

# Calculation of the First Factor of the Class Number of the Cyclotomic Field

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**Abstract.** The values of the first factor  $H_1(m)$  of the class number of the  $m$ th cyclotomic field are tabulated for 120 composite  $m$ 's larger than 100. A conjecture concerning a divisibility property of  $H_1(m)$  is stated.

**1. Introduction.** Denote by  $H_1(m)$  the so-called first factor of the class number of the  $m$ th cyclotomic field  $R(\exp(2\pi i/m))$ . One can assume that  $m$  is either odd or divisible by 4, since for any other  $m$  the  $m$ th and  $(m/2)$ th cyclotomic fields coincide.

Kummer [2], [3] calculated the values of  $H_1(m)$  for all  $m$  up to 100 and for prime  $m$  up to 163. (See also Hasse [1, pp. 148–194]. It should be noted that the so-called relative class number introduced by Hasse equals  $H_1(m)$  if  $m$  is a power of a prime, and  $2H_1(m)$  otherwise.) In addition to that, the value of  $H_1(m)$  is known for  $m = 2^7, 2^8, 3^5$ , and  $5^3$  [1, pp. 105–114]. For large  $m$ , the value of  $H_1(m)$  seems to be quite enormous if  $m$  is a power of a prime, but much smaller otherwise—e.g.,  $H_1(163)$  and  $H_1(3^5)$  are of order  $10^{25}$  but  $H_1(100) = 55/2$ .

The explicit expression of  $H_1(m)$  is rather complicated, when  $m$  contains distinct prime factors. We show in the following, however, that it is not difficult to calculate  $H_1(m)$ , for such  $m$ , on an electronic computer without any special arrangements, provided that  $H_1(m)$  is not too large. With the double-precision of the IBM 7090 (16 digits) our method gave the value of  $H_1(m)$  for 120 new  $m$ 's. By some refinements of this method it would be possible to extend the collection of these results.

In Section 4 we mention an experimentally observed divisibility property of  $H_1(m)$ , that we are not, however, able to formulate exactly, much less to prove.

**2. Decomposition of the First Factor.** Assume that  $m = p^h q^k$ , where  $p$  and  $q$  are distinct odd primes. For  $(m, n) = 1$ , put

$$F_n = F_n(b_1, b_2) = 2\pi(a_1 b_1 / \phi(p^h) + a_2 b_2 / \phi(q^k)),$$

where  $b_1$  and  $b_2$  are integral parameters and  $a_1$  and  $a_2$  denote indices of  $n$  to fixed primitive roots of  $p^h$  and  $q^k$ , respectively. Then (see e.g. [5, pp. 10–12])

$$(1) \quad H_1(m) = \frac{1}{2} H_1(p^h) H_1(q^k) M(p^h q^k)$$

with

$$M(p^h q^k) = \prod_x (2m)^{-1} \sum_{n=1}^m (-\chi(n)n),$$

where  $\chi$  runs through certain odd primitive characters, namely through all the characters

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$$\begin{aligned} \chi(n) &= 0 \quad \text{if } (m, n) > 1, \\ &= \exp(iF_n(b_1, b_2)) \quad \text{if } (m, n) = 1 \end{aligned}$$

with  $1 \leq b_1 \leq \phi(p^h) - 1$ ,  $1 \leq b_2 \leq \phi(q^k) - 1$ ,  $b_1 + b_2$  odd. We divide the product  $\Pi_\chi$ , representing the “mixed factor” of  $H_1(m)$ , into two products  $\Pi_{10}$  and  $\Pi_{01}$ : let  $\Pi_{10}$  contain all those factors of  $\Pi_\chi$  where, in  $\chi$ ,  $b_1$  is odd and  $b_2$  even, and  $\Pi_{01}$  the other factors. The values of  $\Pi_{10}$  and  $\Pi_{01}$  are rational integers [5, p. 14]. Denoting their absolute values by  $T_{10}$  and  $T_{01}$ , respectively, we obtain

$$(2) \quad M(p^h q^k) = T_{10} T_{01}$$

because of the positivity of  $M(p^h q^k)$ . Furthermore,

$$(3) \quad T_{\mu\nu} = \Pi_{\mu\nu} \left\{ \left( \frac{\sum_{n=1}^m n \cos F_n}{2m} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\sum_{n=1}^m n \sin F_n}{2m} \right)^2 \right\}^{1/2} \quad (\mu\nu = 10, 01).$$

