

# A Mathematical Benchmark for Inductive Theorem Provers

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# Program Synthesis for Integer Sequences



# OEIS: $\geq 350000$ Finite Sequences

The OEIS is supported by [the many generous donors to the OEIS Foundation](#).

0 1 3 6 2 7  
: 13  
: 20  
23 12  
10 22 11 21

## THE ON-LINE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF INTEGER SEQUENCES<sup>®</sup>

founded in 1964 by N. J. A. Sloane

[Hints](#)

(Greetings from [The On-Line Encyclopedia of Integer Sequences!](#))

Search: **seq:2,3,5,7,11**

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[A000040](#)

The prime numbers.

(Formerly M0652 N0241)

+30  
10150

**2, 3, 5, 7, 11,** 13, 17, 19, 23, 29, 31, 37, 41, 43, 47, 53, 59, 61, 67, 71, 73, 79, 83, 89, 97, 101, 103, 107, 109, 113, 127, 131, 137, 139, 149, 151, 157, 163, 167, 173, 179, 181, 191, 193, 197, 199, 211, 223, 227, 229, 233, 239, 241, 251, 257, 263, 269, 271 ([list](#); [graph](#); [refs](#); [listen](#); [history](#); [text](#); [internal format](#))

OFFSET 1,1

COMMENTS See [A065091](#) for comments, formulas etc. concerning only odd primes. For all information concerning prime powers, see [A000961](#). For contributions concerning "almost primes" see [A002808](#).

A number  $p$  is prime if (and only if) it is greater than 1 and has no positive divisors except 1 and  $p$ .

A natural number is prime if and only if it has exactly two (positive) divisors.

A prime has exactly one proper positive divisor, 1.

The paper by Kaoru Motose starts as follows: "Let  $q$  be a prime divisor of a Mersenne number  $2^p - 1$  where  $p$  is prime. Then  $p$  is the order of 2 (mod  $q$ ). Thus  $p$  is a divisor of  $q - 1$  and  $q > p$ . This shows that there exist infinitely many prime numbers." *Discrete Math.* Oct 14 2004

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**Fast program:**

$$\frac{n \times n + n}{2}$$

## QSynt: Program Synthesis for Integer Sequences

Propose a sequence of integers:

Timeout (maximum 300s)

Generated integers (maximum 100)

**A few sequences you can try:**

0 1 1 0 1 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 1  
0 1 4 9 16 21 25 28 36 37 49  
0 1 3 6 10 15  
2 3 5 7 11 13 17 19 23 29 31 37 41 43  
1 1 2 6 24 120  
2 4 16 256  
1 1 2 3 5 8 13 21 34 55 89 144 233

Current version is version 3. Previous versions may find different solutions [[Version 2](#), [Version 1](#)].

<http://grid01.ciirc.cvut.cz/~thibault/qsynt.html>

# Web Interface

Generated sequence:

0 1 4 9 16 21 25 28 36 37 49 57 60 64 72 81 84 85 88 93 100 105 109 112 120 121 133 141 144 148 156 165

Matches best with: [A10445](#)(0-16), [A155570](#)(0-7), [A10421](#)(0-6)

Program found in cache after a failed search (10.02s):

$f(x) := \text{compr}(\backslash(x).(\text{loop}(\backslash(x).x * x, 2, x) - x) \bmod (2 * \text{loop}(\backslash(x).(x * x) + x, 2, 2)), x)$

Execute the equivalent Python program [here](#):

[Tutorial](#) [Demo](#) [Documentation](#) [Console](#) [Editor](#) [Gallery](#) [Resources](#)

