

The doubles of a numerical semigroup

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First definitions

Definition

A numerical semigroup is a subset of \mathbb{N} (nonnegative integers) that is closed under addition, contains the zero element, and has finite complement in \mathbb{N} .

Definition

$\frac{S}{p} = \{x \in \mathbb{N} \mid px \in S\}$ is the quotient of S by p .

- $\frac{S}{2}$ is the half of S
- $\frac{S}{4}$ is the quarter of S
- S is a double of $\frac{S}{2}$

Sets of doubles

Definition

Set of doubles of a numerical semigroup.

$$D(S) = \left\{ \bar{S} \mid \frac{\bar{S}}{2} = S \right\}$$

Definition

Set of doubles of a numerical semigroup with fixed smallest odd integer.

$$D_m(S) = \left\{ \bar{S} \in D(S) \mid m \text{ is the smallest odd integer of } \bar{S} \right\}$$

More notation

- $G(S)$ is the set of element of $\mathbb{N} \setminus S$: set of gaps of S .
- $g(S)$ is the cardinality of $G(S)$: genus of S or singularity degree of S .
- $F(S)$ is the greatest integer that does not belong to S : Frobenius number of S .

- $A + B = \{a + b \mid a \in A \text{ and } b \in B\}$
- $2A = \{2a \mid a \in A\}$ (not to be confused with $A + A$)

Example

$$S = \{0, 3, 5, 6, 8, \rightarrow\} = \{0, 3, 5, 6\} \cup \{z \in \mathbb{Z} \mid z \geq 8\}$$

$$\frac{S}{2} = \left\{ \frac{0}{2}, \frac{6}{2}, \frac{8}{2}, \rightarrow \right\} = \{0, 3, \rightarrow\}$$

$$\frac{S}{4} = \left\{ \frac{0}{4}, \frac{8}{4}, \rightarrow \right\} = \{0, 2, \rightarrow\}$$

$$G(S) = \{1, 2, 4, 7\}$$

$$g(S) = 4$$

$$F(S) = 7$$

"Basic" double

Definition

Let S be a numerical semigroup and let m be an odd integer of S .

$$S(m) = 2S \cup (2S + \{m\})$$

Lemma

Let S be a numerical semigroup and let m be an odd integer of S .

- ① $S(m) \in D_m(S)$.
- ② $S(m) \subseteq \bar{S}$ if $\bar{S} \in D_m(S)$.

Gaps of the "basic" double

Lemma

Let $G(S) = \{h_1 < h_2 < \dots < h_{g(S)}\}$. Then

$$G(S(m)) = G_0(S(m)) \cup G_{m-}(S(m)) \cup G_{m+}(S(m)),$$

where

- 1 $G_0(S(m)) = 2G(S) = \{2h_1 < 2h_2 < \dots < 2h_{g(S)}\};$
- 2 $G_{m-}(S(m)) = \{1, 3, \dots, m-2\};$
- 3 $G_{m+}(S(m)) = 2G(S) + \{m\} = \{2h_1 + m < \dots < 2h_{g(S)} + m\}.$

Example

$$S = \{0, 3, 5, 6, 8, \rightarrow\}, \quad G(S) = \{1, 2, 4, 7\}$$

$$S(5) = 2S \cup (2S + \{5\}) = \{0, 6, 10, 12, 16, \dots\} \cup \{5, 11, 15, 17, 21, \dots\} = \\ \{0, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, \rightarrow\}$$

$$G(S(5)) = \{2, 4, 8, 14\} \cup \{1, 3\} \cup \{7, 9, 13, 19\} = \\ \{1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 13, 14, 19\}$$

Question

What can we remove in $\{7, 9, 13, 19\}$?

m -upper subset

Definition

Let H be a subset of $G(S)$.

We say that H is an m -upper subset of $G(S)$ if it verifies the following conditions

$$(H1) \quad H + \{m\} \subset S \quad (\Leftrightarrow (H + \{m\}) \cap G(S) = \emptyset);$$

$$(H2) \quad H + H + \{m\} \subset S \quad (\Leftrightarrow (H + H + \{m\}) \cap G(S) = \emptyset);$$

$$(H3) \quad \text{if } h \in H, \text{ then } \{g \in G(S) \mid h \leq_S g\} \subseteq H.$$

$$(\text{Order relation in } G(S) : \quad g_1 \leq_S g_2 \Leftrightarrow g_2 - g_1 \in S)$$

Independence of the conditions

Example

$$S = \{0, 3, 5, 6, 8, \rightarrow\}, \quad G(S) = \{1, 2, 4, 7\}$$

$$m = 5$$

- 1 $H = \{2, 7\}$ satisfies (H2) and (H3) but not (H1).
- 2 $H = \{1, 4, 7\}$ satisfies (H1) and (H3) but not (H2).
- 3 $H = \{4\}$ satisfies (H1) and (H2) but not (H3).

