - 1$ and $7 \mid 2^3 - 1$). Consequently $\Phi_6(2) = 3$ is made up entirely of “non-primitive” primes, and the implication $\Phi_d(2) \mid 2^n - 1 \Rightarrow d \mid n$ can fail.

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More Human (+ AI) Proofs: Cyclotomic Polynomials

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The BZ theorem implies that for all $j < n$ with $j \neq 6$, we have $\Phi_j(2)$ divides $2^n - 1$ if and only if j divides n . Also

$$x^n - 1 = \prod_{j \mid n} \Phi_j(x), \quad \text{so that} \quad \Phi_n(2) = \frac{2^n - 1}{\prod_{j \mid n, j < n} \Phi_j(2)}.$$

By BZ, the right-hand-side of this expression is what the synthetic program computes, with an exception for $j = 6$, with $\Phi_6(2) = 3$, which potentially throws the answer off by a factor of 3. Remarkably, this potential problem never occurs, and the synthetic program always gives the correct result. We have $\Phi_2(2) = \Phi_2(6) = 3$. Sometimes the synthetic program divides by $\Phi_2(6) = 3$ (the *wrong* 3) but then not by $\Phi_2(2) = 3$ (the *right* 3), but this does not affect the correctness of the results. This division “by the wrong 3” occurs when 6 does not divide n and 3 divides $2^n - 1$. Equivalently, this occurs when n is congruent to 2 or 4 mod 6. In these cases, $2^n - 1$ is not divisible by 9.

Evolution and Proliferation of Primes and Others

<https://bit.ly/3XHZsjK>: triangle coding, sigma (sum of divisors), primes. <https://bit.ly/3iJ4oGd> (the first 24, now 50)

Nr	Program
P1	(if x <= 0 then 2 else 1) + (compr (((loop (x + x) (x mod 2) (loop (x * x) 1 (loop (x + x) (x div 2) 1))) + x) mod (1 + x)) x)
P2	1 + (compr (((loop (x * x) 1 (loop (x + x) (x div 2) 1)) + x) * x) mod (1 + x)) (1 + x))
P3	1 + (compr (((loop (x * x) 1 (loop (x + x) (x div 2) 1)) + x) mod (1 + x)) (1 + x))
P4	2 + (compr ((loop2 (1 + (if (x mod (1 + y)) <= 0 then 0 else x)) (y - 1) x 1 x) mod (1 + x)) x)
P5	1 + (compr ((loop (if (x mod (1 + y)) <= 0 then (1 + y) else x) x (1 + x)) mod (1 + x)) (1 + x))
P6	1 + (compr ((loop (if (x mod (1 + y)) <= 0 then (1 + y) else x) (2 + (x div (2 + (2 + 2)))) (1 + x)) mod (1 + x)) (1 + x))
P7	compr ((1 + (loop (if (x mod (1 + y)) <= 0 then (1 + y) else x) x x)) mod (1 + x)) (2 + x)
P8	1 + (compr ((loop (if (x mod (1 + y)) <= 0 then (1 + y) else x) (1 + ((2 + x) div (2 + (2 + 2)))) (1 + x)) mod (1 + x)) (1 + x))
P9	compr (x - (loop (if (x mod (1 + y)) <= 0 then (1 + y) else x) x x)) (2 + x)
P10	compr (x - (loop (if (x mod (1 + y)) <= 0 then 2 else x) (x div 2) x)) (2 + x)
P11	1 + (compr ((loop (if (x mod (1 + y)) <= 0 then (1 + y) else x) (1 + (x div (2 + (2 + 2)))) (1 + x)) mod (1 + x)) (1 + x))
P12	compr ((x - (loop (if (x mod (1 + y)) <= 0 then y else x) x x)) - 2) (2 + x)
P13	1 + (compr ((loop (if (x mod (1 + y)) <= 0 then (1 + y) else x) (2 + (x div (2 * (2 + (2 + 2)))) (1 + x)) mod (1 + x)) (1 + x))
P14	compr ((x - (loop (if (x mod (1 + y)) <= 0 then y else x) x x)) - 1) (2 + x)
P15	1 + (compr (x - (loop (if (x mod (1 + y)) <= 0 then (1 + y) else x) (2 + (x div (2 * (2 + (2 + 2)))) (1 + x)) (1 + x))
P16	compr (2 - (loop (if (x mod (1 + y)) <= 0 then 0 else x) (x - 2) x)) x
P17	1 + (compr (x - (loop (if (x mod (1 + y)) <= 0 then 2 else x) (2 + (x div (2 * (2 + (2 + 2)))) (1 + x)) (1 + x))
P18	1 + (compr (x - (loop (if (x mod (1 + y)) <= 0 then 2 else x) (1 + (2 + (x div (2 * (2 * (2 + (2 + 2)))) (1 + x)) (1 + x))
P19	1 + (compr (x - (loop2 (loop (if (x mod (1 + y)) <= 0 then 2 else x) (2 + (y div (2 * (2 + (2 + 2)))) (1 + y)) 0 (1 - (x mod 2) 1 x)) (1 + x))
P20	1 + (compr (x - (loop2 (loop (if (x mod (1 + y)) <= 0 then 2 else x) (1 + (2 + (y div (2 * (2 * (2 + (2 + 2)))) (1 + y)) 0 (1 - (x mod 2) 1 x)) (1 + x))
P21	1 + (compr (x - (loop2 (loop (if (x mod (2 + y)) <= 0 then 2 else x) (2 + (y div (2 * ((2 + 2) + (2 + 2)))) (1 + y)) 0 (1 - (x mod 2) 1 x)) (1 + x))
P22	1 + (compr (x - (loop2 (loop (if (x mod (2 + y)) <= 0 then 2 else x) (2 + (y div (2 * (2 * (2 + 2)))) (1 + y)) 0 (1 - (x mod 2) 1 x)) (1 + x))
P23	2 + (compr (loop (x - (if (x mod (1 + y)) <= 0 then 0 else 1)) x x) x)
P24	loop (1 + x) (1 - x) (1 + (2 * (compr (x - (loop (if (x mod (2 + y)) <= 0 then 1 else x) (2 + (x div (2 * (2 + 2)))) (1 + (x + x)))) x))

