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Let $S(k)$ denote the Somos sequence of order k for $k \geq 4$. Now let $f(n, k)$ denote the n 'th element of $S(k)$ for any $n \geq 0$ and $k \geq 4$. It is well known that for $k < 8$ that $f(n, k)$ is an integer for all $n \geq 0$. Examples show that this is no longer true when $k \geq 8$.

However, as far as we know, it has not been proved that there is no lower bound, B , such that $f(n, k)$ is an integer when both n and k are larger than B . In other words that there are infinitely many counterexamples to integrality.

After proving this fact we investigate periodicity properties (mod m) first investigated by Raphael M Robinson for k small which imply integrality for such k and we observe that these properties are no longer true for large k .

Lastly, we observe relationships between rational points on elliptic curves and generalized Somos sequences for small k . This relationship can't hold for arbitrarily large k and n perhaps explaining the phenomena we are studying. (Received January 20, 2015)