

# COLLATZ-HASSE-SYRACUSE-ULAM-KAKUTANI SEQUENCE : CONVERGENCE TO THE TRIVIAL CYCLE PROVED

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## ABSTRACT

The convergence of the *Collatz-Hasse-Syracuse-Ulam-Kakutani Sequence* is proved by very simple reasoning, thus proving the *Collatz Conjecture*, which has been an *unsolved problem*.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

The *Collatz-Hasse-Syracuse-Ulam-Kakutani Conjecture* (simply referred to as the *Collatz Conjecture*) states that the Collatz-Hasse-Syracuse-Ulam-Kakutani (CHSUK) Sequence (also referred to as the *Collatz Sequence*) converges to the trivial cycle  $\{(4 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 1)\}$ , starting from any positive integer.

This research report presents a proof for the same, reasoning with the most fundamental *Peano Axioms* and *Modulus Arithmetic* applied to a meticulously designed *Structured System Framework* of *Binary-Exponential-Ladders* that *partitions* the set of positive integers.

## 2. PROBLEM DESCRIPTION

We define the *Collatz Function*  $C(n)$  with a positive integer  $n$  as its input argument, in terms of a 'pull-Down' operator  $D(n)$  and a 'push-Up' operator  $U(n)$  as follows:

$$\text{if } (n \text{ is even}) \ C(n) := D(n) = (n / 2); \text{ else } C(n) := U(n) = (3*n + 1); \quad [\text{Eqn.1}]$$

where the '*pull-Down*'  $D(n)$  operator takes only an even number as its input argument whereas the '*push-Up*' operator  $U(n)$  takes only an odd number as its input argument and gives an output that is an even number.

For convenience in our study of the Collatz Sequence, we define the *Compact Collatz Function*  $T(m)$  by the repeated application of the 'pull-down' operator  $D(m)$  wherever applicable, say,  $(p \geq 1)$  times, that is,  $D^*(m) := D^p(m)$  so as to get an output  $D^\#(m)$  that is an odd number:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{if } (m \text{ is even}) \ T(m) &:= D^*(m) := D^p(m) = (m / 2^p) := D^\#(m); \\ \text{else } (m \text{ is odd}) \ T(m) &:= U(m) = (3 * m + 1) := U^\#(m); \end{aligned} \quad [\text{Eqn.2}]$$

where  $D^\#(m)$  is called the "D-floor number" associated with the input argument  $m$ ; and  $U^\#(m)$  is called the "U-ceiling number" associated with the input argument  $m$ .

The *Compact Collatz Function*  $T(m)$  may as well be considered to have been redefined with the newly introduced two operators, the "D-floor operator"  $D^\#(m)$  and the "U-ceiling operator"  $U^\#(m)$  as given in [Eqn.2] above.

This new definition for the *Compact Collatz Function*  $T(m)$  facilitates our study of the corresponding *Compact Collatz Sequence*; which is no different from its equivalent Collatz Sequence, once we understand that the repeated application, say,  $(p \geq 1)$  times, of the 'pull-Down' operator  $D(m)$  has now been collapsed into an equivalent single "D-floor operator"  $D^\#(m)$  giving the D-floor number  $D^\#(m)$  as its output. The push-Up operator  $U$  has been simply redefined as the "U-ceiling operator"  $U^\#$  for uniformity and elegant completeness.

The *Compact Collatz Sequence* is obtained by the repeated sequential application of the *Compact Collatz Function*  $T(m)$  starting with the given initial input number  $m$  - represented by an alternating series of  $D^\#$  number and  $U^\#$  number - except possibly the starting initial 'seed' number  $m$  and the final terminating number, which as per the Collatz Conjecture, is anyway a  $D^\#$  number that is unity.

