


Let $p(k)$ be a polynomial of degree d

$$\text{Let } q(n) = \sum_{k=1}^n p(k)$$

Show that q is a polynomial of degree $d+1$
Further $q(0) = 0$

Proof: By strong induction on d .

If $d=0$: $p(k) = c$

$$\therefore \sum_{k=1}^n p(k) = \underbrace{c + c + \dots + c}_n = n \cdot c = c$$

poly in n of degree 1.

• Notice that if the statement is true for
 $p(k) = k^d$, then the statement is true
for $a_d \cdot k^d$; if $\sum_{i=1}^n p(i) = b_{d+1} n^{d+1} + b_d n^d + \dots + b_1 n$ then

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_d \cdot i^d = a_d \sum_{i=1}^n i^d = a_d \cdot b_{d+1} n^{d+1} + a_d \cdot b_d n^d + \dots + a_d \cdot b_1 n$$

• of $p(k) = a_d \cdot k^d + a_{d-1} \cdot k^{d-1} + \dots + a_0$

Then

$\sigma(k) \triangleq p(k) - a_d \cdot k^d$ is a poly of degree $d-1$

$$\therefore \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma(i) = \sum_{i=1}^n p(i) - \sum_{i=1}^n a_d \cdot i^d$$

is a poly of degree $\leq d$

$$\therefore \sum_{i=1}^n p(i) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma(i) + \sum_{i=1}^n a_d \cdot i^d$$

→ we show it for poly $a_d \cdot k^d$

is a poly of degree $d+1$ in n .

poly of degree $d+1$ in n . as required

\therefore E.T.S for $p(k) = k^d$.

We will show by explicit calculation that \exists a poly $z(n)$ of degree $d+1$ in n s.t. $z(n+1) - z(n) = n^d$.

First term $z(0) = 0$.

Then

$$\begin{aligned} 1^d + 2^d + \dots + n^d &= (z(1) - z(0)) + (z(2) - z(1)) + \dots \\ &\quad + (z(n+1) - z(n)) \\ &= z(n+1) - z(0) \\ &= z(n+1) \end{aligned}$$

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To show this:

$$\text{Say } z(n) = a \binom{n}{d+1} + a \binom{n}{d} + \dots + a_1 n.$$

$$z(n+1) - z(n) = a \left[\binom{n+1}{d+1} - \binom{n}{d+1} \right] + a \left[\binom{n+1}{d} - \binom{n}{d} \right] + \dots$$

$$\text{Want this to be } + a_1 [n+1 - n]$$

$$f(n) = a_{d+1} n^{d+1} + a_d n^d + \dots + a_0$$

$$f(n+1) = a_{d+1} (n+1)^{d+1} + a_d (n+1)^d + \dots + a_0$$

$$f(n) = a_{d+1} n^{d+1} + a_d n^d + \dots + a_0$$

$$f(n+1) - f(n) = a_{d+1} \left[(n+1)^{d+1} - n^{d+1} \right] + a_d \left[(n+1)^d - n^d \right] + \dots + a_1 (n+1 - n)$$

$$n^d = a_{d+1} \left[\cancel{n^{d+1}} + \binom{d+1}{1} n^d + \dots + 1 \cdot \cancel{n^{d+1}} \right]$$

$$+ a_d \left[\cancel{n^d} + \binom{d}{1} n^{d-1} + \dots + 1 \cdot \cancel{n^d} \right]$$

+ ...

Want: $a_{d+1} \binom{d+1}{1} = 1 \quad \therefore a_{d+1} = 1/d+1$

$$a_{d+1} \binom{d+1}{2} n^{d-1} + a_d \cdot d n^{d-1} = 0 \cdot n^{d-1}$$

\therefore can solve for a_d ;

$$\frac{1}{d+1} \cdot \frac{\binom{d+1}{2} (d)}{2} + a_d \cdot d = 0 \quad \therefore \underline{a_d = -1/2}$$

*The above finds applications in algebraic geometry.

- The Hilbert function of the coordinate ring of a variety & the Hilbert polynomial.

Let $n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_k = n$.

s.t

$$n_1^2 + \dots + n_k^2 \leq \binom{n-k+1}{2} + k - 1.$$

Pf:

• SHOW THAT:

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{5}{6} \dots \frac{2n-1}{2n} < \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n}}$$

PIGEEON HOLE :

• More than kn marbles are distributed over n jars. Then one jar contains $\geq k+1$ marbles.

• Ex: Bishops on a 8×8 chessboard

• $9, 99, 999, \dots$ \exists an element divisible by 2019

• $S \subseteq \{b \dots 2a\}$; How large can S be

so that $\forall a, b \in S, a \nmid b$

• S a set of n numbers, non negative. There is a subset $T \subseteq S$, s.t. $\sum_{x \in T} x \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$.

• $m+1$ numbers. \Rightarrow a \uparrow subsequence of size $m+1$ or a decreasing " of size $m+1$.

Bishops:

11	11	12	≤	13	≡	14	
≡		≤		≡			
10	≡		≡				
≡		≡					
9	≡						
≡							
8							
4		5		6		7	

- For each odd number $2k-1$, $k=1, 2, \dots, n$

Consider

$$(2k-1, (2k-1) \cdot 2, \dots, (2k-1) \cdot 2^k) \cap [1, \dots, 2n].$$

These are a partition of $[1, \dots, 2n]$. Totally n parts. We can select at most one from each $\therefore n$.

- \uparrow and \downarrow subsequence. a_i
 $\forall i$, consider the ^{largest} largest \uparrow subsequence ending in a_i & the length of the largest \downarrow subsequence d_i ending in a_i (i.e.) $i \rightarrow (l_i, d_i)$.
 Observe that if $i \neq j$, $(l_i, d_i) \neq (l_j, d_j)$

- \therefore If $a_i > a_j$, then d_j is at least $d_i + 1$

If $a_i < a_j$, then l_j is at least $l_i + 1$

Now if $\forall i, l_i \leq m, d_i \leq n$, the total number of pairs (l_i, d_i) is at most mn .
But we have $mn + 1$.