

# CSE547

- Chapter 3, problems 19, 20

# Problem 20

- Problem Statement

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Let

$S$  = Sum of all the multiples of  $x$  in the interval  $[\alpha, \beta]$

$$\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}, \alpha \leq kx \leq \beta} kx$$

=

$$\sum kx [k \text{ is an integer}] [\alpha \leq kx \leq \beta]$$

=

( Rewriting in Iversonian Form )

$$x \sum k [k \text{ is an integer}] [\alpha \leq kx \leq \beta]$$

=

( Since  $x$  is a constant. )

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$$= x \sum k [k \text{ is an integer}] [\alpha/x \leq k \leq \beta/x]$$

( Since  $x > 0$  )

$$= x \sum k [k \text{ is an integer}] [ [\alpha/x] \leq k \leq [\beta/x] ]$$

( Since,

$$x \leq n \Leftrightarrow [x] \leq n$$

$$n \leq x \Leftrightarrow n \leq [x]$$

where  $n$  is an integer,  $x$  is a real)

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$$= x \sum k \text{ [ } k \text{ is an integer] [ } \left\lfloor \frac{\alpha}{x} \right\rfloor \leq k < \left\lfloor \frac{\beta}{x} \right\rfloor + 1 \text{ ]}$$

$$= x \sum_{\left\lfloor \frac{\alpha}{x} \right\rfloor}^{\left\lfloor \frac{\beta}{x} \right\rfloor + 1} k \delta k$$

We know that,

$$\sum k \delta k = \frac{k^2}{2}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 S &= x \sum_{\left[\frac{\alpha}{x}\right]}^{\left[\frac{\beta}{x}\right]+1} k^1 \delta k \\
 &= \frac{xk^2}{2} \Big|_{\left[\frac{\alpha}{x}\right]}^{\left[\frac{\beta}{x}\right]+1}
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the sum of all multiples of  $x$  in the closed interval  $[\alpha.. \beta]$ , when  $x > 0$ .

$$= \frac{xk^2}{2} \Big|_{\left[\frac{\alpha}{x}\right]}^{\left[\frac{\beta}{x}\right]+1}$$

# Problem 19

- Problem Statement

Find a necessary and sufficient condition on the real number  $b > 1$  such that  $\lfloor \log_b \lfloor x \rfloor \rfloor = \lfloor \log_b x \rfloor$  for all real  $x \geq 1$ .

A bit more formally, the question is:

Define a predicate  $P: \{y \in \mathbb{R}: y > 1\} \rightarrow \{\text{true}, \text{false}\}$ , such that:

- I.  $\forall b \in \mathbb{R}, b > 1 (P(b) \Rightarrow \forall x \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq 1 (\lfloor \log_b \lfloor x \rfloor \rfloor = \lfloor \log_b x \rfloor))$  (sufficiency)
- II.  $\forall b \in \mathbb{R}, b > 1 (\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq 1 (\lfloor \log_b \lfloor x \rfloor \rfloor = \lfloor \log_b x \rfloor) \Rightarrow P(b))$  (necessity)

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- We will prove that the predicate  $P$  defined on  $\{y \in \mathbb{R} : y > 1\} \rightarrow \{\text{true}, \text{false}\}$  with value  $P(y) = y \in \mathbb{Z}$  satisfies (i) and (ii).
- Proof of Sufficiency Condition:
- We have that  $b \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $b > 1$ , and  $P(b)$ .  $P(b)$  being true gives us that  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$ .
- Now define a function  $f: \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x \geq 1\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$   
 $f(x) = \log_b x$
- Since  $b > 1$ ,  $f(x)$  is continuous and monotonically increasing on  $[1, \infty)$ , these are known properties of the log function.



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$$\lfloor \log_b \lfloor x \rfloor \rfloor = \lfloor \log_b x \rfloor \quad \text{for all real } x \geq 1.$$

- We can prove that  $f(x) \in \mathbf{Z} \Rightarrow x \in \mathbf{Z}$
- Note:
  - $f(x) \in \mathbf{Z}$ , by assumption
  - $\log_b x \in \mathbf{Z}$ , by substitution
- $\log_b x \geq 0$ , since  $\log_b 1 = 0$ , 1 is the smallest element of the domain of  $f$ , and  $f$  is monotonically increasing.
- $b^{\log_b x} \in \mathbf{Z}$ , since  $b$  is a positive integer and  $\log_b x$  is a nonnegative integer.
  - If  $\log_b x$  is 0 then  $b^{\log_b x} = 1$ . Else  $\log_b x$  is a positive integer,  $b^{\log_b x} \in \mathbf{Z}^+$  since positive integers are closed under exponentiation.
- Simplifying, we have  $b^{\log_b x} = x$ . Hence  $x \in \mathbf{Z}$

