1025-05-64Jeffrey Paul Wheeler* (jpwheelr@memphis.edu), Deptartment of Mathematical Sciences, The
University of Memphis, 3725 Norriswood Street, Memphis, TN 38152-3240. A Survey of the
Cauchy-Davenport Theorem and the Erdos-Heilbronn Conjecture.

The Cauchy-Davenport Theorem states that for nonempty subsets A and B of the integers mod p the sumset A + B has size at least min $\{|A| + |B| - 1, p\}$ where $A + B := \{a + b \mid a \in A, b \in B\}$. Similarly the Erdos-Heilbronn Conjecture states that A + B has size at least min $\{|A| + |B| - 3, p\}$ where $A + B := \{a + b \mod p \mid a \in A, b \in B \text{ and } a \neq b\}$. I will discuss the history of the problems, their extension to Abelian groups, and my recent work (with Paul Balister) extending the theorems to all finite groups. (Received January 12, 2007)