

# Segments of Natural Numbers and Finite Sequences<sup>1</sup>

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**Summary.** We define the notion of an initial segment of natural numbers and prove a number of their properties. Using this notion we introduce finite sequences, subsequences, the empty sequence, a sequence of a domain, and the operation of concatenation of two sequences.

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The articles [9], [7], [11], [4], [12], [6], [5], [3], [2], [10], [8], and [1] provide the notation and terminology for this paper.

## 1. MAIN PART

For simplicity, we adopt the following rules:  $k, l, m, n, k_1, k_2$  denote natural numbers,  $a, b, c$  denote natural numbers,  $x, y, z, y_1, y_2, X$  denote sets, and  $f$  denotes a function.

Let  $n$  be a natural number. The functor  $\text{Seg } n$  yields a set and is defined as follows:

(Def. 1)  $\text{Seg } n = \{k : 1 \leq k \wedge k \leq n\}$ .

Let  $n$  be a natural number. Then  $\text{Seg } n$  is a subset of  $\mathbb{N}$ .

Next we state several propositions:

(3)<sup>1</sup>  $a \in \text{Seg } b$  iff  $1 \leq a$  and  $a \leq b$ .

(4)  $\text{Seg } 0 = \emptyset$  and  $\text{Seg } 1 = \{1\}$  and  $\text{Seg } 2 = \{1, 2\}$ .

(5)  $a = 0$  or  $a \in \text{Seg } a$ .

(6)  $a + 1 \in \text{Seg}(a + 1)$ .

(7)  $a \leq b$  iff  $\text{Seg } a \subseteq \text{Seg } b$ .

(8) If  $\text{Seg } a = \text{Seg } b$ , then  $a = b$ .

(9) If  $c \leq a$ , then  $\text{Seg } c = \text{Seg } c \cap \text{Seg } a$  and  $\text{Seg } c = \text{Seg } a \cap \text{Seg } c$ .

(10) If  $\text{Seg } c = \text{Seg } c \cap \text{Seg } a$  or  $\text{Seg } c = \text{Seg } a \cap \text{Seg } c$ , then  $c \leq a$ .

(11)  $\text{Seg } a \cup \{a + 1\} = \text{Seg}(a + 1)$ .

Let  $I_1$  be a binary relation. We say that  $I_1$  is finite sequence-like if and only if:

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<sup>1</sup> The propositions (1) and (2) have been removed.

(Def. 2) There exists  $n$  such that  $\text{dom } I_1 = \text{Seg } n$ .

One can check that there exists a function which is finite sequence-like.

A finite sequence is a finite sequence-like function.

In the sequel  $p, q, r$  denote finite sequences.

Let us consider  $n$ . Observe that  $\text{Seg } n$  is finite.

One can check that every function which is finite sequence-like is also finite.

Let us consider  $p$ . Then  $\overline{p}$  is a natural number and it can be characterized by the condition:

(Def. 3)  $\text{Seg } \overline{p} = \text{dom } p$ .

We introduce  $\text{len } p$  as a synonym of  $\overline{p}$ .

Let us consider  $p$ . Then  $\text{dom } p$  is a subset of  $\mathbb{N}$ .

One can prove the following two propositions:

(14)<sup>2</sup>  $\emptyset$  is a finite sequence.

(15) If there exists  $k$  such that  $\text{dom } f \subseteq \text{Seg } k$ , then there exists  $p$  such that  $f \subseteq p$ .

In this article we present several logical schemes. The scheme *SeqEx* deals with a natural number  $\mathcal{A}$  and a binary predicate  $\mathcal{P}$ , and states that:

There exists  $p$  such that  $\text{dom } p = \text{Seg } \mathcal{A}$  and for every  $k$  such that  $k \in \text{Seg } \mathcal{A}$  holds  $\mathcal{P}[k, p(k)]$

provided the parameters satisfy the following conditions:

- For all  $k, y_1, y_2$  such that  $k \in \text{Seg } \mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{P}[k, y_1]$  and  $\mathcal{P}[k, y_2]$  holds  $y_1 = y_2$ , and
- For every  $k$  such that  $k \in \text{Seg } \mathcal{A}$  there exists  $x$  such that  $\mathcal{P}[k, x]$ .

The scheme *SeqLambda* deals with a natural number  $\mathcal{A}$  and a unary functor  $\mathcal{F}$  yielding a set, and states that:

There exists a finite sequence  $p$  such that  $\text{len } p = \mathcal{A}$  and for every  $k$  such that  $k \in \text{Seg } \mathcal{A}$  holds  $p(k) = \mathcal{F}(k)$

for all values of the parameters.

