

# **Some remarks on characters of symmetric groups, Schur functions, Littlewood-Richardson and Kronecker coefficients**

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## Transition matrices

- $h_\mu(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_\lambda K_{\lambda\mu} s_\lambda(\mathbf{x})$  coefficients  $K_{\lambda\mu} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$
- $s_\lambda(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_\mu B_{\lambda\mu} h_\mu(\mathbf{x})$  where  $B = K'^{-1}$  with  $B_{\lambda\mu} \in \mathbb{Z}$
- Jacobi-Trudi:**  $s_\lambda(\mathbf{x}) = |h_{\lambda_i - i + j}(\mathbf{x})|$   
with  $h_0(\mathbf{x}) = 1$  and  $h_k(\mathbf{x}) = 0$  if  $k < 0$ .

# Schur function products and quotients

- Let  $\Lambda$  be the ring of symmetric functions of  $x_1, x_2, \dots$
- Basis of  $\Lambda$ : Schur functions  $s_\lambda$  for all partitions  $\lambda$
- Stability:  $s_\lambda(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = s_\lambda(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, 0, 0, \dots)$
- Product:  $s_\mu s_\nu = \sum_\lambda c_{\mu\nu}^\lambda s_\lambda$  **outer product**

**Littlewood-Richardson coefficients**  $c_{\lambda\mu}^\nu \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$

- Coproduct:  $\Delta : s_\lambda = \sum_{\mu, \nu} c_{\mu\nu}^\lambda s_\mu \otimes s_\nu$
- Skew Schur functions: **quotient**

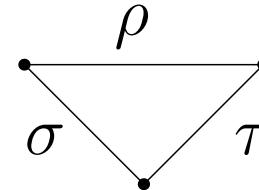
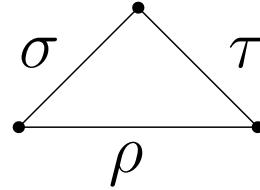
$$D_{s_\mu} s_\lambda = s_{\lambda/\mu} = \sum_\nu c_{\mu\nu}^\lambda s_\nu = |h_{\lambda_i - \mu_j - i + j}|$$

- Scalar product:  $(\cdot | \cdot)$  on  $\Lambda$  such that

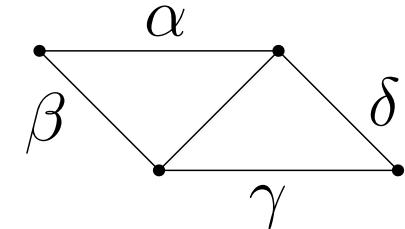
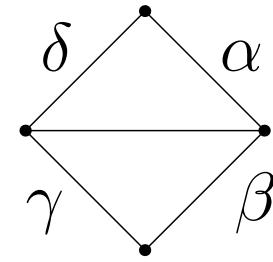
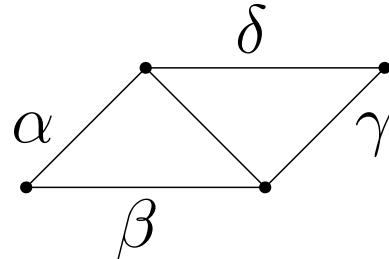
$$(s_\lambda | s_\mu) = \delta_{\lambda\mu} \quad \text{and} \quad c_{\lambda\mu}^\nu = (s_\nu | s_\lambda s_\mu) = (s_{\nu/\lambda} | s_\mu)$$

# Hive model for LR coefficients

- Knutson and Tao [1999], as described by Buch [2000], and adapted by Tollu, Toumazet and K [2006]
- An integer  $n$ -hive is a triangular graph with non-negative integer edge labels satisfying:
  - Elementary triangle condition:  $\sigma + \tau = \rho$



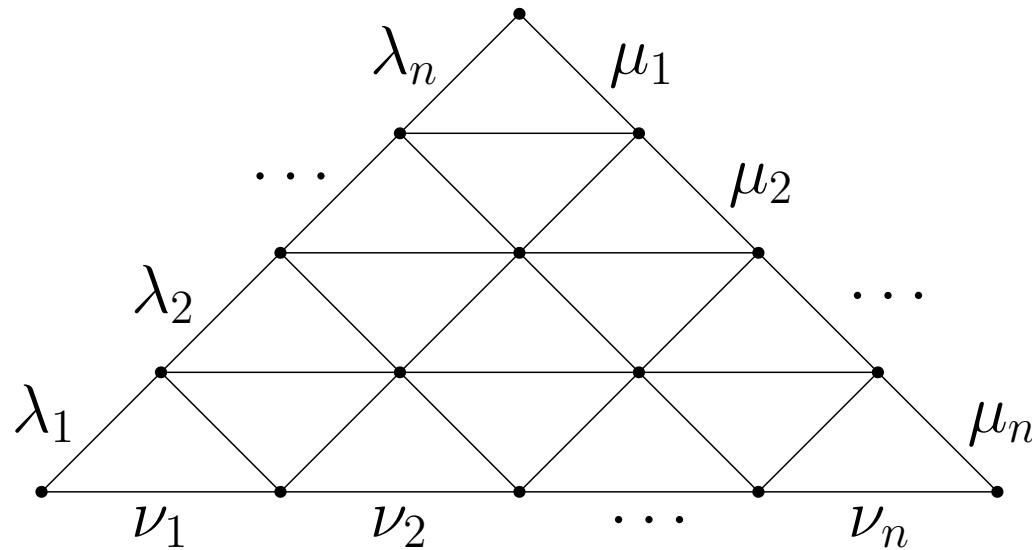
- Elementary rhombi condition:  $\alpha \geq \gamma$  and  $\beta \geq \delta$



- Note: The triangle condition implies  $\alpha + \delta = \beta + \gamma$ .

