

ΘΕΩΡΙΑ ΑΡΙΘΜΩΝ.— **On sums of like powers of the numbers less than N and prime to N** , by *G. S. Kazandzidis*. * Ἀνεκοινώθη ὑπὸ τοῦ Ἀκαδημαϊκοῦ κ. Ὁ. Πυλαγινῶ.

1. Algebra of C -generalized subsets.

Let C be the ring of common integers and let E be any nonempty set. Iff (if and only if) A is a subset of the cartesian product $C \times E$ exhibiting for every $e \in E$ a unique corresponding pair (α, e) as element, we take A as defining what we call a « C -generalized subset» B of E , where every $e \in E$ appears as many «times» as an element, as the corresponding integer α , whether $\alpha = 0$, $\alpha = \emptyset$, or $\alpha < 0$ and we call this integer α the multiplicity of e in B .

Note: From the point of view of the construction that follows, we consider A as identical with the set of those of its pairs (α, e) for which $\alpha \neq 0$, but the presence of pairs $(0, e)$ provides comfort in exposition; because of this, even when one comes to a set of pairs (α, e) whose second elements e do not cover the whole of E , one thinks of it enriched with the set of pairs $(0, e)$ for the lacking e 's.

Let \mathbf{A} be the set of all subsets of $C \times E$ of the kind considered above and let \mathbf{B} be the set of the C -generalized subsets of E that they define.

For any given $A \in \mathbf{A}$, any given $\lambda \in C$, and (-this provided E be multiplicative with right cancellation-law) any given $u \in E$, we define

(1) the left scalar product λA

(2) the right scalar product Au

respectively as

(1') the set of pairs $(\lambda\alpha, e)$

(2') the set of pairs (α, eu)

taken from the pairs (α, e) of A on multiplication

(1'') of the first elements α by λ

(2'') of the second elements e by u

The left C - and right E -scalar product

$$\lambda Au = \lambda(Au) = (\lambda A)u$$

becomes clear.

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We define addition and multiplication in **A** as additions and multiplications of the first elements of the pairs with common second element: For every $e \in E$, the corresponding pairs in $A + A'$ and AA' are, by our definition, respectively $(\alpha + \alpha', e)$ and $(\alpha\alpha', e)$ where $(\alpha, e), (\alpha', e)$ are the corresponding pairs in A and A' .

We write $A^{(n)}$ for the set of pairs (α, e^n) taken from the pairs (α, e) of A on raising the second elements to the n^{th} power.

We transfer the above operations and notations (conservatively of the correspondence $A \longleftrightarrow B$) into the set **B** of the C-generalized subsets of E and we have this **B** automatically as a left C-algebra and (— this, provided E be a ring without right null-divisors) a right E -modul (linear space).

Finally we define union and intersection in **B** as follows: The multiplicities of any given $e \in E$ in $B \cup B'$ and $B \cap B'$ shall be respectively the maximum and the minimum of its multiplicities in B, B' .

The «structure» **B** thus obtained is an extension of the structure $P(E)$ of all ordinary subsets of E and offers comforts that the power-set $P(E)$ lacks; samples thereof were given in [1] and we are about to give here another.

Since every C-algebraic operation in **B** (addition, multiplication, C-scalar multiplication) is meant solely as an operation on multiplicities,

1* every C-algebraic relation

$$(i) \quad f(B_1, B_2, \dots, B_v) = B$$

in **B** stands for the set of similar relations

$$(ii) \quad f(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_v) = \alpha$$

in C , each among the multiplicities in B_1, B_2, \dots, B_v, B of an $e \in E$.

Hereby, since the multiplicity of e^n in $B^{(n)}$ is the multiplicity of e in B ,

2* the C-algebraic relation (i) entails

$$(iii) \quad f(B_1^{(n)}, B_2^{(n)}, \dots, B_v^{(n)}) = B^{(n)}$$

We characterize an element B of **B** as *finite* or *infinite* according as the number of elements of non-zero multiplicities in B is finite or infinite.

Whenever it has a meaning and is unambiguous, we speak of the sum of products αe of the elements by their multiplicities in a $B \in \mathbf{B}$, symbolically of

$$\sum_B \alpha e$$

as of the *sum of elements* of B . If the set E is a C -modul itself, in particular if E is a ring, there is always a definite sum of elements of every finite B and, moreover, then by 1^* ,

\exists every C -modul (linear over C) relation

$$(iv) \quad \lambda_1 B_1 + \lambda_2 B_2 + \dots + \lambda_v B_v = B$$

among finite elements B_1, B_2, \dots, B_v, B of \mathbf{B}

entails the similar relation

$$(v) \quad \lambda_1 \sum_{B_1} \alpha_1 e + \lambda_2 \sum_{B_2} \alpha_2 e + \dots + \lambda_v \sum_{B_v} \alpha_v e = \sum_B \alpha e$$

among their sums of elements.

Note: Obviously, by defining

- 1) the left scalar sum $\lambda + A$ as the set of pairs $(\lambda + \alpha, e)$ and (in case E is a ring).
- 2) the right scalar sum $A + u$ as the set of pairs $(\alpha, e + u)$, where the (α, e) are the pairs of A , one makes of \mathbf{B} also what we can call a *C-left ring* and an *E-right ring*.

