## The Nagata Automorphism is Shifted Linearizable

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## Second subject: . . . and a conjecture that interests discrete mathematicians

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