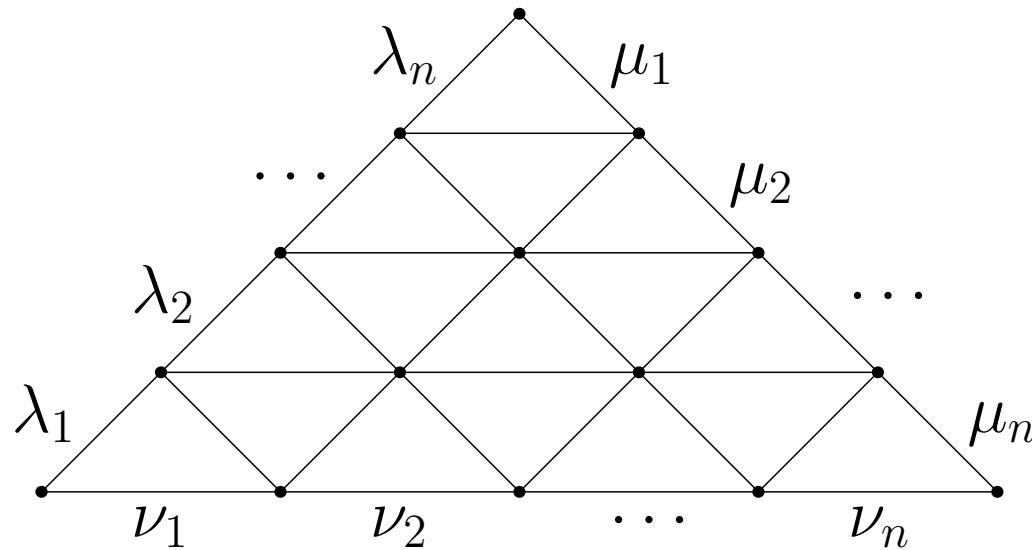
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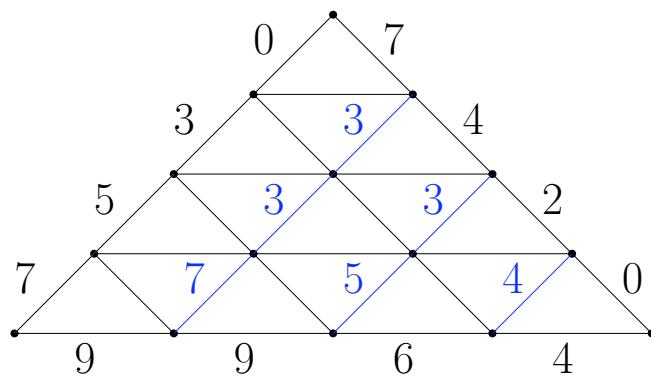
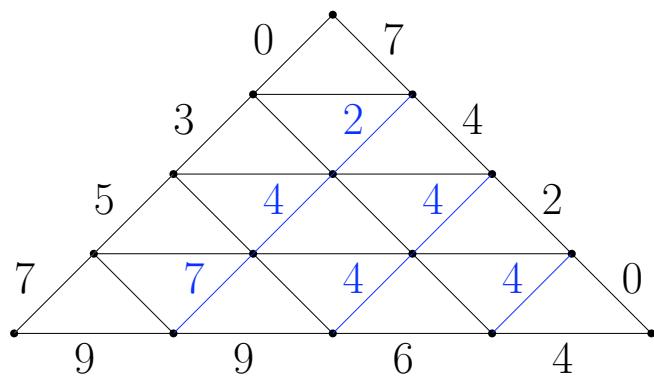
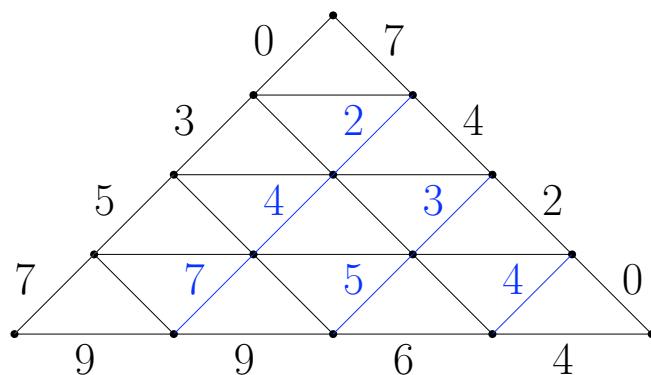
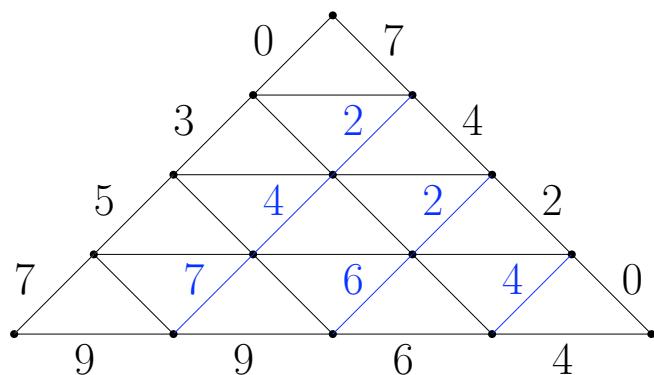
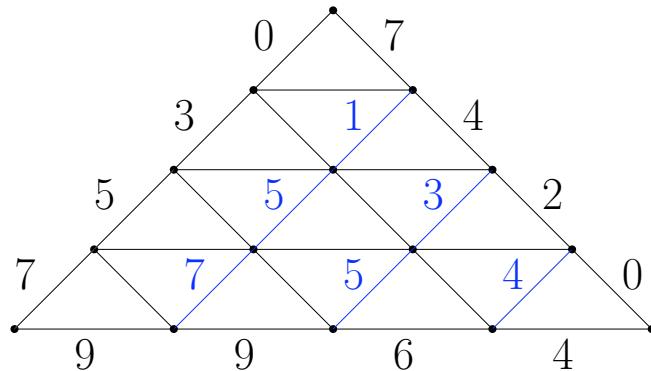
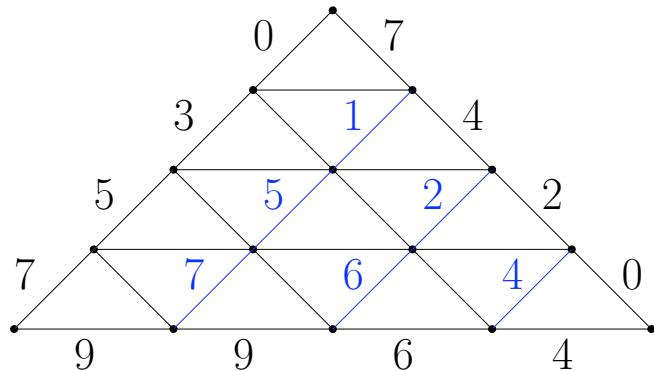
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**Theorem** The LR-coefficient  $c_{\lambda\mu}^{\nu}$  is the number of distinct LR  $n$ -hives with boundary labels determined by  $\lambda, \mu$  and  $\nu$ .

