

SUMMARY

Pseudo-Smarandache Functions of First and Second kind*

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In this paper we define two kinds of Pseudo-Smarandache functions. We have investigated more than fifty terms of each pseudo-Smarandache function. We have proved some interesting results and properties of these functions. The Pseudo-Smarandache function $Z(n)$ was introduced by Kashihara [4] as follows

1 Some definitions

Definition 1.1. *For any integer $n \geq 1$, $Z(n)$ is the smallest positive integer m such that $1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + m$ is divisible by n .*

The main results and properties of Pseudo-Smarandache functions are available in [3] [4],[5]. In the following we define Pseudo-Smarandache functions of first kind and second kind.

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Definition 1.2. For any integer $n \geq 1$, the Pseudo-Smarandache function of first kind, $Z_1(n)$ is the smallest positive integer m such that $1^2+2^2+3^2 \dots+m^2$ is divisible by n .

Definition 1.3. For any integer $n \geq 1$, the Pseudo-Smarandache function of second kind, $Z_2(n)$ is the smallest positive integer m such that $1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 \dots + m^3$ is divisible by n .

2 Some Results for Pseudo-Smarandache functions of first kind.

Following results can be directly verified from the table given above.

1. $Z_1(n) = 1$ only if $n = 1$.
2. $Z_1(n) \geq 1$ for all $n \in N$.
3. $Z_1(p) \leq p$, where p is a prime.
4. If $Z_1(p) = n$, $p \neq 3$, then $p > n$.

Lemma 2.1. If p is a prime then $Z_1(p) = p + 1$, for $p = 2$ or 3 . Also, $Z_1(p) = \frac{p-1}{2}$ for $p \geq 5$.

Lemma 2.2. For $p = 2$, $Z_1(p^k) = p^{k+1} - 1$.

Lemma 2.3. $Z_1(n) \geq \max\{Z_1(N) : N \mid n\}$.

Lemma 2.4. Let $n = \frac{k(k+1)(2k+1)}{6}$ for some $k \in N$, then $Z_1(n) = k$.

Lemma 2.5. It is not possible that $Z_1(m) = m$ for any $m \in N$.

Lemma 2.6. $S(m) = k$ then $S(m) = Z_1(2k + 1)$.

3 Some Results on Pseudo-Smarandache function of second kind

Following properties are result of direct verification.

1. $Z_2(n) = n$ only for $n = 1$.
2. $Z_2(p) = p - 1$, $p \neq 2$. $Z_2(p) = p + 1$ for $p = 2$.
3. $Z_2(n) \geq \max\{Z_2(N) : N \mid n\}$.

Following are some of the important results.

Lemma 3.1. *If $S(n) = k$ then $Z_2(k) = n$.*

Open Problem: What is the relation between $Z_1(n)$ and $Z_2(n)$?

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