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DISCRETE MATHEMATICS

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LECTURE 11a

CHAPTER 3 INTEGER FUNCTIONS

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Floors and Ceilings Applications

Casino Problem

Reminder of Casino Problem

There is a roulette wheel with 1,000 slots numbered 1 ... 1,000

IF the number n that comes up on a spin is divisible by $\lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor$, i.e. $\sqrt[3]{n} \mid n$

THEN n is the **winner**

The summations becomes

$$W = \sum_{n=1}^{1000} [n \text{ is a winner}] = \sum_{n=1}^{1000} [\lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor \mid n]$$

where we **define divisibility** \mid in a standard way

$k \mid n$ if and only if there exists $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $n = km$

Book Solution

Here are **7 steps** of our **BOOK solution**

$$1 \quad W = \sum_{n=1}^{1000} [n \text{ is a winner}] = \sum_{n=1}^{1000} [\lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor | n]$$

$$2 \quad W = \sum_{k,n} [k = \lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor] [k|n] [1 \leq n \leq 1000]$$

$$3 \quad W = \sum_{k,n,m} [k^3 \leq n < (k+1)^3] [n = km] [1 \leq n \leq 1000]$$

$$4 \quad W = 1 + \sum_{k,m} [k^3 \leq km < (k+1)^3] [1 \leq k < 10]$$

$$5 \quad W = 1 + \sum_{k,m} \left[m \in \left[k^2 \dots \frac{(k+1)^3}{k} \right) \right] [1 \leq k < 10]$$

$$6 \quad W = 1 + \sum_{1 \leq k < 10} \left(\lceil k^2 + 3k + 3 + \frac{1}{k} \rceil - \lceil k^2 \rceil \right)$$

$$7 \quad W = 1 + \sum_{1 \leq k < 10} (3k + 4) = 1 + \frac{7+31}{2} \cdot 9 = 172$$

Class Problem

Here are the **BOOK** comments

1. This derivation **merits careful study**
2. The only **"difficult"** maneuver is the decision between lines **3** and **4** to treat **$n = 1000$** as a special case
3. The inequality **$k^3 \leq n < (k+1)^3$** does not combine easily with **$1 \leq n \leq 1000$** when **$k=10$**

Book Solution Comments

Class Problem

Write down **explanation** of **each step** with **detailed** justifications (Facts, definitions) why they are **correct**

By doing so fill all gaps in the **proof** that

$$W = \sum_{n=1}^{1000} [\lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor \mid n] = 172$$

This problem can also appear on your **tests**

QUESTIONS about Book Solution

Here are **questions** to answer about the steps in the BOOK solution

$$1 \quad W = \sum_{n=1}^{1000} [n \text{ is a winner}] = \sum_{n=1}^{1000} [\lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor \mid n]$$

Q1 Explain why $[n \text{ is a winner}] = [\lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor \mid n]$

$$2 \quad W = \sum_{k,n} [k = \lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor] [k \mid n] [1 \leq n \leq 1000]$$

Q2 Explain why and how we have changed a sum $\sum_{n=1}^{1000}$ into a sum $\sum_{k,n}$ and

$$\sum_{n=1}^{1000} [\lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor \mid n] = \sum_{k,n} [k = \lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor] [k \mid n] [1 \leq n \leq 1000]$$

QUESTIONS about Book Solution

$$3 \quad W = \sum_{k,n,m} \left[k^3 \leq n < (k+1)^3 \right] [n = km] [1 \leq n \leq 1000]$$

Q3 Explain why

$$[k = \lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor] [k|n] = \left[k^3 \leq n < (k+1)^3 \right] [n = km]$$

Explain why and how we have changed sum $\sum_{k,n}$ into a sum $\sum_{k,n,m}$

QUESTIONS about Book Solution

$$4 \quad W = 1 + \sum_{k,m} \left[k^3 \leq km < (k+1)^3 \right] [1 \leq k < 10]$$

Q4 There are three sub-questions; the last one is one of the book questions

1. Explain why

$$\left[k^3 \leq n < (k+1)^3 \right] [n = km] [1 \leq n \leq 1000] = \\ \left[k^3 \leq km < (k+1)^3 \right] [1 \leq k < 10]$$

2. Explain why and how we have changed sum $\sum_{k,n,m}$ into

a sum $\sum_{k,m}$

3. Explain HOW and why we have got $1 + \sum_{k,m}$

QUESTIONS about Book Solution

$$5 \quad W = 1 + \sum_{k,m} \left[m \in \left[k^2 \dots \frac{(k+1)^3}{k} \right) \right] [1 \leq k < 10]$$

Q5 Explain transition

$$\left[k^3 \leq km < (k+1)^3 \right] = \left[m \in \left[k^2 \dots \frac{(k+1)^3}{k} \right) \right]$$

QUESTIONS about Book Solution

$$6 \quad W = 1 + \sum_{1 \leq k < 10} \left(\lceil k^2 + 3k + 3 + \frac{1}{k} \rceil - \lceil k^2 \rceil \right)$$

Q6 Explain (prove) why

$$\sum_{k,m} \left[m \in \left[k^2 \dots \frac{(k+1)^3}{k} \right) \right] [1 \leq k < 10] =$$
$$\sum_{1 \leq k < 10} \left(\lceil k^2 + 3k + 3 + \frac{1}{k} \rceil - \lceil k^2 \rceil \right)$$

Observe that $\left[m \in \left[k^2 \dots \frac{(k+1)^3}{k} \right) \right]$ is a **characteristic function** and $\left(\lceil k^2 + 3k + 3 + \frac{1}{k} \rceil - \lceil k^2 \rceil \right)$ is an **integer**

QUESTIONS about Book Solution

$$7 \quad W = 1 + \sum_{1 \leq k < 10} (3k + 4) = 1 + \frac{7+31}{2} 9 = 172$$

Q7 Explain (prove) why

$$(\lceil k^2 + 3k + 3 + \frac{1}{k} \rceil - \lceil k^2 \rceil) = (3k + 4)$$

Before we giving answers to **Q1 - Q7** we need to review some of the SUMS material

SUMS - a Short Review

Definition 1

Definition 1

$$\sum_{P(k)} a_k = \sum_{k \in K} a_k = \sum_k [P(k)] a_k = \sum_k [k \in K] a_k$$

where $K = \{k \in N : P(k)\}$ and K is FINITE

and $[P(k)]$ is a characteristic function of $P(k)$

$$[P(k)] = \begin{cases} 1 & P(k) \text{ true} \\ 0 & P(k) \text{ false} \end{cases}$$

