

# S MNOŽINAMI OKOLO SVETA

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## **Příklad:**

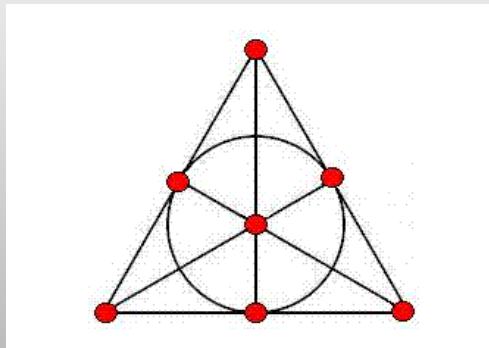
$$G = \mathbb{Z}_7 = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}.$$

$$\text{Množina } D = \{1, 2, 4\} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_7$$

$$\begin{array}{lll} 2 - 1 = \mathbf{1} & 4 - 2 = \mathbf{2} & 4 - 1 = \mathbf{3} \\ 1 - 4 = \mathbf{4} & 2 - 4 = \mathbf{5} & 1 - 2 = \mathbf{6} \end{array}$$

$D$  je  $(7, 3, 1)$  diferenčná množina.

Je to aj  $(7, 3, 1)$  dizajn.



## **Příklad:**

$$G = \mathbb{Z}_{11} = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}.$$

$$\text{Množina } S = \{1, 3, 9, 5, 4\} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_{11}$$

Multimnožina:

$$\begin{aligned} D(S) &= \{9, 3, 7, 8, 2, 5, 9, 10, 8, 6, 4, 5, 4, 2, 7, 1, 3, 1, 6, 10\} = \\ &= \{1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 4, 4, 5, 5, 6, 6, 7, 7, 8, 8, 9, 9, 10, 10\} \end{aligned}$$

Teda  $S$  je  $(11, 5, 2)$  diferenčná množina.

- ▶ *klasický* kombinatorický koncept
- ▶ *symetrické dizajny*
- ▶ diferenčné množiny sa používajú pri kódovaní na konštrukciu vector codebook

## Construction

Let  $\lambda$  be a positive integer.

Take  $\{M_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  to be the sequence of subsets of  $\mathbb{N}$  defined recursively as follows :

1.  $M_1 = \{ m_0, m_0 + 1 \}$ , where  $m_0$  is an arbitrary element of  $\mathbb{N}$ ;
- 2.

$$M_{n+1} = M_n \cup \{2(k+1), 2(k+1) + j\}$$

where  $k = \max M_n$  and  $j$  is the smallest positive integer which appears in  $D(M_n)$  fewer than  $\lambda$  times

Then, the set

$$M_\lambda = \bigcup \{M_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

is a  $\lambda$ -difference set on  $\mathbb{N}$ .



- ▶ všetky *nové* rozdiely sú väčšie ako staré
- ▶ nové rozdiely sa objavia *nanajvýš* 2 krát
- ▶ Táto konštrukcia funguje vďaka odľáčaniu problémov ďaleko

## Definition

Let  $\Lambda$  be a sequence of nonnegative integers

$$\{\lambda_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}.$$

A  $\Lambda$ -generalized difference set  $S$  is a subset of  $\mathbb{N}$  such that each positive integer  $i$  appears as a difference  $s - s'$  of elements from  $S$  exactly  $\lambda_i$  times.

Sequence  $\Lambda$  is called the *frequency sequence* of  $S$ .

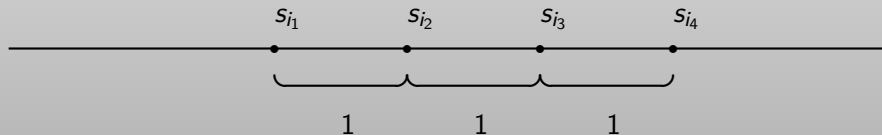


# Non-Existing Example

Uvažujme postupnosť:

$$\Lambda = \{3, 1, 1, 1, \dots\}$$

**Prípad 1.**



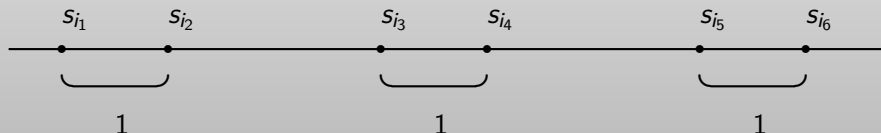
$$\Lambda = \{3, 1, 1, 1, \dots\}$$

**Prípád 2.**



$$\Lambda = \{3, 1, 1, 1, \dots\}$$

**Prípád 3.**



## Theorem

*Let  $\Lambda = \{\lambda_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of positive integers such that  $\lambda_i \geq 2$  for all but finitely many  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then there exists a generalized difference set  $S$  of type  $\Lambda$ .*

