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The sumset P(S) is defined to be the set of all finite sums of distinct elements in $S \subset \mathbb{N}$. The number F(k) is defined to be the least n such that if $\{1,...,n\}$ is two coloured then there is a k-set S with $P(S) \subset \{1,...,n\}$ and P(S) monochromatic. A short proof that $F(k) > 2^{ck^2/\log k}$ is given, and a conjecture related to removing the logarithmic term is posed.

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