## 3. OBSERVATIONS ON THE PULL-DOWN OPERATOR

The pull-Down operator  $D$  always takes only an even number  $n$  as its input argument. Every application of this pull-down operator results in an alternating

(toggling) effect on the  $n \text{MOD} 3$  property of the input argument number; that is, a  $1 \text{MOD} 3$  input gives a  $2 \text{MOD} 3$  output and a  $2 \text{MOD} 3$  input gives a  $1 \text{MOD} 3$  output; whereas a  $0 \text{MOD} 3$  input gives a  $0 \text{MOD} 3$  output. Repeated application of  $D$ , in case applicable, results in a final output that is an odd number and therefore becomes an input for the push-Up operator. In such a case, we call it a “D-floor operator  $D^\#$ ” as defined in [Eqn.2] above, and its output a “D-floor number”  $D^\#(n)$  characterized by being a odd number;  $D^\#(n)$  may be in any one of the three possible types: (1) a  $1 \text{MOD} 6$  odd number, being a  $1 \text{MOD} 3$  odd number that is of the type  $(6m-5)$ ; (2) a  $5 \text{MOD} 6$  odd number, being a  $2 \text{MOD} 3$  odd number that is of the type  $(6m-1)$ ; (3) a  $3 \text{MOD} 6$  odd number, being a  $0 \text{MOD} 3$  odd number that is of the type  $(6m-3)$ .

#### 4. OBSERVATIONS ON THE PUSH-UP OPERATOR

The push-Up operator  $U$  always takes only an odd number  $m$  as its input argument, and always gives an output that is a  $4 \text{MOD} 6$  even number, being a  $1 \text{MOD} 3$  even number that is of the type  $(6m-2)$  - irrespective of whether the input is a  $1 \text{MOD} 6$  odd number or a  $3 \text{MOD} 6$  odd number or a  $5 \text{MOD} 6$  odd number. Note that one single application of the ‘push-Up’ operator  $U$  transforms any input odd number  $m$  into a  $4 \text{MOD} 6$  even number that becomes an input to the “D-floor operator  $D^\#$ ”. That is why we may as well call the push-Up operator  $U$  as the “U-ceiling operator  $U^\#$ ” as defined in [Eqn.2] above.

#### 5. OBSERVATIONS ON THE COMPACT COLLATZ FUNCTION

Start with any positive integer. (1) If the starting initial number  $n$  is even, then we apply the D-floor operator  $D^\#$  operator giving an output that is the D-floor number  $D^\#(n)$  which is given as input to the U-ceiling operator. Of course, if the starting number is a power of 2 we terminate at unity. So, now we have a D-floor number  $D^\#(n)$  that is an odd number greater than unity, in any non-trivial case, as the initial  $D^\#$  node in the Compact Collatz Sequence. (2) If on the other hand the starting initial number  $n$  is an odd number, we treat that itself as the initial  $D^\#$  node in the Compact Collatz Sequence.

Having thus obtained the initial  $D^\#$  node in the Compact Collatz Sequence, we apply the U-ceiling operator  $U^\#$  to get the U-ceiling number  $U^\#$  that is a  $4 \text{MOD} 6$  even number. That in turn is given as input to the D-floor operator  $D^\#$ . Now the process continues.

Note that the Compact Collatz Sequence can therefore be defined by a *trajectory* generated by an alternating sequence of a “D-floor number”  $D^\#$  and a “U-ceiling number”  $U^\#$ , with its starting initial node being a  $D^\#$  number. The Compact Collatz Function as presented in [Eqn.2] defines the unique link (directed arc) from any given D-floor number  $D^\#$  as the predecessor node to its corresponding unique U-ceiling number  $U^\#$  as the successor node and also the unique link (directed arc)

from any given U-ceiling number  $U^\#$  as the predecessor node to its corresponding unique D-floor number  $D^\#$  as the successor node. The unique link (directed arc) from a starting initial even “seed” number leading to the first node (D-floor number  $D^\#$ ) in the *trajectory* is similarly defined.

As mentioned earlier, the application of the D-floor operator  $D^\#$  on a U-ceiling number  $U^\#$  that is a 4MOD6 even number of the form  $(6m-2)$  can lead to a D-floor number  $D^\#$  that is an odd number that can be either: (1) a 1MOD6 odd number, being a 1MOD3 odd number that is of the type  $(6m-5)$ ; (2) a 5MOD6 odd number, being a 2MOD3 odd number that is of the type  $(6m-1)$ ; but can never be (3) a 3MOD6 odd number, that is a 0MOD3 odd number of the type  $(6m-3)$ . Note that the only situation when the D-floor operator  $D^\#$  gives an output D-floor number  $D^\#$  that is a 3MOD6 odd number of the type  $(6m-3)$  is when its input is a 0MOD6 even number, which is impossible for any U-ceiling number  $U^\#$ , although such an input may come in those special cases wherein the starting initial ‘seed’ number itself is a 0MOD6 even number that is of the form  $(6m-3).2^p$  leading to an output  $D^\#$  that is again a 3MOD6 odd number of the form  $(6m-3)$ .