One can prove the following propositions:

(16) If  $z \in p$ , then there exists  $k$  such that  $k \in \text{dom } p$  and  $z = \langle k, p(k) \rangle$ .

(17) If  $\text{dom } p = \text{dom } q$  and for every  $k$  such that  $k \in \text{dom } p$  holds  $p(k) = q(k)$ , then  $p = q$ .

(18) If  $\text{len } p = \text{len } q$  and for every  $k$  such that  $1 \leq k$  and  $k \leq \text{len } p$  holds  $p(k) = q(k)$ , then  $p = q$ .

(19)  $p \upharpoonright \text{Seg } a$  is a finite sequence.

(20) If  $\text{rng } p \subseteq \text{dom } f$ , then  $f \cdot p$  is a finite sequence.

(21) If  $a \leq \text{len } p$  and  $q = p \upharpoonright \text{Seg } a$ , then  $\text{len } q = a$  and  $\text{dom } q = \text{Seg } a$ .

Let  $D$  be a set. A finite sequence is called a finite sequence of elements of  $D$  if:

(Def. 4)  $\text{rng it} \subseteq D$ .

Let us observe that  $\emptyset$  is finite sequence-like.

Let  $D$  be a set. Observe that there exists a partial function from  $\mathbb{N}$  to  $D$  which is finite sequence-like.

Let  $D$  be a set. We see that the finite sequence of elements of  $D$  is a finite sequence-like partial function from  $\mathbb{N}$  to  $D$ .

In the sequel  $D$  is a set.

Next we state two propositions:

(23)<sup>3</sup> For every finite sequence  $p$  of elements of  $D$  holds  $p \upharpoonright \text{Seg } a$  is a finite sequence of elements of  $D$ .

<sup>2</sup> The propositions (12) and (13) have been removed.

<sup>3</sup> The proposition (22) has been removed.

- (24) For every non empty set  $D$  there exists a finite sequence  $p$  of elements of  $D$  such that  $\text{len } p = a$ .

Let us observe that there exists a finite sequence which is empty.  
One can prove the following propositions:

- (25)  $\text{len } p = 0$  iff  $p = \emptyset$ .  
 (26)  $p = \emptyset$  iff  $\text{dom } p = \emptyset$ .  
 (27)  $p = \emptyset$  iff  $\text{rng } p = \emptyset$ .  
 (29)<sup>4</sup> For every set  $D$  holds  $\emptyset$  is a finite sequence of elements of  $D$ .

Let  $D$  be a set. One can check that there exists a finite sequence of elements of  $D$  which is empty.

Let us consider  $x$ . The functor  $\langle x \rangle$  yields a set and is defined by:

- (Def. 5)  $\langle x \rangle = \{1, x\}$ .

Let  $D$  be a set. The functor  $\varepsilon_D$  yields an empty finite sequence of elements of  $D$  and is defined as follows:

- (Def. 6)  $\varepsilon_D = \emptyset$ .

The following proposition is true

- (32)<sup>5</sup>  $p = \varepsilon_D$  iff  $\text{len } p = 0$ .

Let us consider  $p, q$ . The functor  $p \hat{\ } q$  yields a finite sequence and is defined as follows:

- (Def. 7)  $\text{dom}(p \hat{\ } q) = \text{Seg}(\text{len } p + \text{len } q)$  and for every  $k$  such that  $k \in \text{dom } p$  holds  $(p \hat{\ } q)(k) = p(k)$  and for every  $k$  such that  $k \in \text{dom } q$  holds  $(p \hat{\ } q)(\text{len } p + k) = q(k)$ .

One can prove the following propositions:

- (35)<sup>6</sup>  $\text{len}(p \hat{\ } q) = \text{len } p + \text{len } q$ .  
 (36) If  $\text{len } p + 1 \leq k$  and  $k \leq \text{len } p + \text{len } q$ , then  $(p \hat{\ } q)(k) = q(k - \text{len } p)$ .  
 (37) If  $\text{len } p < k$  and  $k \leq \text{len}(p \hat{\ } q)$ , then  $(p \hat{\ } q)(k) = q(k - \text{len } p)$ .  
 (38) If  $k \in \text{dom}(p \hat{\ } q)$ , then  $k \in \text{dom } p$  or there exists  $n$  such that  $n \in \text{dom } q$  and  $k = \text{len } p + n$ .  
 (39)  $\text{dom } p \subseteq \text{dom}(p \hat{\ } q)$ .  
 (40) If  $x \in \text{dom } q$ , then there exists  $k$  such that  $k = x$  and  $\text{len } p + k \in \text{dom}(p \hat{\ } q)$ .  
 (41) If  $k \in \text{dom } q$ , then  $\text{len } p + k \in \text{dom}(p \hat{\ } q)$ .  
 (42)  $\text{rng } p \subseteq \text{rng}(p \hat{\ } q)$ .  
 (43)  $\text{rng } q \subseteq \text{rng}(p \hat{\ } q)$ .  
 (44)  $\text{rng}(p \hat{\ } q) = \text{rng } p \cup \text{rng } q$ .  
 (45)  $(p \hat{\ } q) \hat{\ } r = p \hat{\ } (q \hat{\ } r)$ .  
 (46) If  $p \hat{\ } r = q \hat{\ } r$  or  $r \hat{\ } p = r \hat{\ } q$ , then  $p = q$ .  
 (47)  $p \hat{\ } \emptyset = p$  and  $\emptyset \hat{\ } p = p$ .

<sup>4</sup> The proposition (28) has been removed.

<sup>5</sup> The propositions (30) and (31) have been removed.

<sup>6</sup> The propositions (33) and (34) have been removed.

(48) If  $p \wedge q = \emptyset$ , then  $p = \emptyset$  and  $q = \emptyset$ .

Let  $D$  be a set and let  $p, q$  be finite sequences of elements of  $D$ . Then  $p \wedge q$  is a finite sequence of elements of  $D$ .

Let us consider  $x$ . Then  $\langle x \rangle$  is a function and it can be characterized by the condition:

(Def. 8)  $\text{dom}\langle x \rangle = \text{Seg } 1$  and  $\langle x \rangle(1) = x$ .

Let us consider  $x$ . Observe that  $\langle x \rangle$  is function-like and relation-like.

Let us consider  $x$ . Observe that  $\langle x \rangle$  is finite sequence-like.

We now state the proposition

(50)<sup>7</sup> Suppose  $p \wedge q$  is a finite sequence of elements of  $D$ . Then  $p$  is a finite sequence of elements of  $D$  and  $q$  is a finite sequence of elements of  $D$ .

Let us consider  $x, y$ . The functor  $\langle x, y \rangle$  yields a set and is defined as follows:

(Def. 9)  $\langle x, y \rangle = \langle x \rangle \wedge \langle y \rangle$ .

Let us consider  $z$ . The functor  $\langle x, y, z \rangle$  yields a set and is defined as follows:

(Def. 10)  $\langle x, y, z \rangle = \langle x \rangle \wedge \langle y \rangle \wedge \langle z \rangle$ .

Let us consider  $x, y$ . Observe that  $\langle x, y \rangle$  is function-like and relation-like. Let us consider  $z$ . One can check that  $\langle x, y, z \rangle$  is function-like and relation-like.

Let us consider  $x, y$ . One can verify that  $\langle x, y \rangle$  is finite sequence-like. Let us consider  $z$ . Observe that  $\langle x, y, z \rangle$  is finite sequence-like.

We now state a number of propositions:

(52)<sup>8</sup>  $\langle x \rangle = \{\langle 1, x \rangle\}$ .

(55)<sup>9</sup>  $p = \langle x \rangle$  iff  $\text{dom } p = \text{Seg } 1$  and  $\text{rng } p = \{x\}$ .

(56)  $p = \langle x \rangle$  iff  $\text{len } p = 1$  and  $\text{rng } p = \{x\}$ .

(57)  $p = \langle x \rangle$  iff  $\text{len } p = 1$  and  $p(1) = x$ .

(58)  $(\langle x \rangle \wedge p)(1) = x$ .

(59)  $(p \wedge \langle x \rangle)(\text{len } p + 1) = x$ .

(60)  $\langle x, y, z \rangle = \langle x \rangle \wedge \langle y, z \rangle$  and  $\langle x, y, z \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle \wedge \langle z \rangle$ .

(61)  $p = \langle x, y \rangle$  iff  $\text{len } p = 2$  and  $p(1) = x$  and  $p(2) = y$ .

(62)  $p = \langle x, y, z \rangle$  iff  $\text{len } p = 3$  and  $p(1) = x$  and  $p(2) = y$  and  $p(3) = z$ .

(63) If  $p \neq \emptyset$ , then there exist  $q, x$  such that  $p = q \wedge \langle x \rangle$ .

Let  $D$  be a non empty set and let  $x$  be an element of  $D$ . Then  $\langle x \rangle$  is a finite sequence of elements of  $D$ .