**Ex:**  $\lambda = (753)$ ,  $\mu = (742)$ ,  $\nu = (9964)$ ,  $c_{\lambda\mu}^{\nu} = 6$



**Note** The triangle condition fixes all other edge labels

# Stretched LR coefficients

- Partition  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n)$
- Stretching parameter  $t \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let  $t\lambda = (t\lambda_1, t\lambda_2, \dots, t\lambda_n)$ .
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$$G_{\lambda\mu}^\nu(z) = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} P_{\lambda\mu}^\nu(t) z^t = \frac{1 + 3z + z^2}{(1 - z)^3}.$$

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**Ex:**  $n = 7, \lambda = (433210), \mu = (432210), \nu = (7444321), c_{\lambda\mu}^\nu = 13$

$$P_{\lambda\mu}^\nu(t) = \frac{1}{10080} (t+1)(t+2)(t+3)(t+4)(t+5) \cdot (5t+21)(t^2+2t+4)$$

$$G_{\lambda\mu}^\nu(z) = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} P_{\lambda\mu}^\nu(t) z^t = \frac{1 + 4z + 12z^2 + 3z^3}{(1-z)^9}.$$

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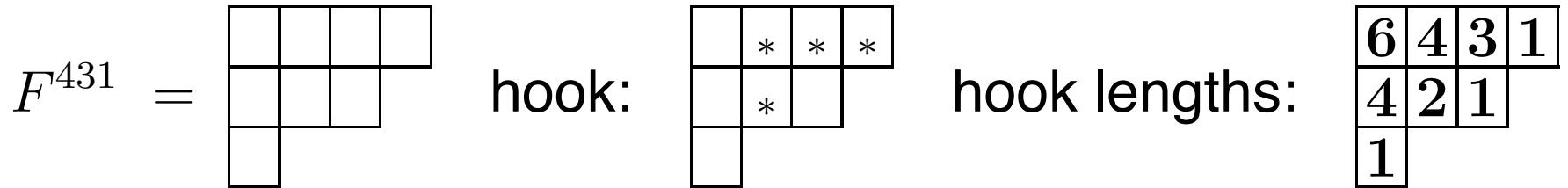
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**Ex.**  $n = 8, \lambda = (4, 3, 1), f_8^\lambda = 8!/(6.4.3.1.4.2.1.1) = 70.$



# $S_n$ character formulae

- Power sums:  $p_k = x_1^k + x_2^k + \cdots$  for  $k = 1, 2, \dots$
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Murnaghan-Nakayama  $\chi_\rho^\lambda = \sum_{\mu: \lambda/\mu = \xi} (-1)^{\text{row}(\xi)-1} \chi_{\rho \setminus k}^\mu$

- $\rho = (\dots, k^{\alpha_k}, \dots) \implies \rho \setminus k = (\dots, k^{\alpha_k-1}, \dots)$
- The sum is over those  $\mu$  for which  $\lambda/\mu$  is a continuous boundary strip  $\xi$  of  $k$  boxes occupying  $\text{row}(\xi)$  rows.

# Reduced notation - Murnaghan, 1938

Scharf and Thibon [1994]

- For  $\mu \vdash m$  let  $\langle \mu \rangle = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} s_{(n-m, \mu)} = \sigma_1 D_{\lambda_{-1}} s_\mu$ , then

$$\langle \mu \rangle = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \begin{vmatrix} h_{n-m-1+j} \\ h_{\mu_{i-1}-i+j} \end{vmatrix} = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}} h_k \sum_{j \geq 0} (-1)^j s_{\mu/1^j}$$

- Let  $\chi_\rho^{\langle \mu \rangle} = (\langle \mu \rangle | p_\rho)$  with  $\rho = (1^{\alpha_1}, 2^{\alpha_2}, \dots) \vdash n$ , then

$$\chi_\rho^{\langle \mu \rangle} = \chi_\rho^{(n-m, \mu)} = (\sigma_1 D_{\lambda_{-1}} s_\mu | p_\rho) = (D_{\lambda_{-1}} s_\mu | D_{\sigma_1} p_\rho)$$

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and  $D_{\sigma_1} p_\rho = \prod_{i \geq 1} (p_i + 1)^{\alpha_i}$

# Character polynomial - Frobenius, 1904

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Butler and K. [1973]

- Let  $f_n^{\langle \mu \rangle} = \chi_{1^n}^{\langle \mu \rangle} = \chi_{1^n}^{(n-m,\mu)} = f_n^{(n-m,\mu)}$ . Then

$$\chi_{\rho}^{\langle \mu \rangle} = \sum_{k \geq 0} \sum_{\kappa \vdash k} f_{\alpha_1}^{\langle \kappa \rangle} \sum_{\eta \vdash m-k} \chi_{\eta}^{\mu/\kappa} \prod_{i \geq 2} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_i \\ \gamma_i \end{pmatrix}$$

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# Example

- Character in case  $\langle \mu \rangle = \langle 3, 2, 1 \rangle$  with  $\rho = (1^{\alpha_1}, 2^{\alpha_2}, \dots)$

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- Note:  $|\mu| = 6$ ,  $F^{321} = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 5 & 3 & 1 \\ \hline 3 & 1 & \\ \hline 1 & & \\ \hline \end{array}$ ,  $H(\mu) = 5 \cdot 3 \cdot 1 \cdot 3 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 = 45$
- $f_n^{\langle 321 \rangle} = \frac{1}{45} n(n-1)(n-2)(n-4)(n-6)(n-8)$  with zeros at  $n = 0, 1, 2, 4, 6, 8$  determined by  $s_{(n-6,3,2,1)} = 0$
- $\chi_{\rho}^{\langle 321 \rangle}$  is a polynomial of degree 6 depending only on  $\alpha_1, \color{blue}{\alpha_3}, \color{red}{\alpha_5}$  with sums of indices  $\leq 6$

