

**Lattice Point Enumeration, Linear Extensions,
and the Theory of Partitions**

Happy Birthday, Tom!

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Linear Diophantine Enumeration

Given constraints:

$$\mathcal{C} : c_{i,0} + c_{i,1}\lambda_1 + c_{i,2}\lambda_2 + \dots + c_{i,n}\lambda_n \geq 0; \quad 1 \leq i \leq r$$

$S_{\mathcal{C}}$: nonnegative integer solutions : $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n)$

$$F_{S_{\mathcal{C}}}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{\lambda \in S_{\mathcal{C}}} x_1^{\lambda_1} x_2^{\lambda_2} \dots x_n^{\lambda_n}$$

Generating function of $S_{\mathcal{C}}$:

$$F_{S_{\mathcal{C}}}(q) = F_{S_{\mathcal{C}}}(q, q, \dots, q) = \sum_{\lambda \in S_{\mathcal{C}}} q^{|\lambda|}$$

where $|\lambda| = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \dots + \lambda_n$ is the **weight** of λ .

Coeff. of q^M is number of solutions of weight M

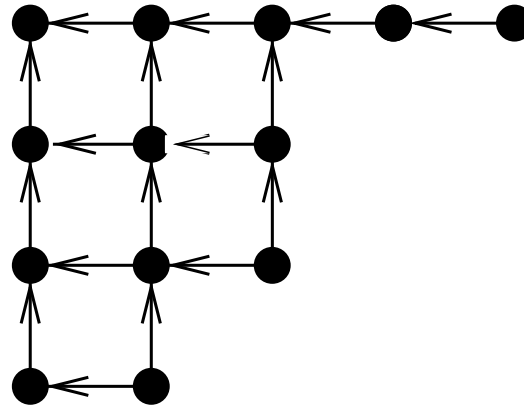
EXAMPLES

Let S be the set of nonnegative integer sequences $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3)$ satisfying

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda_1 - \lambda_2 - \lambda_3 &> 0 \\ \lambda_2 - \lambda_3 &\geq 0 \\ -\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + 2\lambda_3 &\geq 0\end{aligned}$$

$$F_S(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \frac{x_1^3 x_2 x_3}{(1 - x_1^3 x_2 x_3)(1 - x_1 x_2)(1 - x_1^2 x_2 x_3)}$$

Reverse Plane Partitions



Let S be the set of vertex labelings λ by nonnegative integers satisfying: $u \rightarrow v \implies \lambda_u \geq \lambda_v$

$F_S(q)$:

$$\frac{1}{(1 - q)^3 (1 - q^2)^3 (1 - q^3) (1 - q^4)^2 (1 - q^5)^2 (1 - q^7) (1 - q^8)}$$

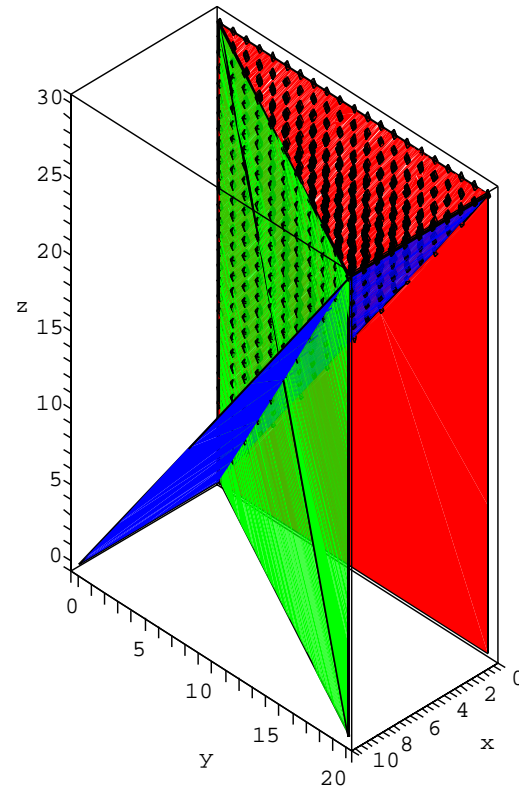
[MacMahon 1912]

