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Abstract

We say that the positive integer k is *d*-composite if, when you append the digit d, any number of times on the right of k, the resulting integer is composite. Clearly, every positive integer is *d*-composite when $d \in$ $\{2, 4, 5, 6, 8\}$. In addition, if gcd(k, d) > 1, then k is *d*-composite. The first author has shown that, for any given fixed digit $d \in \{1, 3, 7, 9\}$, there exist infinitely many positive integers k with gcd(k, d) = 1 that are *d*-composite. He also showed that 37 is the smallest 1-composite integer and that the pair (37, 38) is the smallest pair of consecutive 1composite integers. In this article, we prove similar results for special types of integers such as perfect powers, Sierpiński numbers, Riesel numbers, and Fibonacci numbers. For example, among our results, we show that the smallest Fibonacci number F_n , such that both F_n and F_n^2 are 1-composite, is $F_{21} = 10946$.