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ЭФФЕКТИВНЫЕ МЕТОДЫ ВЫРАЩИВАНИЯ МАНГОЛЬДА В ТЕПЛИЦЕ С ПРИМЕНЕНИЕМ РЕСУРСОСБЕРЕГАЮЩИХ ТЕХНОЛОГИЙ

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Abstract

Innovative technologies, which are brought to life in greenhouse complexes, make it possible to optimise production costs and grow organic chard all year round. Chard is a plant with a two-year cycle. In the second year, it flowers and produces seeds if it is wintered cold for 1-2 months. In culture, the plant is used as an annual, grown for its succulent and fleshy petioles or large curly leaves. This vegetable is the closest relative of the common table, sugar and fodder beet, so it is often called leaf beet. On low-volume technologies for growing vegetable crops in protected ground. The effectiveness of these technologies largely depends on the quality of the seedlings used. The peculiarity of seedling production for such technology is preparation of plants for vegetation in a limited volume of substrate with higher indicators of salt concentration in comparison with soils. Production of seedlings of vegetable crops by the method of low-volume hydroponic technology is based on seedling-salad complexes developed by the production commercial firm. Technologies of seedling production on UGS-4 with organomineral and inert substrates.

The use of modern materials, low-volume and hydroponic cultivation methods, microclimate systems and resource-saving technologies are designed to bring greenhouse farming to a new level. The modern approach to greenhouse design is to uniquely match the characteristics of greenhouses to the climate. In general, the microclimate in greenhouses creates favourable conditions for plant growth, while pre-humidification (fogging), air recirculation, fore ventilation and CO₂ promote photosynthesis. All of this has a positive effect on the quality of the final product, which is why improvements in these technologies are constantly being made to achieve additional kilograms per m² of greenhouse.

Аннотация

Инновационные технологии, которые воплощаются в жизнь в тепличных комплексах, позволяют оптимизировать затраты на производство и круглогодично выращивать экологически чистые мангольда. Мангольд представляет собой растение с двухлетним циклом. При холодной зимовке в течение 1-2 месяцев на второй год он зацветает и дает семена. В культуре растение используют в качестве однолетника, выращивая ради сочных и мясистых черешков или крупных курчавых листьев. Этот овощ – ближайший родственник обычной столовой, сахарной и кормовой свеклы, поэтому его часто называют листовой свеклой. На малообъемные технологии выращивания овощных культур в защищенном грунте. Эффективность этих технологий во многом зависит от

качества используемой рассады. Особенностью производства рассады для такой технологии является подготовка растения к вегетации в ограниченном объеме субстрата с более высокими показателями концентрации солей в сравнении с грунтами. Производство рассады овощных культур методом малообъемной гидропонной технологии основано на разработанных производственной коммерческой фирмой рассадной-салатных комплексах. Технологии производства рассады на УГС-4 с органоминеральными и инертными субстратами. Использование современных материалов, малообъемный и гидропонный способы возделывания, системы микроклимата и ресурсосберегающие технологии призваны вывести тепличные хозяйства на новый уровень. Современный подход в проектировании теплиц заключается в уникальном подборе их характеристик с учетом климатических особенностей. В целом же микроклимат в теплицах создает благоприятные условия для роста растений, а доувлажнение (туманообразование), рециркуляция воздуха, система форточной вентиляции и CO₂ способствуют фотосинтезу. Все это положительно сказывается на качестве конечного продукта, поэтому работы по усовершенствованию данных технологий ведутся постоянно и направлены на получение дополнительных килограммов с м² теплицы.

Keywords: microclimate, engineering and technological systems, innovative, ventilation, hydropone, autumn-winter-spring period, spring-autumn turnover.

Ключевые слова: микроклимат, инженерно-технологических систем, инновационный, вентиляция, гидропон, осенне-зимне-весенний период, весенний-осенний оборот.

Введение. В научных исследованиях используются общепринятые классические и специальные методы. Инновационная теплица Казахского национального аграрного исследовательского университета построена в 2010 году в честь 80-летия нашего вуза. Общая площадь теплицы 500 м². По конструкции теплица разделена на 2 секции. Площадь теплиц первой и второй секций 250 м². Территория теплицы первой секции будет полностью оборудована в 2019 году в гидропонном направлении. Существуют многоуровневые конструкции и пирамидальные конструкции, которые позволяют установить более 2-х этажей с полками. Количество рядов, в которые высаживают растения-пирамиды, состоит из 8-9 труб. Автоматизированные системы полива, кондиционирования, освещения, вентиляции обеспечивают благоприятный микроклимат на всех уровнях. В настоящее время на второй секции гидропонных сооружений, выращивают ряд мангольда и базилик зеленолистные культуры.

В качестве объектов исследования использовали 3 сорта мангольда, зарегистрированных в реестре селекционных достижений, допущенных к использованию в Республике Казахстан.

1. Невеста – раннеспелый сорт российского производства. Продолжительность вегетационного периода 55-65 дней. Листовые пазухи вертикальные, в высоту растение достигает 60 см. Листья средние, зеленые, на длинном черешке, до 30-45 см, на листьях белые нити. Средняя урожайность 3,8-4 кг. Достоинством сорта является засухо- и холодостойкость, высокое содержание сухого вещества (17,5%). Бэби листья можно получить через 20 дней.

2. Рубин – Российский сорт. Раннеспелый сорт. Урожайность 6-7 кг/м². Продолжительность вегетационного периода 80-90 дней. Размер листовой пластинки средний. Листовая пластинка выстлана зелеными и красными нитями. Любит свет любимый сорт.

3. Бычья кровь – сорт, произведенный в Италии. Среднеранний сорт. Цвет листьев темно-красный. Через 18–22 дня бэби может доставать листья.

Листья срезают острым ножом. Так как молодые листья развиваются в центре, то удаляют периферийные листья. Мангольда сорта Бычья кровь, Невеста, Рубин достигают высоты 60-90 см, имеют гофрированные листья.

Очень существенны различия между сортами мангольда по размеру их семян, чему придается большое значение, так как с величиной семени связан объем запасных веществ и обеспеченность ими молодых ростков. Сорт мангольда разделены на пять групп по размеру их семян. Ценность семян заключается прежде всего в их сортовых качествах, от чего непосредственно зависит успех в получении хороших всходов и в итоге — величина и качество

урожая. Каждая семян сопровождается соответствующими документами, где дана их подробная характеристика. Но подлинность семян каждой сорта надо уметь быстро определить визуально, особенно в случаях, когда семена сорта трудно различить. Необходимо обращать внимание на репродукцию или генерацию семян, т. е. количество пересевов после получения элиты семян наиболее типичных растений сорта с высшими качествами их продуктивности. Чем старше репродукция, тем менее урожайно потомство, хотя по внешним сортовым признакам эти растения могут быть типичными.

Более высокие конструкции и широкие пролеты новых теплиц позволяют поддерживать микроклимат за счет проверенных и внедренных стандартных инженерно-технологических систем, таких как зашторивание, туманообразование и рециркуляция. И с учетом правильно подготовленного питания для мангольда, поступающего к каждому конкретному корню с помощью гидрапоне, верного выбора субстрата для хорошего развития корневой системы, оптимальной мощности ассимиляционного освещения, необходимого для выращивания мангольда внесезонный период, получить максимальный урожай, раскрыть весь потенциал мангольда. Данная часть технологии не только обеспечивает увеличение освещенности, которая оказывает прямое влияние на урожай, но и создает повышенную биозащиту предприятия и, как следствие, возможности получения экологически чистой продукции без химических обработок мангольда.

Материалы и методы. Современных инновационных теплица в КазНАИУ. Внедрение инноваций кардинально изменило подход к круглого-дочному тепличным растений. В современных теплицах мангольда выращиваются а в специализированных емкостях: невысокие мангольда в горшочках. Данные емкости наполнены субстратом, в котором создаются благоприятные условия для роста и развития корневой системы. По применяемой у нас гидропонной технологии во время полива питательный раствор распространяется не на весь земельный участок.

Результаты исследований Круглогодичное выращивание мангольда обеспечивается за счет создания идентичных и лучших условий возделывания мангольда, а также появления новшеств в системе освещения теплиц. Об инновации остающийся после полива питательный раствор собирается и возвращается в растворные узлы полива для повторного использования. Это позволяет существенно сократить расход воды и удобрений.

В современных теплицах применяются лампы натриевого освещения и светодиоды, дающие облучения растениям в определенных спектрах света, необходимых для роста, и набора вкусовых характеристик. Применение светодиодного освещения на зеленых мангольдах с возможностью настройки наиболее подходящего спектра в конкретный период вегетационного роста растений — еще одно из технологических новшеств, реализованных в нашей теплице. Что касается полива в гидрофоне, сохраняя ее в хорошем состоянии и сберегая от испарения. Полив в теплице осуществляется гидропонным способом. Ассимиляционное освещение с системами микроклимата и правильным питанием мангольда, подготовленным в растворах для полива для каждой конкретной культуры, позволяют получать максимальные урожаи свежих мангольда в периоды, когда данная продукция не может быть получена в естественных условиях. Главная проблема заключается в том, что современные системы обеззараживания воздуха. Если растение заболевает, подобные системы за счет снижения до нуля микробной обсемененности в воздухе теплицы не позволят заболеть другим, а инфицированное растение можно будет просто удалить. Обеззараживания воздуха и уменьшить риски инфицирования мангольда, ускорить созревание и всегда получать стабильно высокий урожай.

Обсуждение результатов. В настоящее время наших теплицах в КазНАИУ набирает для популярность метод объединенного разведения рыбы и растений в системе с оборотным водоснабжением без использования почвы, названный аквапоникой. Такой метод подходит для круглогодичного выращивания премиум-салатов и мангольда. Световой режим, по реакции на продолжительность дня мангольд относится к растениям длиннопольным, значительно ускоряющим свое развитие при увеличении продолжительности освещения. На коротком, 10-12 часовом дне, развитие мангольда замедляется. По световой стадии сорта мангольда разделяются на две группы: сильно замедляющие развитие на коротком дне и нейтральные. Основным внешним фактором, формирующим микроклимат в инновационных теплицах, является приток солнечной радиации. Сохранению тепла в теплице способствует конденсат на внутренней поверхности. В зависимости от притока солнечной радиации превышение температуры воздуха в теплице по сравнению с открытым грунтом составляет от 2-3⁰С до 12-14⁰С В теплице, пропускающей ультрафиолетовую радиацию, проницаемость для фотосинтетической активной радиации 90-92%.

В 2021 году положительная температура установилась в третью декаду апреля $+3,8^{\circ}\text{C}$, максимальная температура составила 25°C , среднесуточная $14,4^{\circ}\text{C}$ (первый срок посадки), при посадке в первую декаду мая среднесуточная температура составляла $13,1^{\circ}\text{C}$. Вторая и третья декада были близкими по температурному режиму. В июне более высокая температура отмечена во вторую декаду июня.

Температурные условия в третью декаду апреля в 2022 г. были менее благоприятными, чем в 2021 г., среднесуточная температура составляла $12,4^{\circ}\text{C}$. В мае и июне было значительно теплее, кроме второй декады июня, температура составила $17,7^{\circ}\text{C}$. Температурные условия в апреле были близкими условиям 2021 г. Среднесуточная температура в мае и июне была ниже, чем в 2022 г., кроме первой декады июня.

Растение является сложной системой способной адаптироваться к условиям окружающей среды. Выявление взаимосвязи между элементами технологии выращивания, фенотипическими и хозяйственно ценными признаками у мангольда поможет выбрать сорт с высоким содержанием питательных веществ для весеннего или осеннего оборота.

В весеннем обороте имеют тенденцию к меньшему диаметру розетки листьев, в них ниже содержание органических кислот и фенольных соединений. Листья, имеющие красную пигментацию, склонны накапливать меньше сахаров и синтезировать больше аскорбиновой кислоты и фенольных соединений, а также имеют закономерную тесную связь с содержанием антоцианов. Тенденция к снижению содержания фенольных соединений и антоцианов наблюдается у мангольда с маслянистой консистенцией листьев.

В осеннем обороте мангольда по сравнению с листовыми мангольдами содержание сухого вещества и антоцианов имеет тенденцию к снижению. С красной пигментацией листьев имели среднюю прямую связь с содержанием антоцианов. Мангольда с маслянистой консистенцией листьев были более скороспелыми и содержали больше фенольных соединений, чем мангольда с хрустящей консистенцией листьев.

Выводы. Исследовали между оборотом выращивания и хозяйственно ценными признаками мангольда показал, что в осеннем обороте увеличивается содержание сахара по сравнению с весенним оборотом. Также стоит отметить тенденцию к снижению биометрических показателей и содержания пигментов, тенденцию к увеличению содержания сухого вещества и фенольных соединений в осеннем обороте. В период выращивания мангольда в осеннем обороте среднесуточная температура была значительно ниже. В заключение отметим, что в КазНАИУ введено в эксплуатацию порядка 500 м^2 инновационных теплиц, построенных с применением новейших технологий и не уступающих лучшим зарубежным аналогам.

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THE EVOLUTION OF BANKING SERVICES DEVELOPMENT

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Abstract

The banking industry has experienced significant transformation over the past centuries, evolving from simple deposit and lending services to complex, technology-driven financial ecosystems. The evolution of banking has been driven by the industry's adaptation to global economic changes, the rise of digital technologies, and the demand for faster, more convenient services. Understanding this evolution provides insights into the future of banking as it continues to adapt to new challenges and opportunities.

Keywords: *Banking services, evolution, technology, digital transformation, financial services*

The banking industry's evolution reflects a remarkable journey from rudimentary financial transactions to complex, tech-driven services that meet the demands of a globalized, digital economy. Banking as we know it today has its origins in ancient civilizations, where early forms of money lending and safe-keeping emerged. Over time, these activities evolved, giving rise to structured financial institutions that could support commerce and economic growth on a larger scale. Historically, banking services were primarily limited to deposit taking and lending, but as economies expanded and customer needs became more complex, banks began offering a broader range of services. These changes were driven by various factors, including the growth of international trade, economic development, and the desire for safer and more efficient ways to conduct financial transactions.

The Industrial Revolution marked a critical turning point in banking's evolution, transforming banks into essential facilitators of industrial and economic expansion. With the demand for capital at an all-time high, banks played a central role in financing factories, infrastructure, and new technologies. This era saw the emergence of commercial banks, which offered an array of services beyond basic deposits and loans, supporting both individual and corporate clients. Additionally, the establishment of central banks helped create a more stable financial system by overseeing monetary policy, currency issuance, and the regulation of commercial banks. These developments set the stage for a more structured and resilient banking system that could support the increasingly interconnected global economy.

In the 20th century, technological advancements began to reshape banking in unprecedented ways. The adoption of computers in the 1960s and 1970s allowed banks to automate their operations, drastically improving efficiency and accuracy. The introduction of ATMs revolutionized customer service, offering clients a convenient way to access cash outside of bank hours. In the 1990s, the internet transformed banking once again, making online banking services possible. Customers could now manage their accounts, pay bills, and transfer funds without ever setting foot in a bank branch. This digital shift not only made banking more convenient but also allowed banks to reach a larger customer base, including those in remote areas.

Today, the banking industry is undergoing yet another transformation, driven by the rapid rise of digital financial technologies, or fintech. Fintech encompasses a range of innovations, including mobile banking, blockchain, artificial intelligence (AI), big data analytics, and machine learning. These technologies have allowed banks to enhance operational efficiency, improve customer experience, and offer personalized, data-driven financial products. Mobile banking, for instance, enables customers to perform virtually any banking transaction from their smartphones, while AI-powered algorithms can analyze customer behavior to provide tailored product recommendations. Blockchain technology is also reshaping the banking landscape, offering a secure, decentralized way to process transactions and manage records, thus reducing the risk of fraud.

Moreover, the global demand for financial inclusion has pushed banks to explore new ways to provide services to underserved populations. Digital financial technologies have allowed banks to reach people in rural and remote areas who previously lacked access to financial services. Mobile banking, digital wallets, and microfinancing solutions are empowering millions of individuals worldwide, particularly in

developing countries, to participate in the formal financial system. By promoting financial inclusion, banks are playing a critical role in reducing poverty, fostering entrepreneurship, and driving sustainable economic development.

This evolution has also brought new challenges. The rapid adoption of digital technology has increased the importance of cybersecurity, as banks are now frequent targets of cyber-attacks and data breaches. Regulatory compliance has also become more complex, as governments around the world work to create legal frameworks that balance innovation with consumer protection. Additionally, traditional banks face competition not only from other banks but also from fintech startups and tech giants, which are increasingly entering the financial services market. These new players often operate with greater agility and innovation, challenging banks to continually adapt to remain competitive.

The evolution of banking services has been extensively studied, with researchers examining how technological advancements, customer preferences, regulatory changes, and market competition have transformed the industry. Each era of banking development has introduced new practices and tools, driven by the need to improve efficiency, enhance security, and provide greater accessibility.

A primary focus of the literature is the role of digital transformation in redefining banking services. As digital technologies have become more pervasive, banks have increasingly adopted them to streamline processes and reduce costs. According to Bátiz-Lazo and Wood [1], digital transformation in banking started with basic data automation in the 1960s, which eventually led to internet and mobile banking. This digital shift not only improved operational efficiency but also reshaped customer expectations, as people began to expect on-demand, accessible banking services. The authors argue that digital transformation remains a significant driver of competitive advantage for banks, enabling them to better serve customers while maintaining profitability.

Mobile banking has emerged as a particularly transformative development within digital banking. Studies have shown that mobile banking has greatly improved accessibility, allowing customers to manage their finances remotely without visiting physical branches. According to Shaikh and Karjalainen [2], mobile banking adoption has been especially impactful in emerging economies, where physical banking infrastructure may be limited. Their research indicates that mobile banking usage correlates with increased customer satisfaction and loyalty, as it offers convenience and flexibility. In addition, the widespread adoption of smartphones has accelerated mobile banking adoption globally, making banking services more accessible to a larger demographic.

Fintech innovations, such as artificial intelligence (AI), blockchain, and big data analytics, have significantly contributed to the evolution of banking services, providing banks with tools to offer personalized and secure services. Gomber et al. [3] discuss the role of fintech in enhancing the efficiency of banking operations, particularly through automation and predictive analytics. AI, for instance, enables banks to offer tailored products and services, such as credit scoring and investment advice, based on individual customer profiles. Additionally, blockchain technology has introduced new methods for secure transaction processing, especially for cross-border payments. Blockchain's ability to record transactions in a decentralized, tamper-resistant ledger is seen as a key factor in reducing fraud and enhancing transparency in banking [4].

The literature also explores the impact of customer experience on banking service evolution. Modern customers have come to expect faster, more personalized services due to the influence of digital banking and fintech. Banks are thus increasingly focused on enhancing the customer experience to retain and attract clients. According to McKinsey & Company [5], customer experience is now a central metric in banking performance, and banks that invest in digital platforms and seamless service delivery are more likely to succeed in a competitive market. Their study highlights that banks focusing on user-friendly digital channels, such as mobile apps and online platforms, experience higher customer retention rates and satisfaction levels.

Another area of significant focus is the impact of regulatory changes on the banking sector. As banks adopt digital solutions and fintech innovations, regulatory bodies have had to adapt to ensure security, privacy, and compliance. Zetzsche et al. [6] discuss how regulatory frameworks have evolved to address new risks associated with digital banking, such as cybersecurity and data privacy concerns. Their research shows that regulatory sandboxes—controlled environments where fintech innovations can be tested under regulatory supervision—have been particularly effective in promoting innovation while ensuring that consumer protections remain intact. Additionally, compliance requirements such as the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) in Europe have mandated that banks adopt stringent data protection practices to safeguard customer information.

Lastly, cybersecurity and fraud prevention have become crucial aspects of banking evolution, as digital services expose banks to new types of threats. Cybersecurity has become a central concern for banks, as digital transactions increase the risk of data breaches and financial fraud. According to Kshetri [7], banks must invest heavily in cybersecurity measures to protect customer data and maintain trust. Technologies like biometrics, encryption, and multi-factor authentication have become standard in digital banking to mitigate security risks. Furthermore, banks are using machine learning algorithms to detect fraudulent patterns and prevent cyber-attacks, thus ensuring that their systems are resilient to evolving threats.

The evolution of banking services is a testament to the industry's resilience and adaptability in the face of technological, economic, and societal changes. From simple moneylending practices in ancient civilizations to sophisticated digital ecosystems, the banking industry has continuously transformed to meet the needs of its customers and support economic growth. As banks navigate an increasingly digital and competitive landscape, they must embrace innovation and prioritize customer experience to stay relevant. The ongoing evolution of banking services suggests that the future of banking will be even more interconnected, personalized, and technology-driven. By understanding the historical context and current trends, banks can better position themselves to succeed in a rapidly changing world and meet the financial needs of future generations.

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THE ROLE OF DIGITAL FINANCIAL TECHNOLOGIES IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF MODERN BANKING SERVICES

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Abstract

Digital financial technologies (fintech) have revolutionized the financial sector, profoundly impacting the way banks operate and deliver services. In recent years, the adoption of fintech has accelerated, with traditional banks integrating advanced digital solutions to enhance efficiency, security, and customer satisfaction. This article explores the role of digital financial technologies in the development of modern banking services, highlighting the transformative impact on customer experience, operational efficiency, and financial inclusion.

Keywords: *Digital financial technology, fintech, modern banking, customer experience, operational efficiency, financial inclusion*

The banking sector has undergone profound changes in recent decades, primarily driven by advancements in digital technology. From the early days of internet banking to the current era dominated by mobile applications and artificial intelligence, digital financial technologies—commonly known as fintech—have fundamentally transformed how banks operate and engage with customers. Today, customers demand more than just basic banking services; they expect a seamless, personalized, and secure experience that allows them to access financial services anytime, anywhere. This shift in customer expectations has compelled traditional banks to adopt and integrate fintech solutions into their operations, spurring a digital transformation across the industry.

Historically, banks functioned as central pillars in financial transactions, savings, and lending, with physical branches and face-to-face interactions defining the banking experience. However, with the rapid spread of smartphones, high-speed internet, and cloud computing, traditional banking models have been disrupted by a wave of technological innovations. These developments are not only enhancing the efficiency and scope of banking services but are also reducing operational costs, mitigating security risks, and fostering financial inclusion on an unprecedented scale. Fintech has thus become a cornerstone in redefining banking, from streamlining back-office operations to introducing sophisticated customer-facing applications.

The rise of fintech has also led to the emergence of new players in the financial services market, such as digital-only banks, payment startups, and tech giants offering financial products. These companies often leverage cutting-edge technology, agility, and data-driven insights to deliver a customer-centric experience that traditional banks struggle to match. In response, established banks have increasingly turned to digital financial technologies not only to compete with these new entrants but to enhance their own service offerings and operational resilience. Through partnerships, acquisitions, and in-house development, banks are embracing digital financial tools to better serve their clients and ensure their relevance in an evolving marketplace.

Furthermore, the adoption of digital financial technologies aligns with global trends toward financial inclusion and economic empowerment. In developing countries and underserved regions, fintech has enabled banks to reach new demographics that lack access to traditional banking infrastructure. Mobile banking, digital wallets, and branchless banking models are enabling millions of previously unbanked individuals to participate in the formal financial system. By providing these populations with access to savings, credit, and investment options, banks are playing a pivotal role in reducing poverty, fostering entrepreneurship, and promoting economic development.

The impact of digital financial technologies on the banking sector has been widely studied, with a substantial body of literature highlighting how fintech has transformed traditional banking models, improved operational efficiency, and enhanced customer experience.

One key area of focus in the literature is the role of mobile and internet banking in reshaping customer interactions with banks. Research shows that the widespread adoption of smartphones and high-speed internet has enabled banks to move services online, significantly improving accessibility and convenience for customers. According to Shaikh and Karjalainen [1], mobile banking is one of the most popular fintech innovations, allowing customers to conduct transactions, monitor their accounts, and access

financial products without visiting physical branches. Studies indicate that mobile banking adoption has been particularly transformative in emerging economies, where physical banking infrastructure is limited [2].

Blockchain technology is another area that has received considerable attention due to its potential to increase transaction security and transparency. Blockchain, a decentralized ledger technology, allows transactions to be recorded in an immutable, secure manner, which significantly reduces the risk of fraud. Studies by Peters and Panayi [3] and Tapscott and Tapscott [4] highlight the disruptive potential of blockchain, especially in areas like cross-border payments and trade finance. By removing the need for intermediaries, blockchain technology not only reduces transaction costs but also accelerates processing times. This is particularly valuable in the context of international banking, where traditional processes are often slow and costly.

Artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning are also transforming the banking sector by enabling enhanced customer service, risk management, and fraud detection. AI-powered chatbots, for instance, allow banks to provide 24/7 customer service, while machine learning algorithms can analyze vast amounts of data to identify unusual patterns, helping banks detect fraud in real time [5]. According to research by Fuster et al. [6], machine learning models are particularly effective in credit risk assessment, where they can analyze creditworthiness based on more comprehensive datasets compared to traditional methods. AI also plays a crucial role in personalized banking, allowing banks to tailor services and recommendations based on individual customer behavior and preferences [7].

Big data analytics has further transformed the banking sector by enabling data-driven decision-making. Big data tools allow banks to analyze customer behaviors, preferences, and transaction patterns at scale, thus improving their marketing and product development strategies. Research by Chen et al. [8] indicates that data analytics has allowed banks to optimize customer segmentation and enhance targeted marketing, leading to higher levels of customer satisfaction and loyalty. Moreover, big data is instrumental in improving credit scoring models, as banks can leverage non-traditional data sources to assess borrower reliability, a development that has proven particularly useful in enhancing financial inclusion [9].

It is worth noting that the Presidential Decree of the Republic of Uzbekistan on October 5, 2020, titled "On Approval and Effective Implementation of the Digital Uzbekistan – 2030 Strategy," outlines ambitious goals for advancing digital financial services within the next two years. To achieve these objectives, the following initiatives have been planned:

- **Expanding Payment Infrastructure:** To optimize the use of the existing payment infrastructure and broaden the network of payment terminals and ATMs nationwide, the integration of the Humo and Uzcard retail payment systems is planned. This will create a more unified and accessible digital payment ecosystem across the country.
- **Enhancing Financial Technology Utilization:** To reduce operational costs, increase efficiency, and improve the quality of financial services, financial institutions are encouraged to adopt cutting-edge financial technologies (fintech) widely. The integration of fintech will allow financial service providers to streamline operations and deliver better service to customers.
- **Automated Data Collection and Analysis:** Introducing modern, automated systems for data collection, processing, and analysis in the banking sector will help minimize human involvement in data handling and ensure that reliable information is used throughout the financial system.
- **Establishment of a Unified Data Warehouse:** The Central Bank aims to set up a Unified Data Warehouse, which will enhance analytical capabilities within banking business processes. This centralized data system will improve the accuracy and speed of financial reporting and decision-making.
- **Strengthening Cybersecurity and Financial Fraud Prevention:** The establishment of a modern Fin CERT center under the Central Bank is planned to safeguard against cyber incidents and financial fraud within the banking and financial sectors. This center will coordinate cybersecurity measures across banks, payment systems, and financial institutions, ensuring robust protection of financial information.
- **Promoting Cashless Transactions:** By expanding the range of services available through bank cards, there is a targeted push to increase the volume of cashless payments among the population. This initiative aims to improve the quality of banking services and foster a culture of cashless transactions.

In summary, the growing demand for payment and banking services, alongside the need to reduce intense competition, imposes specific requirements on banks as financial literacy increases among the population. Banks that offer high-quality digital banking services will gain a competitive edge in this evolving market. Only those institutions that adapt to the new requirements of the banking industry and align with modern information and communication technologies will remain sustainable. These

measures and upcoming initiatives are expected to drive further growth, ensure regular oversight, and address existing weaknesses within the banking system.

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THE EVOLUTION OF MORTGAGE LENDING

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Abstract

Mortgage lending has played a crucial role in facilitating home ownership and real estate development, significantly impacting both individual lives and national economies. Over time, mortgage systems have evolved from simple, informal arrangements to sophisticated financial products that offer a range of options for borrowers. By understanding the evolution of mortgage lending, we gain insights into how financial institutions, governments, and technology have shaped the current mortgage system, making it more accessible, flexible, and integrated with the global financial market.

Keywords: *Mortgage lending, evolution, home ownership, financial regulation, real estate, digital transformation*

The evolution of mortgage lending has been closely tied to the development of financial systems and economic growth worldwide. Mortgages have been essential in enabling individuals to purchase homes, build wealth, and secure a stable future, while also serving as a foundation for real estate investment and development. The modern mortgage system has come a long way from its origins, where simple loans were made between individuals based on trust. Today, mortgage products are diverse, complex, and governed by extensive regulatory frameworks. With the rise of digital technology and global financial integration, mortgage lending has transformed to meet the changing needs of borrowers and lenders alike. This article traces the stages of mortgage lending evolution, exploring the factors that have shaped it and the impact of recent technological advancements on the mortgage industry.

The history of mortgage lending dates back thousands of years, with early forms of real estate financing observed in ancient civilizations. In ancient Rome and Greece, loans were sometimes secured with property as collateral, establishing a rudimentary form of mortgage. These early arrangements were informal and largely dependent on personal trust, with limited legal protections for both lenders and borrowers.

The Middle Ages introduced a more structured system, with land mortgages becoming more formalized in European countries. In medieval England, for example, mortgages were primarily used by the aristocracy to finance agricultural estates. These early mortgage contracts were complex and often favored the lender, as there were few regulations to protect borrowers. Over time, legal systems evolved to provide greater security for property ownership, leading to the foundation of a mortgage system that would eventually spread across Europe and to North America.

In the 19th and early 20th centuries, mortgage lending began to gain momentum as urbanization and industrialization increased the demand for housing. The establishment of commercial banks and specialized mortgage institutions provided a more formal structure for mortgages, allowing middle-class families to purchase homes. During this time, the concept of a long-term mortgage with regular payments became more common, laying the groundwork for modern mortgage products.

Mortgage lending in Uzbekistan has seen significant growth and transformation over recent years, driven by government reforms aimed at enhancing access to affordable housing and financial stability. Historically, mortgage lending in Uzbekistan was limited, with high-interest rates and stringent eligibility criteria that made it challenging for many individuals to qualify for home loans. However, recognizing the importance of housing accessibility, the government of Uzbekistan has implemented several reforms to expand mortgage lending and promote home ownership.

In 2019, a major step forward was taken with the establishment of the "5+20" mortgage program, which offered subsidized mortgage loans to low- and middle-income households. This program provided a 20-year mortgage term with an initial five-year grace period on interest payments, making home ownership more affordable. By offering reduced interest rates and flexible repayment options, this initiative aimed to make housing finance more accessible to the population. The program has been particularly impactful in urban areas, where demand for housing is high, and has contributed to increased real estate development in major cities like Tashkent and Samarkand.

In addition to government programs, the Central Bank of Uzbekistan has focused on creating a more competitive mortgage market by encouraging private banks to offer mortgage products. This has led to a gradual reduction in interest rates, making mortgages more affordable for a larger portion of the population. Additionally, the government has partnered with international financial institutions, such as the Asian Development Bank, to secure funding and technical assistance to develop mortgage markets further.

Technological advancements are also influencing mortgage lending in Uzbekistan. Digital banking and online mortgage applications are becoming more common, streamlining the application process and reducing administrative burdens for both banks and borrowers. As the mortgage market in Uzbekistan continues to grow, these developments are expected to further improve accessibility and affordability, helping to meet the country's growing housing demand.

After World War II, many Western countries experienced a housing boom, as governments sought to address housing shortages and promote home ownership. In the United States, the FHA and VA loans made it possible for millions of families to purchase homes with low down payments and affordable interest rates. Similar programs were introduced in Europe and other parts of the world, expanding mortgage access and spurring real estate development. This era solidified the 30-year fixed-rate mortgage as a standard product, providing long-term stability for both lenders and borrowers.

The 1970s and 1980s marked a turning point in the mortgage industry with the advent of mortgage-backed securities (MBS). Securitization allowed banks to bundle mortgages into investment products that could be sold on the secondary market. This innovation provided banks with liquidity, enabling them to issue more loans and reducing their risk exposure. While securitization expanded mortgage availability, it also introduced new risks, as seen in the subprime mortgage crisis of 2008. Nonetheless, securitization remains a key component of modern mortgage markets, providing a mechanism for banks to manage their portfolios and expand lending capacity.

During the 1980s and 1990s, financial institutions began offering a wider range of mortgage products to meet different borrower needs. Adjustable-rate mortgages (ARMs), which feature variable interest rates, became popular as an alternative to fixed-rate mortgages, offering borrowers potentially lower initial payments. Additionally, banks began providing options like interest-only mortgages and balloon payment mortgages, giving borrowers flexibility in how they structure their loans. While these products provide choices, they can also carry higher risks, especially if interest rates fluctuate or property values decline.

The 21st century has brought significant technological advancements to the mortgage industry, transforming the way mortgages are processed, managed, and accessed by borrowers.

Digital transformation in mortgage lending has made it easier for borrowers to apply for loans and complete the mortgage process online. Online mortgage platforms allow borrowers to submit applications, upload documents, and track their loan status digitally, reducing the time and paperwork involved in traditional mortgage processing. According to a study by Deloitte, digital mortgage platforms can reduce processing times by 30-40% and improve customer satisfaction by offering a more streamlined experience [1].

Big data and machine learning have enhanced credit assessment processes, allowing lenders to analyze vast amounts of data beyond traditional credit scores. Lenders can now use alternative data sources, such as rental history, employment stability, and even social media profiles, to assess borrower creditworthiness. This has made mortgages more accessible to individuals who may lack conventional credit histories but demonstrate financial stability [2].

Blockchain technology has also been introduced in mortgage lending to enhance security and transparency. Blockchain can provide an immutable record of mortgage transactions, reducing the risk of fraud and improving trust between parties. Although still in its early stages, blockchain applications in mortgage lending are expected to grow, especially for secure record-keeping and faster property transfers [3].

Artificial intelligence (AI) is transforming risk assessment and fraud detection in mortgage lending. AI algorithms can analyze borrower data and detect anomalies, identifying potentially risky applications or fraudulent activities. This not only improves the accuracy of lending decisions but also protects lenders and borrowers from financial losses associated with fraud [4].

The evolution of mortgage lending reflects a continuous adaptation to changing economic conditions, customer needs, technological advancements, and regulatory requirements. From its early origins in ancient societies to the digital age of mortgage platforms and blockchain applications, mortgage lending has transformed into a complex, highly regulated industry that plays a vital role in promoting home

ownership and real estate development. As technology continues to advance and regulations evolve, the future of mortgage lending will likely focus on greater accessibility, enhanced security, and innovative products that meet the diverse needs of borrowers. By understanding the evolution of mortgage lending, financial institutions and policymakers can better navigate future challenges and opportunities in this essential sector.

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LEVEL OF ORGANIZATION OF OIL AND GAS REFINING COMPLEX IN THE MODERN PERIOD**Sevinc İbrahimova**

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Abstract

The article focuses on the analysis of the organization of the oil and gas processing complex of Azerbaijan in the light of changes in the world oil market. The article analyzes the level of organization of the oil and gas processing complex in recent years and the need for the transition of the organization to innovative at the present stage. In recent years, the Azerbaijani economy has continued to grow against the backdrop of complex processes in the global economy, demonstrating stability and sustainability. The implemented economic reforms made it possible to adequately respond to the risks and problems of the potential external environment. As a result of the policy of economic diversification, the non-oil sector has become the main factor in overall economic growth.

Keywords: petrochemical industry, oil and gas resources, oil and gas complex, oil refining, technological process, export potential, oil and gas production, investment projects.

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1. Introduction

The organization of work of processing plants in the oil and gas sector of the Republic of Azerbaijan is one of the most urgent problems in this field in modern times. Starting from the middle of the 20th century, large oil and gas processing complexes were put into operation in Azerbaijan, which were considered modern for those years. In the oil and gas complexes created in those years, a large part of the oil and gas products produced in our country were processed and turned into finished products (petroleum and petrochemistry) and exported to other republics of the common union and even to a number of foreign countries. Due to the activity of oil and oil-gas complexes, the industrial sector of our country developed intensively in those years. Thus, the main funds of petrochemical complexes are provided with technological systems that meet modern requirements. Thanks to this, the production capacity and productivity of oil-gas complex equipment has been increased. In "Sintezkauchuk" only the increase of labor productivity as a result of the works has led to a 2-fold increase in the volume of the produced product, and a 3-4-fold increase in the profit. As a result of the strengthening of scientific, technical and engineering research at the plant, many production areas were modernized, facilities for hydrogenation of light hydrocarbon and butylene-butadiene fraction were put into use. At that time, our national leader Heydar Aliyev came to the "Sintezkauchuk" plant and managed to determine the construction measures and resolve the problems of the "EP-300" unit, which is currently operating successfully [1.p.37]. In those years, the processing capacities of oil-gas and petrochemical plants in Baku were increased, and newly applied technologies increased the range of processed products. As a result of the collapse of the Soviet Union in the 1990s, interruptions occurred in the work of the oil-gas and petrochemical plants of our Republic due to the loss of sales markets and the crisis situation, and the operation of these enterprises faced many difficulties. In connection with the implementation of the new oil strategy adopted after our country regained its independence, the issues of modernization and development of physically and morally obsolete oil-gas and petrochemical enterprises were seriously manifested.

2. Discussion

As we mentioned earlier, the organization and development of the processing network are characterized as important factors in terms of the growth of oil and gas production in our country and the presence of promising large-scale projects in these fields. In general, we can group the factors that

make it important to reorganize oil-gas and petrochemical enterprises that can meet the demands of the world market in our Republic as follows:

- In our republic, a lot of practical experience has been accumulated in the field of creation and organization of oil-gas and petrochemical complexes and their long-term activity;*
- Our country is recognized worldwide as an oil and gas country and a center with great experience in oil and gas processing in the field of oil and gas and petrochemicals;*
- Azerbaijan has every opportunity to modernize and develop oil-gas and petrochemical complexes and increase its resource base;*
- Oil-gas and petrochemical enterprises have been competitive in the world and regional markets*

for

a long time, have great resource potential, make up a significant part of exports in the country's economy, and in this regard occupy an important place in the economy of Azerbaijan;

- There are raw materials resources, oil and gas raw materials resources that allow the fundamental

expansion of oil and gas processing, the productivity of petrochemical enterprises to be increased many times;

- The demand for the products obtained from the processing of oil and gas raw materials in our country, in the countries of the region and in the world markets as a whole is constantly increasing;

- The organization of the oil and gas processing complex in our country on the basis of modern technologies and productive facilities can create additional opportunities for the improvement and diversification of the structure of the national economy, as well as the expansion of the non-oil

sector

and the weakening of the dependence of the national economy on the oil and gas factor;

- The export capacity of the products obtained in the Neftgazkimya processing complex is much higher, and thus the problem of diversifying the structure of the country's exports can be relatively solved, it is possible to increase the country's export potential and increase the amount of foreign exchange funds obtained from exports.

It should be noted that one of the important trends currently occurring in the world economy is the intensive development of the industry and the increasing importance of the production of oil and gas and petrochemical products in the structure of the industry. In addition to all this, the expansion of gas processing enterprises has increased in recent times [2.p.25]. This is what is happening in the world economy trends are important for the development of the oil and gas sector of our Republic. Unfortunately, real measures to increase the processing process have not been implemented in the relevant factories of SOKAR, which includes the oil-gas and petrochemical enterprises of our Republic, and as a result, gas processing has not reached a sufficient volume. The situation in oil-gas and petrochemical products processing enterprises in our republic has made it necessary to implement a number of important measures in the field of modernization of the gas field and organization of the production process, and to make changes in the existing legislation. As it is known, the main problem of the most productive oil and gas processing enterprises in the world is the difficulty of providing continuous, continuous and long-term perspective with oil and gas raw materials resources. In terms of these factors, the participants-subjects who have the potential to operate in the field of oil and gas processing in our country will face serious problems in terms of the adequacy of the resource potential of our country in those areas. Therefore, it is possible to note that there is a favorable environment and resource potential in our country for the organization of an oil and gas processing complex. According to the opinions of a number of researchers, the existence of oil and gas reserves, the availability of necessary experience and scientific and technical personnel in this field are among the important factors of developing the promising directions of the processing process in the oil and gas sector and increasing the effectiveness of this field [3.p. 46].

The role of petrochemicals as one of the important directions in these processes is quite different. In the previous research materials, we noted the high level of state support and productivity of market mechanisms for ensuring the complex and intensive development of petrochemicals in the developed countries of the world. However, it should be noted that in the countries and regions of the world where the petrochemical complex is strong, the organization of the oil industry has been achieved more efficiently and with higher profits. The fact is that deep-cycle oil refining fields bring high income, increase the profitability of the oil and oil refining industry as a whole, greatly increase the volume of national product and national income. Researcher A. Kleyman believes that in order to achieve the effectiveness of processing enterprises where the processing of natural resources is carried out, it is of

particular importance to implement fully comprehensive use of oil and gas reserves and measures related to the processing process. In particular, the selection of the right area during the location of plants producing oil-gas and petrochemical products and the determination of the optimal level of territorial structures of processing complexes of these resources and other factors are factors that ensure the development of this sector [4.p.75]. Gathering of oil and gas reserves at the designated place, providing processing enterprises with the necessary raw materials resources, the factors of their location having transport routes and the efficiency of entering the international sales markets are also important factors. Let's clarify some issues specific to our Republic due to the mentioned factors:

- Firstly, it is important to organize processing enterprises, ensuring continuity of processing processes of existing reserves in oil-gas and petrochemical complexes in our Republic;
- our country is located in an important geographic area in terms of important crossing points of international transport routes, it is important as a transport junction connecting Europe and Asia;
- Along with the oil and gas reserves of our republic, there are convenient transport routes for exporting the goods obtained from the processing of petrochemical products to the sales markets;
- The expansion of oil products processing enterprises can accelerate investment flows to the non-

oil

sector of the country, along with the petrochemical field;

- due to the expansion of the processing of oil and gas resources, due to the raising of the production

and technological level of oil and gas and petrochemical processing enterprises, the relations of the

processing enterprises of our country with similar enterprises, firms and companies of other countries will expand in the direction of economy and cooperation, international exchange;

- Increasing the competitiveness of the country's oil and gas complexes in the world market can be the main reason for the strengthening of the republic's economy and economic development.

It should be noted that the creation of mutually complementary business activities between plants producing oil-gas and petrochemical products is one of the important factors of the efficient organization of production complexes that meet the requirements of the world market in our Republic. Because only the export-oriented economic development strategy requires the complex development of the national economy, its complete modernization and structure is not able to provide improvement. The organization of a modern innovative functional and high-tech processing complex with efficient use of oil and gas resources can be considered as a leading and decisive factor in the development of the national economy. In order to improve the structure of the national economy and ensure the development of its various sectors, ensuring the effective use of hydrocarbon resources, first of all, achieving the creation of processing areas with high productivity should be considered as important strategic tasks, and priority directions of action should be determined in this regard.

The presence of hydrocarbon product processing complexes that meet modern requirements and the work of plants that can compete in the world market play the role of a locomotive in the development of the country's economy, create innovative directions in the structure of the existing industry, increase the specific weight of the hydrocarbon products processing sector in the total volume of the industry, and the efficient use of oil and gas reserves. manifests itself as the main factors of development, they create additional opportunities for the effective placement of productive forces and labor resources in the country, they give new incentives to the development of entrepreneurship and the improvement of the business environment, they generally have a positive effect on increasing the economic activity of the population, accelerating the solution of socio-economic problems, etc. [5. page 83]. In this case, oil and gas resources have a significant impact on the sustainable and rapid development of the country's economy, and also perform important functions in ensuring the mutual cooperation and activity of the "public-private sector (business)" in the protection of socio-economic interests. At this time, on the one hand, the social orientation of oil-gas and petrochemical plants increases, new jobs are created, effective use of human resources is realized in the country, and it plays an important role in the organization of hydrocarbon processing complexes that meet modern requirements in our republic, acting as the main party in social projects. the role was great. These works that need to be done emphasize the need for strategic attention to the use of hydrocarbon reserves in our republic and the need for efficient processing of these reserves. The deepening of the processing processes, together with the diversification of production in the domestic market, enables the formation of a healthy competitive environment with the location and movement of a large number of finished products in the domestic market, eliminates the need for foreign exchange funds directed to the import of those products by satisfying the domestic

demand for many products, expanding individual production areas perspectives are emerging, the development of various sectors of the national economy is accelerating and their competitiveness is increasing. At the same time, these works increase the effectiveness of the use of hydrocarbon reserves of the creation of large processing enterprises, create opportunities for effective use of the scientific and technical potential of the enterprises, and stimulate the development, preparation and application of modern technologies. In addition to these, the expansion of the processing network, the organization of more efficient use of oil and gas resources, the reduction of resource loss, the optimization of costs incurred in extraction, production, storage, transportation and processing processes, the organization of various services-marketing services to the network of oil and gas enterprises and oil and gas processing enterprises. , sales and supply, human resources management, realization of the cycle of design and technological works up to production application, etc. The service delivery network is also developing and improving. At the same time, as a result of these processes, the mechanisms related to the organization of mutual, effective activities between production companies and service companies in many fields are improved, and as a result, it becomes possible to develop various models of efficient use of resources, including the justification of the effectiveness of the organization of processing processes with more serious arguments. In addition, the more efficient organization of the oil and gas processing complex in the effective link of mutual relations between oil and gas enterprises and service companies is characterized as an important and strategic area of activity. The main reason for our attention to these factors is the need to increase the importance of cooperation with various consulting and service companies of the world regarding the organization of more effective use of oil and gas resources in our country. Thus, the balancing of the extraction and processing processes of oil and gas resources, the improvement and renewal of state policy mechanisms, the preparation and implementation of state programs and strategic measures that allow to accelerate the application of possible new economic tools for the organization of the processing complex, oil- creation of complexes that allow deeper processing of gas resources, increasing the profitability of the oil and gas industry as a whole due to the purchase of high-quality and wide variety of finished products due to modern and productive technological facilities, strengthening the export potential of finished products along with the raw materials of this industry, etc. the organization of effective work in these areas can have a strong impact on the development of the national economy as a whole and would play a fundamental role in ensuring its sustainable development [6.p.41]. It should be noted that the main state structure engaged in oil and gas production in our country - the State Oil Company - invests and works on a large scale in order to create and develop a network of oil refining and oil refinery enterprises in Turkey. Starting from 2008, SOCAR actively participated in the process of privatization of "Petkin" petrochemical holding and began to implement large investment projects in this direction. One of the main goals of "SOCAR Turkey Enerji" company is to deeply integrate into the petrochemical field of Turkey and achieve high results in this field as the largest investor. At the end of 2016, an oil and gas complex that processes large oil products named STAR was commissioned by SOCAR in Izmir, Turkey, and 10,000 people were employed in the construction of this plant along with ancillary industries. 1,660,000 tons of naphtha will be produced at that plant during the year, and this raw material is considered one of the main raw materials for the petrochemical complex. For comparison, let's say that the total volume of naphtha received from oil refining in Azerbaijan is 500,000 tons per year on average, and about half of it is processed in oil refining enterprises, and half of it is processed in the petrochemical complex, specifically in the "EP-300" unit operating in Sumgait. As it can be seen, the expansion of the fields of oil refining and petrochemical production in our country, the complex development of this field at the expense of facilities with productive power could give a strong impetus to the development of the processing industry in our country. It should be noted that we stated earlier that there is an intention to build a modern petrochemical complex in Azerbaijan and that preparations are underway, but for the time being it is necessary to wait for the commissioning of new production capacities instead of a large number of chemical and petrochemical facilities that have been decommissioned in recent years. On the other hand, delays in the modernization of oil-gas and petrochemical products processing enterprises and the creation of a new production sphere based on modern technological processes have a negative impact on the scientific-technical and human potential resources of this field. The opportunities for applying the results of scientific research, inventions and patents, and streamlining proposals to production processes have weakened considerably. In addition, the weakness of the expansion measures of the oil refinery complex has its effect on the oil products market of the country in the market economy. Researcher S. Mammadova writes that currently Azerbaijan's oil refining industry is being developed in the direction of deepening oil refining. This opens wide prospects for the expansion of the range of oil products and the development of petrochemicals. In

this case, one of the main issues is to develop an optimal processing strategy and take complex measures for its implementation. It is known that the country's oil processing and gas processing capacities are used at a much lower level, and measures should be taken to renew the production capacities concentrated in this area, as well as the technological level. On the other hand, for many years, there have been discussions on the issue of the relocation of these processing enterprises from the central part of Baku city, and it is already planned to move these enterprises to the territory of Garadagh district, one of the industrial districts of Baku, where a rather large oil-gas-chemical complex will be created. However, the need to take more flexible, mobile and operative measures for the organization and productivity of the effective use of the existing processing potential before these large prospective projects are realized is also noteworthy. Thus, the acceleration of the development of non-oil fields and, in particular, the weak use of the capabilities of the oil and gas chemical processing complex with strong science and capital capacity is unacceptable from the point of view of the country's economic security. Some researchers point out that in the mid-2000s, despite the increase in the production of products in the chemical sector of the country's economy, there has been a significant decrease in this sector in the recent period. In the chemical industry, there is a decline in the production of detergents. In addition, the specific weight of the added value formed in the petrochemical sector in the Gross Domestic Product and the country's exports has decreased significantly in recent years, the petrochemical sector of the Republic. The elimination of import dependence on n products has not yet been achieved. The national security strategy adopted in our country shows that the dependence of the economy of our Republic on the income from the energy sector may disrupt the macroeconomic balance between the sectors of the economy, and as a result, the "Dutch syndrome" may arise, and our Republic may become vulnerable to crises in the world economy. For this reason, a certain share of the financial resources received from the oil and gas sector of the economy should be spent on the improvement and modernization of production facilities of oil and gas and petrochemical products, and in this direction, it should be spent on an intensive way of solving the issues ahead.

3. Conclusion

In general, complex measures for the modernization, improvement and renewal of the oil and gas sector of the country's economy should be implemented, the main directions of efficient use of oil and gas reserves in this sector should be determined, the creation of a modern technical and technological processing base based on modern technologies and able to produce competitive products should be ensured. high-tech processing complexes should be created and put into use.

It should be noted that the modernization of the processing network of the oil and gas industry in Azerbaijan, ensuring the efficiency of the use of the processing potential of oil and gas resources, and a deeper study of the factors that determine the organization of the oil and gas processing complex, scientific and economic justification, and the expansion of the processing network of the oil and gas industry in our country determines optimal directions and perspectives.

