

Uniform Generation of Clonoids

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Notice that this formula holds independently of the choice of f .

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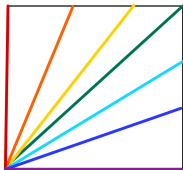
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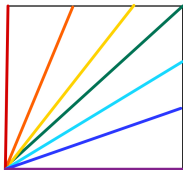
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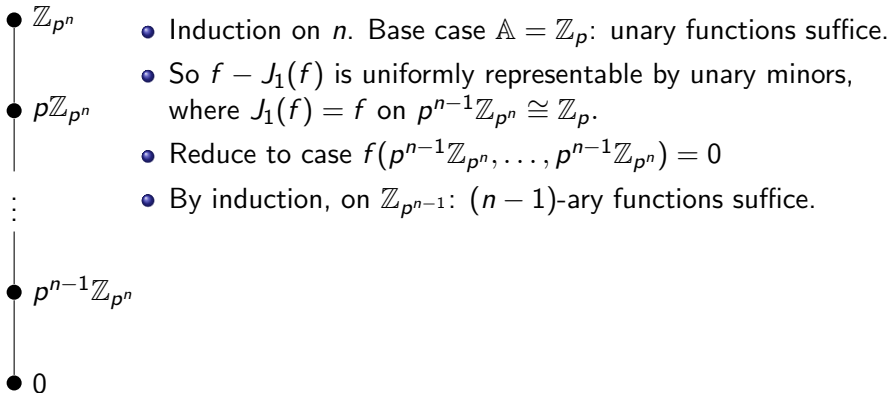


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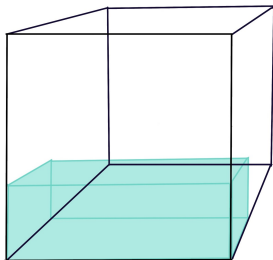
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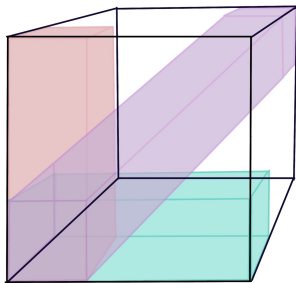
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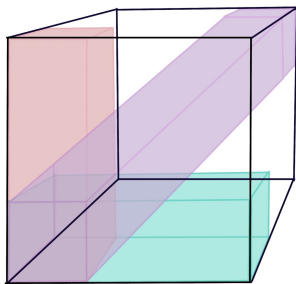
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