If  $m = p^h q^k r^t$  with an additional odd prime  $r$ , then one gets, correspondingly, the decomposition

$$H_1(m) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 H_1(p^h) H_1(q^k) H_1(r^t) M(p^h q^k) M(p^h r^t) M(q^k r^t) N(p^h q^k r^t),$$

where  $N(p^h q^k r^t)$  is further to be divided into four factors  $T_{100}$ ,  $T_{010}$ ,  $T_{001}$ , and  $T_{111}$ . Here, the three parameters defining the characters in question take, in each  $T_{\mu\nu\lambda}$ , again the values of the same parity as  $\mu$ ,  $\nu$ , and  $\lambda$ , respectively, and the factors  $T_{\mu\nu\lambda}$  have expressions similar to Eq. (3). In an analogous way one can treat those  $m$ 's that contain more prime factors.

If  $m$  is even, the above considerations need slight modifications (see [5]).

**3. Calculation Process.** In calculating  $H_1(m)$ , there arises first the question of picking out those values of  $m$ , for which  $H_1(m)$  is not too large. Here, we made use of a certain number  $G(m)$ , defined by Lepistö [4], that is conjectured to be asymptotically equal to  $H_1(m)$ , when  $m$  tends to infinity. The calculation of  $G(m)$  (or rather its logarithm if  $m$  is large) on a computer can be easily accomplished. It should be mentioned that in all cases calculated by us  $G(m)$  was fairly close to  $H_1(m)$ .

Our method restricted us to such values of  $m$ , for which the factors  $H_1(p^h)$ , for each power of prime dividing  $m$ , were previously known. (For the other  $m$ 's, not only some of the numbers  $H_1(p^h)$  but also some of the  $T$ -factors were always too large.) Thus, by Eqs. (1) and (2) and their analogues, we had to compute only the  $T$ -factors. The approximate values of these factors were calculated using Eq. (3) (and its analogues) and the corresponding exact values then derived from these. We mention as a typical example that for  $m = 161 = 7 \cdot 23$  the computer gave the result

$$\begin{aligned} T_{10} &= 0.1091819068999960 \cdot 10^{10}, \\ T_{01} &= 0.5200472999999732 \cdot 10^7 \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} T_{10} &= 1\,091\,819\,069 = 11 \cdot 67^2 \cdot 22111, \\ T_{01} &= 5\,200\,473 = 3 \cdot 67 \cdot 25873. \end{aligned}$$

As a test of our computer program and for the sake of completeness we calculated (partly on the IBM 1130) the  $T$ -factors also for all possible  $m \leq 100$ . The whole running time on the IBM 7090 was about two hours.