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DIRECTIONS OF ENERGY SECTOR DIVERSIFICATION AND GREEN ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE EXPANSION IN AZERBAIJAN

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Abstract

The article examines the directions of diversification of the energy sector in Azerbaijan and the expansion of green energy infrastructure. The strategic role of the energy sector in the development of the country's economy and strengthening of economic security is given. The current state of the energy industry in Azerbaijan was analyzed and opportunities were considered. The essence of the measures implemented in the direction of strengthening the energy security of the country was explained, and their importance was assessed. The directions for the development of the green energy zone in the newly created Karabakh and East Zangezur economic regions were analyzed. In general, the processes of creating green energy infrastructure - alternative and renewable electricity production enterprises - in the country have been investigated. Azerbaijan's current potential in the field of renewable energy has been evaluated. The country's contribution to the energy security of the European Union was reviewed. Recommendations were made and proposals were made for expanding the structure of Azerbaijan's energy sector in the near and long term and developing green energy infrastructure in these processes.

Keywords: Azerbaijan, energy sector, energy sector diversification, green energy, green energy infrastructure, Karabakh, Eastern Zangezur, energy security.

It should be noted that fuel and energy resources are important conditions for the independent development of each region and the formation of a competitive national economy. However, nature has not provided fuel and energy resources equally in all countries of the world. Therefore, the state of each country should determine its sources of fuel and energy resources reliably and for a long-term period and ensure the formation of a fuel-energy complex with resource potential. [1] During the last 50-70 years, oil and gas as the main fuel resources in the countries of the world played an important role [2]. Along

with these, atomic energy is also used. However, since this field is complex and dangerous and also costs a lot of money, 70 - 80% of the world's countries do not allow the construction of atomic energy enterprises.

Azerbaijan is one of the few countries that can independently cope with this task due to the use of existing natural resources and resources in forming its fuel - energy complex [3]. Abundant natural resources, the sun, alternative energy sources, and oil and gas deposits are sufficient in Azerbaijan and allow our country to establish a balanced fuel-energy balance as well as to form a competitive, strong fuel-energy complex. The evolution processes of the country's fuel and energy complex were directly related to the historical development processes of the oil industry, as well as the formation of a large volume of electric power infrastructure and production network during the times when it was part of the USSR. It should be noted that as a result of the development processes of the fuel and energy complex in Azerbaijan, the rapid development of various areas of the Republic took place, new settlements and cities were built, and industrial and energy centers were formed. For example, a large industrial and energy center such as Mingachevir was created as a result of the strong development of the fuel and energy complex in Azerbaijan. Fuel-energy complex enterprises (power plants, thermal power plants, etc.) played a big role in creating a strong infrastructure and production capacity of the Sumgait industrial center.

The fuel-energy complex has an important role in improving the welfare of the population from Azerbaijan's natural resources and national wealth. Currently, 71 oil and gas fields have been discovered in our country, and most of them are being exploited. Large projects of the oil and gas industry are being implemented. Our country has a huge network of electricity and heat energy production and delivery to consumers. The main task of the fuel-energy complex, which includes all these, is to implement the continuous and uninterrupted demand of the national economy and the country's population with energy resources. The central and regional management system of the fuel-energy complex operates in our country. There are mechanisms for stimulating the economical use of energy resources. In order to further improve the supply of the country's population with natural gas and electricity, a complex of various programs and measures is implemented [4]. Additional measures are being taken for the formation of a more perfect accounting system and management mechanisms for fuel and energy resources. The fuel and energy complex of Azerbaijan already uses the mechanisms of the corporate management system and gives more importance to the measure of modern technologies.

The production of electricity is considered one of the priority areas of the national economy in our country, and special importance is attached to the development of this area. One of the important conditions is the stable and continuous payment of the constantly growing demand for electricity of various sectors of the economy, as well as the population. In Azerbaijan, the development of the field of electrical energy and related measures are considered to be strategic and priority areas of activity. This is also important in terms of energy security and the overall economic security of the country. During the Soviet Union, measures related to increasing the power of thermal and hydroelectric power plants in Azerbaijan were carried out mainly in the 70s and 80s of the 20th century. However, after the fall of the USSR, it was necessary to do more work to restore and increase the power of the electric power sector in Azerbaijan. If in 1990 the total capacity of power plants in our country was 5051 MW, then this indicator was 5157 MW in 2005, 6396 MW in 2010, 7793 MW at the end of 2015, and 7829 MW at the end of 2018. Currently, this indicator is close to 10,000 MW. The processes of increasing the power of power plants in Azerbaijan took place mainly in 2005–2023. During that period, the capacity of existing power plants in Azerbaijan increased almost twice. The main role in this increase was played by new capacities of thermal power plants.

In 2023, the production of electricity will be 29,282.6 mln. kWh; compared to 2022 (29,004.3 million kWh), 278.3 mln. kWh increased (0.9%). In 2023, the production of electricity in heat power stations will be 27,160.4 mln. kWh - 1 763.2 million kWh in hydropower stations, and 359.0 million for other sources, including 56.6 million kWh in wind power stations, 79.4 million kWh in solar power stations, 223.0 million kWh in biopower stations. In 2023, the export of electricity will be 3245.7 mln. (248.2 million kWh) increased compared to 2022 (2997.5 million kWh), and its import was 211.9 mln. kWh 74.7 million kWh compared to 2022 (137.2 million kWh). Thus, 3245.7 mln. 33.3 million kWh of electricity of Iran, 1575.4 mln. kWh of Turkey, 103.8 mln. kWh of Russia, and 1533.2 mln. kWh belong to Georgia. Imported 211.9 mln. kWh - 32.7 million kWh of electricity of Iran, 92.9 mln. kWh of Russia, and 86.3 mln. kWh fell to the share of Georgia. In general, during the reporting period, 5,502.7 million m³ of natural gas were spent on the production of electricity in the thermal power stations belonging to "Azerenerji" JSC and the State Energy Service of the Nakhchivan Autonomous Republic. During 2023, the specific consumption of fuel for the release of 1 kWh of electricity will increase from 259.3 g/kWh to

255.5 g/kWh compared to 2022 (3.8 g/kWh), which means a conventional fuel saving of 93.1 thousand tons. In 2023, the consumption of electricity in the republic will be 23,196.9 mln. kWh was 5.7 mln increased compared to 2022 (23 191.2 mln. kWh). In 2023, the installed power in the energy system of the republic was 8320.8 MW, which means an increase of 373.6 MW (4.7%) compared to last year. 140.6 MW of the increase is accounted for by hydropower plants and 233 MW by solar power plants. The electric power system includes 22 thermal power plants with a total capacity of 6633.0 MW, 46 hydropower plants with a total capacity of 1301.8 MW, 5 wind power plants with a total capacity of 66.5 MW, 9 solar power plants with a total capacity of 281.8 MW, 1 bioenergy power plant with a capacity of 37 MW, and 3 hybrid power plants with a total capacity of 0.7 MW. The capacity of renewable energy power plants, including hydropower plants, is 1687.8 MW, which is about 20.3% of the total production capacity. Currently, the construction of the power plant is ongoing. The construction of a new water cooling pier with a length of 540 meters (at a distance of 230 m from the coast) has been completed, which will eliminate the impact of the critical situation caused by the fall of the water level in the Caspian Sea on the future operation of the "North" Power Station and allow cold water to be taken from a depth of 8 meters. With the participation of the President of the country Ilham Aliyev, on July 26, 2023, the new pier of the "Shimal" power station, water pumping stations, and the "Shimal" small hydropower station were put into operation. In order to reduce the losses of electricity in the regions, for the accurate accounting of electricity, reconstruction works were carried out in 10 and 0.4 kV power grids that have completed their service lives; these works covered 48 villages, and the works in 20 villages were fully completed during the reporting period; in 28 villages, in this direction, work is ongoing. A 110/35/6 kV 2x80 MVA "Free Economic Zone" substation was built and connected to the grid for power supply of Alat Free Economic Zone (1st stage). Necessary technical measures have been taken for the creation of electricity network infrastructure in the freed territories of the republic and the provision of electricity for various purpose projects. During the year 2023, the State Energy Service of the Autonomous Republic of Nakhchivan carried out major and current repair works based on the schedule in power stations, high and low voltage power transmission lines, transformer substations of various voltages, improving the supply of electricity to consumers, residential areas, schools, and social facilities, construction of new transformer substations for power supply of military units, pump substations, and artesian wells, construction of power transmission lines of various voltages, and replacement of existing overhead power transmission lines with cable lines in the city of Nakhchivan and regional centers [5].

Increasing the volume of production of various types of electrical equipment is of no small importance for the stable operation of the electric energy sectors in our country. At present, Sumgait Technology Park and a group of other enterprises produce a variety of electrical equipment, cable products, and a large number of inventories and products used in this field. In the near future, the renewal of electricity production areas on the basis of modern technologies and the maximum efficient use of available resources in this area are noteworthy. In our country, attention is increasingly being paid to alternative sources of electricity, including electricity generated from wind and solar resources, and the volume of capital investments and investments in these areas is expanding. On the other hand, the role of energy in the innovation of the country's economy is increasing. In particular, measures to strengthen the energy industry in terms of developing various sectors of the country's economy and ensuring economic security are noteworthy [6; 7; 8; 9].

As civilization develops and the world population increases, as the production capacity increases, the demand for more fuel resources arises, and these are considered to be one of the most complex problems of the modern era. Thus, the main sources of currently used fuel resources are exhaustible sources, and these resources are also unevenly distributed in the world. Most of the world's countries lack access to important energy resources, and the struggle for energy is becoming increasingly global. It is not accidental that in the conditions of global challenges, the problems of energy security and energy supply occupy the main place. But is there a solution to these problems? Or, are the elements of the "green" economy, including green energy, which have been circulating intensively in recent times, able to solve these problems? We are witnessing the complexity of the global problems considered in the countries of the world and at the level of international organizations. For example, the problems related to climate change are becoming more complicated every year, or the efficient organization of the exchange of energy resources, as well as solving the problems of actively introducing green energy to the world markets, are becoming a priority. It is commendable that Azerbaijan, which is strengthening its status as a strategic partner in Europe's energy security year by year, is taking important steps to export its hydrocarbon resources to European countries experiencing energy supply problems. At the same time, in addition to natural gas raw materials, the production of other alternative energy resources and their

introduction to the high-demand European market are also of great importance. Strengthening the "green" economy and increasing the production of green energy play an important role in solving many problems, including environmental problems and resource shortages. Besides these, it allows to reduce the negative effects of human activity and intervention on the environment. It reduces atmospheric pollution and forms sources of energy resources that are more harmless to nature and people.

It should be noted that continuous measures are being taken in these directions in Azerbaijan [10]. Our country exports its natural resources to the European market, and the volume of natural gas to be exported to this market by 2027 is expected to be at the level of 20 billion m³. In addition, Azerbaijan insists on expanding its alternative energy sources and creating new infrastructure. In the national sector of the Caspian Sea belonging to Azerbaijan, the potential of green energy that can be obtained from wind alone is 157 GW. From this point of view, our country has enough green energy possibilities, and the possibilities of green solar energy in our dry areas are estimated at 27 GW.

Currently, a number of projects are being implemented in our country. According to the investment - innovation project agreed with the United Arab Emirates company "Masdar" in the territory of the Khizi region, a high-tech infrastructure based on wind energy is being created, and thanks to all this, it is possible to produce 4 GW of renewable energy in 2027 and 6 GW in 2037. Another important issue is the creation of a green energy zone, and the formation of such a zone is the main priority in the greening of the economy in post-conflict areas. Based on the investment of the BP company, the solar energy production infrastructure is being formed in the Jabrayil district, and the solar energy to be purchased will be exported to Europe through an underwater cable line from the bottom of the Black Sea, passing through Georgia. On the other hand, for the expansion of the green economy in our country, it is important to develop green finance, and the implementation of concessional loans and long-term investments can allow the improvement and diversification of the structure of the country's economy at the expense of green economy areas [11].

It is known that there are sufficient opportunities and resources in terms of forming and increasing green energy potential in the newly created economic regions of Karabakh and East Zangezur [12]. Development projects of Karabakh and Eastern Zangezur economic regions mainly cover priorities until 2040. In particular, the prospects of forming and increasing the potential of green energy in these economic regions, taking into account the actual issues arising from the tasks of the I State Program related to the return of internally displaced persons to their native lands, are attracting more attention. In the process of reconstruction of the territories freed from occupation, the process of declaring these territories as green energy zones, taking the principles of green economy as a basis, and applying high technologies, especially the implementation of projects based on "smart" technologies, has been started, and many projects are being implemented, and some of them have been completed. For example, in the "smart" village pilot project implemented at the base of three Agali villages in the Eastern Zangezur economic district, the territory and surroundings of the village are almost surrounded by green zones. In the future, there are additional opportunities for forming and increasing the green energy potential of the area. So, the main resources of this region are solar energy, and at the same time, the creation of hydroelectric power stations, that is, the creation of tens or even hundreds of small hydroelectric power stations, even if they are small, to increase the potential of green energy, as well as to create new jobs, in the direction of employment of the population. Strengthening measures are possible. Strengthening the energy supply of the liberated territories can also create additional opportunities for developing various sectors of the country's economy and increasing competitiveness. In addition, the creation of a new energy production infrastructure is one of the most important issues in terms of taking into account the security indicators of the country's economy [13; 14; 15; 16].

The processes of infrastructure creation and formation of fundamental bases for socio - economic development in the liberated territories are accelerating. Conceptual approaches and priorities in this direction are almost defined. The visit of the head of state to the territories freed from occupation and his on-the-spot familiarization with the revival measures in general gives a strong impetus and additional incentives to the socio-economic development of Karabakh and Eastern Zangezur economic regions. Among the successfully implemented projects, the creation of energy infrastructure and the uninterrupted and reliable supply of electricity to liberated territories are noteworthy. In a short period of time, the construction of 110 kW electricity lines in the directions of Shukurbeyli - Susha (75 km), Shukurbeyli - Zangilan (110 km), Dashkasan - Kalbajar (70 km), and Khindiristan - Aghdam (35 km) was completed.

It should be noted that a strong electricity network was formed in the Karabakh region during the Soviet Union, and 10 electricity networks were operating here. The hostile enemy completely destroyed

or looted this infrastructure during the invasion. In the current reality, the presence of strong energy sources in the region and the fact that it is attracting attention with its great potential mean that a new energy infrastructure and network based on more modern technologies will soon be created in Karabakh. If we look at the resources for this, we will see that 25% of our country's water resources are concentrated in Karabakh, Tartar, Bazarchay, Hakari, etc. There is a prospect of creating a network of hydroelectric power plants at the base of the rivers. Work in this direction is already intensifying, and the work of some hydroelectric power plants, which were operating from the beginning, has been restored. Thus, 3 hydroelectric power stations with a capacity of 20 MW restored in Lachin, Kalbajar, and Sugovushan have been put into operation ("Gulabird," "Sugovushan - 1," and "Sugovushan - 2"). The formation of new energy powers in the region will become possible with the commissioning of the planned hydropower plants on the Araz River. 200 MW Khudaferin and 80 MW Giz Galasi hydropower plants will be put into operation in 2024.

The peculiarity of the territories freed from occupation is that these territories have all conditions for the formation and development of the "green energy" space. In particular, the potential of efficient use of solar and wind energy comes to the fore. A progressive action concept for the organization of the "Green Energy Zone" has already been developed with the participation of the Japanese company TEPCO. This concept envisages the implementation of various energy demand and supply projects, taking into account the issues related to the development of territories freed from occupation and the "Return of the Great Migration." It is commendable that the energy resources of Karabakh and Eastern Zangezur economic regions, including sun, water, wind, etc., are used in the implementation of energy projects. intensive use of renewable resources is targeted [17]. As we mentioned earlier, reaching an agreement with the BP company on the implementation of the 240 megawatt solar power plant project in the territory of Zangilan - Jabrayil regions opens up great prospects. There are opportunities to transfer and export the electricity purchased here to other areas of the country. The main goal of the organization of the "Green Energy Zone" is to create renewable energy sources and, in general, to take targeted measures in the direction of reducing carbon dioxide emissions in our country. It should be noted that by the order of the head of state dated May 3, 2021, measures are planned to create a "green energy" zone in the territories freed from occupation. In the near future, energy projects implemented in these areas in a complex and systematic manner will be of strategic importance in creating an exemplary and efficient "green energy" space in Azerbaijan [18].

In the period up to 2030, we are of the opinion that it is possible to form and improve the conceptual foundations of the new generation economy building, as well as to intensify the activities in these directions, by approaching the national priorities in the direction of socio-economic development in our country [19]. In view of the above, we consider it important to study international experience in depth, develop and apply new generation green economy mechanisms in accordance with our country's resource potential and strategic economic development goals, etc.

Conclusion and suggestions:

In the conditions of modern transformations, the creation of energy export potential that can be strengthened in the world markets while meeting the domestic demand and organizing the production of electric energy products and electrical equipment stand out as important tasks. A comprehensive approach to the development of these areas should be ensured, the experience of world firms and companies should be actively used, and special importance should be given to the creation of joint ventures. If this is the case, the possibilities of exporting electricity and other electric energy products produced in our country to the world markets may be wider. The expansion of green energy infrastructure can give a more serious boost to these processes. In connection with these, we summarize a group of proposals and recommendations, ideas:

- There is a serious need to increase the scope of green economy projects in Azerbaijan and improve financing mechanisms;
- It should be taken into account that most countries of the world have difficulties in achieving the transfer of technologies necessary to develop their national economies, and in this regard, it is important to accelerate technological development in the country's energy sector;
- The weakness of the legal framework in the exchange of green technologies in the energy sector and the improvement of the existing rules of regulation at the international level should be intensified;
- In the Karabakh and Eastern Zangezur economic regions, measures should be taken to fundamentally apply the potential of green energy and to reassess the resources and reserves related to them;

- In order to expand the structure of energy resources in Azerbaijan, a healthy competitive environment should be created in accordance with the conditions of the market economy in this area, and private sector investments in this area should be maximally stimulated;
- Taking into account the high potential of energy resources, differentiating energy consumption issues and tariffs in the country, preventing unjustified price increases, and reducing the impact of monopolies in the energy sector can be effective;
- Measures for the maximum efficient use of the international energy resources transportation infrastructure, which is put into operation due to Azerbaijan's oil revenues - projects such as the Baku-Tblisi-Ceyhan pipeline and the South Caucasus Pipeline, the Trans-Anadolu Gas Pipeline, should be accelerated, with oil and natural gas export products sent from our country. Besides, there is a need to take measures to bring similar resources from other countries of the region to the world markets through export pipelines and take additional income;
- Measures to significantly increase the share of alternative and renewable energy resources in the energy structure of Azerbaijan in the coming decades should be expanded and accelerated, etc.

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Geographical sciences

YEAR OF SOLIDARITY FOR A GREEN WORLD

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Abstract

The theme "Year of Solidarity for a Green World" emphasizes the importance of global solidarity and collective action in promoting environmental sustainability. It encourages nations and individuals in the world to unite in efforts to protect the environment. The focus is reducing carbon footprints, promoting renewable energy sources, conserving natural resources, and enhancing environmental education throughout this year. Solidarity is key in sharing ecological responsibilities across different cultures and economic systems, aiming to create a cleaner and healthier world for future generations. This approach highlights the global nature of ecological crises and the need for collaborative efforts to address these challenges effectively.

Keywords: environmental sustainability, global solidarity, climate change, renewable energy, biodiversity conservation, sustainable practices, collective action, environmental stewardship, global cooperation, ecological responsibility.

Introduction

The "Year of Solidarity for a Green World" represents a pivotal moment in our collective journey toward a sustainable future. As the global community faces unprecedented environmental challenges, the need for united action has never been more urgent. This initiative calls upon nations, organizations and individuals to join forces in addressing climate change, conserving biodiversity and promoting sustainable practices. We can make significant strides in reducing our environmental impact by fostering a spirit of cooperation and shared responsibility and safeguarding the planet for future generations. This article explores the importance of global solidarity in achieving environmental goals and the crucial steps needed to create a greener, more resilient world.

One of the global problems that worries the world today is climate change. Our country hasn't been left out of the influence of global climate change. To increase attention and strengthen international solidarity in the fight against this problem, on December 25, 2023, the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Mr. Ilham Aliyev signed a decree declaring 2024 as the "Year of Solidarity for the Green World". This order proves that Azerbaijan is among the first countries to join global initiatives. As stated in the decree the Republic of Azerbaijan contributes to the fight against the consequences of climate change as a reliable and responsible member of the international community. (2)

Azerbaijan is the frontline of the fight against climate change in the world. Today many global problems in the international world - wars, epidemics and pandemic threats, inter-ethnic and inter-religious conflicts and climate changes cause serious concern for the future of humanity and the existence of the Earth in general. Among those global problems, climate changes and ecological imbalances are highlighted as a more serious human threat, and it is reported that the planet Earth, which is the only source of life in the galaxy we live in, is currently facing certain threats.

The special approach of developed and developing countries to the fight against this threat, and the increase of solidarity in this direction, comes from the intention to protect the existence of the living world. Undoubtedly, the main factor for the existence of all living things is the protection of the



environment. Today the negative impact of climate changes and environmental imbalances on living organisms unfortunately tends to increase intensively. The presence of nature is the environment that can affect the human body directly and indirectly and is of great importance in the formation of its health.

Global climate changes and disruption of ecological balance are among the factors that have a strong impact on people's health and lifestyle. In particular, the factor of the natural environment in which we live is of great importance in the physical and mental healthy development of babies, children and teenagers. Atmospheric air makes it possible for a person to breathe and live by satisfying the need for oxygen. Disruption of the adaptation between the human body and the air environment hurts a person in various ways. Regular changes in air's physical properties, chemical composition and bacteriological indicators manifest themselves in a self-resolving form in people's health, life activity and work capacity.

A sharp change in weather affects the body's heat regulation system and the physiological processes taking place there, creating conditions for the occurrence of some diseases. (6)

One of the five national priorities for the socio-economic development of Azerbaijan until 2030 is defined as "Country of clean environment and green growth". By that priority, work is being done to improve the environment, restore and increase greenery, and ensure efficient use of water resources and sustainable energy sources. Compared to the base year (1990), Azerbaijan has set a goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 35 per cent by 2030 and 40 per cent by 2050.

Creating green energy types and transporting green energy to world markets is the priority of Azerbaijan's energy policy. Azerbaijan aims to increase the share of renewable energy sources in the installed capacity of electricity production to 30 per cent by 2030. The 29th session of the Conference of the Parties to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change - the unanimous decision to hold such a prestigious event as COP29 in Azerbaijan is a sign of great respect and trust for Azerbaijan by the international community, as well as for our country's national, regional and global environmental protection, climate is a clear example of appreciation of his contribution to the prevention of changes.

Ilham Aliyev, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan

One of the global problems that worries the world today is climate change and Azerbaijan attaches special importance to protecting the environment and preventing negative manifestations of climate change, says a statement released by Azerbaijan's Embassy in Dushanbe.



Agriculture, water resources, energy, forest, tourism, the healthcare sector, and coastal zones are sensitive to climate change in Azerbaijan. To increase attention and strengthen international solidarity in addressing this problem, the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Mr. Ilham Aliyev signed a decree declaring 2024 as the "Green World Solidarity Year".

The decree underscores Azerbaijan's role as a reliable and responsible member of the international community, actively contributing to the fight against the consequences of climate change. Emphasizing one of Azerbaijan's five national priorities for socio-economic development until 2030, articulated as the "Country of Clean Environment and Green Growth," the decree outlines ongoing initiatives to enhance environmental conditions, rehabilitate and expand green spaces, and ensure the efficient utilization of water resources and sustainable energy alternatives.

This decree once again proves that Azerbaijan is among the first countries to join global initiatives, Azerbaijan's Embassy says noting that on the other hand, the declaration of 2024 as "Green World Solidarity Year" indicates that Azerbaijan will expand its activities in this field throughout the year and the work to be done in the direction of environmental protection will be significantly intensified.

The planting of millions of trees, the construction of new parks in Azerbaijan within the framework of the "Year of Ecology" which was declared in 2010 and subsequent years, at the same time the participation of the President of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and the First Vice-President, President of the Heydar Aliyev Foundation, Mehriban Aliyeva in these companies is an indication of special attention to environmental protection. Environmental protection, people living in a healthy natural environment and using natural resources to improve the welfare of Azerbaijan people is one of the components of the socio-economic reforms carried out in Azerbaijan," the statement says.

In addition to this in the following years, various measures aimed at solving environmental problems were implemented on a large scale. Azerbaijan is the only country among the Caspian littoral countries that implements comprehensive measures to clean the sea and its water basin and coasts from pollution.

"Let us Plant a Tree" project of the Heydar Aliyev Foundation has also greatly contributed to protecting ecology and the environment. Within the framework of the project implemented at the initiative of the Foundation's President Mehriban Aliyeva, hundreds of hectares of land in Azerbaijan were reportedly greened. The initiative of the First Vice-President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Mehriban Aliyeva to plant 650 thousand trees in one day on the occasion of the 650th anniversary of the great Azerbaijani poet Imadeddin Nasimi is a clear example of the sustainability of the work done to improve the environment, which held in Azerbaijan, in November 2019, says the statement. (3)

"Upon ratification of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change in 1995 and the Kyoto Protocol of the Convention in 2000, the Azerbaijan Republic has actively joined international efforts to mitigate the negative impacts of global climate change.



The unanimous decision to host the 29th session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP29) in Azerbaijan in November 2024 reflects the international community's profound respect and trust in Azerbaijan, recognizing the nation's endeavours in environmental protection and addressing climate change on national, regional, and global scales.

The ultimate objective of the conference under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change is to stabilize greenhouse gas concentrations in the atmosphere at a level that will prevent dangerous human interference with the climate system in time frame that allows ecosystems to adapt naturally and enables sustainable development. This would be done through the use of sustainable agriculture, environmentally friendly transport, smart cities, smart villages, and reforestation.

Azerbaijan prioritizes the creation of green energy sources, with a goal for renewable energy to constitute 30 per cent of its electricity-generating capacity by 2030. This target reflects Azerbaijan's ambitious climate goals and its commitment to reducing its carbon footprint. Azerbaijan has set ambitious targets to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, aiming for a 35 per cent reduction by 2030 and a 40 per cent reduction by 2050.

Our country is struggling against global climate changes that occurred two years ago and 30 per cent of the electrical energy produced by 2030 will be consumed by harvested energy. The region's largest renewable energy plant was put into operation in Azerbaijan last year – a 230-megawatt solar power plant has already been fully integrated into Azerbaijan's energy system. Based on the signed agreements and memorandums of understanding, 10,000 megawatts of renewable energy will be created in Azerbaijan in the next few years and Azerbaijan will become one of the world leaders in this field. Of course, the fact that COP29, an international conference on climate change will be held in Baki is further evidence of Azerbaijan's successes in this field.



Azerbaijan is taking all necessary measures to organize this prestigious session at a high level and to conclude it with successful results for humanity.

Azerbaijan, one of the first countries to be accepted into global enterprises, has taken important steps towards creating its established energy sector. Memorandums of agreement were signed with companies around the world. In this regard, our country is first in the South Caucasus, as it is in all areas. Creating green energy types and transferring green energy to world markets are the priorities of Azerbaijan's energy policy.

In 2020, our head of state named the lands liberated from occupation as green zones, and serious steps were taken to realize the energy potential of these lands. (3)

Our country participated with a large delegation in COP28, the Conference of the Parties to the Framework Convention on Climate Change held in Dubai last year.

As a result of Azerbaijan's diplomatic success, it was decided at the first meeting to hold COP29 in our country.

It is a great pleasure for Azerbaijan to host the 2024 Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Climate Change - COP29. The adoption of this measure in Azerbaijan and the adoption of a relevant decision will show great respect and respect to Azerbaijan and our country as a whole. It is a clear example of the deep appreciation of the work of protecting the surrounding environment and countering climate changes at national, regional and global levels and is a manifestation of the great faith in our country.

The government of Azerbaijan declared the Nakhchivan Autonomous Republic and the liberated territories of Eastern Zangazur and Garabakh as green energy zones. Major deregistration efforts were initiated in the regions liberated from occupation. The protection of the surrounding environment is a priority in the large-scale recovery and reconstruction process carried out in the liberated lands. The projects implemented within the framework of Barpa-establishment works are based on green technologies. Intelligent cities and towns will be freed in the liberated regions, and a clean transportation infrastructure will be created.

In large cities, especially in Baki, Sumqayit and Ganja, the number of people using electric cars, as well as velocipedes and scooters, has increased. In general, Azerbaijan systematically supports global combat against climate change and implements measures related to ecosystem stability and energy efficiency, the Republic of Azerbaijan is an international strengthening of the surrounding environment by providing reliable and responsible members of the society with the defence against the evils of climate change, the recovery and increase of old ages, water reserves and durable energy work is carried out to ensure fruitful use of its resources.

In this regard, agreements were signed with Aguapower and Masdar, the world's leading companies with experience in the field of energy, and contracts related to the construction of solar and solar energy stations were approved. The 230-megawatt Garadagh solar energy station has been constructed and put into use with the investment of Masdar Company this year.

In general, the renewable energy potential of our country is estimated to be 200 gigawatts. The state of Azerbaijan is taking serious steps towards the realization of this potential and it will export renewable energy and green hydrogen to Europe through the bottom of the Black Sea soon. This will open the way to save gas used in energy production and expand our export opportunities to Europe. As Europe buys more natural gas from Azerbaijan, it will reduce the burning of coal used for electricity generation and contribute to the reduction of greenhouse gases released into the atmosphere. Thus if Azerbaijan, despite being a country with hydrocarbon energies, prefers green energy, it is commendable for our country.

At a time when our planet is facing a serious ecological crisis and water scarcity, we have important tasks ahead of us. Azerbaijan creates renewable energy and continues greening. As a society, we must mobilize our forces for the protection of a clean ecological environment, the protection of forest and water resources and the expansion of greenery. Azerbaijan brought innovations by holding all the international events it hosted at a high level. (4)

The modern ecological situation in the world and the increasing number of anthropogenic influences on the surrounding environment have inevitably led to the solution of some serious problems that stand in the way of success. Ecology is not related to the achievements of the technological progress of the storm, but also to the loss of many values by nature. In this regard, the educational field is subject to radical changes. The formation of ecological civilization, the renewal of ecological education and the formation of contemporary citizens loyal to ecological values in the face of today's education system are a serious task.

The 29th session of the Conference of the Parties of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change – the adoption of a similar measure such as COP29 in Azerbaijan by the international community It is appreciated that you attach great importance to Azerbaijan and your commitment to protecting the surrounding environment of our country at the national, regional and global levels and countering climate change. like a clear example is valued. Undoubtedly, hosting COP29 demonstrates Azerbaijan's strong position in terms of dealing with global issues in the face of climate change. (5)

Conclusion

In conclusion, the "Year of Solidarity for a Green World" serves as a powerful reminder that environmental sustainability is a shared responsibility requiring collective action. As we navigate the complex challenges of climate change and environmental degradation, it is through unity and cooperation that we can achieve meaningful progress. This year offers a unique opportunity to strengthen global partnerships, adopt sustainable practices, and inspire a new era of environmental stewardship. By embracing

solidarity, we not only protect our planet but also ensure a healthier, more sustainable future for generations to come. The success of this initiative depends on our commitment to working together, recognizing that the well-being of the Earth is linked to the well-being of all its inhabitants.

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Mathematical sciences

A COURSE OF ALGEBRA (PART I)

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Abstract

The following is an exposition of a course of algebra that Prof. Aleksandr Aleksandrovich Zykov (1922-2013) distributed among the participants of his seminar in graph theory not far away from Odessa, Ukraine, on September, 1991. It is a privilege for me to be able to reproduce, with some good additions, the English version of this remarkable course that he designed carefully over several years with the help of other colleagues and with the only purpose of making the science of algebra more accessible to the less gifted student. Prof. Zykov was an admirable person and a very clever mathematician and scientist. His scientific interests were wide: from the mathematical sciences at any level and in any of their branches to the theory of relativity as I recall. He kindly wrote a review recommending the results of my doctoral dissertation, which was necessary for the approval to obtain a Ph.D. degree during the meeting of my defense. In that meeting, I was very nervous because I had in front of me fifteen professors all of them doctors of technical or mathematical sciences asking all sort of questions and whom I had to convince of the fact that my results were true. I am sure this algebra course played the role that Prof. Zykov, with his deepness of thought, had primarily intended, that is, one course designed with the right approach to help out many of his students.

Keywords: Groups, Rings, Fields, Algebraic Equations.

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LECTURES ON ALGEBRA

ABSTRACT

A systematic, but not entirely traditional algebra course for university's mathematical faculties, designed for students with far from ideal preparation in high school, mainly taught by the author for four years at the Samarkand University named after Alisher Navoi. The introductory lectures were written jointly with Associate Professor Asad Amonovich Amonov and Senior Lecturer Yusuf Sharipovich Sharipov (Department of Algebra and Number Theory).

PREFACE

One of my friends decided to become a trumpeter, but he never got into music school. The admissions committee found out he had no ear nor spirit. However, let's imagine he still ended up as a student at the school (due to a shortage or simply "on a call"): what would musicians do with him later? after all, often, in such an absurd position, teachers of the mathematical faculty of the deputy state university, where I was lucky enough to work between 1982 and 1987, found themselves. I said I was lucky without irony. Although it was eventually possible to get rid of students who had absolutely no relation to mathematics, I still had to deal, for the most part, with those whose hearing was not sufficiently developed and whose spirit was not yet set at all. Thus, if it were not for the warm, friendly attitude and support of colleagues, then, under such difficult conditions, this course of algebra could not have appeared despite the fact that it was designed for students with only the most necessary minimum of mathematical abilities and very incomplete school knowledge. But it can be recommended as a starting point even for the students of Moscow State University. The presented material in it needs only additions, but not revision.

We rejected both the great amount of focusing required for the widely used textbook of A.G. Kurosh and the excessive academicism of the textbook written by A.I. Kostrikin. At the same time, I recommend it for independent study of some sections and for additional reading. The presentation of the material is fully consistent. The task of students' assimilation of the very spirit of algebra as the science of algebraic

operations is absolutely relevant and the difference between the algebraic approach to the study of mathematical objects and the analytical one is explained already in the lectures and it is emphasized throughout the course.

I strongly disagreed with my colleagues at the department when, due to the weak composition of the students, they avoided the issue of algebraic expansion in their lectures. After all, it means to teach algebra without algebra, which is natural and logical in technical colleges where you have to solve mathematical problems by all available means and not to cultivate separately "the spirit of algebra", "the spirit of geometry" and "the spirit of analysis". This is absolutely unacceptable for future mathematicians both as researchers and teachers. If from the field of rational numbers, the field of real numbers arises analytically, then its next extension to the field of complex numbers arises algebraically. A fact you can't hide, how in vain one hero tried in O. Henry: "He denied the allegations, but he could not deny the alligators" (play on words from the novel "The man higher up": Figure it out!).

I am strongly against the exclusion from the compulsory curriculum of such a topic as solving the equations of third and fourth degree: you can't turn a course of algebra into "Ivan who doesn't understand any kind of family connection or affinity". At the same time, I consider it is entirely justified to limit ourselves to the formulation of the root existence theorem, which, on its own, is the fundamental theorem of algebra. The proof of the latter is purely analytical in nature and it is unfeasible within the framework of algebra itself.

A systematic study of the equations with one unknown begins with the cases of first and second degree not only to eliminate school shortcomings, but also to provide full justification: after all, everything has to be done in the complex field. By the way, attempts to fill the gaps with a refresher course in school mathematics usually turned out to be ineffective. It is unlikely that in 1-2 months you will be able to master well all of that for which you did not do much in the course of 10 years. Here, it is more likely that a completely different approach will help out. At first, I should captivate students with unusual material not only based on ready-made knowledge, but also made with certain minimum of intelligence and common sense. Only then, in the process of going through something new and interesting, they gradually do something "right" to make up for doing something wrong.

There is no place for the theory of determinants in the first semester: for algebra itself, there they are not needed yet, and for analytic geometry, the information on third-order determinants that directly follow from the properties of the mixed product of three vectors is quite sufficient. But in the second semester, n th order determinants have the full right to appear not just as computing tools, but as multilinear functions of the elements of a linear space, which also simplifies the presentation. In the same way, why to study in the first semester (before the general theory of linear spaces) the Gauss-Jordan elimination method, and especially start the course with it. In some cases when it is necessary to solve a system of linear equations, it is possible to get by with school methods (a reminder of this is given in the historical plan of the introductory lecture and can be reinforced in the very first practical lesson). Finally, symmetric polynomials (such a beauty should not be thrown out of the course completely) are considered in the second semester in connection with the general concept of algebras.

At first glance, the theory of operations on matrices at the end of the first semester may seem out of place. However, in fact, determinants are not needed to decide degeneracy (solution exists and is not unique) and non-degeneracy (solution exists and is unique) and to find the inverse matrix. Rings of a square matrix naturally fit in the general study of algebraic systems while the addition and multiplication of rectangular matrices, on the one hand, allow for a number of clear and important interpretations, and on the other hand, they are also studied in the general terms of algebraic operations. Such a transfer of different topics allows to avoid in the second semester overloads due to the theory of determinants and symmetric polynomials.

The material of the second semester, that is, linear algebra and multidimensional geometry with the exception of the previously mentioned modifications, is traditional. The third semester consists of two parts "homomorphisms and factorization" and "permutation groups" including elements of combinatorial analysis and the famous Polya theorem. In our opinion, knowledge of the latter is as necessary as that of number theory, for which a separate course is set aside in the second semester.

The book is written in outline form and is not a manual for self-education. If a weak student dares to read it alone, then the most one can hope for is an illusion of understanding the lecture. However, the one who overcomes the basics under the guidance of an experienced teacher will be able to consciously work through the material of the order of the topic, let's say, "complex numbers" (where, in particular, it becomes inevitable to turn to other teaching aids). As the experience shows, for a weak, but diligent student, the decisive criteria for whether he can continue his studies at the Faculty of Mathematics is its ability to fully understand the theorem on the uniqueness of the neutral element of a groupoid.

In addition to the material on the geometric representation and properties of complex numbers, requests for additional sources require tasks for independent work (three such tasks in the first semester are provided) an also familiarity with the theorem on partitioning a set into equivalence classes; the latter, in our opinion, should be presented in the course "Introduction to speciality area program".

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FROM THE ART OF SOLVING EQUATIONS TO THE SCIENCE OF ALGEBRAIC OPERATIONS (Introductory Lecture on Algebra)

As is evident from the surviving written documents of Ancient Egypt and Babylonia, already 3,000 years BC, not only four arithmetic operations on integers and fractional numbers (as well as extracting the root) were known, but also the solution of some problems of the type when based on the result of a series of operations on an unknown number, it was necessary to establish this number. The simplest of those problems leads to a first-degree equation, which in modern notation has one of the forms

$$x \pm a = b, \quad a \pm x = b, \quad ax = b.$$

(In fact, the problem and its solution were written in words and specific numbers since there were no letter symbols, no mathematical operation signs and no equal sign. But for the sake of convenience in conveying the essence of the matter, we will agree to use the now familiar symbols). To solve the third equation, Egyptians immediately divided b by a (in a more complicated way than we do, though) while Babylonians first found the reciprocal value for a using a pre-compiled table and then multiplied it by b .

More complex problems of the type

$$ax + bx = c$$

were not solved according to the modern scheme $(a + b)x = c$, $x = c/(a + b)$ because equivalent transformations of equations, in particular, the reduction of like terms containing the desired number were not then known. In such cases, they used the false position method, which we will explain using one problem from the Egyptian papyrus: the quantity and its fourth part together give 15. "Count this for me", that is, find the original quantity.

The solution began with the following words: "count from 4; from it, you must take a quarter, namely 1; together 5". Then division $15/5 = 3$ and multiplication $4(3) = 12$ were performed, giving the desired number. In other words, to solve the equation $x + \frac{1}{4}x = 15$, first we set $x = 4$ (in a simpler way so that

no fractions appear), as a result of which the left side will take the value of 5, and since this is three times less than 15, to obtain the "true x" from the "false one" the latter must be tripled. This path seems awkward to us, but for a purely arithmetic solution of problems leading to systems of two first-degree equations with two unknowns, the false position method still works (see exercise 1).

In Babylonia, more complex problems were solved, for example, those leading to systems of the type

$$\begin{aligned}x + y &= a, \\ xy &= b.\end{aligned}$$

The formulation of the problem itself looked something like this: "The length and width together are equal to a , the area is b ; what are the length and width?" (It is clear that we are talking about a rectangle). The solution process was written down as a recitation: "break off half of a , you will get $a/2$ " (all, of course, using specific numbers). "Square $a/2$, subtract b and take the root of the difference" (there were tables for the last step as well as for finding reciprocals). "By adding the resulting number to $a/2$, you will find the length and by subtracting it from $a/2$, - the width". Finally, there was a check that the numbers found satisfied the conditions of the problem, in other words, that "you solved it correctly".

The solution procedure corresponds to the following formulas:

$$x = \frac{a}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^2 - b}, \quad y = \frac{a}{2} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^2 - b},$$

but who personally and, most importantly, how it was discovered is unknown: the prescription-dogmatic presentation ("do it this way") does not contain any evidence or even explanations of why it should be done this way and not otherwise. Checking at the end (Egyptians also did it for some simple problems) can be considered only the embryo of a proof.

Of particular interest is the way in which the Chinese around 2,000 BC dealt with problems of the type

$$\begin{aligned}a_1x + b_1y + c_1z &= d_1 \\ a_2x + b_2y + c_2z &= d_2 \\ a_3x + b_3y + c_3z &= d_3,\end{aligned}$$

there was no notation for the desired quantities, nor addition sign, multiplication sign, equal sign, and the system was written in the form of a table of specific numbers

a_1	a_2	a_3
b_1	b_2	b_3
c_1	c_2	c_3
d_1	d_2	$d_3,$

over the columns of which actions were then performed corresponding to the sequential elimination of unknowns. All numbers were positive (others were not known at that time), however, in the process of solving the problem, it was often necessary to subtract a larger number from a smaller one. Then, they did the opposite, they subtracted the smaller from the larger, but wrote the difference in a different color of ink. Thus, the same numbers had to be operated depending on their color: the black number had to be subtracted where the red one had to be added, and vice versa. However, further steps that prepared the introduction of negative numbers took place (somewhere else) much later, and even the highly developed mathematics of ancient Greece passed this by.

One of the greatest achievements of the Greek scientists of the 6th – 2nd centuries BC was the development of logic and its wide application to the natural sciences, which made possible, in particular, the transformation of mathematics from a set of isolated facts and rules into a systematic science. Euclid's famous "Elements" (around 300 BC) opened up the formulation of the basic principles referred as axioms and postulates, from which then, with the help of logical reasoning, the theorems of arithmetic and

geometry were derived. Algebra appeared in geometric form; known and unknown quantities were not numbers, but segments, rectangles, parallelepipeds (in fact, their lengths, areas, volumes). With this approach, for example, equation $ax = b$ should be written as

$$ax = b^2$$

(so that the dimensions of both sides coincide), and the formulation of the problem looked like this: "on a given segment, construct a rectangle equal in area to a given square". More complex problems on the application of a rectangle to a segment "with a deficiency" and "with an excess" (all three problems and their connection with conic sections; parabola, ellipse and hyperbola, should be discussed in the course of analytic geometry and more detailed information can be found in textbooks on the history of mathematics) led to equations of the form

$$ax \pm x^2 = b^2,$$

which were solved by geometric constructions with full justification. The conditions for the existence of a solution to this (or that) equation were called *diorisms* - they responded with a modern inequality between the coefficients that ensured the non-negativity of the discriminant and the positivity of at least one of the roots (see exercise 5).

The reason that the main characters of ancient Greek algebra were not numbers, but geometric objects, was the discovery in the 4th century BC by the Pythagoreans of such an unexpected phenomenon as incommensurability, in particular, the fact that the length of the diagonal of a unit square cannot be expressed by either a whole or a fractional number (if, of course, we mean an exact value, but not an approximate one). Let's give a proof by contradiction (again in modern notation) following the Pythagorean tradition.

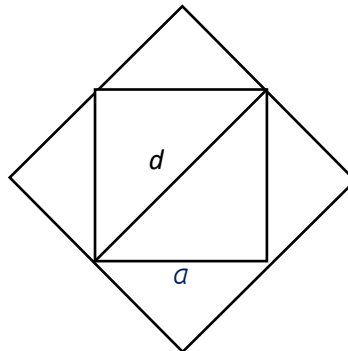


Fig. 1

Let's assume that the diagonal of a square with side $a = 1$ has length d (Fig. 1). Since the area of the square constructed on this diagonal having side length d is twice the area of the original square $a^2 = 1$, $d^2 = 2$. Number d cannot be a positive integer because $1^2 < 2$, but already $2^2 > 2$, furthermore $3^2 > 2$, and so on. Let d be a fractional number. We will show that this assumption leads to a contradiction.

Let's denote by m/n an irreducible fraction, that is, a fraction in simplest terms, which is equal to d . Then $(m/n)^2 = 2$ meaning that

$$m^2 = 2n^2.$$

This implies that m is even, otherwise m^2 as the product of two identical odd numbers, would itself be odd, whereas $2n^2$ is even. Writing m in the form $2k$, we obtain from $m^2 = 2n^2$ the expression $4k^2 = 2n^2$ or after dividing by two

$$n^2 = 2k^2,$$

as above, it follows that n is even.

And so, the numbers m and n are both even and the fraction m/n can be reduced by dividing both of its terms by two, which contradicts the assumption of its irreducibility, that is, the assumption that when writing d as m/n , all possible reductions to simplest terms have already been made.

Excessive attention to logical perfection at the expense of the applied side of mathematics, associated with direct measurements and calculations (it was considered an occupation worthy of slaves and artisans, but not of the learned elite, and the greatest mathematician, physicist, and engineer of antiquity, Archimedes, was one of the few exceptions) had its negative consequences, which later served as one of the main reasons for the decline of ancient Greek science. In relation to arithmetic and algebra, this was manifested in the fact that irrational numbers were never discovered by the Greeks (there was a very subtle and profound theory for the relationships of incommensurable quantities, but these relationships themselves were not considered numbers) and diorisms created a strong immunity against the emergence of negative and imaginary numbers.

Mathematics of India and the Arab countries of the first millennium AD, having absorbed the achievements of the ancient science of Egypt, Babylonia, China (partly) and Greece, gave the world an important innovation: the decimal positional system and the number zero. Although the positional principle itself was widely used in ancient Babylonia, the base of this system (60 instead of 10) made it much more cumbersome to calculate (the remains of the Babylonian system have been preserved in the form of dividing the hour into minutes and seconds, and the circle into degrees, arc minutes and seconds). Indian scholars of the 6th-12th centuries also mention negative numbers, with an explanation of arithmetic operations on them, but only as a "logical possibility", denying these numbers equality of rights with the positive ones.

Although many problems of algebraic content were solved before our era and also during the eight centuries of our era, algebra as a separate science did not yet exist, and its founder is rightfully considered to be the outstanding Central Asian scientist al-Khwarizmi (783-850). He and his followers developed general methods that allow, without changing the roots of an equation, to bring it to a form in which these roots are obvious or at least easier to find than in the original one.

The main types of transformation in al-Khwarizmi are Al-Jabr ("restoration") and Al-Muqabala ("comparison"). The first consists of removing the subtracted term from one side of the equation with subsequent restoration as a positive term in the other side; the second means the reduction of like terms. To these transformations is added the previously known division (as well as multiplication) of both sides by the same number. For example, to solve linear equation $7x - 27 = 9 - 5x$, a chain of transformations is performed

$$\begin{aligned} 7x - 27 &= 9 - 5x, \\ 5x + 7x - 27 &= 9, \\ 5x + 7x &= 9 + 27, \\ 12x &= 36, \\ x &= 3. \end{aligned}$$

Each line, including the last one, is an equation equivalent to the original one in the sense that any specific number x that satisfies one equation also satisfies the other. Each of the questions of existence, uniqueness and actual calculation of the root has the same answer for all equations. But if it is not possible to "guess" the root of the original equation right away (and the question of uniqueness will not be resolved by this), then for the last equation all indicated problems are trivial: its only root, according to the pertinent remark of the algebraists of those times, is known to us whether one wishes to or not.

Using transformations, al-Khwarizmi reduces any equation of first or second degree to one of the six canonical (simplest) forms, where each degree of the unknown can be contained no more than once and only as addend, not as subtrahend (see exercise 7) and for each case he gives a geometric solution. From "Al-Jabr" Europeans subsequently formed the word algebra, and from the name of "al-Khwarizmi" the term algorithm, meaning a general method (a single system of rules) for solving any specific problem from a certain class of problems.

To the merits of al-Khwarizmi as a mathematician, it should be added that he was one of the first to appreciate the decimal positional number system and actively promoted it. In his arithmetical treatise, he clearly sets out the rules for operating on this system, including column multiplication and the use of zero. This subsequently led to the emergence and widespread use of decimal fractions in the East earlier than in Europe (in the observatory of Ulugbek, Uzbekistan's great astronomer, sines and tangents of angles were calculated with an accuracy of up to eight decimal places).

Using the algebraic techniques of al-Khwarizmi, outstanding mathematician (as well as philosopher and poet) of the 11th-12th centuries Omar Khayyam reduces any equation of degree 1, 2 or 3 to one of the 25 canonical forms (see exercise 7 again), which then solves using geometric algebra and the ancient Greek theory of conic sections. But its solution is closer in spirit to finding the intersection point of the graphs of two functions rather than constructing a segment. Only an unfortunate omission in the analysis of one of the cases prevented Khayyam from coming to the conclusion that a cubic equation can have three different roots (see exercises 8 and 9). In general, scientists from the countries of the Near and Middle East treated the works of their predecessors with deep respect; in particular, they translated and carefully studied the works of ancient Greek philosophers and mathematicians, and in the presentation of known results, and in obtaining new ones, the ancient rigor of proofs was preserved, but at the same time serious attention was paid to the application of mathematical discoveries in the real world (road and canal construction, architecture, land surveying, trade, complex problems of property division, and so on), as well as to other sciences (optics, geography and especially astronomy). Irrational numbers received the "right of citizenship" since they can always be replaced with decimal fractions with the necessary accuracy and attempts were made (fundamentally interesting, but mathematically, not completed, unfortunately) to build a unified theory of rational and irrational numbers.

When speaking about the emergence of algebra as a special branch of mathematics and the successes of the algebraists of the medieval East, it would be wrong to pass over in silence some omissions. We have already mentioned one of them, related to cubic equations. Another fact, more general, concerns negative numbers: instead of bringing this "logical possibility" of the Indian scholars to systematic development and application, they further aggravated the tradition of avoiding such quantities (and information about the "red" and "black" numbers of the Chinese either did not reach Central Asia at all, or was not properly assessed there either). "Intolerance" of negative numbers explains the abundance of canonical forms of equations in al-Khwarizmi and Omar Khayyam. It was also, apparently, one of the main reasons why Khayyam did not create (long before Descartes and Fermat) analytic geometry, even though, many historians believe that he stood on the threshold of this discovery.