Property 1

Let's take a particular case when the sequence $a_k = 1$ for all $k \in N$

Directly from the **Definition 1** we get the following

Property 1

$$\sum_k [P(k)] = \sum_{k \in K} 1 = |K|$$

where $|K|$ denotes the number of elements of the set K

We re-write is also as

$$\sum_k [P(k)] = \sum_{P(k)} 1 = |P(k)|$$

Definition 2

Definition 2

In a case of multiple sums (here a double sum) we define

$$\sum_{k \in K, m \in M} a_{k,m} = \sum_{P(k), Q(m)} a_{k,m} = \sum_{Q(m)} \sum_{P(k)} a_{k,m} = \sum_{P(k)} \sum_{Q(m)} a_{k,m}$$

and

$$\sum_{P(k), Q(m)} a_{k,m} = \sum_{k,m} a_{k,m} [P(k)] [Q(m)]$$

where

$$K = \{k \in N : P(k)\} \quad \text{and} \quad M = \{m \in N : Q(m)\}$$

Triple and many-multiple sums definitions are similar

Property 2

Let's take a particular case when the sequence

$$a_{k,m} = 1 \quad \text{for all } k, m \in \mathbb{N}$$

Directly from the **Definition 2** and **Property 1** we get the following

Property 2

$$\sum_{k,m} [P(m)] [Q(k)] = \sum_{Q(k)} \sum_{P(m)} 1 = \sum_{Q(k)} |P(m)|$$

where we denote for short

$$|P(m)| = |\{m \in \mathbb{N} : P(m)\}|$$

Characteristic Functions

We have proved the following properties of characteristic functions

F1 For any predicates $P(k)$, $Q(k)$

$$[P(k) \cap Q(k)] = [P(k)][Q(k)]$$

F2 For any predicates $P(k)$, $Q(k)$

$$[P(k) \cup Q(k)] = [P(k)] + [Q(k)] - [P(k) \cap Q(k)]$$

Property 3

From **Property 1** and **F2** we get directly the following
Property 3

$$\sum_k [P(k) \cup Q(k)] = \sum_k [P(k)] + \sum_k [Q(k)] - \sum_k [P(k) \cap Q(k)]$$

where

$k \in K$ and $K = K_1 \times K_2 \cdots \times K_i$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$

Observe that the above formula represents **single** ($i = 1$)
or **multiple** ($i > 1$) sums

It is a particular case of the Combined Domains Property
(next slide) - just a reminder!

Combined Domains Property

Here is the Combined Domains Property

Property 4

$$\sum_{Q(k) \cup R(k)} a_k = \sum_{Q(k)} a_k + \sum_{R(k)} a_k - \sum_{Q(k) \cap R(k)} a_k$$

where, as before,

$k \in K$ and $K = K_1 \times K_2 \cdots \times K_i$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$

and the above formula represents **single** ($i=1$) and **multiple** ($i > 1$) sums

Book Solution Step 1

Here are the **answers to the questions** about the steps in the BOOK solution

$$\mathbf{1} \quad W = \sum_{n=1}^{1000} [n \text{ is a winner}] = \sum_{n=1}^{1000} [\lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor | n]$$

Answer 1

Definition of the **winner** in the Casino Problem

Book Solution Step 2

$$2 \quad W = \sum_{k,n} [k = \lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor] [k|n] [1 \leq n \leq 1000]$$

Answer 2 Take $P(n) \equiv \lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor | n$

We transform $P(n)$ introducing a new variable k

$$P(n) \equiv \lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor | n \equiv (k = \lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor) \cap (k | n)$$

We use it to transform the one variable sum to a two variable sum as follows

$$\sum_{n=1}^{1000} [\lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor | n] = \sum_{k,n} [(k = \lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor) \cap (k | n)] [1 \leq n \leq 1000]$$

Hence we get

Book Solution Step 2

We use the property **F1** of Characteristic Functions

$$[P(k) \cap Q(k)] = [P(k)][Q(k)]$$

and we get **2.**

$$\sum_{n=1}^{1000} [\lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor \mid n] = \sum_{k,n} [(k = \lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor)] [(k \mid n)] [1 \leq n \leq 1000]$$

Book Solution Step 2

We use the definition of **divisibility** to further transform $P(n,k) \equiv (k = \lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor) \cap (k \mid n)$ and introduce another variable **m**

$$P(n,k) \equiv (\lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor) \cap (k \mid n) \equiv (k = \lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor) \cap (n = km)$$

We use it and the property **F1** of Characteristic Functions to transform the two variable sum **2** to a three variable sum

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k,n} [k = \lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor] [k \mid n] [1 \leq n \leq 1000] &= \\ &= \sum_{k,n,m} [k = \lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor] [n = km] [1 \leq n \leq 1000] \end{aligned}$$

Book Solution Step 3

$$3 \quad W = \sum_{k,n,m} \left[k^3 \leq n < (k+1)^3 \right] [n = km] [1 \leq n \leq 1000]$$

Answer 3

We have already transformed **2** to a three variable sum

$$\sum_{k,n,m} [k = \lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor] [n = km] [1 \leq n \leq 1000]$$

Now we use the property **8**.

$\lfloor x \rfloor = n$ if and only if $n \leq x < n+1$ to $k = \lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor$ and we get

$$\lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor = k \text{ if and only if } k \leq \sqrt[3]{n} < k+1$$

and also

$$k \leq \sqrt[3]{n} < k+1 \text{ if and only if } k^3 \leq n < (k+1)^3$$

Book Solution Step 3

We replace $k = \lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor$ by $k^3 \leq n < (k+1)^3$ in already transformed **2**

$$\sum_{k,n,m} [k = \lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor] [n = km] [1 \leq n \leq 1000]$$

and obtain

$$\sum_{k,n,m} [k^3 \leq n < (k+1)^3] [n = km] [1 \leq n \leq 1000]$$

and so we proved **3**

Book Solution Step 4

$$4 \quad W = 1 + \sum_{k,m} \left[k^3 \leq km < (k+1)^3 \right] [1 \leq k < 10]$$

Answer 4

We have proved that

$$W = \sum_{k,n,m} [k^3 \leq n < (k+1)^3] [n = km] [1 \leq n \leq 1000]$$

We want now to transform limits of the sum to **contain only** k, m , i.e. we want to **eliminate** n

Book Solution Step 4

Let's analyze the sum predicate

$$P \equiv (k^3 \leq n < (k+1)^3) \cap (n = km) \cap (1 \leq n \leq 1000)$$

Observe that when $(k+1)^3 = 1000$, $k+1 = 10$, $k = 9$
and $1 \leq k < 10$

We almost eliminated n - we miss $n = 1000$

It means we get

$$P \equiv ((k^3 \leq n < (k+1)^3) \cap (n = km) \cap (1 \leq k < 10)) \cup (n = 1000)$$

and hence

$$\begin{aligned} & [k^3 \leq n < (k+1)^3] [n = km] [1 \leq n \leq 1000] \\ & = [((k^3 \leq km < (k+1)^3) \cap (1 \leq k < 10)) \cup (km = 1000)] \end{aligned}$$

Book Solution Step 4

So now we get

$$W = \sum_{k,m} [((k^3 \leq km < (k+1)^3) \cap (1 \leq k < 10)) \cup (km = 1000)]$$

We use now the **Property 3**

$$\sum_{k,m} [P \cup Q] = \sum_{k,m} [P] + \sum_{k,m} [Q] - \sum_{k,m} [P \cap Q]$$

for $P \equiv ((k^3 \leq km < (k+1)^3) \cap (1 \leq k < 10))$ and
 $Q \equiv (km = 1000)$

Book Solution Step 4

Denote $P \equiv ((k^3 \leq km < (k+1)^3) \cap (1 \leq k < 10))$ and $Q \equiv (km = 1000)$

We get

$$W = \sum_{k,m} [P] + \sum_{k,m} [km = 1000] - \sum_{k,m} [P \cap Q]$$

where

$$\sum_{k,m} [P] = \sum_{k,m} [(k^3 \leq km < (k+1)^3)] [1 \leq k < 10]$$

The **Property 1** says

$$\sum_k [P(k)] = \sum_{P(k)} 1 = |P(k)|$$

so we get that

$$\sum_{k,m} [km = 1000] = |\{n: n = km = 1000\}| = |\{n: n = 1000\}| = 1$$

Book Solution Step 4

We proved that

$$W = 1 + \sum_{k,m} [P] + - \sum_{k,m} [P \cap Q]$$

Now we have to evaluate $P \cap Q$

$$P \cap Q \equiv ((k^3 \leq km < (k+1)^3) \cap (1 \leq k < 10)) \cap (km = 1000)$$

$$P \cap Q \equiv (k^3 \leq 1000 < (k+1)^3) \cap (1 \leq k \leq 9)$$

$$\text{CONTRADICTION: } 9^3 \leq 1000 < 10^3$$

This means that $\sum_{k,m} [P \cap Q] = 0$ and

$$W = 1 + \sum_{k,m} [k^3 \leq km < (k+1)^3] [1 \leq k < 10]$$

what ends the proof of **4**

Book Solution Step 5

Consider the Step 5

$$5 \quad W = 1 + \sum_{k,m} \left[m \in \left[k^2 \dots \frac{(k+1)^3}{k} \right) \right] [1 \leq k < 10]$$