\mathcal{C} :

$$\lambda_1 \geq \frac{3}{2}\lambda_2;$$

$$\lambda_2 \geq 2\lambda_3;$$

$$\lambda_2 \geq 0$$

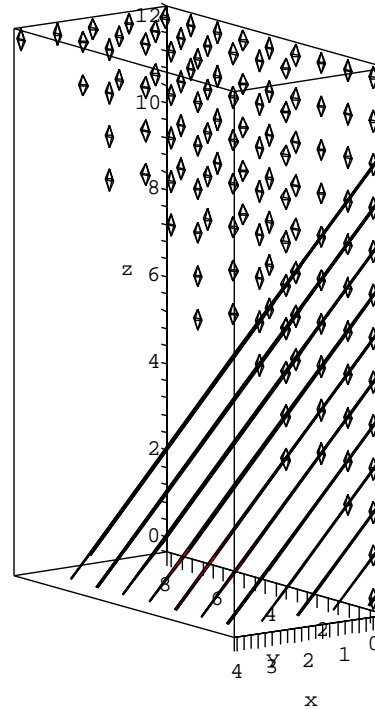


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$$F_S(q) = 1 + q + q^2 + 2q^3 + 2q^4 + 3q^5 + 4q^6 + 4q^7 + 5q^8 + 6q^9 + \dots$$

THEORIES

For simplicial cone defined by:

$$\mathcal{C} : c_{i,1}\lambda_1 + c_{i,2}\lambda_2 + \dots + c_{i,n}\lambda_n \geq 0; \quad 1 \leq i \leq n$$

\exists an $n \times n$ nonnegative integer matrix $B = [b_{ij}]$ s. t.

$$F_{S_{\mathcal{C}}}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \frac{p(x_1, \dots, x_n)}{\prod_{i=1}^n (1 - x_1^{b_{1i}} x_2^{b_{2i}} \dots x_n^{b_{ni}})}$$

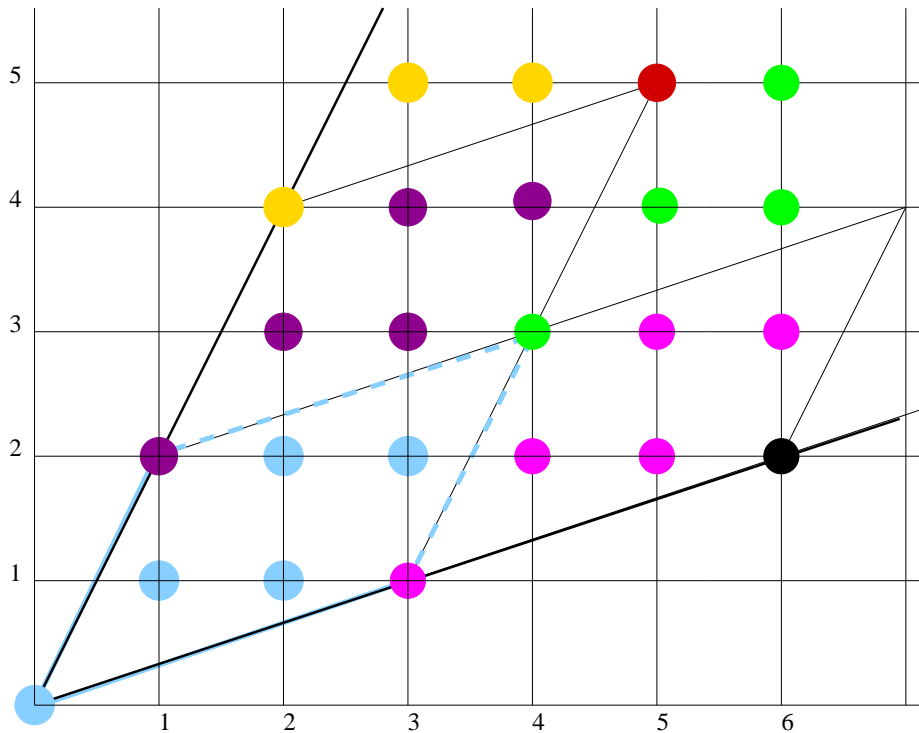
where $p(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ is a **polynomial** and

