

# 13SLN3

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## §1 Solution

*Solution.* Let  $f(n) = n^2 + n + 1$  and  $P(n) = \max$  prime of  $n$ .  
Note that  $f(n^2) = n^4 + n^2 + 1 = f(n)f(n-1)$ ,  $f((n+1)^2) = f(n+1)f(n)$ .  
We have

$$f(n) \mid \gcd(f(n^2), f((n+1)^2))$$

So we would be done if we prove that

**Claim 1.1** — There exist infinitely many  $n$  such that

$$P(f(n-1)) \leq P(f(n)) \leq P(f(n+1))$$

*Proof.* Assume for the sake of contradiction that there are only finitely many  $n$  that satisfy this.

So,  $\exists N$  such that  $\{P(f(n))\}_{n \geq N}$  is monotonic.

Now clearly if this were decreasing we would get a contradiction, so, assume  $\{P(f(n))\}_{n \geq N}$  is strictly increasing.

But we already know,

$$P(f(n^2)) = \max(P(f(n)), P(f(n-1)))$$

so it cannot be strictly increasing and we are done. □

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