

# The Frobenius Number of Balanced Numerical Semigroups

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# Overview

We will discuss the algebraic structure known as a numerical semigroup and definitions related to them.

We will investigate the Frobenius number of balanced numerical semigroups.

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$$23 = 7 \cdot 5 - 7 - 5$$

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A subset  $S$  of  $\mathbb{N}$  closed under addition, containing zero, and having a largest integer not in  $S$

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$a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  are called generators

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# Frobenius Number

Frobenius Number: largest integer not in  $S$

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$$F(S) = 15$$

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# Known Results

- "It would be nice to have a finite set of formulas which covers all possible cases for computing  $F(S)$ . Unfortunately, no such collection of formulas has been found and probably does not exist at all."
- 'The exact solutions to the Frobenius problem with three variables' by Mihaly Hujter and Bela Vizvri; J. Ramanujan Math. Soc. 2 (1987)

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- Arithmetic sequence  $S = \langle a, ma + d, ma + 2d, \dots, ma + kd \rangle$  (Lewin 1975)  

$$F(S) = m \cdot a \cdot (1 + \lfloor \frac{a-d}{k} \rfloor) + (d-1)(a-1) - 1$$
- $S = \langle a_1, \dots, a_n \rangle$  (not necessarily in ascending order) and let  $d = \gcd\{a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}\}$  (Brauer and Schockley 1962)  

$$F(S) = d \cdot F(\langle \frac{a_1}{d}, \dots, \frac{a_{n-1}}{d}, a_n \rangle) + (d-1)a_n$$
- $S = \langle a_1, a_2, a_3 \rangle$  and  $a_i | (a_1 + a_2 + a_3)$  for some  $i = 2, 3$  (Brauer and Schockley 1962)  

$$F(S) = -a_1 + \max_{i=2,3} \{ a_i \cdot \lfloor \frac{a_1 \cdot a_{5-i}}{a_2 + a_3} \rfloor \}$$

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or: all elements in  $S$  that can only be made without  $a_1$

Note:  $\text{Max}(Ap(S)) - a_1 = F(S)$

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$$\begin{aligned} p < q \text{ and } \gcd(p, q) &= 1 \\ \gcd(D, n) &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$D \geq 1 \text{ and } 1 \leq n < \frac{p+q}{2}D$$

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$$(0, 1, 0, 1) < (0, 0, 1, 1), \text{ so}$$

$$F(S) = (0, 0, 1, 1) - 8 = 11 + 12 - 8 = 15$$

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# Future Research

Future research:

Expand proof into smaller values of  $D$

Develop new formula for very small values of  $D$

Balanced numerical semigroups with 6, 8, 10 or more generators

# Questions

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# Thanks

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Example:  $p = 2, q = 9, D = 8$ , and  $n = 1$

$$k \in \{-5, -4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$$

$k = -3$

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But ... results are the same for all values of  $k$

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Relations give us elements of  $Ap(S)$

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# $Max(Ap(S))$

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$$(A) \quad (0, 0, 0, \alpha), \alpha = p - 1$$

$$(C_0) \quad (0, \kappa_0, 0, 0), \kappa_0 = \frac{qD}{p+q} + \frac{pk}{p+q} + a - 1$$

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# D Ranges

Middle  $k$  Values:

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## Problem - Smaller $k$

The relations  $C_i, \dots, C_{p-1}$  have invalid  $a_1$  values

$$t_{C_i} = 0 \text{ for } i = \frac{ap+aq+n}{p} + k$$

Can repair with relation ( $B$ )

$$(1, 0, -1, 1) = (0, 1, 0, 0)$$

# Relations Among the Generators - Smaller $k$

$$(A) \quad (q, 0, 0, 0) = (0, 0, 0, p)$$

$$(C_0) \quad \left( \frac{ap+aq+n}{p} + k, 0, \frac{pD}{p+q} - \frac{pk}{p+q} - a, 0 \right) \\ = \left( 0, \frac{qD}{p+q} + \frac{pk}{p+q} + a, 0, 0 \right)$$

$$(D_0) \quad \left( q - \frac{ap+aq+n}{p} - k + p, \frac{qD}{p+q} + \frac{pk}{p+q} + a - p, 0, 0 \right) \\ = \left( 0, \frac{pD}{p+q} - \frac{pk}{p+q} - a + p, 0 \right)$$

...

$$(C_i^*) \quad \left( \frac{ap+aq+n}{p} + k - i + 1, 0, \frac{pD}{p+q} - \frac{pk}{p+q} - a + i - 1, 1 \right) \\ = \left( 0, \frac{qD}{p+q} + \frac{pk}{p+q} + a - i + 1, 0, i \right)$$

...

$$(C_{p-1}^*) \quad \left( \frac{ap+aq+n}{p} + k - i + 1, 0, \frac{pD}{p+q} - \frac{pk}{p+q} - a + i - 1, p - i \right) \\ = \left( 0, \frac{qD}{p+q} + \frac{pk}{p+q} + a - i + 1, 0, p - 1 \right)$$

$$(D_{p-1}) \quad \left( q - \frac{ap+aq+n}{p} - k + 1, \frac{qD}{p+q} + \frac{pk}{p+q} + a - 1, 0, 0 \right) \\ = \left( 0, \frac{pD}{p+q} - \frac{pk}{p+q} - a + 1, p - 1 \right)$$