In Europe, the lush flowering of ancient science and culture gave way to a long medieval hibernation. The mathematics of this period made almost no major discoveries; it was mainly a process of accumulation of material which, while important for the future, was very slow. Only from the 14th century did interest in the works of mathematicians of Greece, India and Central Asia awaken, in particular, both mathematical treatises of al-Khwarizmi were translated from Arabic into Latin. One of the merits of the mathematicians of the late European Middle Ages should be considered a more tolerant attitude towards negative quantities than in Asia: in addition to the Indian interpretation ("debt" as opposed to "property"), they were given the now well-known kinematic explanation. Despite this, even later, in the Renaissance, it was still a long way off from the equality of the importance of both signs, and algebraists, working with negative numbers, called them "fictitious" (an end to this discrimination was put only in the 19th century).

The new rise of science in the Renaissance period, of course, also embraced algebra. Europeans of the 16th century were especially interested in solving equations. In Italy, there were even public competitions to find exact numerical values (and not the construction of corresponding segments) for the roots of an equation of degree higher than 2. Del Ferro, Tartaglia, Cardano and Ferrari discovered general methods for the algebraic solution of equations of third and fourth degrees. It was found that in a number of cases it was impossible to avoid intermediate actions with expressions of the form $\sqrt{-1}$, to which at the same time no meaning could be attributed and, therefore, were called "sophistical" or "imaginary" numbers.

As noted by Cardano, equation

$$x^2 - 10x + 40 = 0,$$

according to ancient Greek diorism, has no solution, but it is satisfied by the values $x_1 = 5 + \sqrt{-15}$ and $x_2 = 5 - \sqrt{-15}$ if we act on the roots of negative numbers according to the same rules as on the roots of positive numbers, in particular, we consider $(\sqrt{-15})^2 = -15$ and the founder of the literal algebraic calculus, the French mathematician Viète, discovered that even for such numbers as x_1 and x_2 , his theorem on the connection between the coefficients and roots of an equation remains valid.

Only at the turn of the 18th and 19th centuries did expressions of the form $a + b\sqrt{-1}$ with reals a and b get the name complex numbers, and their representation by points of the plane eliminated the mysticism (the decisive role in this process, which then led to the complete recognition of complex numbers, belongs to Gauss). But before that, it was necessary to act with such numbers without understanding their meaning (nature) and guided only by the rules established for "understandable" numbers. The situation was similar with regard to "dumb" (irrational) numbers, which could not be expressed exactly by any fraction, although the possibility of their simple geometric representation on a straight line and approximate representation by a decimal fraction with any required accuracy weakened the mystical touch.

The geometric algebra of the ancient Greeks inevitably relied on the letter notation of known and unknown quantities and, in general, the replacement of specific numbers with letters for setting and describing the course of solving a problem was used by Jordanes Nemorarius (12th-13th centuries). But his approach did not yet mean the creation of a letter computation since the result of the action on two expressions was designated each time by a new letter. For example, the law $(a + b)c = ac + bc$ looked like this: "If d is the sum of a and b , e is the product of d and c , f is the product of a and c , g is the product of b and c , h is the sum of f and g , then e is equal to h ."

Viète's symbolism was not distinguished by its compactness either: he wrote our equality $A^3 + 3BA = D$ in the form

A cubus + B planum in A3 aequatur D solido;

however, the origins of algebraic calculus are located precisely here because such a notation allows one to act with the literal expressions themselves as with numbers. The notation was soon improved by Harriot, whose notation of the same equality

$$aaa + 3ba = d$$

is much closer to the modern one. Around the same time (the second half of the 16th century), along with the signs $+$, $-$, $\times$ (the latter was often omitted), the $=$ sign appeared, and the first letter of the Latin word radix (root) in combination with a line above $\sqrt{\quad}$, which then replaced brackets, formed the radical sign in Viète.

The emergence of letter algebra greatly strengthened the determination to act with various kinds of quantities, including those "incomprehensible" according to certain rules.

Here we will interrupt the historical narrative (further information of this nature is better given during the algebra course itself and in the course of history of mathematics) and will only note a characteristic feature of modern algebra. If the analytical approach to the study of certain objects is associated primarily with the clarification of their internal structure, then with the algebraic approach, the laws by which these objects are combined with each other come to the fore. Mathematical examples will be sufficient later, but for now we will illustrate the importance of the algebraic approach (and the dialectical unity of both approaches) using an example that is not related to algebra itself.

When discovering the periodic law, D.I. Mendeleev did not proceed from the internal structure of atoms (then still unknown) but from the "external" properties of chemical elements, and primarily, their ability to form certain compounds with each other. However, the periodic table itself played a decisive role in the subsequent creation of the atomic model to find the mass and charge of nuclei and the number of

electrons in the shells of a particular chemical element. Thus, the original “algebraic” approach opened the doors wide to the analytical approach.

EXERCISES

1. Read carefully the story by A.P. Chekhov “The Tutor” and solve the problem of buying blue and black cloth the way little Pete should have done, that is, starting with a “false position”: let's assume that everything bought was blue...

2. Write down the solution of the system

$$\begin{aligned}x - y &= a, \\ xy &= b.\end{aligned}$$

using modern formulas and in the form of a Babylonian recipe.

Solution. (Try it yourself first). $x = \sqrt{\left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^2 + b} + \frac{a}{2}, \quad y = \sqrt{\left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^2 + b} - \frac{a}{2}$

3. In ancient Babylonia, more complex systems were also solved, for example

$$\begin{aligned}x \pm y &= a, \\ x^2 + y^2 &= b.\end{aligned}$$

by reducing to those considered above. Write down the part of the recipe that reduces the solution of the system (separately for the cases of + sign and - sign in the first equation) to the system given in the lecture text, and “docking” this part with the already known recipe.

Solution. Case 1: $x = \frac{a}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{b}{2} - \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^2}, \quad y = \frac{a}{2} - \sqrt{\frac{b}{2} - \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^2}$

Case 2: $x = \sqrt{\frac{b}{2} - \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^2} + \frac{a}{2}, \quad y = \sqrt{\frac{b}{2} - \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^2} - \frac{a}{2}$

4. Write down the system of equations

$$\begin{aligned}x + 2y + 2z &= 9, \\ 2x + 5y + z &= 17, \\ 2x + 7y + 2z &= 22\end{aligned}$$

in the form of a Chinese table, on which you carry out a successive elimination of unknowns in order to find their values. Before the negative term put also a + sign, but provide the term itself with a line on top (meaning “another color”).

EXPLANATION. To eliminate x from the second and third equations, we now subtract twice the first from these equations. In Chinese notation, the corresponding operations on the columns of the table of coefficients (and constant terms) transform it as follows:

1	2	2		1	0	0
2	5	7		2	1	3
2	1	2	→	2	3	2
9	17	22		9	1	4

then, using similar actions, but leaving the second column unchanged, we will give the second row the form $0 \quad 1 \quad 0$. Finally, using the third column (having previously divided all its numbers by 7), we will

give the third row the form $0 \ 0 \ 1$. The numbers under the line, which arose as a result of all these operations with the columns, will be the sought values of the unknowns x, y, z .

4'. It is more natural for us to write the coefficients (and free terms) of the equations in the same order as the equations themselves, that is, in rows, not in columns. The system under consideration then corresponds to the table

$$\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & 2 & 9 \\ 2 & 5 & 1 & 17 \\ 2 & 7 & 2 & 22 \end{array}$$

and the solution process in general comes down to the proper application of three types of operations on the rows:

- a) Replacing a row with its sum (or difference) with another row multiplied by an arbitrary number: the "other row" itself does not change;
- b) multiplication or division of all numbers in a row by the same non-zero number;
- c) Interchanging rows (not used in our example).

Solve the system of exercise 4 using the entries just described. Instead of a line above the number, you can now put a minus in front, as is the modern practice.

4''. Try to apply the solution method described in exercise 4' to the systems

$$\begin{array}{lcl} x + 2y + z = 4, & x + y + z = 3, \\ 2x + y + 2z = 5, & x + 2y + z = 4, \\ 3x + 3y + 3z = 8, & 2x + y + 2z = 5 \end{array}$$

and explain the results.

5. From the point of view of geometric algebra, how many solutions does each of the following equations have: $2x - x^2 = 1$, $3x - x^2 = 3$, $x^2 + 3x + 2 = 0$, $ax + x^2 = b$? Could all these equations have been found among the ancient Greeks?

6. Prove the irrationality of numbers $\sqrt{3}$ and $\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}$.

6'. Can the sum of irrational numbers be a rational number?

7. Explain the number of canonical equations in al-Khwarizmi (6) and in Omar Khayyam (25), taking into account that equations, which obviously did not have positive roots, were not considered.

8. (For those who are especially interested). Read the book by A.P. Yushkevich "History of Mathematics in the Middle Ages" (Moscow, 1961) about O. Khayyam's approach to solving cubic equations and find out what the "unfortunate omission" is.

9. The equation

$$(x - 1)(x - 2)(x - 3) = 0$$

is obviously of third degree and has three different roots. Why do you think simple examples of this kind did not lead Omar Khayyam to the idea of the existence of three roots in a cubic equation?

10. Solve the equation $x^2 + x + 1 = 0$ and check the validity of Viète's theorem for the obtained expressions (complex numbers).

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MAPPINGS

Let X and Y be two non-empty sets. Their Cartesian product $X \times Y$ is the set

$$\{(x, y) / x \in X, y \in Y\},$$

that is, the set of all ordered pairs of elements, the first of which belongs to set X and the second to set Y .

Example 1. If $X = \{a, b, c\}, Y = \{1, 2\}$, then
 $X \times Y = \{(a, 1), (a, 2), (b, 1), (b, 2), (c, 1), (c, 2)\}$,
 $Y \times X = \{(1, a), (1, b), (1, c), (2, a), (2, b), (2, c)\} \neq X \times Y$,
 and if $a, b, c \notin \{1, 2\}$, then $(X \times Y) \cap (Y \times X) = \emptyset$.

Example 2. If $X = \{a, b\}, Y = \{b, c\}$, where $a \neq c$, then
 $X \times Y = \{(a, b), (a, c), (b, b), (b, c)\}$,
 $Y \times X = \{(b, a), (b, b), (c, a), (c, b)\} \neq X \times Y$,
 but $(X \times Y) \cap (Y \times X) = \{(b, b)\} \neq \emptyset$.

Example 3. If X and Y are mutually perpendicular numerical axes and the point O of their intersection serves as the origin on each of them, then $X \times Y$ is the Cartesian coordinate plane xOy .

When $Y = X$, the product $X \times X$ is denoted by X^2 and is called the Cartesian square of set X . For example, if $X = \{a, b\}$, then $X^2 = \{(a, a), (a, b), (b, a), (b, b)\}$ and all four pairs are different. Note that ordered pairs (p, q) and (r, s) are considered to be the same, that is, $(p, q) = (r, s)$ if and only if both their first and second components coincide: $p = r$ and $q = s$. (Unordered pairs of ordered pairs $\{p, q\}$ and $\{r, s\}$ are the same, if $p = r, q = s$ or $p = s, q = r$. Pair $\{p, q\}, p \neq q$, is a two-element set, but when $p = q$, the set is the singleton one $\{p\}$). Similarly, the Cartesian cube $X^3 = \{(x, y, z) / x, y, z \in X\}$ is the set of all ordered triplets of elements X , and so on. It is natural to consider by definition that $X^1 = X$ and $X^0 = \emptyset$.

Question. Is it true that $X^2 \times X = X \times X^2 = X^3$ and $X \times X^0 = X$?

Let $M \neq \emptyset$ and $N \neq \emptyset$ be given. The mapping $f: M \rightarrow N$ of a set M onto a set N assigns to each element $x \in M$ a certain element $f(x) \in N$. f is also called a function defined on a set M and taking values in a set N . This mapping can be strictly defined as a subset of the set of pairs $M \times N$, in which for each $x \in M$, there exists a unique pair (x, y) and then its second element $y = f(x) \in N$ is called the image of the element x under the mapping f (or the value of the function f for the value x of its argument).

A mapping $f: M \rightarrow N$ is called injective (or one-to-one) if different elements of M have different images in N , that is,

$$\forall x_1, x_2 \in M: x_1 \neq x_2 \Rightarrow f(x_1) \neq f(x_2).$$

A mapping $f: M \rightarrow N$ is called surjective if each element $y \in N$ has at least one preimage (meaning such an element $x \in M$, whose image is y), that is, if

$$\forall y \in N \exists x \in M: f(x) = y.$$

A mapping $f: M \rightarrow N$ is bijective (is a bijection, or a one-to-one and at the same time surjective correspondence between M and N) if it is simultaneously injective and surjective.

Example 4. In Fig. 2, $f_1(a) = 3$, $f_1(b) = 3$, $f_1(c) = 4$, $f_1(d) = 4$, $f_1(e) = 3$.

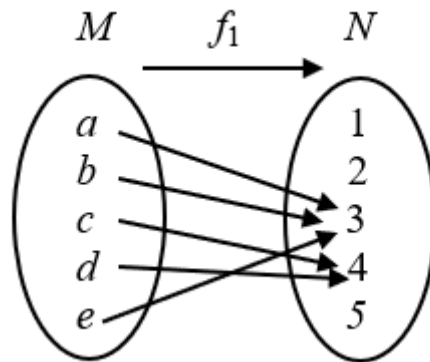


Fig. 2

The mapping $f_1 : M \rightarrow N$ is neither injective nor surjective.

Example 5. In Fig. 3, $f_2(a) = 1$, $f_2(b) = 2$, $f_2(c) = 4$, $f_2(d) = 5$, $f_2(e) = 6$.

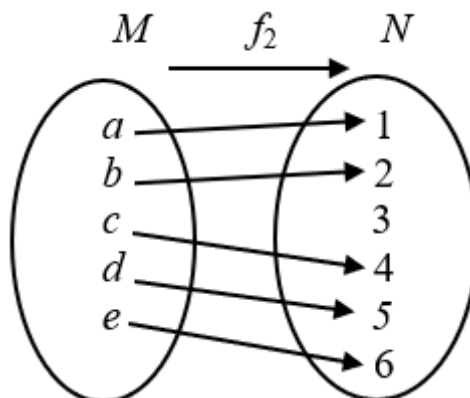


Fig. 3

The mapping $f_2 : M \rightarrow N$ is injective but not surjective: for element $3 \in N$ there is no $x \in M$ such that $f_2(x) = 3$.

Example 6. In Fig. 4, $f_3(\text{Vanya}) = \text{Lida}$, $f_3(\text{Petya}) = \text{Lida}$.

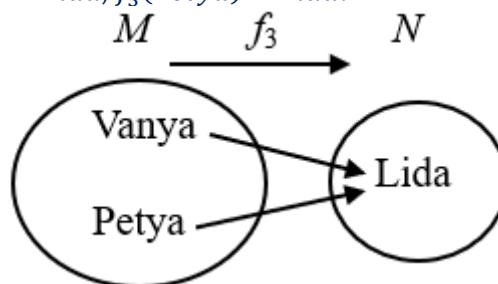


Fig. 4

The mapping $f_3 : M \rightarrow N$ is surjective but not injective.

Example 7. In Fig. 5, the mapping $f_4 : M \rightarrow N$ is injective and surjective, that is, it is a bijection of the set M onto the set N .

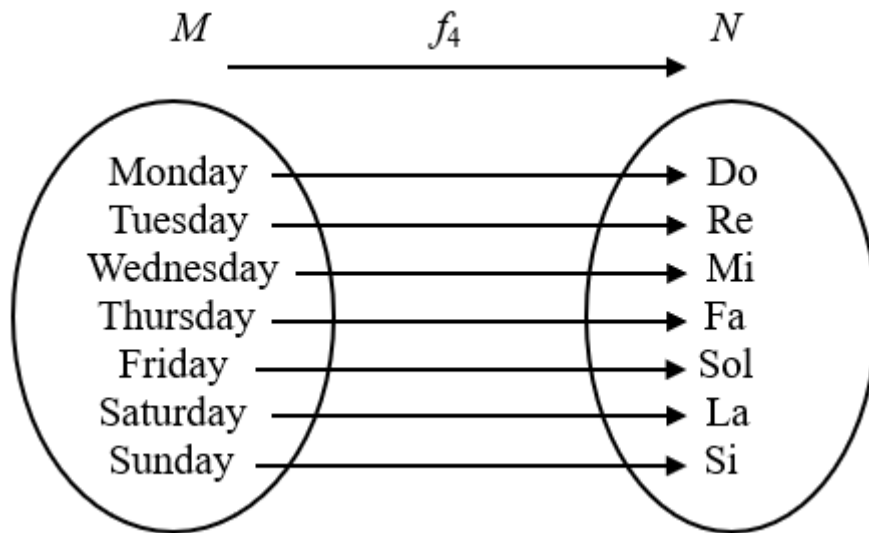


Fig. 5

Example 8. But this is not a mapping at all (Fig. 6) (elements \$ and * from M do not correspond to anything in N); it is only a correspondence relating some elements from M to some from N.

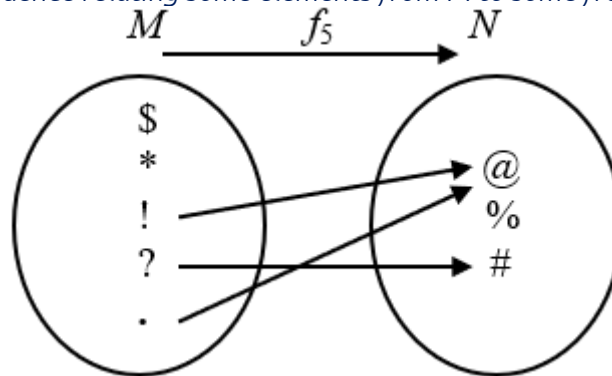


Fig. 6

Problem. For each of the functions $f_1(x) = |x|$, $f_2(x) = x^2$, $f_3(x) = x^3$, $f_4(x) = \sqrt{x}$, $f_5(x) = -\sqrt{x}$, $f_6(x) = \sqrt{|x|}$, specify its own pair of sets $M_i, N_i \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ (that is, as subsets of real numbers) so that the mapping $f_i : M_i \rightarrow N_i$ is a) injective, b) surjective, c) bijective ($i = 1, 2, \dots, 6$).

Let $f(x, y)$ be a function of two arguments (e.g. $x + y$, $x - y$, $x \cdot y$ for $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$). f can be viewed as a mapping (a function of one argument) that assigns to each ordered pair (x, y) some element:

$$f: M^2 \rightarrow N.$$

In general, a function $f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m)$ of m arguments, which relates to each ordered set of m elements of a set M some element of a set N , is a mapping

$$f: M^m \rightarrow N \quad (m = 0, 1, 2, \dots).$$

Number m is called the arity of mapping f .

0-ary (nullary) mapping fixes some element in N , usually a constant (since here the "function" f has no arguments at all on which its value could depend);

1-ary (unary) assigns to each $x \in M$ an element of $f(x) \in N$;

2-ary (binary) assigns to each ordered pair of elements $(x, y) \in M$ an element $f(x, y) \in N$;

3-ary (ternary) assigns to each ordered triple $(x, y, z) \in M$ an element $f(x, y, z) \in N$ and so on. When $M = N$, mappings are also called operations (nullary, unary, binary, ternary, etc.). In algebra, a binary operation is often denoted in general form by the symbol $*$ and the result of its application to elements $x, y \in M$ (in the given order) is written in the form $x * y$; with this kind of notation (in particular, when replacing the symbol $*$ with the sign of a particular operation, for example, $+$, $-$, $\cdot$, $:$) the operation $*$

itself is usually called a composition, and the result of its application to the pair $x, y \in M$, e.g. the element $x * y \in N = M$, is called a composition of elements x and y .

A non-empty set with a set of operations defined on it (arbitrariness of arities) is called an algebraic system.

ALGEBRAIC SYSTEMS WITH ONE BINARY OPERATION

A groupoid $(M, *)$ is a non-empty set M with a defined composition $*$ on it, which uniquely assigns some element $x * y \in M$ to each ordered pair of elements $x, y \in M$.

Examples 9. If $M = \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ (the set of all natural numbers) and $*$ is the ordinary addition $(+)$, then $(\mathbb{N}, +)$ is a groupoid. $(\mathbb{N}, *)$ is also a groupoid (where $*$ is the ordinary multiplication). At the same time, $(\mathbb{N}, -)$ and $(\mathbb{N}, :)$ are not groupoids (why?). $(\{1, 2, \dots, 10\}, +)$ and $(\{1, 2, \dots, 10\}, \cdot)$ are not groupoids since the addition and multiplication of the set of the first ten natural numbers can lead beyond its limits: $7 + 8 \notin \{1, 2, \dots, 10\}$, $3 \cdot 4 \notin \{1, 2, \dots, 10\}$ even though $7, 8, 3, 4 \in \{1, 2, \dots, 10\}$. If $x * y$ means x^y , then $(\mathbb{N}, *)$ is a groupoid; in it, unlike the groupoids of the previous examples, not always $x * y = y * x$ (For instance, $2^3 \neq 3^2$).

Despite the extreme generality of the definition of a groupoid (and, as a consequence, the almost complete absence of information about groupoids in general), it is possible to introduce a very important definition and prove an equally important theorem of a general nature.

An element e of a groupoid $(M, *)$ is called neutral if $x * e = e * x = x$ for any $x \in M$, or in another notation

$$\forall x \in M: x * e = e * x = x.$$

Remark 1. Not every groupoid has a neutral element. For instance, in $(\mathbb{N}, +)$, there is no such an element. However, if $M = \mathbb{N}_0 = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ (the set of all whole numbers), then in $(\mathbb{N}_0, +)$, there is one: number 0. In $(\mathbb{N}, \cdot)$, there is also one: number 1. In groupoid $(\mathbb{N}, *)$, where $x * y = x^y$, we have $x * 1 = x$ for any x . This implies that number 1 is a right neutral element, but not a left neutral one because $1 * x \neq x$ (if $x \neq 1$). Therefore, 1 is not a neutral element (and no other natural number is either).

Theorem 1. In a groupoid, there cannot be more than one neutral element.

Proof. Let e_1 and e_2 be neutral elements of groupoid $(M, *)$. We will show that $e_1 = e_2$.

If $x * e_1 = x$ for any $x \in M$, then, in particular, $e_2 * e_1 = e_2$. If $e_2 * x = x$ also for any $x \in M$, then, in particular, $e_2 * e_1 = e_1$. But composition $e_2 * e_1$ is a uniquely determined element of set M . Therefore, $e_2 = e_1$. •

Remark 2. In fact, a stronger statement is proven here: If a groupoid $(M, *)$ has both a right neutral element e_1 such that $\forall x \in M: x * e_1 = x$ and a left neutral element e_2 such that $\forall x \in M: e_2 * x = x$, then $e_1 = e_2$ and this element (and only this one) serves as a neutral element in $(M, *)$.

A groupoid $(M, *)$ is called a semigroup if the composition $*$ is associative (satisfies the associativity principle or associative property), that is,

$$\forall x, y, z \in M: x * (y * z) = (x * y) * z.$$

Examples 10. $(\mathbb{N}_0, +)$ and $(\mathbb{N}, \cdot)$ are semigroups since always

$$x + (y + z) = (x + y) + z \text{ and } x(yz) = (xy)z.$$

Example 11. On the contrary, $(\mathbb{N}, *)$ with $x * y = x^y$ is not a semigroup because equality $x^{(y^z)} = (x^y)^z$ is not always true: $3^{(1^2)} \neq (3^1)^2$.

*Example 12. Groupoid $(\mathbb{Q}, *)$, where $\mathbb{Q}$ is the set of all rational numbers and $x * y = \frac{x+y}{2}$ is the arithmetic mean, is not a semigroup since for any $x, y, z \in \mathbb{Q}$ the values*

$$x * (y * z) = \frac{x+(y+z)/2}{2} \text{ and } (x * y) * z = \frac{(x+y)/2+z}{2}$$

do not coincide.

*A semigroup having a neutral element is called a monoid. If this neutral element e is explicitly stated, then monoid $(M, *, e)$ is an algebraic system with two operations: binary (composition $*$) and nullary (fixed element e); but it is usually written as $(M, *)$ without specifically noting the nullary operation.*

*For a monoid $(M, *)$, the following definition makes sense: an element $y \in M$ is called the inverse of an element $x \in M$ if $x * y = y * x = e$.*

Theorem 2. *No element of a monoid can have more than one inverse.*

*Proof. Let an element x of a monoid $(M, *)$ have inverses y_1 and y_2 . We will show that $y_1 = y_2$.*

Due to the associativity of the composition $$, the expression $y_1 * x * y_2$ (without brackets) makes sense since for specific $y_1, x, y_2 \in M$, the resulting element will be the same for both arrangements of brackets:*

$$y_1 * x * y_2 \begin{cases} = y_1 * (x * y_2) = y_1 * e = y_1 \\ = (y_1 * x) * y_2 = e * y_2 = y_2 \end{cases} \Rightarrow y_1 = y_2. \quad \bullet$$

*Remark 3. As in the theorem on the uniqueness of the neutral element of a groupoid, here a stronger statement is actually proven: if an element x of a monoid has a right inverse y_2 such that $x * y_2 = e$ and a left inverse y_1 such that $y_1 * x = e$, then $y_1 = y_2$ and this element (and only this one) serves as the inverse of x .*

*Remark 4. Not necessarily each element of a monoid is invertible, that is, has an inverse. But if $x \in M$ is an invertible element, then its only inverse is denoted by x^{-1} . Since by the definition of the inverse element, $x * x^{-1} = x^{-1} * x = e$, the inverse of x^{-1} is x , that is, $(x^{-1})^{-1} = x$.*

Note that the associativity of composition $$ implies the meaningfulness of expressions of the form $a * b * c * d * f$ (with any number of "factors") since any arrangement of brackets leads to the same result. The proof of this, in general, is cumbersome, and initially, instead, we prefer to offer the derivation of individual equalities as exercises, for example, prove that*

$$((a * b) * c) * (d * f) = a * (b * ((c * d) * f))$$

by using the associative property successively.

Theorem 3. *The composition of any number of invertible elements of a monoid is invertible.*

*Proof. Let a, b, c, d be invertible elements of monoid $(M, *)$. We will show that for the composition $a * b * c * d$, the inverse element will be $d^{-1} * c^{-1} * b^{-1} * a^{-1}$ (the same reasoning applies to any number of elements instead of four).*

$$(a * b * c * d) * (d^{-1} * c^{-1} * b^{-1} * a^{-1}) = (a * b * c) * (d * d^{-1}) * (c^{-1} * b^{-1} * a^{-1})$$

$$= (a * b * c) * e * (c^{-1} * b^{-1} * a^{-1}) = (a * b * c) * (c^{-1} * b^{-1} * a^{-1}) = \dots = a * a^{-1} = e,$$

and similarly,

$$(d^{-1} * c^{-1} * b^{-1} * a^{-1}) * (a * b * c * d) = \dots = (d^{-1} * c^{-1} * b^{-1}) * (b * c * d) \\ = \dots = d^{-1} * d = e.$$

Remark 5. And so, the inverse element for the composition of invertible elements is the composition of inverse elements arranged in reverse order.

Analogy. When you get dressed, you put on an undershirt first, then a shirt, a jacket, a coat. On the other hand, when you undress, you start with the coat, then you take off the jacket, shirt, undershirt (for the sake of decency, we only consider the upper half of the body).

In every monoid, there is one invertible element: this is the neutral element e . A monoid, in which all elements are invertible, is called a group. In view of the special importance of this algebraic system, we will formulate its definition without explicitly using the words groupoid, semigroup and monoid.

*A system $(M, *)$ consisting of a non-empty set M and a binary operation (composition $*$) defined on it is called a group, or, in other words, a set M forms a group with respect to the operation $*$ if the following four conditions are met:*

1. *for any $x, y \in M$, the element $x * y \in M$ is uniquely defined;*
2. *operation $*$ is associative;*
3. *M has a neutral element;*
4. *all elements of M are invertible.*

Examples 13. $(\mathbb{N}, +)$ is not a group since the third condition is not met.

$(\mathbb{Z}, +)$, where $\mathbb{Z}$ is the set of all integers, is a group ($e = 0$, the role of x^{-1} is played by $-x$).

$(\mathbb{Q}, +)$ is a group.

$(\mathbb{Q}, \cdot)$ is a monoid, but not a group since 0^{-1} does not exist (the black sheep started to spoil everything).

$(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \{0\}, \cdot)$ is a group. The set of all rational numbers distinct from zero forms a group under multiplication.

Theorem 4. *In a group $(M, *)$ for any $a, b \in M$ each of the equations*

$$a * x = b, \quad y * a = b$$

is uniquely solvable.

Proof. Firstly, let's assume that an element $x \in M$, satisfying the first equation, does exist, and let's find out what that element x is (thereby proving its uniqueness). Then, we will check that the element found really satisfies the equation (that is, we will prove its existence). For the second equation, the reasoning is similar and it is supposed to be carried out independently.

*So, let x be a specific element of the group for which $a * x = b$. Then*

$$a^{-1} * (a * x) = a^{-1} * b \Rightarrow (a^{-1} * a) * x = a^{-1} * b \Rightarrow e * x = a^{-1} * b \Rightarrow x = a^{-1} * b$$

and that is the only way it can be. Let's check that this x satisfies the equation:

$$a * (a^{-1} * b) = (a * a^{-1}) * b = e * b = b.$$

The operation $$ in any groupoid $(M, *)$ is called commutative and the groupoid itself is called commutative if $\forall x, y \in M: x * y = y * x$.*

A commutative group is also called an abelian group. In all previous examples, the groups were abelian. Examples of non-abelian groups include, in particular, the following ones:

PERMUTATION GROUPS. A permutation of n th degree is called a bijection $\alpha: \{1, 2, \dots, n\} \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$. If

$\alpha(1) = i_1, \alpha(2) = i_2, \dots, \alpha(n) = i_n$
($i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ and all are different), then permutation α is written in the form

$$\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & n \\ i_1 & i_2 & \dots & i_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

The columns of this array can be rearranged: what matters is what each of the numbers $1, 2, \dots, n$ turns into, not where it is stated.

Example 14. If

$$\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ to } \alpha = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

Remark 6. Note that α turns 1 into 2, 2 into 1, and 3 into 3. The first row of the six permutation arrays previously described determines the six different permutations of 3 elements taken 3 at a time, that is, the six different ways in which 3 people can stand in line, whose number is $3! = 6$, while the second row of each permutation, turns 1 into 2, 2 into 1 and 3 into 3 each time with respect to the first row. Note also that the 6 permutations are all equal.

Let S_n be the set of all $n!$ permutations of n th degree,

$$\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & n \\ i_1 & i_2 & \dots & i_n \end{pmatrix} \in S_n, \beta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & n \\ j_1 & j_2 & \dots & j_n \end{pmatrix} \in S_n.$$

Then the product of α and β is called the permutation

$$\alpha \beta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & n \\ j_1 & j_2 & \dots & j_n \end{pmatrix} \in S_n.$$

Example 15. If $n = 3$,

$$\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \beta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

then

$$\alpha \beta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\beta \alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \neq \alpha \beta,$$

so, the multiplication of permutations is in general non-commutative.

Remark 7. According to the definition of the product of α and β , the second row of α must coincide with the first row of β and the product $\alpha \beta$ is the array whose first row is the first row of α and second row is

the second row of β . Note that now α turns 1 into 1, 2 into 3 and 3 into 2 while β turns 1 into 2, 2 into 1 and 3 into 3. Furthermore, according to Example 14, the 2 permutations used for β are equivalent as are the second permutations in the product of $\beta\alpha$. Note that when multiplying α by β , it is not necessary to rearrange the columns in the permutation array β , you can reason on the original array: " α converts 1 to 1, β converts 1 to 2 meaning $\alpha\beta$ converts 1 to 2. On the other hand, α converts 2 to 3, β converts 3 to 3 meaning $\alpha\beta$ converts 2 to 3. Finally, α converts 3 to 2, β converts 2 to 1 meaning $\alpha\beta$ converts 3 to 1".

Theorem 5. For any $n \in \mathbb{N}$, a set S_n forms a group under the multiplication of permutations. For $n = 1, 2$, these groups are abelian. For $n \geq 3$, they are non-abelian.

Proof. Let's check that all four conditions of the group definition for system $(S_n, \cdot)$ are satisfied.

1. If $\alpha, \beta \in S_n$, then $\alpha\beta \in S_n$, too. This immediately follows from the definition of the product of permutations and, at the same time, is a special case of a more general statement: let $\alpha: M \rightarrow M$ and $\beta: M \rightarrow M$ be bijections. Then the mapping $\alpha\beta: M \rightarrow M$, which assigns to each $x \in M$ an element $\beta(\alpha(x)) \in M$, is also a bijection. The last statement can be easily proved by establishing separately the injection and surjection of mapping $\alpha\beta$.

2. Let $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in S_n$, $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ be any such that $\alpha(i) = j$, $\beta(j) = k$, $\gamma(k) = 1$. Then $\beta\gamma(j) = 1$, $\alpha(\beta\gamma)(i) = 1$, $\alpha\beta(i) = k$, $(\alpha\beta)\gamma(i) = 1$. So, no matter what number $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ we take, both permutations $\alpha(\beta\gamma)$ and $(\alpha\beta)\gamma$ will turn it into the same number 1, and this means that $\alpha(\beta\gamma)$ and $(\alpha\beta)\gamma$ are the same permutation from S_n , that is, $\alpha(\beta\gamma) = (\alpha\beta)\gamma$.

3. The neutral element in S_n is the identical permutation $e = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & n \\ 1 & 2 & \dots & n \end{pmatrix}$. It is easy to see that for any $\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & n \\ i_1 & i_2 & \dots & i_n \end{pmatrix}$, the identity $\alpha e = e\alpha = \alpha$ is true.

4. If $\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & n \\ i_1 & i_2 & \dots & i_n \end{pmatrix}$, then $\alpha^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 & \dots & i_n \\ 1 & 2 & \dots & n \end{pmatrix}$. Indeed, $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & n \\ i_1 & i_2 & \dots & i_n \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 & \dots & i_n \\ 1 & 2 & \dots & n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & n \\ 1 & 2 & \dots & n \end{pmatrix} = e$ and $\begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 & \dots & i_n \\ 1 & 2 & \dots & n \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & n \\ i_1 & i_2 & \dots & i_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & i_2 & \dots & i_n \\ i_1 & i_2 & \dots & i_n \end{pmatrix} = e$.

Group S_1 consists of a single element $e = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$, and group S_2 consists of two: $e = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, where $ee = e$, $e\alpha = \alpha e = \alpha$, $\alpha\alpha = e$, and both groups are obviously abelian. The two permutations $\alpha, \beta \in S_3$ of example 15, such that $\alpha\beta \neq \beta\alpha$, can easily be adapted to prove the non-commutativity of any S_n with $n \geq 3$.

Let $\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \dots n \\ 1 & 3 & 2 & 4 \dots n \end{pmatrix}$, $\beta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \dots n \\ 2 & 1 & 3 & 4 \dots n \end{pmatrix} \in S_n$, then

$$\alpha\beta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \dots n \\ 1 & 3 & 2 & 4 \dots n \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 & 4 \dots n \\ 2 & 3 & 1 & 4 \dots n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \dots n \\ 2 & 3 & 1 & 4 \dots n \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\beta\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \dots n \\ 2 & 1 & 3 & 4 \dots n \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 & 4 \dots n \\ 3 & 1 & 2 & 4 \dots n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \dots n \\ 3 & 1 & 2 & 4 \dots n \end{pmatrix} \neq \alpha\beta. \quad \bullet$$

MULTIPLICATIVE AND ADDITIVE NOTATION OF A GROUP. For an arbitrary group $(M, *)$, a multiplicative notation is often used: composition $*$ is denoted by $\cdot$ (and this dot is sometimes omitted), the neutral element - by 1 (the inverse of x as before - by x^{-1}) although set M is not necessarily numerical and composition may differ from ordinary multiplication. An abelian group is often written additively, denoting $*$ by $+$, the neutral element by 0, and the inverse of x by $-x$, calling it the opposite.

ABSTRACT GROUPS. In all the specific examples of groups considered above, the approach to their study was mainly analytical: based on the nature of the elements, the law of their composition was established. With a purely algebraic approach, the nature of the elements is not important, only the law of composition itself is important. It can be specified, for instance, by a Cayley table, which, for the group $(M, *)$ with $M = \{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$, looks like this (table 1):

Table 1

*	x_1	x_2	...	x_j	...
x_1	$x_1 * x_1$	$x_1 * x_2$	...	$x_1 * x_j$	...
x_2	$x_2 * x_1$	$x_2 * x_2$	...	$x_2 * x_j$	...
...	...	...	...	...	...
x_i	$x_i * x_1$	$x_i * x_2$	...	$x_i * x_j$	...
...	...	...	...	...	...

In place of each composition $x_i * x_j$, there is that element from M which is obtained as a result.

Example 16. If the elements of group S_3 are designated

$$\alpha_0 = e = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \alpha_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \alpha_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \alpha_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\alpha_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \alpha_5 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

then table 2 is the Cayley table of S_3 .

Remark 8. A Cayley table describes the structure of a finite group by arranging all the possible products of all its elements in a square table reminiscent of a multiplication table. Many properties of a group - such as whether or not it is abelian, which elements are inverses of which elements, and some other properties - can be discovered from its Cayley table.

Table 2

$\cdot$	e	α_1	α_2	α_3	α_4	α_5
e	e	α_1	α_2	α_3	α_4	α_5
α_1	α_1	e	α_3	α_2	α_5	α_4
α_2	α_2	α_4	e	α_5	α_1	α_3
α_3	α_3	α_5	α_1	α_4	e	α_2
α_4	α_4	α_2	α_5	e	α_3	α_1
α_5	α_5	α_3	α_4	α_1	α_2	e

A group defined only by the law of composition is called abstract. Not every square table, whose cells (except the upper left) are somehow filled with various elements, serves as a Cayley table of some abstract group $(M, *)$: the filling must be such that all four conditions of the definition of a group are fulfilled.

The number of elements $|M|$ of a group M is called its order; a group with an infinite set M is considered a group of infinite order. For instance, the group S_n of permutations of n th degree has order $n!$ and the groups $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$, $(\mathbb{Q}, +)$, $(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \{0\}, \cdot)$ are of infinite order.

SUBSYSTEMS AND ISOMORPHISM OF ALGEBRAIC SYSTEMS. Let a set $M \neq \emptyset$ form an algebraic system with respect to a set of some operations. A non-empty subset $M' \subseteq M$ is called a subsystem of this system if, with respect to the same operations, it forms a system of the same type, where each operation on M' is induced by the same operation on the whole M . The meaning of these two terms (subsystem and

induced) will be clarified for one or another algebraic system separately, but the second of them is well illustrated by the following example from mathematical analysis:

Example 17. (a) $f_1(x) = \sin x$ on $(-\infty, +\infty)$

(b) $f_2(x) = \sin x$ on $[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}]$

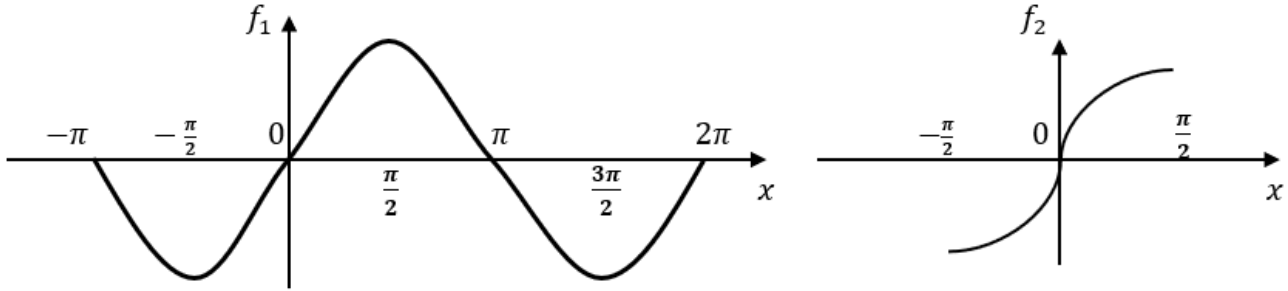


Fig. 7

The functions f_1 and f_2 (Fig. 7 (a) and (b)) are two different functions since their domains are different. The function $f_2(x)$ is induced by the function $f_1(x)$ on a subset $[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}] \subset (-\infty, +\infty)$. This means that for $x \in [-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}]$, always $f_1(x) = f_2(x)$.

Remark 9. Because the sine function is not one-to-one, that is, it is not an injective mapping, we must restrict its domain if, for instance, we want to define its inverse. $f(x) = \sin x$ is one-to-one on $[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}]$. The inverse is the arcsine function.

If a binary operation $*$ is defined on a set M and a binary operation $*$ ' is defined on its subset $M' \subset M$, then the latter is induced by the operation $*$ in the case when $x *' y = x * y$ for any $x, y \in M'$, in other words, for elements from subset M' , the operation $*$ ' leads to the same result as $*$ in M . In this case, the prime of $*$ ' can be omitted, that is, we can denote the operation induced on the subset by the same sign $*$ as in the whole set (similar to the $\sin x$ notation for $f_1(x)$ and $f_2(x)$ described in example 17).

Let $(M, *)$ be a groupoid, $M' \subset M$, $M' \neq \emptyset$. Then $(M', *)$ is a subgroupoid of this groupoid if

1. $x, y \in M' \Rightarrow x * y \in M'$ (implying that for any $x, y \in M'$, the quantifier prefix $\forall$ in front is often omitted), that is, $(M', *)$ is also a groupoid;
2. composition $*$ on M' is induced by the composition on M .

Subsemigroup and submonoid are defined similarly.

Now, let $(M, *)$ be a group, $M' \subset M$, $M' \neq \emptyset$, and the operation $*$ on M' be induced. To establish that $(M', *)$ is a subgroup of group $(M, *)$, it is sufficient to check in M' not all four conditions of the definition of a group, but only two; 1) and 4). Indeed:

- 1), that is, the condition $x, y \in M' \Rightarrow x * y \in M'$ is necessary to check for all possible $x, y \in M'$, otherwise $(M', *)$ may not even be a groupoid;
- 2) (associativity) in M' is performed automatically since it holds for any $x, y, z \in M$, and the operation $*$ on M' is induced;
- 3) follows from 4): let's take any $x \in M' \neq \emptyset$. According to 4), $x^{-1} \in M'$, and then, due to 1), $e = x * x^{-1} \in M'$.

Examples 18. In S_n , let's consider the set $S_n(1)$ of all permutations that leave 1 fixed in its place, that is, having the form $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & n \\ 1 & i_2 & \dots & i_n \end{pmatrix}$. It is clear that

$$1. \alpha, \beta \in S_n(1) \Rightarrow \alpha \beta \in S_n(1);$$

$$4. \text{ if } \alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & n \\ 1 & i_2 & \dots & i_n \end{pmatrix} \in S_n(1), \text{ then } \alpha^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & i_2 & \dots & i_n \\ 1 & 2 & \dots & n \end{pmatrix} \in S_n(1).$$

Therefore, $S_n(1)$ is a subgroup of group S_n . The set $S_n(1, 2)$ of all permutations of the form $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & \dots & n \\ 1 & 2 & i_3 & \dots & i_n \end{pmatrix}$ that leave two elements (1 and 2) fixed in their place is a subgroup of $S_n(1)$ and, explicitly, of group S_n . In general, if we consider some set of specific fixed elements $j_1, j_2, \dots, j_k \in$

$\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ ($0 \leq k \leq n$), then the subset $S_n(j_1, j_2, \dots, j_k) \subseteq S_n$ of all permutations of n th degree that leave each of the numbers $j_1, j_2, \dots, j_k$ unchanged will be a subgroup of S_n ; extreme cases: when $k = 0$, this subgroup coincides with S_n itself and when $k = n$, it consists of only one element $e = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & n \\ 1 & 2 & \dots & n \end{pmatrix}$ (unitary subgroup).

Let $(M, *)$ be a monoid, M' be a subset of all its invertible elements; $M' \neq \emptyset$ since $e \in M'$. We will show that $(M', *)$ is a submonoid of monoid $(M, *)$.

1. $(M', *)$ is a subgroupoid of $(M, *)$: $x, y \in M' \Rightarrow x * y \in M'$ since the composition of invertible elements is also invertible;
2. associativity in $(M', *)$ automatically follows from associativity in $(M, *)$.
3. $e \in M'$ (since the neutral element is invertible).

So, $(M', *)$ is a submonoid. Moreover, it is a group since, by the definition of M' , all its elements are invertible.

Two algebraic systems are called isomorphic if there exists a bijection between their sets and a bijection between their operations that preserves their arities such that the corresponding operations on the corresponding elements lead to the corresponding elements. In other words, in isomorphic systems all operations "act in the same way". In general, the exact definition is cumbersome and we will give it (as well as the definition of a subsystem) for each system separately.

Groupoids $(M, *)$ and $(\tilde{M}, \tilde{*})$ are isomorphic if there exists a bijection $f: M \rightarrow \tilde{M}$ such that

$$\forall x, y \in M: f(x * y) = f(x) \tilde{*} f(y).$$

Simplified Notation. Although the $\sim$ sign cannot be omitted above M , it can be omitted above $*$, because from this, it is clear what elements are connected by the composition sign, that is, in which of the two groupoids this operation is considered:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} f(x) & & * & & y & = & f(x) & & * & & f(y) \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \in M & \text{in } M & \in M & & \in \tilde{M} & \text{in } \tilde{M} & \in \tilde{M} \end{array}$$

Isomorphism is a symmetric (mutual) relation: if the first groupoid is isomorphic to the second, then the second is isomorphic to the first. Indeed, let $f: M \rightarrow \tilde{M}$ be an isomorphism. Then the mapping $f^{-1}: \tilde{M} \rightarrow M$ that relates to each $\tilde{x} \in \tilde{M}$ the unique $x \in M$, for which $f(x) = \tilde{x}$, is a bijection (why?), and isomorphism: $f^{-1}(\tilde{x} \tilde{*} \tilde{y}) = f^{-1}(f(x) * f(y)) = f^{-1}(f(x * y)) = x * y = f^{-1}(\tilde{x}) * f^{-1}(\tilde{y})$ for any $\tilde{x}, \tilde{y} \in \tilde{M}$ and also for those $x, y \in M$, for which $f(x) = \tilde{x}$ and $f(y) = \tilde{y}$.

Theorem 6. Let $(M, *)$ and $(\tilde{M}, \tilde{*})$ be isomorphic groupoids. If the first of them has any of the properties: commutativity, associativity, existence of a neutral element, or invertibility of all elements, then the second one also has the same property.

Proof. Commutativity. Let $x * y = y * x$ be always in M , let $\tilde{x}, \tilde{y} \in \tilde{M}$ be arbitrary, and let f be an isomorphism of groupoids. For $\tilde{x}$ and $\tilde{y}$ there are such preimages $x, y \in M$ (they are also unique, which is not important in this case), for which $f(x) = \tilde{x}$ and $f(y) = \tilde{y}$. We have

$$\tilde{x} \tilde{*} \tilde{y} = f(x) * f(y) = f(x * y) = f(y * x) = f(y) * f(x) = \tilde{y} \tilde{*} \tilde{x} \text{ (Explain each step!).}$$

Associativity. Let $x * (y * z) = (x * y) * z$ be always in M , let $\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}, \tilde{z} \in \tilde{M}$ be arbitrary, and let $x, y, z \in M$ be their preimages under the isomorphism f of groupoids. Then $\tilde{x} * (\tilde{y} \tilde{*} \tilde{z}) = f(x) * (f(y) * f(z)) = f(x) * f(y * z) = f(x * (y * z)) = f((x * y) * z) = f(x * y) * f(z) = (f(x) * f(y)) * f(z) = (\tilde{x} \tilde{*} \tilde{y}) \tilde{*} \tilde{z}$.

Neutral element. Let e be a neutral element of the groupoid $(M, *)$. We will show that $\tilde{e} = f(e)$ is a neutral element in $(\tilde{M}, *)$. Let's take $\tilde{x} \in \tilde{M}$ and let x be its preimage under the isomorphism f . The equalities

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{x} * \tilde{e} &= f(x) * f(e) = f(x * e) = f(x) = \tilde{x}, \\ \tilde{e} * \tilde{x} &= f(e) * f(x) = f(e * x) = f(x) = \tilde{x}\end{aligned}$$

are true for any $\tilde{x} \in \tilde{M}$. Therefore $\tilde{e}$ satisfies the definition of a neutral element of a groupoid $(\tilde{M}, *)$.

Invertibility. Let a groupoid $(M, *)$ have a neutral element e . Then the isomorphic groupoid $(\tilde{M}, *)$ also has such an element $\tilde{e} = f(e)$ and the definition of the inverse element makes sense for both groupoids. If $x \in M$ is invertible, then $f(x) \in \tilde{M}$ is also invertible and the inverse element $[f(x)]^{-1}$ for it is $f(x^{-1})$. In fact, from $x * x^{-1} = x^{-1} * x = e$, it follows that $f(x) * f(x^{-1}) = f(x * x^{-1}) = f(e) = \tilde{e}$ and $f(x^{-1}) * f(x) = f(x^{-1} * x) = f(e) = \tilde{e}$, that is, $f(x^{-1})$ satisfies the definition of the inverse element for $f(x) \in \tilde{M}$. Therefore, if all elements in $(M, *)$ are invertible, then so are all elements in $(\tilde{M}, *)$. •

Corollary 1. If one of two isomorphic groupoids is a group (an abelian group), then the second is also a group (respectively, an abelian group). •

Example 19. Let B be a set of six motions of an equilateral triangle ABC (Fig. 8) that transform it into itself: β_0 is at rest; $\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3$ are mirror images (reflections) about the bisectors of angles A, B, C ; β_4 is a rotation around the center 120° clockwise, β_5 is a similar rotation counterclockwise.

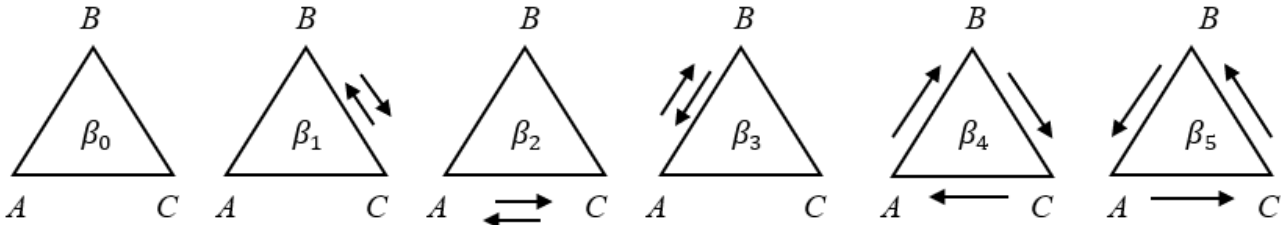


Fig. 8

We call the product $\beta_i \cdot \beta_j$ a movement consisting of the sequential execution of β_i and β_j . For $\beta_0, \beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3, \beta_4, \beta_5$, we directly compile a multiplication table (table 3).

