

COUNTING SETS WITH EXCEPTIONS

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Abstract. Let $S \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ be a set of integers, $S_x \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} S \cap [0, x]$, $X \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \#S_x$ and let $\tilde{S} \subseteq S$ be the “exceptional” set, $\tilde{S}_x \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \tilde{S} \cap [0, x]$, $E \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \#\tilde{S}_x$. An upper bound for the fraction of subsets of S_x having N elements and intersecting K times at least the set \tilde{S} is proved when $N, E, X \rightarrow \infty$.

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