Answer 5

Missing steps are as follows

First let's look again at the Step 4

$$W = 1 + \sum_{k,m} [k^3 \leq km < (k+1)^3] [1 \leq k < 10]$$

Dividing all sides of the inequality $k^3 \leq km < (k+1)^3$ by $k \geq 1$ we get

$$k^3 \leq km < (k+1)^3 \quad \text{iff} \quad k^2 \leq m < \frac{(k+1)^3}{k}$$

and by the definition of the interval

$$k^2 \leq m < \frac{(k+1)^3}{k} \quad \text{iff} \quad m \in \left[k^2 \dots \frac{(k+1)^3}{k} \right)$$

Book Solution Step 5

We have proved that

$$k^3 \leq km < (k+1)^3 \quad \text{iff} \quad m \in \left[k^2 \dots \frac{(k+1)^3}{k} \right)$$

and hence proved the transformation of the **Step 4** into the **Step 5** i.e. we proved

$$5 \quad W = 1 + \sum_{k,m} \left[m \in \left[k^2 \dots \frac{(k+1)^3}{k} \right) \right] [1 \leq k < 10]$$

Book Solution Step 6

Consider now

$$6 \quad W = 1 + \sum_{1 \leq k < 10} \left(\lceil k^2 + 3k + 3 + \frac{1}{k} \rceil - \lceil k^2 \rceil \right)$$

Let's now write all steps of transformation of the **Step 5** into the **Step 6**

Observe that the transformation consists of proving that

$$\sum_{k,m} [m \in [k^2 \dots \frac{(k+1)^3}{k}]] [1 \leq k < 10] =$$

$$\sum_{1 \leq k < 10} \left(\lceil k^2 + 3k + 3 + \frac{1}{k} \rceil - \lceil k^2 \rceil \right)$$

Book Solution Step 6

Consider the sum

$$\sum_{k,m} [m \in [k^2 \dots \frac{(k+1)^3}{k}]] [1 \leq k < 10]$$

We apply the **Property 2**

$$\sum_{k,m} [P(m)][Q(k)] = \sum_{Q(k)} \sum_{P(m)} 1 = \sum_{Q(k)} |P(m)|$$

to it for $Q(k) \equiv 1 \leq k < 10$ and

$$P(m) \equiv m \in [k^2 \dots \frac{(k+1)^3}{k}]$$

Book Solution Step 6

Observe that $|P(m)| =$ number of integers in the interval $[k^2 \dots \frac{(k+1)^3}{k}]$ and so by the the fact that interval $[\alpha \dots \beta]$ has $\lceil \beta \rceil - \lceil \alpha \rceil$ elements we get

$$|P(m)| = \left\lceil \frac{(k+1)^3}{k} \right\rceil - \lceil k^2 \rceil = \left\lceil k^2 + 3k + 3 + \frac{1}{k} \right\rceil - \lceil k^2 \rceil$$

and the sum

$$\sum_{Q(k)} |P(m)| = \sum_{1 \leq k < 10} \left(\left\lceil k^2 + 3k + 3 + \frac{1}{k} \right\rceil - \lceil k^2 \rceil \right)$$

This ends the transformation of Step 5 into Step 6 - and hence the proof of correctness (other then the fact it is printed in the BOOK!) of the Step 6

Book Solution Step 7

This is Step 7

$$7 \quad W = 1 + \sum_{1 \leq k < 10} (3k + 4) = 1 + \frac{7+31}{2} 9 = 172$$

Pretty obvious step but still need to pay attention to a small detail!

We need to bring back property

$$12. \quad \lfloor x + n \rfloor = \lfloor x \rfloor + n \quad \text{and} \quad \lceil x + n \rceil = \lceil x \rceil + n$$

to evaluate, as $k \geq 1$

$$\left\lceil k^2 + 3k + 3 + \frac{1}{k} \right\rceil - \lfloor k^2 \rfloor = k^2 + 3k + 3 + \left\lceil \frac{1}{k} \right\rceil - k^2 = 3k + 4$$

Casino Problem Revisited

Observe that the **Casino Problem** is just a dressed - up version of the following mathematical question :

Question

How many integers n , where $1 \leq n \leq 1000$, satisfy the property $\lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor | n$?

Generalized Question

How many integers n , where $1 \leq n \leq k$, satisfy the property $\lfloor \sqrt[3]{n} \rfloor | n$? for k any natural number and $k \geq 1000$

Homework Problem: write a detailed solution to the **Generalized Question**

Spectrum Partitions

Spectrum

Definition

For any $\alpha \in R$ we define a **SPECTRUM** of α as

$$\text{Spec}(\alpha) = \{[\alpha], [2\alpha], [3\alpha] \cdots\}$$

Remark

For some $\alpha \in R$, the spectrum $\text{Spec}(\alpha)$ is a **multiset** i.e, it can contain repeating elements.

Examples

Let's look at some examples, to see how it works.

Spectrum Examples

Example 1 $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$

$$\lfloor \alpha \rfloor = 0, \lfloor 2\alpha \rfloor = 1, \lfloor 3\alpha \rfloor = \lfloor \frac{3}{2} \rfloor = 1, \lfloor 4\alpha \rfloor = \lfloor \frac{4}{2} \rfloor = 2, \dots$$

$$\text{Spec}(\alpha) = \text{Spec}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \{0, 1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 4, 4, 5, \dots\}$$

Observe that $\text{Spec}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$ is a **multi set**

Spectrum Examples

Example 2 $\alpha = \sqrt{2}$

$$[\alpha] = [\sqrt{2}] = 1, \quad [2\alpha] = [2\sqrt{2}] = [2.8] = 2$$

$$[3\alpha] = [3\sqrt{2}] = [4.2] = 4, \quad [4\alpha] = [5.6] = 5 \dots$$

$$\text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) = \{[\sqrt{2}], [2\sqrt{2}], [3\sqrt{2}], \dots\}$$

$$\text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, \dots\}$$

$$\text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) = \{[2 + \sqrt{2}], [2(2 + \sqrt{2})], [3(2 + \sqrt{2})], \dots\}$$

$$\text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) = \{[2 + \sqrt{2}], [4 + 2\sqrt{2}], [6 + 3\sqrt{2}], \dots\}$$

$$\text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) = \{3, 6, 10, 13, 17, 20, \dots\}$$

Spectrum Observations

Observations

1. $Spec(\sqrt{2})$ and $Spec(2 + \sqrt{2})$ are non-empty **sets**, not multisets
2. $Spec(\sqrt{2})$ and $Spec(2 + \sqrt{2})$ don't seem to share any elements with each other
3. The set union of $Spec(\sqrt{2})$ and $Spec(2 + \sqrt{2})$ seem to contain **all** of the natural numbers $n \geq 1$

This is interesting: if these properties are **proved** to be true then we can say that

$Spec(\sqrt{2})$ and $Spec(2 + \sqrt{2})$ **form a partition** of the natural numbers $n \geq 1$

Spectrum Partition Theorem

More formally, for $Spec(\sqrt{2})$ and $Spec(2 + \sqrt{2})$ to be a **partition** of the natural numbers greater equal 1, i.e. to be a **partition** of the set $N - \{0\}$ the following conditions must hold

Spectrum Partition Theorem

1. $Spec(\sqrt{2}) \neq \emptyset$ and $Spec(2 + \sqrt{2}) \neq \emptyset$
2. $Spec(\sqrt{2}) \cap Spec(2 + \sqrt{2}) = \emptyset$
3. $Spec(\sqrt{2}) \cup Spec(2 + \sqrt{2}) = N - \{0\}$

The **proof** is not straight forward.

