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#### Abstract

Two infinite sequences $A$ and $B$ of nonnegative integers are called additive complements, if their sum contains all sufficiently large integers. We also say that $B$ is an additive complement of $A$ if $A$ and $B$ are additive complements. In this paper, we consider a problem of Ben Green on additive complements of the squares: $S=\left\{1^{2}, 2^{2}, \ldots\right\}$. The following result is proved: if $B=\left\{b_{n}\right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ with $b_{n} \geq \frac{\pi^{2}}{16} n^{2}-0.57 n^{\frac{1}{2}} \log n-\beta n^{\frac{1}{2}}$ for all positive integers $n$ and any given constant $\beta$, then $B$ is not an additive complement of $S$. In particular, $B=\left\{\left.\left\lfloor\frac{\pi^{2}}{16} n^{2}\right\rfloor \right\rvert\, n=1,2, \ldots\right\}$ is not an additive complement of $S$.


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## 1. Introduction

Two infinite sequences $A$ and $B$ of nonnegative integers are called additive complements, if their sum contains all sufficiently large integers. We also say that $B$ is an additive complement of $A$ if $A$ and $B$ are additive complements. Let $R_{A, B}(n)$ be the number of solutions of $n=a+b, a \in A, b \in B$. Hence, if $A$ and $B$ are called additive complements, then $R_{A, B}(n) \geq 1$ for all sufficiently large integers $n$. Let $\lfloor x\rfloor$ be the integral part of $x$ and let $|A|$ be the cardinality of $A$. Given an integer $N>1$. Two subsets $A, B$ of $\{0,1, \ldots, N\}$ are called additive complements on $\{0,1, \ldots, N\}$ if every integer $n$ with $0 \leq n \leq N$ can

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