Prime Factorization for the HP-15C model

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1 Prime Factorization HP-15C code

key strokes	step	display code(s)	remark
ON g P/R f CLEAR PRGM			Switch the calculator ON Enter program mode Clear all program memory
f LBL A g SF 5 STO 0 2 STO 1	01 02 03 04 05	42,21, A 43, 4, 5 44 0 2 44 1	Start Set user flag Save input Save first prime
f LBL 1 RCL 0 RCL 1 ÷ ENTER f FRAC	06 07 08 09 10	42,21, 1 45 0 45 1 10 36 42 44	Read working number Read prime
g TEST 0 GTO 2 RCL 1 f PSE R↓	12 13 14 15 16	43,30, 0 22 2 45 1 42 31 33	Test X≠Y? Read prime Pause and show register X (prime factor) (Get register Y)
$R\!\!\downarrow$	Ι /	33	Get register Z

key strokes	step	display code(s)	remark
STO 0	18	44 0	
GTO 1	19	22 1	Next
f LBL 2	20	42,21, 2	
1	21	1	
STO + 1	22	44,40, 1	
g F? 5	23	43, 6, 5	
STO + 1	24	44,40, 1	
g CF 5	25	43, 5, 5	
RCL 0	26	45 0	Read working number
RCL 1	27	45 1	Read prime
	28	43 11	
\overline{g} X \leqslant Y	29	43 10	
GTO 1	30	22 1	Next
RCL O	31	45 0	Read working number
g RTN	32	43 32	Return
g P/R			Leave program mode

2 How to use the Prime Factorization program

Enter number N and run with \boxed{f} A . The program will show all the prime factors of N from a low prime (2) and then up.

Example:

10 f A

Output:

running

2 (pause one second)

running

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BUT with 33 this program does not work:

33

f A

SHOULD Output:

running

2 (pause one second)

running

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BUT ALAS... Output:

running

33