$$p(1, 1, \dots, 1) = \det(B)$$

For fixed n , $\det(B)$ can be exponential in the “size”

However, for fixed n , $F_{S_{\mathcal{C}}}$ admits a “short” representation, i.e. polynomial in problem size [Barvinok 1993].

Illustration: $2\lambda_1 - \lambda_2 \geq 0$; $-\lambda - 1 + 3\lambda_2 \geq 0$



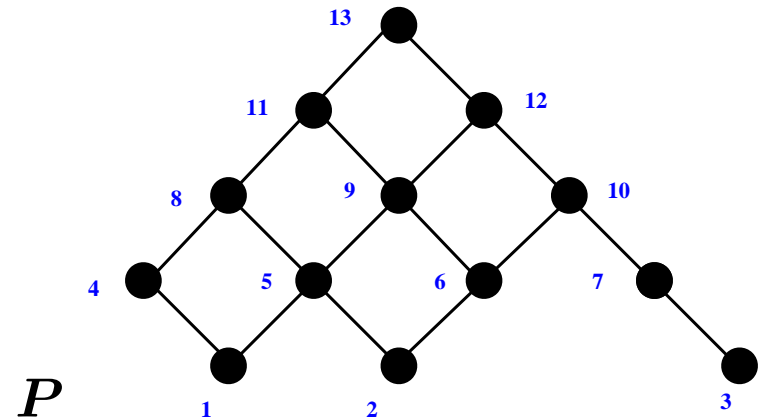
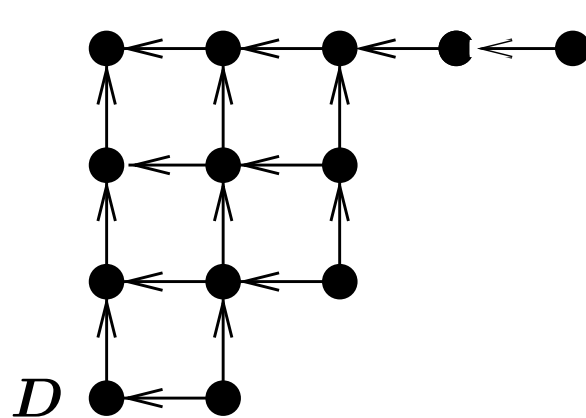
generators:

$[3, 1]$ $[1, 2]$

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = 5$$

$$F_S(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1 + x_1x_2 + x_1^2x_2 + x_1^2x_2^2 + x_3^3x_2^2}{(1 - x_1^3x_2)(1 - x_1x_2^2)}$$

- (1) Enumerating sequences S_D defined by digraph D to
- (2) Counting linear extensions of poset P defined by D



linear extension π :

descents: $3 \quad 7 \quad 2 \quad 6 \quad 10 \quad 1 \quad 5 \quad 4 \quad 9 \quad 8 \quad 12 \quad 11$

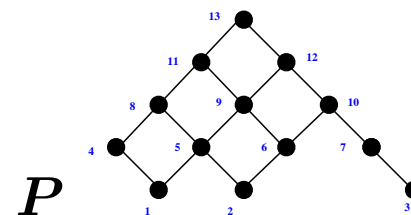
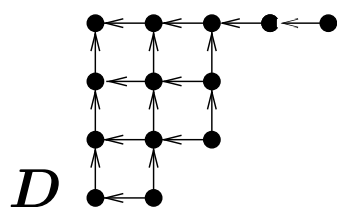
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2 + 5 + 7 + 9 + 11

$$maj(\pi) = 2 + 5 + 7 + 9 + 11 = 34$$

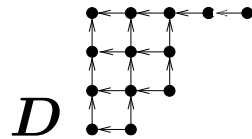
Stanley's P -partitions relates

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- (2) Counting linear extensions of poset P defined by D