Table 3

$\cdot$	β_0	β_1	β_2	β_3	β_4	β_5
β_0	β_0	β_1	β_2	β_3	β_4	β_5
β_1	β_1	β_0	β_5	β_4	β_3	β_2
β_2	β_2	β_4	β_0	β_5	β_1	β_3
β_3	β_3	β_5	β_4	β_0	β_2	β_1
β_4	β_4	β_2	β_3	β_1	β_5	β_0
β_5	β_5	β_3	β_1	β_2	β_0	β_4

Since all its cells are filled with elements of the set $B = \{\beta_0, \beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3, \beta_4, \beta_5\}$, $(B, \cdot)$ is a groupoid. Once the isomorphism $f: S_3 \rightarrow B$ is established, we will obtain due to Corollary 1 that $(B, \cdot)$ is a group. To make it easier to find f , we will designate the vertices of triangle ABC with the numbers 1, 2, 3 (Fig. 9). Then it is clear that we need to set

$$f(\alpha_0) = \beta_0, f(\alpha_1) = \beta_1, f(\alpha_2) = \beta_3, f(\alpha_3) = \beta_4, f(\alpha_4) = \beta_5, f(\alpha_5) = \beta_2.$$

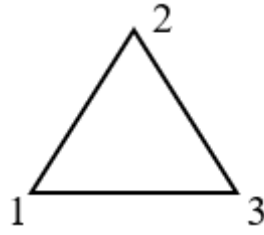


Fig. 9

Consequently (see Fig. 8),

$$f(\alpha_0) = \beta_0 = \begin{pmatrix} A & B & C \\ A & B & C \end{pmatrix}, f(\alpha_1) = \beta_1 = \begin{pmatrix} A & B & C \\ A & C & B \end{pmatrix}, f(\alpha_2) = \beta_3 = \begin{pmatrix} A & B & C \\ B & A & C \end{pmatrix},$$

$$f(\alpha_3) = \beta_4 = \begin{pmatrix} A & B & C \\ C & A & B \end{pmatrix}, f(\alpha_4) = \beta_5 = \begin{pmatrix} A & B & C \\ B & C & A \end{pmatrix}, f(\alpha_5) = \beta_2 = \begin{pmatrix} A & B & C \\ C & B & A \end{pmatrix}.$$

It is easy to convince yourself that when making $f(\alpha_i \cdot \alpha_j) = f(\alpha_i) \cdot f(\alpha_j)$ for any α_i, α_j , $i = 0, \dots, 5$, the β_i values to the right and below the lines of table 3 coincide with those ones of the Cayley table of group S_3 .

Indeed, let's consider, for example, $f(\alpha_3 \cdot \alpha_3) = f(\alpha_3) \cdot f(\alpha_3) = \beta_4 \cdot \beta_4 =$
 $= \begin{pmatrix} A & B & C \\ C & A & B \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} A & B & C \\ C & A & B \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A & B & C \\ C & A & B \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} C & A & B \\ B & C & A \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A & B & C \\ B & C & A \end{pmatrix} = \beta_5,$
 that is, $\beta_4 \cdot \beta_4 = \beta_5$.

On the other hand, $f(\alpha_5 \cdot \alpha_4) = f(\alpha_5) \cdot f(\alpha_4) = \beta_2 \cdot \beta_5 = \begin{pmatrix} A & B & C \\ C & B & A \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} A & B & C \\ B & C & A \end{pmatrix} =$
 $= \begin{pmatrix} A & B & C \\ C & B & A \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} C & B & A \\ A & C & B \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A & B & C \\ A & C & B \end{pmatrix} = \beta_1$, that is, $\beta_2 \cdot \beta_5 = \beta_1$. Recall that S_3 is non-commutative. So, β_2 is read above the horizontal line of table 3 while β_5 – to the left of its vertical line. At last, $f(\alpha_4 \cdot \alpha_5) = f(\alpha_4) \cdot f(\alpha_5) = \beta_5 \cdot \beta_2 = \begin{pmatrix} A & B & C \\ B & C & A \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} A & B & C \\ C & B & A \end{pmatrix} =$
 $= \begin{pmatrix} A & B & C \\ B & C & A \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} B & C & A \\ B & A & C \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A & B & C \\ B & A & C \end{pmatrix} = \beta_3$, that is, $\beta_5 \cdot \beta_2 = \beta_3$.

And so, $(S_3, \cdot)$ and $(B, \cdot)$ are isomorphic. Therefore, $(B, \cdot)$ is a group.

Remark 10. Rearranging the rows and columns in the multiplication table of groupoid $(B, \cdot)$ so as to give the outer elements (to the left and above the lines of table 3) the order $\beta_0, \beta_1, \beta_3, \beta_4, \beta_5, \beta_2$ and comparing the resulting table with the Cayley table of group S_3 , we will be convinced that $f(\alpha_i \cdot \alpha_j) = f(\alpha_i) \cdot f(\alpha_j)$ for any $\alpha_i, \alpha_j \in S_3$.

EXERCISE

Let $F = \{f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4, f_5, f_6\}$ be a set of six functions: $f_1(x) = x$, $f_2(x) = \frac{x-1}{x}$, $f_3(x) = \frac{1}{1-x}$, $f_4(x) = \frac{1}{x}$, $f_5(x) = 1 - x$, $f_6(x) = \frac{x}{x-1}$, and $*$ be a superposition of functions (permutation of functions into a function): $(f_i * f_j)(x) = f_j(f_i(x))$. Show that $(F, *)$ is a groupoid isomorphic to S_3 , that is, it is a group.

ALGEBRAIC SYSTEMS WITH TWO BINARY OPERATIONS

Let two binary operations be defined on a set $M \neq \emptyset$, the first of which, we will call addition and write additively, and the second of which, we will call multiplication and write multiplicatively despite the fact that they do not necessarily coincide with the ordinary arithmetic operations (and in general M is not necessarily a numerical set). An algebraic system $(M, +, \cdot)$ is called a ring if:

- I. $(M, +)$ is an abelian group;
- II. $(M, \cdot)$ is a groupoid;

III. the operations of addition and multiplication are related by two distributive laws (or distributive properties):

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x(y+z) &= xy + xz, \\ (y+z)x &= yx + zx \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ for any } x, y, z \in M.$$

A ring $(M, +, \cdot)$ is called associative if the multiplication operation is associative, that is, $(M, \cdot)$ is a semigroup.

A ring $(M, +, \cdot)$ is called commutative if the multiplication operation is commutative. In this case, of the two distributive properties, it is sufficient to check only one since the other will follow from it. Let, for example, it be given that $x(y+z) = xy + xz$ for any $x, y, z \in M$, then $(y+z)x = x(y+z) = xy + xz = yx + zx$, and exactly in the same way the first property is obtained from the second.

In the presence of the multiplication neutral element 1, $(M, +, \cdot)$ itself is called a ring with unity.

Examples 20. With respect to ordinary arithmetic operations, $(\mathbb{N}, +, \cdot)$ is not a ring since $(\mathbb{N}, +)$ is not a group. Note that conditions II and III are satisfied here ("one wound is fatal, but the other two, fortunately, do not cause concern"). Even the associativity and commutativity of multiplication are evident as well as the existence of a unit.

$(\mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot)$ is an associative-commutative ring with unity. Replacing $\mathbb{Z}$ here with the set of all even numbers only, we get an example of an associative-commutative ring without unity (and what happens in the case of the set of all odd numbers?).

$(\mathbb{Q}, +, \cdot)$ is an associative-commutative ring with unity.

$(M, +, \times)$, where M is the set of all geometric vectors of the three-dimensional Euclidean space, $+$ is the vector addition, $\times$ is the cross product (or vector product), is a ring. As follows from the well-known rules of vector algebra, $(M, +)$ is an abelian group while $(M, \times)$ is neither commutative nor associative, and has no unit either. Instead of commutativity, it has anticommutativity $X \times Y = -(Y \times X)$, due to which here also both distributive properties follow from each other.

In non-associative rings "almost nothing can be done" (we are talking about algebraic transformations of some expressions into others) if the lack of associativity is not compensated for by the presence of some other laws. In the example with vectors, such a "compensator" is the Jacobi identity

$$X \times (Y \times Z) + Y \times (Z \times X) + Z \times (X \times Y) = (X \times Y) \times Z + (Y \times Z) \times X + (Z \times X) \times Y = 0.$$

(A ring $(M, +, \cdot)$ is called a Lie ring if $xx = 0$ and $(xy)z + (yz)x + (zx)y = 0$ for any $x, y, z \in M$. We suggest that you independently prove that the relation $xx = 0$ implies the anticommutativity).

$(F, +, \cdot)$, where F is the set of all possible functions $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined on the real axis and taking real values, and for any $f_1, f_2 \in F$ the function $f_1 + f_2$ assigns to each $x \in \mathbb{R}$ the value $f_1(x) + f_2(x)$, and the function $f_1 f_2$ - the value $f_1(x) \cdot f_2(x)$, represents an associative-commutative ring with unity. The role of the latter is obviously played by the function $f(x) \equiv 1$, which takes the value 1 for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$ (and the role of zero is played by the function $f(x) \equiv 0$). The laws of commutativity, associativity and distributivity of addition and multiplication of functions follow directly from the same laws for real numbers.

Both examples (with vectors and functions) illustrate a possibility that does not occur for number rings (with the usual operations of addition and multiplication). In general, there can be two elements, both nonzero, whose product is zero. So, $X \times X = 0$ even if X is a non-zero vector, and the two functions

$$f_1(x) = \frac{1}{2}(|x| + x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \geq 0, \\ 0 & \text{if } x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

and

$$f_2(x) = \frac{1}{2}(|x| - x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \geq 0, \\ -x & \text{if } x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

of the ring $(F, +, \cdot)$ (both different from zero) give zero as their product (see Fig. 10)

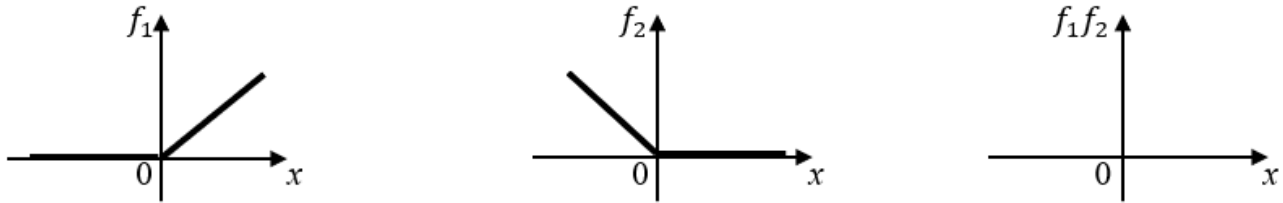


Fig. 10

Elements x and y of a ring $(M, +, \cdot)$ are called zero divisors if $x \neq 0, y \neq 0$, but $xy = 0$, where x is a left and y is a right zero divisor (for commutative rings this distinction obviously loses its meaning). In the previous examples, $(\mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot)$ and $(\mathbb{Q}, +, \cdot)$ are rings without zero divisors, while $(M, +, \times)$ and $(F, +, \cdot)$ are rings with zero divisors.

Let's now proceed to deduce the simplest properties of an arbitrary ring $(M, +, \cdot)$ from its general definition.

$$(1) \quad x \cdot 0 = 0 \cdot x = 0 \text{ for any } x \in M.$$

Indeed, $x \cdot x + 0 \cdot x = (x + 0) \cdot x = x \cdot x$. Where adding to the first and last parts of the equality the element $-(x \cdot x)$ and using the associativity of addition, we obtain $0 \cdot x = -(x \cdot x) + x \cdot x = 0$. The case $x \cdot 0 = 0$ can be proved similarly.

$$(2) \quad (-x)y = x(-y) = -xy \text{ for any } x, y \in M.$$

The relation $(-x)y = -xy$ means that the element $(-x)y$ is the opposite of xy , and this is easy to verify: $xy + (-x)y = [x + (-x)]y = 0 \cdot y = 0$ due to (1). Since $(M, +)$ is an abelian group, $(-x)y + xy = 0$. Equalities $xy + x(-y) = x(-y) + xy = 0$ can be proved similarly.

$$(3) \quad (-x)(-y) = xy \text{ for any } x, y \in M.$$

Indeed, applying (2) twice and taking into account that the opposite element of the opposite is the original element, we have $(-x)(-y) = -x(-y) = -(-xy) = xy$.

$$(4) \quad (\sum_{i=1}^m x_i)(\sum_{j=1}^n y_j) = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n x_i y_j \text{ for any } x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n \in M; m, n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

This general law of distributivity is proven by $(mn - 1)$ -multiple applications of the laws III (using the associativity of addition):

$$\begin{aligned} (x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_m)(y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_n) &= [x_1 + (x_2 + \dots + x_m)](y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_n) = \\ &= x_1(y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_n) + (x_2 + \dots + x_m)(y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_n) = \dots = \\ &= x_1(y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_n) + x_2(y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_n) + \dots + x_m(y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_n) = \dots = \\ &= x_1y_1 + x_1(y_2 + \dots + y_n) + \dots = \dots = \\ &= x_1y_1 + x_1y_2 + \dots + x_1y_n + x_2y_1 + x_2y_2 + \dots + x_2y_n + \dots + x_my_1 + x_my_2 + \dots + x_my_n. \end{aligned}$$

Remark 11. Properties (2) and (3) express the "rule of signs in multiplication", but it is necessary to remember that $-x$ means the element opposite to x (that is, the inverse of addition), and not at all "negative": even for ordinary numbers the number $-x$ is not necessarily negative (after all, it can be that $x < 0$). In a ring of general type, the concept of "positivity" and "negativity" of an element has no meaning. The sum $x + (-y)$ can be written simply as $x - y$ and called the difference of elements x and y .

Theorem 7. In a ring without zero divisors, each of the equalities $cx = cy$ and $xc = yc$ for $c \neq 0$ implies $x = y$. In other words, the equality can be reduced (from the same side) by a common factor different from zero. •

Remark 12. Indeed, if for example $cx = cy$, then $cx - cy = 0 \Rightarrow c(x - y) = 0$ and since $c \neq 0$ and there are no zero divisors in the ring, it is a must that $x - y = 0$, that is, $x = y$. The case $xc = yc$ is similar.

In a ring with unity, an invertible element (that is, one having an inverse under multiplication) is also called a unit divisor.

Theorem 8. In an associative ring $(M, +, \cdot)$ with unity, no zero divisor can be a unit divisor.

Proof. Let's assume, for example, that $xy = 0$, where $y \neq 0$, and x has an inverse element x^{-1} (the case where $x \neq 0$, and y has y^{-1} , is considered analogously). Then $x^{-1}(xy) = x^{-1} \cdot 0 = 0$, and because of associativity, $(x^{-1}x)y = 0 \Rightarrow 1 \cdot y = 0 \Rightarrow y = 0$, contrary to our assumption. •

A ring consisting of a single element (which obviously serves as both zero and one) is called trivial. If in a ring $(M, +, \cdot)$ there is $1 = 0$, then it is trivial because $x = x \cdot 1 = x \cdot 0 = 0$ for any $x \in M$. A non-trivial associative-commutative ring with unity ($1 \neq 0$), having no zero divisors, is called an integral ring. Such, for example, is the ring of integers $(\mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot)$.

An associative ring with unity, in which every nonzero element is invertible, is called a division ring (or skew field), and if the multiplication operation is commutative, then a field. In view of the special importance of the latter, we will give its definition, which does not explicitly rely on the concept of a ring.

An algebraic system $(M, +, \cdot)$ is called a field if:

- I. $(M, +)$ is an abelian group;
- II. $(M, \cdot)$ is a groupoid and $(M \setminus \{0\}, \cdot)$ is an abelian group;
- III. addition and multiplication are related by the distributive property (it can be written in either of the two forms).

The equivalence of both definitions of a field is proven without difficulty (we suggest you do it yourself).

Examples 21. $(\mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot)$ is not a field (not even a skew field) since integers, including 0, do not have inverses under multiplication. However, the only unit divisors here are 1 and -1 (prove it!).

$(\mathbb{Q}, +, \cdot)$ is a field.

Due to Theorem 8 on zero and unit divisors, no skew field, in particular, no field has zero divisors. Therefore, the rings of $(M, +, \times)$ vectors and $(F, +, \cdot)$ functions are not skew fields, much less fields. A field cannot be a trivial ring since $1 \in M \setminus \{0\}$ and, therefore, $1 \neq 0$.

INTERPRETATION OF THE SIMPLEST PROPERTIES OF A FIELD FROM ITS DEFINITION. Since the multiplication operation in a field is commutative, $xy^{-1} = y^{-1}x$ for any $y \neq 0$ and writing each of these products as a fraction $\frac{x}{y}$ will not lead to confusion. Below, it is assumed that x, y, z, t are arbitrary elements of a field $(M, +, \cdot)$, and those of them that are placed in the denominator are different from zero.

$$(1) \quad \frac{x}{y} = \frac{z}{t} \text{ if and only if } xt = yz.$$

Indeed, from $xy^{-1} = zt^{-1}$ multiplying both parts by yt and using associativity and commutativity, we get $xt = yz$. Conversely, from the last equality, assuming $y \neq 0$ and $t \neq 0$, multiplying by $y^{-1}t^{-1}$, we obtain $xy^{-1} = zt^{-1}$.

$$(2) \quad \frac{x}{y} \pm \frac{z}{t} = \frac{xt \pm yz}{yt}.$$

In fact, the left-hand side of $xy^{-1} \pm zt^{-1} = xy^{-1}tt^{-1} \pm zt^{-1}yy^{-1} = xt(yt)^{-1} \pm yz(yt)^{-1} =$

$= (xt \pm yz)(yt)^{-1}$, that is, is equal to the right-hand side, and from $y \neq 0$ and $t \neq 0$, it follows $yt \neq 0$ due to the absence of a zero divisor, and $(yt)^{-1} = t^{-1}y^{-1}$ due to commutativity.

$$(3) \quad \frac{x}{y} \cdot \frac{z}{t} = \frac{xz}{yt}.$$

$$(4) \quad \left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^{-1} = \frac{x^{-1}}{y^{-1}} = \frac{y}{x}.$$

$$(5) \quad \frac{-x}{y} = \frac{x}{-y} = -\frac{x}{y}.$$

Remark 13. We suggest you prove (3) - (5) yourself. Identities (2) – (5) reveal the “rules for operations with fractions”.

THE CHARACTERISTIC OF A FIELD. In numerical fields with the usual arithmetic operations, the natural numbers $1, 1 + 1 = 2, 1 + 1 + 1 = 3$, and so on, all are different. But in an arbitrary field $(M, +, \cdot)$, the sums of n and $n + p$ units ($p \geq 1$) may be the same, or equivalently, the sum of p units may be equal to zero (for $p = 1$ this is the “sum of one term”). The smallest number of p units that add up to 0 is called the characteristic of the field. If $1 \neq 0, 1 + 1 \neq 0, 1 + 1 + 1 \neq 0, \dots$ for any number of terms, then the field characteristic is by definition considered equal to zero.

Examples 22. Field $(\mathbb{Q}, +, \cdot)$ with the usual addition and multiplication has characteristic $p = 0$.

For $p = 1$, we would have a trivial ring, which, as is known, is not a field. Therefore, fields of characteristic 1 do not exist.

Algebraic system $(\{0, 1\}, +, \cdot)$ with the operations

$$0 + 0 = 0, \quad 0 + 1 = 1 + 0 = 1, \quad 1 + 1 = 0, \quad 0 \cdot 0 = 0 \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot 0 = 0, \quad 1 \cdot 1 = 1$$

(The old Russian arithmetic “even – odd”) is a field of characteristic 2. We suggest checking yourself the fulfillment of all points of the field definition. Examples of fields with other characteristic values will be considered later.

Theorem 9. If the characteristic p of a field is nonzero, then p is a prime number.

Proof. Let's assume the opposite: the characteristic of some field has the form $p = mn$, where m and n are natural numbers such that $1 < m < p$ and $1 < n < p$. The sum of p units is $1 + 1 + \dots + 1 = 0$. The terms of this sum can be partitioned into m groups of n units each. But then

$$\begin{aligned} \underbrace{1 + 1 + \dots + 1}_p &= \underbrace{(1 + 1 + \dots + 1)}_n + \underbrace{(1 + 1 + \dots + 1)}_n + \dots + \underbrace{(1 + 1 + \dots + 1)}_n = \\ &= 1 \cdot \underbrace{(1 + 1 + \dots + 1)}_n + 1 \cdot \underbrace{(1 + 1 + \dots + 1)}_n + \dots + 1 \cdot \underbrace{(1 + 1 + \dots + 1)}_n \\ &= \underbrace{(1 + 1 + \dots + 1)}_m \cdot \underbrace{(1 + 1 + \dots + 1)}_n \end{aligned}$$

based on the distributive property. Since p is the smallest number of units that add up to zero and $m < p, n < p$, $\underbrace{1 + 1 + \dots + 1}_m \neq 0$ and $\underbrace{1 + 1 + \dots + 1}_n \neq 0$, at the same time as $\underbrace{1 + 1 + \dots + 1}_p = 0$. Therefore,

substituting both $m \neq 0$ and $n \neq 0$ into $mn = p$ gives as a result $p = 0$, but this is impossible since a field has no zero divisors. •

Theorem 10. If $(M, +, \cdot)$ is a field of characteristic p , then $\underbrace{x + x + \dots + x}_p = 0$ for any $x \in M$. •

Remark 14. Indeed, $x + x + \dots + x = 1 \cdot x + 1 \cdot x + \dots + 1 \cdot x = \left(\underbrace{1 + 1 + \dots + 1}_p\right)x = 0 \cdot x = 0$ when $p \neq 0$, and “the sum of a zero number of terms” is considered to be equal to zero by definition.

ABOUT RESIDUE RINGS. Let's consider the algebraic system $\mathbb{Z}_m = (\{0, 1, 2, \dots, m-1\}, +, \cdot)$, where $m \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1\}$, and addition and multiplication are defined as follows: first, the usual arithmetic operation is performed on a pair of numbers, then the result is replaced by its remainder from the division by m . For example, in $\mathbb{Z}_7 = (\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}, +, \cdot)$, we have $1 + 3 = 4$, $3 + 6 = 2$, $3 + 4 = 0$, $2 \cdot 3 = 6$, $2 \cdot 4 = 1$ and so on. $\mathbb{Z}_m$ is called a ring of residue classes modulo m .

As will be proved in the course on number theory (2nd semester), for m prime, $\mathbb{Z}_m$ is a field of characteristic $p = m$. For m composite, it is only a ring (associative-commutative with unity), but not a field due to the presence of zero divisors (thus, in $\mathbb{Z}_6$, we have $2 \cdot 3 = 0$ although $2 \neq 0$ and $3 \neq 0$). The special case of $\mathbb{Z}_2$ was considered above as one of the examples 22.

SUBRING AND SUBFIELD. The general definition of a subsystem of an algebraic system as applied to rings is deciphered as follows: a non-empty subset $M' \subseteq M$ of elements of a ring $(M, +, \cdot)$ forms its subring if the system $(M', +, \cdot)$ is a ring with respect to the operations induced on M' by the previous $+$ and $\cdot$ operations (and denoted in the same way. Allowing for freedom, one can say: "with respect to the same operations"). Replacing the word "ring" everywhere with the word "field", we obtain the definition of a subfield.

Examples 23. The ring of all even numbers is a subring of the ring of integers $(\mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot)$, but the set of odd numbers is not. The field, and in this connection, the ring $(\mathbb{Q}, +, \cdot)$ contains the subring $(\mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot)$ that is not a subfield. None of the residue rings $\mathbb{Z}_m$ for $m > 1$ is a subring of $(\mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot)$ since although $M' = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, m-1\}$ is a subset of $M = \mathbb{Z}$, the addition operation (and in the case of $m > 2$, the multiplication operation) in $(M', +, \cdot)$ is not induced by the operation of the same name in $(M, +, \cdot)$, that is, it is a "different operation".

If M' is a non-empty subset of elements of the ring $(M, +, \cdot)$, then to check that $(M', +, \cdot)$ is a subring, it is sufficient to establish the following:

- (a) $(M', +)$ and $(M', \cdot)$ are groupoids, that is, $x + y \in M'$ and $x \cdot y \in M'$ always follow from $x, y \in M'$;
- (b) If $x \in M'$, then $-x \in M'$.

Actually, since $M' \subseteq M$ and $(M, +)$ is a group, from the first part of (a) and from (b) it already follows that $(M', +)$ is also a group; the second part of (a) ensures condition II: $(M', \cdot)$ is a groupoid; condition III (distributivity) and commutativity of addition are automatically satisfied on subset M' as long as they are satisfied on all M .

In the case where $(M, +, \cdot)$ is a field, to check that $(M', +, \cdot)$ is its subfield, it is sufficient to check, in addition to (a) and (b), that the following condition is met:

- (c) If $x \in M' \setminus \{0\}$, then $x^{-1} \in M' \setminus \{0\}$.

Indeed, the invertibility of any element of set $M' \setminus \{0\}$ implies the absence of zero divisors in M' which, together with the second part of (a), leads to the conclusion that $(M', +, \cdot)$ is a groupoid. From here and from (c), it follows that this is a group since $M' \setminus \{0\} \subseteq M \setminus \{0\}$ and $(M \setminus \{0\}, \cdot)$ is a group. Finally, the commutativity of multiplication in M' automatically follows from the commutativity in all of M .

ISOMORPHISM OF RINGS AND FIELDS. The general concept of isomorphism of algebraic systems as applied to rings is expressed by the following precise definition: a ring $(M, +, \cdot)$ is isomorphic to a ring $(\tilde{M}, +, \cdot)$ if there exists a bijection $f: M \rightarrow \tilde{M}$ such that for any $x, y \in M$

$$f(x + y) = f(x) + f(y) \text{ and } f(x \cdot y) = f(x) \cdot f(y).$$

Note that the operations $+$ and $\cdot$ even with $M = \tilde{M}$ are not necessarily the same in both rings although they are designated identically (and with $M \cap \tilde{M} = \emptyset$ the very concept of "the same operation" generally loses its meaning). We also note that in the definition of isomorphism it is actually unnecessary to

consider, beforehand, the second algebraic system as a ring - it is enough to assume that $(\tilde{M}, +)$ and $(\tilde{M}, \cdot)$ are groupoids since from Theorem 6 on the transfer of the properties of a groupoid to an isomorphic groupoid, it follows that the system $(\tilde{M}, +, \cdot)$ together with the ring $(M, +, \cdot)$ satisfy conditions I and II. Distributivity is obtained in the following way: if given any $\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}, \tilde{z} \in \tilde{M}$ and $x, y, z \in M$ such that $f(x) = \tilde{x}$, $f(y) = \tilde{y}$ and $f(z) = \tilde{z}$, then

$$\tilde{x}(\tilde{y} + \tilde{z}) = f(x) \cdot [f(y) + f(z)] = f(x) \cdot f(y + z) = f(x(y + z)) = f(xy + xz) = f(xy) + f(xz) = f(x) \cdot f(y) + f(x) \cdot f(z) = \tilde{x}\tilde{y} + \tilde{x}\tilde{z},$$

and in a similar way $(\tilde{y} + \tilde{z})\tilde{x} = \tilde{y}\tilde{x} + \tilde{z}\tilde{x}$.

From the same Theorem 6 on the transfer of properties, it follows that any of the properties of associativity, commutativity, existence of a unit and invertibility of nonzero elements, being fulfilled in the original ring, is also fulfilled in the isomorphic one. Therefore, if $(M, +, \cdot)$ is a field, then its isomorphic image $(\tilde{M}, +, \cdot)$ is also a field.

FIELD EXTENSIONS

A field $\hat{P} = (\hat{M}, +, \cdot)$ is called an extension of a field $P = (M, +, \cdot)$ if the latter is a subfield of $\hat{P}$, where $M \subset \hat{M}$ (that is, $M \subseteq \hat{M}$, but $M \neq \hat{M}$), in other words, if P is a proper subfield of $\hat{P}$.

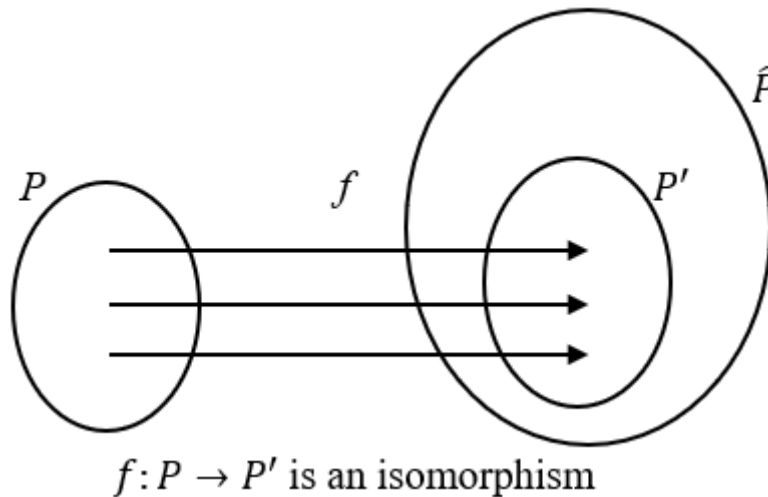


Fig. 11

P is also called $\hat{P}$ if $\hat{P}$ contains not only P itself, but a proper subfield P' isomorphic to P (Fig. 11). Using one particular example, we will demonstrate a typical method of extension in algebra (i.e., the construction of some extension) of a given field.

The historical process of successive extensions of the field $\mathbb{Q}$ of rational numbers consisted in the fact that whenever there arose a need to operate with one or another quantity that could not be expressed by any rational number exactly, but had a clear geometric meaning (the diagonal of a unit square, the length of the circumference of a circle of unit diameter, and others) and allowing this value a rational approximation with an arbitrarily small error; such a value was also called a number although "deaf", "inexpressible", "irrational" (this Latin term can be translated in two ways: "not being a ratio" and "not amenable to understanding"), somehow designated $(\sqrt{2}, \pi$ and the like) and acted with it according to the same rules of arithmetic as with previously known numbers. The validity of such extrapolation of laws was confirmed by geometric constructions, as well as approximate calculations "with any predetermined accuracy". So, adding to rational numbers the "dumb" $\sqrt{2}$, for which $(\sqrt{2})^2 = 2$, we must include all numbers of the form $x + y\sqrt{2}$, where $x, y \in \mathbb{Q}$, and add and multiply such numbers according to the rules

$$\left. \begin{aligned} (x_1 + y_1\sqrt{2}) + (x_2 + y_2\sqrt{2}) &= (x_1 + x_2) + (y_1 + y_2)\sqrt{2} \\ (x_1 + y_1\sqrt{2}) \cdot (x_2 + y_2\sqrt{2}) &= (x_1x_2 + 2y_1y_2) + (x_1y_2 + y_1x_2)\sqrt{2} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (1)$$

As an exercise we propose to check that the algebraic system $(\{x + y\sqrt{2}/x, y \in \mathbb{Q}\}, +, \cdot)$ is a field (the existence of $(x + y\sqrt{2})^{-1}$ in all cases except $x = y = 0$ can be proved by using the well-known school method of "getting rid of irrationality in the denominator", i.e., "rationalizing the denominator"). In this way, as we will show below, we obtain the "most economical" of the extensions of field $\mathbb{Q}$, leading to the solvability of equation $x^2 = 2$, whose coefficients belong to the field $\mathbb{Q}$, but which has no roots in this field.

The historical path of joining $\sqrt{2}$ to the field $\mathbb{Q}$ cannot be considered erroneous (after all, the results are correct!), but it is not justified: why, for example, the previously unknown number, the square of which is equal to 2, can be added to rational numbers, but a number that is simultaneously equal to 2 and 3 cannot? In the second case, the contradiction is immediately visible, but where is the guarantee that in the first case it will not be discovered someday? All these doubts will disappear if we construct from some clearly defined elements such a field $\hat{\mathbb{Q}}$ that contains a subfield $\mathbb{Q}'$ isomorphic to $\mathbb{Q}$, but in which the equation $x^2 = 2'$ is already solvable, where $2' \in \mathbb{Q}'$ is an element corresponding to the number $2 \in \mathbb{Q}$ under the isomorphism $f: \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}'$.

The fact that a number of the form $x + y\sqrt{2}$ (which arose "spontaneously" in the historical process) is completely determined by assigning an ordered pair (x, y) of rational numbers to it suggests the idea of taking all possible such pairs as elements of $\hat{\mathbb{Q}}$, and rules (1) suggest (but do not prove!) the following definition of addition and multiplication of pairs:

$$\begin{aligned}(x_1, y_1) + (x_2, y_2) &= (x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2), \\ (x_1, y_1) \cdot (x_2, y_2) &= (x_1x_2 + 2y_1y_2, x_1y_2 + y_1x_2).\end{aligned}$$

Algebraic system $\hat{\mathbb{Q}} = (\{(x, y)/x, y \in \mathbb{Q}\}, +, \cdot)$ is a field. To prove it, we need to check all points (I, II, III) of the definition of a field entirely since pairs of numbers are new objects for us, not belonging to any previously known algebraic system. But the verification of some sub-items of I and II can be combined for shortness. And so, for brevity, let's agree to denote by $\hat{\mathbb{Q}}$ not only the entire system, but also the set $\{(x, y)/x, y \in \mathbb{Q}\}$ itself.

$(\hat{\mathbb{Q}}, +)$ and $(\hat{\mathbb{Q}}, \cdot)$ are groupoids. This follows directly from the definition of operations on pairs and from the fact that $(\mathbb{Q}, +)$ and $(\mathbb{Q}, \cdot)$ are groupoids.

Addition and multiplication in $\hat{\mathbb{Q}}$ are commutative. Indeed, due to the commutativity of these operations in $\mathbb{Q}$ and their definition in $\hat{\mathbb{Q}}$,

$$\begin{aligned}(x_1, y_1) + (x_2, y_2) &= (x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2) = (x_2 + x_1, y_2 + y_1) = (x_2, y_2) + (x_1, y_1), \\ (x_1, y_1) \cdot (x_2, y_2) &= (x_1x_2 + 2y_1y_2, x_1y_2 + y_1x_2) = (x_2x_1 + 2y_2y_1, x_2y_1 + y_2x_1) = \\ &= (x_2, y_2) \cdot (x_1, y_1).\end{aligned}$$

Addition and multiplication in $\hat{\mathbb{Q}}$ are associative. Indeed,

$$\begin{aligned}(x_1, y_1) + [(x_2, y_2) + (x_3, y_3)] &= (x_1, y_1) + (x_2 + x_3, y_2 + y_3) = (x_1 + (x_2 + x_3), y_1 + (y_2 + y_3)) \\ &= ((x_1 + x_2) + x_3, (y_1 + y_2) + y_3) = (x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2) + (x_3, y_3) = \\ &= [(x_1, y_1) + (x_2, y_2)] + (x_3, y_3),\end{aligned}$$

since addition is associative in $\mathbb{Q}$. Further,

$$\begin{aligned}(x_1, y_1) \cdot (x_2, y_2)(x_3, y_3) &= (x_1, y_1) \cdot (x_2x_3 + 2y_2y_3, x_2y_3 + y_2x_3) = \\ &= (x_1(x_2x_3 + 2y_2y_3) + 2y_1(x_2y_3 + y_2x_3), x_1(x_2x_3 + y_2y_3) + y_1(x_2x_3 + 2y_2y_3)), \\ \hline (x_1, y_1)(x_2, y_2) \cdot (x_3, y_3) &= (x_1x_2 + 2y_1y_2, x_1y_2 + y_1x_2) \cdot (x_3, y_3) = \\ &= ((x_1x_2 + 2y_1y_2)x_3 + 2(x_1y_2 + y_1x_2)y_3, (x_1x_2 + 2y_1y_2)y_3 + (x_1y_2 + y_1x_2)x_3) \\ \hline\end{aligned}$$

(instead of using square brackets, we used the option of omitting or not omitting the dot when denoting the multiplication of pairs). The equality of both resulting pairs underlined by a dashed line, follows from the laws of commutativity, associativity and distributivity in the field $\mathbb{Q}$: we suggest that you do the "school" calculations yourself to prove the equality of both the first and second components of these pairs.

In $\hat{\mathbb{Q}}$ the distributive property III is fair, namely,

$$\begin{aligned} (x_1, y_1)[(x_2, y_2) + (x_3, y_3)] &= (x_1, y_1)(x_2 + x_3, y_2 + y_3) = \\ &= \underline{(x_1(x_2 + x_3) + 2y_1(y_2 + y_3), x_1(y_2 + y_3) + y_1(x_2 + x_3))}, \\ (x_1, y_1)(x_2, y_2) + (x_1, y_1)(x_3, y_3) &= \\ &= (x_1x_2 + 2y_1y_2, x_1y_2 + y_1x_2) + (x_1x_3 + 2y_1y_3, x_1y_3 + y_1x_3) = \\ &= \underline{(x_1x_2 + 2y_1y_2 + x_1x_3 + 2y_1y_3, x_1y_2 + y_1x_2 + x_1y_3 + y_1x_3)}, \end{aligned}$$

and again, using the calculations in field $\mathbb{Q}$, we are convinced that both obtained pairs (underlined by a dashed line) coincide.

$(\hat{\mathbb{Q}}, +)$ is an abelian group. Points 1 and 2 of the definition of a group and its commutativity have already been proved. But, obviously, the pair $(0, 0)$ is the neutral element with respect to addition and the opposite for the pair (x, y) is $(-x, -y)$.

$(\hat{\mathbb{Q}} \setminus \{(0, 0)\}, \cdot)$ is an abelian group. From all that has been said above, it already follows that $(\hat{\mathbb{Q}}, +, \cdot)$ is an associative-commutative ring (check yourself all the points of its definition!). The pair $(1, 0)$ serves as a neutral element under multiplication:

$$(x, y)(1, 0) = (1, 0)(x, y) = (1 \cdot x + 2 \cdot 0 \cdot y, 1 \cdot y + 0 \cdot x) = (x, y).$$

Let's prove the invertibility of each non-zero element. Let $(a, b) \neq (0, 0)$, that is, at least one of the numbers $a, b \in \mathbb{Q}$ is different from zero; we find a pair (x, y) , for which $(x, y) \cdot (a, b) = (a, b) \cdot (x, y) = (1, 0)$.

In view of the commutativity of multiplication in $\hat{\mathbb{Q}}$, it is sufficient to find a pair (x, y) satisfying the equation $(a, b)(x, y) = (1, 0)$; this will be the desired element $(a, b)^{-1}$ since in the monoid $(\hat{\mathbb{Q}}, \cdot)$ there can only be one of it. To find the pair (x, y) , we write the equation that it satisfies in the form

$$(ax + 2by, ay + bx) = (1, 0),$$

which is equivalent to a system of two equations with two unknowns x and y in $\mathbb{Q}$:

$$\begin{aligned} ax + 2by &= 1, \\ bx + ay &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

eliminating y from these equations (by multiplying the first equation by a , the second by $-2b$ and adding), we get

$$(a^2 - 2b^2)x = a,$$

and eliminating x from the same equations gives

$$(a^2 - 2b^2)y = -b.$$

The factor $a^2 - 2b^2 \neq 0$, indeed, from $a^2 = 2b^2$ due to the assumption $(a, b) \neq (0, 0)$ it would follow that $b \neq 0$ and, further, $(a/b)^2 = 2$, but this is impossible: there is no rational number $a/b \in \mathbb{Q}$ whose square would be equal to two. Therefore, the desired x and y can only be as follows:

$$x = \frac{a}{a^2 - 2b^2}, \quad y = \frac{-b}{a^2 - 2b^2},$$

and the fact that the resulting pair (x, y) is actually $(a, b)^{-1}$ can be verified directly:

$$\begin{aligned}(a, b) \left(\frac{a}{a^2 - 2b^2}, \frac{-b}{a^2 - 2b^2} \right) &= \left(a \cdot \frac{a}{a^2 - 2b^2} + 2b \cdot \frac{-b}{a^2 - 2b^2}, a \cdot \frac{-b}{a^2 - 2b^2} + b \cdot \frac{a}{a^2 - 2b^2} \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{a^2 - 2b^2}{a^2 - 2b^2}, \frac{-ab + ab}{a^2 - 2b^2} \right) = (1, 0).\end{aligned}$$

Note that for a purely formal proof of the invertibility of the pair $(a, b) \neq (0, 0)$, it would be enough just to carry out this check, taking a pair $\left(\frac{a}{a^2 - 2b^2}, \frac{-b}{a^2 - 2b^2} \right)$ "out of thin air" (and showing that the denominator is different from zero), but we preferred a targeted search to guesswork.

From the invertibility of non-zero pairs, it now follows that $(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \{(0, 0)\}, \cdot)$ is a groupoid: if $(x_1, y_1) \neq (0, 0)$ and $(x_2, y_2) \neq (0, 0)$, then both pairs are invertible and therefore cannot be zero divisors, from where $(x_1, y_1)(x_2, y_2) \neq (0, 0)$.

Thus, all conditions included in points I, II, III of the field definition are verified for the $(\hat{\mathbb{Q}}, +, \cdot)$ system (only in a different sequence).

The field of pairs $\hat{\mathbb{Q}}$ contains a subfield isomorphic to $\mathbb{Q}$. Let's consider a proper subset $\mathbb{Q}' \subset \hat{\mathbb{Q}}$ of pairs of the form $(x, 0)$, where $x \in \mathbb{Q}$, and show that it forms a subfield in $\hat{\mathbb{Q}}$. This time it is sufficient to check three points.

- (a) $(\mathbb{Q}', +)$ and $(\mathbb{Q}', \cdot)$ are groupoids. Indeed, $(x, 0) + (y, 0) = (x + y, 0) \in \mathbb{Q}'$ and $(x, 0) \cdot (y, 0) = (xy + 2 \cdot 0 \cdot 0, x \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot y) = (xy, 0) \in \mathbb{Q}'$;
- (b) $-(x, 0) = (-x, 0) \in \mathbb{Q}'$;
- (c) if $(x, 0) \in \mathbb{Q}' \setminus \{(0, 0)\}$, then $x \neq 0$, but then $(x, 0)^{-1} = (x^{-1}, 0) \in \mathbb{Q}' \setminus \{(0, 0)\}$.

To prove that the field $\mathbb{Q}$ of rational numbers is isomorphic to the subfield $\mathbb{Q}'$ of the field of pairs $\hat{\mathbb{Q}}$, we define a mapping $f: \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}'$, setting $f(x) = (x, 0)$ for any $x \in \mathbb{Q}$. It is clear that this is a bijection (do the rigorous reasoning yourself!), and the fact that f is an isomorphism is proven without difficulty:

$$\begin{aligned}f(x + y) &= (x + y, 0) = (x, 0) + (y, 0) = f(x) + f(y), \\ f(x \cdot y) &= (xy, 0) = (x, 0) \cdot (y, 0) = f(x) \cdot f(y).\end{aligned}$$

In the field $\hat{\mathbb{Q}}$, the equation $(x, y)^2 = (2, 0)$ is solvable. Let's first note that it is precisely for such an equation that we sought solvability in the extension $\hat{\mathbb{Q}}$ of the field $\mathbb{Q}$: (x, y) is an unknown element of $\hat{\mathbb{Q}}$, $(x, y)^2$ means $(x, y) \cdot (x, y)$, and the element $(2, 0) \in \hat{\mathbb{Q}}$ (belonging to $\mathbb{Q}'$) corresponds to the number $2 \in \mathbb{Q}$ under the natural isomorphism $f: \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}'$.

To prove the existence of the required pair (x, y) , a preliminary search such as for $(a, b)^{-1}$ turns out to be superfluous since "historical considerations" immediately suggest one of the solutions $(x, y) = (0, 1)$: after all, $\sqrt{2}$ is a number of the form $x + y\sqrt{2}$, where $x = 0, y = 1$. For complete rigor only a check is needed:

$$(0, 1)^2 = (0, 1)(0, 1) = (0 \cdot 0 + 2 \cdot 1 \cdot 1, 0 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 0) = (2, 0).$$

The desired extension of the field of rational numbers has been constructed. We propose as an exercise to check that the equation $(x, y)^2 = (2, 0)$ is also satisfied by the pair $(0, -1)$, and to prove that there are no other solutions besides these two (here we will need a search that reduces to solving a system of two equations in rational numbers).

Since in an algebraic system it is not the nature of elements that is important (and especially not the way they are written), but the rules for operating on them, $\mathbb{Q}'$ and $\mathbb{Q}$ can be considered the same field, and the pair $(x, 0)$ is just another designation for the rational number x ; with the same success, the number x itself can be considered as another designation for the pair $(x, 0)$. It is natural to consider symbol $\sqrt{2}$ as the designation of the pair $(0, 1)$, and then it is equally natural to write an arbitrary pair (x, y) in the form $x + y\sqrt{2}$ since $(x, y) = (x, 0) + (0, y) = (x, 0) + (y, 0)(0, 1)$ and such a representation is unique: if $(x, y) = (x', 0) + (y', 0) \cdot (0, 1)$, then the sum is equal to $(x', 0) + (y' \cdot 0 + 2 \cdot 0 \cdot 1, y' \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot 0) = (x', 0) + (0, y') = (x', y')$, from where

$$(x, y) = (x', y'),$$

that is, $x = x'$ and $y = y'$ (equality of ordered pairs!).

Thus, the extension of the field $\mathbb{Q}$, leading to the solvability of the equation $x^2 = 2$, can be considered, instead of the field of pairs $\hat{\mathbb{Q}}$, the field

$$\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}) = (\{x + y\sqrt{2} / x, y \in \mathbb{Q}\}, +, \cdot),$$

consisting of numbers of the form $x + y\sqrt{2}$ with the operation rules (1). In accordance with the dialectical law of negation of negation, we have again returned to what was found by the historical process, but at a higher level: now $\sqrt{2}$, $-\frac{1}{3}\sqrt{2}$, $\frac{3}{7} + 5\sqrt{2}$, are not some mystical "deaf numbers", but otherwise designated pairs $(0, 1)$, $(0, -\frac{1}{3})$, $(\frac{3}{7}, 5)$ of the field $\hat{\mathbb{Q}}$ or the corresponding elements of any field isomorphic to it.

In a similar way, one can obtain from the field of rational numbers an extension $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3})$, in which the equation $x^2 = 3$ is solvable, also an extension $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{2})$, in which $x^3 = 2$ is solvable, etc. Two successive extensions construct field $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}) = (\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}))(\sqrt{3})$, where both equations $x^2 = 2$ and $x^2 = 3$ are solvable, etc. By making reference to such examples in practical classes, we will shed light on the question of the "greatest economy" of extension, for which we will again use the field $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$.

This is not the only extension of the field $\mathbb{Q}$ that leads to the solvability of the equation $x^2 = 2$: the same property is possessed, for example, by the field $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3})$, the field $\mathbb{R}$ of real numbers, etc. However, uniqueness (up to isomorphism) will take place if an additional minimality condition is imposed on the extension: in no proper subfield of this extension containing $\mathbb{Q}$ is the equation $x^2 = 2$ solvable.

Theorem 11. All minimal extensions of the field of rational numbers that lead to the solvability of the equation $x^2 = 2$ are isomorphic to each other.

Proof. The minimal extension of the field $\mathbb{Q}$ containing the root $\sqrt{2}$ of equation $x^2 = 2$ must also contain all numbers of the form $x + y\sqrt{2}$, where $x, y \in \mathbb{Q}$ (otherwise it will not even be a groupoid with respect to addition and multiplication). It is clear that if $x_1 = x_2$ and $y_1 = y_2$, then $x_1 + y_1\sqrt{2} = x_2 + y_2\sqrt{2}$; we will show that the opposite is also true.

Let $x_1 + y_1\sqrt{2} = x_2 + y_2\sqrt{2}$ be the same element of the extension. Then $(y_1 - y_2)\sqrt{2} = x_2 - x_1$. If $y_1 = y_2$, then the expression on the left side $(y_2 - y_1)\sqrt{2} = 0$ means that on the right side it must occur that $x_2 - x_1 = 0$ and so, $x_1 = x_2$. The statement is proven. The case $y_1 \neq y_2$ is impossible because then it would be $\sqrt{2} = \frac{x_2 - x_1}{y_1 - y_2} \in \mathbb{Q}$.

Due to the uniqueness of the representation of the numbers of the extended field in the form $x + y\sqrt{2}$ ($x, y \in \mathbb{Q}$), the mapping f of this extension onto the field of pairs $\hat{\mathbb{Q}}$ is defined as follows:

$$f(x + y\sqrt{2}) = (x, y),$$

which is a bijection. But bijection f is an isomorphism:

$$\begin{aligned} f((x_1 + y_1\sqrt{2}) + (x_2 + y_2\sqrt{2})) &= f((x_1 + x_2) + (y_1 + y_2)\sqrt{2}) = (x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2) = \\ &= (x_1, y_1) + (x_2, y_2) = f(x_1 + y_1\sqrt{2}) + f(x_2 + y_2\sqrt{2}), \\ f((x_1 + y_1\sqrt{2})(x_2 + y_2\sqrt{2})) &= f((x_1x_2 + 2y_1y_2) + (x_1y_2 + y_1x_2)\sqrt{2}) = \\ &= (x_1x_2 + 2y_1y_2, x_1y_2 + y_1x_2) = (x_1, y_1)(x_2, y_2) = f(x_1 + y_1\sqrt{2}) \cdot f(x_2 + y_2\sqrt{2}). \end{aligned}$$

And so, we have shown that any minimal extension of the field $\mathbb{Q}$ containing the root of equation $x^2 = 2$ is isomorphic to the field $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$ (or, equivalently, to the field $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$). But since the relation of isomorphism of fields (as well as any algebraic systems in general) has the property of symmetry (reciprocity),

if P_1 is isomorphic to P_2 , then P_2 is isomorphic to P_1

and the property of transitivity,

if P_1 is isomorphic to P_2 and P_2 is isomorphic to P_3 , then P_1 is isomorphic to P_3 .

