

# Probable Prime Test for Specific Class of $N = k \cdot b^n - 1$

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**Abstract:** Polynomial time probable prime test for specific class of  $N = k \cdot b^n - 1$  is introduced

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## 1 Introduction

In 1856 Edouard Lucas developed primality test for Mersenne numbers . The test was improved by Lucas in 1878 and Derrick Henry Lehmer in the 1930s , see [1]. In 1969 Hans Riesel formulated primality test , see [2] for numbers of the form  $k \cdot 2^n - 1$  with  $k$  odd and  $k < 2^n$  . In this note we present lucasian type compositeness test for specific class of  $k \cdot b^n - 1$  .

## 2 The Main Result

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $P_m(x) = 2^{-m} \cdot \left( (x - \sqrt{x^2 - 4})^m + (x + \sqrt{x^2 - 4})^m \right)$  , where  $m$  and  $x$  are positive integers .

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $N = k \cdot b^n - 1$  such that  $k > 0, 3 \nmid k, b > 0, b$  is even number ,  $3 \nmid b$  and  $n > 2$  . Let  $S_i = P_b(S_{i-1})$  with  $S_0 = P_{kb/2}(P_{b/2}(4))$  , thus If  $N$  is prime then  $S_{n-2} \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$

The following proof appeared for the first time on MSE forum in January 2017 , see [3].

Proof. Let us prove by induction that

$$S_i = p^{kb^{i+2}/4} + q^{kb^{i+2}/4}$$

where  $p = 2 - \sqrt{3}$ ,  $q = 2 + \sqrt{3}$  with  $pq = 1$ .

$$S_0 = P_{kb/2}(P_{b/2}(4))$$

$$= P_{kb/2}(p^{b/2} + q^{b/2})$$

$$= 2^{-kb/2} \left( p^{b/2} + q^{b/2} - \sqrt{(p^{b/2} + q^{b/2})^2 - 4} \right)^{kb/2} + 2^{-kb/2} \left( p^{b/2} + q^{b/2} + \sqrt{(p^{b/2} + q^{b/2})^2 - 4} \right)^{kb/2}$$

$$= 2^{-kb/2} \left( p^{b/2} + q^{b/2} - (q^{b/2} - p^{b/2}) \right)^{kb/2} + 2^{-kb/2} \left( p^{b/2} + q^{b/2} + (q^{b/2} - p^{b/2}) \right)^{kb/2}$$

$$= p^{kb^2/4} + q^{kb^2/4}$$

Supposing that  $S_i = p^{kb^{i+2}/4} + q^{kb^{i+2}/4}$  gives that

$$S_{i+1} = P_b(S_i)$$

$$= P_b(p^{kb^{i+2}/4} + q^{kb^{i+2}/4})$$

$$= 2^{-b} \left( p^{kb^{i+2}/4} + q^{kb^{i+2}/4} - \sqrt{(p^{kb^{i+2}/4} + q^{kb^{i+2}/4})^2 - 4} \right)^b$$

$$+ 2^{-b} \left( p^{kb^{i+2}/4} + q^{kb^{i+2}/4} + \sqrt{(p^{kb^{i+2}/4} + q^{kb^{i+2}/4})^2 - 4} \right)^b$$

$$= 2^{-b} \left( p^{kb^{i+2}/4} + q^{kb^{i+2}/4} - (q^{kb^{i+2}/4} - p^{kb^{i+2}/4}) \right)^b$$

$$+ 2^{-b} \left( p^{kb^{i+2}/4} + q^{kb^{i+2}/4} + (q^{kb^{i+2}/4} - p^{kb^{i+2}/4}) \right)^b$$

$$= p^{kb^{i+3}/4} + q^{kb^{i+3}/4} \quad \blacksquare$$

Now

$$S_{n-2} = p^{(N+1)/4} + q^{(N+1)/4}$$

Squaring the both sides gives

$$S_{n-2}^2 = p^{(N+1)/2} + q^{(N+1)/2} + 2 \tag{1}$$

Using that

$$\sqrt{2 \pm \sqrt{3}} = \frac{\sqrt{3} \pm 1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

we get

$$\begin{aligned}
2^{(N+1)/2}(p^{(N+1)/2} + q^{(N+1)/2}) &= (\sqrt{3} - 1)^{N+1} + (\sqrt{3} + 1)^{N+1} \\
&= \sum_{i=0}^{N+1} \binom{N+1}{i} (\sqrt{3})^i ((-1)^{N+1-i} + 1^{N+1-i}) \\
&= \sum_{j=0}^{(N+1)/2} \binom{N+1}{2j} (\sqrt{3})^{2j} \cdot 2 \\
&\equiv 2 + 2 \cdot 3^{(N+1)/2} \pmod{N} \\
&\equiv 2 + 2 \cdot (-3) \pmod{N} \\
&\equiv -4 \pmod{N}
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$3^{(N+1)/2} = 3 \cdot 3^{(N-1)/2} \equiv 3 \left( \frac{3}{N} \right) = 3 \cdot \frac{(-1)^{\frac{3-1}{2} \cdot \frac{N-1}{2}}}{\left( \frac{N}{3} \right)} = 3 \cdot \frac{-1}{1} = -3 \pmod{N}$$

Since

$$2^{(N+1)/2} = 2 \cdot 2^{(N-1)/2} \equiv 2 \left( \frac{2}{N} \right) = 2 \cdot (-1)^{(N^2-1)/8} \equiv 2 \pmod{N}$$

is coprime to  $N$ , we get

$$p^{(N+1)/2} + q^{(N+1)/2} \equiv -2 \pmod{N} \quad (2)$$

It follows from (1)(2) that

$$S_{n-2} \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$$

as desired.

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