

On the sumsets of infinite sequences

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Consider a set $A = \{a_1 < a_2 < \dots < a_n < \dots\}$. Then $S_A := \{\sum_{x \in B} x : B \subset A, |B| = \text{finite}\}$,
 $lA := \{a_{i_1} + a_{i_2} + \dots + a_{i_l}\}$, and $l^*A := \{\sum_{a \in B} a : B \subset A, |B| \leq l\}$.

Suppose $A \subset \mathbb{Z}_p = \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$.

$$|A + A| \geq \max\{p, |A| + |A| - 1\}$$

Define $A(n)$ to be the number of elements of A not exceeding n . If A is the set of squares, then $A(n) \leq \sqrt{n}$.

We say that A is *complete* if S_A contains all large enough numbers. A is *subcomplete* if S_A contains an infinite arithmetic progression.

Conjecture 0.1. Erdős (1962): Assume A satisfies:

- (1) $A(n) > C\sqrt{n}$
- (2) the intersection of S_A with any infinite arithmetic progression is nonempty.

Then A is complete.

Conjecture 0.2. Folkman: Assume A satisfies: $A(n) > C\sqrt{n}$. Then A is subcomplete.

Conjecture 0.3. Erdős: Assume A satisfies: $A(n) > n^{\frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}}$. Then A is subcomplete.

Conjecture 0.4. Folkman: Assume A satisfies: $A(n) > n^{\frac{1}{2}+\epsilon}$. Then A is subcomplete.

Theorem 0.5. Hegyvári, Luczak, Shoen: If $A(n) \geq n^{\frac{1}{2}}\sqrt{\log n}$ then A is subcomplete.

Theorem 0.6. Van H. Vu: If $A(n) \geq c \cdot n^{\frac{1}{2}}$ then A is subcomplete.

Conjecture 0.7. If $A \subseteq [0, n]$ and $|A| \geq 2\sqrt{n}$ then S_A contains arithmetic progressions of length n .

Theorem 0.8. (Bourgain): Suppose $A \subset [0, n]$, and $|A| \geq \gamma n$. Then $A + A$ contains an arithmetic progression of length $e^{\sqrt{\log n}}$.

Theorem 0.9. (Green): Suppose $A \subset [0, n]$, and $|A| \geq \gamma n$. Then $A + A$ contains an arithmetic progression of length $e^{\log n^{\frac{2}{3}}}$.

Theorem 0.10. (Halberstam, Ruzsa, Freiman): Suppose $A \subset [0, n]$ and $|A| = \gamma n$ with $\gamma < \frac{1}{\log n}$. Then $|A + A + A| \geq n^{\frac{7}{6}}$.

Theorem 0.11. (Ruzsa): There exists some m , and some $A \subset [0, n]$, so that $|A| \geq \gamma n$, but $A + A$ does not contain an arithmetic progression of length $e^{\log n^{1-\epsilon}}$. Here ϵ is dependent on γ .

Theorem 0.12. (G. Freiman, A. Sarkozy): $l|A| \geq kn \Rightarrow lA$ contains arithmetic progressions $\geq |l| |A|$.

$l^*A, |l| |A| \geq \log n \cdot n \Rightarrow lA$ contains arithmetic progressions $\geq |l| |A|$.

Theorem 0.13. (Van Vu, Szemerédi)

$l|A| \geq kn \Rightarrow l^* |A|$ contains arithmetic progressions $\geq n$.