## Vynechané:

$\Lambda$ 's that contain infinitely many entries equal to 1

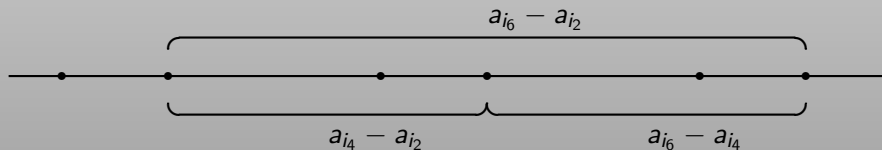
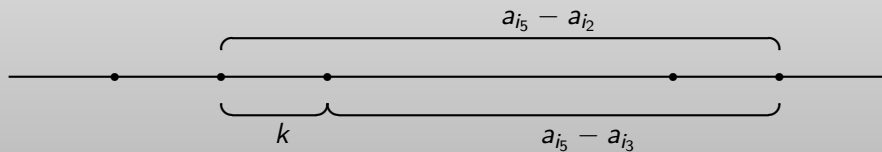
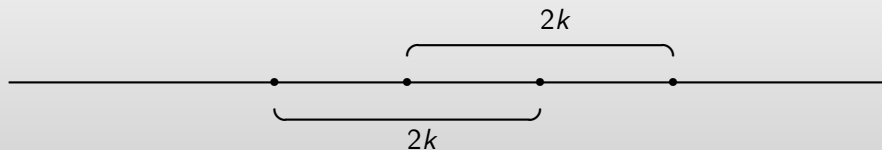
- ▶ the sequences  $\Lambda$  with infinitely many  $\lambda_i = 1$  but only finitely many  $\lambda_i \geq 2$
- ▶ the sequences  $\Lambda$  with infinitely many  $\lambda_i = 1$  as well as infinitely many  $\lambda_i \geq 2$ .

## Theorem (TJ, R.Jajcay)

*Let  $\Lambda = \{\lambda_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$  be a frequency sequence consisting entirely of 1's and 2's, containing infinitely many 2's. Then there exists a generalized difference set  $D$  of type  $\Lambda$ .*

# Príklad:

$$\Delta = \{3, 1, 3, 1, 3, 1, \dots\}$$



# Example

$$\Delta = \{1, 3, 1, 3, 1, 3, \dots\}$$



## Theorem (Swara Kopparty)

Let  $\Lambda = \{\lambda_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$  be a frequency sequence consisting of 0's and 1's containing only finitely many 0's. Then there exists a generalized difference set  $S$  of type  $\Lambda$ .



## Theorem (Martin Štefaňák)

*“Triangular algorithm” for finite frequency sequences.*

# Density questions

$s_n$  grows very fast with respect to  $n$

In all the sequences we have constructed so far

$$s_n \geq 2^{n/2}$$

So all the sequences constructed so far have an **exponential growth**.  
On the other hand, the obvious lower bound gives

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{2} \leq \sum_{i=1}^{s_n-1} \lambda_i.$$

$$\Lambda = \{1, 1, 1, 1, \dots\}$$

$$n(n-1)/2 < s_n$$

Any generalized difference set of type  $\{1, 1, 1, \dots\}$  has to grow at the magnitude  $\Omega(n^2)$

# Greedy Construction

Let  $\Lambda = \{\lambda_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of positive integers, and let  $\{M_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of subsets of  $\mathbb{N}$  defined recursively as follows :

1.  $M_1 = \{m_1, m_1 + 1\}$ , where  $m_1$  is an arbitrary positive integer;
2. let  $j$  be the smallest positive integer that appears in  $Df(M_n)$  less than  $\lambda_j$  times, the set  $M_{n+1}$  is defined from the set  $M_n$  by setting

$$M_{n+1} = M_n \cup \{m_{n+1}, m_{n+1} + j\},$$

where  $m_{n+1}$  is the *smallest* positive integer not belonging to  $M_n$  and satisfying the property  $\Lambda(M_n \cup \{m_{n+1}, m_{n+1} + j\}) \leq \Lambda$ .

A computer run for  $S_\Lambda$ , with  $\Lambda = \{1, 1, 1, 1, \dots\}$ , appears to indicate the rate of growth of about  $n^4$ .

# Supergreedy Construction

Let  $\Lambda = \{\lambda_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of positive integers, and let  $\{S_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of subsets of  $\mathbb{N}$  defined recursively as follows :

1.  $S_1 = \{s_1\}$ , where  $s_1$  is an arbitrary positive integer;
2. the set  $S_{n+1}$  is defined from the set  $S_n$  by setting

$$S_{n+1} = S_n \cup \{s_{n+1}\},$$

where  $s_{n+1}$  is the *smallest* positive integer not belonging to  $S_n$  that satisfies the property  $\Lambda(S_n \cup \{s_{n+1}\}) \leq \Lambda$ .