Evolution and Proliferation of Primes

Iter	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	P8	P9	P10	P11	P12	P13	P14	P15	P16	P17	P18	P19	P20	P21	P22	P23	P24
25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
27	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
28	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
29	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
30	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
31	4	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
32	6	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
33	8	1	6	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
34	12	4	6	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
35	7	12	6	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
36	4	10	6	0	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
37	3	4	6	0	18	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
38	2	3	1	0	12	18	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
39	2	3	1	0	9	56	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
40	2	5	2	0	7	59	49	9	1	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
41	1	2	3	0	4	52	58	42	23	0	13	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
42	0	2	4	0	3	44	50	38	60	8	11	0	55	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
43	0	2	12	0	0	37	55	14	116	35	16	7	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
44	0	2	13	0	0	28	40	6	176	73	19	8	122	9	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
45	0	2	9	0	0	19	24	4	147	185	26	16	94	25	29	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
46	0	2	4	0	0	11	14	0	101	256	21	14	66	64	30	0	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
47	0	0	0	0	0	9	4	0	55	290	23	3	43	116	16	6	62	14	0	0	0	0	0	0
48	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	22	261	16	0	34	192	10	6	89	30	0	0	0	0	0	0
49	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	6	195	11	0	36	225	8	6	99	34	0	0	0	0	0	0
50	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	2	154	8	0	29	168	6	6	108	39	0	0	0	0	0	0
51	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	121	7	0	21	97	6	6	113	43	0	0	0	0	0	0
52	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	118	8	0	12	62	6	6	110	51	0	0	0	0	0	0
53	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	59	7	0	15	33	6	6	125	62	0	0	0	0	0	0
54	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	41	4	0	16	17	6	9	137	72	0	0	0	0	0	0
55	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	32	4	0	15	9	6	17	147	82	0	0	0	0	0	0
56	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	29	4	0	10	7	6	39	152	98	0	0	0	0	0	0

More Bragging

- Hofstadter-Conway \$10000 sequence: $a(n) = a(a(n-1)) + a(n-a(n-1))$ with $a(1) = a(2) = 1$.
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Dear Douglas,

our system [1] has today (iteration 552) found a solution of <https://oeis.org/A004074>. The solution in Thibault's programming language [1] (with push/pop added on top of [1]) is:

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((2*loop(push(loop(pop(x),x-1,x),x)+loop(pop(x),y-x,pop(x)),x-1,1))-1)-x
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The related A4001 was solved in iteration 463 and the solution is:

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loop(push(loop(pop(x), y-x,pop(x)),x) + loop(pop(x), x-1, x), x - 1, 1)
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Minsky 2014

*It seems to me that the **most important discovery since Gödel** was the discovery by Chaitin, Solomonoff and Kolmogorov of the concept called **Algorithmic Probability** which is a fundamental new theory of how to make predictions given a collection of experiences and this is a beautiful theory, everybody should learn it,*

but it's got one problem, that is, that you cannot actually calculate what this theory predicts because it is too hard, it requires an infinite amount of work.

*However, it should be possible to **make practical approximations** to the Chaitin, Kolmogorov, Solomonoff theory that would make better predictions than anything we have today. Everybody should learn all about that and **spend the rest of their lives working on it.***

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