We have already spoken about the first property of the isomorphism relation and we propose that you prove the second one, that is, any two fields that are isomorphic to the same third are isomorphic to each other. The theorem is proven. •

Using the field $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$ as an example, we will examine another interesting question: which of the two roots of equation $x^2 = 2$ should we take as the number $\sqrt{2}$? The answer “positive root” is only valid when using such additional properties of numbers, which are expressed by the order relations $>$, $<$ in the field $\mathbb{Q}$ and, as we will see below, do not follow from the general definition of a field (and cannot be naturally introduced in every field). If we proceed only from conditions I, II and III, then we can only say about the two roots $\sqrt{2}$ and $-\sqrt{2}$ of the equation $x^2 = 2$ that they are opposite to each other, but calling the first of them “positive” and the second “negative” is meaningless: with equal success we could designate the pair $(0, -1)$ with the symbol $\sqrt{2}$, and then the pair $(0, 1)$ would receive the designation $-\sqrt{2}$.

A similar situation arises when trying somehow to distinguish the vertices at the base of an isosceles triangle while observing its specific location in the plane, which allows one of the vertices to be considered “left” and the other “right” (Fig. 12). The complete equality (indistinguishability from each other) of both vertices is mathematically expressed in the fact that there is such a transformation (namely, a mirror image or reflection about its altitude), which carries the entire triangle onto itself, while the base vertices interchange (swap) positions. Similarly, the indistinguishability in the field $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$ of the two roots of equation $x^2 = 2$ is expressed by the theorem proved below.



Fig. 12

An isomorphism of a field onto itself is called an automorphism. In addition to the trivial automorphism $f(x) = x$ that maps each element to itself, a field may admit other automorphisms.

Theorem 12. Field $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$ admits an automorphism f such that $f(\sqrt{2}) = -\sqrt{2}$ (i.e., f maps one root of equation $x^2 = 2$ to the other).

Proof. We define a mapping $f: \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}) \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$ of the field $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$ onto itself assuming

$$f(x + y\sqrt{2}) = x - y\sqrt{2} \text{ for any } x, y \in \mathbb{Q}.$$

f is a bijection (prove it!) and is also an automorphism because

$$f((x_1 + y_1\sqrt{2}) + (x_2 + y_2\sqrt{2})) = f((x_1 + x_2) + (y_1 + y_2)\sqrt{2}) =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (x_1 + x_2) - (y_1 + y_2)\sqrt{2} = (x_1 - y_1\sqrt{2}) + (x_2 - y_2\sqrt{2}) = f(x_1 + y_1\sqrt{2}) + f(x_2 + y_2\sqrt{2}), \\
&f((x_1 + y_1\sqrt{2})(x_2 + y_2\sqrt{2})) = f((x_1x_2 + 2y_1y_2) + (x_1y_2 + y_1x_2)\sqrt{2}) = \\
&= (x_1x_2 + 2y_1y_2) - (x_1y_2 + y_1x_2)\sqrt{2} = (x_1 - y_1\sqrt{2})(x_2 - y_2\sqrt{2}) = \\
&= f(x_1 + y_1\sqrt{2}) \cdot f(x_2 + y_2\sqrt{2}).
\end{aligned}$$

Automorphism f is the desired one since in the case $x = 0, y = 1$, we obtain $f(\sqrt{2}) = -\sqrt{2}$. The theorem now follows. •

Remark 15. For $x = 0, y = -1$, we have $f(-\sqrt{2}) = \sqrt{2}$, that is, the automorphism f , which is discussed in Theorem 12, swaps the roots of the equation $x^2 = 2$. The example of the field $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$ itself is perhaps not so important, but we used it as a convenient means of explaining the general idea of field extension.

Let P be an arbitrary field, and equation

$$x^n + a_{n-1}x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1x + a_0 = 0,$$

where $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and all $a_{n-1}, \dots, a_1, a_0 \in P$, has no roots in P . A simple algebraic extension $P(\theta)$ of field P is its minimal extension in which the above equation of n th degree is solvable (by θ , we mean any of the roots of this equation belonging to the extended field). It is curious that a non-simple algebraic extension obtained as a result of several simple ones can be represented as a single simple. We will not bring attention to more precise formulations and further study of this issue in the general course, but for those who are particularly interested, we will pose the following problem: find such an element θ and such an equation (with coefficients from $\mathbb{Q}$) that it satisfies, so that the simple algebraic extension $\mathbb{Q}(\theta)$ coincides with the field $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3})$ obtained from $\mathbb{Q}$ by two successive simple extensions.

At the same time, no algebraic extensions can transform $\mathbb{Q}$ into the field $\mathbb{R}$ of real numbers, if only because the latter has the power of the continuum (real numbers are uncountable), while $\mathbb{Q}$ itself and all fields obtained from it by successive simple extensions are only countable. Questions related to cardinality (a generalization of the concept of the number of elements applied to infinite sets) are initially considered in the course of mathematical analysis. The power set of a denumerable set is non-enumerable, and so its cardinality is larger than that of any denumerable set, which is $\aleph_0$ (aleph-null), standard for the cardinal of $\mathbb{N}$. The size of $\wp(N)$, where N is defined as the set of all subsets of N , is called the "power of the continuum" since it is the same size as the points on the real number line, $\mathbb{R}$. To obtain $\mathbb{R}$ from $\mathbb{Q}$, an analytical approach is used based on the axiom of completeness (or Dedekind cuts, fundamental sequences, etc.) and rooted in adding to $\mathbb{Q}$ such new numbers that allow their approximation by a rational number with any given accuracy. The latter makes sense not in any field, but, for example, in those whose elements can be compared with each other ("more than", "less than").

A field $(M, +, \cdot)$ is called an ordered one if a given binary order relation $\leq$ is defined on set M satisfying the following conditions for any $x, y, z \in M$:

- (1) $x \leq x$;
- (2) if $x \leq y$ and $y \leq z$, then $x \leq z$;
- (3) if $x \leq y$ and $y \leq x$, then $x = y$;
- (4) always $x \leq y$ or $y \leq x$, that is, any two elements $x, y \in M$ are comparable;
- (5) if $x \leq y$, then $x + z \leq y + z$;
- (6) if $0 \leq x$ and $0 \leq y$, then $0 \leq xy$.

In particular, the field of rational numbers $\mathbb{Q}$ is an ordered one by the relation $\leq$ that has the generally accepted meaning. The extension (non-algebraic!) $\mathbb{R}$ of field $\mathbb{Q}$ is an ordered extension by the same relation.

Defining on an ordered field $(M, +, \cdot)$, which can now be written as $(M, +, \cdot, \leq)$, the relation $x < y$ as " $x \leq y$ and $x \neq y$ ", we can replace axioms (3) and (4) by one: for any $x, y \in M$ one and only one of the

following three relations is true: $x = y$, $x < y$, $x > y$. After such a replacement, the ordered field itself can be designated by $(M, +, \cdot, <)$.

Not every field can be ordered. If, for example, we assume that it was possible to introduce order relations to the field $\mathbb{Z}_2$, then we will arrive at a contradiction: assuming first that $0 \leq 1$, based on (5), we obtain $1 = 0 + 1 \leq 1 + 1 = 0$ and further, due to (3), $0 = 1$ despite the fact that $\mathbb{Z}_2$ is a field. The assumption $1 \leq 0$ leads to a similar contradiction.

The field $\mathbb{R}$ of real numbers, unlike its "parent" $\mathbb{Q}$, has the property of completeness: in it, every Dedekind cut determines some number, or, equivalently, every fundamental sequence (satisfying the Cauchy condition) converges (has a limit). Another equivalent form is often used: any sequence of intervals in which each subsequent one belongs to the previous one has a common point (the principle of nested intervals). Algebraic extensions $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$, $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3})$, $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3})$ etc., are proper subfields of field $\mathbb{R}$; soon we will encounter such a simple algebraic extension of the field $\mathbb{Q}$ that goes beyond $\mathbb{R}$, and we will now indicate the following classification of real numbers.

A number $x \in \mathbb{R}$ is called algebraic if it satisfies some algebraic equation with rational coefficients, that is, if there exists such $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and such $a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{Q}$, where $a_n \neq 0$, that

$$a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_nx^n = 0.$$

A number that is not algebraic, that is, does not satisfy any equation of the specified type, is called transcendental.

The above considerations on the cardinalities of sets show that there is a continuum of transcendental numbers, but they do not yet allow us to name even one of them specifically. Such examples were found in 1844 by J. Liouville, but these were numbers specially constructed by him, not previously known, and only in 1883 did Ch. Hermite prove the transcendence of the number $e = 2.7182818284 \dots$ (the base of natural logarithms), which by that time had already become firmly established in mathematics. The transcendence of the "truly ancient" number $\pi = 3.1415926535$ was established in 1892 by F. Lindemann, and in 1907, D. Hilbert greatly simplified both proofs. Based on Lindemann's theorem, one can, for example, immediately say without any calculations that the equality $\pi^3 - 10\pi + 0.41 = 0$ is not exact.

The set $\mathbb{Q}[\pi]$ of all numbers of the form $a_0 + a_1\pi + \dots + a_n\pi^n$, $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$; $a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{Q}$, forms in $\mathbb{R}$ only a subring, but not a subfield since already $\frac{1}{\pi} \notin \mathbb{Q}[\pi]$: if a representation $\frac{1}{\pi} = a_0 + a_1\pi + \dots + a_n\pi^n$ had existed, then $-1 + a_0\pi + a_1\pi^2 + \dots + a_n\pi^{n+1} = 0$ would have followed, contrary to Lindemann's theorem. But also adding to the sums $a_0 + a_1\pi + \dots + a_n\pi^n$ a term of the form $\frac{b}{\pi}$, where $b \in \mathbb{Q}$, still does not transform $\mathbb{Q}[\pi]$ into a field: we suggest to show for yourself as an exercise that the number $\frac{1}{1+\pi}$ does not allow the representation $\frac{1}{1+\pi} = \frac{b}{\pi} + a_0 + a_1\pi + \dots + a_n\pi^n$, where $b, a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{Q}$. Looking ahead, we will remark that a simple transcendental extension $\mathbb{Q}(\pi)$, that is, a minimal field containing a subfield $\mathbb{Q}$ and the number π , consists of all possible numbers of the form $\frac{a_1 + a_2\pi^2 + \dots + a_n\pi^n}{b_0 + b_1\pi + \dots + b_m\pi^m}$, where $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$, $a_1, \dots, a_n, b_0, \dots, b_m \in \mathbb{Q}$ and $b_0, \dots, b_m$ are not all zero.

FIELD OF COMPLEX NUMBERS

As was already mentioned in the introductory lecture, the solution of 3rd and 4th degree equations in the 16th century led to the need to operate with numbers of an incomprehensible nature having the form $x + y\sqrt{-1}$, where the "imaginary" ("sophistical") number $\sqrt{-1}$ is such that $(\sqrt{-1})^2 = \sqrt{-1} \cdot \sqrt{-1} = -1$. Assuming that the three properties - commutative, associative and distributive - also remain valid for the new numbers, we obtain the rule of addition and multiplication:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} (x_1 + y_1\sqrt{-1}) + (x_2 + y_2\sqrt{-1}) &= (x_1 + x_2) + (y_1 + y_2)\sqrt{-1} \\ (x_1 + y_1\sqrt{-1}) \cdot (x_2 + y_2\sqrt{-1}) &= (x_1x_2 - y_1y_2) + (x_1y_2 + y_1x_2)\sqrt{-1} \end{aligned} \right\},$$

where x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2 are any real numbers.

To substantiate this historical discovery, we, as in the case of adding $\sqrt{2}$ to the field of rational numbers, will construct such an extension of the field $\mathbb{R}$ of real numbers, in which equation $z^2 = -1$ is solvable. As before, the fact that the number $x + y\sqrt{-1}$ is completely determined by assigning an ordered pair (x, y) of real numbers to it suggests the idea of taking all possible such pairs as elements of $\mathbb{R}$, and the above rules suggest the following definition of addition and multiplication of pairs:

$$\begin{aligned}(x_1, y_1) + (x_2, y_2) &= (x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2), \\ (x_1, y_1) \cdot (x_2, y_2) &= (x_1x_2 - y_1y_2, x_1y_2 + y_1x_2).\end{aligned}$$

We will show that the system $(\{(x, y)/x, y \in \mathbb{R}\}, +, \cdot)$ is a field containing a subfield isomorphic to $\mathbb{R}$, and also that in this extended field the equation corresponding to $z^2 = -1$ is solvable. In this case, we will bring attention in detail only to those points that are essentially different from the points of reasoning when expanding the field $\mathbb{Q}$ to $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$. The difference is due only to the fact that now x and y are any real numbers (not necessarily rational), and in the definition of multiplication of pairs; the first component of the product has the form $x_1x_2 - y_1y_2$ (instead of $x_1x_2 + 2y_1y_2$). Let's introduce the notation $\mathbb{R} = \{(x, y)/x, y \in \mathbb{R}\}$ and recall once again that the equality of pairs $(x_1, y_1) = (x_2, y_2)$ means $x_1 = x_2$ and $y_1 = y_2$.

The fact that $(\mathbb{R}, +)$ and $(\mathbb{R}, \cdot)$ are groupoids, moreover, commutative and associative, and that in $(\mathbb{R}, +, \cdot)$, addition and multiplication satisfy the distributive property, can be proved according to the previous scheme and the reader should be able to do this independently. We just need to refer to the same laws in $\mathbb{Q}$ for commutativity, associativity and distributivity in $\mathbb{R}$, and also not forget about the difference in the rule for multiplying pairs. The conclusions that $(\mathbb{R}, +)$ is an abelian group and $(\mathbb{R}, +, \cdot)$ is an associative-commutative ring with unity $(1, 0)$ also remain valid; let's check the latter: $(x, y) \cdot (1, 0) = (1, 0) \cdot (x, y) = (1 \cdot x - 0 \cdot y, 1 \cdot y + 0 \cdot x) = (x, y)$.

To prove the invertibility of any element $(a, b) \neq (0, 0)$ from $\mathbb{R}$, we first appeal to the "historical" transformation

$$\frac{1}{a+b\sqrt{-1}} = \frac{a-b\sqrt{-1}}{(a+b\sqrt{-1})(a-b\sqrt{-1})} = \frac{a-b\sqrt{-1}}{a^2-b^2(\sqrt{-1})^2} = \frac{a-b\sqrt{-1}}{a^2+b^2} = \frac{a}{a^2+b^2} - \frac{b}{a^2+b^2}\sqrt{-1},$$

where $a^2 + b^2 \neq 0$ (the sum of the squares of two real numbers, of which at least one is different from zero). This suggests the idea of immediately checking that the pair $\left(\frac{a}{a^2+b^2}, \frac{-b}{a^2+b^2}\right)$ serves as an inverse element for (a, b) . And indeed,

$$\begin{aligned}(a, b) \cdot \left(\frac{a}{a^2+b^2}, \frac{-b}{a^2+b^2}\right) &= \left(a \cdot \frac{a}{a^2+b^2} - b \cdot \frac{-b}{a^2+b^2}, a \cdot \frac{-b}{a^2+b^2} + b \cdot \frac{a}{a^2+b^2}\right) = \\ &= \left(\frac{a^2+b^2}{a^2+b^2}, \frac{-ab+ba}{a^2+b^2}\right) = (1, 0).\end{aligned}$$

In view of the commutativity of the multiplication of pairs, it is unnecessary to perform a check with permuted factors (although it is not bad as an exercise), and the uniqueness of the inverse element was established earlier in the general case (see Theorem 2).

The end of the proof that $(\mathbb{R}, +, \cdot)$ is a field remains literally the same. There is no difference in the proof that the pairs of the form $(x, 0)$ form a subfield isomorphic to $\mathbb{R}$ with a natural isomorphism $f(x) = (x, 0)$. In particular, $f(-1) = (-1, 0)$. We will not only prove the solvability in $\mathbb{R}$ of the equation $(x, y)^2 = (-1, 0)$, but also find all its solutions: now this question is more important than in the construction of $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$.

The equation

$$(x, y)^2 = (x, y) \cdot (x, y) = (-1, 0)$$

in expanded form

$$(x^2 - y^2, 2xy) = (-1, 0)$$

is equivalent to the system of two equations

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 - y^2 &= -1, \\ 2xy &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

for which all real solutions must be found.

Due to the absence of zero divisors in $\mathbb{R}$, the second equation means that $x = 0$ or $y = 0$. For $x = 0$, from the first equation, we get $y^2 = 1$, that is, $y = \pm 1$, and for $y = 0$, the first equation takes the form $x^2 = -1$ that has no real solutions. Therefore, the pairs $(0, 1)$, $(0, -1)$ and only these two pairs are solutions of the equation $(x, y)^2 = (-1, 0)$.

Considering the symbol of the number $x \in \mathbb{R}$ as another designation of the pair $(x, 0) \in \hat{\mathbb{R}}$ and denoting the pair $(0, 1)$ by the letter i , we obtain for any element $(x, y) \in \hat{\mathbb{R}}$ the representation

$$(x, y) = (x, 0) + (y, 0)(0, 1) = x + y \cdot i = x + iy$$

(it is customary to write $x + iy$, but at the same time $a + bi$ rather than $a + ib$).

So, the desired extension $\mathbb{R}(\sqrt{-1})$ of the field $\mathbb{R}$ consists of numbers of the form $x + iy$, where $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ and $i^2 = -1$, and these are no longer "mystical" numbers, but only differently designated pairs of real numbers (remember again the dialectical law of negation of negation, similar to the case of $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$, is true).

Theorem 13. All minimal extensions of the field of real numbers that lead to the solvability of the equation $z^2 = -1$ are isomorphic to each other.

Proof. The minimal extension of the field $\mathbb{R}$ containing the root i of equation $z^2 = -1$ must also contain all numbers of the form $x + iy$ with $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$. We will show that if $x_1 + iy_1 = x_2 + iy_2$, then $x_1 = x_2$ and $y_1 = y_2$.

As with the proof of Theorem 11, let $x_1 + iy_1 = x_2 + iy_2$ be the same element of the extension. Then $i(y_1 - y_2) = x_2 - x_1$ and either $y_1 = y_2 \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$, (as required) or $y_1 \neq y_2$. But the second case is impossible because then it would be $i = \frac{x_2 - x_1}{y_1 - y_2} \in \mathbb{R}$.

Due to the uniqueness of the representation of the numbers of the extended field in the form of $x + iy$, the mapping

$$f(x + iy) = (x, y)$$

is a bijection of the minimal extension $\mathbb{R}(i)$ under consideration onto the field $\mathbb{R}$ of pairs $\hat{\mathbb{R}}$. This bijection is an isomorphism:

$$\begin{aligned} f((x_1 + iy_1) + (x_2 + iy_2)) &= f((x_1 + x_2) + i(y_1 + y_2)) = (x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2) = \\ &= (x_1, y_1) + (x_2, y_2) = f(x_1 + iy_1) + f(x_2 + iy_2), \\ f((x_1 + iy_1)(x_2 + iy_2)) &= f((x_1x_2 - y_1y_2) + i(x_1y_2 + y_1x_2)) = \\ &= (x_1x_2 - y_1y_2, x_1y_2 + y_1x_2) = (x_1, y_1)(x_2, y_2) = f(x_1 + iy_1) \cdot f(x_2 + iy_2). \end{aligned}$$

In a similar way, as was done with the proof of Theorem 11, it follows that all minimal extensions of the field $\mathbb{R}$ leading to the solvability of equation $z^2 = -1$ are isomorphic to field $\hat{\mathbb{R}}$, and therefore to each other. The statement now follows. •

A minimal extension $\mathbb{R}(i)$ of field $\mathbb{R}$ containing element i , for which $i^2 = -1$, is called the field of complex numbers and is denoted by $\mathbb{C}$. Any field isomorphic to it can also be called and denoted in the same way, for example $\hat{\mathbb{R}}$.

A non-trivial automorphism $f(x + iy) = x - iy$ of field $\mathbb{C}$ is called the conjugate of f and it is designated using a bar over the letter f : if $z = x + iy \in \mathbb{C}$, then its complex conjugate, by definition, is

$$\bar{z} = \overline{x + iy} = x - iy.$$

The properties of conjugates of complex numbers, the geometric representation of complex numbers, and also, their trigonometric form will be presented traditionally (see A.G. Kurosh, *Course of Higher Algebra*). De Moivre's formula

$$z^n = |z|^n(\cos n\varphi + i \sin n\varphi),$$

where $\varphi = \arg(z)$ = the angle between the positive real axis and the line joining the origin and z , $|z| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$, is proven by induction on $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

The presentation of the topic "extracting the n th root of a complex number" differs from the traditional one only in that when assigning a set

$$\{z \in \mathbb{C} / z^n = c\} = \sqrt[n]{|c|} \left[\cos \frac{\arg(c) + 2\pi k}{n} + i \sin \frac{\arg(c) + 2\pi k}{n} \right] \quad (2)$$

$k = 0, 1, \dots, n - 1$, we do not denote it by $\sqrt[n]{c}$ for the following reason: using the notation

$$\sqrt[n]{c} = \sqrt[n]{|c|} \left[\cos \frac{\arg(c) + 2\pi k}{n} + i \sin \frac{\arg(c) + 2\pi k}{n} \right],$$

the symbol $\sqrt[n]{}$ on the left and on the right would have different meanings. On the right; an ordinary arithmetic root (a positive number with $c \neq 0$), and on the left; a "multi-valued function", which is why with a real $c > 0$ we get an absurdity, for example

$$\sqrt[3]{8} = \sqrt[3]{8} \left(\cos \frac{2\pi k}{3} + i \sin \frac{2\pi k}{3} \right),$$

and reducing both sides by $\sqrt[3]{8}$, we arrive at an equality that is not true for $k = 1, 2$. For "multi-valued functions" even the simplest relations like $\sqrt[3]{8} + \sqrt[3]{8} = 2\sqrt[3]{8}$ are not true (the left side has six different values and the right side has only three as shown in Fig. 13).

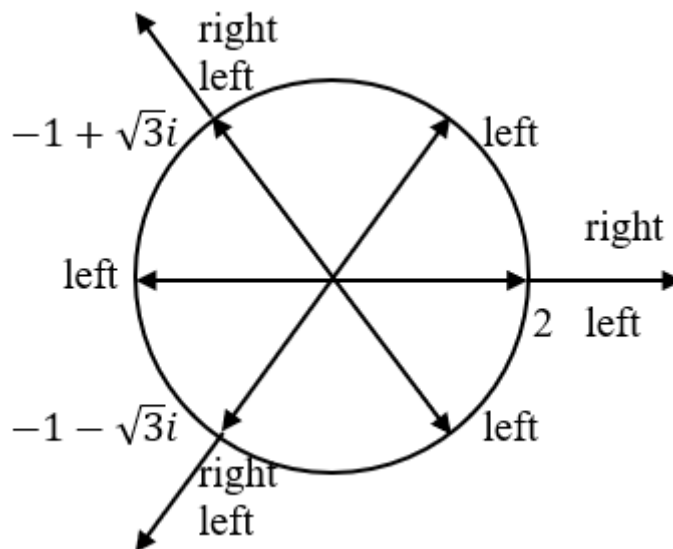


Fig. 13

Paying tribute to the deep-rooted tradition, we will sometimes use the sign $\sqrt[n]{c}$ for a complex c , but each time with limitations. Note that even in problem books there still appears an imprecise transcription like "find all the values of $\sqrt[4]{i}$ ".

The field $\mathbb{C}$ of complex numbers cannot be ordered, that is, a binary relation $\leq$ cannot be defined on the pairs of its elements that would satisfy axioms (1) – (6) of an ordered field. Indeed, assume this is possible. Since $i \neq 0$, by axiom (4), either $i < 0$ or $0 < i$. If $i < 0$, then by axiom (5), $0 \leq -i$ and by axiom (6), $0 \leq (-i)(-i)$, that is, $0 \leq -1$; from here and from $0 \leq -i$, we get, again by axiom (6), $0 \leq i$, therefore $0 < i$ (since $i \neq 0$), contrary to the assumption. A similar contradiction arises assuming $0 < i$.

SOLVING ALGEBRAIC EQUATIONS

1st degree equation $\alpha z + \beta = 0$, where $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$ and $\alpha \neq 0$ (case $\alpha = 0$ is not even an equation, but rather the banal identity $0 = 0$ or a false statement like $1 = 0$). Obviously, the solution is unique: $z = -\frac{\beta}{\alpha}$. But even such simple things required from us a new justification since we now are dealing with the field of complex numbers, to which, mechanically, it is not possible to transfer what was previously known only for real numbers.

2nd degree equation $\alpha z^2 + \beta z + \gamma = 0$, where $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{C}$, $\alpha \neq 0$ (otherwise, the equation is not of second degree). Dividing both sides by α and introducing the notation $p = \frac{\beta}{\alpha}$, $q = \frac{\gamma}{\alpha}$, we obtain the reduced quadratic equation

$$z^2 + pz + q = 0,$$

equivalent to the original, where $p, q \in \mathbb{C}$.

To solve, we complete the square (of course, adding the same amount to the right) and perform other obvious transformations:

$$z^2 + 2z \cdot \frac{p}{2} + \left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^2 + q = \left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^2 \Rightarrow \left(z + \frac{p}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{p^2}{4} - q,$$

and if by $\sqrt{\frac{p^2}{4} - q}$, we mean the value of the root that corresponds to the value $k = 0$ (see formula (2)) for a set $\{w / w^2 = \frac{p^2}{4} - q\}$ (of two elements), then formula

$$z = -\frac{p}{2} \pm \sqrt{\frac{p^2}{4} - q}$$

will be correct since the n th root with $n = 2$ has a value for $k = 1$ that is opposite to the value for $k = 0$.

The reduced quadratic trinomial on the left side of the reduced quadratic equation is obviously a perfect square trinomial if and only if $q = \frac{p^2}{4}$. Expressing here p and q through α, β, γ , after some simple transformations, we obtain a similar condition in the general case:

a square trinomial $\alpha z^2 + \beta z + \gamma$ is a perfect square trinomial, that is, it has the form $(\delta z + \varepsilon)^2$ with $\delta, \varepsilon \in \mathbb{C}$ if and only if $\beta^2 = 4\alpha\gamma$.

3rd degree equation $\alpha z^3 + \beta z^2 + \gamma z + \delta = 0$; $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta \in \mathbb{C}$; $\alpha \neq 0$. Making the change of variable $z = \tilde{z} - \frac{\beta}{3\alpha}$ and dividing both parts by α , after substitution, some transformations and the already familiar designations of the coefficients, and also, omitting the sign $\sim$ over the new unknown, we obtain the reduced cubic equation

$$z^3 + pz + q = 0,$$

not containing the square of the unknown. The method for solving it was discovered by del Ferro (for a number of special cases), Tartaglia (in general form), and Cardano wrote down the general formula and researched all possibilities.

We will look for a solution in the form $z = u + v$, so that we can then get rid of the prevailing alternative of choosing u and v .

$$\begin{aligned}(u + v)^3 + p(u + v) + q &= 0, \\ u^3 + v^3 + (3uv + p)(u + v) + q &= 0.\end{aligned}$$

We select u and v so that $3uv + p = 0$. As a result, for the two unknowns u^3 and v^3 , we obtain a system of two equations

$$\begin{aligned}u^3 + v^3 &= -q \\ u^3 \cdot v^3 &= -\frac{p^3}{27},\end{aligned}$$

the second of which is the result of raising to the power of three both sides of equation $uv = -\frac{p}{3}$.

Knowing the sum and the product of two quantities (u^3 and v^3), which is the case when we are factoring a simple square trinomial, we arrive at the conclusion that they are the solution of the quadratic equation in factored form

$$(w - u^3)(w - v^3) = 0.$$

Expanding and grouping

$$w^2 - (u^3 + v^3)w + u^3 \cdot v^3 = 0,$$

we obtain the following auxiliary quadratic equation:

$$w^2 + qw - \frac{p^3}{27} = 0,$$

from which

$$w = -\frac{q}{2} \pm \sqrt{\frac{q^2}{4} + \frac{p^3}{27}},$$

that is,

$$u^3 = -\frac{q}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{q^2}{4} + \frac{p^3}{27}}, \quad v^3 = -\frac{q}{2} - \sqrt{\frac{q^2}{4} + \frac{p^3}{27}}$$

(or vice versa). From here, taking the cubic root of both sides, we obtain for the unknown $z = u + v$, the expression in the traditional imprecise notation:

$$z = \sqrt[3]{-\frac{q}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{q^2}{4} + \frac{p^3}{27}}} + \sqrt[3]{-\frac{q}{2} - \sqrt{\frac{q^2}{4} + \frac{p^3}{27}}}$$

(called Cardano's formula), where for a pair of terms u, v , all $3 \cdot 3 = 9$ values are taken and only three such that $uv = -\frac{p}{3}$.

Omitting a detailed analysis of all possible cases, we will only remark that if $p, q \in \mathbb{R}$ and the equation has three different real roots, then in Cardano's formula both terms turn out to be complex and the imaginary parts are cancelled out only as a result of addition. It also turns out to be impossible to obtain a similar formula that does not lead to the advent of imaginary numbers at the intermediate stages of the solution.

4th degree equation $\alpha z^4 + \beta z^3 + \gamma z^2 + \delta z + \varepsilon = 0$; $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta, \varepsilon \in \mathbb{C}$; $\alpha \neq 0$. Dividing by α , assuming $z = \tilde{z} - \frac{\beta}{4\alpha}$ and omitting the sign $\sim$, we obtain after some transformations the reduced quartic equation

$$z^4 + pz^2 + qz + r = 0,$$

which was solved by Ferrari, a student of Cardano.

Introducing an additional auxiliary unknown w , we write the equation in the form

$$\left(z^2 + \frac{p}{2} + w\right)^2 = 2w \cdot z^2 - q \cdot z + \left(w^2 + pw + \frac{p^2}{4} - r\right)$$

and we try to choose the value of w so that the square trinomial (relative to z), standing on the right side, turns out to be a perfect square trinomial. For this there must be

$$(-q)^2 = 4 \cdot 2w \cdot \left(w^2 + pw + \frac{p^2}{4} - r\right);$$

this is an auxiliary cubic equation with respect to w , and we already have solutions for such equation. It is enough to find one of its roots w_0 . Then, after the appropriate designation of the coefficients, the original equation will take the form

$$\left(z^2 + \frac{p}{2} + w_0\right)^2 = (\zeta z + \eta)^2,$$

wherefrom

$$z^2 + \frac{p}{2} + w_0 = \pm(\zeta z + \eta),$$

that is, the solution of the quartic equation was reduced to the solution of two quadratic ones.

"Taking the square root of both sides" is best justified as follows: Let $u^2 = v^2$. Then

$$u^2 - v^2 = 0 \Rightarrow (u - v)(u + v) = 0$$

wherefrom, due to the absence of zero divisors in $\mathbb{C}$, $(u - v) = 0$ or $(u + v) = 0$, that is,

$$u = \pm v.$$

Thus, in the 17th century, the algebraic equations of degree $n = 1, 2, 3, 4$ (and also the binomial equation $z^n = c$ of any degree) were solved. By solution was meant a solution in radicals, that is, a general formula (or a general method) for expressing the roots of an algebraic equation through its coefficients using the following operations:

- (1) addition, subtraction, multiplication and division;
- (2) extraction of the n th root, for any $n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq 2$;
- (3) selection of values from a given finite set.

In the 18th century, there was a search for solutions (in the same sense) of algebraic equations of any degree. An auxiliary equation, whose solution allows to solve the original one, is called its resolvent. Since the resolvent of the 4th degree equation itself has degree 3 and the resolvent of the 3rd degree equation has degree 2 (when solving a 2nd degree equation, it is not difficult to see a resolvent of degree 1), one could expect that for the 5th degree equation, the resolvent would be of degree 4, and so on. But the harsh reality turned out to be different: the resolvent of the 5th degree equation, found by Lagrange, has degree 6 (out of the frying pan into the fire!).

A proposal arose that the general algebraic equation of degree $n \geq 5$ is unsolvable in radicals. Ruffini gave an incomplete proof of this statement. The proof was completed (already at the beginning of the

19th century) by Abel, who is considered the founder of group theory (since he considered only commutative groups, the latter are now called abelian).

But the absence of a general solution to, let's say, a 5th degree equation in radicals does not mean that it is impossible to write such a solution for a specific equation (that is, with specific numerical values of the coefficients). For example, if the left-hand side can be factored. Developing group theory further, on its basis, Galois established a criterion for the solvability of specific equations in radicals (for instance, equation $z^5 - z - 1 = 0$ is unsolvable). Galois theory as a separate special course is taught in some universities and pedagogical institutes. We recommend reading the following popular books:

O. Ore, Niels Henrik Abel: Mathematician Extraordinary.

L. Infeld, Whom the Gods Love: The Story of Evariste Galois.

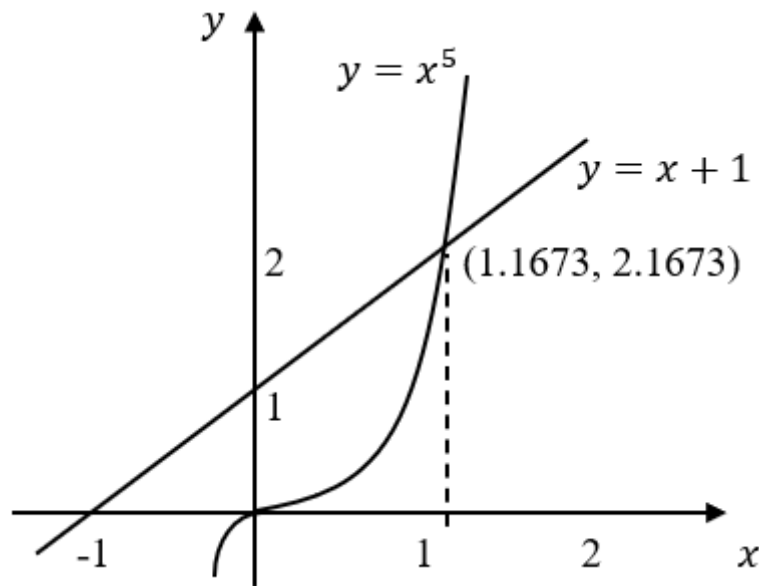


Fig. 14

In turn, the insolubility of an equation in radicals does not mean that it has no roots. Thus, the equation $x^5 = x + 1$ (Fig. 14) obviously has a real root (a little more than 1, which can be found approximately with any required accuracy: $x = 1.1673$ works well), this only root cannot be written as a result of actions (1), (2) and (3) over the coefficients 1, -1 , -1 of the equation. Moreover, the following holds:

Theorem 14. FUNDAMENTAL THEOREM OF ALGEBRA. Every algebraic equation with coefficients belonging to the field $\mathbb{C}$ has at least one root in this field. •

Remark 16. The proof of this theorem, begun by d'Alembert, was completed by Gauss. Later (19th century) other proofs appeared, but there is no a purely algebraic one among them and, as has now been established, there cannot be one (however, this is not surprising: after all, the field $\mathbb{C}$ is an extension of the field $\mathbb{R}$ of real numbers, constructed from $\mathbb{Q}$ not algebraically, but analytically). For this reason, we accept the fundamental theorem of algebra in the algebra course itself without a proof; it is easily obtained in the theory of functions of a complex variable as a consequence of Liouville's theorem (which we will not even formulate here and will only remark that its proof does not rely either directly or indirectly on the fundamental theorem of algebra, otherwise it would be a vicious circle!)

The fundamental theorem of algebra states that a further algebraic extension of the field $\mathbb{C}$ is impossible. It turns out that other extensions (non-algebraic or transcendental) are also impossible.

As we know, the extension of the field $\mathbb{R}$ to $\mathbb{C}$ is associated with the loss of order. By sacrificing the commutativity of multiplication, Hamilton constructed the skew field of quaternions containing $\mathbb{C}$ and consisting of numbers of the form $a + bi + cj + dk$ where $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$, and the "imaginary units" i, j, k are multiplied by each other according to the law

$$i \cdot j = k, \quad j \cdot k = i, \quad k \cdot i = j, \quad j \cdot i = -k, \quad k \cdot j = -i, \quad i \cdot k = -j$$

As Frobenius showed, no other skew field (sometimes called sfield) containing $\mathbb{C}$ as a subfield exists (further "extensions" are associated with the rejection of such properties as, for example, associativity of multiplication, distributive laws, etc.).

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The article discusses a method for calculating the eigenvalues and eigenfunctions of a second-order differential operator.

Абстракт

Мақалада екінші ретті дифференциалдық оператордың меншікті мәндері мен меншікті функцияларын есептеу қарастырылады.

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Ключевые слова: Собственные функций, краевая задача, дифференциальные уравнения

Көптеген математикалық физика теңдеулері үшін бастапқы-шеттік есептерді Фурье әдісімен шешу – Штурм-Лиувиль есебінің меншікті мәндері мен меншікті функцияларын анықтауды және олардың қасиеттерін білуді қажет етеді. Штурм-Лиувиль есебінің қойылымы бастапқы берілген есептің құрылымына тікелей байланысты болады.

1. Штурм-Лиувиль есебін қарастырайық:

$$LX \equiv \frac{d}{dx} \left[p(x) \frac{dX}{dx} \right] - q(x)X = \lambda r(x)X(x), \quad (1)$$

$$\alpha_1 X'(0) + \beta_1 X'(0) = 0, \alpha_2 X'(l) + \beta_2 X'(l) = 0, \delta_i^2 + h_i^2 \neq 0, i = 1, 2 \quad (2)$$

Штурм-Лиувиль есебі шекаралық шарттың түріне және $p(x)$ коэффициентінің өзгерісіне байланысты регулярлы, периодты және сингулярлы болып бөлінеді.

Егер шекаралық шарт

$$p(a) = p(b), X(a) = X(b), X'(a) = X'(b)$$

Мәселен,

1. Егер $p(x) = x, q(x) = \frac{v^2}{x}, r(x) = x, a = 0, b = l$ болса, онда

Бессель теңдеуін аламыз және оның меншікті функциялары Бессель функциялары болады.

2. Егер $p(x) = 1 - x^2, q(x) = 0, r(x) = 1, a = -1, b = 1$ болса, онда

$$[(1 - x^2)u']' + \lambda u = 0$$

Лежандр теңдеуі үшін Штурм-Лиувиль есебіне келеміз және оның меншікті функциялары Лежандр полиномдары болады. Мұндай мысалдарды көптеп келтіруге болады. Сингулярлы Штурм-Лиувиль есебін зерттеу арнайы функциялар теориясында қарастырылады. Бұл оқу құралында тек регулярлы немесе периодты жағдайлар қарастырылады [1].

Мысал 2.1. Штурм-Лиувиль есебін шешейік

$$X''(x) + \lambda X(x) = 0, X(0) = 0, X(l) = 0.$$

Шешуі. Бұл есеп $p(x) = 1, q(x) = 0, r(x) = 1, \alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = 0, \beta_1 = \beta_2 = 1$ кездегі дербес жағдайы.

1. Айталық, $\lambda = 0$ болсын. Онда жалпы шешімі $X(x) = C_1 x + C_2$ болады. Ал бұған шекаралық шарттарды қолдансақ, онда $C_1 = C_2 = 0$ болады да, $X(x) \equiv 0$ нөлдік шешімді аламыз.

2. $\lambda < 0$ теріс сан болсын. Онда оның жалпы шешімі

$$X(x) = C_1 \cos \sqrt{\lambda} x + C_2 e^{-\sqrt{\lambda} x}$$

болады және шекаралық шарттарды қолдансақ

$$\begin{cases} C_1 + C_2 = 0 \\ C_1 e^{-\sqrt{-\lambda}l} + C_2 e^{-\sqrt{-\lambda}l} = 0 \end{cases}$$

жүйесін аламыз. Бұл жағдайда да $C_1 = C_2 = 0$ болғандықтан $X(x) \equiv 0$ нөлдік шешімге келеміз, яғни есептің меншікті функциялары болмайды.

4. $\lambda > 0$ оң сан болсын. Онда жалпы шешімі

$$5. X(x) = C_1 \cos \sqrt{\lambda}x + C_2 \sin \sqrt{\lambda}x$$

түрде болады. Бұған шекаралық шарттарды қолдансақ

$$X(0) = C_1 = 0 \text{ және } X(l) = C_2 \sin \sqrt{\lambda}l = 0$$

болады. Мұнда егер $C_2 = 0$ болса $X(x) \equiv 0$ нөлдік шешімге келеміз. Сондықтан

$$\sin \sqrt{\lambda}l = 0$$

және $C_2 \neq 0$ еркін тұрақты. Оны ыңғайылық үшін $C_2 = 1$ деп алуға болады. Соңғы теңде-

уден λ тапсақ: $\lambda_k = \left(\frac{\pi k}{l}\right)^2, k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

Демек, бұған сәйкес нөлдік емес шешімі (Штурм-Лиувилль есебінің меншікті функциялары)

$$X_n(x) = \sin \frac{\pi k}{l} x, k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

болады.

Мысал 2.2. Штурм-Лиувилль есебін шешейік:

$$X''(x) + \lambda X(x) = 0, X'(0) = 0, X'(l) = 0.$$

Шешуі. Бұл есеп $p(x) = 1, q(x) = 0, r(x) = 1, \alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = 1, \beta_1 = \beta_2 = 0$ кездегі дербес жағдайы. Алдыңғы мысалдағыдай талдай келе, бұл есептің меншікті сандары мен меншікті функциялары

$$\lambda_k = \left(\frac{\pi k}{l}\right)^2, X_k(x) = \cos \frac{\pi k}{l} x, k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

болатынын көреміз. Бұл мысалда $\lambda_0 = 0$ саны да меншікті сан болады және оған сәйкес меншікті функция $X_0(x) = 1$ болады.

Дәл осы сияқты, алда жиі кездесетін бірнеше Штурм-Лиувилль есебінің меншікті мәндері мен меншікті функцияларын кесте түрінде көрсетуге болады.

Кесте $1-X''(x) + \lambda^2 X(x) = 0$ есебінің меншікті мәндері мен меншікті функциялары

Шекаралық шарттар	Меншікті сандар	Меншікті функциялар мен нормасы
$X(0) = 0, X(l) = 0$	$\lambda_k = \frac{\pi k}{l}, k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$	$X_k(x) = \sin \frac{\pi k}{l} x, \ X(x)\ ^2 = \frac{l}{2}, k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$
$X'(0) = 0, X(l) = 0$	$\lambda_k = \frac{(2k+1)\pi}{2l}, k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$	$X_k(x) = \cos \frac{(2k+1)\pi}{2l} x, \ X_k\ ^2 = \frac{l}{2}, k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$
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$X'(0) = 0, X'(l) = 0$	$\lambda_k = \frac{\pi k}{l}, k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$	$X_k(x) = \cos \frac{\pi k}{l} x, \ X_0\ ^2 = l, \ X_k\ ^2 = \frac{l}{2}, k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

Мысал 2.3. Штурм-Лиувилль есебін шешейік:

$$X''(x) + \lambda X(x) = 0, X(0) = X(l), X'(x) = X'(l).$$

Шешуі. Бұл есептің де нөлдік емес шешімі тек $\lambda > 0$ жағдайда ғана бар болады және жалпы шешімі:

$$X(x) = C_1 \cos \sqrt{\lambda}x + C_2 \sin \sqrt{\lambda}x.$$

Бұған периодтық шарттарды қолдансақ,

$$\begin{cases} C_1 = C_1 \cos \sqrt{\lambda}l + C_2 \sin \sqrt{\lambda}l \\ C_2 \sqrt{\lambda} = -C_1 \sqrt{\lambda} \sin \sqrt{\lambda}l + C_2 \sqrt{\lambda} \cos \sqrt{\lambda}l \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} C_1(1 - \cos \sqrt{\lambda}l) = C_2 \sin \sqrt{\lambda}l \\ C_2(1 - \cos \sqrt{\lambda}l) = -C_1 \sqrt{\lambda} \sin \sqrt{\lambda}l \end{cases}$$

Бірінші теңдеуден C_2 тауып, екінші теңдеуге қойсақ, нәтижеде

$$C_1(1 - \cos \sqrt{\lambda}l) = 0$$

теңдеуін аламыз. Егер $C_1 = 0$ болса, онда $C_2 = 0$ болады да $X(x) \equiv 0$ нөлдік шешімге келеміз. Сондықтан $C_i \neq 0$, $i = 1, 2$ және

$$1 - \cos \sqrt{\lambda}l = 0$$

теңдігінің орындалуы қажет. Ал бұл теңдеудің шешімдері тек $\sqrt{\lambda}l = \pm 2\pi k$ болса ғана бар болады, яғни меншікті сандары

$$\lambda_k = \left(\frac{2\pi k}{l}\right)^2, k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Ал бұларға сәйкес меншікті функциялар

$$X_k(x) = C_1 \cos \frac{2\pi k}{l}x + C_2 \sin \frac{2\pi k}{l}x, k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Мұндағы C_1 және C_2 еркін тұрақтылар болғандықтан, меншікті функциялар

$$X_{1k}(x) = C_1 \cos \frac{2\pi k}{l}x, X_{2k}(x) = C_2 \sin \frac{2\pi k}{l}x, k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

жүйесі болады [1].

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REHABILITATION OF ONCOLOGICAL PATIENTS: A COMPREHENSIVE CLINICAL AND DIAGNOSTIC CONCEPT

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This scientific and analytical publication describes modern directions of rehabilitation of cancer patients with various localization of the tumor process. The currently available methods of rehabilitation treatment and scientific directions that require further research to improve the quality of life of this contingent of patients are described. The use of a comprehensive program of medical rehabilitation in cancer patients will restore their vital conditions as much as possible and will optimize the processes of physical, psychological and social adaptation of these patients, which is the main task of oncology and rehabilitation today.

Keywords: oncology, rehabilitation, quality of life.

Today, high rates of incidence of malignant tumors and a priori aggressive treatment methods and, often, the prevalence of the oncological process itself lead to disability, requiring rehabilitation measures. In this regard, such a section of clinical oncology as the rehabilitation of cancer patients must be on the same level with modern treatment, diagnosis and prevention of cancer [1,2].

It is important to especially emphasize that rehabilitation measures begin not after the patient develops various kinds of physical and psycho-emotional dysfunctions as a result of specialized treatment and (or) complications of the tumor process, but already from the moment the diagnosis of a malignant neoplasm is made. At the same time, patients registered with an oncologist often experience various kinds of functional disorders that affect their quality of life and ability to work. For example, physical disorders may include fatigue, decreased muscle strength, cognitive dysfunction, paraesthesia, or eating problems, while mental symptoms may include anxiety, depression, fear of relapse, or insomnia. In this regard, the role of rehabilitation doctors and the importance of specialists with the skills of professional assessment and therapy in oncology services in this situation can hardly be overestimated [3].

One of the important aspects of complex rehabilitation of cancer patients is the use of drug correction of the psycho-emotional state of cancer patients, which previously received little attention. It is clear that oncologists and rehabilitation specialists take on this difficult role, but in some, quite common cases, additional drug support for the patient's psyche is required [4,5].

Thus, Taiwanese researchers Cheng-Hsu Wang et al. [6] not only analyzed, but also proved that the

need for psychotropic drugs depends on the nosological form of the tumor. They analyzed data from 35,137 cancer patients from Taiwan's National Health Insurance database over 2.5 years. Among those patients who survived for at least 6 months, every fifth (20.9%) used psychotropic drugs: patients were most often prescribed sedatives (14.3%), then antidepressants (5.5%), anxiolytics (3.6%) and antipsychotics (2.7%). Lung cancer, prostate cancer and oral cancer showed a statistically significant association with regular drug use during the first six months after diagnosis. And among patients who survived for at least 2.5 years, 4.8% still use psychotropic medications on a regular basis.

Catherine L. Granger et al. [7] found through a systematic review of articles using the electronic databases Medline, Cinahl, Embase, Scopus and Cochrane that despite evidence and existing guidelines for physical activity in patients with lung cancer, it is hardly implemented in clinical practice. This systematic review of the literature showed that the challenges of adequate physical rehabilitation of patients with lung cancer are multifaceted and involve various factors. These include patient-level factors such as symptoms, comorbidities, sedentary lifestyle, mood and fear, and environmental factors. These factors should be taken into account to determine and develop a treatment and rehabilitation program for these patients.

In addition, very little attention is often paid to the fact that the main moral burden when caring for cancer patients falls, of course, on their loved ones. And, unfortunately, according to Swedish researchers Ji J. et al. [8] spouses of cancer patients who provide care are at increased risk of coronary heart disease and stroke. This is necessary to know for the correct approach to correcting the psychological state of not only the patient himself, but also their relatives (family rehabilitation).

At the same time, Badr H. et al. [9] found a low level of self-efficacy and a high level of distress when independently caring for patients with advanced lung cancer. The authors, based on experimental studies in which 39 patients took part, developed a program to coordinate care and train care skills for such patients. The program was based on self-determination theory. Participants reported significant reductions ($p < 0.0001$) in depression, anxiety, and caregiving burden, increased caregiver competence, and caregiver autonomy to provide care compared to usual care.

Similar results were obtained in their study by Kim Y. et al. [10]. The authors note that the difficulty of psychological adaptation of relatives in families in which there is a cancer patient and the lack of social support are the main predictors of the development of major depressive disorders, even 3 years after diagnosis. At the same time, programs for adaptation to long-term care are crucial for the possibility of long-term (5-year results were taken into account) active care for the patient.

In addition, El-Jawahri A. et al. [11] found that patients' inadequate perception of their prognosis regarding cancer affects many of their decisions about medical care. However, the relationships between prognostic perception, quality of life, and patient mood itself are not yet fully understood. They stated the fact that, although patients wanted to know detailed information about their illness, half incorrectly perceived the fact that the prognosis in their situation was favorable. Of the 50 patients included in the study, 38 (76%) wanted to know as many details as possible about their diagnostic procedures and treatments. However, 25 of 50 patients (50%) stated that their goal was to "cure cancer," and only 10 of 49 patients (20%) reported that they had completely "put their fate in the hands of their oncologist." Patients who accepted their illness as a death sentence reported lower quality of life ($p = 0.005$) and higher levels of anxiety ($p = 0.003$) compared to those who did not perceive themselves as terminally ill. The authors established a direct connection between accurate prognostic perception and the quality of life of patients. Therefore, interventions aimed at improving understanding of disease prognosis provide adequate psychosocial support for these people.

Any methods, as we all understand perfectly well, should be used to alleviate the condition of cancer patients and restore their well-being. Such methods include art therapy, which, of course, belongs to non-traditional methods of influence, but with a comprehensive program of restorative treatment it shows its effectiveness.