We first discuss a proof included in the **Book** and discuss its relationship to the **Infinite Spectra**

Finally we provide a **correct proof**

Finite Partition Theorem

First, we define certain **finite subsets** A_n , B_n of $\text{Spec}(\sqrt{2})$ and $\text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2})$, respectively

Definition

$$A_n = \{m \in \text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) : m \leq n\}$$

$$B_n = \{m \in \text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) : m \leq n\}$$

Remember

A_n and B_n are subsets of $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ for $n \in \mathbb{N} - \{0\}$

Finite Partition Theorem

Given sets

$$A_n = \{m \in \text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) : m \leq n\}$$

$$B_n = \{m \in \text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) : m \leq n\}$$

Finite Spectrum Partition Theorem

1. $A_n \neq \emptyset$ and $B_n \neq \emptyset$
2. $A_n \cap B_n = \emptyset$
3. $A_n \cup B_n = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

Examples

We defined

$$A_n = \{m \in \text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) : m \leq n\}$$

$$B_n = \{m \in \text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) : m \leq n\}$$

Example $n = 8$

We evaluate $A_8 = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8\}$, $B_8 = \{3, 6\}$

Observe that properties of the **partition** of the set $\{m \in \mathbb{Z}^+ - \{0\} : m \leq 8\}$ hold

1. $A_8 \neq \emptyset$ and $B_8 \neq \emptyset$
2. $A_8 \cap B_8 = \emptyset$
3. $A_8 \cup B_8 = \{1, \dots, 8\} = \{m \in \mathbb{N} - \{0\} : m \leq 8\}$

Observe that $|A_8| + |B_8| = 8$

This property is an example of the general **property proved in the book**

Examples

We defined

$$A_n = \{m \in \text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) : m \leq n\}$$

$$B_n = \{m \in \text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) : m \leq n\}$$

Example $n = 15$

We evaluate

$$A_{15} = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15\}, \quad B_{15} = \{3, 6, 10, 13\}$$

Again, that properties of the **partition** of the set $\{m \in N - \{0\} : m \leq 15\}$ hold

1. $A_{15} \neq \emptyset$ and $B_{15} \neq \emptyset$
2. $A_{15} \cap B_{15} = \emptyset$
3. $A_{15} \cup B_{15} = \{1, \dots, 15\} = \{m \in N - \{0\} : m \leq 15\}$

Observe that $|A_{15}| + |B_{15}| = 15$

This property is again an example of the general **property proved in the book**

Finite Fact

Given sets

$$A_n = \{m \in \text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) : m \leq n\}$$

$$B_n = \{m \in \text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) : m \leq n\}$$

Finite Fact

For all $n \in \mathbb{N} - \{0\}$

$$|A_n| + |B_n| = n$$

The book proves only this, and says that **this is** the **Spectrum Partition Theorem** for infinite Spectrum sets

$\text{Spec}(\sqrt{2})$, $\text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2})$

Not so obvious!

Counting Elements

Before trying to prove the **Finite Fact** we first look for a closed formula to **count** the number of elements in subsets of a **finite size** of any spectrum

Given a spectrum $Spec(\alpha)$

Denote by $N(\alpha, n)$ the number of elements in the $Spec(\alpha)$ that are $\leq n$, i.e.

$$N(\alpha, n) = | \{ m \in Spec(\alpha) : m \leq n \} |$$

Counting Elements

We recall definition

$$\text{Spec}(\alpha) = \{ \lfloor \alpha \rfloor, \lfloor 2\alpha \rfloor, \lfloor 3\alpha \rfloor, \dots \}$$

We get immediately

$$m \in \text{Spec}(\alpha) \quad \text{iff} \quad m = \lfloor k\alpha \rfloor \quad \text{for} \quad \alpha \in R, \quad k \in N - \{0\}$$

We re-write definition

$$N(\alpha, n) = | \{ m \in \text{Spec}(\alpha) : m \leq n \} | \quad \text{as}$$

$$N(\alpha, n) = | \{ m : m = \lfloor k\alpha \rfloor \cap m \leq n \cap k > 0 \} |$$

Hence

$$N(\alpha, n) = | \{ \lfloor k\alpha \rfloor : \lfloor k\alpha \rfloor \leq n \cap k > 0 \} | \quad n, k \in N - \{0\}$$

Counting Elements

We have

$$N(\alpha, n) = | \{ \lfloor k\alpha \rfloor : \lfloor k\alpha \rfloor \leq n \cap k > 0 \} | \quad \text{for } n, k \in \mathbb{N} - \{0\}$$

Denote $P(k) \equiv \lfloor k\alpha \rfloor \leq n$ and $Q(k) \equiv k > 0$

We have that

$$N(\alpha, n) = | P(k) \cap Q(k) |$$

Recall re-write **Property 1** as two properties in a way we are going to use them

$$\mathbf{P1} \quad | R(k) | = \sum_k [R(k)]$$

$$\mathbf{P2} \quad \sum_k [R(k)] = \sum_{R(k)} 1 = | R(k) |$$

Counting Elements

We use property **P1** to $N(\alpha, n) = |P(k) \cap Q(k)|$ for $R(k) \equiv P(k) \cap Q(k)$ and we get

$$N(\alpha, n) = |P(k) \cap Q(k)| = \sum_k [P(k) \cap Q(k)]$$

Now we evaluate $N(\alpha, n)$ as follows

$$N(\alpha, n) = \sum_k [P(k)][Q(k)] = \sum_{Q(k)} [P(k)] = \sum_{k>0} [\lfloor k\alpha \rfloor \leq n]$$

We use now two known properties

$$m \leq n \text{ iff } m < n+1 \text{ and } \lfloor x \rfloor < n \text{ iff } x < n$$

to transform $\lfloor k\alpha \rfloor \leq n$

Counting Elements

We have by the listed above properties

$$\lfloor k\alpha \rfloor \leq n \text{ iff } \lfloor k\alpha \rfloor < n+1 \text{ iff } k\alpha < n+1 \text{ iff } k < \frac{n+1}{\alpha}$$

This justifies the following steps of computation

$$N(\alpha, n) = \sum_{k>0} [\lfloor k\alpha \rfloor \leq n] = \sum_{k>0} [k\alpha < n+1] = \sum_{k>0} [k < \frac{n+1}{\alpha}]$$

and we get

$$N(\alpha, n) = \sum_{k>0} \left[k < \frac{n+1}{\alpha} \right]$$

Counting Elements

We re-write the last sum using definition and property **P2**

$$\begin{aligned} N(\alpha, n) &= \sum_{k>0} \left[k < \frac{n+1}{\alpha} \right] = \sum_k \left[k < \frac{n+1}{\alpha} \right] [k > 0] \\ &= \sum_k \left[0 < k < \frac{n+1}{\alpha} \right] = \sum_{0 < k < \frac{n+1}{\alpha}} 1 \end{aligned}$$