## 6. ANALYSIS OF THE COMPACT COLLATZ SEQUENCE

From the above observations, it is clear that corresponding to every positive integer  $n$  as the starting initial ‘seed’ number, there is a starting initial node in the trajectory representing the *Compact Collatz Sequence*, that is a  $D^\#$  number in exactly one of the three possible forms as mentioned above - that can be an input argument to the U-ceiling operator  $U^\#$  giving exactly one unique output  $U^\#$  which itself can be an input to the D-floor operator  $D^\#$  so that the process continues. Successive application of each of these two operators ( $U^\#$  and  $D^\#$ ) wherever applicable, traces a unique *trajectory*, wherein each node represents a number that is the unique output number of the appropriate operation applied to the input number represented by the preceding node in the trajectory.

The anticipated terminating trivial cycle  $\{(4 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 1)\}$  can be obtained only through a final application of the D-floor operator  $D^\#$  on a 4MOD6 even number of the form  $(6m-2)$ .

## 7. BINARY-EXPONENTIAL-LADDER WITH ITS DEFINING-BASE-RUNG

Here, we present a meticulously designed *Structured System Framework* that *partitions* the *set of positive integers* to facilitate a *general systems analysis* of the *Compact Collatz Sequence*.

Let every positive odd number be associated with a *Binary-Exponential-Ladder*, denoted by  $BEL(2m-1)$  and defined as a sequence  $\{(2m-1).2^u\}$  with  $(u \geq 0)$ ; its *defining-base-rung* given by the odd number  $(2m-1)$ . Thus, we establish an exact

one-to-one mapping between the *set of positive odd numbers* that form the  $D^\#$  value for the *defining-base-rung* and the corresponding *Binary-Exponential-Ladder*  $BEL(D^\#)$ .

Every positive even number in the form  $(2m-1) \cdot 2^u$  with  $(u > 0)$ ; for which there exists its corresponding  $D^\#$  value,  $D^\#((2m-1) \cdot 2^u) = (2m-1)$ ; for which there exists exactly one corresponding *Binary-Exponential-Ladder*  $BEL(2m-1)$  that contains the given even number  $(2m-1) \cdot 2^u$  as one of its higher rungs in that  $BEL(2m-1)$  ladder.

Thus, we establish that *the set of all Binary-Exponential-Ladders form a partition of the set of all positive integers*; with an exact one-to-one correspondence between each *Binary-Exponential-Ladder* and its *defining-base-rung*  $D^\#$  being a positive odd number, whereas each of the given positive even numbers correspond to exactly one of the higher rungs of the *Binary-Exponential-Ladder* identified by its  $D$ -floor number associated with that given positive even number.

This partitioned framework of positive integers goes another step deeper because of the fact that the *defining-base-rung*  $D^\#$  of a *Binary-Exponential-Ladder*  $BEL(D^\#)$  can itself be in one of the three possible forms  $1 \text{MOD} 6$  or  $5 \text{MOD} 6$  or  $3 \text{MOD} 6$  whereas all the upper rungs of the *Binary-Exponential-Ladder* are either (1) alternately  $2 \text{MOD} 6$  and  $4 \text{MOD} 6$  or (2) all being  $0 \text{MOD} 6$  numbers.

The Collatz Conjecture states that every Collatz Sequence, starting from any positive integer, converges to the trivial cycle  $\{4 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 1\}$  which is in the *Binary-Exponential-Ladder*  $BEL(1)$  that is uniquely identified by its *defining-base-rung*  $D^\#$  value that is unity. Therefore, our focus will be the set of all *Binary-Exponential-Ladders* centered around  $BEL(1)$  and its relationship with every other *Binary-Exponential-Ladder*  $BEL(D^\#)$ .

