

# Three conjectures on three possible infinite sequences of Poulet numbers

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**Abstract.** In this paper we present four conjectures, one of them regarding a possible infinite sequence of primes and three of them regarding three possible infinite sequences of Poulet numbers, each of them obtained starting from other possible infinite sequence of Poulet numbers.

## Observation 1:

Let  $P$  be a Poulet number,  $P = d_1 * d_2 * \dots * d_k$ , where  $d_1, d_2, \dots, d_k$  are its prime factors; then often the number  $N_i = (P + d_1^2 - d_i) / d_i$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq k$ , is a prime or a power of a prime.

: for  $P = 341 = 11 * 31$ :

$$: N_1 = (C + d_1^2 - d_1) / d_1 = N_2 = (C + d_2^2 - d_2) / d_2 = 41.$$

: for  $P = 561 = 3 * 11 * 17$ :

$$: N_3 = (C + d_3^2 - d_3) / d_3 = 7^2;$$

: for  $P = 1105 = 5 * 13 * 17$ :

$$: N_3 = (C + d_3^2 - d_3) / d_3 = 3^4;$$

: for  $P = 1729 = 7 * 13 * 19$ :

$$: N_3 = (C + d_3^2 - d_3) / d_3 = 109;$$

: for  $P = 2465 = 5 * 17 * 29$ :

$$: N_3 = (C + d_3^2 - d_3) / d_3 = 113;$$

: for  $P = 2821 = 7 * 13 * 31$ :

$$: N_3 = (C + d_3^2 - d_3) / d_3 = 11^2.$$

## Conjecture 1:

There is an infinity of Poulet numbers  $P$ , where  $P = d_1 * d_2 * \dots * d_k$ , where  $d_1, d_2, \dots, d_k$  are its prime factors, such that the number  $N_i = (P + d_1^2 - d_i) / d_i$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq k$ , is a prime or a power of a prime.

## Observation 2:

Let  $P$  be a Poulet number,  $P = d_1 * d_2 * \dots * d_k$ , where  $d_1, d_2, \dots, d_k$  are its prime factors; then sometimes there exist a prime  $q$  such that the numbers  $q * N_i$  and  $q * N_j$  are both Poulet numbers, where  $N_i = (P + d_1^2 - d_i) / d_i$  and  $N_j = (P + d_j^2 - d_j) / d_j$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq j \leq k$ .

: for  $P = 645 = 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 43$ :  
 :  $N_1 = (P + d_1^2 - d_1)/d_1 = 217 = 7 \cdot 31$ ;  
 :  $N_2 = (P + d_2^2 - d_2)/d_2 = 133 = 7 \cdot 19$ .

Indeed, there exist  $q$  such that  $q \cdot N_1$  and  $q \cdot N_2$  are both Poulet numbers and  $q = 13$ :

:  $13 \cdot 7 \cdot 31 = 2821$ , a Poulet number;  
 :  $13 \cdot 7 \cdot 19 = 1729$ , a Poulet number.

### Conjecture 2:

There is an infinity of Poulet numbers  $P$ , where  $P = d_1 \cdot d_2 \cdot \dots \cdot d_k$ , where  $d_1, d_2, \dots, d_k$  are its prime factors, such that there exist a prime  $q$  for which the numbers  $q \cdot N_i$  and  $q \cdot N_j$  are both Poulet numbers, where  $N_i = (P + d_i^2 - d_i)/d_i$  and  $N_j = (P + d_j^2 - d_j)/d_j$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq j \leq k$ .

### Observation 3:

Let  $P$  be a Poulet number,  $P = d_1 \cdot d_2 \cdot \dots \cdot d_k$ , where  $d_1, d_2, \dots, d_k$  are its prime factors; then sometimes the number  $N_i = (P + d_i^2 - d_i)/d_i$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq k$ , is also a Poulet number.

: for  $P = 1387 = 19 \cdot 73$ :  
 :  $N_1 = C + d_1^2 - d_1 = 1729$ ;  
 : for  $P = 10585 = 5 \cdot 29 \cdot 73$ :  
 :  $N_3 = C + d_3^2 - d_3 = 15841$ .

Indeed, the numbers 1729 and 15841 are also Poulet numbers.

### Conjecture 3:

There is an infinity of Poulet numbers  $P$ , where  $P = d_1 \cdot d_2 \cdot \dots \cdot d_k$ , where  $d_1, d_2, \dots, d_k$  are its prime factors, such that the number  $N_i = (P + d_i^2 - d_i)/d_i$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq k$ , is also a Poulet number.

### Observation 4:

Let  $P$  be a 2-Poulet number,  $P = d_1 \cdot d_2$ , where  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  are its prime factors; then sometimes the numbers  $N_1 = (P + d_1^2 - d_1)/d_1$  and  $N_2 = (P + d_2^2 - d_2)/d_2$  are both 2-Poulet numbers also.

: for  $P = 2701 = 37 \cdot 73$ :  
 :  $N_1 = (P + d_1^2 - d_1)/d_1 = 4033 = 37 \cdot 109$ ;  
 :  $N_2 = (P + d_2^2 - d_2)/d_2 = 7957 = 73 \cdot 109$ .

Indeed, the numbers 4033 and 7957 are both 2-Poulet numbers also.

### Conjecture 4:

There is an infinity of 2-Poulet numbers  $P$ , where  $P = d_1 \cdot d_2$ , where  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  are its prime factors, such that the numbers  $N_1 = (P + d_1^2 - d_1)/d_1$  and  $N_2 = (P + d_2^2 - d_2)/d_2$  are both 2-Poulet numbers also.