Using property **P2** again we get

$$N(\alpha, n) = \left\lfloor 0 < k < \frac{n+1}{\alpha} \right\rfloor$$

General Formula

Reminder $|0 < k < \frac{n+1}{\alpha}|$ = number of integers in the interval $(0 \dots \frac{n+1}{\alpha})$ and so by the the fact that interval $(\alpha \dots \beta)$ has $\lceil \beta \rceil - \lceil \alpha \rceil - 1$ elements we evaluate

$$N(\alpha, n) = |0 < k < \frac{n+1}{\alpha}| = \left\lceil \frac{n+1}{\alpha} \right\rceil - 0 - 1 = \left\lceil \frac{n+1}{\alpha} \right\rceil - 1$$

We have proved the following

General Formula

For any $\alpha \in R$ and a spectrum $Spec(\alpha)$ the number $N(\alpha, n)$ of elements in the $Spec(\alpha)$ that are $\leq n$ is given by the formula

$$N(\alpha, n) = \left\lceil \frac{n+1}{\alpha} \right\rceil - 1$$

Finite Fact Proof

Finite Fact

$$|A_n| + |B_n| = n \quad \text{for any } n \in N - \{0\}$$

where

$$A_n = \{m \in \text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) : m \leq n\}$$

$$B_n = \{m \in \text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) : m \leq n\}$$

Proof

Observe that we defined $N(\alpha, n)$ as

$$N(\alpha, n) = |\{m \in \text{Spec}(\alpha) : m \leq n\}|$$

and so we have that

$$|A_n| = N(\sqrt{2}, n) \quad \text{and} \quad |B_n| = N(2 + \sqrt{2}, n)$$

We hence have to prove that

$$N(\sqrt{2}, n) + N(2 + \sqrt{2}, n) = n$$

Finite Fact Proof

We use the **General Formula** $N(\alpha, n) = \left\lceil \frac{n+1}{\alpha} \right\rceil - 1$ for $\alpha_1 = \sqrt{2}$ and $\alpha_2 = 2 + \sqrt{2}$ and evaluate by using property $\lceil x \rceil - 1 = \lfloor x \rfloor$ for $x \notin \mathbb{Z}$

$$\begin{aligned} N(\alpha_1, n) + N(\alpha_2, n) &= \left\lceil \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{2}} \right\rceil - 1 + \left\lceil \frac{n+1}{2 + \sqrt{2}} \right\rceil - 1 \\ &= \left\lfloor \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{2}} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2 + \sqrt{2}} \right\rfloor \end{aligned}$$

Now we use property $\lfloor x \rfloor = x - \{x\}$, where $\{x\}$ is a **fractional** part of x and get

$$N(\alpha_1, n) + N(\alpha_2, n) = \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{2}} - \left\{ \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{2}} \right\} + \frac{n+1}{2 + \sqrt{2}} - \left\{ \frac{n+1}{2 + \sqrt{2}} \right\}$$

Finite Fact Proof

We continue evaluation using identity $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{2+\sqrt{2}} = 1$

$$\begin{aligned}N(\alpha_1, n) + N(\alpha_2, n) &= \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{n+1}{2+\sqrt{2}} - \left\{ \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{2}} \right\} - \left\{ \frac{n+1}{2+\sqrt{2}} \right\} \\&= (n+1) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{2+\sqrt{2}} \right) - \left(\left\{ \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{2}} \right\} + \left\{ \frac{n+1}{2+\sqrt{2}} \right\} \right) \\&= (n+1) - \left(\left\{ \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{2}} \right\} + \left\{ \frac{n+1}{2+\sqrt{2}} \right\} \right)\end{aligned}$$

Observe that if we show that $\left\{ \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{2}} \right\} + \left\{ \frac{n+1}{2+\sqrt{2}} \right\} = 1$

then we have succeeded to prove the **Finite Fact**

Finite Fact Proof

We have proved as a part of our computations that

$$\frac{n+1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{n+1}{2+\sqrt{2}} = n+1$$

and now we can use it to prove

$$\left\{ \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{2}} \right\} + \left\{ \frac{n+1}{2+\sqrt{2}} \right\} = 1$$

We prove more general **Special Property** and get our property as a particular case

Special Property Proof

Special Property

For any $x_1, x_2 \notin \mathbb{Z}$

If $x_1 + x_2 = n + 1$ then $\{x_1\} + \{x_2\} = 1$

Proof

Let $x_1 = \lfloor x_1 \rfloor + \{x_1\}$ and $x_2 = \lfloor x_2 \rfloor + \{x_2\}$

Assume that

$$x_1 + x_2 = \lfloor x_1 \rfloor + \{x_1\} + \lfloor x_2 \rfloor + \{x_2\} = n + 1$$

Since $x_1, x_2 \notin \mathbb{Z}$ we get that $\{x_1\} \neq 0$, $\{x_2\} \neq 0$ and so

$$0 < \{x_1\} < 1 \quad \text{and} \quad 0 < \{x_2\} < 1$$

Adding the above inequalities we get

$$0 < \{x_1\} + \{x_2\} < 2$$

Special Property Proof

Observe that $\lfloor x_1 \rfloor + \lfloor x_2 \rfloor = m \in \mathbb{Z}$

Denote $\{x_1\} + \{x_2\} = \theta$

We assumed

$$n+1 = \lfloor x_1 \rfloor + \{x_1\} + \lfloor x_2 \rfloor + \{x_2\}$$

so we have

$$n+1 = m + \theta \quad \text{for} \quad 0 < \theta < 2 \quad \text{and} \quad m \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Hence it must be that $\theta \in \mathbb{Z}$

But $0 < \theta < 2$ and it is possible only when $\theta = 1$, i.e.
 $\{x_1\} + \{x_2\} = 1$

This ends the proof

Finite Fact

Put $x_1 = \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{2}}$, $x_2 = \frac{n+1}{2+\sqrt{2}}$

By Special Property we have that

$$\left\{ \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{2}} \right\} + \left\{ \frac{n+1}{2+\sqrt{2}} \right\} = 1$$

It ends the proof of our

Finite Fact

$$|A_n| + |B_n| = n \quad \text{for any } n \in \mathbb{N} - \{0\}$$

where

$$A_n = \{m \in \text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) : m \leq n\}$$

$$B_n = \{m \in \text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) : m \leq n\}$$

Book Statement

The Book proves the **Finite Fact** and states on page 78
"A PARTITION IT IS"

The meaning of this is that the **Finite Fact** implies obviously without any additional proof the following

Spectrum Partition Theorem

1. $\text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) \neq \emptyset$ and $\text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) \neq \emptyset$
2. $\text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) \cap \text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) = \emptyset$
3. $\text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) \cup \text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) = \mathbb{N} - \{0\}$

We are going to show now that it is **not so obvious** even in the case of **Finite** Spectrum Partition

The **infinite** case will be discussed after

Let's analyze what we have!

Finite Spectrum Partition

Given sets

$$A_n = \{m \in \text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) : m \leq n\}$$

$$B_n = \{m \in \text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) : m \leq n\}$$

Finite Spectrum Partition Theorem - to be proved

1. $A_n \neq \emptyset$ and $B_n \neq \emptyset$
2. $A_n \cap B_n = \emptyset$
3. $A_n \cup B_n = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

Finite Fact - just proved

$$|A_n| + |B_n| = n \quad \text{for any } n \in \mathbb{N} - \{0\}$$

Question Is it possible to **prove** **Finite Spectrum Partition Theorem** from the **Finite Fact**?