As seen above,  $D^\#$  can be (1) either of the form  $(6m-5)$  that is a  $1 \text{MOD} 6$  number; (2) or of the form  $(6m-1)$  that is a  $5 \text{MOD} 6$  number; (3) or of the form  $(6m-3)$  that is a  $3 \text{MOD} 6$  number.  $BEL(6m-5)$  contains the output of  $U^\#$  at  $(6m-5)2^w$  with  $w$  being an even exponent of the form  $(2k)$  wherein the input of  $U^\#$  is given by  $\{[(6m-5) \cdot 2^w - 1] / 3\}$ .  $BEL(6m-1)$  contains the output of  $U^\#$  at  $(6m-1)2^v$  with  $v$  being an odd exponent of the form  $(2k-1)$  wherein the input of  $U^\#$  is given by  $\{[(6m-1) \cdot 2^v - 1] / 3\}$ . However,  $BEL(6m-3)$  cannot contain any such output of the  $U$ -ceiling operator  $U^\#$  irrespective of any input argument.

## 8. IMMEDIATE NEIGHBORHOOD OF A BINARY-EXPONENTIAL-LADDER

The relationship between a pair of *Binary-Exponential-Ladders*  $BEL(m)$  and  $BEL(n)$  can be considered to be defined and characterized by the relationship between the corresponding pair of the *defining-base-rung*  $D^\#$  values  $m$  and  $n$  along with the corresponding pair  $U^\#(m)$  and  $U^\#(n)$ .

Among the set of all Binary-Exponential-Ladders, the immediate-neighborhood of a given Binary-Exponential-Ladder  $BEL(D^\#)$  is defined by the immediate-predecessors and immediate-successors, w.r.t  $U$  the push-Up operator; *since the pull-Down operator is applicable only within a given Binary-exponential-Ladder and not between a pair of them.*

It turns out that the only *one single unique immediate successor* of  $BEL(m)$  is  $BEL(D^\#(U^\#(m)))$  that contains  $U^\#(m)$  as one of its higher rungs, with its identifying characteristic D-floor number  $D^\#(U^\#(m))$  as its defining-base-rung. However, there exists a *set of immediate-predecessors* for each  $BEL(D^\#)$  of the form  $BEL(6m-5)$  and  $BEL(6m-1)$  although none for  $BEL(6m-3)$ .

$BEL(1 \text{MOD} 6)$  or equivalently  $BEL(6m-5)$  has, as its set of immediate-predecessors,  $\{BEL([(1 \text{MOD} 6).2^w - 1]/3)\}$  or equivalently  $\{BEL([(6m-5).2^w - 1]/3)\}$  with  $w$  being an positive even exponent of the form  $(2k)$ , wherein the input of  $U^\#$  is given by  $\{[(1 \text{MOD} 6).2^w - 1]/3\}$  or equivalently  $\{[(6m-5).2^w - 1]/3\}$  and the output of  $U^\#$  being  $\{(1 \text{MOD} 6).2^w\}$  or equivalently  $\{(6m-5).2^w\}$  that is contained in  $BEL(1 \text{MOD} 6)$  or equivalently  $BEL(6m-5)$ .

$BEL(5 \text{MOD} 6)$  or equivalently  $BEL(6m-1)$  has, its set of immediate-predecessors,  $\{BEL([(5 \text{MOD} 6).2^v - 1]/3)\}$  or equivalently  $\{BEL([(6m-1).2^v - 1]/3)\}$  with  $v$  being a positive odd exponent of the form  $(2k-1)$ , wherein the input of  $U^\#$  is given by  $\{[(5 \text{MOD} 6).2^v - 1]/3\}$  or equivalently  $\{[(6m-1).2^v - 1]/3\}$  and the output of  $U^\#$  being  $\{(5 \text{MOD} 6).2^v\}$  or equivalently  $\{(6m-1).2^v\}$  that is contained in  $BEL(5 \text{MOD} 6)$  or equivalently  $BEL(6m-1)$ .