# Apery Set - Smaller $k$

The Apery Set can be represented as before

But we have duplicates and invalid elements as below:

$$(C_i) \quad \left(0, 0, \frac{pD}{p+q} - \frac{k}{p+q} - a + i, j\right) \\ = \left(0, \frac{qD}{p+q} + \frac{k}{p+q} + a - i, 0, i + j\right), j \in \{0, \dots, p - i - 1\}$$

$$(C_{i+1}) \quad \left(0, 0, \frac{pD}{p+q} - \frac{k}{p+q} - a + i + 1, j\right) \\ = \left(1, \frac{qD}{p+q} + \frac{k}{p+q} + a - i + 1, 0, i + 1 + j\right), j \in \{0, \dots, p - i - 2\}$$

...

$$(C_{p-1}) \quad \left(0, 0, \frac{pD}{p+q} - \frac{k}{p+q} - a + p - 1, j\right) \\ = \left(p - i, \frac{qD}{p+q} + \frac{k}{p+q} + a - p + 1, 0, p - 1 + j\right), j \in \{0\}$$



## Problem - Larger $k$

The relations  $D_i, \dots, D_{p-1}$  have invalid  $a_1$  values

$$t_{D_i} = 0 \text{ for } i = q - \frac{ap+aq+n}{p} - k + p$$

Can repair with relation ( $B$ )

$$(1, -1, 0, 1) = (0, 0, 1, 0)$$

# Relations Among the Generators - Larger $k$

$$(A) \quad (q, 0, 0, 0) = (0, 0, 0, p)$$

$$(C_0) \quad \left( \frac{ap+aq+n}{p} + k, 0, \frac{pD}{p+q} - \frac{pk}{p+q} - a, 0 \right) \\ = \left( 0, \frac{qD}{p+q} + \frac{pk}{p+q} + a, 0, 0 \right)$$

$$(D_0) \quad \left( q - \frac{ap+aq+n}{p} - k + p, \frac{qD}{p+q} + \frac{pk}{p+q} + a - p, 0, 0 \right) \\ = \left( 0, 0, \frac{pD}{p+q} - \frac{pk}{p+q} - a + p, 0 \right)$$

...

$$(D_i^*) \quad \left( q - \frac{ap+aq+n}{p} - k + p - i + 1, \frac{qD}{p+q} + \frac{pk}{p+q} + a - p + i - 1, 0, 1 \right) \\ = \left( 0, 0, \frac{pD}{p+q} - \frac{pk}{p+q} - a + p - i + 1, i \right)$$

...

$$(C_{p-1}) \quad \left( \frac{ap+aq+n}{p} + k - p + 1, 0, \frac{pD}{p+q} - \frac{pk}{p+q} - a + p - 1, 0 \right) \\ = \left( 0, \frac{qD}{p+q} + \frac{pk}{p+q} + a - p + 1, 0, p - 1 \right)$$

$$(D_{p-1}^*) \quad \left( q - \frac{ap+aq+n}{p} - k + p - i + 1, \frac{qD}{p+q} + \frac{pk}{p+q} + a - p + i - 1, 0, p - i \right) \\ = \left( 0, 0, \frac{pD}{p+q} - \frac{pk}{p+q} - a + p - i + 1, p - 1 \right)$$

# Apéry Set - Larger $k$

The Apéry Set can be represented as before

But we have duplicates and invalid elements as below:

$$(D_i) \quad \left(0, \frac{qD}{p+q} + \frac{k}{p+q} + a - p + i, 0, j\right) \\ = \left(0, 0, \frac{pD}{p+q} - \frac{k}{p+q} - a + p - i, i + j\right), j \in \{0, \dots, p - i - 1\}$$

$$(D_{i+1}) \quad \left(0, \frac{qD}{p+q} + \frac{k}{p+q} + a - p + i + 1, 0, j\right) \\ = \left(1, 0, \frac{pD}{p+q} - \frac{k}{p+q} - a + p - i - 1, i + 1 + j\right), j \in \{0, \dots, p - i - 2\}$$

...

$$(D_{p-1}) \quad \left(0, \frac{qD}{p+q} + \frac{k}{p+q} + a - 1, 0, j\right) \\ = \left(p - i, 0, \frac{pD}{p+q} - \frac{k}{p+q} - a + 1, p - 1 + j\right), j \in \{0\}$$

# Frobenius Number

Smaller  $k$  Values:

$$k < p - \frac{ap+aq+n}{p} + \frac{n}{d}$$

$$\text{Max}(Ap(S)) = (0, 0, \delta_{p-1}, p-1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} F(S) &= \delta_{p-1} a_3 + (p-1) a_4 - a_1 \\ &= (pq - p - q) D + (qD - n) \left( \frac{pD - pk}{p+q} - a \right) \end{aligned}$$

Larger  $k$  Values:

$$k > p - \frac{ap+aq+n}{p} + \frac{n}{d}$$

$$\text{Max}(Ap(S)) = (0, \kappa_{p-1}, 0, p-1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} F(S) &= \kappa_{p-1} a_2 + (p-1) a_4 - a_1 \\ &= (pq - p - q) D + (pD + n) \left( \frac{qD + pk}{p+q} + a - p \right) \end{aligned}$$

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