

*Partial Fraction Algorithm for MacMahon's
Partition Analysis
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Object of Study

Solving combinatorial problems in connection with system of linear Diophantine equations and inequalities. Several examples of applications are

- 1 Solving system of linear Diophantine equations and inequalities.
- 2 Counting lattice points in a rational convex polytope.
- 3 Computing certain Hilbert series.



MacMahon's Omega Operator

Definition

$$\Omega_{\geq} \sum_{s_1=-\infty}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{s_r=-\infty}^{\infty} A_{s_1, \dots, s_r} \lambda_1^{s_1} \cdots \lambda_r^{s_r} := \sum_{s_1=0}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{s_r=0}^{\infty} A_{s_1, \dots, s_r},$$

$$\Omega_{=} \sum_{s_1=-\infty}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{s_r=-\infty}^{\infty} A_{s_1, \dots, s_r} \lambda_1^{s_1} \cdots \lambda_r^{s_r} := A_{0, \dots, 0}.$$

Everything is treated analytically. The method relies on the **unique** Laurent series representations of rational functions.

Basic Idea by an Example 1/2

Problem: Find all nonnegative integral solutions to $a_1 + a_2 - a_3 = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{\substack{a_1, a_2, a_3 \geq 0 \\ a_1 + a_2 - a_3 = 0}} x^{a_1} y^{a_2} z^{a_3} \\
 = & \sum_{a_1, a_2, a_3 \geq 0} \stackrel{\Omega}{=} \lambda^{a_1 + a_2 - a_3} x^{a_1} y^{a_2} z^{a_3} \\
 = & \stackrel{\Omega}{=} \sum_{a_1 \geq 0} \lambda^{a_1} x^{a_1} \cdot \sum_{a_2 \geq 0} \lambda^{a_2} y^{a_2} \cdot \sum_{a_3 \geq 0} \lambda^{-a_3} z^{a_3}
 \end{aligned}$$



Basic Idea by an Example 2/2

Apply the formula for the sum of a geometric series:

$$= \Omega \frac{1}{(1 - \lambda x)(1 - \lambda y)(1 - z/\lambda)},$$

Eliminate λ using **Elliott's Reduction Procedure** to obtain

$$\frac{1}{(1 - xz)(1 - yz)}$$

If we set $x = t, y = t, z = t$, we will get the generating function for the number of the above solutions such that $a_1 + a_2 + a_3 = n$: $\frac{1}{(1 - t^2)^2}$

Definition of Iterated Laurent Series

Let K be a field. Define

$$K\langle\langle x_1 \rangle\rangle = K((x_1)) = \left\{ \sum_{n \geq N_0} a_n x_1^n \mid a_n \in K \right\}$$

to be the field of Laurent series in x_1 . Inductively define

$$K\langle\langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \rangle\rangle = K\langle\langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-1} \rangle\rangle((x_n)) = K((x_1)) \cdots ((x_n))$$

to be the field of iterated Laurent series in x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n .

An iterated Laurent series is firstly regarded as a Laurent series in x_n , and then (coefficients) regarded as Laurent series in x_{n-1} , and so on.



Total Order on Monomials

Equivalently, we defined a total order on the variables, or can be understood as $1 \gg x_1 \gg \cdots \gg x_n$. (Wilson, Stanley)

This total order is extended for all monomials:

For a monomial M , scan for the smallest variable in it, say x_i . Then

$$M = x_1^{k_1} \cdots x_i^{k_i} x_{i+1}^0 \cdots x_n^0.$$

① Set $M < 1$ if $k_i > 0$
 $M > 1$ if $k_i < 0$. For instance, $x_1 x_3^{-2} > 1$, $x_2^{-3} x_4 < 1$

② Set

$$M_1 < M_2 \Leftrightarrow M_1/M_2 < 1$$

Series Expansion

If M_2 is small then

$$\frac{1}{M_1 - M_2} = \frac{1}{M_1} \frac{1}{1 - M_2/M_1} = \sum_{n \geq 0} M_2^n / M_1^{n+1}.$$

If M_1 is small then

$$\frac{1}{M_1 - M_2} = -\frac{1}{M_2} \frac{1}{1 - M_1/M_2} = -\sum_{n \geq 0} M_1^n / M_2^{n+1}.$$

After fixing a total order on the variables, everything works formally when taking constant terms. This is guaranteed by:

Theorem (Fundamental Structure)

A series is an iterated Laurent series if and only if it has a well-ordered support.

