## 1 Definitions

Let m =base of the counter

MSR = most significant digit region

 $c_0 = \text{starting value of counter}$ 

 $d = \lceil \log_m(c_0) \rceil$ , number of digits per row

$$\mathcal{DR} = \left\lceil \frac{d}{3} \right\rceil$$
, digit regions per row

 $c_f = m^d - 1$ , final value of the counter

 $c_{\Delta} = c_f - c_0$ , number of rows

 $l = \lceil \log m \rceil + 2$ , bits needed to represent each digit plus 2 for MSR and MSD

 $\mathcal{DR}_{height} = 3 \cdot (l + 30)$ , height of a row

 $h = c_{\Delta} \cdot \mathcal{DR}_{height}$ , height of constuction without roof tiles

In order to determine the number of digits per row, given some value k, let  $R = k \mod 6$ . There are 3 distinct cases to consider.

- if  $0 \le R \le 1$ , then  $\{d \in \mathbb{N} \mid 3 \text{ divides } d\}$ MSR  $\leftarrow 3 \text{ digits}$
- if  $2 \le R \le 3$ , then  $\{d \in \mathbb{N} \mid 3 \text{ divides } d-1\}$ MSR  $\leftarrow 1 \text{ digit}$
- if  $4 \le R \le 5$ , then  $\{d \in \mathbb{N} \mid 3 \text{ divides } d 2\}$ MSR  $\leftarrow 2 \text{ digits}$

In order to account for odd values of k, when k is odd, one vertical filler tile is added to increase the width of the rectangle. O(1)

$$\mathcal{DR}_{1st} = 3l + 90 + 1$$

$$\mathcal{DR}_{qeneral} = 3l + 90$$

$$\mathcal{DR}_{last} = 3l + 75$$

Let n be the number of counter unit rows, then

$$h = (n-1) \cdot \mathcal{DR}_{general} + \mathcal{DR}_{1st} + \mathcal{DR}_{last}$$
$$= (m^d - 1)(3l + 90) + 6l + 166$$

$$m = \left\lceil \left( \frac{N}{93} \right)^{\frac{1}{d}} \right\rceil$$

$$N = 93 \left(\frac{N}{93}\right) = 93 \left(\left(\frac{N}{93}\right)^{\frac{1}{d}}\right)^d \le 93 \left[\left(\frac{N}{93}\right)^{\frac{1}{d}}\right]^d$$
$$= 93(m^d - 1) \le 3lm^d + 90m^d \le 3lm^d + 90m^d + 3l + 91$$
$$= (m^d - 1)(3l + 90) + 6l + 166$$