

# **On the MC function, the squares of primes and the pairs of twin primes**

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**Abstract.** In few of my previous papers I defined the MC function. In this paper I make two conjectures, involving this function, the squares of primes and the pairs of twin primes.

## **Conjecture 1:**

There exist an infinity of primes  $p$  such that  $MC(p^2) = 5$ .

## **Examples:**

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: 3^2:  
 3 + 3 - 1 = 5 (prime) so MC(3^2)= 5;  
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: 5^2:  
 5 + 5 - 1 = 9 = 3*3; 3 + 3 - 1 = 5 = MC(5^2);  
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: 11^2:  
 11 + 11 - 1 = 21 = 3*7; 3 + 7 - 1 = 9 = 3*3; 3 + 3 - 1 =  
5 = MC(11^2) ;  
:  
: 13^2:  
 13 + 13 - 1 = 25 = 5*5; 5 + 5 - 1 = 9 = 3*3; 3 + 3 - 1 =  
5 = MC(13^2);  
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: 23^2:  
 23 + 23 - 1 = 45 = 3*3*5; 3 + 3 + 5 - 2 = 9 = 3*3; 3 + 3  
- 1 = 5 = MC(23^2);  
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: 29^2:  
 29 + 29 - 1 = 57 = 3*19; 3 + 19 - 1 = 21 = 3*7; 3 + 7 - 1  
= 9 = 3*3; 3 + 3 - 1 = 5 = MC(29^2);  
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: 41^2:  
 41 + 41 - 1 = 81 = 3*3*3*3; 3 + 3 + 3 + 3 - 3 = 9 = 3*3;  
3 + 3 - 1 = 5 = MC(41^2);  
:  
: 43^2:  
 43 + 43 - 1 = 85 = 5*17; 5 + 17 - 1 = 21 = 3*7; 3 + 7 - 1  
= 9 = 3*3; 3 + 3 - 1 = 5 = MC(43^2);  
:  
: 61^2:  
 61 + 61 - 1 = 121 = 11*11; 11 + 11 - 1 = 21 = 3*7; 3 + 7  
- 1 = 9 = 3*3; 3 + 3 - 1 = 5 = MC(61^2);  
:  
: 67^2:  
 67 + 67 - 1 = 133 = 7*19; 7 + 19 - 1 = 25 = 5*5; 5 + 5 -  
1 = 9 = 3*3; 3 + 3 - 1 = 5 = MC(67^2).
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Note that for 10 from the first 18 odd primes p the value of the  $MC(p^2)$  is equal to 5!. For the other 8 primes p, id est 7, 17, 19, 31, 37, 47, 53 and 59, the value of  $MC(p^2)$  is equal to 13, 13, 37, 61, 73, 13, 13 and 17.

**Conjecture 2:**

There exist an infinity of pairs of twin primes  $(p, p + 2)$  such that  $MC(p^2) + MC((p + 2)^2) - 1 = q^2$ , where q is prime.

**Examples:**

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: MC(3^2) + MC(5^2) - 1 = 3^2;
: MC(5^2) + MC(7^2) - 1 = 3^2;
: MC(11^2) + MC(13^2) - 1 = 3^2;
: MC(17^2) + MC(19^2) - 1 = 7^2;
: MC(41^2) + MC(43^2) - 1 = 3^2;
: MC(71^2) + MC(73^2) - 1 = 5^2.
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