Table I

$m$	$T_{10}$	$T_{01}$	$m$	$T_{10}$	$T_{01}$
12...36	1	1	143 = 11·13	$5^2 \cdot 7 \cdot 61 \cdot 661$	61·83701
39 = 3·13	2	1	144 = $2^4 \cdot 3^2$	3·13	13
40...48	1	1	145 = 5·29	$27 \cdot 281 \cdot 421$	$2^4 \cdot 757$
51 = 3·17	5	1	147 = $3 \cdot 7^2$	$7 \cdot 29 \cdot 673$	1
52 = $2^2 \cdot 13$	3	1	148 = $2^2 \cdot 37$	$3^2 \cdot 7 \cdot 19 \cdot 109$	1
55 = 5·11	5	2	152 = $2^3 \cdot 19$	$3^2 \cdot 19^2$	$3^3 \cdot 19$
56 = $2^3 \cdot 7$	1	2	153 = $3^2 \cdot 17$	$2^6 \cdot 5 \cdot 11^2$	$2^2 \cdot 15601$
57 = 3·19	$3^2$	1	155 = 5·31	$2^4 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 129121$	$2^5 \cdot 631$
63 = $3^2 \cdot 7$	1	7	159 = 3·53	$5 \cdot 53^2 \cdot 3251$	1
65 = 5·13	$2^4$	$2^2$	160 = $2^5 \cdot 5$	17	$3^2 \cdot 5 \cdot 41$
68 = $2^2 \cdot 17$	$2^3$	1	161 = 7·23	$11 \cdot 67^2 \cdot 22111$	$3 \cdot 67 \cdot 25873$
69 = 3·23	$2^3$	1	164 = $2^2 \cdot 41$	$2^3 \cdot 5 \cdot 71 \cdot 241$	1
72 = $2^3 \cdot 3^2$	3	1	171 = $3^2 \cdot 19$	$3^6 \cdot 19 \cdot 109$	$2^2 \cdot 7 \cdot 73 \cdot 163$
75 = $3 \cdot 5^2$	11	1	172 = $2^2 \cdot 43$	$2^2 \cdot 43 \cdot 21841$	1
76 = $2^2 \cdot 19$	19	1	175 = $5^2 \cdot 7$	61·1861	$2^8 \cdot 271 \cdot 601$
77 = 7·11	$2^4 \cdot 5$	$2^4$	176 = $2^4 \cdot 11$	5·521	$5^2 \cdot 11 \cdot 41$
80 = $2^4 \cdot 5$	1	5	177 = 3·59	$523 \cdot 3789257$	1
85 = 5·17	5·73	17	183 = 3·61	$2^6 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 31^3 \cdot 211$	1
87 = 3·29	$2^6 \cdot 3$	1	184 = $2^3 \cdot 23$	$23 \cdot 67^2$	2·2399
88 = $2^3 \cdot 11$	5	11	185 = 5·37	$5 \cdot 7^2 \cdot 37 \cdot 53^2 \cdot 0433$	$5 \cdot 13 \cdot 23833$
91 = 7·13	$2^2 \cdot 7 \cdot 13$	$2^2 \cdot 37$	187 = 11·17	$17^2 \cdot 41 \cdot 241 \cdot 299681$	$4801 \cdot 9447601$
92 = $2^2 \cdot 23$	67	23	188 = $2^2 \cdot 47$	$47 \cdot 742717$	1
93 = 3·31	5·151	1	189 = $3^3 \cdot 7$	109·181	$7 \cdot 37 \cdot 127 \cdot 163$
95 = 5·19	$13 \cdot 109$	$2^2 \cdot 19$	192 = $2^6 \cdot 3$	1	$3^2 \cdot 401$
96 = $2^5 \cdot 3$	1	$3^2$	196 = $2^2 \cdot 7^2$	71·27091	1
99 = $3^2 \cdot 11$	31	3·31	200 = $2^3 \cdot 5^2$	$5 \cdot 11^2 \cdot 41$	601
100 = $2^2 \cdot 5^2$	5·11	1	201 = 3·67	$2^2 \cdot 11 \cdot 23^2 \cdot 67 \cdot 189817$	1
104 = $2^3 \cdot 13$	$3^3$	13	207 = $3^2 \cdot 23$	$23 \cdot 727 \cdot 17491$	$3 \cdot 67 \cdot 326437$
108 = $2^2 \cdot 3^3$	19	1	208 = $2^4 \cdot 13$	$3^3 \cdot 5 \cdot 13 \cdot 37$	$5^2 \cdot 13^2 \cdot 109$
111 = 3·37	$2^2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 19^2$	1	212 = $2^2 \cdot 53$	$3 \cdot 13 \cdot 1093 \cdot 32579$	1
112 = $2^4 \cdot 7$	$3^2$	$2^2 \cdot 13$	216 = $2^3 \cdot 3^3$	$3^2 \cdot 19 \cdot 37$	271
115 = 5·23	45013	331	224 = $2^5 \cdot 7$	$3^2 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 7^2$	$2^3 \cdot 13 \cdot 17 \cdot 769$
116 = $2^2 \cdot 29$	$2^5 \cdot 3 \cdot 7$	1	225 = $3^2 \cdot 5^2$	$11 \cdot 331 \cdot 2791$	61·24481
117 = $3^2 \cdot 13$	$2 \cdot 7 \cdot 13$	36	232 = $2^3 \cdot 29$	$21^2 \cdot 3 \cdot 7 \cdot 43^2$	$2^3 \cdot 13 \cdot 1877$
119 = 7·17	$3^4 \cdot 5^3 \cdot 13$	97 <sup>2</sup>	236 = $2^2 \cdot 59$	109337677693	1
123 = 3·41	$21^2 \cdot 17$	1	244 = $2^2 \cdot 61$	$3^3 \cdot 5 \cdot 11 \cdot 61 \cdot 691 \cdot 6481$	1
124 = $2^2 \cdot 31$	$2^2 \cdot 31 \cdot 41$	1	248 = $2^3 \cdot 31$	$2^4 \cdot 11 \cdot 31 \cdot 41 \cdot 5281$	$2^4 \cdot 11 \cdot 31 \cdot 211$
129 = 3·43	$7 \cdot 29 \cdot 883$	1	272 = $2^4 \cdot 17$	$21^2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 13 \cdot 17 \cdot 41$	$2^3 \cdot 97 \cdot 577 \cdot 1601$
133 = 7·19	$2^2 \cdot 13 \cdot 19 \cdot 37 \cdot 73$	$31^0$	288 = $2^5 \cdot 3^2$	$3 \cdot 13 \cdot 1753$	$3^4 \cdot 13 \cdot 457$
135 = $3^3 \cdot 5$	37	2053	304 = $2^4 \cdot 19$	$3^2 \cdot 19^2 \cdot 37^2 \cdot 73 \cdot 109$	$3^3 \cdot 5 \cdot 19 \cdot 37 \cdot 525241$
136 = $2^3 \cdot 17$	$2^6 \cdot 3^2$	$2 \cdot 97$	320 = $2^6 \cdot 5$	$17^2 \cdot 337$	$3^2 \cdot 5 \cdot 17 \cdot 41 \cdot 97 \cdot 7841$
141 = 3·47	$47 \cdot 139 \cdot 277$	1	324 = $2^2 \cdot 3^4$	$19 \cdot 117132157$	1
			432 = $2^4 \cdot 3^3$	$3^2 \cdot 13 \cdot 19 \cdot 37 \cdot 1358821$	$13 \cdot 37 \cdot 109 \cdot 271 \cdot 541$