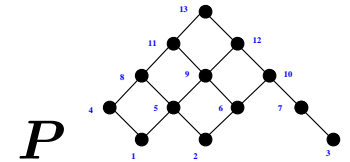


$$F_{S_D}(q) = \frac{\sum_{\pi \in L(P)} q^{\text{maj}(\pi)}}{(1-q)(1-q^2) \cdots (1-q^n)}$$

(But (2) is #P-complete [Brightwell, Winkler 1991])



So, to compute $|L(P)|$:



$$F_{S_D}(q)(1 - q)(1 - q^2) \cdots (1 - q^{13}) = \sum_{\pi \in L(P)} q^{maj(\pi)}$$

$$= \frac{(1 - q)(1 - q^2) \cdots (1 - q^{13})}{(1 - q)^3(1 - q^2)^3(1 - q^3)(1 - q^4)^2(1 - q^5)^2(1 - q^7)(1 - q^8)}$$

Take limit as $q \rightarrow 1$:

$$|L(P)| = \frac{13!}{1 * 1 * 1 * 2 * 2 * 2 * 3 * 4 * 4 * 5 * 5 * 7 * 8}$$

(the hook length formula [Frame, Robinson, Thrall 1954])

Partition Theory

Given a set B of positive integers, define $p_B(n)$ by

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p_B(n)q^n = \prod_{b \in B} \frac{1}{1 - q^b}$$

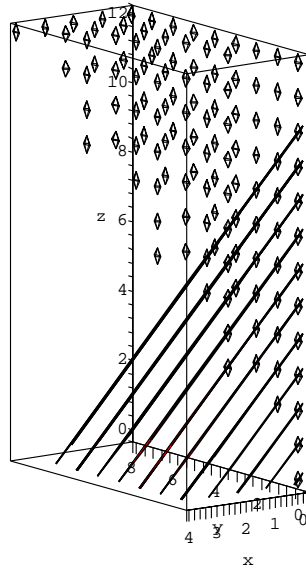
Then $p_B(n)$ is the number of partitions of the integer n into parts in B .

Example

$$\frac{1}{(1 - q)(1 - q^3)(1 - q^5)} = (1 + q + q^2 + \dots)(1 + q^3 + q^6 + \dots)(1 + q^5 + q^{10} + \dots)$$

$$= 1 + q + q^2 + 2q^3 + 2q^4 + 3q^5 + 4q^6 + 4q^7 + 5q^8 + 6q^9 + \dots$$

Recall and compare: $\lambda_1 \geq \frac{3}{2}\lambda_2$; $\lambda_2 \geq 2\lambda_3$; $\lambda_2 \geq 0$



$$\begin{aligned}
 F_S(q) &= 1 + q + q^2 + 2q^3 + 2q^4 + 3q^5 + 4q^6 + 4q^7 + 5q^8 + 6q^9 + \dots \\
 &= \frac{1}{(1-q)(1-q^3)(1-q^5)}
 \end{aligned}$$

SOFTWARE AND EXPERIMENTS

Software

LattE [De Loera, Haws, Hemmecke, Huggins, Tauzer, Yoshida]

- Code for **Lattice** point **E**numeration, among other things;
Runs on linux, uses Maple; can compute $F_{\mathcal{C}}(q)$, given linear constraints \mathcal{C} ; implements Barvinok; polynomial for fixed dim.

posets [Stembridge]

- Package of 40 Maple programs; can compute $F_{S_D}(q)$ for a digraph D , count/generate linear extensions of a poset P , many other things; polynomial in poset width