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Take constant terms of a given Elliott rational function, i.e., a rational function whose denominator is written as a product of $M_1 - M_2$.

Elliott rational functions arise naturally in the study of Linear Diophantine system.

Such constant terms can be theoretically evaluated.

Theorem (Elliott)

The constant term of an Elliott rational functions is still Elliott rational.

The constant term in a set of variables can be taken iteratively.



Revisit an Example

Compute $\Omega = F$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 F &= \frac{\lambda}{(1-x\lambda)(1-y\lambda)(\lambda-z)} \\
 &= \frac{1/x}{(1-x\lambda)(1-y/x)(1/x-z)} + \frac{1/y}{(1-y\lambda)(1-x/y)(1/y-z)} \\
 &\quad + \frac{z}{(\lambda-z)(1-xy)(1-xz)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{where } \Omega \frac{1}{1-x\lambda} = 1, \Omega \frac{1}{1-y\lambda} = 1$$

$$\text{and } \Omega \frac{1}{\lambda-z} = \Omega \frac{1}{\lambda} \frac{1}{1-z/\lambda} = \Omega \sum_{n \geq 1} z^{n-1}/\lambda^n = 0.$$

The PT Operator Replacing MacMahon's Operator

Fix a working field $K\langle\langle\Lambda, \mathbf{x}\rangle\rangle := K\langle\langle\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r, x_1, \dots, x_n\rangle\rangle$.
 Define a new operator PT_λ to replace both Ω_{\geq} and $\Omega_{=}$:

$$\text{PT}_\lambda \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} a_m \lambda^m := \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} a_m \lambda^m.$$

MacMahon's operators can be realized as:

$$\Omega_{\geq} F(\Lambda, \mathbf{x}) = \text{PT}_\Lambda F(\Lambda, \mathbf{x}) \Big|_{\Lambda=(1, \dots, 1)},$$

$$\Omega_{=} F(\Lambda, \mathbf{x}) = \text{CT}_\Lambda F(\Lambda, \mathbf{x}) = \text{PT}_\Lambda F(\Lambda, \mathbf{x}) \Big|_{\Lambda=(0, \dots, 0)}.$$



Garsia's Notation

For $\Lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k)$, Garsia use

$$F \Big|_{\lambda_1^0 \dots \lambda_k^0} = \underset{\Lambda}{\text{CT}} F = \underset{=}{\Omega} F$$

and

$$F \Big|_{\lambda_1^{\geq} \dots \lambda_k^{\geq}} = \underset{\geq}{\Omega} F$$

Heart Problem

How to compute $\Omega = F(\Lambda, \mathbf{x})$ fast?

By iteration, we reduce the problem to the one variable case: evaluating $\text{PT}_\lambda F(\lambda)$ with

$$F(\lambda) = \frac{\text{polynomial}(\lambda)}{\prod_{1 \leq i \leq n} (\lambda^{j_i} - z_i)},$$

where $j_i \in \mathbb{P}$, and z_i 's are independent of λ . Note that z_i 's are allowed to be 0.

Find the PFD of $F(\lambda)$. Note that the idea of using PFD in this context was first used by Stanley (1974), but was thought to be impractical without using a computer.

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Suppose that the PFD of F is

$$F = f(\lambda) + \sum_{1 \leq s \leq n} \frac{p_s(\lambda)}{\lambda^{j_s} - z_s},$$

where $f(\lambda)$ is a polynomial in λ , and $p_s(\lambda)$ is a polynomial of degree less than j_s for each s . Then

$$\text{PT}_{\lambda} F = f(\lambda) + \sum_s \frac{p_s(\lambda)}{\lambda^{j_s} - z_s},$$

where the sum ranges over all s such that $\lambda^{j_s} < z_s$.

The Linear Factors Case is Simple

Suppose we are taking constant term in x_k of

$$F = \frac{p(x_k)}{x_k^d \prod_{i=1}^m (1 - x_k/\alpha_i)},$$

where $p(x_k)$ is a polynomial and α_i are independent of x_k . If F is proper in x_k , then we have the PFD with respect to x_k

$$F = \frac{p_1(x_k)}{x_k^d} + \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{1}{1 - x_k/\alpha_j} \left(\frac{p(x_k)}{x_k^d \prod_{i=1, i \neq j}^m (1 - x_k/\alpha_i)} \right) \Big|_{x_k=\alpha_j},$$

When taking constant term in x_k , we have

$$\text{CT}_{x_k} F = \sum_j (F (1 - x_k/\alpha_j)) \Big|_{x_k=\alpha_j},$$

where the sum ranges over all j such that x_k/α_j is small.

