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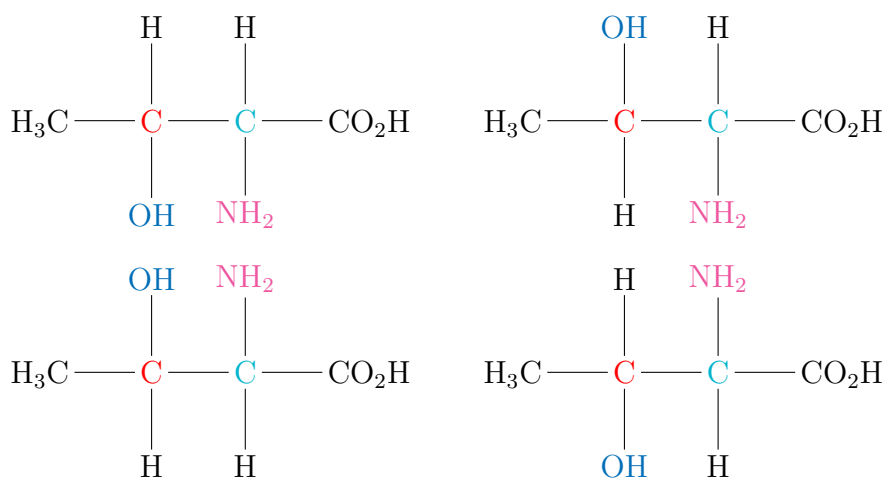
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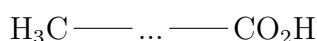
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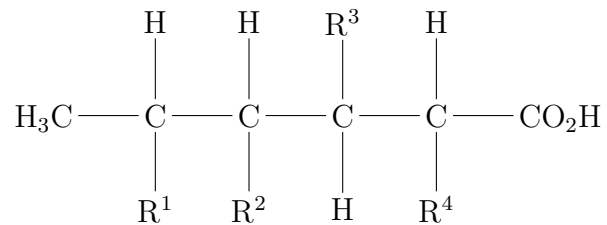


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Autor zadania: Michał Fronczek

Rozwiązanie: Let us note that $2a + b \geq 2 \cdot 1 + 1 = 3$, and since it must be a prime number, it has to be odd. However, notice that $2a$ is even regardless of a , so for the whole sum to be odd, b must be odd. Similarly, $a + (3b)^2 + 1 \geq 1 + (3 \cdot 1)^2 + 1 = 11$ must also be odd, and from the oddness of b , hence also of $3b$ and finally $(3b)^2$, it follows that a must be odd. Now observe that in this case $ab + 1$ is even. The only even prime number is 2, so $ab + 1 = 2$, which means $ab = 1$. We know that a and b are positive integers, and therefore the only possibility is $a = b = 1$.

It remains to check whether the obtained numbers are indeed a solution. We have:

$$ab + 1 = 1 \cdot 1 + 1 = 2 \text{ works}$$

$$2a + b = 2 \cdot 1 + 1 = 3 \text{ works}$$

$$a + (3b)^2 + 1 = 1 + (3 \cdot 1)^2 + 1 = 1 + 9 + 1 = 11 \text{ also works}$$

Hence, the only valid solution is $a = b = 1$.

Odpowiedź: $a = b = 1$

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Autor zadania: Maja Chlewicka

Rozwiązanie: We draw the height CD from vertex C dropping onto the midpoint of the base AB . This creates two triangles – ADC and DBC – with angles measuring 30° , 60° , and 90° . Using triangle DBC as an example, we calculate the length of the height CD based on the properties of a triangle with angles 30° , 60° , and 90° .

DB measures 6 cm because it is half of the base.

$$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a = 6$$

$$a = 4\sqrt{3}$$

$$CD = \frac{1}{2}a$$

$$CD = 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$P = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2\sqrt{3} \cdot 12 = 12\sqrt{3} \text{ cm}^2.$$

Odpowiedź: 12 cm^2 .

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Autor zadania: Bartosz Trojanowski

Rozwiązanie: Suppose that the number n is meowmeowhammer. Note that

$$n + 1 = (ab + a + b) + 1 = (ab + a) + (b + 1) = a(b + 1) + (b + 1) = (a + 1)(b + 1).$$

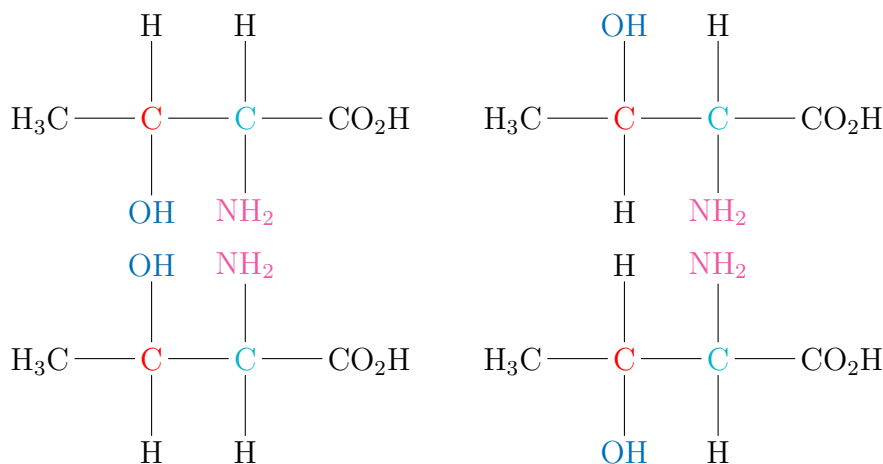
The numbers $a + 1$ and $b + 1$ are greater than 1, so if the number n is meowmeowhammer, then the number $n + 1$ is composite. Therefore, such an n does not exist. ■

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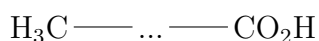
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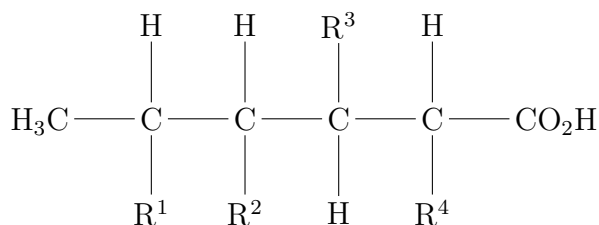


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Autor zadania: Tomasz Kossakowski

Rozwiązanie: Let us notice that for the placement of each group R^i at the i -th carbon atom, we have two possibilities — top or bottom. Therefore, by the rule of multiplication, the total number of stereoisomers is

$$\underbrace{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot \dots \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2}_{n \text{ twos, since there are } n \text{ carbon atoms}} = 2^n.$$

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Rozwiązanie: Struktura to:

$$X \text{ 千 } Y \text{ 百 } Z \text{ 十 } W = 1000X + 100Y + 10Z + W$$

gdzie X, Y, Z, W to cyfry jak poniżej:

一	1	六	6
二	2	七	7
三	3	八	8
四	4	九	9
五	5		

Zatem 四千八百二十八 + 二千三百三十二 to $4828 + 2332 = 7160$, czyli po chińsku 七千一百六十。

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