

$\beta\mathbb{N}$  universal topological space (compactification of  $\mathbb{N}$ ).

P.S. Aleksandrov:  $\mathbb{R} \cup \{\pm\infty\}$ ,  $\mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}$ ,  $\mathbb{Z} \cup \{\pm\infty\}$ ,  $\mathbb{Z} \cup \{\infty\}$   
are compact.

Riemann sphere is a compactification

Ex: the Riemann sphere correspondence is conformal (preserves angle)



$$\frac{az+b}{cz+d}$$

$\beta\mathbb{N}$ : Stone-Čech compactification.

Hindman's Theorem: For any finite coloring  $\mathbb{N} = \bigcup_{i=1}^r C_i$ , one  $C_i$  contains

$$FS((n_i)_{i=1}^{\infty}) = \{n_{i_1} + \dots + n_{i_k} ; i_1 < \dots < i_k, k \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

Ex: Hindman's  $\iff \forall$  finite coloring  $FS(n_i)_{i=1}^{\infty} = \bigcup_{i=1}^r C_i$ , one  $C_i$  contains  $FS(m_i)_{i=1}^{\infty}$

Color density  
Van  $\leftrightarrow$  Szemerédi

Hindman  $\leftrightarrow$  ???

Schur  $\longleftrightarrow$

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one color contains  $x, y, x+y$   $\Rightarrow \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , if  $p \in \mathbb{P}$  is large enough then  $x^n + y^n \equiv z^n \pmod{p}$  is nontrivially solvable

Exercise:  $\forall A = FS(n_i)_{i=1}^{\infty}$ ,  $A \cap k\mathbb{N} \neq \emptyset \quad \forall k$ .

Consider  $x_1, x_1+x_2, \dots, x_1+x_2+\dots+x_{k+1}$ . pigeonhole & subtract.

Exercise: (Erdős's question) is it true that any  $A \subseteq \mathbb{N}$  w/  $d(A) > 0$  contains a shift of  $FS(n_i)_{i=1}^{\infty}$  ( $\equiv$  IP-set)? No. Moreover,  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$

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there is  $A \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ ,  $d(A) > 1-\varepsilon$ , s.t.  $A$  does not contain a shift of IP-set.

Hint: take large  $n$ . remove all multiples of  $n!$  from  $\mathbb{N}$ . then take a higher  $k > n$ , remove  $(k! \pm 1)$  multiples (do it a little carefully)

Exercise: Call  $A \subseteq \mathbb{N}$  IP\* set if  $A \cap FS(n_i)_{i=1}^{\infty} \neq \emptyset$  for all  $n_i \nearrow \infty$ .

if  $A_1, A_2$  are IP\*, then  $A_1 \cap A_2$  is also IP\*.

Example of IP\*:  $B-B$  where  $d^*(B) > 0$ .

Facts: 1.  $\beta\mathbb{N}$  is compact

2.  $\mathbb{N} \subset \beta\mathbb{N}$  and  $\bar{\mathbb{N}} = \beta\mathbb{N}$

3.  $|\beta\mathbb{N}| = 2^c$

4.  $\beta\mathbb{N}$  is not metrizable

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ex:  $\mu(A) = \begin{cases} 1 & 1 \in A \\ 0 & 1 \notin A \end{cases}$

$A: \delta(A) = 1$

on  $\beta\mathbb{N}$ , extension of  $+$  is heavily non commutative.

$n\alpha \bmod 1$  is dense in  $[0,1]$ . take  $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{10}$ , take 11 element  $\alpha, 2\alpha, \dots, 11\alpha$ .

then  $\underbrace{(i-j)\alpha}_{n_0}$  is  $\varepsilon$ -close to 0 or 1. then take  $n_0\alpha, 2n_0\alpha, 3n_0\alpha, \dots$

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What about  $n^2\alpha \bmod 1$ ? pigeonhole is not good enough.

Use 2-dim v.d.w. (equispaced grid)

$\hookrightarrow \forall$  finite coloring of  $\mathbb{N}^2 = \bigcup_{i=1}^r C_i$

Exercise: verify that if  $n^2\alpha \bmod 1$  gets arbitrarily close to 0 or 1 then  $n^2\alpha$  is dense mod 1.

Now  $m\alpha \bmod 1 \longrightarrow \boxed{\text{++++}} \text{ finite coloring of } \mathbb{N}^2$   
 $\uparrow \quad \uparrow$   
 $c_1 \quad c_r$

now we have  $(n, m \neq 0), (n \neq 0, m \neq 0)$

in one color

$\begin{matrix} * & * \\ (n|m) & (n+d, m) \end{matrix}$

$$(n+d)(m+d) - n(m+d) - m(n+d) - mn = d^2, \text{ so we have a}$$

square  $d^2 \alpha$   $\epsilon$ -close to 0 or 1.

Sapient's sat.

(this  $\delta$  can be chosen from IP-set given in advance)

**Exercise:** use same reasoning to get  $n^3 \alpha$  is dense mod 1.

Cor. of proof (and of the appropriate version of vdw):

$\forall \epsilon > 0, \{n\alpha : \|n\alpha\| < \epsilon\}$  is IP\*  $\leftarrow$  **Remember this for Finkel**

$\uparrow$   
 distance to closest integer.

from well-distribution:

We know  $\{n\alpha : \|n\alpha\| < \epsilon\}$  is syndetic.

$$\frac{1}{N-M} \sum_{n=M}^{N-1} f(n^2 \alpha) \rightarrow \int_0^1 f$$

take  $f = \mathbf{1}_{[0, \epsilon] \cup [1-\epsilon, 1]}$

Defs: U.D., W.P., v.d.C., multidimensional versions, Weyl criterion,

Weyl's polynomial v.d., Fejer, normal #.

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum e^{2\pi i h x_n} \rightarrow 0 \quad \forall h$$

in multi-dim:  $\frac{1}{N} \sum e^{2\pi i \vec{h} \cdot \vec{x}_n} \rightarrow 0 \quad \forall \vec{h} \in \mathbb{N}^2.$

$$A-A \text{ is } \mathbb{R}^*$$

$$\text{know } \mu, \Delta, \sigma, \tau, \phi$$

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$\mu$ -inversion