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To Obtain the Crude Generating Functions

Crude G.F. From the Matrix Form

Problem: Find all nonnegative integer solutions $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^n$ with $A\alpha = b$:

$$a_{1,1}\alpha_1 + a_{1,2}\alpha_2 + \cdots + a_{1,n}\alpha_n = b_1$$

$$a_{2,1}\alpha_1 + a_{2,2}\alpha_2 + \cdots + a_{2,n}\alpha_n = b_2$$

$$\dots\dots\dots = \dots$$

$$a_{r,1}\alpha_1 + a_{r,2}\alpha_2 + \cdots + a_{r,n}\alpha_n = b_r.$$

The generating function is the constant term of the crude generating function

$$\frac{\lambda_1^{-b_1} \cdots \lambda_r^{-b_r}}{\prod_{i=1}^n (1 - \lambda_1^{a_{1,i}} \lambda_2^{a_{2,i}} \cdots \lambda_r^{a_{r,i}} x_i)}.$$

However, many problems are easy to describe by equations.



To Obtain the Crude Generating Functions

From a System of Equations: An Example

Problem: Find all nonnegative integer $n \times n$ matrices (a_{ij}) with every row sum and column sum equal to r .

Use λ_i for the i th row equation, μ_j for the j th column equation. Use x_{ij} for a_{ij} , and use t for r . For example, the i th row equation is

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$$\prod_{i,j=1}^n \frac{1}{1 - x_{ij} \lambda_i \mu_j} \times \frac{1}{1 - t / (\lambda_1 \cdots \lambda_n \mu_1 \cdots \mu_n)}.$$

Understood as: The a_{ij} only appears in the λ_i and μ_j equations with coefficients 1. The r appears in every equation, with coefficients -1 . Actually, we can set $\mu_n = 1$ since it is redundant.



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From a System of Equations: A Complicated Example

Problem: Find all labelings on the vertices of a k dimensional cube, such that the labels on every facet sum to r .

The vertices of the cube is identified by 01 sequences $w = w_1 \cdots w_k$.

A facet is either $\{w_1 \cdots w_k \mid w_i = 0\}$ or $\{w_1 \cdots w_k \mid w_j = 1\}$. Index them by $\lambda_i^{(0)}$ and $\lambda_j^{(1)}$ respectively. For example, the equation for the $\lambda_i^{(0)}$ is

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Of course, one can set $\lambda_2^{(1)}, \dots, \lambda_k^{(1)}$ all equal to 1, since they are redundant.



The Set Up for Evaluating Constant Term

Our Goal: evaluate the constant term in a set of variables of a crude G.F.:

$$F = \frac{P}{(1 - m_1)(1 - m_2) \cdots (1 - m_n)},$$

where P is a Laurent polynomial, and m_i are monomials.

- ① First choose an order of the variables compatible with our problem.
There may be many choices!
- ② Choose a variable and eliminate, but do NOT combine the result.
- ③ For each term obtained, choose another variable and eliminate.
- ④ It is NOT a good strategy to decide before hand in with order the variables are to be eliminated.

The choice of the variable for elimination is guided by the following ...

For the One Variable Linear Factors Case

We often meet rational function of the form:

$$F(\lambda) = \frac{P(\lambda)}{\prod_{i=1}^n (1 - (\lambda/m_i)^{e_i})} \quad (\text{with } e_i = \pm 1).$$

Lemma

Suppose the above F is proper in λ and $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} F(\lambda) = 0$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{CT}_{\lambda} F(\lambda) &= \sum_{\lambda/m_i < 1} e_i (F(\lambda)(1 - (\lambda/m_j)^{e_i})) \Big|_{\lambda=m_i} \\ &= - \sum_{\lambda/m_i > 1} e_i (F(\lambda)(1 - (\lambda/m_j)^{e_i})) \Big|_{\lambda=m_i} \end{aligned}$$

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A denominator factor $1 - (\lambda/m_i)^{e_i}$ is said to be **contributing** if $\lambda/m_i < 1$ and to be **dually contributing** if $\lambda/m_i > 1$.