English ▾

Brython version: 3.11.1

run Python Javascript Share code

```
1 def f1(X):
2     x = X
3     for y in range(1,2 + 1):
4         x = x * x
5     return x
6
7 def f2(X):
8     x = 2
9     for y in range(1,2 + 1):
10        x = (x * x) + x
11    return x
12
13 def f0(X):
14     x,i = 0,0
15     while i <= X:
16         if ((f1(x) - x) % (2 * f2(x))) <= 0:
17             i = i + 1
18         x = x + 1
19     return x - 1
```

```
0
1
4
9
16
21
25
28
36
37
49
57
60
64
72
81
84
85
88
93
100
105
109
112
120
121
133
141
144
148
156
165
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Python code editor uses Ace. Tests suite

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- Variables:  $x, y$
- Arithmetic:  $+, -, \times, \text{div}, \text{mod}$
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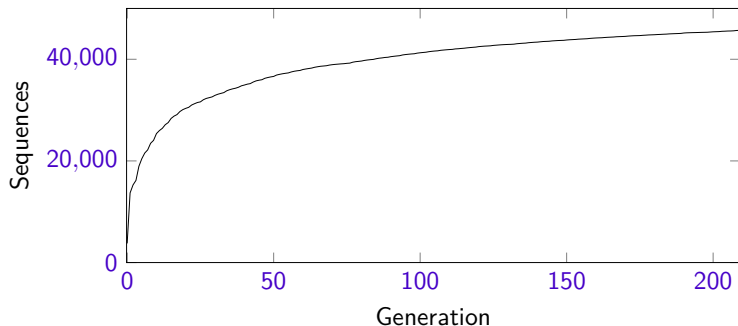
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Example:

$$\begin{aligned}2^x &= \prod_{y=1}^x 2 = \text{loop}(2 \times x, \mathbf{x}, 1) \\ \mathbf{x}! &= \prod_{y=1}^x y = \text{loop}(y \times x, \mathbf{x}, 1)\end{aligned}$$

# Reinforcement Learning Loop



What does the neural network **learn**?

Rarely **add 0**, rarely **multiply by 1**, use correct arity for operators, and much more.

# Famous Solutions

A45, the Fibonacci sequence:  $\text{loop2}(x + y, x, x, 0, 1)$

A108, the Catalan numbers:  $\binom{2x}{x} \frac{1}{x+1}$

A10051, prime characteristic function:

$$((x \times x!) \bmod (1 + x)) \bmod 2$$

# Solutions with Large Numbers

A10445, squares modulo 84:

0, 1, 4, 9, 16, 21, 25, 28, 36, 37, 49, 57, 60, 64, 72, 81

$$\{x \mid (x^4 - x) \bmod 84 = 0\}$$

with  $84 = 2 \times f^2(2)$  and  $f(x) = x \times x + x$

A66298, *googol mod x*:

$$10^{10^2} \bmod (1 + x)$$

with  $10 = 2 \times (2 + 2) + 2$

# More Programs!

Inspect newest solutions at

<https://github.com/Anon52MI4/oeis-alien>

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# Motivation: A Manual Proof

*Josef:*

Now it got <https://oeis.org/A336614>, which people recently discussed here: <https://math.stackexchange.com/questions/4163446/number-of-n-times-n-0-1> Again, I am very curious if the invented program **corresponds** to their formulas.

*Mirek:*

The invented formula was a bit more complicated (two nested sums) but it is possible to mathematically also **convert** it to the formula in the Stack Exchange.



# Benchmark

29687 sequences of with a small program  $P$  and a fast program  $Q$ .

Creation of 29687 problems of the form:

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{N}. f_P(x) = f_Q(x)$$

Checked on the first 100 natural numbers.

Can we prove that they hold on all natural numbers?

# Problems in the Benchmark

- A217, triangular numbers:

$$\sum_{i=0}^n i = \frac{n \times n + n}{2}$$

- A537, sum of first n cubes:

$$\sum_{i=0}^n i^3 = \left( \frac{n \times n + n}{2} \right)^2$$

- A79, powers of 2:

$$2^x = 2^{(x \bmod 2)} \times \left( 2^{(x \div 2)} \right)^2$$

- A165, double factorial of even numbers,

$$\prod_{i=1}^n 2i = 2^n \times n!$$

# Translation to SMT

We tried to make our translation **natural** (close to the original problem) and **efficient** (targeting the strength of the provers).

How do you **translate loops**?

Definition:  $\text{loop}(f, a, b) := u_a$  where  $u_0 = b, u_n = f(u_{n-1}, n)$

Idea: use **recursive functions** to translate loops

Translation to SMT of  $\sum_{i=1}^n i := \text{loop}(X + Y, X, 1)$

$$u(x) = \text{if } x \leq 0 \text{ then } 1 \text{ else } u(x-1, y) + x$$

# A Simple Problem (not in our benchmark)

A simple example for  $0, 2, 4, 6, 8, \dots$  with two programs  $f$  and  $g$ :

- $f(0) = 0, f(n) = 2 + f(n - 1)$  if  $n > 0$
- $g(n) = 2 \times n$
- conjecture:  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}. g(n) = f(n)$

(set-logic UFLIA)

(define-fun-rec f ((x Int)) Int (ite (<= x 0) 0 (+ 2 (f (- x 1)))))

(assert (exists ((c Int))

(and (> c 0) (not (= (f c) (\* 2 c)))))

(check-sat)

Which provers supports arithmetic, **induction** and the SMT format?

Vampire and cvc5.

Supports for induction requires adding extra rules to the prover based on the **Peano's induction axiom schema**.

If you want to know more about it, ask Petra who is improving induction for Vampire.

Induction only recently being supported and we hope that our benchmark will create **further interest** for improving inductive reasoning in theorem provers.

## Results: Provers Run for 60 seconds

	Z3	Vampire	cvc5
29,687 problems	4,757	2,195	2,428
Syntactic filtering: 23,163 problems	487	278	893
Semantic filtering: 16,197 problems	7	83	504

Can we filter à priori problems that do not **require induction**?

# Results: Example

Solved only by cvc5 and Vampire:

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Want to get rich? Some problems have bounties in **ProofGold**. ProofGold is both a proof checker and a cryptocurrency.

Possible inclusion of part of the benchmark in the **TPTP**.  
(when Thibault finds the time to send some problems to Geoff)