Lee J. et al. [12] decided to evaluate the effect of art therapy using paintings by famous artists on the manifestation of long-term chronic stress (distress) in cancer patients receiving radiation therapy. The level of anxiety, depression and symptoms associated with the manifestation of the cancer itself were assessed. The authors conducted a prospective study that included 24 cancer patients with various forms of malignant neoplasms who received radiation therapy. Art therapy took place in two parts, including 4 sessions of a famous painting course and 4 sessions of works of art of the creative generation; these sessions were held twice a week for four weeks. Distress was assessed using the Hospital Anxiety and Depression Scale (HADS), the Hamilton Depression Rating Scale (HDRS), and the Edmonton Symptom Assessment Scale (ESAS) at three assessment points: before the start of art therapy, after the fourth

session, and then after the eighth session. art therapy. It was found that of the 24 patients included in the study, 20 patients (83%) completed all eight sessions. At the same time, the authors note a significant and even significantly significant decrease in indicators of depression and anxiety on all scales used in the study.

It should be noted that a number of nosological forms of malignant tumors and crippling surgical interventions used in these diseases, such as enucleation of the eye, removal of the obturator apparatus of the rectum, breast extirpation lead to the deepest physical, psychological and social disability of patients. Laryngeal cancer is one of these localizations of the oncological process.

A very interesting and important study on this subject was carried out by Millgård M., Tuomi L. [13]. The study aimed to investigate the short-term and long-term effects of voice rehabilitation in patients treated with radiotherapy for laryngeal cancer as measured by both the acoustic measure smoothed cepstral peak prominence (CPPS) and perceptual measures. A secondary aim was to investigate the relationship between acoustic and perceptual measures. In total, 37 patients received voice rehabilitation post-radiotherapy and 37 patients constituted the irradiated control group. Outcome measures were mean CPPS for connected speech and ratings with the auditory-perceptual Grade, Roughness, Breathiness, Asthenia and Strain (GRBAS) scale. Outcome measures were analyzed 1 (baseline), 6, 12, and 24 months post-radiotherapy, where voice rehabilitation was conducted between the first two time-points. Additional recordings were acquired from vocally healthy participants for comparison. As a result, CPPS values of the voice rehabilitation group and vocally healthy group were not significantly different at 24 months post-radiotherapy. Ten out of 19 patients who received voice rehabilitation yielded a CPPS value above the threshold for normal voice 24 months post-radiotherapy, compared to 11 out of 26 in the irradiated control group. No statistically significant correlations were found between CPPS and perceptual parameters of GRBAS. Based on the results obtained, the authors conclude that voice rehabilitation for irradiated laryngeal cancer patients may have positive effects on voice quality up to 24 months post-radiotherapy. The relationship between CPPS and GRBAS as well as the applicability of CPPS for evaluation over several points of measurement needs to be studied further.

In their paper, Zhu X. et al. [14] emphasize that dysphagia is a common complication in patients with laryngeal cancer after surgery and radiotherapy. The aim of the study was to study the impact of swallowing training administered in combination with nutritional intervention on the nutritional status and quality of life of laryngeal cancer patients with dysphagia after surgery and radiotherapy. Sixty-six patients with laryngeal cancer who developed dysphagia were randomly divided into control group and intervention group ($n = 33$ in each group). Patients in both groups received total laryngectomy and prophylactic radiotherapy and were provided routine health counseling and swallowing training. Patients in the intervention group were additionally provided with nutritional intervention. All patients were evaluated using video fluoroscopic swallowing examination (VFSE), Patient-Generated Subjective Global Assessment on nutritional status (PG-SGA) score, and Quality of Life Questionnaire-core 30 (QLQ-c30) score immediately after radiotherapy and 3 months later. The results were as follows: prior to swallowing training, there was no significant between-group difference with respect to VFSE evaluation, PG-SGA score, or QLQ-c30 score. Both groups showed improvement in these measures at 3 months after radiotherapy; however, the improvement in the intervention group was significantly better than that in the control group. The researchers conclude that swallowing training combined with nutritional intervention can improve swallowing function, nutritional status and the quality of life of laryngeal cancer patients with dysphagia after operation and radiotherapy.

As noted by Salerno G. et al. [15], total laryngectomy represents the surgical procedure necessary for the treatment of some advanced neoplasms of the hypopharyngeal-laryngeal district and involves strong functional, physical and emotional repercussions. In their study, our colleagues examined how rehabilitation techniques used to improve the communication needs of patients who have undergone laryngectomy affect their perception of quality of life. The questionnaires "V-RQoL" and "SECEL" were administered to 45 patients divided into four groups on the basis of the type of vicarious voice: group TE (27 patients), group E (7 patients), group EL (2 patients), group NV (9 patients). Patients using electrical or tracheo-esophageal prostheses reported a better quality of life than patients with an erythromphonic voice. Regarding postoperative satisfaction, the group with esophageal voice was the most satisfied. The authors emphasize the importance of preoperative counseling to make the patient as aware as possible of his future condition.

Retinoblastoma is an intraocular cancer of infancy and childhood, which has been treated with radiation therapy and chemotherapy. Radiation on growing patients can cause deterioration in maxillo-facial growth and development that leads to severe skeletal discrepancies between the maxilla and

mandible, and dental problems such as crossbite, openbite, and hypodontia. Kim S.H. et al. [16] presented a case of a 19-year-old Korean man with chewing disability and dentofacial deformities. He had undergone enucleation of the right eye and radiation therapy of the left eye due to retinoblastoma 100 days after birth. Subsequently, he received cancer therapy for the secondary nasopharyngeal cancer at the age of 11 years. He was diagnosed with severe skeletal deformity including sagittal, transverse, and vertical growth deficiency of the maxilla and midface, and with class III malocclusion, severe anterior and posterior crossbite, posterior openbite, multiple missing upper incisors, right premolars, and second molars, and impaction of the lower right second molars. To restore impaired functions and esthetics of the jaw and dentition, the orthodontic treatment combined with two jaw surgery was performed. At the end of surgical orthodontics, dental implants were placed for prosthetic treatment of missing teeth. Additional plastic surgery for zygoma elevation was done with calvarial bone graft followed by fat graft. Facial esthetics and occlusal functions of patient were favorably enhanced with the improvement of skeletal discrepancy and the rehabilitation of maxillary dentition by prosthetic work. At the 2-year follow-up, the skeletal and dental relationships and implant prosthetics were well maintained. The authors conclude as follows: in an adult patient with dentofacial deformities caused by early cancer therapy in the head and neck area, interdisciplinary interventions including additional plastic surgery of zygoma depression and prosthetic work of missing teeth as well as surgical-orthodontic treatment could establish favorable facial esthetics and oral rehabilitation.

The case of eyeball prosthetics was presented in their study by Goiato M.C. et al. [17]. Male patient, 60 years old, sought care at the Oral Oncology Center of the São Paulo State University "Júlio de Mesquita Filho", for the rehabilitation of the orbital cavity with an acrylic eye prosthesis. This prosthesis was made with thermopolymerizable acrylic resin and hand painted iris with oil paint on cardboard. The prosthesis was installed after finishing and polishing and the hygiene and general care instructions were explained. Colleagues focus on the fact that the lack of an eye has an immediate and long-term impact on a patient's life. In the present case, the patient was satisfied with the aesthetics and comfort of the prosthesis, which demonstrates the success of the treatment.

As Rokohl A.C. et al. [18] show, a smooth supply with a visually appealing prosthetic eye after enucleation is not just a cosmetic solution, it is also a key factor in successful social and psychological rehabilitation. The authors submitted an overview of the current state of medical and ocular care regarding prosthetic eyes in Germany. It focuses mainly on the newest clinical results, daily care, complications, and psychological aspects of wearing prosthetic eyes. As a result of the latest clinical data and a current review of the PubMed literature, it was found that in Germany, enucleated patients normally get a double-walled, hollow prosthetic eye made of cryolite glass, and patients with a microphthalmic or phthisic eye receive a thin single-walled prosthesis. Anophthalmic patients wearing cryolite glass prosthetic eyes seem to be more satisfied with their appearance and the look of their prostheses than polymethylmethacrylate (PMMA) prosthetic eye wearers. Cryolite glass prosthetic eyes must be renewed at least each year, while PMMA prostheses need to be polished once a year and renewed after five years of wearing. Among children, the fit of the prosthetic eye must be checked, based on growth, semi-annually. A slightly higher risk of breakage of cryolite glass prostheses is, for most patients, not a great disadvantage in everyday life. Ocularists and ophthalmologists should determine an individual cleaning regime, together with the patient, that is dependent on the material of the ocular prosthesis and other external factors. Complications, such as allergic, giant papillary, viral and bacterial conjunctivitis and blepharoconjunctivitis sicca must be treated at an early stage to allow for a prosthetic eye. In the case of inflammation-caused socket shrinkage or post-enucleation socket syndrome, surgical interventions are needed to re-enable the use of a prosthetic eye. Since the health of the remaining eye is the major psychological burden of prosthetic eye wearers, good ophthalmological care and medical screenings are essential elements. In conclusion, the researchers conclude that a smooth supply with a prosthetic eye, adequate and early treatment of possible complications and attention to psychological aspects is essential for successful long-term rehabilitation of enucleated patients.

As well as patients with previous localizations of the oncological process, patients with colorectal cancer with colostomies need mandatory rehabilitation measures.

Thus, Yang P. et al. [19] set themselves the goal of to systematically evaluate the effect of collaborative nursing on self-care ability of postcolostomy patients with colorectal cancer (CRC). PubMed, Web of Science, Embase, China National Knowledge Infrastructure, and Wanfang databases were searched to collect relevant literatures on randomized controlled trials of postcolostomy patients with CRC. The search period was started from 2010 to 2021. Statistical analysis was performed on the data extracted from the comprehensive meta-analysis with STATA 16.0 analysis software. As a result, it was found that

the incidence of adverse reactions in the control group was higher than that in the treatment group. Seven studies included the preintervention self-care concept and preintervention self-care skills. Six studies included preintervention self-care responsibility and preintervention exercise of self-care agency (ESCA) scale. In the comparison among the concept of self-care after intervention, self-care skills, self-care responsibility, and ESCA scale, all of them had higher scores in the treatment group than in the control group ($p < 0.05$). It fully explains that collaborative nursing can significantly improve the evaluation indicators of patients' self-care ability and reduce patient complications. In summary, the authors conclude that the application of collaborative nursing in the nursing work of patients with CRC after colostomy can significantly reduce the incidence of adverse nursing reactions.

The aim of the work is Yu S., Tang Y. [20] to explore the impacts of comprehensive care on psychological emotion, postoperative rehabilitation and complications of colorectal cancer patients after colostomy. From August 2018 to February 2020, a total of sixty colorectal cancer patients undergoing colostomy in our hospital were collected and randomly assigned to a control group to receive conventional care and a research group to receive comprehensive care, with 30 patients in each group. The two groups of patients were compared for postoperative recovery, complications, adverse psychological emotions, self-care ability, quality of life, and nursing satisfaction. The first time of exhaust, food intake and the recovery of bowel sound in the research group were markedly earlier than those in the control group. Besides, the research group had notably lower incidence of postoperative complications, lower self-anxiety scale (SAS) and self-depression scale (SDS) scores at discharge, and higher average self-care ability than the control group, as well as higher quality of life score and nursing satisfaction. At the end of the work, it was concluded that comprehensive care intervention can promote postoperative recovery of colorectal cancer patients after colostomy, relieve their negative emotions, reduce postoperative complications, improve quality of life and nursing satisfaction, which are all important and make this type of care worthy of promotion in clinical practice.

A study by Wang S.Y. et al. [21] examined the effects of a multimedia patient education intervention on improving self-care knowledge and skills in patients with colorectal cancer who underwent colostomy surgery. A quasi-experimental design was adopted to measure the self-care knowledge and skills of patients with colorectal cancer before and after surgery. The experimental group ($n = 33$) received a multimedia patient education intervention, whereas the control group ($n = 30$) was provided conventional instructions. Results were evaluated using analysis of covariance. On the day prior to discharge from hospital, the experimental group exhibited significantly greater improvement in self-care knowledge than did the control group. The experimental group also exhibited significantly greater improvement in self-care skills than did the control group on the day of gas passage, the day prior to discharge from hospital, and during the first clinic visit after discharge from the hospital. In other words, multimedia patient education intervention yielded greater improvement in self-care knowledge and skills than did conventional instruction. The authors state that multimedia patient education is an adequate educational tool for patients with colorectal cancer who have undergone colostomy.

Now, regarding the rehabilitation of patients with breast cancer.

The leading method of treating malignant neoplasms, including breast cancer, is surgical. As Chan K.S. points out. et al. [22], functional results are increasingly important in breast cancer, as survival and prognosis for this pathology improve over the years. Since more than half of diagnosed breast cancer cases occur in middle-aged women between 45 and 64 years of age, it is appropriate to ensure preservation of upper extremity function as this group of patients may be the primary caregivers for their families, lead active lifestyles, and are at the peak of their careers. Additionally, most previous studies have shown that Asians may have higher body fat percentages, lower bone mass, and lower levels of physical activity than Western populations. These factors may influence functional outcomes in patients with breast cancer. The authors conducted a single-center prospective cohort study with a follow-up period of 6 weeks after surgery. The main inclusion criteria were patients over 21 years of age who underwent 44 radical surgical interventions - wide sectoral resection - 16 (36.4%) and mastectomy - 28 (63.6%). The main exclusion criteria were patients with pre-existing neurological or rheumatological comorbidities affecting upper limb function, or previous trauma that resulted in upper limb deformity. Patients who had undergone mastectomy with reconstruction were also excluded. The patients underwent early rehabilitation from the 1st day after surgery, including a standardized set of exercises for the shoulders and upper extremities. Active shoulder flexion and abduction range of motion and disability scores were assessed 1 week before surgery and then at weeks 2 and 6 postoperatively. This pilot study in an Asian cohort showed that patients were able to regain active range of motion of shoulder flexion and abduction at 6 weeks postoperatively, but had a worse disability score, especially in the axillary lymph node dissection

subgroup after sentinel lymph node examination. Recommendations include the use of active early rehabilitation methods for breast cancer patients, however, as the authors note, longer follow-up is required to assess long-term functional results.

The modern direction in medical rehabilitation of patients with breast cancer, as well as in their treatment today, is the individualization of the treatment and rehabilitation program. As Olsson Möller U. et al. note in their publication [23], it is well known that women suffer from the negative consequences of breast cancer treatment and that their very important needs during rehabilitation interventions are often not met. At the same time, up to 43% of these women are at risk of developing chronic distress, requiring comprehensive treatment. However, it is unknown how to identify and meet the needs of these women early, leaving them with a low chance of optimal rehabilitation. The authors plan to conduct a three-arm randomized controlled trial and aim to develop a model and evaluate the effect of individualized screening-based rehabilitation after primary treatment for breast cancer. The rehabilitation program will be based on self-reported data, focusing on physical and psychological outcomes, as well as treatment satisfaction at baseline at 2 weeks, 3, 6, 9 and 12 months. The assessment will also include economic aspects of health, based on register data and information from patients and their relatives during the rehabilitation process. In addition, optimal threshold levels of negative behaviors will be explored as an indicator of the need for extended rehabilitation. It is planned to identify potential new problems and rehabilitation needs of patients during the 1-year follow-up period. The researchers note that this study will provide important knowledge regarding the effectiveness of screening to identify needs for individualized, standardized, evidence-based rehabilitation after primary breast cancer treatment.

Much work regarding the development of a rehabilitation program for patients with breast cancer has been carried out by Spanish scientists and clinicians Barnadas A. et al. [24]. As the researchers emphasize, the gradual increase in incidence associated with the aging population and the implementation of screening programs, together with lower mortality rates from breast cancer, has led to an increase in the number of surviving patients with this pathology. The treatment used leaves physical, psychological and psychosocial consequences that can manifest and persist even years after completion of treatment and can interfere with the well-being of breast cancer patients and their reintegration into normal social and professional activities. Complications of the underlying disease and concomitant pathology require joint monitoring by specialized medical institutions and primary health care services. The authors have compiled guidelines aimed at ensuring joint and coordinated monitoring of these patients by these medical services. The guideline addresses health problems arising from treatment, with recommendations for a therapeutic approach that individualizes treatment, as well as suggestions for coordinated joint monitoring by primary and secondary care. In addition to organizational issues, the guide provides general recommendations for breast cancer patients: 1) avoid excess weight, 2) healthy diet and exercise, 3) quit smoking, 4) moderate alcohol consumption, 5) possible use of additional treatment methods, for example, such as acupuncture, 6) awareness of symptoms indicating a possible relapse or recurrent tumor, 7) adherence to prescribed anti-estrogenic hormone therapy for a long period (5-10 years), 8) return to work.

In addition, one of the modern methods of restorative treatment of cancer patients includes a method such as neuromuscular electrical stimulation (NMES) [25]. It may be a pragmatic short-term alternative to voluntary exercise in patients who are currently undergoing or have recently completed treatment for cancer. In this study, the authors assessed the impact of a personalized and progressive NMES exercise intervention, designed with the early rehabilitation period in mind, on patients' physical performance and quality of life. This manipulation was found to improve performance on the 30-second sitting test (STS), the 6-minute walking test (6 MW), and global quality of life using the EORTC QLQ C-30 questionnaire. Benefits gained included improved muscle strength and greater confidence when walking. The authors recommend further evaluation of this technique in a further controlled prospective study.

In recent years, the term "multimodal" has been increasingly used in clinical research, which means, according to Wiktionary, involving or using several methods or modes of implementation. When analyzing a review of the literature related to multimodal rehabilitation of cancer patients, it should be noted that the overwhelming number of scientific works are devoted to the use of rehabilitation measures at the stage of preparing patients for specialized treatment, be it surgery or courses of drug or radiation therapy.

Guinan E.M. et al. [26] note in their work that the inflammatory changes themselves and the disruption of redox processes after radical surgery for esophageal cancer significantly affect both the

quality of life and the survival of patients. In this regard, an integrated approach to the rehabilitation of these patients, including special exercises and a certain diet, can reduce the negative manifestations of the treatment. However, the authors note that the results will be further examined in a larger randomized controlled trial. In addition to the impact of these manifestations on the survival of patients, the economic side of the full rehabilitation of these patients will also be studied.

Bolshinsky V. et al. [27], based on an analysis of studies on multimodal rehabilitation programs before surgery for gastrointestinal tumors, conducted a systematic literature search using Medline, PubMed, Embase, Cinahl, Cochrane and Google Scholar databases. Study quality was assessed using the Cochrane Risk of Bias Tool (randomized trials) and the Newcastle-Ottawa Quality Assessment Scale (cohort studies). Of the 544 studies identified, 20 were included in the qualitative analysis. The authors found that although small studies have found encouraging results, larger prospective studies using uniform objective risk stratification and structured interventions with prespecified clinical and economic endpoints are needed to determine the definitive value of prehabilitation programs.

Summing up the analyzed works on rehabilitation measures in cancer patients with various nosological forms of malignant neoplasms, we can draw a definite conclusion that a multifaceted approach is required when conducting rehabilitation treatment in these patients, aimed at compensating for impaired body functions, improving the quality of life, reducing the severity of disability and prolonging active life. The process of recreating the vital status of patients is multidimensional and requires an integrated approach to restore the physical, psycho-emotional and social conditions of patients. At the same time, almost all authors agree on one thing: further multicenter randomized studies are needed to develop standardized approaches to conducting rehabilitation measures in cancer patients.

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APPLICATIONS OF TRIGONOMETRY IN STEM EDUCATION: A FOCUS ON ROBOTICS AND 3D MODELING

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Abstract

This paper explores the practical applications of trigonometry in STEM education, focusing specifically on its role in robotics and 3D modeling. Traditionally, trigonometry is taught as an abstract mathematical discipline, often leaving students disengaged or struggling to see its relevance in real-world contexts. By integrating trigonometric concepts into hands-on fields such as robotics and 3D modeling, educators can bridge theoretical knowledge with practical skills, enhancing student engagement and comprehension in STEM subjects. Through a review of recent studies, case examples, and practical implications, this paper highlights how the applied use of trigonometry in these fields enriches STEM learning, fosters problem-solving abilities, and prepares students for technological careers

Keywords: Trigonometry, STEM education, Robotics, 3D modeling, Applied mathematics, Project-based learning, Educational methodology, Interdisciplinary learning, Real-world applications, Experiential learning, Student engagement

1. INTRODUCTION

Trigonometry, a branch of mathematics that deals with the relationships between the angles and sides of triangles, has long been a foundational subject in education. Historically, it has been taught as a theoretical discipline, with applications often limited to geometric proofs or physics problems. While essential in fields like engineering, architecture, and physics, the abstract nature of trigonometry can sometimes make it challenging for students to grasp its practical significance. This gap often results in students finding trigonometry to be a disconnected or difficult part of their mathematical studies.

In recent years, however, the growing emphasis on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) education has led to innovative approaches that bring theoretical concepts, including trigonometry, into hands-on learning environments. Robotics and 3D modeling, two rapidly advancing fields, rely heavily on trigonometric principles to achieve precise calculations and spatial reasoning. Robotics, for example, utilizes trigonometry in calculating angles and distances for movement, rotation, and navigation. Similarly, in 3D modeling, trigonometric concepts underpin object transformations, spatial positioning, and realistic rendering, making it indispensable in areas like computer graphics, animation, and architectural design.

This paper aims to explore how the integration of trigonometry into practical fields like robotics and 3D modeling can enhance student understanding and engagement in STEM subjects. By linking trigonometric theory with tangible applications, educators can foster a deeper comprehension of mathematical concepts, equip students with valuable problem-solving skills, and prepare them for careers in technology-driven fields. Through a review of existing studies, practical examples, and case applications, this paper seeks to demonstrate the educational benefits of applied trigonometry.

2. LITERATURE REVIEW

2.1 Traditional Teaching Approaches and Limitations

Research on mathematics education has demonstrated that the traditional approach to teaching trigonometry often limits its perceived relevance. For example, Usiskin (2005) argued that students struggle to see the applicability of trigonometric functions due to the lack of practical applications in standard curriculum structures. Furthermore, various studies suggest that the overemphasis on rote learning and

theoretical problem-solving can hinder students' ability to apply trigonometric principles in real-world settings (Brown, 2018).

2.2 Emerging Trends in STEM Education

In recent years, a shift towards STEM-focused curricula has promoted a more applied approach to mathematical concepts, including trigonometry. STEM education advocates for project-based and experiential learning, emphasizing problem-solving and critical thinking skills. Johnson and Adams (2020) demonstrated that students who engage in applied mathematics, particularly through interdisciplinary STEM projects, show increased motivation and better retention of mathematical principles. Project-based learning models also allow students to see the connection between trigonometric functions and practical applications, particularly in fields like physics, engineering, and computer science.

2.3 Applications of Trigonometry in Robotics

Robotics is one of the most prominent fields applying trigonometric principles in real-world settings. Research by Smith and Lee (2019) outlines the ways in which trigonometry is essential for calculating angles, distances, and rotations in robotic motion and navigation. For instance, inverse kinematics—a key mathematical concept in robotics—relies heavily on trigonometry to determine the angles required for robotic arms to achieve precise movements. In addition, autonomous systems in robotics use trigonometric calculations for pathfinding and obstacle avoidance, allowing robots to navigate complex environments (Zhang & Torres, 2021). These applications demonstrate the value of incorporating robotics-based trigonometry into STEM education, as it enables students to engage directly with real-world problem-solving tasks.

2.4 Trigonometry in 3D Modeling and Computer Graphics

The field of 3D modeling, particularly in computer graphics and animation, relies extensively on trigonometric principles to achieve accurate spatial transformations and realistic rendering. Studies by Andrews and Patel (2022) have shown that trigonometry is essential for understanding 3D transformations, such as rotations, translations, and scaling, which are fundamental in creating realistic models and animations. Trigonometry is also used in perspective projection, a technique that creates the illusion of depth and dimension on a two-dimensional screen (Lee & Hansen, 2020). Applications of trigonometry in 3D modeling not only allow for creative expression but also offer a concrete demonstration of how mathematical concepts translate into visual outputs.

3. METHODOLOGY

3.1 Research Approach

This research employs a mixed-methods approach to explore the applications of trigonometry in the fields of robotics and 3D modeling. The study combines quantitative data analysis and qualitative insights to provide a comprehensive understanding of how trigonometric principles are utilized in these disciplines. The approach involves examining the theoretical frameworks of trigonometry and its practical applications within robotics and 3D modeling environments.

3.2 Data Collection

Data collection was conducted through a systematic literature review, case studies, and educational modules.

Literature Review: A comprehensive review of academic journals, conference papers, and textbooks was performed to gather existing knowledge on the application of trigonometry in robotics and 3D modeling.

Case Studies: Interviews with educators and industry professionals provided further insights into the practical usage of trigonometry in designing robotic systems and 3D models.

Educational Modules: An examination of curriculum materials from various STEM programs highlighted how trigonometry is taught in relation to robotics and 3D modeling. This included analyzing lesson plans, instructional videos, and assessment tools used in educational settings.

Comparative Studies: A comparative analysis was conducted to assess traditional trigonometric teaching methods against applied approaches in STEM education.

Statistical Analysis: Quantitative data from assessments and student feedback were analyzed using statistical methods to identify correlations between the use of trigonometry in project-based learning and improvements in students' problem-solving skills and overall academic performance.

4. PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS IN ROBOT PROGRAMMING

Problem: Programming a Robotic Arm to Pick Up an Object

Imagine you have a robotic arm in your classroom designed to pick up small objects. The arm has two segments, AB and BC, which can rotate to reach specific locations on a table. Your task is to program the

arm to pick up an object located at a specific point on the table. Using trigonometry, you need to calculate the angles at joints A and B so the arm can reach the object accurately.

Given:

Length of segment AB = 10 cm

Length of segment BC = 8 cm

The object is located 12 cm away horizontally and 5 cm away vertically from the base of the robotic arm (point A).

Steps to Solve:

Determine the Distance from Point A to the Object (Point C):

Use the Pythagorean theorem to find the distance from point A to the object's position C:

$$AC = \sqrt{12^2 + 5^2}$$

Calculate Angle at Joint B (Using the Cosine Rule):

With the triangle ABC and sides AB = 10 cm, BC = 8 cm, and AC (from Step 1), use the cosine rule to find angle $\angle ABC$ (angle at joint B):

$$\cos(\angle BAC) = \frac{AB^2 + BC^2 - AC^2}{2 \cdot AB \cdot BC}$$

Calculate the Angle at Joint A (Using Inverse Tangent): Use the angle of elevation from A to C:

$$\angle BAC = \arctg\left(\frac{5}{12}\right)$$

Calculate the Required Joint Angles for the Robotic Arm:

Using the angles found, students can determine how to position the robotic arm segments AB and BC to reach the object at C. By adjusting $\angle ABC$ and $\angle BAC$, they can program the robot to pick up the object accurately.

Solution Steps and Explanation:

Encourage students to solve each part and verify their answers. After completing the math, they could use a programming platform (e.g. **Arduino** [Getting Started with Arduino products | Arduino](#) or a **robotics simulator**

Robot simulator Coppeliasim: create, compose, simulate, any robot - Coppeliasim Robotics) to input their calculated angles and test if the robotic arm correctly reaches the object.

5. PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS IN 3D MODELING AND COMPUTER GRAPHICS

Connecting theoretical mathematics to tangible applications is vital for preparing students for careers in STEM fields.

Problem: Swinging from a Rope

Scenario: You are animating a character who swings from a rope in a park. The vertical position $y(t)$ of the character hanging from the rope can be modeled using a trigonometric equation. The character swings back and forth, creating a periodic motion that simulates the swinging action.



Figure 1. The swinging person

Given:

The character starts swinging from a height of 4 meters above the ground.

The amplitude of the swing (the maximum distance from the resting position) is 2 meters.

The swing completes one full oscillation every 3 seconds, so the frequency can be calculated as:

$$B = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

Questions:

Write the equation for the vertical position $y(t)$ of the character during the swing.

Determine the times when the character is at its lowest point during the swing.

Find the time intervals when the character is above a height of 3 meters.

Solution Steps:

Equation for Vertical Position: The height of the character while swinging can be modeled by the equation: $y(t) = 2 \cdot \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}t\right) + 2$

Here, 2 is the height of the resting position (4 meters minus the amplitude).

Lowest Point: To find the times when the character reaches its lowest point, we need to determine when: $y(t) = 2 - 2 = 0$ meters

This occurs when: $\cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}t\right) = -1$

$$\frac{2\pi}{3}t = \pi + 2\pi k \quad t = \frac{3}{2} + 3k, k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Thus, the character reaches its lowest point at $t=1.5$ seconds, $t=4.5$ seconds, $t=7.5$, etc.

Time Intervals Above 3 Meters: To find when the character is above 3 meters, solve the inequality:

$$3 < 2 \cdot \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}t\right) + 2$$

$$1 < 2 \cdot \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}t\right)$$

$$0.5 < \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}t\right)$$

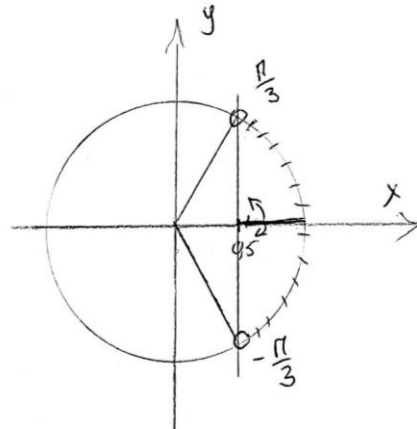


Figure 2. Unit circle

$$\frac{2\pi}{3}t \in \left(-\frac{\pi}{3} + 2\pi k; \frac{\pi}{3} + 2\pi k\right)$$

$$t \in \left(-\frac{1}{2} + 3k; \frac{1}{2} + 3k\right)$$

The intervals can be calculated by analyzing where $0.5 < \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}t\right)$ within each cycle of 3 seconds.

6. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

6.1 Findings on Robotics Applications

The data collected from educational modules incorporating robotics projects reveal significant improvements in student engagement and mathematical comprehension. Table 1 summarizes the comparative performance of students who engaged in robotics-based trigonometry exercises versus those who followed a traditional curriculum.

Group	Average Test Score (%)	Engagement Rating (1-5)
Robotics-Based	87	4.8
Traditional	72	3.5

Table 1. Comparative Analysis of Student Performance in Trigonometry

6.2 Findings on 3D Modeling Applications

Students who participated in 3D modeling projects demonstrated improved problem-solving skills and a more profound understanding of spatial reasoning. This supports the claim that real-world applications of trigonometry make abstract concepts more accessible and meaningful.

6.3 Implications for STEM Education

The findings indicate that integrating trigonometry through robotics and 3D modeling projects fosters a more active and engaging learning environment. As students interact with tangible, hands-on projects, they not only learn mathematical concepts but also apply them in meaningful ways, which promotes long-term retention and practical problem-solving abilities.

These results align with previous research indicating that project-based learning in STEM fields bridges the gap between theoretical knowledge and real-world application (Johnson & Adams, 2020). The implications for educators are clear: by incorporating applied trigonometry through robotics and 3D modeling into curricula, educators can enhance student learning experiences and better prepare students for future STEM careers.

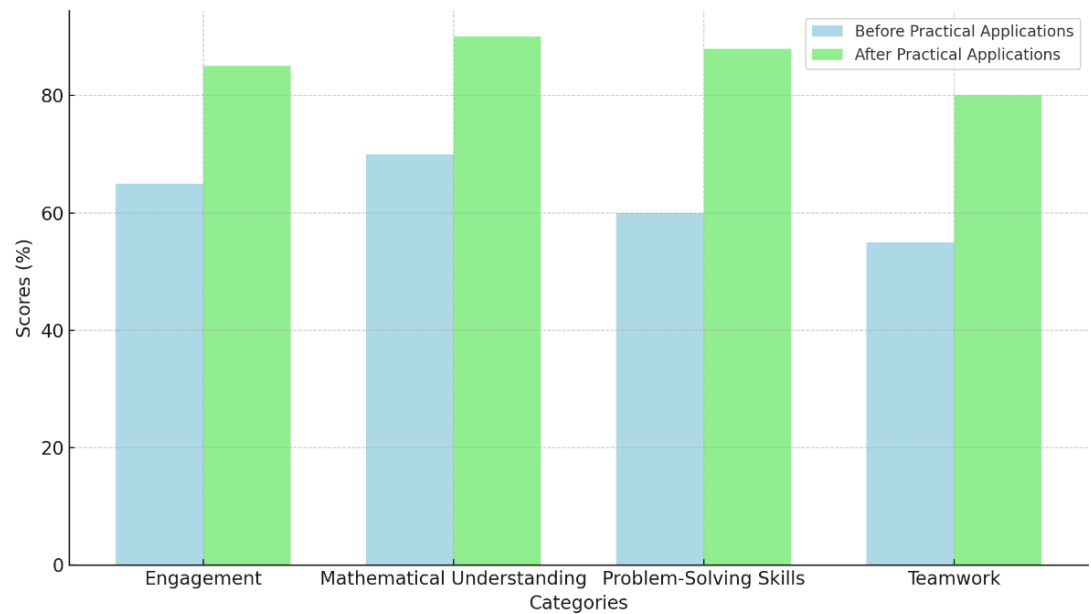


Diagram 1.Impact of Practical Applications of Trigonometry on Student Achievements

The diagram 1 illustrates a comparative analysis of student achievements before and after integrating practical applications of trigonometry into the curriculum. The data indicates significant improvements across four key educational categories: engagement, mathematical understanding, problem-solving skills, and teamwork.

7. CONCLUSION

This study has demonstrated the essential role of trigonometry in both robotics and 3D modeling, highlighting its significance in enhancing the quality of STEM education. Through practical applications, students gain a deeper understanding of mathematical concepts and their relevance to real-world scenarios, fostering a more engaging and motivating learning environment.

Key findings indicate that the integration of trigonometric principles in robotics enhances precision and functionality, while in 3D modeling, it supports the creation and manipulation of complex geometries. These applications not only improve students' mathematical skills but also cultivate critical thinking, problem-solving abilities, and teamwork—skills that are vital for success in today's technology-driven world.

Future research should explore the long-term effects of such integrative methods on student learning outcomes and retention of mathematical concepts. By continuing to investigate and refine the teaching of trigonometry through robotics and 3D modeling, we can better prepare students for the challenges of the future, ensuring they become proficient and innovative contributors to the STEM fields.

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METHODS OF LANGUAGE RESEARCH

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Abstract

Methods and principles of linguistic analysis of different sides and aspects of language are different. The selection of one or another aspect of language is often inseparable from the method of its linguistic examination. Language itself is defined as a complex and historically mobile phenomenon, which is reflected in the model of language description that was developed within the framework of traditional (classical) linguistics, which invariably includes such sections as phonetics, lexicology, morphology, syntax, etc. Each of these sections has its own subject of study and at the same time constitutes part of a single science of language. The very structure of classical linguistics as a science clearly shows that, in describing linguistic phenomena, scientists proceeded from the conviction that language is a certain system.

Keywords: linguistics, different methods, levels in language, methodology of sciences, method technique

Understanding language as a system becomes the most important methodological principle of linguistics in the 20th century. Therefore, one of the main tasks of linguistic research and analysis is the task of adequately describing and interpreting the relationships between the components of the language system. However, the language system is complex, and its complexity lies primarily in its multi-layered nature, that is, in the fact that it consists of a number of subsystems identified on the basis of the so-called stratification principle. These subsystems form the levels of language. According to the prevailing ideas in modern linguistics, only with the help of the concept of level can we correctly reflect such an essential feature of language as its articulate nature and the discreteness of its elements. Despite this, the question of the number of levels in language does not have an unambiguous solution. Many agree, however, that there are four of them:

- 1) phonetic-phonological
- 2) morphemic
- 3) lexical-semantic
- 4) syntactic

The term method often implies the general methodology of sciences, the philosophical method of cognition, formulating the basic principles of the theory of knowledge as a whole. For us, such a general scientific, philosophical method is the dialectical method, according to which matter is primary, and consciousness is secondary; matter and consciousness form a unity; movement is a way, a form of existence of matter, therefore the material world must be studied, cognized in movement; the phenomena of the world around us are interconnected, etc. These and other principles of the dialectical method form the philosophical basis of any science oriented toward materialistic dialectics, including linguistics. On the other hand, the term method implies a way of obtaining specific scientific knowledge. Consequently, the linguistic method is the means, the way by which we obtain information about language, cognize language. The totality of such methods constitutes a system of special methods. The most general definition of a method is: "... A totality of techniques and operations of cognition and practical transformation of reality." To obtain effective results with the help of special methods of language learning, it is necessary to use these methods correctly and master them well. The rules, sequence of using linguistic methods, as well as the techniques that make them up are the methodology of linguistic analysis.

The methods and techniques of linguistic analysis are closely connected with the aspect and concept of scientific research.

The concept of methodology, methods, method technique in linguistics

Methodology (Greek *methodos* "path of research", *logos* "teaching") in linguistics is the study of the principles of language research. Methodology determines the approach to the object of linguistics,

the method of constructing scientific knowledge, the general orientation and nature of linguistic research. Methodology largely determines the scientific results of research. Three levels are distinguished in methodology:

- 1. general philosophical methodology (related to worldview);*
- 2. general scientific methodology, including methods and principles applied in groups of sciences;*
- 3. particular methodology, including methods of any science.*

Differences in the philosophical positions of researchers have led to a significant diversity of methodological directions in linguistics. For example, the understanding of the term "methodology" itself in Marxist linguistics differs from its understanding in a number of other directions, in which this term is more often used only in the sense of a set of particular methods and techniques for studying language.

Methodology determines different views on language: In dialectical-materialistic linguistics, it is believed that language has a material nature, exists objectively, regardless of its reflection in human consciousness. This approach to understanding the nature and essence of language differs fundamentally, first of all, from the idealistic understanding of language - as a manifestation of the "spirit of the people" (Humboldtianism), as a phenomenon that is basically mental (theories of W. Wundt, H. Steinthal, N. Chomsky). Dialectical materialism believes that it is wrong to deny the possibility of knowing the world (in contrast to agnosticism, which adheres to the approach that we do not know reality, but complexes of sensations beyond which there is no escape).

Methods (Greek method "path of research") in linguistics: 1. generalized sets of theoretical principles, techniques, methods of language research, related to a certain linguistic theory and general methodology - the so-called general methods; 2. individual techniques, methods, operations based on certain theoretical principles, as a technical means, an instrument for studying a particular aspect of language - particular methods.

Each general method singles out precisely those aspects of language as an object of research that are recognized as the most important in a given theory of language, for example, the historical aspect in comparative-historical linguistics, the structural aspect in structural linguistics, etc. In this sense, the method creates the subject of research. Any major stage in the development of linguistics is characterized by a change in views on language, a change in linguistic theory, and is accompanied by a radical change in methods and an effort to create a new generalized method. At the same time, unlike old views on language and their replacement by new ones, the methods inherited from the previous stage do not disappear completely, but retain their significance at the new stage as more specific, but at the same time the main method. Thus, modern linguistics has several general scientific methods dating back to different eras. Modern linguistics is characterized by linguistic refraction of general scientific methods (mathematical analysis - quantitative method, statistical method; systems approach - comparative method, etc.).

In the meaning of the research method, the term technique can be used (as a synonym for the term method). Techniques can be called particular methods, that is, a technique can be used in several methods. For example: the technique of transformations (conversions) is part of the descriptive and historical-comparative methods, existing as a set of certain research rules within the framework of specific methods.

The term methodology is also used synonymously with the terms method and technique. This term can also mean a set of methods. However, more often this term means the practical application of a particular method or technique.

General methods of language research

General methods of language research are always associated with a certain linguistic theory. The main general linguistic methods are:

- 1. descriptive;*
- 2. taxonomic (structural);*
- 3. comparative-historical;*
- 4. comparative.*

The main goal of linguistics is to describe linguistic facts. The descriptive method is a system of research techniques used to establish facts or phenomena of one language and their characteristics at a given stage of its development. This method was used by scientists in ancient times - to create normative-descriptive grammars (5th century BC, Panini grammar, description of Sanskrit morphology), and modern linguists (descriptive, that is, descriptive linguistics, which arose in the USA in the 20th century to describe the structure of the languages of American Indian tribes - B. Block, J. Treyger, Z. Harris, etc.). The descriptive method allows you to accumulate a large amount of factual material, which is then classified and interpreted. The main technique of this method is observation with the allocation of linguistic units and

their reduction to classes. The observation technique is supplemented by others, in particular, the description technique. The content of this method is the repeated actions of written recording of the results of observation of the facts of language - recording of the observed features of linguistic phenomena, the conditions in which these features appear, the dependencies of one feature on another, their identities and differences, etc. In the 20th century, the descriptive method was deepened and improved by introducing a linguistic experiment into the practice of linguistic research. This is a particular linguistic method within the framework of the descriptive method. It consists in the fact that a certain element is removed from the composition of any construction, or an element is inserted, or a transformation of the construction is carried out, or a given element is replaced by another element. This allows us to observe semantic differences, etc., to discover the hidden nature of phenomena.

The taxonomic (structural) method arose in the 20th century. A new direction appeared in linguistics in the 20th century – structuralism with the concept of systemic integrity of language. This concept required the location of language facts in one time plane, abstraction from their historical development, therefore the descriptive method was taken as a basis. But the method of structural linguistics differs from the traditional descriptive method (with the presence of a common feature – timelessness) in that it describes the language system, which is derived from the language material by means of complex inferences. The descriptive method deals with actually observed linguistic phenomena. The content of the taxonomic method is “comparison of similar phenomena in the same or in different languages as a basis for the classification of linguistic facts and the languages themselves” (Akhmanova O.S., “Dictionary of Linguistic Terms”). Therefore, the taxonomic method is also called the classification method. Private methods within the taxonomic method: distribution analysis, analysis by NS (directly components), transformation analysis, component analysis.

The comparative-historical method is a system of scientific research techniques used in the study of related languages to reconstruct the historical past of these languages in order to reveal the patterns of their development, starting from the base language (proto-language). Unlike the descriptive method, which analyzes language at a certain time slice (i.e. from a synchronic point of view), the comparative-historical method is a method of diachronic (historical) description of related languages. Comparison of the state of languages in different periods helps to recreate their history, including the most ancient periods, and restore the proto-language. When studying related languages using the comparative-historical method, scientists select the most stable elements of the language: in the field of morphology - the system of declension and conjugation, which, as a rule, are not borrowed; elements of the sound system; in the field of vocabulary - this is the most stable vocabulary, which is present in all languages without exception. But in general, lexical facts should be handled with caution, since words easily pass from one language to another. The language units selected for analysis must be identical in origin (they may not coincide materially and semantically, for example, the sounds [g] and [zh] regularly correspond to each other, in particular, in the root morphemes of different Indo-European languages: Russian zhelezo – lit. gelezis, Russian zhelty – lit. geltas, etc.). To establish the genetic identity of language units, data from related languages and dialectology are used. In addition, the comparative-historical method involves the reconstruction of the most ancient forms (proto-forms): gold ← zolto, etc., as well as the chronologization of language processes (establishment of absolute and relative chronology). Particular methods within the framework of the comparative-historical method: external reconstruction (i.e., using facts from related languages) and relative chronology.

The comparative (comparative-contrastive, typological) method aims to characterize the phenomena of compared related or unrelated languages, establishing the common and different in similar phenomena. The comparative-historical method is aimed at studying related languages, and the comparative method studies both related and unrelated languages, and more often two languages are compared, while the comparative-historical method requires taking into account all related languages. The comparative method differs from the descriptive method in that it is based on a comparison of facts of different languages. Comparative study makes it possible to discover the structural features of different languages, to establish the type of structure according to certain features: phonetic, morphological, syntactic, therefore it is also called typological. The use of this method led to the emergence of a special branch of linguistics - linguistic typology. Typological study of languages led to the creation of typological classifications. The most common typological classification is morphological; there are syntactic and other classifications. Linguistic typology also reveals linguistic universals.

Private methods

Private methods are used within the framework of general linguistic methods and complement them in one way or another. Let us consider the following private methods in more detail:

*distributive analysis;
 componential analysis;
 analysis by direct components (DC);
 transformational method.*

The method of distributional analysis (DA) aims to classify linguistic units of a particular level by their syntagmatic properties, in particular by their distribution relative to each other in the speech flow. It is determined in what environment a linguistic unit can be located. The set of all possible environments of a given unit constitutes its distribution (from the Latin *distributio* - "distribution"). The principles of DA were initially developed and applied in the American school of descriptive linguistics. Phonetic (phonological) elements are the easiest to analyze, since their number in a language is small and strictly limited. For example, analyzing the compatibility of voiceless and voiced consonants, we see that voiceless ones combine with voiceless ones, voiced ones – with voiced ones: *quarrel, stop, spoj; landless, hut, here*. But: *v, v'* – voiced, however, combine with voiceless ones: *tvoy, kvas, svet*, etc.

DA in vocabulary (DA of semantics) is that the semantics of a word is studied during the observation of its use in the text, in its connection with other words. For example: the object of the study is a group of words of the modern English language "common names of persons": *baby, boy, child, children, chap, citizen, enemy, fellow, friend, girl, gentlemen, lad, lady, man, mate, people, person, stranger, women, youth*. This group represents a high-frequency zone of the lexical system of the language, which is expressed in the diversity of compatibility of the analyzed words. The material was selected from the fiction of English authors of the 20th century (all phrases: *to play with the child*, etc., about 65 thousand units). The frequency of combinations with words that have the meaning of qualification of a person, with verbs of feeling, verbs of speech, verbs of motion are high. For example, pairs of words *woman - girl, woman - boy, man - woman, girl - boy*, etc. show great similarity in distribution.

The semantics of words can also be studied using the method of component analysis. This analysis is based on the recognition that the meaning of each word can be broken down into its constituent components. Such analysis can be performed on the material of one language, as well as on the material of different languages (in their comparative study). For example, according to A. Kroeber, a representative of the American school of ethnolinguistics, the semantic content of kinship terms in different languages can be described by means of all possible combinations of the main features:

*generation attribute;
 gender attribute;
 gender attribute of the person of reference ("him");
 gender of the person who can be simultaneously a relative of the "ego" and another person;
 blood relationship (as opposed to legal relationship);
 linearity attribute of relationship;
 age within one generation;
 life or death of a relative.*

With the help of component analysis, it is possible to describe the meanings of many words quite clearly and distinctly. The word *uncle*, for example, denotes a male relative who is the brother or husband of the sister of one of the parents. But (this is the limitation of the component analysis method, as well as other methods) according to the dictionary, *uncle* is generally an "adult man" (in colloquial speech) or, even more broadly, "in addressing someone."

The method of transformational analysis is also applicable to phrases: *invitation of a writer → the writer invited → the writer was invited*

Thus, the task of the transformational method is to reduce the various sentences and their types to a minimum (to identify the main types of sentences, their meanings).

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EXPLORING INTERNET DEPENDENCY AND THE ROLE OF DETOX PRACTICES

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Abstract

This article explores the concept of digital detox in response to growing concerns about internet dependency and its impact on mental health, productivity, and social connections. Internet dependency, often characterized by compulsive use and impaired control, shares similarities with behavioral addictions, affecting daily life and personal relationships. Through a literature review, this study highlights the symptoms of internet dependency, such as mood changes, social withdrawal, and the influence of personality traits like neuroticism and extraversion on dependency behaviors. Digital detox practices, which involve temporary abstinence from digital devices, aim to reduce dependency-related stress and allow users to recalibrate their digital habits. Integrating digital detox into mental health practices could help prevent digital burnout and promote a balanced relationship with technology, emphasizing both online and offline connections.

Keywords: Internet dependency, digital detox, mental health, social connections, productivity, behavioral addiction, personality traits, compulsive use, social withdrawal, digital burnout

Introduction

In recent years, the concept of digital detox has garnered significant attention as society becomes increasingly aware of the impacts of constant digital connection. With the convenience of smartphones, tablets, and other digital devices, individuals can remain connected to online networks almost constantly, blurring boundaries between work, social, and personal life. While this level of connectivity offers undeniable benefits, such as encouraging worldwide communication and making remote work easier, it has also raised concerns about mental health, productivity, and the quality of real-life social interactions. For many, constant connectivity creates a feeling of needing to be always available, leading to "digital overuse," stress, and even digital burnout. These effects highlight the need to explore and understand digital detox practices, which aim to help individuals reset their relationship with digital technology.

Excessive screen time has been associated with increased symptoms of anxiety, depression, and sleep disturbances. The brain's reward system responds to notifications and social media interactions by releasing dopamine, creating a cycle of compulsive checking that resembles addiction. This dependency also affects interpersonal relationships; ironically, the very tools intended to keep us connected can reduce face-to-face interactions, fostering a sense of isolation and loneliness for some users. In professional contexts, this dependency can hinder productivity and focus, as frequent digital distractions interfere with task completion and overall job performance.

This paper examines the causes and effects of internet dependency and the role of detox practices in managing it. By learning and using these practices, people can build healthier online habits, boost mental well-being, and make more time for offline activities.

Further sections will explore the scientific basis of digital detox, presenting findings from studies on its impact on mental health, focus, and emotional strength. While digital detox may be particularly

beneficial for individuals dealing with anxiety, depression, or compulsive internet behaviors, it also offers valuable lessons for the general public.

REVIEW ON INTERNET DEPENDENCY

Dr. David N. Greenfield's research in 1999 was one of the pioneering studies on internet dependency, often referred to at the time as "internet addiction." Greenfield's research was notable because, even in the late 1990s, the internet had already become a source of compulsive use for some individuals, despite being far less integrated into daily life than it is today. He observed that certain users showed behaviors similar to those seen in other types of behavioral addictions, such as gambling.

In his study, Greenfield examined how internet use could disrupt essential life functions across personal, educational, and professional domains. His findings revealed that people were not only spending excessive time online but also experiencing significant disruptions in their daily routines and responsibilities. This behavior was characterized by an inability to control online time, prioritizing internet use over other activities, and experiencing mood changes or distress when attempting to cut back on usage.

The phenomenon of internet dependency, sometimes classified as internet addiction or problematic internet use, has become a central topic in psychological and behavioral research due to its rising prevalence and extensive impacts on mental health, daily functioning, and social well-being.

Christian Montag and Martin Reuter (2015) offer epidemiological insights, noting that young adults, especially adolescents, are particularly susceptible to dependency. Developmental needs for social validation and identity formation are exacerbated by social media's instant gratification model, potentially leading to higher rates of dependency among younger populations. This dependency can create a complex feedback loop, where internet use initially helps relieve stress but later contributes to increased stress, social anxiety, and isolation.

Signs and Symptoms of Internet Dependency

As mentioned before, the symptoms of internet dependency closely resemble those observed in other behavioral addictions, encompassing both physical and psychological elements.

Kimberly S. Young's early research on internet addiction identifies compulsive internet use as a primary symptom, where individuals feel an intense, often uncontrollable need to stay connected. This compulsive use disrupts typical daily activities, such as attending to work and social commitments. Furthermore, internet dependency can cause individuals to prioritize online activities over physical or in-person interactions, weakening real-life relationships and heightening feelings of loneliness and isolation.