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- $s_{(n-m, \mu)} = \begin{vmatrix} h_{n-m-1+j} \\ h_{\mu_i-i-1+j} \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \begin{array}{l} n = m + \mu_i - i \\ \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, m \end{array}$

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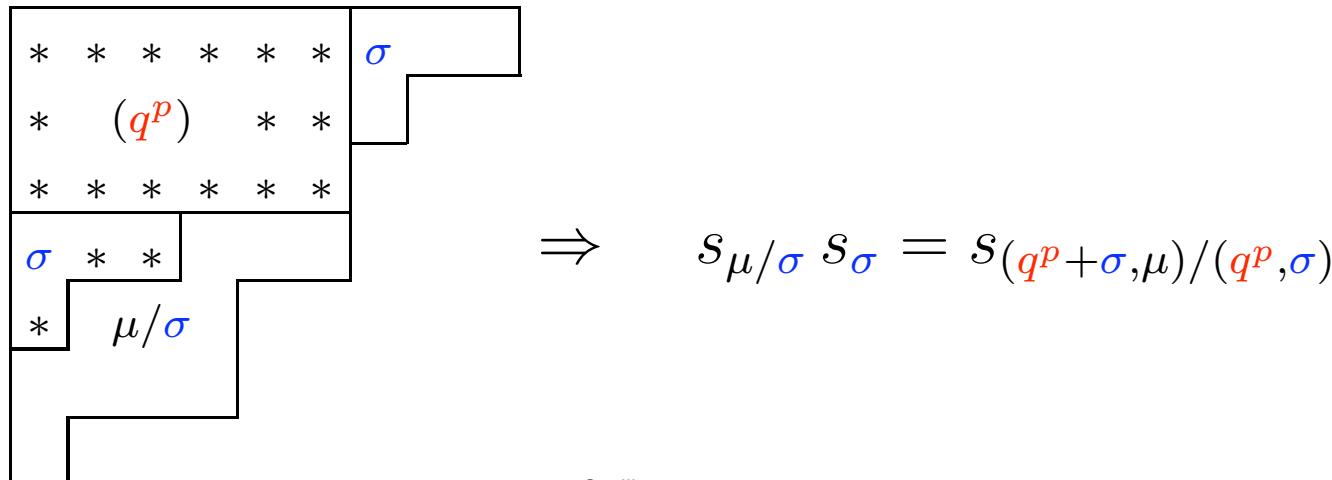
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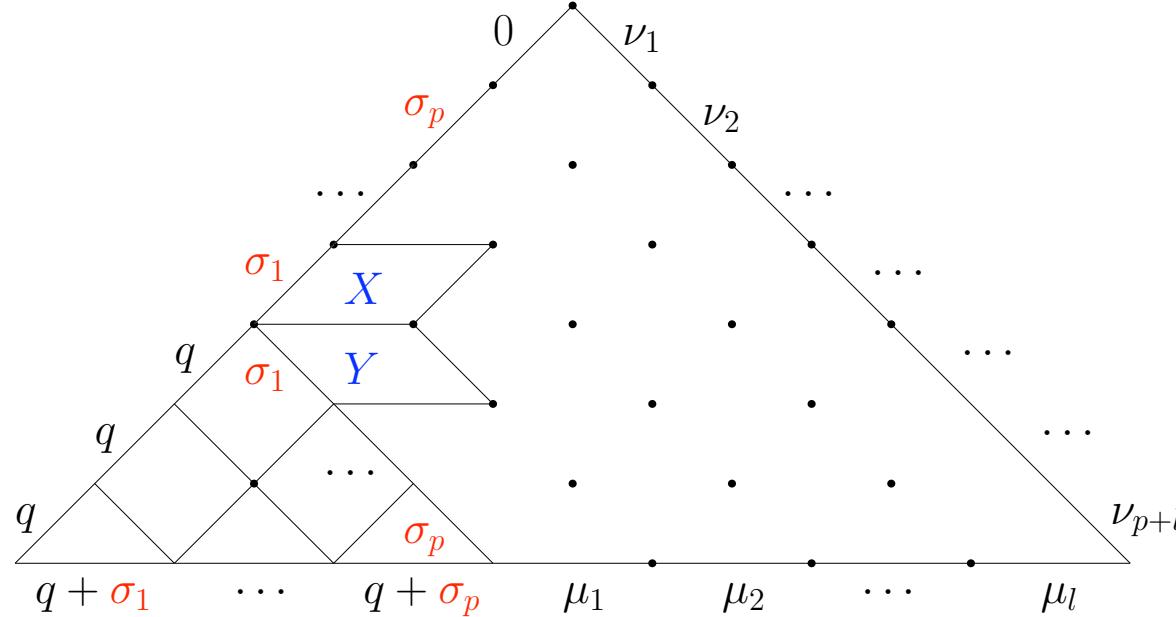
**Note:** for any  $q \geq \mu_1$