Finite Partition

Definition Finite Partition

Let X be a **non-empty, finite** set; i.e. $X \neq \emptyset$ and $|X| = n$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N} - \{0\}$

We say that sets $A, B \subseteq X$ such that $A \neq B$ form a **finite partition** of the set X when the following conditions are satisfied

1. $A \neq \emptyset$ and $B \neq \emptyset$
2. $A \cap B = \emptyset$
3. $A \cup B = X$

Sets Finite Fact $|A| + |B| = |X|$

When $|X| = n$ we write it as $|A| + |B| = n$

Let's now examine the relationship between the Finite Partition and Sets Finite Fact

Finite Partition and Sets Finite Fact

We show now that the Finite Partition **implies** the **Sets Finite Fact**, i.e. we prove the following

Fact P1

If sets A, B form a finite partition of the finite set X , then $|A| + |B| = |X|$

Proof

Assume that A, B form a finite partition then by condition

1. and 3. $A \cup B = X$, $A \neq \emptyset$ and $B \neq \emptyset$

So $|A \cup B| = |X|$ and $|X| \geq 1$

The sets A, B are finite, hence

$$|A \cup B| = |A| + |B| - |A \cap B|$$

but by 2. $A \cap B = \emptyset$ and so $|A \cap B| = 0$ and

$|A \cup B| = |A| + |B|$ and as $|A \cup B| = |X|$ we have that

$$|A| + |B| = |X|$$

Counter-Examples

We show now that the **Sets Finite Fact** **does not always imply** the **Finite Partition**, i.e. we give the following following counter-examples covering all cases

Counter-Example 1

Take the sets $X = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, $A = \{2\}$, $B = \{1, 2, 3\}$

We have that

$$|A| + |B| = 1 + 3 = 4 = |X| \quad \text{and} \quad A \cap B = \{2\} \neq \emptyset$$

and condition **2.** of **Finite Partition** **does not hold**

Counter-Examples

Counter-Example 2

We also have for the same sets

$X = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, $A = \{2\}$, $B = \{1, 2, 3\}$ that the condition
3. of Finite Partition does not hold as

$$|A| + |B| = 4 = |X| \quad \text{and} \quad A \cup B = \{1, 2, 3\} \neq X$$

Counter-Example 3 Take the sets

$X = \{1\}$, $A = \{1\}$, $B = \emptyset$, or $B = \{1\}$, $A = \emptyset$

We have that

$$|A| + |B| = 1 = |X| \quad \text{and} \quad A = \emptyset \quad \text{or} \quad B = \emptyset$$

and condition **1. of Finite Partition does not hold**

Useful Facts

We are going to prove two useful facts that relate to our

Question Is it possible to **prove** **Finite Spectrum Partition Theorem** from the **Sets Finite Fact**?

Fact P2

If $|A| + |B| = |X|$ and $A \neq \emptyset$, $B \neq \emptyset$ and $A \cap B = \emptyset$
then the sets A, B form a **finite partition** of X

Proof

We prove the condition **3.** by contradiction

Let $|A| + |B| = |X|$ and $A \cup B \neq X$, i.e. $|A \cup B| \neq |X|$

We evaluate

$|A \cup B| = |X| = |A| + |B| - |A \cap B| = |A| + |B|$ and get a **contradiction**

$$|A \cup B| = |X| \quad \text{and} \quad |A \cup B| \neq |X|$$

Useful Facts

Fact P3

If $|A| + |B| = |X|$ and $A \neq \emptyset$, $B \neq \emptyset$ and $A \cup B = X$
then the sets A, B form a **finite partition** of the set X

Proof

We prove the condition **2**.

Let $|A| + |B| = |X|$ and $A \cup B = X$, i.e. $|A \cup B| = |X|$

We evaluate

$$|A \cup B| = |X| = |A| + |B| - |A \cap B| = |A| + |B|$$

and

$$|A| + |B| - |A \cap B| = |A| + |B| \quad \text{iff} \quad A \cap B = \emptyset$$

This proves that the condition **2**. **holds**

Back to Finite Spectrum Partition Theorem

Facts **P2**, and **P3** say:

if the sets A, B are non-empty, disjoint, or $A \cup B = X$ then **Finite Fact** implies **Finite Partition**

Take now

$$X = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}, \quad A = A_n, \quad B = B_n$$

The **Finite Partition** becomes

Finite Spectrum Partition Theorem

1. $A_n \neq \emptyset$ and $B_n \neq \emptyset$
2. $A_n \cap B_n = \emptyset$
3. $A_n \cup B_n = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

Question and Answers

The **Sets Finite Fact** becomes

Finite Fact $|A_n| + |B_n| = n$, for $n \in N - \{0\}$

We are now ready to answer our

Question Does the **Sets Finite Fact** **implies** as the Book states, the **Finite Spectrum Partition Theorem**?

Answer **YES**, but only under **conditions** specified in the Facts **P2**, and **P3**

Question and Answers

Observe that $A_n \neq \emptyset$ and $B_n \neq \emptyset$

Hence, by the **Fact P2** we have to **prove** that

$$A_n \cap B_n = \emptyset$$

in order to have that the **Finite Spectrum Partition Theorem** holds

or by the **Fact P2** we **have to prove** that

$$A_n \cup B_n = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$$

We now **choose** to use **Fact P2** and to prove that

$$A_n \cap B_n = \emptyset$$

Spectrum Fact

Reminder

$$A_n \subseteq \text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) \quad \text{and} \quad B_n \subseteq \text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2})$$

We hence prove now a more general fact (always do it when you can!)

Spectrum Fact

$$\text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) \cap \text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) = \emptyset$$

We recall definition

$$\text{Spec}(\alpha) = \{ \lfloor \alpha \rfloor, \lfloor 2\alpha \rfloor, \lfloor 3\alpha \rfloor, \dots \}$$

We get immediately

$$m \in \text{Spec}(\alpha) \quad \text{iff} \quad m = \lfloor k\alpha \rfloor$$

Spectrum Fact Proof

Proof

We prove this fact by contradiction

Assume that $\text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) \cap \text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) \neq \emptyset$

By definition it means that there is $n \in \mathbb{N} - \{0\}$ such that

$$n \in \text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) \quad \text{and} \quad n \in \text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2})$$

i.e. there are $k_1, k_2 \in \mathbb{N} - \{0\}$ such that

$$n = \lfloor k_1 \sqrt{2} \rfloor \quad \text{and} \quad n = \lfloor k_2(2 + \sqrt{2}) \rfloor$$

We use now property

8. $\lfloor x \rfloor = n$ if and only if $n \leq x < n+1$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $n \in \mathbb{Z}$

Spectrum Fact Proof

By 8. convert these two equalities to two inequalities

$$n \leq k_1 \sqrt{2} < n+1 \quad (1)$$

$$n \leq k_2(2 + \sqrt{2}) < n+1 \quad (2)$$

Now we can **drop the equality** condition in the inequalities (1) and (2) because $n \in N - \{0\}$, but $k_1 \sqrt{2}$ and $k_2(2 + \sqrt{2})$ are two **irrational numbers**

Thus we get

$$n < k_1 \sqrt{2} < n+1 \quad (3)$$

$$n < k_2(2 + \sqrt{2}) < n+1 \quad (4)$$

Spectrum Fact Proof

We divide (3) by $\sqrt{2}$ and (4) by $k_2(2 + \sqrt{2})$

$$\frac{n}{\sqrt{2}} < k_1 < \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{2}} \quad (5)$$

$$\frac{n}{2 + \sqrt{2}} < k_2 < \frac{n+1}{2 + \sqrt{2}} \quad (6)$$

Now we add (5) and (6) together, to get:

$$\frac{n}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{n}{2 + \sqrt{2}} < k_1 + k_2 < \frac{n+1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{n+1}{2 + \sqrt{2}}$$

