

∞ Magnifying

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In [Winning Ways Volume 2](#) (pg. 334) they say

In many ways the games ∞ and $\pm\infty$ behave like enormously magnified versions of \uparrow and $*$

& give us an **infinitely magnifying operation** defined by

$$\int^{\mathbb{Z}} G = \left\{ \int^{\mathbb{Z}} G^L + n \mid \int^{\mathbb{Z}} G^R - n \right\}_{n=0,1,2,\dots}$$

As an example they also give:

$$\int^{\mathbb{Z}} * = \{ \mathbb{Z} \mid \mathbb{Z} \} = \pm\infty$$

Which reminds me of the function $* + n = \{n \mid n\}$..

After reading the affine games paper & then seeing the formula in my notes again, I got to thinking...

They essentially define $0 = \{-\infty \mid \infty\}$. No problems there. But they also define $\mathfrak{D} = \{\infty \mid -\infty\} = \pm\infty$. I don't have a *problem* with that. I just think \mathfrak{D} is, well.. *bigger* 🙄

Aside interval arithmetic & fuzzy numbers

It made me wonder if something like

$$\int^{\mathbb{O}n} * = \{ \mathbb{O}n \mid \mathbb{O}n \} = \pm\text{on}$$

would be valid.

I also wondered about this equation, because I find it rather aesthetic:

$$\int^{\mathfrak{D}} * = \{ \mathfrak{D} \mid \mathfrak{D} \} = \pm \mathfrak{D} = \mathfrak{D}$$

I might call this a *moon magnifying* operation & speculate that

$$\int^{\mathcal{D}} n = \mathcal{D} : \forall n$$

I was also trying to think about game analysis for projective games. I think chess endgames could be a good fit since loopy situations are possible. Also, affine theory defines *check games*. So it seems a rather natural setting.

Was playing around with some custom cases as well just for fun (1 x n boards w/ 2 kings).