2. Sums of like powers of the numbers $t(N)$.

In what follows

- 1) N is any given natural > 1 and p_1, p_2, \dots, p_v are the distinct prime divisors of N ;
- 2) $T(1) = \emptyset, T(N) = \{1, 2, \dots, N-1\}$;
- 3) $t(1) = \emptyset, t(N)$ is the set of naturals less than N and prime to N ;
- 4) $[N]_n$ is the sum of the n^{th} powers of the numbers $t(N)$.

We are about to establish the general formula

$$1^* \quad [N]_n = \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{x=0}^n (1 - p_1^{x-1})(1 - p_2^{x-1}) \dots (1 - p_v^{x-1}) \binom{n+1}{x} b_x N^{n+1-x}$$

where $b_0 = 1$ and b_1, b_2, \dots are the «Bernoulli-numbers of small type», i.e. those defined by the recurrent

$$1 + \binom{n+1}{1} b_1 + \binom{n+1}{2} b_2 + \dots + \binom{n+1}{n} b_n = 0 \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots).$$

Proof. We take as set E of § 1 the ring C itself and, in the algebra **B** of the C-generalized subsets of C, we consider the set

$$B = \sum_{d|N} \mu(d) T(N/d) d$$

where $\mu(d)$ is the Möbius function and, by the notations adopted in § 1, $\mu(d) T(N/d) d$ is that set, say B_d , of **B**, in which the elements of $T(N/d) d$ (the products by d of the elements of $T(N/d)$) have multiplicities $\mu(d)$, in particular B_N is the zero-set of **B**:

(i) Every integer $t \in T(N)$ has in B multiplicity zero, in particular B is finite as is also every summand $\mu(d) T(N/d) d$.

(ii) Let $t \in T(N)$ and let the greatest common divisor $(t, N) = \delta$; then $t \in T(N/d) d$ iff (if and only if) d/δ and so the multiplicity of t in B equals the sum

$$\sum_{d/\delta} \mu(d) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \delta = 1 \\ 0, & \text{if } \delta > 1 \end{cases}.$$

Thus

$$B = t(N).$$

Hence, by theorem (1, 2*),

$$\{t(N)\}^{(n)} = \sum_{d|N} \mu(d) \{T(N/d) d\}^{(n)} = \sum_{d|N} \mu(d) \{T(N/d)\}^{(n)} d^n.$$

Now for every natural x , the sum of elements of $\{T(x)\}^{(n)}$ is expressed by the Bernoulli polynomial

$$s_n(x) = \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{\kappa=0}^n \binom{n+1}{\kappa} b_\kappa x^{n+1-\kappa}$$

$[\{T(1)\}^{(n)} = \emptyset \text{ and } s_n(1) = 0]$; and so, by theorem (1, 3*), the sum of elements of $\{t(N)\}^{(n)}$, i. e. our

$$\begin{aligned} [N]_n &= \sum_{d|N} \mu(d) \left\langle \frac{1}{n+1} \left\{ \sum_{\kappa=0}^n \binom{n+1}{\kappa} b_\kappa (N/d)^{n+1-\kappa} \right\} d^n \right\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{\kappa=0}^n \left\{ \sum_{d|N} \mu(d) d^{\kappa-1} \right\} \binom{n+1}{\kappa} b_\kappa N^{n+1-\kappa} \end{aligned}$$

whilst trivially

$$\sum_{d|N} \mu(d) d^{k-1} = (1 - p_1^{k-1}) (1 - p_2^{k-1}) \dots (1 - p_v^{k-1}).$$

Formula 1* has been established.

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Ἡ Ἀκαδημαϊκὸς κ. **Ἰθων Πυλαρινὸς** κατὰ τὴν ἀνακοίνωσιν τῆς ὡς ἄνω ἐργασίας τοῦ κ. Γ. Καζαντζίδη εἶπε τὰ κάτωθι :

Εἰς τὴν ἐργασίαν ταύτην ἀποδεικνύεται ὅτι τὸ ἄθροισμα τῶν δυνάμεων μὲ ἐκθέτην τὸν τυχόντα φυσικὸν ἀριθμὸν n τῶν φυσικῶν ἀριθμῶν τῶν μικροτέρων δοθέντος φυσικοῦ ἀριθμοῦ $N > 1$ καὶ πρώτων πρὸς τὸν N εἶναι δυνατὸν νὰ τεθῇ ὑπὸ μορφήν πολυωνύμου ὡς πρὸς N βαθμοῦ $n + 1$, τοῦ ὁποίου οἱ συντελεσταὶ εἶναι πλήρως καθωρισμέναι συναρτήσεις τοῦ n , τῶν διακεκριμένων πρώτων διαιρετῶν τοῦ N καὶ τῶν $n + 1$ πρώτων ἀριθμῶν τοῦ Bernoulli μικροῦ τύπου. Συγκεκριμένως ἀποδεικνύεται ὅτι, ἐὰν εἶναι p_1, p_2, \dots, p_v οἱ διακεκριμένοι πρῶτοι διαιρεταὶ τοῦ N καὶ $b_0 = 1, b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n$, οἱ $n + 1$ πρῶτοι ἀριθμοὶ τοῦ Bernoulli μικροῦ τύπου, τὸ ἐν λόγω ἄθροισμα εἶναι ἴσον πρὸς

$$\frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^{k=n} (1 - p_1^{k-1}) (1 - p_2^{k-1}) \dots (1 - p_v^{k-1}) \binom{n+1}{k} b_k N^{n+1-k}.$$