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**LARSON—MATH 750—CLASSROOM WORKSHEET 10**  
**Convolution, Zeta and Mobius**

For the poset  $\mathbb{P} = (X, \leq)$ , let  $\mathcal{F} = \{f : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\}$ . Then define the *Kronecker delta function*:

$$\delta(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = y \\ 0 & \text{if } x \neq y \end{cases}$$

and the *zeta function*:

$$\zeta(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \leq y \\ 0 & \text{if } x \not\leq y \end{cases}$$

So  $\delta, \zeta \in \mathcal{F}$ .

For functions  $f, g \in \mathcal{F}$  the *convolution product*  $f * g \in \mathcal{F}$  is:

$$\begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \not\leq y \\ \sum_{\{z: x \leq z \leq y\}} f(x, z)g(z, y) & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

Now let  $\mathcal{F}' = \{f \in \mathcal{F} : \forall y \in X f(y, y) \neq 0\}$ . This will be the *group of invertible functions* on  $\mathbb{P}$ .

For  $f \in \mathcal{F}'$  define  $g$  as follows:

$$g(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \neq y \\ \frac{1}{f(y, y)} & \text{if } x = y \\ -\frac{1}{f(y, y)} \sum_{\{z: x \leq z < y\}} g(x, z)f(z, y) & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

1. Let  $\mathbb{P} = (\mathcal{P}([3]), \subseteq)$  and let  $f = \zeta = \zeta_{\mathbb{P}}$ . Now make a table with the sets in  $\mathcal{P}([3])$  as the indices for the rows  $x$  and columns  $y$  with table entries,  $g(x, y)$ .

2. Now make a table of values for  $f * g$ .

3. And then make a table of values for  $g * f$ .

4. Let  $\mathbb{D} = ([10], |)$  and let  $f = \zeta = \zeta\mathbb{D}$ . Make a table with the sets in  $[10]$  as the indices for the rows  $x$  and columns  $y$  with table entries  $g(x, y)$ .

5. Now make a table of values for  $f * g$ .