The above observed property, that *only* the alternating rungs, defined by  $(1 \text{MOD} 6).4^u$  or  $(5 \text{MOD} 6).2.4^u$ , of the *Binary-Exponential-Ladder*  $BEL(1 \text{MOD} 6)$  or  $BEL(5 \text{MOD} 6)$ , being the 'active' nodes in the CHSUK-Sequence; naturally makes it convenient to define a system of *Quarternary-Exponential-Ladders* (QEL) wherein every rung of QEL becomes an 'active' node in the CHSUK-Sequence. This concept is not directly needed for proving the convergence of the Collatz Sequence, and therefore we will leave it at this point.

Considering  $BEL(1)$  as our central focus of interest, which itself belongs to the type  $BEL(1 \text{MOD} 6)$  or equivalently  $BEL(6m-5)$ ; it is interesting to note that it has its single unique immediate-successor as  $BEL(D^\#(U^\#(1)))$  that is  $BEL(1)$  itself because of the trivial cycle  $\{(4 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 1)\}$  being contained within  $BEL(1)$ .

## 9. STRUCTURED SYSTEM FRAMEWORK OF BINARY-EXPONENTIAL-LADDERS

From the above discussion we find that it is convenient for our study to consider a *Structured System Framework*  $F$  consisting of a hierarchical set of sets – the central one being the singleton set  $B_0 = \{BEL(1)\}$  of *Binary Exponential Ladder*  $BEL(1)$  at the tier-0 level of the hierarchy. The set of  $k^{\text{th}}$  immediate predecessors of  $BEL(1)$  form the set  $B_k$  at tier- $k$  in the hierarchy.

The uniqueness characteristic of the *immediate-successor* relationship can be considered to be a *strict-ordering* relation among these sets  $B_k$  except for the first element  $B_0 = \text{BEL}(1)$  which is its own successor, implying that  $B_0 = \{\text{BEL}(1)\}$  acts as a final sink node in the corresponding sequence.

The multiplicity of the *immediate-predecessor* relationship requires that the set of all immediate-predecessors of every element of  $B_{k-1}$  form the set  $B_k$  as indicated in the above definition of the Structured System Framework.

This Structured System Framework  $F$  of Binary Exponential Ladders has a direct one-to-one correspondence (mapping) with the set of positive integers, considering the distinctly specific rungs of each of them; the lowest rung in each BEL being the *defining-base-rung* that is mapped to the corresponding odd number and each of the higher rungs being mapped to the corresponding even number.

There is a strict ordering relation  $\{B_{j-1}\} < \{B_j\}$  between the hierarchies or tier levels, because of the predecessor successor relationship between them, and a clear idempotent element  $\{B_0\}$  which is its own successor.

## 10. COLLATZ-HASSE-SYRACUSE-ULAM-KAKUTANI (CHSUK) THEOREM

### STATEMENT OF THE CHSUK THEOREM

The CHSUK Sequence converges to the trivial cycle  $\{(4 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 1)\}$ .

### PROOF

We show that the Structured System Framework  $F$  by its very design, satisfies the Peano's axioms (replacing the 'successor' by the 'predecessor') and therefore satisfies the above stated convergence statement.

PEANO'S AXIOM : Existence of 0.

$\{B_0\} \in F$ .

The trivial cycle  $\{(4 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 1)\}$  is contained in  $\{B_0\} \in F$ .

PEANO'S AXIOM : Existence of a *successor function*.

By the very design of  $F$ , for every positive integer  $k$ ,

$\{B_k\} \in F$  is the *predecessor* of  $\{B_{k-1}\} \in F$ .

Application of the Collatz Function with the input from numbers in  $\{B_k\}$  yield the output contained in  $\{B_{k-1}\}$ .

PEANO'S AXIOM : 0 is not a successor.

$\{B_0\}$  is its own predecessor. However, there *does not exist any*  $\{B_k\} \in F$ ,  $k \neq 0$ ; that is distinct from  $\{B_0\}$ ; with  $\{B_k\} \neq \{B_0\}$ ; such that  $\{B_0\}$  is the predecessor of  $\{B_k\}$ .

Once the Collatz Sequence reaches the trivial cycle (sink) there is no exit from it.

PEANO'S AXIOM : Successor function is a one-to-one mapping.

If  $\{B_u\}$  is the predecessor of  $\{B_v\}$  and also  $\{B_u\}$  is the predecessor of  $\{B_w\}$ ;

then it necessarily implies  $\{B_v\} = \{B_w\}$  by the very design of F;

Because the predecessor relation is a unique one-to-one mapping (bijection).

