

Observation on the period of the rational number $P/d + d/P$ where P is a 3-Poulet number and d its least prime factor

Abstract. In this paper I make the following observation: let P be a 3-Poulet number, d its least prime factor and q one of the other two prime factors; then the length of the period of the rational number $P/d + d/P$ is for almost any P equal to $q - 1$ or equal to $(q - 1)/n$ or equal to $(q - 1)*n$, where n positive integer.

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Note:

The sequence of 3-Poulet numbers: 561, 645, 1105, 1729, 1905, 2465, 2821, 4371, 6601, 8481, 8911, 10585, 12801, 13741, 13981, 15841, 16705, 25761, 29341, 30121, 30889, 33153, 34945, 41665, 52633, 57421, 68101, 74665, 83665, 87249, 88561, 91001, 93961, 113201, 115921, 121465, 137149 (...). See the sequence A215672 that I submitted on OEIS.

Verifying the observation:

(true for 29 from the first 31 such Poulet numbers)

- : for $P = 561 = 3*11*17$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ is equal to 5347593582887700, which has the length $16 = 17 - 1$;
- : for $P = 645 = 3*5*43$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ is equal to 465116279069767441860, which has the length $21 = (43 - 1)/2$;
- : for $P = 1105 = 5*13*17$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ is equal to 452488687782805429864253393665158371040723981900, which has the length $48 = (17 - 1)*3$;
- : for $P = 1729 = 7*13*19$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ is equal to 404858299595141700, which has the length $18 = 19 - 1$;
- : for $P = 1905 = 3*5*127$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ is equal to 157480314960629921259842519685039370078740, which has the length $42 = (127 - 1)/3$;
- : for $P = 2465 = 5*17*29$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ has the length $112 = (29 - 1)*4$;
- : for $P = 2821 = 7*13*31$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ has the length $30 = 31 - 1$;

: for $P = 4371 = 3 \cdot 31 \cdot 47$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ has the
 length $690 = (47 - 1) \cdot 15$;
 : for $P = 6601 = 7 \cdot 23 \cdot 41$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ has the
 length $110 = (23 - 1) \cdot 5$;
 : for $P = 8481 = 3 \cdot 11 \cdot 257$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ has the
 length $256 = 257 - 1$;
 : for $P = 8911 = 7 \cdot 19 \cdot 67$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ has the
 length $198 = (67 - 1) \cdot 3$;
 : for $P = 10585 = 5 \cdot 29 \cdot 73$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ has the
 length $56 = (29 - 1) \cdot 2$;
 : for $P = 12801 = 3 \cdot 17 \cdot 251$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ has the
 length $400 = (17 - 1) \cdot 25$;
 : for $P = 13741 = 7 \cdot 13 \cdot 151$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ has the
 length $150 = 151 - 1$;
 : for $P = 13981 = 11 \cdot 31 \cdot 41$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ has the
 length $15 = (31 - 1) / 2$;
 : for $P = 15841 = 7 \cdot 31 \cdot 73$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ has the
 length $120 = (31 - 1) \cdot 4$;
 : for $P = 16705 = 5 \cdot 13 \cdot 257$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ has the
 length $768 = (257 - 1) \cdot 3$;
 : for $P = 29341 = 13 \cdot 37 \cdot 61$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ has the
 length $60 = 61 - 1$;
 : for $P = 30121 = 7 \cdot 13 \cdot 331$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ has the
 length $330 = 331 - 1$;
 : for $P = 30889 = 17 \cdot 23 \cdot 79$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ has the
 length $286 = (23 - 1) \cdot 13$;
 : for $P = 33153 = 3 \cdot 43 \cdot 257$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ has the
 length $5376 = (257 - 1) \cdot 21$;
 : for $P = 34945 = 5 \cdot 29 \cdot 241$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ has the
 length $420 = (29 - 1) \cdot 15$;
 : for $P = 41665 = 5 \cdot 13 \cdot 641$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ has the
 length $96 = (13 - 1) \cdot 8$;
 : for $P = 57421 = 7 \cdot 13 \cdot 631$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ has the
 length $630 = 631 - 1$;
 : for $P = 68101 = 11 \cdot 41 \cdot 151$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ has
 the length $75 = (151 - 1) / 2$;
 : for $P = 74665 = 5 \cdot 109 \cdot 137$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ has
 the length $216 = (109 - 1) \cdot 2$;
 : for $P = 83665 = 5 \cdot 29 \cdot 577$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ has the
 length $4032 = (577 - 1) \cdot 7$;
 : for $P = 87249 = 3 \cdot 127 \cdot 229$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ has
 the length $1596 = (229 - 1) \cdot 7$;
 : for $P = 88561 = 11 \cdot 83 \cdot 97$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ has the
 length $3936 = (97 - 1) \cdot 41$.

Exceptions:

: for $P = 25761 = 3 \cdot 31 \cdot 277$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ has the
 length 345;
 : for $P = 52633 = 7 \cdot 73 \cdot 103$, the period of $P/d + d/P$ has the
 length 136.