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## Generalized Nonaveraging Integer Sequences

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Let the sequence S_m of nonnegative integers be generated by the following conditions: Set the first term a_0 = 0, and for all $k \backslash$ geq 0 , let a_k+1 be the least integer greater than a_k such that no element of $\left\{a \_0, \ldots, a \_k+1\right\}$ is the average of $m-1$ distinct other elements. Szekeres gave a closedform description of S_3 in 1936, and Layman provided a similar description for S_4 in 1999. We first find closed forms for some similar greedy sequences that avoid averages in terms not all the same. Then, we extend the closed-form description of S_m from the known cases when $m=3$ and $m=4$ to any integer $m$ Vgeq 3 . With the help of a computer, we also generalize this to sequences that avoid solutions to specific weighted averages in distinct terms. Finally, from the closed forms of these sequences, we find bounds for their growth rates.

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