Table II

$m$	$T_{100}$	$T_{010}$	$T_{001}$	$T_{111}$
60 = $2^2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5$	1	1	1	2
84 = $2^2 \cdot 3 \cdot 7$	1	1	1	2
105 = 3·5·7	1	1	1	2·13
120 = $2^3 \cdot 3 \cdot 5$	1	2	1	$2^2$
132 = $2^2 \cdot 3 \cdot 11$	1	1	1	2·11
140 = $2^2 \cdot 5 \cdot 7$	3	1	1	2·13
156 = $2^2 \cdot 3 \cdot 13$	1	1	1	$2^2 \cdot 13$
165 = 3·5·11	11	1	1	$2^2 \cdot 421$
168 = $2^3 \cdot 3 \cdot 7$	1	3	1	$2^2 \cdot 7$
180 = $2^2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5$	3	1	1	$2 \cdot 5^2$
195 = 3·5·13	$2^5$	1	1	$2^6 \cdot 13^2$
204 = $2^2 \cdot 3 \cdot 17$	1	1	1	$2^2 \cdot 193$
220 = $2^2 \cdot 5 \cdot 11$	31	1	1	$2^2 \cdot 1381$
228 = $2^2 \cdot 3 \cdot 19$	1	1	1	2·7·199
231 = 3·7·11	$2^4 \cdot 61$	1	1	$2^5 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 11 \cdot 151$
240 = $2^4 \cdot 3 \cdot 5$	1	$2^2 \cdot 5$	1	27
252 = $2^2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 7$	$2^2 \cdot 7$	1	1	$2^3 \cdot 7 \cdot 13$
255 = 3·5·17	$2^3 \cdot 3 \cdot 17$	1	1	$2^2 \cdot 353 \cdot 1889$
260 = $2^2 \cdot 5 \cdot 13$	$2^6$	1	1	$2^9 \cdot 13^2$
264 = $2^3 \cdot 3 \cdot 11$	1	$5^2$	1	$2^3 \cdot 11 \cdot 31$
273 = 3·7·13	$2^6 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 19$	1	1	$21^0 \cdot 13 \cdot 37 \cdot 73$
276 = $2^2 \cdot 3 \cdot 23$	1	1	1	$2^2 \cdot 23 \cdot 617$
280 = $2^3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7$	$3^3$	73	2·7	$2^2 \cdot 5 \cdot 13 \cdot 37$
285 = 3·5·19	$3^2 \cdot 181$	1	1	$2^2 \cdot 37^2 \cdot 73 \cdot 109$
300 = $2^2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5^2$	1	1	1	2·2161
308 = $2^2 \cdot 7 \cdot 11$	$2^4 \cdot 181$	1	1	$21^0 \cdot 7 \cdot 31^2$
312 = $2^3 \cdot 3 \cdot 13$	1	$2 \cdot 7 \cdot 13$	1	$2^5 \cdot 13 \cdot 61$
315 = $3^2 \cdot 5 \cdot 7$	$2^2 \cdot 37$	$2^2 \cdot 7^2 \cdot 37$	$2^2 \cdot 3^4$	$2^3 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 13^2 \cdot 97$