The research of Kuss and Griffiths (2011) shows that this dependency results in severe mood modulation. For instance, individuals may experience anxiety, irritability, or restlessness when unable to access the internet, while being online may temporarily relieve negative emotions. This pattern can lead to reliance on the internet as a coping mechanism, creating a cycle that heightens both emotional distress and dependency. Other studies, such as those by Widyanto and Griffiths (2006), emphasize that internet dependency, particularly related to social media, often leads to social withdrawal, where people gradually reduce face-to-face interactions in favor of online communication. This paradox of feeling more connected yet more isolated is a hallmark symptom of internet dependency.

Personality Traits and Dependency Behavior

Personality traits significantly influence susceptibility to internet dependency. Neuroticism, for example, is often linked to higher internet dependency, as individuals high in neuroticism may use the internet to escape negative emotions. Chih-Hung Ko (2009) find that neurotic individuals are more likely to use the internet compulsively, seeking a sense of comfort that reinforces dependency. This reliance on online environments for emotional regulation can ultimately intensify issues like anxiety and depression, as it hinders the development of healthier coping mechanisms.

Extraversion presents a more complex relationship with internet dependency. While extraverts are drawn to social media, research suggests that their preference for active social engagement may balance their online and offline interactions, reducing their risk of dependency. However, extraverts who exhibit sensation-seeking behaviors may be more vulnerable, as they pursue constant online stimulation to satisfy their social and novelty-seeking needs.

Low conscientiousness has also been consistently linked to internet dependency. According to Kuss and Griffiths (2011), individuals with low conscientiousness struggle with impulse control and time management, making it difficult for them to regulate their internet use. These individuals may find themselves checking devices compulsively, impacting their daily responsibilities and overall productivity. In a similar vein, Montag and Reuter (2015) highlight that people high in openness to experience, driven by curiosity and a desire for novelty, may be prone to prolonged online exploration. Although this trait does

not directly correlate with dependency, excessive engagement in online activities can eventually displace real-life experiences, contributing to dependency behaviors over time.

Recognizing these risk factors and symptoms can aid in identifying internet dependency early, allowing for targeted interventions that address both behavioral patterns and personality predispositions.

WHAT IS DIGITAL DETOX?

Following the exploration of internet dependency, the concept of digital detox emerges as a response to the pervasive, often detrimental impact of excessive internet and digital devices use. A digital detox is typically defined as a "temporary period during which an individual refrains from using electronic devices such as smartphones or social media" (Oxford Dictionaries, 2019). This approach, similar to taking a break from digital use, aims to lower the stress and dependency caused by constant online activity, helping people reset their relationship with their device

Defining Digital Detox and Its Primary Goals

The primary goal is to alleviate stress, restore mental clarity, and foster genuine social interactions by creating deliberate breaks from digital devices. The literature outlines this as a temporary withdrawal, with durations ranging from short, device-free periods within the day to multi-day disconnects. Studies, such as those by Theda Radtke(2021), indicate that structured breaks from technology positively influence mental well-being, with participants experiencing reductions in anxiety and improvements in mood . Radtke and colleagues' review highlights that digital detoxes may help mitigate issues like "phubbing" (the act of ignoring people to focus on one's phone) and enhance interpersonal connections, allowing users to reconnect meaningfully with their immediate environment.

Benefits of an Digital Detox: Focus, Mental Health, and Social Engagement

The benefits of digital detoxes extend across cognitive, emotional, and social domains. Cognitively, digital detoxes have shown potential in enhancing focus and productivity. For example, research conducted by Dunican (2017) among athletes demonstrated that digital abstinence did not impair, and sometimes even improved, cognitive performance. When people take time away from devices, their cognitive load is reduced, allowing for greater mental clarity and a renewed ability to engage in focused tasks.

Mentally, studies support that digital detoxes can alleviate symptoms of anxiety and depression. A systematic review by Brown and Kuss (2020) found that participants who refrained from social media reported decreases in feelings of inadequacy and loneliness. Reduced screen time alleviates the pressure to remain constantly updated and responsive, promoting a sense of calm and helping individuals reconnect with intrinsic self-worth rather than relying on external validation from digital interactions. Thomee, Härenstam, and Hagberg's (2011) study on young adults further corroborates this by showing how heavy technology use correlates with sleep disturbances, which can, in turn, amplify symptoms of depression and anxiety.

Socially, a digital detox enables individuals to engage more fully with those around them. The presence of a digital device, even when not actively used, has been shown to impair empathy and reduce the quality of face-to-face interactions (McDaniel & Radesky, 2018). Digital detox interventions create opportunities for individuals to restore their capacity for genuine, undistracted social connections, which is particularly valuable in professional and personal relationships. As Radtke (2021) indicate, the positive social outcomes from digital detoxes, such as increased social connectedness, underscore its effectiveness as a tool for enhancing relational quality and fostering a more grounded approach to social engagement.

In summary, a digital detox serves as a strategic pause from digital devices, providing individuals with a structured break to recalibrate their mental state and digital habits. Distinguished from digital minimalism and mindful use, it focuses on short-term abstinence to offer relief from dependency symptoms. The physical, mental, and social benefits underscore its value not only for individuals experiencing dependency but also for the general population seeking balance in today's digitally demanding world.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, the concept of digital detox offers a promising intervention for managing the pervasive effects of constant digital connectivity on mental health, productivity, and social engagement. Research suggests that structured breaks from internet use can lead to significant improvements in focus, reduction of anxiety and depressive symptoms, and enhanced quality of social interactions. Studies by Radtke et al. (2021) and Dunican et al. (2017) illustrate the cognitive and emotional benefits of stepping away from devices, demonstrating how digital detoxes can alleviate stress and foster mental clarity. Additionally, practices such as "tech-free zones" or "digital-free days" allow individuals to engage more

fully with those around them, addressing the paradox of increased digital connectivity yet growing inter-personal isolation.

While existing studies show immediate psychological and behavioral benefits of digital detox, there is a need for further research to assess how regular, structured detox practices can influence dependency behaviors over time. Moreover, as individual needs and internet usage patterns vary, personalizing detox strategies to align with specific user habits and personality traits could enhance the effectiveness of these interventions. Personalized approaches may also help users cultivate lasting changes in digital habits, rather than temporary abstinence, which is particularly crucial for those vulnerable to internet dependency.

Integrating digital detox practices into mental health frameworks and daily routines could serve as a preventive measure against digital burnout and dependency. As digital technology continues to dominate modern life, promoting intentional and mindful usage habits becomes essential for mental well-being and balanced living. By normalizing periodic digital detoxes, individuals and mental health practitioners alike can foster a healthier relationship with technology, encouraging a lifestyle that values both digital and real-world interactions.

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THE ROLE AND BENEFITS OF VIRTUALISATION IN MODERN EDUCATION

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Introduction

Virtual machine systems play a key role in today's information environment by allowing several different operating systems (OS) to run on the same physical computer at the same time. With virtualisation technologies, users can quickly switch between operating systems without having to restart the computer, making working with virtual machines almost identical to working with real OSes. The benefits of this approach are obvious: from the ability to install multiple operating systems without complex physical hard drive configurations to isolating real hardware from potentially dangerous software running in a virtual environment.

Virtual machines also make it possible to simulate complex computing systems and perform operations on them that would pose a threat in a real system. Virtualisation opens up new horizons for research and testing, allowing OS independence from physical hardware and the ability to migrate securely between platforms. In recent years, the development of virtual machines has been accelerated by increased computer performance, multiple versions of operating systems, and a broadening range of computing tasks. These factors make virtual machines an indispensable tool in modern computing and education.

The aim of this article is to comprehensively analyse the use of virtual machines in the educational process of higher education institutions, as well as to assess their impact on the quality and efficiency of learning. Virtual machines provide unique opportunities for creating flexible and safe learning environments, which requires a thorough study of their potential and impact on the learning process [1].

To achieve this, the following tasks need to be accomplished:

- Studying the theoretical foundations of virtualisation and virtual machines, which helps to analyse the basic concepts of virtualisation, types of virtual machines and their key characteristics, with a focus on the opportunities they offer in the context of educational tasks.

- Analysing existing operating systems for virtual machines, which helps to assess which operating systems are most commonly used to manage virtual machines, and what features of these operating systems make them suitable for use in learning environments.

- to conduct a case study review of the use of virtual machines in educational institutions, where it is possible to investigate real examples of the implementation of virtual machines in the educational processes of various universities, analyse successful cases and identify the main advantages and disadvantages of the use of virtualisation in learning.

- Evaluate the impact of virtual machines on the learning process, which is necessary to analyse how virtual machines help students learn better, develop practical skills and improve the overall quality of learning. It is also important to study the opinions of students and lecturers.

- Identify the challenges and limitations associated with the use of virtual machines in education, discuss possible difficulties such as technical problems, licensing and support from teachers and students, and consider how these can be addressed.

These aims and objectives will provide a comprehensive understanding of the role of virtual machines in education, as well as suggest ways in which they can be used effectively in educational institutions.

Basic concepts of virtualisation

Virtual machines (VMs) are software or hardware environments that emulate the operation of a physical computer. They allow you to run different operating systems on a single physical machine, creating isolated virtual environments that each function as an independent computer. Virtual machines are used to run applications, test software and create training environments, giving users the ability to

switch between different operating systems and configurations without having to reboot or change physical hardware.

The operation of virtual machines is based on virtualisation technology, which creates an abstraction layer between physical hardware and operating systems. This level of abstraction is implemented using a hypervisor - software or firmware that manages virtual machines, allocates physical resources between them, and ensures that they are isolated from each other. The hypervisor controls virtual machines' access to physical resources such as CPU time, memory and disc space, allowing them to function independently.

- Types of virtualisation consists of several types:

- Hardware virtualisation is a type of virtualisation in which the hypervisor runs directly on physical hardware, providing isolation and independence for virtual machines. Hardware hypervisors, also known as Type 1 (bare-metal) hypervisors, include solutions such as VMware ESXi, Microsoft Hyper-V, and Xen. They provide high performance and security because they have direct access to host computer resources.

- Software virtualisation - This type of virtualisation uses a hypervisor that runs on top of the host operating system (Type 2 hypervisor). Software hypervisors such as VMware Workstation, VirtualBox, and Parallels Desktop allow virtual machines to run on regular computers, making them suitable for desktop systems and testing. They are less efficient than hardware virtualisation because they depend on the resources of the underlying OS.

- Paravirtualisation - Operating systems running in virtual machines are aware of their virtualised environment and can interact with the hypervisor to optimise performance. Paravirtualisation reduces the overhead of virtualisation because the OS and hypervisor can collaborate more efficiently. This approach was used in early versions of Xen and other virtualisation systems.

- Containerisation - is a lightweight virtualisation method where applications and their dependencies are isolated in containers that run on the same operating system. Containers, managed by platforms such as Docker and Kubernetes, share the OS kernel but provide application isolation. This allows for efficient resource utilisation and rapid application deployment, but does not provide the same level of isolation as virtual machines.

As a result, the main advantages of virtualisation can be achieved. Such as resource saving, flexibility, security. Resource saving in virtualisation allows efficient use of computing resources by combining multiple virtual machines on a single physical server. This reduces the need for additional physical machines, which reduces hardware, power and cooling costs. And with virtual machines, we get the ability to quickly deploy, modify and remove environments as needed. This makes it easier to test new software solutions and systems, create backups and recover from failures. Furthermore, virtual machines isolate applications and operating systems from each other, which increases security. If one application or system is attacked, it does not affect other virtual machines running on the same physical server. In addition, virtualisation allows the creation of sandboxes to safely execute and test potentially dangerous code. Consequently, all of these virtualisation concepts provide powerful tools for managing IT infrastructure, making it more flexible, cost-effective and secure. Understanding these concepts is the foundation for the effective use of virtual machines in a variety of applications, including education.

Operating systems for virtual machines

There are many virtualisation solutions that function in different schemes and are designed to solve a variety of problems. At the enterprise level, hypervisors such as Microsoft Hyper-V Server, Xen, and VMware ESX are widely used. DOSbox and DOSEMU emulators have been developed to run old Windows and *nix applications. Among the popular virtual machines for full virtualisation of operating systems are Parallels, VirtualBox, Microsoft Virtual PC, and VMware Workstation/Server [2-4].

VMware Server is a powerful virtual machine suitable for developers, testers, and system engineers. It supports a wide range of operating systems, including Windows, Linux and DOS, and provides extensive virtual disc and networking capabilities. A special feature of VMware Server is the ability to create 'snapshots' (snapshot), allowing you to roll back the virtual machine to previous states.

Microsoft Virtual PC is oriented to work with Windows family operating systems. It allows you to emulate standard devices and connect up to three virtual hard drives. The programme supports basic network configurations, but has limited support for USB devices and does not support SCSI interfaces. The main application area of Virtual PC is working with legacy and modern versions of Windows.

VirtualBox is a cross-platform solution with support for a wide range of operating systems, including Windows, Linux, Unix, and others. VirtualBox offers a variety of network settings and emulation of peripherals such as video adapters and audio controllers. Among the key features of VirtualBox are the ability to work with external devices via iSCSI and integration with the RDP protocol. VirtualBox

stands out for its cross-platform nature and popularity among free virtualisation solutions, although it has some stability issues on certain platforms and incompatibility of the virtual disk format with other virtualisation systems [5-9].

Thus, each of the considered operating systems for virtual machines has its own peculiarities and is used in different contexts, depending on the tasks and user requirements.

Application of virtual machines in the educational process

The use of virtual machines in the educational process is a key solution to overcome technical and infrastructural problems, especially in distance learning environments. Virtualisation enables the creation of a unified and predictable learning environment, regardless of the diversity and heterogeneity of hardware resources available to students. In traditional computer laboratories of educational institutions, hardware is standardised and optimised for learning needs, allowing for predictable system behaviour and stability in the learning process. However, when moving to distance learning, where students' personal computers with different technical characteristics are involved, the problem of heterogeneity of the environment arises, which can negatively affect the quality of learning.

Virtual machines provide an opportunity to levelling these differences by creating identical virtual learning environments on different physical platforms. This means that all students, regardless of the characteristics of their personal computers, can work in identical conditions, which eliminates the impact of hardware limitations on the educational process. Moreover, virtualisation provides flexibility and adaptability of learning environments, allowing for quick and efficient customisation of learning resources for specific learning tasks, software upgrades and technical issues.

In addition, the introduction of virtual machines into the educational process helps to improve safety and reduce the risks associated with the use of unstable or outdated hardware. Virtual machines allow creating safe and isolated environments for practical tasks, which is especially important in courses related to programming, network security and other technical disciplines.

Thus, the integration of virtualisation technologies into educational programmes not only increases the efficiency and accessibility of training, but also ensures reliable and stable operation of training systems. Virtual machines are becoming an integral part of modern educational infrastructure, playing an important role in ensuring quality and equal access to educational resources for all students.

Impact on learning effectiveness

Higher education has gone through significant changes in recent years due to digital transformation, especially with the introduction of distance learning where students use their personal computers. Whilst this approach offers numerous benefits, it also creates a number of challenges due to the diversity of hardware used by students. This diversity makes it difficult to manage the learning process and requires effective solutions to ensure equal access to educational resources and stability of the learning systems.

One of the effective solutions to overcome the problem of heterogeneous computing environment is the use of virtual machines (VMs). Virtual machines provide a level of abstraction that allows creating unified learning environments regardless of differences in physical hardware.

As a result, it leads to the following impact on learning efficiency, which effectively affects the learning process. Also, virtual machines make it possible to create identical learning environments for all students. This eliminates the impact of hardware differences and provides the same environment for practice assignments, tests and other learning activities. A unified environment promotes equality in access to educational resources and reduces the likelihood of technical problems that can arise due to hardware differences. Furthermore, virtual machines allow centralised management of software and learning resources. Instead of having to install and configure software on each personal computer, educational institutions can use one basic virtual machine, which is then updated and configured centrally. This simplifies the process of deploying learning systems and reduces the time and effort spent on technical support. Consequently, increased security and reliability can be achieved with virtual machines. As a result, virtual machines create isolated environments for training tasks, which increases security and reduces the risk of malware or other issues affecting the underlying hardware. This is especially important in training courses related to programming and network security, where potentially dangerous code needs to be tested and run. And also, process automation helps to find the proposed solution, which includes an automated approach to virtual machine deployment, helps to overcome the problems associated with a large number of virtual machines. Instead of using multiple virtual machines for different courses and modules, one basic virtual machine can be deployed which is automatically updated and adapted to the students' needs. This reduces the burden on IT staff and students, and simplifies the management of learning resources. In this way, virtual machines offer the ability to quickly

adapt the learning environment to changing needs. Using automated update and customisation mechanisms, new learning materials can be rapidly introduced, systems can be reconfigured and adapted to current course requirements. As a result, by providing a stable and homogeneous learning environment, virtual machines help students focus on the learning process by reducing the time spent on solving technical problems. This allows students and instructors to focus on course content rather than on solving hardware or software problems.

In the future, the solution is expected to be extended and adapted to different educational environments. It may include reusing the resulting ontology in other areas of academic education, linking to existing ontologies and creating new ones to solve specific problems. This will maintain the relevance of the solution in the context of digital transformation and ensure its widespread use in educational institutions.

Conclusion

Virtual machines and virtualisation technologies have had a significant impact on modern education, providing new opportunities for creating flexible and secure learning environments. Virtualisation allows efficient use of computing resources, creating isolated and unified environments, which is especially important in the context of increasing complexity and diversity of educational processes.

Basic virtualisation concepts such as hardware, software, paravirtualisation and containerisation provide a variety of tools for IT infrastructure management. These technologies not only save resources and provide high flexibility in configuring learning environments, but also significantly improve security by isolating potentially dangerous software and minimising risks.

An analysis of existing operating systems for virtual machines shows that the choice of a suitable solution depends on the specific requirements and objectives of educational institutions. Software and hardware hypervisors offer different levels of performance and functionality, allowing virtualisation to be adapted to different usage scenarios.

The introduction of virtual machines into the educational process solves many problems related to the heterogeneity of student hardware and the technical limitations of traditional teaching labs. Virtual machines provide a uniform environment for learning activities, simplify software management and reduce the likelihood of technical problems, allowing you to focus on the educational process.

The ever-growing interest in computer virtualisation technologies at the current time is not accidental. The computing power of modern processors is growing rapidly, and the question is not even what to spend this power on, but how the current 'fashion' for dual-core and multi-core systems, which has already penetrated into personal computers (laptops and desktops), allows to realise the potential of virtualisation ideas of operating systems and applications, bringing the convenience of using a computer to a new qualitative level. Virtualisation technologies are becoming a key component in new and future Intel and AMD processors, as well as in operating systems from Microsoft and other companies. Examples of such technologies include Intel Virtualisation Technology for x86 (Intel-VT) and AMD's 'Pacifica', which greatly accelerate virtual machine systems and simplify virtualisation tasks.

Virtualisation is thus a powerful tool for improving the efficiency and quality of learning. It enables educational institutions to create adaptive and secure learning environments that promote equal access to educational resources and facilitate technical support. In the future, virtualisation technologies will continue to evolve and expand, providing even greater opportunities for the educational process, keeping curricula relevant and effective in a digitally transformed environment.

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ANALYZING FACTORS OF EFFECTIVE IT PROJECT MANAGEMENT

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Abstract

The success of Information Technology (IT) projects is crucial for organizational growth and competitiveness, yet they face a persistent challenge – high failure rates. This dissertation investigates the key factors contributing to effective IT project management, aiming to build a comprehensive model for their analysis and evaluation.

Drawing upon established literature, expert interviews, and case studies of successful IT projects, the research identifies three core clusters of critical success factors (CSFs): project governance, project execution, and human dynamics.

Project governance focuses on strategic alignment, clear objectives, efficient resource allocation, and effective risk management. Project execution encompasses aspects like scope control, robust communication, agile methodologies, and continuous quality assurance. Human dynamics examines the importance of team composition, leadership styles, stakeholder engagement, and collaborative culture.

The research first identifies a comprehensive set of factors potentially impact to IT project success through a systematic literature review and expert consultations. These factors encompass project management practices, organizational characteristics, team dynamics, technological considerations, and environmental contexts. Next, the research constructs a theoretical model that explains the interdependencies between these factors and their influence on project outcomes. This model incorporates direct and indirect relationships between factors, allowing for a holistic understanding of the complex dynamics at play in IT project management. It employs a mixed-methods approach, combining quantitative data analysis from project surveys and qualitative data from interviews to build a multi-layered model. Statistical techniques like regression analysis and structural equation modeling (SEM) will use to explore the interrelationships and relative impact of CSFs on project performance metrics like cost, schedule, and quality.

The model will offer practical insights for practitioners by:

- Prioritizing critical factors based on their influence on project success.
- Identifying specific weaknesses and strengths in project management practices.
- Developing targeted interventions to improve project efficiency and effectiveness.

Guiding organizations in allocating resources and tailoring project management approaches. The research findings will contribute to the ongoing discourse on IT project management by:

- Providing a nuanced understanding of the complex interplay of CSFs.
- Validating existing theoretical frameworks through empirical data.
- Emphasizing the importance of human elements alongside technical processes.
- Offering a novel model for practical application by project managers.

By leveraging this model, organizations can navigate the intricate landscape of IT project management with greater confidence, enhancing their chances of achieving successful outcomes and maximizing the value of their technology investments.

Keywords: IT project management, success factors, project governance, project execution, human dynamics, critical success factors (CSFs), organizational culture, technology adoption, project performance, project failure

Introduction

In today's dynamic digital landscape, IT projects are the lifeblood of organizational progress. Yet, navigating the turbulent waters of IT project management is fraught with peril. Unforeseen delays, budget overruns, and scope creep lurk like hidden reefs, threatening to sink even the most promising ventures. Yet, within this complex ecosystem lies the potential for transformative success. By demystifying the critical factors influencing effective IT project management, we unlock the treasure map to charting a smooth course towards digital triumph.

This dissertation embarks on a critical research journey, meticulously modeling and analyzing the factors that define successful IT project management. Why is this endeavor so significant? Consider the staggering statistics: research suggests that an alarming 70% of IT projects fail to meet their initial goals (Unterhitzenberger et al., 2020). This translates to billions of dollars wasted, countless hours lost, and missed opportunities for organizational growth. The consequences extend beyond mere financial losses; failed projects erode trust, stifle innovation, and damage reputations.

But it doesn't have to be this way. Imagine a world where IT projects become bastions of efficiency, delivering on time, within budget, and exceeding expectations. Imagine organizations brimming with confidence, embracing technological transformations with the certainty of success. This vision is not a fanciful dream; it is the attainable reward for unlocking the secrets of effective IT project management.

This research delves into the multifaceted nature of project success, dissecting the interplay between crucial factors like:

- Project Management Practices: Are we employing the right methodologies, risk management strategies, and communication tools to navigate the project landscape?*
- Organizational Characteristics: Does a supportive culture, clear priorities, and well-defined structures provide fertile ground for project growth?*
- Team Dynamics: Do we have the right blend of skills, fostered by effective collaboration and strong leadership, to orchestrate a triumphant performance?*
- Technological Considerations: Are we equipped with the appropriate tools, infrastructure, and security measures to navigate the ever-evolving digital terrain?*
- Environmental Contexts: Can we anticipate and adapt to external forces like market changes, stakeholder expectations, and regulatory shifts?*

By modeling and analyzing these factors, we can identify not only the individual elements of success but also their intricate relationships. This holistic understanding allows us to predict potential challenges, proactively mitigate risks, and optimize every step of the project journey.

So, what drives my passion for this research? Having witnessed firsthand the frustrations and setbacks of poorly managed IT projects, I yearn to become an architect of change. I envision myself as a cartographer, meticulously mapping the terrain of successful IT project management, charting a course for future expeditions to conquer the digital jungle. My ultimate goal is to equip practitioners with the knowledge and tools needed to transform IT projects from perilous ventures into beacons of progress, propelling organizations toward their digital horizons with confidence and certainty.

Relevance of the topic

The chosen topic, "Modeling and Analysis of Factors for Effective IT Project Management," holds significant relevance in today's dynamic technological landscape. Here's a breakdown of its importance:

- Ubiquity of IT Projects. Information technology (IT) projects are at the core of driving innovation and growth across various industries. From developing new software applications to implementing enterprise-wide systems, successful IT project management is crucial for organizations to achieve their strategic goals.*
- High Failure Rates. Despite their importance, IT projects are notorious for exceeding budgets, missing deadlines, and failing to meet expectations. Studies suggest that a significant portion of IT projects fail to deliver on their objectives. This highlights the critical need to identify and understand the factors that contribute to successful IT project management.*
- Evolving Landscape. The field of IT project management is constantly evolving. New technologies, methodologies, and challenges emerge frequently. This dissertation aims to create a model that can adapt and incorporate these ongoing developments, ensuring its long-term relevance.*
- Data-Driven Insights. This research will leverage quantitative analysis to identify factors influencing project success. The resulting model will provide data-driven insights that can be used by project managers to make informed decisions and increase the chances of project success.*
- Practical Applications. The developed model can be directly applied by project managers in various organizations. By identifying critical factors and their relationships, the model can serve as a decision-making tool for resource allocation, risk management, and team composition strategies.*
- Contribution to Knowledge. This research aims to contribute to the existing body of knowledge on IT project management. By analyzing the factors influencing success and building a comprehensive model, the research can provide fresh perspectives and insights for academics and practitioners alike.*
- Potential for Further Research. The developed model can serve as a springboard for further research. Future studies can explore the model's application in different contexts, test its generalizability across diverse industries, and refine it by incorporating additional factors.*

In conclusion, investigating the factors influencing successful IT project management is a timely and relevant topic. This research has the potential to bridge the gap between theoretical frameworks and practical implementation, ultimately contributing to a higher rate of successful IT project delivery within organizations.

Novelty

While IT project management has been a well-researched field, the concept of "modeling and analysis of factors for effective IT project management" offers potential for novelty through several approaches:

1. Novel Modeling Techniques:

Moving beyond traditional linear models like exploring the application of more advanced modeling techniques like machine learning algorithms (e.g., Random Forests, Support Vector Machines) or deep learning approaches. These can potentially capture complex non-linear relationships between various factors and project success. It can be incorporating dynamic modeling such as developing a model that can account for the evolving nature of IT projects. This could involve integrating real-time data on project progress, resource allocation, and risk assessments to dynamically adjust the model's predictions. One more technique is multi-level modeling. We can consider building a hierarchical model that incorporates factors at different project levels (individual, team, organizational) to create a more comprehensive understanding of success determinants.

2. Focus on Specific Contexts:

Changing industry-Specific Models like instead of a generic model, develop models tailored to specific industries or project types (e.g., healthcare IT projects, e-commerce platform development). This allows for a more nuanced understanding of success factors within specific contexts. Also we have Agile vs Waterfall vs Hybrid Approaches. For example, exploring how the chosen project management methodology (Agile, Waterfall, or a hybrid approach) interacts with other success factors. The model could predict outcomes based on the chosen methodology and contextual variables.

3. Data-Driven Insights and Continuous Improvement:

It's about data Integration. We can use everage the potential of big data analytics to incorporate vast amounts of project data (e.g., historical project records, communication logs) into the model. This can provide richer insights and enhance the model's predictive power. Also it is real-time Feedback Loop such as developing a model that allows for continuous learning and improvement. By incorporating real-time project data and feedback from practitioners, the model can adapt and refine its predictions over time. Focusing on Actionable Recommendations can move beyond simply identifying factors, and translate the model's insights into actionable recommendations for project managers. This can include strategies for risk mitigation, team communication improvement, and resource allocation optimization.

By incorporating these novel approaches, the dissertation research can go beyond existing studies and contribute fresh perspectives on IT project management success factors. The goal is to develop a model that is not only comprehensive but also adaptable, data-driven, and practically applicable in a dynamic IT project landscape.

Literature Review

The success of IT projects is a cornerstone of organizational competitiveness in today's digital landscape. Yet, despite advancements in project management practices, IT projects remain notoriously plagued by high failure rates, often exceeding projected budgets, missing deadlines, and failing to deliver intended functionality. Understanding the critical factors contributing to effective IT project management is essential for navigating this complex landscape and maximizing project success. This literature review examines existing research on factors influencing successful IT project management, with a focus on modeling and analyzing their interdependencies and impact on project outcomes.

The concept of IT project success encompasses multiple dimensions, including meeting budget and schedule constraints, delivering agreed-upon functionalities, aligning with user needs, and generating overall value for the organization (Cicmil, 1997). Extensive research has identified numerous factors contributing to such success, often categorized into the following themes:

1. Project Management Practices: Implementing proven methodologies like Agile or Waterfall, employing effective risk management strategies, establishing clear communication plans, and actively engaging stakeholders are crucial (Gido & Clements, 1998).

2. Organizational Characteristics: Supportive organizational cultures, commitment from top management, clearly defined project priorities, and strategic alignment with organizational goals are vital for success (Gillard & Price, 2005).

3. *Team Dynamics: Team competence, clearly defined roles and responsibilities, effective communication and collaboration, and strong conflict resolution skills play a crucial role (Johansen et al., 2014).*

4. *Technological Considerations: Choosing the right technology, assessing technical feasibility, managing technological risks, and ensuring adequate resources are essential (Thiry, 2002).*

5. *Environmental Contexts: External factors like market conditions, regulatory changes, and stakeholder expectations can significantly impact project outcomes (Lehtinen et al., 2022).*

❖ *The Methodological Chameleon: Agile sprints or rigorous Waterfall plans? Choosing the right methodology is like picking the perfect lockpick for your project's constraints. Adaptability is key: a methodology that flexes with changing needs and embraces uncertainty can weather any storm. Effective planning, budgeting, and scheduling become the warpaint with which we fight chaos, while risk management strategies, the cunning shields that deflect unexpected blows.*

❖ *Communication, the Elusive Bridge: Open communication across the project landscape – from developers to executives – is the bridge over the chasm of misunderstanding. Tools like collaboration platforms and regular progress reports become the planks, while trust and transparency form the sturdy scaffolding. Without this bridge, projects crumble under the weight of misalignment and confusion.*

❖ *Change, the Inevitable Dance Partner: Adapting to the unpredictable pirouettes of change is a critical skill in the IT tango. Proactive change management, like a skilled dance partner, guides the project through unexpected steps with grace and ease. Stakeholder buy-in and clear communication plans become the whispered instructions, ensuring everyone steps in unison and avoids missteps.*

❖ *Governance, the Guiding Hand: Establishing a transparent framework of decision-making, roles, and responsibilities acts as the project's guiding hand. Regular reviews and clear accountability, like steady eyes, keep the project focused and moving forward. Without this governance, the journey becomes aimless, a chaotic waltz towards nowhere.*

❖ *Organizational Characteristics: A Culture of Support, the Fertile Ground: A supportive organizational culture, where project success takes root and flourishes, is essential. Top management commitment acts like the sun, providing warmth and nourishment. Clearly defined priorities and alignment with organizational goals become the fertile soil, ensuring resources flow freely and the project grows strong.*

❖ *Structure and Process, the Guiding Vines: Structures and processes act as the sturdy vines that train the project's growth. A defined organizational structure empowers teams and fosters accountability, while established project management processes streamline workflow and prevent tangled messes.*

❖ *Risk Management, the Proactive Gardener: Cultivating a culture that welcomes open communication of risks and proactive mitigation strategies is crucial. It creates a safe space for teams to weed out potential problems before they take root, ensuring the project thrives instead of wilting under unforeseen threats.*

Team Dynamics:

Assembling a team with the right blend of skills and experience is like composing a harmonious symphony. Ongoing training and development opportunities become the rehearsals, honing the team's instruments and ensuring they play in perfect harmony. Trust, open communication, and effective collaboration are the notes that weave together the melody of a successful team. Shared goals and accountability bind the team together, creating a powerful chorus that overcomes challenges and delivers success. Strong leadership, with its clear communication, motivational spirit, and conflict resolution skills, acts as the conductor's baton, guiding the team's performance and ensuring every member plays their part. Without this leadership, the team's melody becomes discordant, the project stumbling out of rhythm.

Technological Considerations:

Choosing the right technology is like picking the perfect tool for the project's toolbox. Assessing technical feasibility and compatibility with existing infrastructure ensures smooth integration, preventing technological hiccups that derail progress. Utilizing the right project management tools is wielding a digital wrench, tightening project control and boosting efficiency. Choosing the tools that meet specific needs and stakeholder requirements keeps the project running smoothly and transparently.

Ensuring adequate computing resources, network bandwidth, and data security measures are like building strong, impenetrable walls around the project. Regular software updates and proactive security measures stand as vigilant guards, protecting sensitive information and thwarting potential threats.

Environmental Contexts:

Understanding external factors like market trends, competitor landscapes, and relevant regulations is like navigating treacherous seas. Anticipating potential challenges and adjusting project strategies accordingly becomes the skillful steering, ensuring the project reaches its destination without being

shipwrecked by external forces. Managing stakeholder expectations through clear communication and regular updates is like listening to the whispering winds, understanding their desires and adjusting course when needed. Addressing concerns proactively prevents rough seas of friction and fosters collaboration. The ability to adapt to external changes, like sudden economic storms or competitor maneuvers, is crucial for survival. Agile methodologies and flexible planning processes become the adaptive sails, allowing the project to weather unexpected winds and reach its destination even under a shifting sky.

Key Findings and Research Gaps:

While extensive research has identified numerous factors influencing IT project success, several key gaps remain:

Integration of Factors: Existing studies often focus on individual factors, and comprehensive models encompassing the complex interplay between various factors are lacking (Wysocki, 1998).

Predictive Modeling: Developing robust models capable of accurately predicting project success based on identified factors remains a challenge (Ding, 2016).

Contextual Influences: The influence of project type, organizational context, and external environment on the relative importance of success factors warrants further investigation (Rajhans, 2018).

Modeling and analyzing the factors influencing effective IT project management is a complex but critical research area. By integrating insights from existing research, developing comprehensive models, and focusing on context-sensitive analysis, we can move closer to predicting and achieving success in IT projects, enabling organizations to drive digital transformation effectively.

Methodology

This research delves into the complex tapestry of factors influencing successful IT project management, employing a three-pronged methodological approach: literature review, in-depth interviews, and case study analysis. By triangulating these diverse data sources, we aim to build a comprehensive and nuanced understanding of the challenges and opportunities embedded within IT project landscapes.

1. Literature Review

Deep Dive into the Literature Review: Unveiling the Nuances of IT Project Management

The literature review serves as the foundation for this research, laying the groundwork for further exploration through interviews and case studies. Here's a detailed breakdown of how this crucial stage will be conducted:

1. Scoping the Landscape: A Systematic Search

Database Selection: Utilize a comprehensive set of academic databases relevant to project management, information technology, and business administration. Examples include:

EBSCOhost: Provides access to a vast collection of scholarly journals, conference proceedings, and ebooks.

ScienceDirect: Offers a rich repository of scientific literature across various disciplines, including engineering and computer science.

IEEE Xplore: Focuses on electrical engineering, electronics, and computer technology publications.

Industry Resources: Supplement academic literature with reports and white papers from reputable industry organizations like:

Project Management Institute (PMI): A leading professional association offering valuable resources on project management best practices.

Gartner: Provides research and insights on information technology trends and practices.

Targeted Search Strings: Develop effective search strings that combine keywords related to IT project management, success factors, challenges, and relevant theoretical frameworks. Utilize Boolean operators (AND, OR, NOT) to refine the search and ensure accuracy.

Citation Tracking: Leverage citation chaining to identify influential articles and seminal works within the field. Analyze the reference lists of key publications to discover additional relevant sources.

2. Critical Appraisal: Ensuring Quality and Credibility

Rigorous Selection Criteria. Establish clear criteria to assess the quality of the reviewed literature. This might involve considering factors like:

- Prioritize articles from peer-reviewed academic journals with established reputations in the field.
- Evaluate the authors' credentials and their experience in IT project management research.
- Scrutinize the research methods employed in the studies, ensuring the data collection and analysis techniques are sound and appropriate for the research question.
- Assess the appropriateness of the statistical methods used and the validity of the drawn conclusions.

3. Thematic Analysis: Unveiling Underlying Patterns

Coding and Categorization: Systematically code the extracted information from the reviewed literature. This involves assigning labels or categories to key concepts, themes, and findings related to IT project management success factors.

Coding Frameworks: Utilize established coding frameworks or develop a customized scheme specific to the research objectives.

Software-Assisted Analysis: Consider employing qualitative data analysis software (e.g., NVivo, Atlas.ti) to facilitate the coding process and identify emerging themes across the vast amount of reviewed literature.

4. Knowledge Synthesis: Building a Cohesive Understanding

Meta-Analysis (Quantitative Studies): If a sufficient number of relevant quantitative studies are identified, conduct a meta-analysis to statistically synthesize the findings and identify the overall effect sizes of specific factors on project success.

Narrative Synthesis (Qualitative Studies): For qualitative studies, employ a narrative synthesis approach to critically appraise, compare, and integrate the findings from various sources. This helps build a comprehensive narrative that depicts the current understanding of factors influencing IT project management effectiveness.

Additional Considerations

Publication Bias: Acknowledge the potential presence of publication bias, where studies with statistically significant findings are more likely to be published. Consider incorporating grey literature (e.g., unpublished reports, conference proceedings) to mitigate this bias.

Theoretical Underpinnings: Ground the literature review within relevant theoretical frameworks from project management, information systems, and organizational behavior. This helps provide a deeper understanding of the relationships between various factors and project outcomes.

By adhering to these comprehensive strategies, the literature review will establish a strong foundation for the subsequent stages of the research. This in-depth exploration of existing knowledge will equip the researchers to delve deeper into the lived experiences through interviews and gain a holistic understanding of the complexities surrounding successful IT project management.

2. In-Depth Interview

Gathering Voices from the Trenches: I conducted semi-structured interviews with main stakeholders involved in IT project management, there are my project managers in my job. I'm working in the IT company with many government projects. This qualitative approach allows us to capture rich and nuanced experiences, gather insights on specific project challenges and successes, and explore the human dimensions of project dynamics.

Interview Summary: Unveiling Government IT Project Management Secrets

Participants:

Project Manager A (PmA): 10+ years of experience, led large-scale government IT infrastructure projects.

Project Manager B (PmB): 5 years of experience, specializing in smaller, agile government software development projects.

Key Aspects:

1. Navigating the Bureaucracy:

PmA: Emphasized the importance of understanding complex government procurement processes and regulations. Building strong relationships with key stakeholders within government agencies was crucial for smooth project execution.

PmB: Highlighted the challenge of adapting agile methodologies to the slower pace of government decision-making. Proactive risk management and clear communication plans were essential to mitigate unexpected delays.

2. Security and Compliance:

PmA: Described stringent security requirements in government projects, necessitating robust data encryption and access control measures. Balancing security with project deadlines and user experience was a constant challenge.

PmB: Mentioned the need for constant vigilance against cyber threats. Regular security audits and employee training were critical aspects of project management.

3. Stakeholder Management:

PmA: Identified managing diverse stakeholder expectations as a significant challenge. Balancing the needs of government agencies, funding bodies, and citizens required flexibility and strong communication skills.

PmB: Advocated for early and frequent stakeholder engagement, especially user involvement in software development projects. Proactive feedback loops ensured solutions aligned with real-world needs.

4. Team Dynamics:

PmA: Highlighted the importance of building strong cross-functional teams with expertise in technology, government procedures, and communication. Maintaining team morale and motivation through complex projects was crucial.

PmB: Emphasized the need for agile teams to be adaptable and comfortable embracing change. Regular retrospectives and continuous learning were essential for project success.

5. Measuring Success:

PmA: Defined success in large government projects as exceeding expectations within budget and timeframe while meeting rigorous security and compliance standards. Adapting success metrics to the specific project was crucial.

PmB: Highlighted the importance of user satisfaction and adoption as key metrics for smaller software development projects. Continuous feedback loops and data-driven decision-making were essential for improving functionality and usability.

Overall:

Both interviews revealed the unique challenges and opportunities of IT project management within the government sector. Adapting methodologies, navigating bureaucracy, managing diverse stakeholders, and prioritizing security are critical factors for success. Understanding these challenges and implementing tailored strategies can empower project managers to deliver valuable solutions that meet the needs of governments and citizens alike.

3. Case Study Analysis:

This case study employs a qualitative approach, analyzing project documents, interview transcripts, and stakeholder feedback to identify critical factors contributing to the MPS's success.

Context: The MPS project aimed to revamp the outdated government procurement system, streamlining processes, enhancing transparency, and improving efficiency. The project involved multiple government agencies, technology vendors, and a large cross-functional team.

Key Success Factors

Agile Methodology with Strong Governance: The project successfully adapted an agile methodology to accommodate changing requirements and user feedback. However, a robust governance framework with clear decision-making structures and risk management processes ensured project control and accountability.

Stakeholder Management and Collaborative Environment: Engaging stakeholders early and frequently, including regular workshops and feedback sessions, fostered a collaborative environment and mitigated potential conflicts. Transparent communication and proactive addressing of concerns kept stakeholders aligned and supportive.

Focus on Security and Compliance: Stringent security measures were implemented, including data encryption and access control, to meet government regulations and ensure data integrity. Compliance with relevant standards was prioritized throughout the project lifecycle.

Team Expertise and Cross-Functional Collaboration: Assembling a team with diverse expertise in technology, government processes, and communication was crucial for navigating the project's complexities. Encouraging cross-functional collaboration fostered knowledge sharing and problem-solving across silos.

Data-Driven Decision-Making and Continuous Improvement: The project leveraged data analytics to track progress, measure performance, and identify areas for improvement. Continuous feedback loops and iterative updates ensured the system remained relevant and user-friendly.

4. Sampling methods.

Elaboration on Random Sampling for IT Project Management Research

Random sampling ensures each project within the defined population has an equal probability of being selected for the survey. This method minimizes selection bias and allows for more generalizable findings. Here's a detailed breakdown of implementing random sampling in my dissertation:

1. *Defining the Population.* I should clearly identify the target population of IT project. In my case there are:

All IT projects in my organization - NITEC
IT projects within a particular industry sector
Projects exceeding a certain budget threshold

2. *Obtaining a Sampling Frame.* Creating a comprehensive list of all projects within the defined population. This might involve:

Utilizing internal project databases
Collaborating with industry associations or relevant organizations to access project information
Employing online project repositories (if applicable)

3. *Random Selection Techniques*

Simple Random Sampling:

It will be more convenient if I assign a unique identifier to each project within the sampling frame. I will utilize a random number generator to select the desired number of projects. I will use software tools like Microsoft Excel or online random number generators can be employed.

It's important about ensuring each project has an equal chance of being chosen by selecting numbers within the range representing the total population size.

Systematic Random Sampling:

It's about ordering the list of projects randomly (e.g., alphabetical order by project name). I will determine the sampling interval by dividing the total population size by the desired sample size (e.g., every 10th project on the list). Then is selecting a random starting point within the first [sampling interval] projects. Including every nth project on the list based on the calculated sampling interval until the desired sample size is reached.

Cluster Sampling for IT Project Management Research

While random sampling offers an unbiased approach, cluster sampling can be advantageous in specific situations like geographical dispersion or industry specificity. When projects are geographically dispersed, reaching all individuals might be impractical or expensive. Cluster sampling allows researchers to group projects based on location (e.g., city, region) and then randomly select clusters for data collection. If the research focuses on a particular industry, cluster sampling can be efficient. Projects can be grouped by industry sector, and a random selection of clusters ensures representation from various companies within the chosen industry.

Within large organizations, projects might be categorized based on departments or business units. Selecting random clusters from these departments can provide a representative sample while reducing logistical challenges of reaching every project.

Breakdown of implementing cluster sampling in this research

1. *Defining Clusters.* Identifying relevant criteria to group projects into meaningful clusters. Examples include:

Industry sector: Grouping projects based on the industry they operate in (e.g., healthcare, finance)
Project size: Categorizing projects based on budget or team size (e.g., small, medium, large)
Geographical location: Grouping projects based on their physical location (e.g., city, region)
Organizational structure: Clustering projects within departments or business units

2. *Creating a List of Clusters.* Compiling a comprehensive list of all clusters within the defined population. This might involve utilizing internal databases or collaborating with relevant organizations.

3. *Random Selection of Clusters.* Employing random sampling techniques (simple random or systematic) to select a desired number of clusters from the compiled list.

4. *Sampling Units Within Clusters.* Once clusters are chosen, all projects within those clusters become the sampling units for the study.

This ensures comprehensive data collection from the selected representatives.

Additional Considerations

- **Cluster Size** – ensuring clusters are large enough to provide a representative sample of the population within that group.

- **Multi-Stage Sampling** - for complex cluster structures, researchers might employ multi-stage sampling. This involves randomly selecting clusters at different levels (e.g., first selecting regions, then hospitals within those regions).

Comparison to Random Sampling

Cluster sampling can be more efficient and cost-effective in situations where reaching the entire population is challenging. However, it introduces a degree of bias compared to purely random selection.

Projects within the same cluster might share similar characteristics, potentially affecting the generalizability of the findings.

Choosing Between Random and Cluster Sampling

Random sampling is generally preferred when population access is feasible and the goal is to obtain an unbiased representative sample. Cluster sampling becomes a viable option when dealing with geographically dispersed populations, industry-specific research, or large organizations with complex structures. By carefully considering the research objectives, population characteristics, and logistical constraints, I can determine the most appropriate sampling method (random or cluster) to ensure the collected data accurately reflects the target population.

Challenges and Lessons Learned:

Integrating Legacy Systems: Integrating the new MPS with existing legacy systems within different government agencies posed a significant technical challenge. Careful planning, testing, and phased rollouts mitigated potential disruptions.

Change Management and User Adoption: Encouraging widespread adoption of the new system within government agencies required effective change management strategies. Comprehensive training, tailored support, and user-centered design helped overcome resistance and facilitate adoption.

Monitoring and Evaluation: Establishing clear performance metrics and regularly monitoring project progress ensured alignment with initial goals and objectives. Continuous evaluation allowed for adjustments and corrective actions before challenges escalated.

Implications for Dissertation Topic:

This case study highlights the importance of adapting methodologies to specific project contexts, even within the highly regulated environment of government projects. Strong governance and risk management remain crucial even in agile environments. Effective stakeholder management, fostering collaboration, and addressing diverse needs are key factors for success in complex projects involving multiple stakeholders.

Prioritizing security and compliance throughout the project lifecycle is essential for government IT projects. Building teams with diverse expertise and encouraging cross-functional collaboration can significantly improve project outcomes. Data-driven decision-making and continuous improvement loops are valuable tools for ensuring project success and adapting to changing requirements.

The results of survey

The survey results provide valuable insights into students' perceptions and experiences regarding IT project management. The distribution of responses across various questions reveals interesting patterns and potential areas for improvement. The survey was conducted among 45 students to assess their understanding and experiences with IT project management. It consisted of seven questions, covering topics such as:

- Understanding of success factors in IT projects*
- Experience with failed IT projects*
- Perceived reasons for project failures*
- Importance of communication*
- Frequency of on-time and within-budget project completion*
- Organizational support for IT project management*
- Biggest challenges in managing IT projects*

The survey employed a mix of Likert scale questions, yes/no questions, multiple-choice questions, and an open-ended question to gather both quantitative and qualitative data.

The primary goals of the survey were to:

- 1. Gauge students' overall understanding of IT project management principles.*
- 2. Identify common challenges and pain points in IT project execution.*
- 3. Assess the perceived importance of various factors like communication and organizational support.*
- 4. Explore the relationship between project failures and students' understanding of success factors.*
- 5. Examine the correlation between perceived communication importance and organizational support.*

The survey results will be analyzed to draw conclusions and potentially confirm or refute the proposed hypotheses.

The following survey was conducted among students of Astana IT University and here are the questions:

1. On a scale of 1 to 5, how would you rate your overall understanding of the factors that contribute to the success of IT projects? (1 = Very Poor, 5 = Excellent)
2. Have you ever been involved in an IT project that failed to meet its objectives? (Yes/No)
3. If yes, what do you believe were the primary reasons for the project's failure? (Multiple choice options: Inadequate planning, Poor communication, Lack of resources, Scope creep, Other)
4. How important do you consider effective communication to be for the success of an IT project? (1 = Not Important, 5 = Extremely Important)
5. In your experience, how often are IT projects completed on time and within budget? (Multiple choice options: Always, Often, Sometimes, Rarely, Never)
6. How would you rate the level of support and resources provided by your organization for IT project management? (1 = Very Poor, 5 = Excellent)
7. What are the biggest challenges you face or anticipate facing in managing IT projects? (Open-ended question)

Hypotheses for the Survey

1. **Hypothesis 1:** Students who have been involved in failed IT projects will rate their understanding of success factors lower than those who have not experienced project failures.
2. **Hypothesis 2:** There will be a positive correlation between students' perceived importance of effective communication and their rating of the organization's support for IT project management.

Responder	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7
1	3	Yes	Inadequate planning	5	Rarely	2	"Balancing technical requirements with user needs."
2	4	No		4	Sometimes	3	"Aligning project goals with organizational strategy."
3	2	Yes	Poor communication	3	Often	4	"Managing scope creep effectively."
4	5	Yes	Lack of resources	2	Never	5	"Building a cohesive and motivated team."
5	1	No		1	Always	1	"Securing adequate funding and resources."
6	3	Yes	Scope creep	5	Rarely	2	"Adapting to changing market conditions."
7	4	No		4	Sometimes	3	"Mitigating risks proactively."
8	2	Yes	Other	3	Often	4	"Ensuring clear communication channels."
9	4	No		2	Never	5	"Balancing technical requirements with user needs."
10	3	Yes	Inadequate planning	1	Always	1	"Aligning project goals with organizational strategy."
11	2	No		5	Rarely	2	"Managing scope creep effectively."
12	5	Yes	Poor communication	4	Sometimes	3	"Building a cohesive and motivated team."
13	4	Yes	Lack of resources	3	Often	4	"Securing adequate funding and resources."
14	3	No		2	Never	5	"Adapting to changing market conditions."
15	2	Yes	Scope creep	1	Always	1	"Mitigating risks proactively."
16	1	No		5	Rarely	2	"Ensuring clear communication channels."
17	4	Yes	Other	4	Sometimes	3	"Balancing technical requirements with user needs."
18	5	No		3	Often	4	"Aligning project goals with organizational strategy."
19	3	Yes	Inadequate planning	2	Never	5	"Managing scope creep effectively."
20	2	No		1	Always	1	"Building a cohesive and motivated team."
21	4	Yes	Poor communication	5	Rarely	2	"Securing adequate funding and resources."
22	1	Yes	Lack of resources	4	Sometimes	3	"Adapting to changing market conditions."
23	5	No		3	Often	4	"Mitigating risks proactively."
24	3	Yes	Scope creep	2	Never	5	"Ensuring clear communication channels."
25	4	No		1	Always	1	"Balancing technical requirements with user needs."
26	2	Yes	Other	5	Rarely	2	"Aligning project goals with organizational strategy."
27	5	No		4	Sometimes	3	"Managing scope creep effectively."
28	1	Yes	Inadequate planning	3	Often	4	"Building a cohesive and motivated team."
29	3	Yes	Poor communication	2	Never	5	"Securing adequate funding and resources."
30	4	No		1	Always	1	"Adapting to changing market conditions."
31	2	Yes	Lack of resources	5	Rarely	2	"Mitigating risks proactively."
32	4	Yes	Scope creep	4	Sometimes	3	"Ensuring clear communication channels."
33	3	No		3	Often	4	"Balancing technical requirements with user needs."
34	1	Yes	Other	2	Never	5	"Aligning project goals with organizational strategy."
35	5	No		1	Always	1	"Managing scope creep effectively."
36	2	Yes	Inadequate planning	5	Rarely	2	"Building a cohesive and motivated team."
37	4	No		4	Sometimes	3	"Securing adequate funding and resources."
38	3	Yes	Poor communication	3	Often	4	"Adapting to changing market conditions."
39	1	No		2	Never	5	"Mitigating risks proactively."
40	5	Yes	Lack of resources	1	Always	1	"Ensuring clear communication channels."
41	4	No		5	Rarely	2	"Balancing technical requirements with user needs."
42	3	Yes	Scope creep	4	Sometimes	3	"Aligning project goals with organizational strategy."
43	2	No		3	Often	4	"Managing scope creep effectively."
44	1	Yes	Other	2	Never	5	"Building a cohesive and motivated team."
45	5	No		1	Always	1	"Securing adequate funding and resources."