The Collatz Sequence is a linear directed path (chain) with no forking or merging.

PEANO'S AXIOM : Principle of induction.

Collatz Sequence starting with numbers from  $\{B_0\}$  converge in the trivial cycle that is contained in  $\{B_0\}$ .

Collatz Sequence starting with positive numbers from  $\{B_k\}$  passes through  $\{B_{k-1}\}$ .

Therefore, the Collatz Sequence starting with any positive integer being contained in some  $\{B_k\} \in F$ ,  $k \geq 0$ ; must necessarily reach  $\{B_0\}$  and therefore converge in the trivial cycle.

Thus, we establish a direct isomorphism between the Structured System Framework F and the set of Natural Numbers N; and the proof of convergence of the Collatz Sequence is an immediate consequence of this isomorphism.

## 11. SOME EXPLICIT FORMS FOR THE BEL-NEIGHBORHOOD

We can perform some simple algebraic manipulation to get the parametric relation [Eqn.4] that gives a generic form for the set  $B_k$  that is the set of  $k^{\text{th}}$  predecessors of  $B_0 = \text{BEL}(1)$  wherein the set  $B_k$  corresponding to the set of tier-k Binary-Exponential-Ladders  $\{\text{BEL}(n)\}$  each of which contains the set of positive integers  $n$  that form its rungs - the lowest defining-base-rung characterized by the corresponding D-floor number  $D^\#(n)$  with the parameter  $z_{k-1} = 0$  and the higher rungs defined with the parameter  $z_{k-1}$  taking values from the set of positive integers.

$$n = [2^z - \{3^0.2^{z_0} + 3^1.2^{z_1} + 3^2.2^{z_2} + \dots + 3^{k-1}.2^{z_{k-1}}\}] / 3^k \quad [\text{Eqn.4}]$$

wherein  $k, z, z_0, z_1, z_2, \dots, z_k$ , are the parameters that take specific values corresponding to each positive integer  $n$ . Or equivalently, each positive integer can be considered to be defined by the corresponding set of these parameters. Here  $k, z$  are positive integers;  $z_0, z_1, z_2, \dots, z_{k-1}, z_k$  are non-negative integers of decreasing values all less than  $z$ ; ( $z_k := 0$  and  $z_{k-1} = 0$  for positive odd number  $n$ ).

Now, define  $p_0 := (z - z_0)$ ;  $p_j := (z_{j-1} - z_j)$ ; where  $p_j$  corresponds to the number of rungs in  $\text{BEL}\{B_j\}$  above the *defining-base-rung* of  $\text{BEL}\{B_j\}$  for the node located in  $\text{BEL}\{B_j\}$  that the Collatz sequence/trajectory passes through;  $\text{BEL}\{B_j\}$  being the *Binary-Exponential-Ladder* at tier-j with  $j=0,1,2, \dots, k$ . Thus, we may as well redefine the set of  $(k+1)$  parameters as  $\{P_k\} = \{p_0, p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k\}$  that is, a set of  $(k+1)$  CHSUK(generative)parameters that generate each positive integer  $n$  as per the parametric relation [Eqn.4] given above ( $p_k = 0$  for positive odd number  $n$ ).

For any positive integer value of  $k$ , the above set of exponents  $z, z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3, \dots, z_k$ , can be redefined in terms of the newly defined CHSUK(generative)parameters, by rewriting the above definition as  $z := (z_0 + p_0)$ ;  $z_{j-1} := (z_j + p_j)$ ; with  $p_k = 0$  for positive odd number  $n$  and  $z_k := 0$ .