The scheme *IndSeq* concerns a unary predicate  $\mathcal{P}$ , and states that:

For every  $p$  holds  $\mathcal{P}[p]$

provided the parameters satisfy the following conditions:

- $\mathcal{P}[\emptyset]$ , and
- For all  $p, x$  such that  $\mathcal{P}[p]$  holds  $\mathcal{P}[p \wedge \langle x \rangle]$ .

We now state the proposition

(64) For all finite sequences  $p, q, r, s$  such that  $p \wedge q = r \wedge s$  and  $\text{len } p \leq \text{len } r$  there exists a finite sequence  $t$  such that  $p \wedge t = r$ .

<sup>7</sup> The proposition (49) has been removed.

<sup>8</sup> The proposition (51) has been removed.

<sup>9</sup> The propositions (53) and (54) have been removed.

Let  $D$  be a set. The functor  $D^*$  yields a set and is defined by:

(Def. 11)  $x \in D^*$  iff  $x$  is a finite sequence of elements of  $D$ .

Let  $D$  be a set. One can verify that  $D^*$  is non empty.  
The following proposition is true

$$(66)^{10} \quad \emptyset \in D^*.$$

The scheme *SepSeq* deals with a non empty set  $\mathcal{A}$  and a unary predicate  $\mathcal{P}$ , and states that:

There exists  $X$  such that for every  $x$  holds  $x \in X$  iff there exists  $p$  such that  $p \in \mathcal{A}^*$   
and  $\mathcal{P}[p]$  and  $x = p$

for all values of the parameters.

Let  $I_1$  be a function. We say that  $I_1$  is finite subsequence-like if and only if:

(Def. 12) There exists  $k$  such that  $\text{dom } I_1 \subseteq \text{Seg } k$ .

One can check that there exists a function which is finite subsequence-like.

A finite subsequence is a finite subsequence-like function.

We now state two propositions:

(68)<sup>11</sup> Every finite sequence is a finite subsequence.

(69)  $p \upharpoonright X$  is a finite subsequence and  $X \upharpoonright p$  is a finite subsequence.

In the sequel  $p'$  is a finite subsequence.

Let us consider  $X$ . Let us assume that there exists  $k$  such that  $X \subseteq \text{Seg } k$ . The functor  $\text{Sgm } X$  yields a finite sequence of elements of  $\mathbb{N}$  and is defined by:

(Def. 13)  $\text{rng } \text{Sgm } X = X$  and for all  $l, m, k_1, k_2$  such that  $1 \leq l$  and  $l < m$  and  $m \leq \text{len } \text{Sgm } X$  and  $k_1 = (\text{Sgm } X)(l)$  and  $k_2 = (\text{Sgm } X)(m)$  holds  $k_1 < k_2$ .

The following proposition is true

$$(71)^{12} \quad \text{rng } \text{Sgm } \text{dom } p' = \text{dom } p'.$$

Let us consider  $p'$ . The functor  $\text{Seq } p'$  yields a function and is defined as follows:

(Def. 14)  $\text{Seq } p' = p' \cdot \text{Sgm } \text{dom } p'$ .

Let us consider  $p'$ . Note that  $\text{Seq } p'$  is finite sequence-like.

Next we state the proposition

(72) For every  $X$  such that there exists  $k$  such that  $X \subseteq \text{Seg } k$  holds  $\text{Sgm } X = \emptyset$  iff  $X = \emptyset$ .

## 2. MOVED FROM [8], 1998

One can prove the following proposition

(73)  $D$  is finite iff there exists  $p$  such that  $D = \text{rng } p$ .

One can verify that there exists a function which is finite and empty.

Let us note that there exists a function which is finite and non empty.

Let  $R$  be a finite binary relation. Observe that  $\text{rng } R$  is finite.

<sup>10</sup> The proposition (65) has been removed.

<sup>11</sup> The proposition (67) has been removed.

<sup>12</sup> The proposition (70) has been removed.

## 3. MOVED FROM [1], 1999

One can prove the following propositions:

- (74) If  $\text{Seg } n \approx \text{Seg } m$ , then  $n = m$ .
- (75)  $\text{Seg } n \approx n$ .
- (76)  $\overline{\overline{\text{Seg } n}} = \overline{n}$ .
- (77) If  $X$  is finite, then there exists  $n$  such that  $X \approx \text{Seg } n$ .
- (78) For every natural number  $n$  holds  $\text{card } \text{Seg } n = n$  and  $\text{card } n = n$  and  $\text{card } \overline{n} = n$ .

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