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- Therefore  $f(x)$  is continuous,  $f(x)$  is monotonically increasing, and  $f(x) \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow x \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Therefore we can invoke Theorem 3.10 proven in the textbook :

If  $f$  is a continuous, monotonically increasing function with the property that  $f(x) \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow x \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then  $\lfloor f(x) \rfloor = \lfloor f(\lfloor x \rfloor) \rfloor$  whenever  $f(x)$  and  $f(\lfloor x \rfloor)$  are defined.

- Our  $f(x)$  is defined on  $[1, \infty)$ , so when  $x \geq 1$ ,  $f(x)$  is defined. Additionally, when  $x \geq 1$ ,  $\lfloor x \rfloor \geq 1$  (by property 3.7 d), so  $f(\lfloor x \rfloor)$  is defined.
- Therefore we get that  $\forall_{x \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq 1} (\lfloor \log_b \lfloor x \rfloor \rfloor = \lfloor \log_b x \rfloor)$
- this completes part I.

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- Proof of Necessary Condition

- We need to prove that  $\forall b \in R, b > 1 (\forall x \in R, x \geq 1 (\lfloor \log_b \lfloor x \rfloor \rfloor = \lfloor \log_b x \rfloor) \Rightarrow P(b))$

- We'll prove it by contradiction. So assume:

$$\neg (\forall b \in R, b > 1 (\forall x \in R, x \geq 1 (\lfloor \log_b \lfloor x \rfloor \rfloor = \lfloor \log_b x \rfloor) \Rightarrow P(b)))$$

- This means:  $\exists b \in R, b > 1 (\forall x \in R, x \geq 1 (\lfloor \log_b \lfloor x \rfloor \rfloor = \lfloor \log_b x \rfloor) \not\Rightarrow P(b))$

- Which means:  $\exists b \in R, b > 1 (\forall x \in R, x \geq 1 (\lfloor \log_b \lfloor x \rfloor \rfloor = \lfloor \log_b x \rfloor) \wedge \neg P(b))$

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|----|---|----|-------------|
| 1. | $b \in R$   | 2. | $b > 1$     |
| 3. | $\forall x \in R, x \geq 1 (\lfloor \log_b \lfloor x \rfloor \rfloor = \lfloor \log_b x \rfloor)$ | 4. | $\neg P(b)$ |

Problem: Find a necessary and sufficient condition on the real number  $b > 1$  such that

$$\lfloor \log_b \lfloor x \rfloor \rfloor = \lfloor \log_b x \rfloor \quad \text{for all real } x \geq 1.$$

- Note that (1), (2), (3) imply that  $\lfloor \log_b \lfloor b \rfloor \rfloor = \lfloor \log_b b \rfloor$
- We know that  $\log_b b = 1$ , so this gives us
 
$$\lfloor \log_b \lfloor b \rfloor \rfloor = \lfloor 1 \rfloor = 1$$
- Now, using (4) from earlier,  $\neg P(b) \Rightarrow b \notin \mathbb{Z}$
- Now,  $\lfloor b \rfloor \leq b$  of course, and  $\lfloor b \rfloor \in \mathbb{Z}$ , but  $b \notin \mathbb{Z}$ , so  $\lfloor b \rfloor < b$
- so  $\lfloor b \rfloor \neq b$
- Then because the log function is monotonically increasing, we have
 
$$\log_b \lfloor b \rfloor < \log_b b$$
- We have  $\log_b b = 1$ , so we get  $\log_b \lfloor b \rfloor < 1$

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 for all real  $x \geq 1$ .

- By property 3.7a then,  $\lfloor \log_b \lfloor b \rfloor \rfloor < 1$  which contradicts the previously derived
- This completes the proof of part II.
- Thus, we have proved that:  
The necessary and sufficient condition on the real number  $b > 1$  such that  $\lfloor \log_b \lfloor x \rfloor \rfloor = \lfloor \log_b x \rfloor$ , for all real  $x \geq 1$ .  
is that  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$   
That is,  $b$  must be an integer.