# Combinatorial model in case $\lambda = (n - p, p)$

Theorem [Ballantine and Orellana, 2006] expressed here in terms of hives

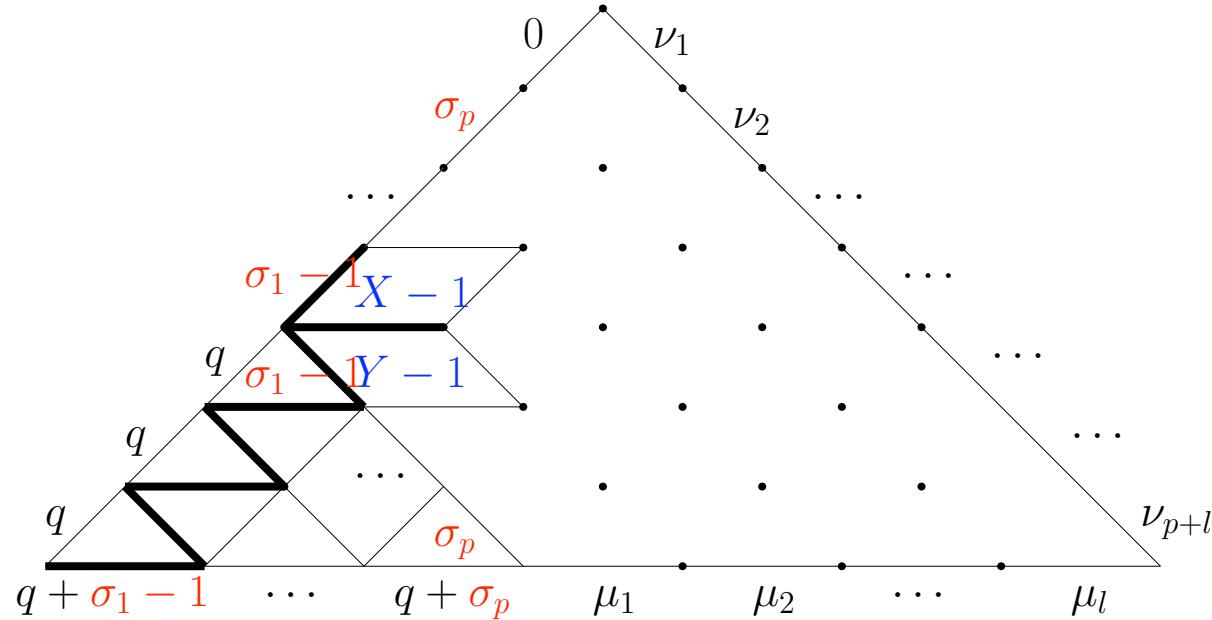
If  $\mu_1 \geq 2p - 1$  then  $g_{(n-p,p),\mu,\nu}$  is the number of hives with boundary as shown for all  $\sigma \vdash p$  with  $q = \mu_1$  and  $XY = 0$



This is a subset of the hives contributing to  $(s_{(q^p+\sigma,\mu)/(q^p,\sigma)} \mid s_\nu)$