In these cases $S(5) \cup (2H + \{5\})$ is not a numerical semigroup.

Central lemma

Lemma

Let S be a numerical semigroup, let m be an odd integer of S , and let H be a subset of $G(S)$. The following conditions are equivalent

- 1 $\bar{S} = S(m) \cup (2H + \{m\}) \in D_m(S)$.
- 2 H is an m -upper subset of $G(S)$.

Definition

$$S(m, H) = S(m) \cup (2H + \{m\}) = S \cup (S + \{m\}) \cup (2H + \{m\})$$

$$S(m) = S(m, \emptyset)$$

Example

$$S = \{0, 3, 5, 6, 8, \rightarrow\}, \quad G(S) = \{1, 2, 4, 7\}$$

$$m = 5$$

- ① $S(5, \emptyset) = S(5) = \{0, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, \rightarrow\}$.
- ② $S(5, \{7\}) = S(5) \cup (2\{7\} + \{5\}) = \{0, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12, 15, \rightarrow\}$.
- ③ $S(5, \{4, 7\}) = S(5) \cup (2\{4, 7\} + \{5\})$
 $= \{0, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, \rightarrow\}$.

These are all the elements of $D_5(S)$.

Description of $D_m(S)$

Theorem

Let S be a numerical semigroup and $m \in S$ an odd integer. Then

$$D_m(S) = \{S(m, H) \mid H \text{ is } m\text{-upper subset of } G(S)\}.$$

Moreover, $S(m_i, H_i) = S(m_j, H_j)$ if and only if $m_i = m_j$ and $H_i = H_j$.

Remark

- 1 Each double \bar{S} has a unique smallest odd integer, m .
- 2 \bar{S} can be in only one set $D_m(S)$.
- 3 $\{D_m(S) \mid m \in S \text{ is odd}\}$ is a partition of $D(S)$.

$\mathcal{H} = G(\mathcal{S})?$

Proposition

$G(\mathcal{S})$ is an m -subset of $G(\mathcal{S})$ if and only if $m > F(\mathcal{S})$.

Remark

- 1 If $\bar{S} \in D_m(\mathcal{S})$ and $G(\mathcal{S})$ is an m -upper subset of $G(\mathcal{S})$ then $\bar{S} \subseteq S(m, G(\mathcal{S}))$.
- 2 $G_{m+}(S(m, G(\mathcal{S}))) = \emptyset$.
- 3 $S(m, G(\mathcal{S})) = 2S \cup (2\mathbb{N} + \{m\})$.

Singularity degree

Lemma

- $G_0(S(m, H)) = 2G(S) = \{2h_1 < 2h_2 < \dots < 2h_{g(S)}\}$;
- $G_{m-}(S(m, H)) = \{1, 3, \dots, m-2\}$;
- $G_{m+}(S(m, H)) = 2(G(S) \setminus H) + \{m\}$.

$$S(m, H) = S \cup (S + \{m\}) \cup (2H + \{m\})$$

Proposition

$$g(S(m, H)) = 2g(S) + \frac{m-1}{2} - \#H.$$

Frobenius number

Proposition

① $H \neq G(S)$,

$$F(S(m, H)) = \max \{2F(S), 2(\max(G(S) \setminus H)) + m\}.$$

② $H = G(S)$,

$$F(S(m, H)) = \max \{2F(S), m - 2\}.$$

Corollary

$$F(S) \notin H \Rightarrow F(S(m, H)) = 2F(S) + m.$$

Example

$$S = \{0, 3, 5, 6, 8, \rightarrow\}, \quad G(S) = \{1, 2, 4, 7\}, \quad m = 5$$

- 1 $S(5, \emptyset) = \{0, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, \rightarrow\}$.
 - 1 $G(S(5, \emptyset)) = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 13, 14, 19\}$, $g(S(5, \emptyset)) = 10$.
 - 2 $F(S(5, \emptyset)) = 2 \times 7 + 5 = 19$.
- 2 $S(5, \{7\}) = \{0, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12, 15, \rightarrow\}$.
 - 1 $G(S(5, \{7\})) = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 13, 14\}$, $g(S(5, \{7\})) = 9$.
 - 2 $F(S(5, \{7\})) = \max\{2 \times 7, 2 \times 4 + 5\} = 14$.
- 3 $S(5, \{4, 7\}) = \{0, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, \rightarrow\}$.
 - 1 $G(S(5, \{4, 7\})) = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 14\}$, $g(S(5, \{4, 7\})) = 8$.
 - 2 $F(S(5, \{4, 7\})) = \max\{2 \times 7, 2 \times 2 + 5\} = 14$.