Table-1 gives some of the possible set of valid CHSUK(generative)parameter and therefore the corresponding valid values of the exponents in [Eqn.4] above along with their corresponding  $n$  values. Note that the set of valid values of the exponents in [Eqn.4] above are governed by certain rules as can be seen from the earlier observations above, regarding the matching relationship between their  $u \text{MOD} 3$  value with the  $n \text{MOD} 3$  of its predecessor. Specifically, if  $(p_{j-1} \text{MOD} 6)$

| Table-1 : CHSUK(generative)parameters |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |        |
|---------------------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|--------|
| k                                     | z  | z0 | z1 | z2 | z3 | p0 | p1 | p2 | p3 | n      |
| 1                                     | 2  | 0  |    |    |    | 2  | 0  |    |    | 1      |
| 1                                     | 4  | 0  |    |    |    | 4  | 0  |    |    | 5      |
| 1                                     | 6  | 0  |    |    |    | 6  | 0  |    |    | 21     |
| 1                                     | 8  | 0  |    |    |    | 8  | 0  |    |    | 85     |
| 1                                     | 10 | 0  |    |    |    | 10 | 0  |    |    | 341    |
| 1                                     | 12 | 0  |    |    |    | 12 | 0  |    |    | 1365   |
| 2                                     | 5  | 1  | 0  |    |    | 4  | 1  | 0  |    | 3      |
| 2                                     | 7  | 3  | 0  |    |    | 4  | 3  | 0  |    | 13     |
| 2                                     | 9  | 5  | 0  |    |    | 4  | 5  | 0  |    | 53     |
| 2                                     | 11 | 7  | 0  |    |    | 4  | 7  | 0  |    | 213    |
| 2                                     | 13 | 9  | 0  |    |    | 4  | 9  | 0  |    | 853    |
| 2                                     | 15 | 11 | 0  |    |    | 4  | 11 | 0  |    | 3413   |
| 2                                     | 10 | 2  | 0  |    |    | 8  | 2  | 0  |    | 113    |
| 2                                     | 12 | 4  | 0  |    |    | 8  | 4  | 0  |    | 453    |
| 2                                     | 14 | 6  | 0  |    |    | 8  | 6  | 0  |    | 1813   |
| 2                                     | 16 | 8  | 0  |    |    | 8  | 8  | 0  |    | 7253   |
| 2                                     | 18 | 10 | 0  |    |    | 8  | 10 | 0  |    | 29013  |
| 2                                     | 20 | 12 | 0  |    |    | 8  | 12 | 0  |    | 116053 |
| 2                                     | 11 | 1  | 0  |    |    | 10 | 1  | 0  |    | 227    |
| 2                                     | 13 | 3  | 0  |    |    | 10 | 3  | 0  |    | 909    |
| 2                                     | 15 | 5  | 0  |    |    | 10 | 5  | 0  |    | 3637   |
| 2                                     | 17 | 7  | 0  |    |    | 10 | 7  | 0  |    | 14549  |
| 2                                     | 19 | 9  | 0  |    |    | 10 | 9  | 0  |    | 58197  |
| 2                                     | 21 | 11 | 0  |    |    | 10 | 11 | 0  |    | 232789 |
| 3                                     | 9  | 5  | 2  | 0  |    | 4  | 3  | 2  | 0  | 17     |
| 3                                     | 11 | 7  | 4  | 0  |    | 4  | 3  | 4  | 0  | 69     |
| 3                                     | 13 | 9  | 6  | 0  |    | 4  | 3  | 6  | 0  | 277    |
| 3                                     | 15 | 11 | 8  | 0  |    | 4  | 3  | 8  | 0  | 1109   |
| 3                                     | 17 | 13 | 10 | 0  |    | 4  | 3  | 10 | 0  | 4437   |
| 3                                     | 19 | 15 | 12 | 0  |    | 4  | 3  | 12 | 0  | 17749  |