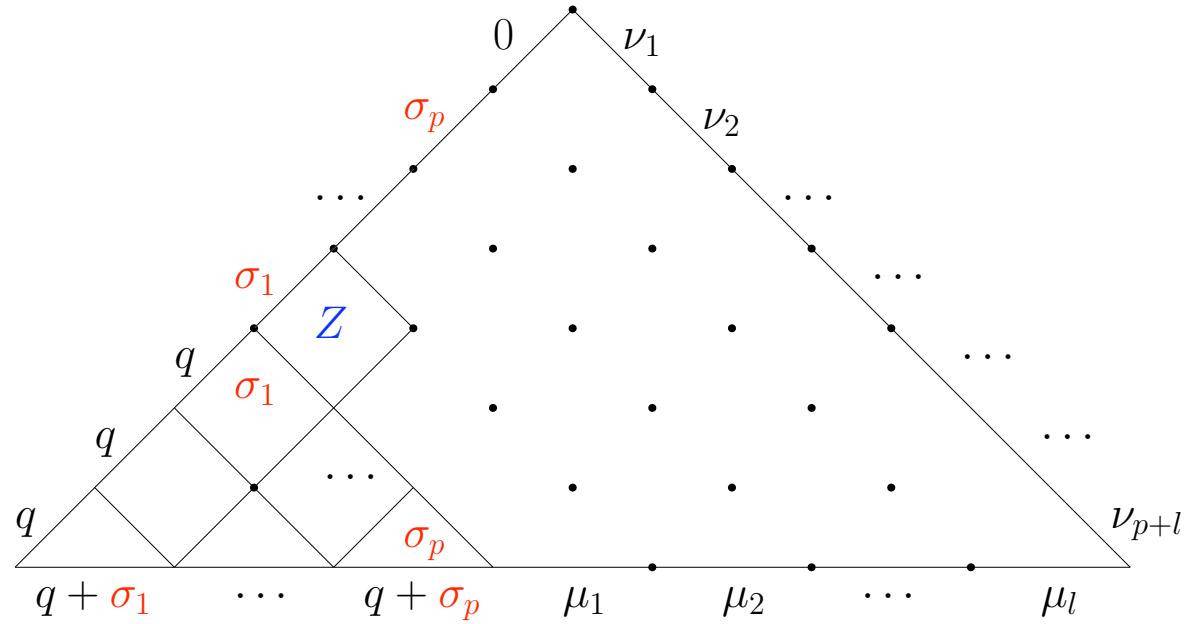
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- For given  $\sigma$  let  $\tau = (\sigma_1 - 1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_p)$
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- Under this map  $\psi : X \mapsto X - 1$  and  $\psi : Y \mapsto Y - 1$
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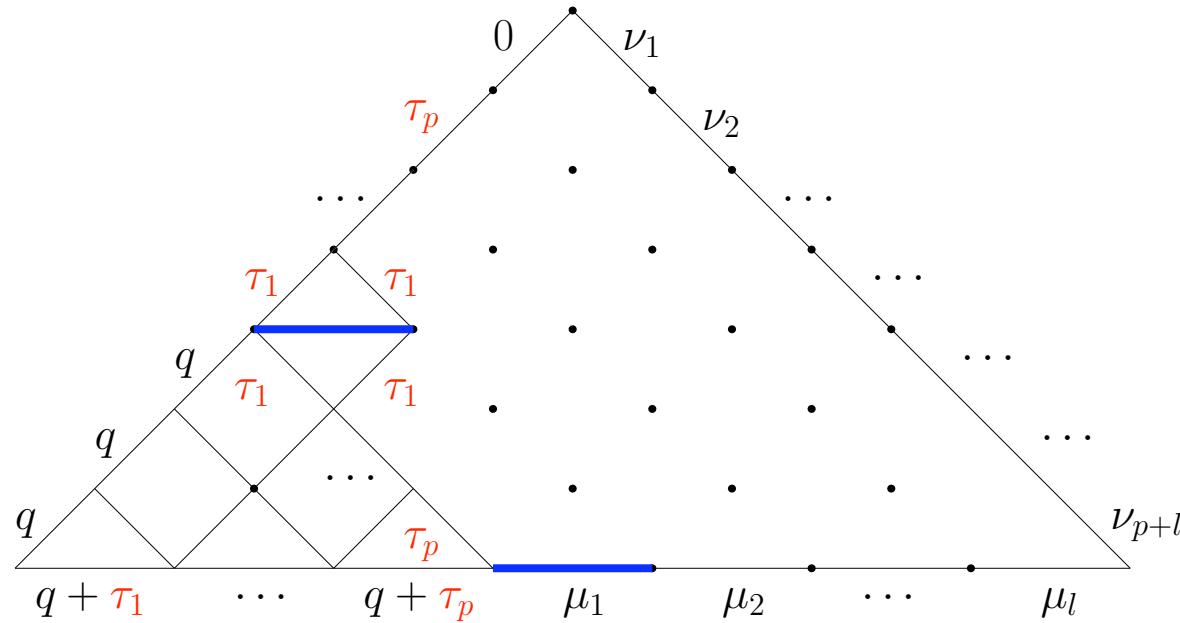
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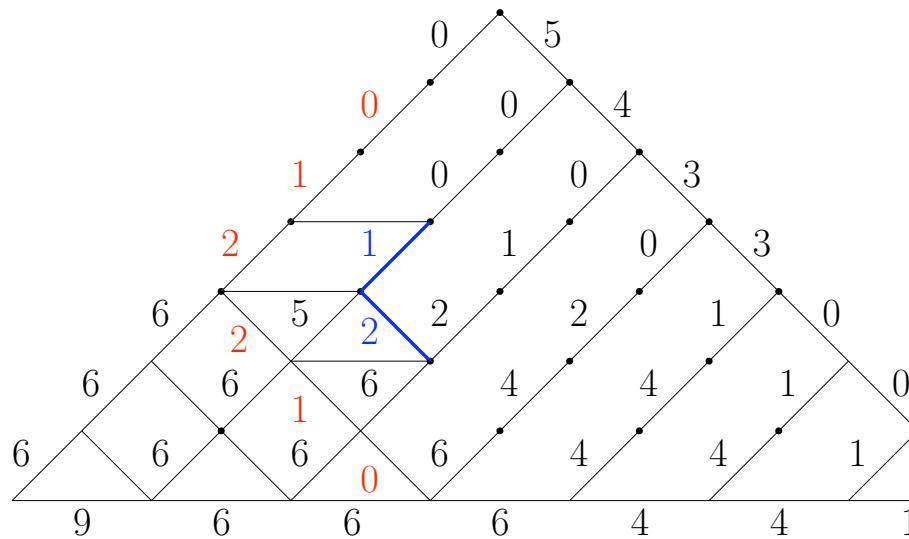
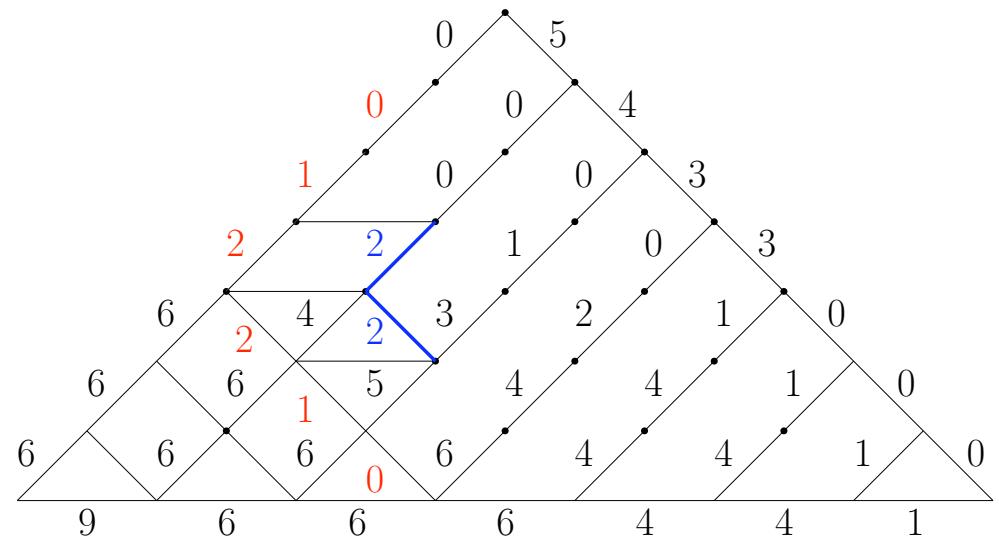
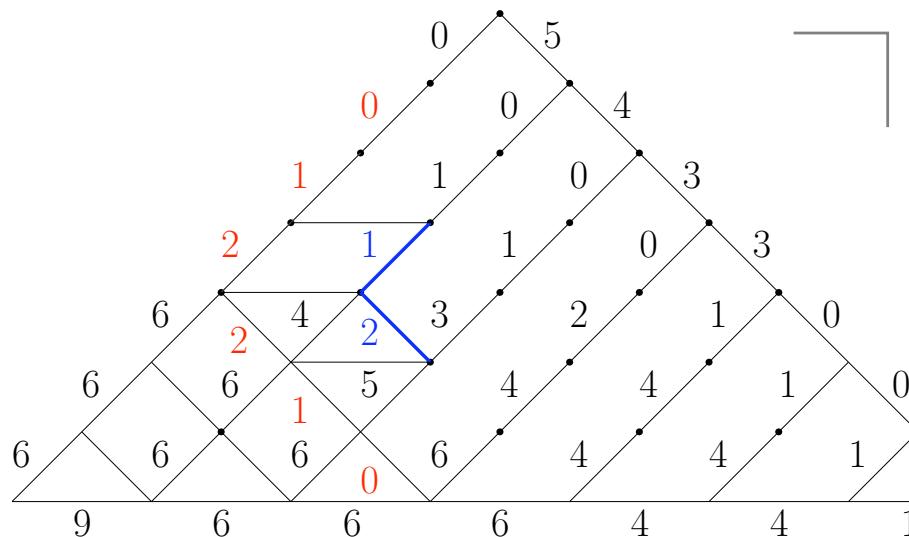
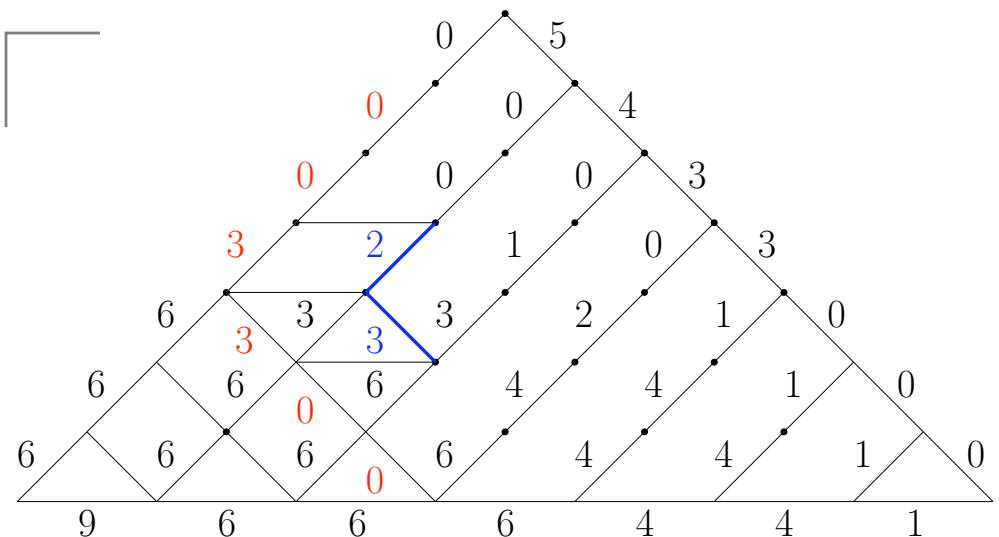


