

## Largeness of the Set of Finite Products in a Semigroup

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We investigate when the set of finite products of distinct terms of a sequence  $\langle x_n \rangle_{n=1}^\infty$  in a semigroup  $(S, \cdot)$  is large in any of several standard notions of largeness. These include *piecewise syndetic*, *central*, *syndetic*, *central\**, and *IP\**. In the case of a “nice” sequence in  $(S, \cdot) = (\mathbb{N}, +)$  one has that  $FS(\langle x_n \rangle_{n=1}^\infty)$  has any or all of the first three properties if and only if  $\{x_{n+1} - \sum_{t=1}^n x_t : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is bounded from above.