

Problem # 155

Find the integer n that is the smallest positive multiple of 15 and whose every digit is either 8 or 0.

Solution:

Answer:

Proof.

Since n is divisible by 5 its last digit must be either 0 or 5, but according to the given condition, it must be 0. Since it is also divisible by 3 and is positive, its sum of digits is also divisible by 3, so it has to have three 8's. Thus the smallest such integer is 8880.

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