Table II (continued)

m	T <sub>100</sub>	T <sub>010</sub>	T <sub>001</sub>	T <sub>111</sub>
336 = 2 <sup>4</sup> ·3·7	1	3·97	1	2 <sup>5</sup> ·7·61
340 = 2 <sup>2</sup> ·5·17	2 <sup>6</sup> ·5 <sup>2</sup>	1	1	2 <sup>4</sup> ·593·3217
345 = 3·5·23	11·4159	1	1	2·5·2152502881
348 = 2 <sup>2</sup> ·3·29	1	1	1	2 <sup>4</sup> ·5·71317
357 = 3·7·17	7 <sup>2</sup> ·13·37·97	1	1	2·7 <sup>2</sup> ·1873·1157953
360 = 2 <sup>3</sup> ·3 <sup>2</sup> ·5	3·7	2·7	109	2 <sup>2</sup> ·5 <sup>2</sup> ·109
364 = 2 <sup>2</sup> ·7·13	2 <sup>6</sup> ·3 <sup>6</sup>	1	1	2 <sup>5</sup> ·5 <sup>4</sup> ·13 <sup>4</sup>
372 = 2 <sup>2</sup> ·3·31	1	1	1	2 <sup>5</sup> ·41·13591
380 = 2 <sup>2</sup> ·5·19	7·613	1	1	2 <sup>3</sup> ·53 <sup>2</sup> ·73·433
396 = 2 <sup>2</sup> ·3 <sup>2</sup> ·11	19231	1	1	2·11·13·31·181
408 = 2 <sup>3</sup> ·3·17	1	2 <sup>6</sup> ·41	1	2 <sup>4</sup> ·193·2081
440 = 2 <sup>3</sup> ·5·11	5·31 <sup>2</sup>	61·181	2·3·61	2 <sup>5</sup> ·1381·15641
444 = 2 <sup>2</sup> ·3·37	1	1	1	2 <sup>3</sup> ·37·109·54721
456 = 2 <sup>3</sup> ·3·19	1	19·487	1	2 <sup>3</sup> ·7 <sup>2</sup> ·199·3259
460 = 2 <sup>2</sup> ·5·23	11·17029	1	1	2·5·617·114259861
468 = 2 <sup>2</sup> ·3 <sup>2</sup> ·13	2 <sup>6</sup> ·3 <sup>3</sup> ·13 <sup>2</sup>	1	1	2 <sup>4</sup> ·5 <sup>2</sup> ·11 <sup>2</sup> ·13·181
480 = 2 <sup>5</sup> ·3·5	1	2 <sup>3</sup> ·5·7 <sup>2</sup>	1	2 <sup>5</sup> ·7 <sup>2</sup> ·89
492 = 2 <sup>2</sup> ·3·41	1	1	1	2 <sup>6</sup> ·41·1321·33161
504 = 2 <sup>3</sup> ·3 <sup>2</sup> ·7	2 <sup>4</sup> ·3 <sup>3</sup> ·7	2 <sup>2</sup> ·3 <sup>5</sup>	2 <sup>2</sup> ·3 <sup>4</sup> ·7	2 <sup>8</sup> ·7 <sup>3</sup> ·13 <sup>2</sup>
516 = 2 <sup>2</sup> ·3·43	1	1	1	2 <sup>3</sup> ·3 <sup>2</sup> ·43·71·2490307
520 = 2 <sup>3</sup> ·5·13	2 <sup>11</sup> ·3·7	2 <sup>5</sup> ·5·7 <sup>2</sup> ·37	2 <sup>3</sup> ·5 <sup>2</sup> ·17	2 <sup>18</sup> ·5·13 <sup>2</sup> ·37·73
528 = 2 <sup>4</sup> ·3·11	1	5 <sup>2</sup> ·65521	1	2 <sup>4</sup> ·5 <sup>2</sup> ·11·31·61·101
540 = 2 <sup>2</sup> ·3 <sup>3</sup> ·5	3 <sup>2</sup> ·19·73	1	1	2·5 <sup>2</sup> ·109·38557
552 = 2 <sup>3</sup> ·3·23	1	23·10781	1	2 <sup>4</sup> ·23 <sup>2</sup> ·617·34673
588 = 2 <sup>2</sup> ·3·7 <sup>2</sup>	1	1	1	2·2017·3571·5923
612 = 2 <sup>2</sup> ·3 <sup>2</sup> ·17	2 <sup>6</sup> ·3·61·73·241	1	1	2 <sup>4</sup> ·97·193·7712737