Omega Package [Andrews, Paule, Riese]

- Mathematica program, based on MacMahon's Partition Analysis; given linear constraints C , computes $F_C(x_1, \dots, x_n)$; exponential, but potential to exploit recursive structure

Integer-sided triangles: nonneg. $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3)$ satisfying

$$\lambda_i + \lambda_j \geq \lambda_k \quad \text{for all perms } ijk \text{ of } 123$$

Generalizations, experiments with Omega [Andrews, Paule, and Riese 2001]

We propose: given integer sequence (a_1, \dots, a_n) ,

$$\mathcal{C} : \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \lambda_{\pi(i)} \geq 0, \quad \text{all } \pi \in S_n$$

$$(\text{wlog } a_1 \leq a_2 \leq \dots \leq a_n)$$

Hard for Omega as a_i grow.

Hard for Omega and LattE as n grows ($n!$ constraints).

For **symmetrically constrained compositions**

$$\mathcal{C} : \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \lambda_{\pi(i)} \geq 0, \quad \text{all } \pi \in S_n$$

Theorem [Gessel, Lee, S 2008] if $\sum_{i=1}^n a_i = 1$,

$$F_{\mathcal{C}}(q) = \frac{\sum_{\pi \in S_n} \prod_{j \in D_{\pi}} q^{j-n \sum_{i=1}^j a_i}}{(1 - q^n) \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} (1 - q^{j-n \sum_{i=1}^j a_i})}.$$

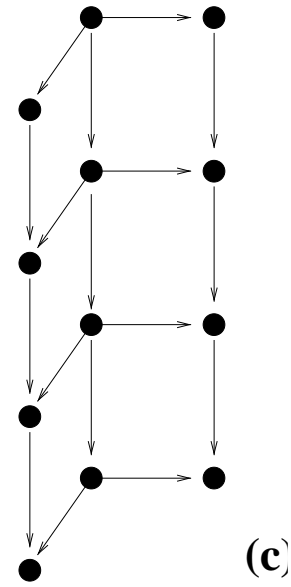
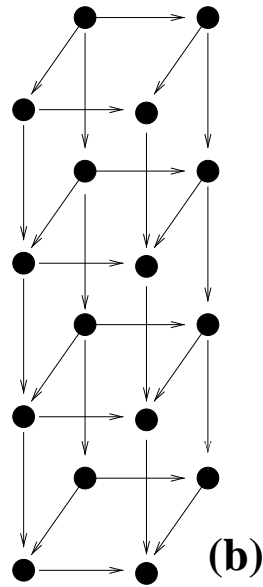
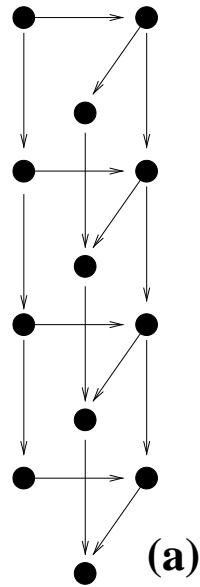
Can compute via dynamic programming.

For some a_i , can simplify using:

$$\sum_{\pi \in S_n} q^{maj(\pi)} x^{des(\pi)} = \prod_{i=0}^n (1 - xq^i) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} ([k+1]_q)^n x^k.$$

[Carlitz 1954]

[S. Singanallur] Linear extensions



(a) $2(3n)!/n!/(n+1)!/(n+2)!$

[$3 \times n$ plane partitions]

(b) $2 \times 2 \times n$ solid partitions

(c) $4^n(3n)!/(n+1)!/(2n+1)!$

[Kreweras 1965]

All hard for LattE and Omega as n grows.

$2 \times 2 \times n$ solid partitions [S. Singanallur]: **recurrence** for the generating function using partition analysis.

