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SUM SETS, DIFFERENCE SETS, AND THEIR RELATIVE SIZES

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Abstract: Given a subset of integers A, the sum set A+A is the set of all possible sums of two elements taken from A. Sum Sets are a common object of study in additive number theory and can be studied combinatorially by a variety of tools. In this survey talk, results pertaining to when the difference set is smaller than the sum set and when the difference set is practically everything, but a k-fold sum set is practically nothing will be presented. The background for this talk has been kept to a minimum and motivated undergraduates could pursue research in this area.

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