

Algorithmic Problem Solving

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Keith Numbers

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Keith Number

A Keith number is an n -digit integer $N > 9$ such that if a Fibonacci-like sequence (in which each term in the sequence is the sum of the previous terms) is formed with the first n terms taken as the decimal digits of the number N , then N itself occurs as a term in the sequence. For example, 197 is a Keith number since it generates the sequence 1, 9, 7, $1+9+7=17$, $9+7+17=33$, $7+17+33=57$, $17+33+57=107$, $33+57+107=197$, ... (Keith). Keith numbers are also called repfigit (*repetitive fibonacci-like digit*) numbers.

There is no known general technique for finding Keith numbers except by exhaustive search. Keith numbers are much rarer than the primes, with only 84 Keith numbers with < 26 digits. The first few are 14, 19, 28, 47, 61, 75, 197, 742, 1104, 1537, 2208, 2580, 3684, 4788, 7385, 7647, 7909, ... (OEIS A007629). As of Mar. 31, 2006, there are 95 known Keith numbers (Keith). The number of Keith numbers having $d=1, 2, \dots$ digits are 0, 6, 2, 9, 7, 10, 2, 3, 2, 0, 2, 4, 2, 3, 3, 3, 5, 3, 5, 3, 1, 1, 3, 1, 1, 3, 7, 1, 2, 5, 2, 4, 6, 3, ... (OEIS A050235), as summarized in the following table given in next slide.

<i>d</i>	<i>d</i> -digit Keith numbers
2	14, 19, 28, 47, 61, 75
3	197, 742
4	1104, 1537, 2208, 2580, 3684, 4788, 7385, 7647, 7909
5	31331, 34285, 34348, 55604, 62662, 86935, 93993
6	120284, 129106, 147640, 156146, 174680, 183186, 298320, 355419, 694280, 925993
7	1084051, 7913837
8	11436171, 33445755, 44121607
9	129572008, 251133297
10	(none)
11	24769286411 96189170155
12	171570159070, 202366307758, 239143607789, 296658839738
13	1934197506555, 8756963649152
14	43520999798747, 74596893730427, 97295849958669
15	120984833091531, 270585509032586, 754788753590897
16	3621344088074041, 3756915124022254, 4362827422508274
17	11812665388886672, 14508137312404344, 16402582054271374, 69953250322018194, 73583709853303061
18	119115440241433462, 166308721919462318, 301273478581322148
19	1362353777290081176, 3389041747878384662, 5710594497265802190, 5776750370944624064, 6195637556095764016
20	12763314479461384279, 27847652577905793413, 45419266414495601903
21	855191324330802397989
22	7657230882259548723593
23	26842994422637112523337, 36899277593852609997403, 61333853602129819189668
24	229146413136585558461227
25	9838678687915198599200604
26	18354972585225358067718266, 19876234926457288511947945, 98938191214220718050301312
27	153669354455482560987178342, 154677881401007799974564336, 133118411174059688391045955, 154140275428339949899922650, 295768237361291708645227474, 956633720464114515890318410, 988242310393860390066911414

Algorithm

- Store the 'n' digits of given number "x" in an array "terms".
- Loop for generating next terms of sequence and adding the previous 'n' terms.
- Keep storing the next_terms from step 2 in array "terms".
- If the next term becomes equal to x, then x is a Keith number. If next term becomes more than x, then x is not a Keith Number.

References

- <http://mathworld.wolfram.com/KeithNumber.html>
- <https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/keith-number/>