

# Characterization of Numbers n with 4 Regions of Width 1 with 2 Regions meeting at the Center of the Dyck Path in the Symmetric Representation of $\sigma(n)$

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Definitions of notations can be found in the paper referenced in the LINK section of A241561.

THEOREM:

For every number  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ :

$c_n = 4$  &  $w_n = 1$  & two regions meet at the center of the Dyck path

$\Leftrightarrow n = 2^m \times p \times (2^{m+1} \times p + 1)$ , where  $m \geq 0$ ,  $2^{m+1} < p$  and  $p$  as well as  $2^{m+1} \times p + 1$  are prime.

In this case the first region has  $2^{m+1} - 1$  legs and the second starts with leg  $p$  and ends with leg  $r_n$ .

Furthermore, their respective areas are:

$\frac{1}{2} \times (2^{m+1} - 1) \times (2^{m+1} \times p^2 + p + 1)$  and  $\frac{1}{2} \times (2^{m+1} - 1) \times (2^{m+1} \times p + p + 1)$ .

Therefore  $v_n = (2^{m+1} - 1) \times (p + 1) \times (2^{m+1} \times p + 2) = \sigma(n)$ .

PROOF:

“ $\Leftarrow$ ”: Let  $n = 2^m \times p \times (2^{m+1} \times p + 1)$ , where  $m \geq 0$ ,  $2^{m+1} < p$  and  $p$  as well as  $2^{m+1} \times p + 1$  are prime. Similar to the calculations in the proof of Theorem in the link of A262259 we get  $r_n = 2^{m+1} \times p$  and 1's in positions  $1, 2^{m+1}, p$  and  $2^{m+1} \times p$  of the n-th row of irregular triangle A237048. Therefore, there are two regions of width 1 along the first half of the Dyck path for  $n$  with the second region ending at the center.

“ $\Rightarrow$ ”: Let  $n = 2^m \times s$  where  $s$  is odd and  $m \geq 0$ . Since  $c_n = 4$  there are four 1's in the n-th row of irregular triangle A237048. Since  $w_n = 1$  and two regions meet at the center the 1's must be in positions  $1 < 2^{m+1} < p < 2^{m+1} \times p = r_n$  where  $p|s$ ,  $p > 2$  is the smallest prime divisor of  $n$  and divisor  $q = \frac{s}{p} > r_n$  is represented by the 1 in position  $r_n$ . With  $n = 2^m \times p \times q$  we get  $2^{m+1} \times q + 1 \leq \frac{s}{q} = p < 2^{m+1} \times q + 3 + \frac{1}{2^m \times q}$  similar to the computations in Theorem in the link of A262259. In other words,  $q = 2^{m+1} \times p + 1$  or  $q = 2^{m+1} \times p + 3$ . Again, since  $n$  must be a triangular number,  $q = 2^{m+1} \times p + 1$ .

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Corollary:

The set of numbers  $n = p \times (2 \times p + 1)$  with  $p > 2$  and  $2 \times p + 1$  primes from the Theorem form sequence A156592, except for A156592(1) = 10 since  $c_{10} = 2$ . In this case  $v_n$  simplifies to  $v_n = 2 \times (p + 1)^2$ .