Still, “posets” package is **much** faster:

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>> 1    2x2x1    2
>> 2    2x2x2   48
>> 3    2x2x3  2452
>> 4    2x2x4  183958
>> 5    2x2x5  17454844
>> 6    2x2x6  1941406508
>> 7    2x2x7  242201554680
>> 8    2x2x8  32959299267334
>> 9    2x2x9  4801233680739724
>> 10   2x2x10 738810565910888784
>> 11   2x2x11 118929992674840615128
>> 12   2x2x12 19880920716640427983476
>> 13   2x2x13 3431624482227380273056728
>> 14   2x2x14 608880419873586515669564728
>> 15   2x2x15 110654016191338341346670548240
>> 16   2x2x16 20536574090713344110860752530646
>> 17   2x2x17 3882925024331174796857101684510428
>> 18   2x2x18 746410931448945012196513727291312844
>> 19   2x2x19 145626362670805760264809414243057616552
>> 20   2x2x20 28794547473359904233269297596817899967540
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Sequences constrained by the ratio of consecutive parts

$$\frac{\lambda_1}{a_1} \geq \frac{\lambda_2}{a_2} \geq \dots \geq \frac{\lambda_{n-1}}{a_{n-1}} \geq \frac{\lambda_n}{a_n} \geq 0$$

Recurrence [Corteel, S 2005]

→ $O(n \sum a_i)$ algorithm [Wong 2008]

Experiments [Iyer, Wong]

LattE shows exponential growth with n , even for, e.g.

$$\frac{\lambda_1}{1} \geq \frac{\lambda_2}{2} \geq \frac{\lambda_3}{1} \geq \frac{\lambda_4}{2} \geq \dots \geq 0$$

(Wong's algorithm is $O(n)$ in this case.)

RESULTS

Lecture Hall Partitions

$$L_n : \frac{\lambda_1}{n} \geq \frac{\lambda_2}{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \frac{\lambda_n}{1} \geq 0$$

LPE says:

$$F_{L_n}(q) = \frac{f(q)}{(1 - q^n)(1 - q^{n+(n-1)}) \dots (1 - q^{n+\dots+1})},$$

where $f(1) = (n - 1)!$

Lecture Hall Theorem [Bousquet-Mélou, Eriksson 1997]

$$F_{L_n}(q) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{1 - q^{2i-1}}$$

Slicing, truncating, “binomial essence” emerges:

$$L_{n,k}^{(j)} : \frac{\lambda_1}{n} \geq \frac{\lambda_2}{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \frac{\lambda_k}{n-k+1} \geq 0$$

Theorem [Corteel, S 2005, 2006]:

$$|L_{n,k}^{(j)}| = j^k \binom{n}{k}$$

$$L_{n,k}(q) = q^{\binom{k+1}{2}} \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \frac{(-q^{n-k+1}; q)_k}{(q^{2n-k+1}; q)_k}$$

where $(a; q)_n = \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} (1 - aq^i)$

Theorem [Corteel, S 2008]

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} q^{j(3j-1)/2} \frac{(q^2; q^6)_j}{(q; q)_{3j}} = \frac{1}{(q; q^3)_{\infty} (q^5; q^6)_{\infty}}$$

and

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} q^{j(3j+1)/2} \frac{(q^4; q^6)_j}{(q; q)_{3j+1}} = \frac{1}{(q^2; q^3)_{\infty} (q; q^6)_{\infty}}$$

Proof. Show both sides of first count λ satisfying

$$\frac{\lambda_1}{2} > \frac{\lambda_2}{1} > \frac{\lambda_3}{2} > \frac{\lambda_4}{1} > \dots$$

and both sides the second count λ satisfying

$$\frac{\lambda_1}{1} > \frac{\lambda_2}{2} > \frac{\lambda_3}{1} > \frac{\lambda_4}{2} > \dots .$$