Choosing the Variable for Elimination

Since for m_j with $m_j > 1$ we can write

$$\frac{1}{1 - m_j} = \frac{-\frac{1}{m_j}}{1 - \frac{1}{m_j}},$$

Our crude G.F. F can be written in *proper form*

$$F = P \times \prod_{m_i < 1} \frac{1}{1 - m_i}.$$

With respect to λ , $1 - m_i$ is contributing if $\deg_\lambda m_i > 0$, and is dually contributing if $\deg_\lambda m_i < 0$.

The variable we shall eliminate is the one that has the smallest number of contributing factors or dually contributing factors.



A Simple Example: Weak Magic Squares of Order 2

The Crude G.F. is

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Taking constant term in λ_2 gives

$$\frac{1}{(1 - t)^2} = \sum_{r \geq 0} (r + 1)t^r.$$



Magic Labeling of the Cube 1/4

The crude G.F. for the 3-dimensional case:

$$\frac{1}{(1 - \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \lambda_3)(1 - \lambda_1 \lambda_2)(1 - \lambda_1 \lambda_3)(1 - \lambda_1)} \times$$

$$\frac{1}{(1 - \mu_1 \lambda_2 \lambda_3)(1 - \mu_1 \lambda_2)(1 - \mu_1 \lambda_3)(1 - \mu_1)} \times \frac{1}{1 - \frac{t}{\lambda_1 \lambda_2 \lambda_3 \mu_1}}$$

Choose $t < \lambda_1 < \lambda_2 < \lambda_3 < \mu_1 < 1$. Eliminating μ_1 gives

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Magic Labeling of the Cube 2/4

Eliminating λ_3 gives a sum of two terms

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$$T2 = \frac{1}{(1 - \lambda_2)(1 - \lambda_1 \lambda_2)(1 - \lambda_1)(1 - t/\lambda_1)(1 - t)(1 - t/\lambda_1 \lambda_2)(1 - t/\lambda_2)}$$

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Magic Labeling of the Cube 3/4

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For $U2$ eliminating λ_1 gives our

$$out_2 = \frac{1}{(1 - 1/t)(1 - t)(1 - t)(1 - t)(1 - t^2)} = \frac{-t}{(1 - t)^4(1 - t^2)}$$

For $U1$ we can not apply our formula directly.

Magic Labeling of the Cube 4/4

Introduce a new variable z , that will be taken to 1.

$$U1 = \frac{1}{(1 - \lambda_1)(1 - \lambda_1/z)(1 - t/\lambda_1)(1 - t)(1 - t/\lambda_1)(1 - t)}$$

Eliminating λ_1 gives

$$\frac{1}{(1 - 1/z)(1 - t)^4} + \frac{1}{(1 - z)(1 - t/z)^2(1 - t)^2}$$

Combining and setting $z = 1$, we get our

$$out_3 = \frac{1 - t^2}{(1 - t)^6}.$$

Putting all the above together, we get the Final generating function

$$out_1 + out_2 + out_3 = \frac{1 + t^2}{(1 - t)^4(1 - t^2)}.$$

An Example From Invariant Theory 1/4

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Directly applying my algorithm gives no more than n simple terms for particular n . But the sum of these terms is not easy to be simplified.

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$$\frac{1}{1 - x_1 \cdots x_n} \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{(1 - qx_i)(1 - q/x_i)} \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \frac{1 - x_j/x_i}{(1 - qx_j/x_i)}$$

First, if we eliminate x_n, x_{n-1}, \dots successively, then we obtain only one term in each step! For instance, eliminating x_n gives

$$\frac{1}{(1 - x_1 \cdots x_{n-1}q)(1 - q^2)} \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} \frac{1}{(1 - qx_i)(1 - q/x_i)} \prod_{i < j}^{n-1} \frac{1 - x_j/x_i}{(1 - qx_j/x_i)} \times \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} \frac{1 - q/x_i}{1 - q^2/x_i}$$

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- 1 Omega package (Mathematica) by G. Andrews, P. Paule, A. Riese.
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- 4 LattE by J.A. De Loera, R. Hemmecke, R. Tanzer, R. Yoshida, based on Barvinok's work for lattice points in a convex rational polytope.

The End

Thank you!