The survey findings offer a glimpse into the challenges and opportunities within IT project management from a student perspective. While the sample size is limited, the data suggests that students

recognize the importance of effective communication, resource allocation, and organizational support in achieving project success. However, the prevalence of project failures and the perceived lack of organizational support highlight areas where improvements can be made.

Regarding the hypotheses:

1. **Hypothesis 1 (Partially Confirmed):** While some students who experienced project failures did rate their understanding of success factors lower, this was not a universal trend. Several students who had been involved in failed projects still demonstrated a good understanding of the factors contributing to success. This suggests that while project failures can be a learning experience, they do not necessarily hinder a student's overall understanding of IT project management principles.

2. **Hypothesis 2 (Confirmed):** There was a clear positive correlation between students' perceived importance of effective communication and their rating of the organization's support for IT project management. This suggests that students who value communication also tend to perceive their organizations as more supportive, highlighting the interconnectedness of these two factors in creating a conducive environment for successful IT project execution.

In conclusion, this survey underscores the need for continued emphasis on IT project management education and training, particularly in areas like communication, risk management, and resource allocation. Additionally, organizations should strive to create a supportive environment that fosters collaboration, provides adequate resources, and values effective communication to enhance the success rates of IT projects.

Conclusion

My exploration into the complex landscape of IT project management culminates in a clear and actionable path towards success. I have meticulously analyzed and modeled the critical factors that influence project outcomes, providing a robust blueprint for practitioners to navigate the challenges and secure consistent victories.

Key Pillars of Project Success:

Strategic Methodology: The project's methodology should be carefully chosen as the foundation upon which success is built. Agile approaches offer flexibility and responsiveness, while Waterfall plans provide control and structure. Hybrid methodologies effectively combine both to adapt to project requirements.

Collaborative Communication: Clear, open, and frequent communication across all levels of the project is paramount. Transparency fosters trust, while robust communication tools and platforms streamline information flow and ensure everyone is aligned on goals and progress.

Empowering Leadership: Strong leadership provides direction, motivation, and conflict resolution throughout the project lifecycle. Leaders set the course, empower teams, and navigate challenges with agility, ensuring all members contribute effectively.

Technology as an Ally: Choosing the right technology stack, including tools, infrastructure, and security measures, is crucial for efficient project execution. Secure platforms protect sensitive data, while user-friendly interfaces promote team productivity and satisfaction.

Environmental Awareness: Understanding and adapting to external factors like market trends, stakeholder expectations, and regulatory changes is vital for project success. Proactive risk management and strategic planning anticipate and mitigate potential disruptions, ensuring flexibility and resilience.

This research proposes a comprehensive model that goes beyond individual factors and focuses on the interconnectedness of all elements within a project. By assessing each component – methodology, communication, leadership, technology, and environmental awareness – practitioners can identify strengths and weaknesses, optimize their approach, and ensure all aspects contribute to the project's overall coherence and effectiveness.

While this research sheds light on the key factors influencing IT project success, the journey of discovery continues. Future investigations can delve deeper into the nuances of specific methodologies, explore the impact of cultural differences on team dynamics, and analyze the evolving digital landscape and its influence on project execution.

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INVESTIGATION OF THE PROCESS OF DEEP PURIFICATION OF WASTE GASES WITH A LOW SO₂ CONTENT OBTAINED AFTER ELECTRIC MELTING

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ЭЛЕКТР БАЛҚЫТУДАН ШЫҒАТЫН SO₂ БОЙЫНША КЕДЕЙ ГАЗДАРДЫ ТЕРЕҢ ТАЗАРТУДЫ ЗЕРТТЕУ

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Abstract

The work carried out laboratory work on deep cleaning of released gases using the method of chemical absorption. As a result, the optimal parameters of the process of chemical absorption of sulfur anhydride from gases released by a eutectic mixture of carbonate melt of alkali metals were established: the process temperature is 500 °C, the duration is 1 h. The maximum release of sulfur from gases into the melt is achieved by 95%. In the gases obtained after the process of chemical absorption of the released gases, the sulfur content is 2.03% (vol.) more than in the original gas from 0,014 % (vol.) decreases to.

Аңдатпа

Жұмыста химиялық абсорбциялау тәсілін қолданумен бөлінетін газдарды терең тазалау бойынша зертханалық жұмыстар өткізілді. Нәтижесінде сілтілі металдардың карбонатты балқымасының эвтектикалық қоспасымен бөлінетін газдардан күкірт ангидридін химиялық абсорбциялау процесінің оңтайлы параметрлері орнатылды: процесінің температурасы 500 °C, ұзақтығы 1 сағ. Балқымаға газдардан күкірттің максималды бөлінуіне 95 % қол жеткізіледі. Бөлінетін газдарды химиялық абсорбциялау процесінен кейін алынатын газдарда күкірт мөлшері бастапқы газға қарағанда 2,03 % (көл.)–дан 0,014 % (көл.)–ға төмендейді.

Keywords: exhaust gases, sulfuric anhydride, alkaline melt, deep cleaning, extraction, chemical absorption.

Түйін сөздер: шығатын газдар, күкірт ангидридi, сілтілі балқыма, терең тазалау, бөліп алу, химиялық абсорбция.

Кіріспе

Ауаның күкірттің қос тотығымен ластануы аса күрделі мәселелердің бірі болып табылады. Бөлінетін газдарды SO₂–ден тазалауды көптеген металлургиялық зауыттарда бөлінетін газ ағынын әктас (CaCO₃) немесе сөндірілген әк (Ca(OH)₂) арқылы өткізу тәсілімен жүргізеді. Бұл тәсілдер аса тиімсіз және бірқатар кемішіліктерге ие [1, 2, 3]: газда күкірт мөлшерінің жоғары қалдығы; процестер өте қымбат; пайдаланылмайтын қатты қалдықтар шығымы ауқымды (негізінен, көмір, гипс - CaSO₄ жануынан бөлінген қоспалармен ластанған қалдықтар), оның көлемі жалпы газ массасының бірнеше пайызын құрайды.

«Қазақстан-2050» Стратегиясы қалыптасқан мемлекеттің жаңа саяси бағытында» [4], «Қазақстан Республикасының "жасыл экономикаға" көшуі жөніндегі тұжырымдамасында» [5] еліміздің өнеркәсіптік кәсіпорындарының алдына қойылған жаңа міндеттерге сәйкес, қоршаған ортаны қорғау және еліміздің экологиялық қауіпсіздігін қамтамасыз ету бойынша шаралар жасақтауда тәжірибелік артта қалуы айқын көрініс табуда.

Бөлінетін газдар құрамындағы SO_2 тотығын жою бойынша технологиялардың жасақталуы Қазақстан Республикасының ғылыми, ғылыми-техникалық және әлеуметтік-экономикалық дамуының басым бағыттарына толығымен сәйкес келеді.

[6, 7, 8] жұмыстарда сілтілі металдар карбонаттарының балқымасымен SO_2 абсорбциялау жолымен ЖЭС-да бөлінетін газдарды SO_2 ($SO_2 < 0,003\%$) тотығынан терең тазалаудың тиімділігі жоғары шешімі ұсынылған. [9, 10, 11] жұмыстарда көміртегі монототығымен тотықсыздандыру арқылы карбонатты-сульфатты балқымалардың ары қарай қалпына келуінің тиімді шешімі көрсетілген. Тәсілдің кемшілігі CO алу үшін қосымша көмір жағу қажеттілігі болып табылады. Металлургиялық кәсіпорындардың бөлінетін газдарын тазалау үшін берілген технологияны жетілдіру қажет.

Жезқазған мыс қорыту зауытында (ЖМЗ) электрпешінен кейін бөлінетін газдар құрамында SO_2 мөлшері төмен (1,5-3%) болады және оларды конвертерлеудің күшті газдарымен сұйылтқаннан кейін, күкірт қышқылы өндірісіне жібереді. Қышқыл өндірісінің мұндай сұлбасы ауқымды шығымдармен жүреді және күкірт қышқылы өндірісінің жалпы технологиялық сұлбасын күрделендіреді. Электр пешінен бөлінетін газдардың температурасы жеткілікті жоғары және $450^\circ C$ дейін құрайды. Атмосфераға шығарылатын бөлінетін газдар құрамында 1,5 - 3% дейін SO_2 кездеседі. Электрпешінен кейін алынатын газдарды SO_2 -ден сілтілі металдардың эвтектикалық балқымасымен химиялық абсорбциялау тәсілін пайдалана отырып, терең тазалау мүмкіндігі қызығушылық тудыруда.

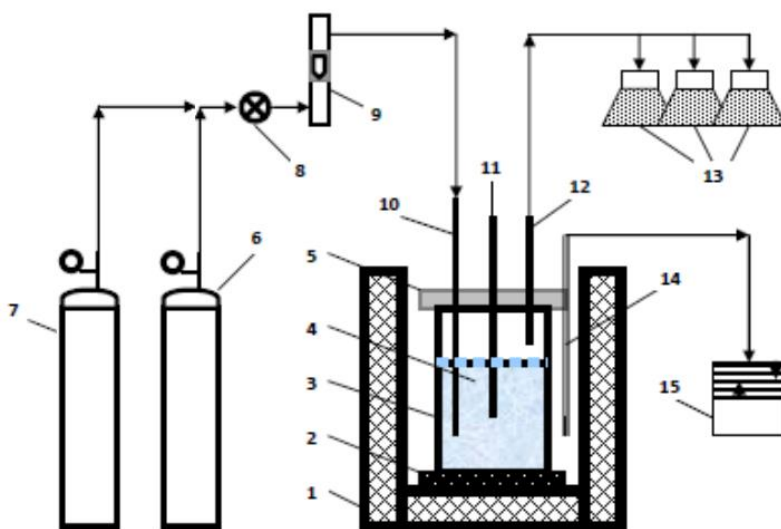
Жұмыстың мақсаты Жезқазған мыс балқыту зауытындағы электр пешінен бөлінетін SO_2 мөлшері төмен газдарды химиялық абсорбциялау әдісімен терең тазалауды зерттеу.

Тәжірибе жүргізу қондырғысының сұлбасы мен жүргізу әдістемесі

Барлық тәжірибелік зерттеулерде бастапқы материал ретінде, келесі құрамды, % (моль.): Li_2CO_3 – 43,5; Na_2CO_3 – 31,5; K_2CO_3 – 25,0 сілтілі металдар карбонаттарының үштік эвтектикалық қоспасы пайдаланылды.

Карбонаттардың эвтектикалық қоспасын дайындау, тазалығы 98,5% жоғары Aldrich фирмасымен өндірілген Li_2CO_3 , Na_2CO_3 , K_2CO_3 таза карбонаттарының балқытылуымен жүзеге асырылады. Әрбір карбонатты қатаң белгіленген мөлшерде өлшеп алғаннан кейін оларды араластырады және дайындалған қоспаны қыздыру пешіне біртекті карбонатты балқыма алу үшін жібереді. Балқыманы дайындауды екі температуралық режимде - $480^\circ C$ және $500^\circ C$ жүзеге асырады.

Химиялық абсорбциялау жолымен бөлінетін газдардың терең тазалануын зерттеу қондырғысының жалпы сұлбасы 1-суретте келтірілген.



- 1 – пеш; 2 – реактор тұғырығы; 3 – реактор; 4 – балқыма; 5 – алмалы қақпақ; 6 – ауа баллоны;
7 – SO_2 баллоны; 8 – кран; 9 – реометр; 10 – үрлеу түтікшесі; 11 – сынама алғыш;
12 – бөлінетін газдар түтікшесі; 13 – титрлеу ыдыстары; 14 – хромель-алюмельді термопара;
15 – КСП-4 потенциометрі.

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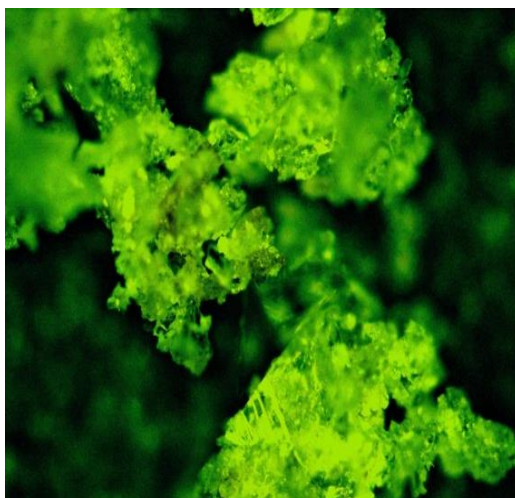
Сілтілі металдар карбонаттары балқымасының бастапқы өлшендісі орнатылған реакторды қыздыру пешіне тиейміз. Күкірт ангидридiнiң қажеттi мөлшерi болатын газды оттегi баллоны мен SO_2 араластыру арқылы алады. Газ шығынын шығын өлшегiш көмегiмен бақыланды.

Синтезделген газды өлшендiсi бар реакторға болат түтiкшелер арқылы берiлдi. Тәжiрибенiң қайта өндiрiлушiлiгi үшiн сынақтарды 3 рет жүргiздiк. Барлық сынақтарда ұзақтығы 2 сағ тең болды. Химиялық абсорбциялау процесiн 500°C температурада жүргiзедi. Химиялық абсорбциялаудан кейiн алынатын газдарды сiңiру сыйымдылықтарына жiбередi. Процесс температурасын термopара көмегiмен бақыланды.

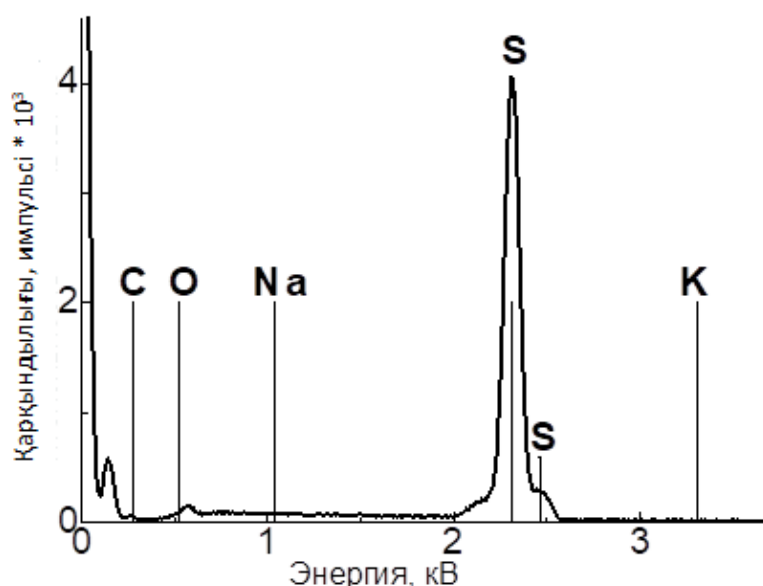
Алынған карбонатты – сульфатты балқыманы химиялық құрамын анықтау үшiн талдауға жiберiлдi.

Нәтижелер және оларды талқылау

SEM (Scanning Electron Microscope) Leo Supra (Carl Zeiss AG, Germany) (сурет 2) оптикалық микроскоптың көмегiмен алынған тұнба құрылымының және күкiрттiң EDS спектрiнiң өлшемдерi (сурет 3) құрамында химиялық таза күкiрттiң кездесуiн көрсеттi.

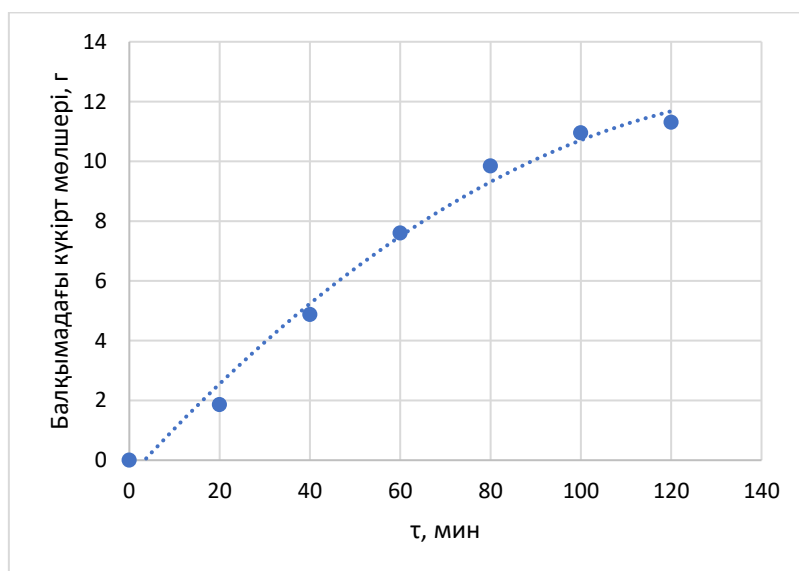


2-сурет – Күкiрт кристалдарының суретi. Сурет енi 1 мм.



3-сурет – Балқымадан тұнған күкiрт кристалдарының EDS спектрi. Материал талдау алдында 130°C кезiнде рекристаллдандырылған.

Тәжiрибелiк жұмыстарды жүргiзу нәтижесiнде алынған нәтижелерден химиялық абсорбциялау процесi кезiнде күкiрт мөлшерiнiң уақыттан тәуелдiлiгi тұрғызылды, 4-суретте келтiрiлген.



4-сурет – Балқымадағы күкірт мөлшерінің уақыттан тәуелділігі

Бөлінетін газдарды сілтілі металдардың карбонатты балқымасымен химиялық абсорбциялау процесінің нәтижелері 1-кестеде келтірілген.

Кесте 1 – сілтілі металдардың карбонатты балқымасымен күкіртті ангидридті химиялық абсорбциялау нәтижелері

№	Уақыт, мин	Балқыма арқылы өткізілген газ көлемі, л	Бастапқы газда күкірт мөлшері, г	Балқымада күкірт мөлшері, %	Балқымада күкірт мөлшері, г
1	20	2,5	9,67	0,45	1,86
2	40	5	6,66	1,18	4,87
3	60	7,5	3,93	1,84	7,6
4	80	10	1,69	2,38	9,84
5	100	12,5	0,58	2,65	10,95
6	120	15	0,23	2,73	11,30

Жүргізілген сынақтар нәтижесінде, сілтілі металдардың карбонатты балқымасымен бөлінетін газдарды химиялық абсорбциялау кезінде балқымаға күкірт бөлінуі 95 % құрайтыны орнатылды. Мұнда атмосфераға тасталатын бөлінетін газдарда күкірт мөлшері 2,03 % (көл.)–дан 0,014 % (көл.)–ға төмендейді.

Қорытынды

Химиялық абсорбциялау тәсілін қолданумен бөлінетін газдарды терең тазалау бойынша зертханалық жұмыстар өткізілді. Нәтижесінде сілтілі металдардың карбонатты балқымасының эвтектикалық қоспасымен бөлінетін газдардан күкірт ангидридін химиялық абсорбциялау процесінің оңтайлы параметрлері орнатылды: процестің температурасы 500 °С, ұзақтығы 1 сағ. Балқымаға газдардан күкірттің максималды бөлінуіне 95 % қол жеткізіледі. Бөлінетін газдарды химиялық абсорбциялау процесінен кейін алынатын газдарда күкірт мөлшері бастапқы газға қарағанда 2,03 % (көл.)–дан 0,014 % (көл.)–ға төмендейді.

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РАЦИОНАЛЬНОЕ ИСПОЛЬЗОВАНИЕ РЕЖИМОВ ВЗВЕШЕННОГО СЛОЯ ДЛЯ ЭФФЕКТИВНОЙ СУШКИ ДИСПЕРСНЫХ МАТЕРИАЛОВ**Сажин Виктор Борисович**

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Abstract

Drying of dispersed and dispersible materials in a suspended layer is most effective. Hydrodynamics has a decisive influence on the efficiency. The characteristics of the modes and the area of their rational application are studied. A classification of hydrodynamic modes of a suspended layer and a classification of materials as drying objects are proposed. A strategy for the rational selection of drying units for any material by the critical pore diameter and the rank of adhesive-autohesive interaction is developed. A method for assessing the efficiency by the exergy coefficient of useful activity is proposed.

Аннотация

Наиболее эффективна сушка дисперсных и диспергируемых материалов во взвешенном слое. Решающее влияние на эффективность оказывает гидродинамика. Исследованы характеристики режимов и область их рационального применения. Предложены классификация гидродинамических режимов взвешенного слоя и классификация материалов как объектов сушки. Разработана стратегия рационального выбора сушильных установок для любого материала по его критическому диаметру пор и рангу адгезионно-аутогезионного взаимодействия. Предложен метод оценки эффективности по эксергетическому кпд.

Keywords: drying, hydrodynamics, particle, layer, fluidization, efficiency, exergy

Ключевые слова: сушка, гидродинамика, частица, слой, псевдооживление, эффективность, эксергия

Интерес к повышению эффективности процесса сушки определяется тем, что сушка – один из наиболее энергоёмких процессов. Так на химическом предприятии порядка 85-90% всех энергозатрат покрывает отделение сушки. Сегодня в России номенклатура подлежащих сушке материалов включает до 200 тысяч наименований, абсолютно большую часть которых составляют дисперсные материалы (порядка 80%). В рамках международной научной школы академика Б.С. Сажина нами с сотрудниками убедительно доказано, что мощным фактором роста эффективности процесса сушки является проведение процесса в взвешенном слое. Как правило, при этом серьёзно уменьшается металлоёмкость сушильной установки, возрастает интенсивность процесса, достигается заметная экономия производственных помещений.

В взвешенном слое существенно возрастает удельное количество тепла, подводимого к материалу, и удаётся решить известную сушильщикам проблему «теплового голода». Нами с Б.С. Сажиним доказана решающая роль гидродинамики на эффективность процесса сушки в взвешенном слое [1-19] и разработана авторская классификация гидродинамических режимов взвешенного слоя, включающая прежде не известные новые режимы, нами обнаруженные и исследованные (Рисунок 1.). Нами введены в мировую научную практику термины «активные» (в 1960-е годы) и «эффективные» (в 1999 году) гидродинамические режимы. Часто термин «активный» воспринимался исключительно как интенсивный. Такое заблуждение приводило к неоправданно высоким расходам энергии и попыткам «решить все проблемы» использованием

режимов пневмотранспорта. В ряде случаев это приводило к тяжёлым последствиям, когда возникали аварии (из-за «кинжальных» линейных скоростей в основном аппарате) или установка выдавала недосушенный продукт, и целые партии высушиваемых материалов пытались по нескольку раз возвращать на досушку. В результате материал отправлялся в брак.

- Взвешенный слой
- 1. Псевдооживление
 - 1.1. Виброкипящий слой
 - 1.2. Кипящий слой
 - 1.3. "Организованный" кипящий слой
 - 1.4. Проходящий кипящий слой
- 2. Фонтанирование
 - 2.1. Вихревой слой с щелевым вводом газа
 - 2.2. Фонтанирующий слой
 - 2.3. Фонтанирующий слой с направляющими и отбойниками
 - 2.4. Свободное фонтанирование (Аэрофонтанный режим)
 - 2.5. Инжекторный слой
- 3. Пневмотранспорт
 - 3.1. Вертикальный (восходящий и нисходящий) пневмотранспорт
 - 3.2. Горизонтальный пневмотранспорт, в том числе пневмотранспорт "дюнами"
 - 3.3. Встречные струи
- 4. Закрученные потоки
 - 4.1. Свободный закрученный поток (в циклонных аппаратах)
 - 4.2. Встречные закрученные потоки
 - 4.3. Встречные закрученные струи (соударяющиеся)
 - 4.4. Закрученные потоки направленные (спиральные, трубы с винтовыми вставками)
 - 4.5. Закрученные вихревые потоки (в дисковых и барабанных вихревых камерах)

**Рисунок 1. Классификация Б.С. и В.Б. Сажиных
гидродинамических режимов взвешенного слоя**

Для примера рассмотрим широкопористый материал с большим влагосодержанием. Можно показать, что эффективным гидродинамическим режимом здесь будет пневмотранспорт, обеспечивающий за счет больших скоростей газа достаточное количество тепла и в то же время – достаточное время обработки материала в аппарате (порядка секунд). Но этот режим не будет эффективным для сушки микропористых материалов с небольшой начальной влажностью, т.к. он, во-первых, не обеспечивает требуемого (для микропор) времени обработки материала (порядка минут) и во-вторых, количество теплоносителя (и скорость его движения) очевидно избыточны для данного случая, что влечёт потери энергии и необоснованные затраты на функционирование основного и вспомогательного оборудования. Эффективным гидродинамическим режимом для микропористого материала будет виброкипящий слой, в то время как для широкопористых материалов он таковым заведомо не является.

В правильном понимании оптимальный гидродинамический режим должен обеспечить высокую эффективность процесса, то есть сочетание интенсивности, экономичности и качества получаемого продукта с учетом энергозатрат (не только по основному аппарату, но и всей установке, включая вспомогательное оборудование). Кроме того, мы включаем в понятие «эффективный гидродинамический режим» и требование функционирования сушильной установки с наименьшим экологическим ущербом [1-9].

Мы с пониманием относимся к проблеме обеспечения устойчивого развития общества. То есть удовлетворять потребности сегодняшнего дня, не лишая будущие поколения возможности удовлетворить их собственные потребности. Строго говоря концепция устойчивого развития – это конвергенция трёх точек зрения: экономической, социальной и экологической. Применительно к научно-техническому прогрессу часто ограничиваются сохранением биосферы, трактуя основные цели устойчивого развития как защиту, восстановление экосистем суши и содействие их рациональному использованию, рациональное управление лесами, борьба с опустыниванием, прекращение и обращение вспять процесса деградации земель и прекращение процесса утраты биологического разнообразия.

Вместе с тем мы предлагаем рассматривать принятую ООН Повестку устойчивого развития до 2030 года (состоящую из 17 глобальных целей, направленных на ликвидацию нищеты, сохранение ресурсов планеты и обеспечение благополучия) как дорожную карту, предусматривающую реализацию конкретных мероприятий, обеспечивающих поэтапное движение к цели формирования природоподобной техносферы. Сегодня нельзя потребовать от промышленности перехода на природоподобные технологии, потому что главной целью существующих предприятий является удовлетворение потребностей живущего поколения, а цели сохранения природы при создании предприятий не ставились. Надо предусмотреть протяжённый во времени переходный период, когда будут совершенствоваться технологии и оборудование для снижения биоущерба. Причём, подобные новации должны быть оплачены (полностью или частично) государством. В противном случае давление государства на собственника приведёт к банкротствам и резкому проседанию налоговых поступлений в бюджет.

Возможное приемлемое решение – концентрировать производственные ареалы в попытке снижения ущерба при обязательном и достаточном бюджетировании государством масштабных природоохранных мероприятий. Также целесообразно оценить перспективы использования проверенных налоговых рычагов для побуждения собственника химического производства совершенствовать системы очистки. Есть и практическая новация (возникшая в период борьбы с выбросами углеводородного производственного цикла) – создание биржи с покупкой права на производство определенного количества отходов. Критерии устойчивого развития должны восприниматься не довлеющей догмой, но именно дорожной картой, на пути реализации которой человечество преодолевает вынужденный этап нанесения ущерба природе, совершенствуя теорию и практику возможного снижения биоущерба. С учётом изложенного представляется, что важная задача в области природоохраны – создание гибкого налогового механизма, способствующего существенному снижению себестоимости конечного целевого продукта за счёт всемерной экономии ресурсо-энергозатрат при неоспоримом примате целей и задач собственно производства, а также здравого смысла.

Нами с Б.С. Сажиным предложена современная стратегия выбора рационального состава промышленных сушилок взвешенного слоя. Предусматривается, что при этом для каждого материала будет предлагаться эффективная сушильная установка, наилучшим образом соответствующая выполнению поставленной задачи при минимальных энерго-ресурсопотерях, а значит и наименьшем ущербе для экологии [5, 7, 8, 12, 17].

Нами с Б.С. Сажиным предложена авторская классификация дисперсных материалов как объектов сушки, не противоречащая известным, но дающая пользователям существенно более широкие возможности (Таблица 1). Нами показано, что определяющими характеристиками для любого материала как объекта сушки являются критический радиус пор (размер самых мелких пор поровой структуры материала) и ранг адгезионно-аутогезионного взаимодействия (характеризующий способность материала к комкованию и налипанию на стенки аппарата).

Таблица 1.

Классификация Б.С. и В.Б. Сажиных
дисперсных материалов как объектов сушки

Показатель технологической задачи (Bi')	Класс материалов	Шифр (класс, группа, разряд)	Критический диаметр пор $d_{кр}$, нм	Группа пор	Ранг адгезионно-аутогезионного коэффициента $K_{a-к}$	Показатель дисперсности		Характеристика пористой структуры материала и вида связи влаги	Продолжительность сушки в эффективном гидродинамическом режиме
						Грубодисперсные	Тонкодисперсные		
$Bi' < 0,1$	Первый	1.1.1.	Более 100	0	2	1		Непористые материалы со свободной влагой	0,5-2,0 с
		1.1.2.					2		
		1.2.1.			3	1			
		1.2.2.					2		
$Bi' < 1$	Второй	2.1.1.	100-8	1	2	1		Широкопористые материалы со слабо связанной влагой (Испарение жидкости из жидкой пленки)	3,0-5,0 с
		2.1.2.					2		
		2.2.1.			3	1			
		2.2.2.					2		
		2.3.1.			4	1			
		2.3.2.					2		
$Bi' < 10$	Третий	3.1.1.	8-6	2	2	1		Высоковлажные материалы с переходными порами со свободной и связанной влагой (Кнудсеновская диффузия)	10-40 с
		3.1.2.					2		
		3.2.1.			3	1			
		3.2.2.					2		
$Bi' < 20$	Четвертый	4.1.1.	6-4	3	2	1		Тонкие поры со свободной и связанной влагой (Кнудсеновская и поверхностная диффузия)	0,5-2,0 мин
		4.1.2.					2		
		4.2.1.			3	1			
		4.2.2.					2		
$Bi' \geq 20$	Пятый	5.1.1.	4-2	4	2	1		Микропоры со связанной влагой (поверхностная диффузия)	2-20 мин
		5.1.2.					2		
$20 < Bi' < 30$	Шестой	6.1.1.	Менее 2	5	1	До 1 мм	—	Ультрамикропоры соизмеримые с размерами молекул (твердотельная диффузия)	2-20 мин

Путём многолетних исследований на специально подобранных модельных материалах для каждого местоположения внутри классификационной таблицы подобраны наиболее эффективные гидродинамические режимы и реализующие их аппараты. На основании практического производственного опыта, экспериментальных и теоретических исследований для каждого местоположения в классификационной таблице подобран наиболее оптимальный состав вспомогательной аппаратуры, включая нагреватели, тяго-дутьевое оборудование, теплообменники, топочные устройства, питатели-дозаторы и т.д.).

Доказано, что, определив для любого (включая неизвестные ранее) материала значения критического радиуса пор и ранга адгезионно-аутогезионного взаимодействия, находим место материала в классификационной таблице, а значит имеем полную информацию для формирования наиболее оптимальной установки для сушки данного материала. Наша с Б.С. Сажиным стратегия рационального выбора состава сушильной установки позволяет

сократить стандартную процедуру подбора оптимальной установки для сушки данного материала с 7-9 месяцев до 3-5 дней (что многократно доказано на практике).

Для использования предлагаемого нами метода выбора сушилок весьма важным является вопрос об области рационального использования основных гидродинамических режимов взвешенного слоя применительно к процессам сушки дисперсных материалов. Как было показано нами [1, 2, 3, 7], в области рационального применения эти режимы являются эффективными. Как известно, рациональной областью применения любого режима будет та, в которой недостатки, присущие режиму, не важны для решения соответствующей технологической задачи, а достоинства - весьма существенны.

Режим кипящего слоя (КС) имеет ряд существенных недостатков (недостаточная гидродинамическая устойчивость, неудовлетворительная гидродинамическая модель - аппарат по твердой фазе близок к аппаратам идеального смешения и др.), ограничивающих область его рационального применения. Поэтому КС нерационально применять для несипучих, плохо оживающих дисперсных материалов. Его также не следует применять, если к высушенному материалу предъявляются повышенные требования по равномерности остаточной влажности, т.к. КС по твердой фазе близок к идеальному смешению (как следует из С-кривых отклика (Рисунок 2), у КС π_{α} до $1,5 \div 2,0$) и, следовательно, время пребывания частиц высушиваемого материала в сушилке КС неодинаково, что, естественно, приводит к неравномерности по остаточной влажности высушиваемого материала. К этому надо добавить жесткие ограничения по показателю полидисперсности, т.к. область существования КС ограничена снизу скоростью псевдооживления частиц крупной фракции и сверху - скоростью витания частиц мелкой фракции.

Режим проходящего кипящего слоя (ПКС) - не имеет большинства недостатков КС. Например, при сушке (а тем более при подсушке) в этом режиме создаются идеальные условия для отвода зарядов статического электричества, так как при повышенном насыщении воздуха (что свойственно режиму ПКС) накопления зарядов статического электричества, как правило, не происходит. Сушка в ПКС более равномерная, чем в КС, но средняя продолжительность нахождения материала составляет не более 10-20 секунд, что ограничивает область его применения. Главным ограничением по области применения режима ПКС является то, что условия его существования связаны с обязательным уменьшением скорости витания частиц в процессе обработки.

Именно поэтому ПКС применяется для комкующихся, плохо оживающих и высоковлажных дисперсных материалов. Разбиванию комков способствует наличие высокооборотной мешалки. В качестве типового режим ПКС может быть рекомендован для липких (с повышенным адгезионно-аутогезионным рангом K_{a-k}) высоковлажных материалов (по новой, предложенной нами, классификации влажных дисперсных материалов как объектов сушки (Таблица 1), это - материалы второго и третьего классов - непористые со свободной влагой и широкопористые со слабосвязанной влагой). ПКС успешно используется и в качестве подсушивателя комбинированных циклонных (КЦС) и комбинированных аэрофонтанных (КАС) сушилок.

Режим виброкипящего слоя (ВКС) отличается хорошей гидродинамической моделью (Таблица 2). Число Пекле Pe достигает 200, а π_{α} - до 100 (в оптимальном режимно-конструктивном варианте). Вместе с тем, сушилки виброкипящего слоя (СВКС) имеют, как минимум, два существенных недостатка, резко ограничивающих область их применения.

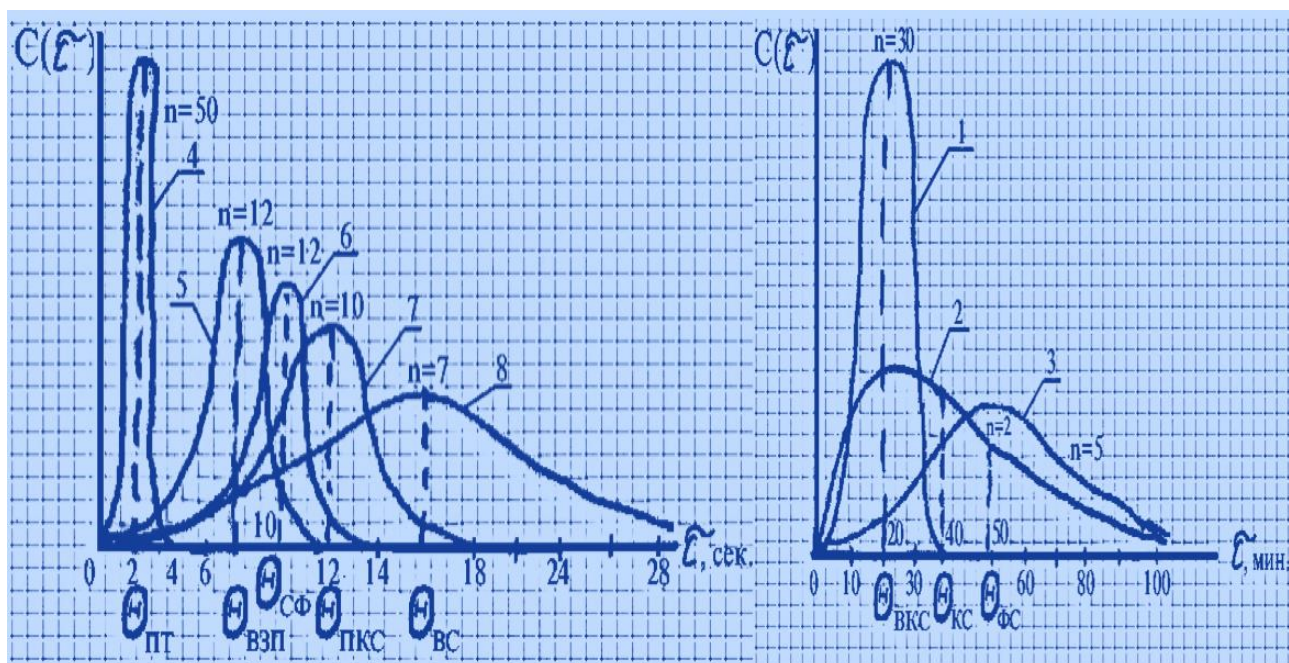


Рисунок 2. С-кривые отклика основных гидродинамических режимов взвешенного слоя по дисперсной фазе: 1 - Виброкипящий слой (ВКС); 2 - Кипящий слой (КС); 3 - Фонтанирующий слой (ФС); 4 - Пневмотранспорт восходящий (ПТ); 5 - Встречные закрученные потоки (ВЗП); 6 - Свободное фонтанирование (СФ); 7 - Проходящий кипящий слой (ПКС); 8 - Вихревой слой (ВС); n – число псевдосекций

Во-первых, это - ограниченная тепловая мощность сушилок, связанная с малыми допустимыми (даже меньшими, чем у КС) скоростями теплоносителя из-за известного эффекта «подбрасывания» частиц, вызванного направленной механической вибрацией. Вследствие этого ограничена удельная производительность сушилок ВКС по испаренной влаге. В обычном варианте режим ВКС и сушилки СВКС целесообразно применять в случае жестких требований по равномерности высушивания материала в условиях смешанной задачи массообмена. (Это соответствует пятому классу влажных материалов по нашей новой классификации – микропористым материалам со связанной влагой).

В отличие от КС режим ВКС не может обеспечить длительного пребывания материала в аппарате (более 20 минут), т.к. это связано с ограничениями по удерживающей способности вследствие низкой предельной высоты слоя (не более 200 мм) из-за быстрого снижения эффекта по высоте слоя от вибрационных воздействий на слой. Поэтому, например, для материалов с ультрамикropорами, соизмеримыми с размерами молекул (шестой класс по нашей классификации) режим ВКС (в отличие от КС) в обычной форме использован быть не может.

В связи с этим нами был проведен комплекс работ по исследованию модификации СВКС, а именно, исследована гидродинамика, теплообмен и сушка в сушилках кипящего слоя с вибрирующими поверхностями нагрева, погруженными в слой. В результате в качестве типовой сушилки для шестого класса влажных дисперсных материалов мы рекомендуем сушилку кипящего слоя с вибрирующими поверхностями нагрева, погруженными в слой (КСВПН) [1, 8].

Во второй группе режимов взвешенного слоя (рис. 1) базовыми являются гидродинамические режимы фонтанирующего слоя и свободного фонтанирования. Режим фонтанирующего слоя (ФС) отличается устойчивостью и способностью к обработке материалов с ярко выраженными адгезионно-аутогезионными свойствами, вплоть до пастообразных материалов с наивысшим рангом $K_{a-k} = 5$, что не может сделать никакой другой режим взвешенного слоя. Заметим, что сверхлипкие материалы (типа солидола и дёгтя) с рангом $K_{a-k} = 5$ поддаются сушке во взвешенном слое только при дополнительном использовании механических побудителей, например ПКС (проходящий кипящий слой) с высокооборотной мешалкой и ВС (вихревой слой) с дисмембратором. Однако режим ФС не обеспечивает равномерности сушки ($n_p = 1,5 \div 2,5$). Поэтому его целесообразно применять для так называемой «неквалифицированной» сушки (например, сушка осадков сточных вод) высоковлажных, в том числе пастообразных материалов

Таблица 2.

**Сравнение характеристик гидродинамических режимов
взвешенного слоя (разработка Б.С. и В.Б. Сажиных)**

Режим свободного фонтанирования (СФ). Если режим ФС является аналогом режима КС в конических аппаратах, то режим СФ - аналог режима ПКС, но воспроизводится только в

Наименование	ГДУ	ГДМ	n_p (число псевдосекций)	СЭ, кВ	Ранг*	Режимные параметры		
						ΔP , кПа	v , м/с	ϵ_{cp}
Кипящий слой (КС)	1	1	1÷2	5	1	1,5÷5,0	0,1÷1,5	0,6÷0,75
Проходящий кипящий слой (ПКС)	4	6	5÷7	1	10	0,2÷0,5	1.5÷15	0,7÷0,85
Фонтанирующий слой (ФС)	6	3	3÷5	3÷5	3	3,0÷30	8÷60	0,65÷0,8
Режим свободного фонтанирования (СФ)	5	6	5÷10	1	4	0,1÷0,3	10÷40	0,9÷0,99
Виброкипящий слой (ВКС)	5	10	40÷100	0,5÷2	6	0,1÷0,2	0,005÷0,8	0,6÷0,7
Вихревой слой (ВС)	6	6	5÷10	1÷3	8	1,5÷2,5	10÷80	0,65÷0,8
Пневмотранспорт (ПТ)	6	8	20÷30	0,5÷1	9	0,2÷1,0	10÷50	0,8÷0,99
Закрученные потоки (ЗП)	8	6	5÷10	1	10	0,6÷2,0	15÷40	0,85÷0,95
Встречные закрученные потоки (ВЗП)	10	6	5÷10	1	10	0,5÷2,5	10÷50	0,8÷0,99

конических и цилиндро-конических аппаратах. Он используется на второй ступени типовых комбинированных аэрофонтанных сушилок (КАС).

Режим пневмотранспорта (ПТ) наиболее близок к режиму идеального вытеснения как по твердой, так и по газовой фазе. Его главный недостаток состоит в малом времени пребывания материала в сушильном тракте (от долей секунды до 2-3 секунд). Поэтому он эффективен только при сушке непористых и широкопористых материалов (первый и второй класс материалов по новой классификации). Вторым недостатком режима ПТ является полный вынос из аппарата высушенного продукта, что во всех случаях делает необходимым установку после трубы-сушилки (ТС) системы улавливания высушенного продукта [1, 2, 8].

С целью преодоления ограничений, присущих режиму пневмотранспорта, используются закрученные потоки (циклонный режим, режим вихревого слоя, режим встречных закрученных потоков и др.). Циклонный режим реализуется в циклонных сушилках (ЦС), которые также как и трубы-сушилки работают на полный вынос высушенного продукта из аппарата, но отличаются большей компактностью и интенсивностью процесса. Вместе с тем, они применяются только для хорошо сыпучих продуктов (K_{a-k} не более 2, в то время как у ТС предельный $K_{a-k} = 3$). Поэтому циклонный режим целесообразно применять для первого класса

влажных дисперсных материалов, а также для второго класса в качестве второй ступени в комбинированных циклонных сушилках КЦС. Этот режим также хорошо изучен многочисленными исследователями, в том числе изучавшими циклонные пылеуловители, циклонные топки и т.д.

Весьма эффективным для материалов четвертого класса является режим вихревого слоя (ВС), реализуемый в дисковых вихревых камерах (ВК), а также в качестве первой ступени в комбинированной безуносной сушилке со встречными закрученными потоками и дисковой вихревой камерой СВЗП-ВК.

Проведенное нами детальное исследование гидродинамики и сушки в указанных аппаратах позволило разработать методы расчета и управления процессом для решения спектра технологических задач.

Особое значение имеют режимы встречных закрученных потоков (ВЗП) и других вариантов взаимодействия закрученных струй, которые используются и как безуносные сушилки, и как высокоэффективные пылеуловители. Режим ВЗП целесообразно использовать для сушки высоковлажных материалов третьего класса - с переходными порами со свободной и связанной влагой (сушилки СВЗП), а в сочетании с вихревыми камерами также и для четвертого класса - тонкопористых материалов со свободной и связанной влагой (безуносные комбинированные сушилки СВЗП-ВК).

Важнейшим параметром, определяющим область рационального применения режимов взвешенного слоя для сушки дисперсных материалов, является предельное время пребывания материала в зоне обработки при реализации данного режима. Если это время соответствует расчетному времени сушки данного материала, то гидродинамический режим можно считать эффективным, т.е. обеспечивающим интенсификацию процесса, качество высушенного материала, хорошие экологические и экономические показатели сушилки.

Нами с Б.С. Сажиним впервые в мире установлено, что аппараты ВЗП можно использовать не только как пылеуловитель, но и как высокоэффективную сушилку, позволяющую совмещать сушку с пылеулавливанием дисперсной фазы. Также впервые нами показано, что на базе аппарата ВЗП можно создать целую линейку эффективных multifunctional аппаратов (с регулируемой гидродинамикой), позволяющих совмещать в одном аппарате сушку с пылеулавливанием, с грануляцией, с измельчением и/или классификацией дисперсной фазы и т.д. [1, 5, 9-11, 13-19].

Нами доказано, что существовавшие до нас традиционные способы оценки энергоэффективности аппаратов по балансовым соотношениям дают ошибку до 40% и не учитывают целый ряд статей расхода энергии.

Нами с Б.С. Сажиним разработан авторский метод расчёта эффективности на основании эксергетического анализа с формированием целевого критерия, названного нами «эксергетическим к.п.д.». Указанный метод позволяет не только выбирать наиболее эффективный гидродинамический режим (и аппарат для его осуществления), но и рассчитывать энергоэффективность (и обоснованность ресурсозатрат) для химико-технологических систем, включая уровень химических производств и уровень химических предприятий. За косвенный показатель гидродинамической эффективности аппарата можно принять коэффициент межфазной теплоотдачи α с учетом доли тепла, идущей на испарение влаги. Эта доля для активного гидродинамического режима должна быть достаточно большой, чтобы обеспечить экономичность процесса [1, 2, 5, 11-13].

Для практических оценок показателя гидродинамической обстановки из уравнений эксергетического баланса можно получить выражение, из которого методом подстановки можно определить численное значение среднего коэффициента теплоотдачи, характеризующего эффективность гидродинамического режима:

$$\overline{\alpha} \tau_n \overline{\Delta t} \eta = const \quad (1)$$

где $\overline{\alpha}$ - средний коэффициент теплоотдачи τ_n - необходимое время сушки; Δt - разность температур среды и материала; η - доля подведенного тепла, пошедшая на испарение влаги.

Выражение (1) следует использовать при оценке рационального выбора сушильного аппарата для конкретного материала. Зная принадлежность материала к определенной группе классификации, можно оценить необходимое время τ_n сушки его, а при выбранном аппарате -

приближенно среднюю величину Δt_n . Если произведение $\overline{\alpha} \tau_n \cdot \Delta t_n$ больше рациональной величины, значит средний коэффициент теплоотдачи $\overline{\alpha}$ выбран завышенным, т.е. для данного материала столь высокий уровень скоростей в аппарате экономически нецелесообразен и более активным для него будет режим с меньшим уровнем скоростей газа; если произведение $\overline{\alpha} \tau_n \cdot \Delta t_n$ меньше рациональной величины, то уровень скоростей газа в аппарате для данного материала недостаточен, и дальнейшая активизация гидродинамического режима связана с повышением уровня скорости газа (разумеется, до определенного предела, когда рассматриваемое произведение будет соответствовать рациональной величине).

Инженерная практика и полученные результаты эксергетического анализа работы промышленного теплоиспользующего оборудования подтвердили востребованность и перспективность предложенного нами метода оценки гидродинамического режима с использованием эксергетического к.п.д. (или коэффициента полезного действия). Очевидно, интенсификация процессов тепломассопереноса за счет активизации гидродинамического режима в аппарате сопровождается ростом энергетических затрат. Это обусловлено, прежде всего, ростом гидравлического сопротивления аппарата. Кроме того, активизация гидродинамической обстановки в аппарате сопровождается увеличением термодинамических потерь от необратимости процессов тепломассопереноса. В связи с этим необходимо сопоставлять полезный эффект, получаемый в результате использования активных гидродинамических режимов, с затратами на их реализацию. В качестве показателя, характеризующего термодинамическую эффективность используемых методов оптимизации гидродинамической обстановки в аппарате (в рамках технологической задачи и сообразуясь с характеристиками высушиваемого материала), целесообразно использовать отношение эксергетических коэффициентов полезного действия до и после внедрения указанных методов. В этом случае оптимальным (применительно к конкретному материалу и аппаратурному оформлению) следует считать гидродинамический режим, для которого указанный показатель достигает наибольшего значения.

Предложенный нами с Б.С. Сажиным термодинамический показатель эффективности (оптимальности) гидродинамического режима сушильных установок позволяет одновременно оценить и экологическую чистоту этих установок. Так эксергетический коэффициент полезного действия (КПД) характеризует долю всех непроизводительных материальных и энергетических затрат, в том числе и тепловых выбросов в окружающую среду с уходящими из установки материальными потоками. Таким образом, эксергетический КПД является комплексным показателем для оценки гидродинамического режима и степени загрязнения окружающей среды тепловыми выбросами [2, 5. 14-19].

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