Refinement

For λ satisfying

$$\frac{\lambda_1}{2} > \frac{\lambda_2}{1} > \frac{\lambda_3}{2} > \frac{\lambda_4}{1} > \dots$$

the generating function

$$F(x, y, x, y, \dots) = \sum_{\lambda} x^{(\lambda_1 + \lambda_3 + \dots)} y^{(\lambda_2 + \lambda_4 + \dots)}$$

computed in two different ways gives

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{j^2} y^{j(j-1)/2} (-x; x^2 y)_j}{(x^2; x^2 y)_j (x^2 y; x^2 y)_j} = \frac{1}{(x; x^2 y)_{\infty} (x^4 y; x^4 y^2)_{\infty}}$$

Euler's Partition Theorem:

The number of partitions of an integer N into **odd** parts is equal to the number of partitions of N into **distinct** parts.

Example: $N = 8$

Odd parts:

(7,1) (5,3) (5,1,1,1) (3,3,1,1) (3,1,1,1,1,1)
(1,1,1,1,1,1,1)

Distinct Parts:

(8) (7,1) (6,2) (5,3) (5,2,1) (4,3,1)

Euler's Partition Theorem:

The number of partitions of an integer N into **odd** parts is equal to the number of partitions of N into **distinct** parts.

This is $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty}$ (The Lecture Hall Theorem) since

$$\frac{\lambda_1}{n} \geq \frac{\lambda_2}{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \frac{\lambda_n}{1} \geq 0 \rightarrow \text{partitions into distinct parts}$$

and

$$\prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{1 - q^{2i-1}} \rightarrow \text{partitions into odd parts}$$

ℓ -sequences

For integer $\ell \geq 2$, define the sequence $\{a_n^{(\ell)}\}_{n \geq 1}$ by

$$a_n^{(\ell)} = \ell a_{n-1}^{(\ell)} - a_{n-2}^{(\ell)},$$

with initial conditions $a_1^{(\ell)} = 1$, $a_2^{(\ell)} = \ell$.

$$\{a_n^{(3)}\} = 1, 3, 8, 21, 55, 144, 377, \dots$$

$$\{a_n^{(2)}\} = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, \dots$$

The ℓ -Lecture Hall Theorem [BME 1997]: For ℓ -seq. a_i ,

$$L_n : \frac{\lambda_1}{a_n} \geq \frac{\lambda_2}{a_{n-1}} \geq \dots \geq \frac{\lambda_{n-1}}{a_2} \geq \frac{\lambda_n}{a_1} \geq 0$$

$$F_{L_n}(q) = \frac{1}{(1 - q^{a_0+a_1})(1 - q^{a_1+a_2})(1 - q^{a_2+a_3}) \dots (1 - q^{a_{n-1}+a_n})}$$

Taking limits gives:

The ℓ -Euler Theorem [BME 1997]: The number of partitions of an integer N into parts from the set

$$\{a_0 + a_1, a_1 + a_2, a_2 + a_3, \dots\}$$

is the same as the number of partitions of N in which the ratio of consec. parts is $> c_\ell = \frac{\ell + \sqrt{\ell^2 - 4}}{2}$.

Bijection for the ℓ -Euler Theorem [Yee,S 2008]

Given a partition μ into parts in

$$\{a_0 + a_1, a_1 + a_2, a_2 + a_3, \dots\}$$

construct $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots)$ by inserting the parts of μ in non-increasing order as follows:

To insert $a_{k-1} + a_k$ into $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots)$:

If $k = 1$, then add a_1 to λ_1 ;

otherwise, **if** $(\lambda_1 + a_k - a_{k-1}) > c_\ell(\lambda_2 + a_{k-1} - a_{k-2})$,
 add $a_k - a_{k-1}$ **to** λ_1 , **add** $a_{k-1} - a_{k-2}$ **to** λ_2 ;
 recursively insert $a_{k-2} + a_{k-1}$ **into** $(\lambda_3, \lambda_4, \dots)$

otherwise,

add a_k **to** λ_1 , and **add** a_{k-1} **to** λ_2 .