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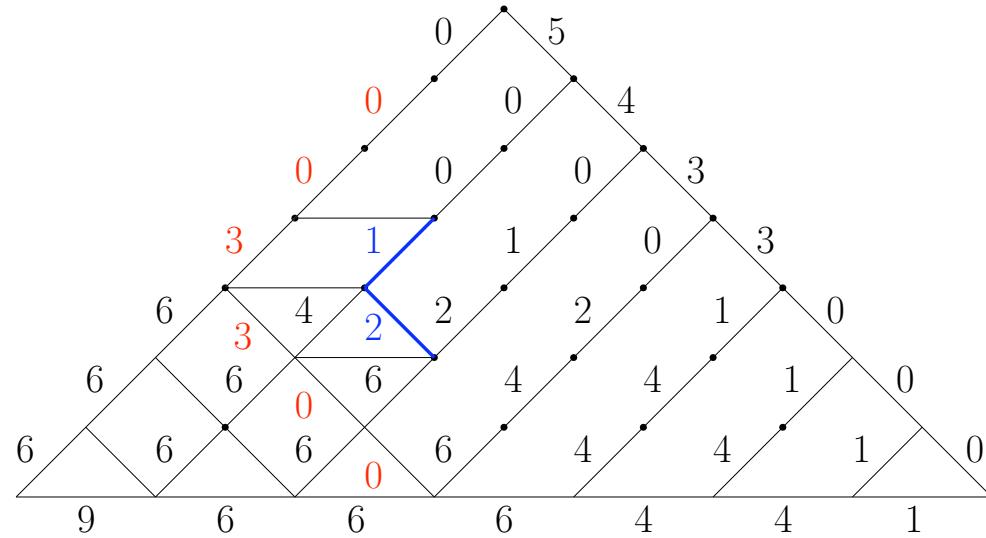


**Ex:**  $p = 3, q = 6, \lambda = (12, 3), \mu = (5433), \nu = (6441), g_{\lambda\mu}^{\nu} = 4$

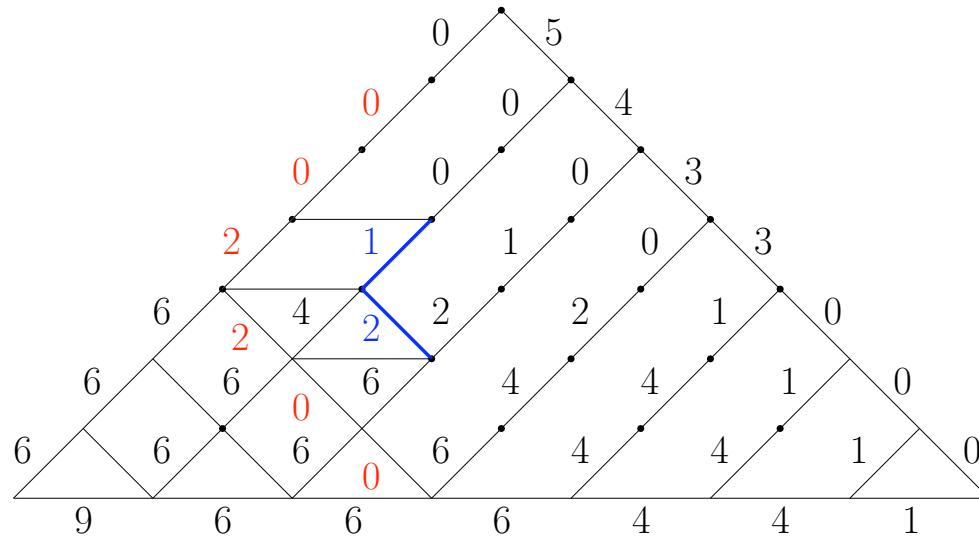


# Ex: $(3, 0, 0)$ -hive mapped to a $(2, 0, 0)$ -hive

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$$\langle \rho \rangle * \langle \sigma \rangle = \sum_\tau \bar{g}_{\rho\sigma}^\tau \langle \tau \rangle \quad \text{reduced inner product}$$