Grouping for n and $n+1$

$$n\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{2 + \sqrt{2}}\right) < k_1 + k_2 < (n+1)\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{2 + \sqrt{2}}\right)$$

Spectrum Fact Proof

The two factors for n and $n+1$ are equal

Let's evaluate them

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{2 + \sqrt{2}} = \frac{2 + 2\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}(2 + \sqrt{2})} = \frac{2 + 2\sqrt{2}}{2\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{2}\sqrt{2}} = \frac{2 + 2\sqrt{2}}{2\sqrt{2} + 2} = 1$$

This simplifies our inequality to

$$n < k_1 + k_2 < n + 1$$

But this is a **contradiction**:

n and $n+1$ are two **consecutive** integers, so **no other** integer $k_1 + k_2$ can belong to the interval

Finite Spectrum Partition Theorem

We get as a collorary that $A_n \cap B_n = \emptyset$

We have hence by **Fact P2** finally proved the

Finite Spectrum Partition Theorem

1. $A_n \neq \emptyset$ and $B_n \neq \emptyset$
2. $A_n \cap B_n = \emptyset$
3. $A_n \cup B_n = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

It was a LONG WAY! but we are **not finished** yet!

All we got is the **Finite Spectrum Partition Theorem** not the
"full" **Spectrum Partition Theorem**

Spectrum Partition Theorem Proof

Spectrum Partition Theorem

1. $\text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) \neq \emptyset$ and $\text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) \neq \emptyset$
2. $\text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) \cap \text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) = \emptyset$
3. $\text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) \cup \text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) = \mathbb{N} - \{0\}$

Proof

1. holds by definition of the spectrum, as always $[\alpha] \in \text{Spec}(\alpha)[\alpha]$
2. holds by just proved **Spectrum Fact**
3. - the proof follows

Observe that

$$\mathbf{S} \quad \text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} A_n \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} B_n$$

Spectrum Partition Theorem Proof

From the Finite Spectrum Partition Theorem we have that for all $n \in N - \{0\}$

$$A_n \cup B_n = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$$

Hence by

$$\bigcup_{n \geq 1} (A_n \cup B_n) = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} \{1, 2, \dots, n\} = N - \{0\}$$

But by above the general sums distributivity law we get the following

$$\bigcup_{n \geq 1} (A_n \cup B_n) = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} A_n \cup \bigcup_{n \geq 1} B_n = N - \{0\}$$

Spectrum Partition Theorem Proof

But by definition **S**

$$\mathbf{S} \quad \text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} A_n \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} B_n$$

we get

$$\text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) \cup \text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) = N - \{0\}$$

THIS ENDS THE PFOOF!!

General Spectrum Partition Theorem

We are going now to give a proof of our **Spectrum Partition Theorem** that is **independent** of the BOOK

It is simple and elegant and . . . does not use the SUMS!

Do do so, we **GENERALIZE** the problem a bit, prove the generalization and get our **Theorem** as a particular case
Here it is!

Generalization

General Spectrum Partition Theorem

Let $\alpha > 0$, $\beta > 0$, $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Q}$ be such that

$$\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} = 1$$

Then the sets

$$A = \{[n\alpha] : n \in \mathbb{N} - \{0\}\} = \text{Spec}(\alpha)$$

$$B = \{[n\beta] : n \in \mathbb{N} - \{0\}\} = \text{Spec}(\beta)$$

form a **partition** of $Z^+ = \mathbb{N} - \{0\}$, i.e.

1. $A \neq \emptyset$ and $B \neq \emptyset$
2. $A \cap B = \emptyset$
3. $A \cup B = Z^+$

Proof

Proof

1. $A \neq \emptyset$ and $B \neq \emptyset$ holds as $\lfloor \alpha \rfloor \in A$ and $\lfloor \beta \rfloor \in B$

We prove this fact by **contradiction**

Assume that $A \cap B \neq \emptyset$

By definition it means that there is $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ such that

$$k \in A \quad \text{and} \quad k \in B$$

i.e. there are $i, j \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ such that

$$k = \lfloor i\alpha \rfloor \quad \text{and} \quad k = \lfloor j\beta \rfloor$$

We use now property

8. $\lfloor x \rfloor = k$ if and only if $k \leq x < k+1$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

Proof

By 8. convert these two equalities to two inequalities

$$k \leq i\alpha < k+1 \quad (7)$$

$$k \leq j\beta < k+1 \quad (8)$$

Now we can **drop the equality** condition in the inequalities (7) and (8) because $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, but $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Q}$, so $i\alpha, j\beta$ can't be integers

Thus we get

$$k < i\alpha < k+1 \quad (9)$$

$$k < j\beta < k+1 \quad (10)$$

Proof

We divide (9) by α and (10) by β - we can do it as $\alpha > 0, \beta > 0$ and we get

$$\frac{k}{\alpha} < i < \frac{k+1}{\alpha} \quad (11)$$

$$\frac{k}{\beta} < j < \frac{k+1}{\beta} \quad (12)$$

Now we add (11) and (12) together, to get:

$$\frac{k}{\alpha} + \frac{k}{\beta} < i+j < \frac{k+1}{\alpha} + \frac{k+1}{\beta}$$

Grouping for k and $k+1$

$$k\left(\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta}\right) < i+j < (k+1)\left(\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta}\right)$$

Proof

The two factors for k and $k+1$ are equal by the Theorem **assumption**

$$\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} = 1$$

This simplifies our inequality to

$$k < i+j < k+1$$

But this is a **contradiction**:

k and $k+1$ are two **consecutive** positive integers, so **no other** positive integer $i+j$ can belong to the interval

Haven't you seen a similar proof before???

Proof

Now as the last step we prove

3. $A \cup B = Z^+$

We carry proof by **contradiction**

Assume that $A \cup B \neq Z^+$

It means that there is $k \in Z^+$ such that

$$k \notin A \quad \text{and} \quad k \notin B$$

By definition of sets A, B we have

$$k \notin A \quad \text{iff} \quad k \neq \lfloor n\alpha \rfloor \quad \text{for all } n \in Z^+$$

$$k \notin B \quad \text{iff} \quad k \neq \lfloor n\beta \rfloor \quad \text{for all } n \in Z^+$$

Proof

Observe that if $k \neq \lfloor n\alpha \rfloor$ for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, then as $\lfloor n\alpha \rfloor \neq k$, $\lfloor (n+1)\alpha \rfloor \neq k$, and $\lfloor n\alpha \rfloor < \lfloor (n+1)\alpha \rfloor$ there exist $i_0, j_0 \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ such that

$$(\star) \quad \lfloor i_0\alpha \rfloor < k \quad \text{and} \quad \lfloor (i_0+1)\alpha \rfloor \geq k+1$$

and similarly

$$(\star\star) \quad \lfloor j_0\beta \rfloor < k \quad \text{and} \quad \lfloor (j_0+1)\beta \rfloor \geq k+1$$

We now transform (\star) and $(\star\star)$ by using the properties

$$13. \quad \lfloor x \rfloor < n \quad \text{if and only if} \quad x < n$$

$$16. \quad x \geq \lfloor n \rfloor \quad \text{if and only if} \quad x \geq n$$

Proof

Now we can **drop the equality** condition applying the inequality **16**. because with $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Q}$, we have that $(i_0 + 1)\alpha, (j_0 + 1)\beta$ can't be integers