Table III

m	T <sub>1110</sub>	T <sub>1101</sub>	Other T-factors that are > 1
420 = 2 <sup>2</sup> ·3·5·7	97	2 <sup>2</sup> ·13	-
660 = 2 <sup>2</sup> ·3·5·11	5 <sup>2</sup> ·3181	2 <sup>2</sup> ·181	-
780 = 2 <sup>2</sup> ·3·5·13	2 <sup>6</sup> ·5·61·157	2 <sup>6</sup> ·109	-
840 = 2 <sup>3</sup> ·3·5·7	13·37·97	2 <sup>4</sup> ·5 <sup>2</sup> ·13	T <sub>0100</sub> = 19, T <sub>0111</sub> = 2 <sup>2</sup> ·5·397
924 = 2 <sup>2</sup> ·3·7·11	2 <sup>4</sup> ·5·31·101·691	2 <sup>4</sup> ·3 <sup>3</sup> ·31·751	-
1020 = 2 <sup>2</sup> ·3·5·17	2 <sup>20</sup> ·3 <sup>2</sup> ·5 <sup>2</sup> ·17	2 <sup>3</sup> ·69857	-
1092 = 2 <sup>2</sup> ·3·7·13	2 <sup>12</sup> ·7 <sup>4</sup> ·13·19·31	2 <sup>10</sup> ·13·157·229	-
1140 = 2 <sup>2</sup> ·3·5·19	3 <sup>4</sup> ·97·46714069	2 <sup>3</sup> ·7 <sup>2</sup> ·19 <sup>2</sup> ·37	-
1260 = 2 <sup>2</sup> ·3 <sup>2</sup> ·5·7	2 <sup>4</sup> ·97·193·373	2 <sup>6</sup> ·7 <sup>2</sup> ·13·31	T <sub>1000</sub> = 2 <sup>4</sup> ·3 <sup>4</sup> , T <sub>1011</sub> = 2 <sup>4</sup> ·193·373·1153
1320 = 2 <sup>3</sup> ·3·5·11	5 <sup>2</sup> ·101·3181·20261	2 <sup>4</sup> ·181·1481	T <sub>0100</sub> = 5·331, T <sub>0111</sub> = 2 <sup>5</sup> ·1127281

The results are presented in Tables I—III. We note that we have announced some of these results in [5].

**4. A Divisibility Property.** In checking the results, the few known facts about the factors of  $H_1(m)$  are of some use (see e.g. [5, pp. 25, 31–32, 38]). More useful, however, is the following statement:

Let a prime  $P$  divide a  $T$ -factor, for a given  $m = p^h m_1$  where  $p$  is a prime not dividing  $m_1$  ( $p^h \geq 3, m_1 > 1$ ). Assume that  $P$  does not divide the same  $T$ -factor (if this exists) for  $m = p^{h-1} m_1$ . Then, on some conditions which seem to be satisfied very often, one of the numbers  $\phi(P)$  and  $\phi(p^h)$  is a multiple of the other. (Note that this is a generalization of the relation  $p = P$ , discussed e.g. by us in [5].)

This relation holds especially for large values of  $P$ ; checking in our tables all such pairs  $(p^h, P)$ , 132 in all, where  $P > 1000$  and the relation is not trivial (i.e.,  $p^h \geq 5$ ), we found only 8 exceptions to it (e.g., for  $m = 2^3 \cdot 23$  the pair  $(2^3, 2399)$

where 2398 is not divisible by 4). All these exceptions can be removed by replacing the divisor  $\phi(p^h)$  by  $\frac{1}{2}\phi(p^h)$ . This is not always the case, however (take, e.g., for  $m = 2^2 \cdot 31$  the pair (31, 41)).

The prime factors of  $H_1(p^h)$  seem often to have the corresponding property. To mention here only a few examples,  $H_1(41) = 11^2$ ,  $H_1(43) = 211$ , and  $H_1(7^2) = 43$ .

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