Definitions

Definition

S is symmetric if

$$x \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus S \Rightarrow F(S) - x \in S.$$

Definition

S is pseudo-symmetric if $F(S)$ is even and

$$x \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus S \Rightarrow F(S) - x \in S \text{ or } 2x = F(S).$$

Definition

S is equilibrated if $g_0(S) = g_1(S)$.

$$(g_0(S) = \#\{h \in G(S) \mid h \text{ is even}\}; \quad g_1(S) = \#\{h \in G(S) \mid h \text{ is odd}\})$$

Half and quarter of numerical semigroups

Proposition

- 1 *Every numerical semigroup is one half of infinitely many symmetric ones.*
- 2 *Every numerical semigroup is one half of an equilibrated one.*
- 3 *Every symmetric numerical semigroup is one half of an equilibrated pseudo-symmetric one.*
- 4 *Every numerical semigroup is one quarter of infinitely many equilibrated pseudo-symmetric ones.*

Symmetric numerical semigroups

Definition

S is symmetric if

$$x \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus S \Rightarrow F(S) - x \in S.$$

Lemma

- 1 S symmetric $\Rightarrow F(S)$ odd.
- 2 S is symmetric $\Leftrightarrow g(S) = \frac{F(S)+1}{2}$.

Symmetric numerical semigroups

Definition

Set of gaps of second type.

$$H_2(S) = \{x \in G(S) \mid F(S) - x \in G(S)\}$$

Lemma

$$\#H_2(S) = 2g(S) - F(S) - 1$$

Proposition

If $H_2(S)$ is an m -upper subset of $G(S)$ then

$S(m, H_2(S))$ is a symmetric numerical semigroup.

Symmetric numerical semigroups

Lemma

$H_2(S)$ is an m -upper subset of $G(S)$ if $m > F(S)$.

Example

① $S = \{0, 4, 5, 7, \rightarrow\}$, $G(S) = \{1, 2, 3, 6\}$, $F(S) = 6$

$H_2(S) = \{3\}$ is a 5-upper subset of $G(S)$.

② $S = \{0, 4, 5, 8, \rightarrow\}$, $G(S) = \{1, 2, 3, 6, 7\}$, $F(S) = 7$

$H_2(S) = \{1, 6\}$ is not a 5-upper subset of $G(S)$.

Corollary

Every numerical semigroup is one half of infinitely many symmetric ones.

Equilibrated pseudo-symmetric numerical semigroups

Definition

S is pseudo-symmetric if $F(S)$ is even and

$$x \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus S \Rightarrow F(S) - x \in S \text{ or } 2x = F(S).$$

Definition

S is equilibrated if

$$g_0(S) = g_1(S).$$

$$(g_0(S) = \#\{h \in G(S) \mid h \text{ is even}\}; \quad g_1(S) = \#\{h \in G(S) \mid h \text{ is odd}\})$$

Equilibrated pseudo-symmetric numerical semigroups

Lemma

- ① S is pseudo-symmetric $\Leftrightarrow g(S) = \frac{F(S)+2}{2}$.
- ② S is equilibrated $\Leftrightarrow g(S) = 2g\left(\frac{S}{2}\right)$.

Proposition

$\bar{S} = S(2g(S) + 1, G(S))$ is an equilibrated pseudo-symmetric numerical semigroup.

Moreover, $F(\bar{S}) = 2F(S)$ and $g(\bar{S}) = 2g(S)$.

Corollary

Every numerical semigroup is one half of an equilibrated one.

Equilibrated pseudo-symmetric numerical semigroups

Lemma

S is symmetric $\Leftrightarrow S(2g(S) + 1, G(S))$ is pseudo-symmetric.

Proposition

Every symmetric numerical semigroup is one half of an equilibrated pseudo-symmetric one.

Corollary

Every numerical semigroup is one quarter of infinitely many equilibrated pseudo-symmetric ones.

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