|                                       |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |         |
|---------------------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|---------|
| 3                                     | 10 | 6  | 1  | 0  |    | 4  | 5  | 1  | 0  | 35      |
| 3                                     | 12 | 8  | 3  | 0  |    | 4  | 5  | 3  | 0  | 141     |
| 3                                     | 14 | 10 | 5  | 0  |    | 4  | 5  | 5  | 0  | 565     |
| 3                                     | 16 | 12 | 7  | 0  |    | 4  | 5  | 7  | 0  | 2261    |
| 3                                     | 18 | 14 | 9  | 0  |    | 4  | 5  | 9  | 0  | 9045    |
| 3                                     | 20 | 16 | 11 | 0  |    | 4  | 5  | 11 | 0  | 36181   |
| 3                                     | 15 | 11 | 2  | 0  |    | 4  | 9  | 2  | 0  | 1137    |
| 3                                     | 17 | 13 | 4  | 0  |    | 4  | 9  | 4  | 0  | 4549    |
| 3                                     | 19 | 15 | 6  | 0  |    | 4  | 9  | 6  | 0  | 18197   |
| 3                                     | 21 | 17 | 8  | 0  |    | 4  | 9  | 8  | 0  | 72789   |
| 3                                     | 23 | 19 | 10 | 0  |    | 4  | 9  | 10 | 0  | 291157  |
| 3                                     | 25 | 21 | 12 | 0  |    | 4  | 9  | 12 | 0  | 1164629 |
| 3                                     | 16 | 12 | 1  | 0  |    | 4  | 11 | 1  | 0  | 2275    |
| 3                                     | 18 | 14 | 3  | 0  |    | 4  | 11 | 3  | 0  | 9101    |
| 3                                     | 20 | 16 | 5  | 0  |    | 4  | 11 | 5  | 0  | 36405   |
| 3                                     | 22 | 18 | 7  | 0  |    | 4  | 11 | 7  | 0  | 145621  |
| 3                                     | 24 | 20 | 9  | 0  |    | 4  | 11 | 9  | 0  | 582485  |
| 3                                     | 26 | 22 | 11 | 0  |    | 4  | 11 | 11 | 0  | 2329941 |
| 3                                     | 12 | 2  | 1  | 0  |    | 10 | 1  | 1  | 0  | 151     |
| 3                                     | 14 | 4  | 3  | 0  |    | 10 | 1  | 3  | 0  | 605     |
| 3                                     | 16 | 6  | 5  | 0  |    | 10 | 1  | 5  | 0  | 2421    |
| 3                                     | 18 | 8  | 7  | 0  |    | 10 | 1  | 7  | 0  | 9685    |
| 3                                     | 20 | 10 | 9  | 0  |    | 10 | 1  | 9  | 0  | 38741   |
| 3                                     | 22 | 12 | 11 | 0  |    | 10 | 1  | 11 | 0  | 154965  |
| 3                                     | 17 | 7  | 2  | 0  |    | 10 | 5  | 2  | 0  | 4849    |
| 3                                     | 19 | 9  | 4  | 0  |    | 10 | 5  | 4  | 0  | 19397   |
| 3                                     | 21 | 11 | 6  | 0  |    | 10 | 5  | 6  | 0  | 77589   |
| 3                                     | 23 | 13 | 8  | 0  |    | 10 | 5  | 8  | 0  | 310357  |
| 3                                     | 25 | 15 | 10 | 0  |    | 10 | 5  | 10 | 0  | 1241429 |
| 3                                     | 27 | 17 | 12 | 0  |    | 10 | 5  | 12 | 0  | 4965717 |
| 3                                     | 18 | 8  | 1  | 0  |    | 10 | 7  | 1  | 0  | 9699    |
| 3                                     | 20 | 10 | 3  | 0  |    | 10 | 7  | 3  | 0  | 38797   |
| 3                                     | 22 | 12 | 5  | 0  |    | 10 | 7  | 5  | 0  | 155189  |
| 3                                     | 24 | 14 | 7  | 0  |    | 10 | 7  | 7  | 0  | 620757  |
| 3                                     | 26 | 16 | 9  | 0  |    | 10 | 7  | 9  | 0  | 2483029 |
| 3                                     | 28 | 18 | 11 | 0  |    | 10 | 7  | 11 | 0  | 9932117 |
| k                                     | z  | z0 | z1 | z2 | z3 | p0 | p1 | p2 | p3 | n       |
| Table-1 : CHSUK(generative)parameters |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |         |

## 12. A CHALLENGE TO MY COOL-HEADED BRAVE-HEARTS

If you can prove that for every positive integer  $n$  there exists a unique set of CHSUK generative parameters, then you can directly prove the convergence of the CHSUK Sequence to the trivial cycle  $\{(4 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 1)\}$ .

### 13. CONCLUSION

We have presented a meticulously designed structured system framework and established its isomorphism with the set of positive integers, that directly leads to a simple and elegant proof of the convergence of the CHSUK Sequence.

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