Then  $S_{\Lambda} = \bigcup \{S_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ .

# Supergreedy Construction

- ▶ The differences are not constructed successively in an increasing order
- ▶ The rate of growth is the “slowest possible”, at least at the beginning
- ▶ There is no guarantee, that the differences that are being skipped will eventually be filled



# Supergreedy Construction

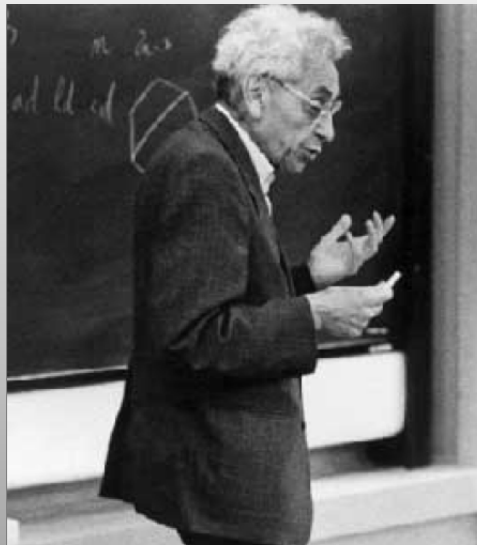
- ▶ In a computer simulation, we computed the first elements of  $S_\Lambda$ ,  $\Lambda = \{1, 1, 1, 1, \dots\}$ .  
In a computation up to  $s_i \geq 10,000,000$ , the smallest difference that was still missing was 33.
- ▶ **It is however impossible to draw any conclusions** – there were several other small numbers missing, but when we got all the way up to  $s_i \geq 1,000,000$ , they were filled.
- ▶ We do not know at this point, *whether the supergreedy algorithm constructs the desired generalized difference set.*
- ▶ pekná práca Ivany Kellyérovej

# Príbuzný problém Paula Erdős

Počas Erdősovej návštevy v Lincolne, NE, Paul Erdős zadal nasledujúci problém:

Let  $S$  be a set of integers, and let  $r_i$  denote the number of different ways in which the positive integer  $i$  appears as a **SUM** of two (not necessarily distinct) elements from  $S$ .

*Is there a set  $S$  with the property  $r_i \geq 1$ , for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ , such that  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} r_i < \infty$  ?*





## Theorem (TJ, R. Jajcay)

*There exists a set of integers  $S$  such that each positive number appears as a sum of two elements from  $S$  exactly once.*

## Construction

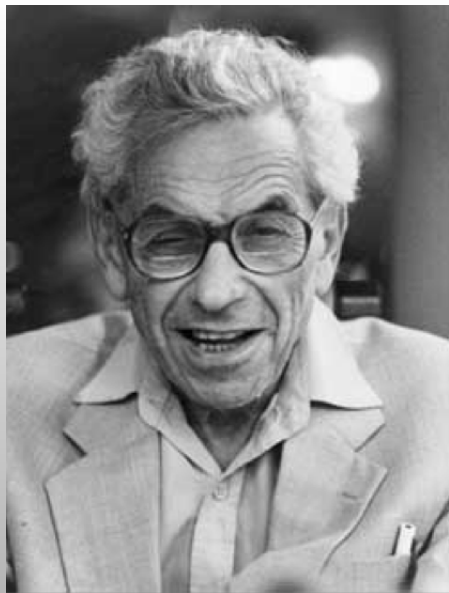
1.  $A_1 = \{0, 1\}$ ;
2. let  $j$  be the smallest positive integer that does not appear as a sum of two elements from  $A_n$ , then the set  $A_{n+1}$  is defined from the set  $A_n$  by setting

$$A_{n+1} = A_n \cup \{a_{n+1} + j, -a_{n+1}\},$$

where  $a_{n+1} = 4 \cdot \max\{|a_i| \mid a_i \in A_n\} + 1$ .

Denote  $S = \bigcup\{A_n \mid n \in \mathcal{N}\}$ .

“But I meant to say that  $S$  is a set of positive integers”





# Problem of Erdős - Correct Version

Let  $S$  be a set of **positive** integers, and let  $r_i$  denote the number of different ways in which the positive integer  $i$  appears as a **SUM** of two (not necessarily distinct) elements from  $S$ .

*Is there a set  $S$  with the property  $r_i \geq 1$ , for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ , such that  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} r_i < \infty$  ?*