We get hence that

$$(1) \quad i_0\alpha < k \quad \text{and} \quad (i_0 + 1)\alpha > k + 1$$

$$(2) \quad j_0\beta < k \quad \text{and} \quad (j_0 + 1)\beta > k + 1$$

We re-write (1), (2) respectively as follows

$$\alpha < \frac{k}{i_0} \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha > \frac{k + 1}{(i_0 + 1)}$$

$$\beta < \frac{k}{j_0} \quad \text{and} \quad \beta > \frac{k + 1}{(j_0 + 1)}$$

Proof

We know that for any $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}^+$,

$$a < b \quad \text{iff} \quad \frac{1}{a} > \frac{1}{b}$$

We hence re-write (1), (2) further as

$$\frac{1}{\alpha} > \frac{i_0}{k} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{\alpha} < \frac{i_0 + 1}{k + 1}$$

i.e

$$(3) \quad \frac{i_0}{k} < \frac{1}{\alpha} < \frac{i_0 + 1}{k + 1}$$

and similarly we get

$$(4) \quad \frac{j_0}{k} < \frac{1}{\beta} < \frac{j_0 + 1}{k + 1}$$

Proof

Adding (3) and (4) and using the **assumption**

$$\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} = 1$$

we get that

$$\frac{i_0 + j_0}{k} < 1 < \frac{i_0 + j_0 + 2}{k + 1}$$

This is equivalent to

$$\frac{i_0 + j_0}{k} < 1 \quad \text{and} \quad 1 < \frac{i_0 + j_0 + 2}{k + 1}$$

$$i_0 + j_0 < k \quad \text{and} \quad k + 1 < i_0 + j_0 + 2$$

Hence

$$i_0 + j_0 < k < i_0 + j_0 + 1$$

Contradiction! as $i_0, j_0, k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

This ends the proof

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Example Evaluate

$$\sum_{0 \leq k < n} \lfloor \sqrt{k} \rfloor$$

Hint: use

$$\sum_{0 \leq k < n} \lfloor \sqrt{k} \rfloor = \sum_{0 \leq k < n} \sum_{m \geq 0, m = \lfloor \sqrt{k} \rfloor} m$$

We evaluate

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{0 \leq k < n} \lfloor \sqrt{k} \rfloor &= \sum_{0 \leq k < n} \sum_{m \geq 0} m [m = \lfloor \sqrt{k} \rfloor] \\ &= \sum_{m \geq 0} \sum_{k \geq 0} m [k < n] [m = \lfloor \sqrt{k} \rfloor] \end{aligned}$$

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We use now property and get

$$8. \lfloor x \rfloor = n \text{ if and only if } n \leq x < n+1$$

and we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{0 \leq k < n} \lfloor \sqrt{k} \rfloor &= \sum_{m \geq 0, k \geq 0} m[k < n][m \leq \sqrt{k} < m+1] \\ &= \sum_{m \geq 0, k \geq 0} m[k < n \cap m^2 \leq k < (m+1)^2] \end{aligned}$$

Let's look now at

$$P(k, m, n) \equiv k < n \cap m^2 \leq k < (m+1)^2$$

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We evaluate $P(k, m, n) \equiv k < n \cap m^2 \leq k < (m+1)^2$
 $\equiv m^2 \leq k < n < (m+1)^2 \cup m^2 \leq k < (m+1)^2 \leq n$

i.e. $P(k, m, n) \equiv Q \cup R$ and we know that

$$\sum_{m,k} [Q \cup R] = \sum_{m,k} [Q] + \sum_{m,k} [R] - \sum_{m,k} [Q \cap R]$$

and here $Q \cap R$ is false, i.e. $\sum_{m,k} [Q \cap R] = 0$ and we get

$$\sum_{0 \leq k < n} [\sqrt{k}] = \sum_{m,k \geq 0} m [m^2 \leq k < n < (m+1)^2] \\ + \sum_{m,k \geq 0} m [m^2 \leq k < (m+1)^2 \leq n]$$

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Assume now $n = a^2$ for certain $a \in N$, i.e. n is a perfect square

The first sum becomes

$$\sum_{m,k \geq 0} m [m^2 \leq k < a^2 < (m+1)^2] = 0$$

because the statement

$$m^2 \leq k < a^2 < (m+1)^2$$

is FALSE as there is no $a \in N$ such that $m < a < m+1$

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We proved that

$$\sum_{0 \leq k < n} \lfloor \sqrt{k} \rfloor = \sum_{m, k \geq 0} m [m^2 \leq k < (m+1)^2 \leq a^2]$$

Evaluate now

$$\begin{aligned} m^2 \leq k < (m+1)^2 \leq a &\equiv m^2 \leq k < (m+1)^2 \cap (m+1)^2 \leq a^2 \\ &\equiv m^2 \leq k < (m+1)^2 \cap (m+1) \leq a \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{0 \leq k < n} \lfloor \sqrt{k} \rfloor = \sum_{m, k \geq 0} m [m^2 \leq k < (m+1)^2] [(m+1) \leq a]$$

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We evaluate

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{m,k \geq 0} m [m^2 \leq k < (m+1)^2] [(m+1) \leq a] \\ &= \sum_{m \geq 0} \sum_{k \geq 0} m [(m+1) \leq a] [m^2 \leq k < (m+1)^2] \\ &= \sum_{m \geq 0} m [(m+1) \leq a] \sum_{k \geq 0} [m^2 \leq k < (m+1)^2] \\ &= \sum_{m \geq 0} m [(m+1) \leq a] \sum_{k \geq 0} [k \in [m^2 \dots (m+1)^2]] \end{aligned}$$

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We recall the properties

$$\sum_k [R(k)] = \sum_{R(k)} 1 = |R(k)|$$

$[\alpha \dots \beta)$ contains exactly $\lceil \beta \rceil - \lceil \alpha \rceil$ integers

and get

$$\sum_{k \geq 0} [k \in [m^2 \dots (m+1)^2]] = 2m + 1$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{m \geq 0} m [(m+1) \leq a] \sum_{k \geq 0} [k \in [m^2 \dots (m+1)^2]] \\ &= \sum_{m \geq 0} m(2m+1) [(m+1) \leq a] = \sum_{m \geq 0} (2m^2 + m) [(m+1) \leq a] \end{aligned}$$

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We have hence proved that

$$\sum_{0 \leq k < n} \lfloor \sqrt{k} \rfloor = \sum_{m \geq 0} (2m^2 + m) [(m+1) \leq a]$$

Recall that $x^2 = x(x-1) = x^2 - x$ and $x^1 = x$

Evaluate

$$2m^2 + m = 2m^2 - 2m + 2m + m = 2m(m-1) + 3m = 2m^2 + 3m^1$$

Also we have that $m+1 \leq a$ iff $m < a$, so now

$$\sum_{0 \leq k < n} \lfloor \sqrt{k} \rfloor = \sum_{m \geq 0} (2m^2 + 3m^1)[m < a]$$

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Last steps

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{m \geq 0} (2m^2 + 3m^1)[m < a] &= \sum_{0 \leq m < a} (2m^2 + 3m^1) \\ &= \sum_0^a (2m^2 + 3m^1) \delta m = \left(2 \frac{m^3}{3} + 3 \frac{m^2}{2} \right) \Big|_0^a \\ &= \frac{2}{3} m(m-1)(m-2) + \frac{3}{2} m(m-1) \Big|_0^a = \frac{1}{6} (a-1)a(a+1)\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\sum_{0 \leq k < n} \lfloor \sqrt{k} \rfloor = \frac{1}{6} (a-1)a(a+1)$$

Homework: do the case (page 87) $a = \lfloor \sqrt{k} \rfloor$

END of CHAPTER 3