# Relation between non-reduced and reduced cases

**Theorem** [Briand, Orellana and Rosas, 2008]

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$$g_{\lambda\mu}^{\nu} = \sum_{i \geq 1} (-1)^{i-1} g_{\rho\sigma}^{\tau(i)}$$

where  $\tau(1) = \tau$

and  $\tau(i) = (n - t + 1, \tau_1 + 1, \dots, \tau_{i-2} + 1, \tau_i, \dots, \tau_n)$  for  $i \geq 2$

**Proof** Use reduced inner product and select all terms of weight  $n$  together with the modifications following from

$$s_{(n-t,\tau)} = \begin{vmatrix} s_{n-t-1+j} \\ s_{\tau_{i-1}-i+j} \end{vmatrix} \text{ and moving } i\text{th row to top}$$

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where the Kostka coefficient  $K_{\tau, (a,b,c)} =$

$$1 + \min_{\geq -1} \{ \tau_1 - \tau_2, \tau_2 - \tau_3, \tau_1 - a, \tau_1 - b, \tau_1 - c, a - \tau_3, b - \tau_3, c - \tau_3 \}$$

with

- $\min_{\geq -1} \{ \dots \} = \min \{ \dots \}$  if all arguments are  $\geq 0$
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**Ex 3:** Briand, Orellana and Rosas [2008]

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$$Q_{\lambda\mu}^{\nu}(t) = \begin{cases} = \frac{1}{4}(7t^2 + 6t + 4) & t \equiv 0 \pmod{2} \\ = \frac{1}{4}(7t^2 + 6t - 1) & t \equiv 1 \pmod{2} \end{cases}$$

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- By definition  $Q_{\lambda\mu}^\nu(t) = g_{t\lambda,t\mu}^{t\nu} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$
- Theorem [Mulmuley 2007]  $Q_{\lambda\mu}^\nu(t)$  is a quasi-polynomial in  $t$  of some quasi-period  $k$   
ie. there exist polynomials  $P_l(t)$  for  $l = 0, 1, \dots, k-1$  such that  $Q_{\lambda\mu}^\nu(t) = P_l(t)$  for all  $t \equiv l \pmod{k}$
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  - Ex 3:  $Q_{\lambda\mu}^\nu(1) = 0 \not\Rightarrow Q_{\lambda\mu}^\nu(t) = 0 \text{ for all } t \equiv 1 \pmod{k}$
  - Ex 3:  $P_1(1) = 0 \not\Rightarrow P_1(t) = 0 \text{ for all } t$

# Remarks on $Q_{\lambda\mu}^\nu(t)$

- **Observation** [Briand, Orellana,Rosas, 2008]  
 $Q_{\lambda\mu}^\nu(t)$  does **not** satisfy the **Positivity Hypothesis**  
ie. there exists  $\lambda, \mu, \nu$  and  $l$  such that at least one coefficient of  $P_l(t)$  is **negative**. cf. **Ex 3,4,5**
  - **Remark**  $Q_{\lambda\mu}^\nu(t)$  is **not** necessarily an **Ehrhart quasi-polynomial** since there exists  $\lambda, \mu, \nu$  such that
    - $Q_{\lambda\mu}^\nu(1) = 0 \not\Rightarrow Q_{\lambda\mu}^\nu(-1) = 0$  or more generally
    - $Q_{\lambda\mu}^\nu(m) \not\geq (-1)^d Q_{\lambda\mu}^\nu(-m) = 0$  for any  $m \geq 1$   
ie. a violation of **Ehrhart reciprocity**. cf. **Ex 3**
- In such cases  $Q_{\lambda\mu}^\nu(t)$  **cannot** count the number of integral points of any expanded rational convex polytope

$Q_{\lambda\mu}^\nu(t)$  with  $\lambda = (n - 1, 1)$  and  $\mu = \nu$

Cases with  $a > 0, a > b > 0$  and  $a > b > c > 0$  as appropriate for  $t = 0, 1, \dots, 12$

| $\mu = \nu$ | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7   | 8   | 9   | 10  | 11  | 12  |
|-------------|---|---|---|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| $a$         | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   |
| $aa$        | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0  | 1  | 0  | 1  | 0   | 1   | 0   | 1   | 0   | 1   |
| $ab$        | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2  | 3  | 3  | 4  | 4   | 5   | 5   | 6   | 6   | 7   |
| $aaa$       | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1  | 1  | 1  | 2  | 1   | 2   | 2   | 2   | 2   | 3   |
| $aab, abb$  | 1 | 1 | 3 | 4  | 7  | 9  | 14 | 17  | 24  | 29  | 38  | 45  | 57  |
| $abc$       | 1 | 2 | 6 | 12 | 24 | 42 | 72 | 114 | 177 | 262 | 380 | 534 | 738 |

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**Cases** with  $a > b > c > d > 0$  for  $t = 0, 1, \dots, 10$

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|-------------|---|---|----|----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|------|-------|
| $aaaa$      | 1 | 0 | 1  | 1  | 2   | 1   | 3   | 2    | 4    | 3    | 5     |
| $abbb$      | 1 | 1 | 3  | 5  | 9   | 13  | 22  | 30   | 45   | 61   | 85    |
| $aabb$      | 1 | 1 | 4  | 6  | 14  | 20  | 40  | 56   | 98   | 136  | 218   |
| $abcc$      | 1 | 2 | 7  | 16 | 38  | 77  | 157 | 291  | 533  | 922  | 1566  |
| $abcd$      | 1 | 3 | 12 | 36 | 102 | 258 | 616 | 1368 | 2892 | 5812 | 11220 |

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|-------------|---|---|----|----|-----|------|------|----|-----|-----|-----|
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| $abbbb$     | 1 | 1 | 3  | 5  | 10  | 15   | 26   | 38 | 60  | 85  | 125 |
| $aabbb$     | 1 | 1 | 4  | 7  | 16  | 27   | 54   | 88 | 158 | 253 | 421 |
| $abccc$     | 1 | 2 | 7  | 17 | 42  | 91   | 196  |    |     |     |     |
| $abbcc$     | 1 | 2 | 8  | 20 | 55  | 128  | 304  |    |     |     |     |
| $abcdd$     | 1 | 3 | 13 | 42 | 133 | 378  | 1029 |    |     |     |     |
| $abcde$     | 1 | 4 | 20 | 80 | 300 | 1020 |      |    |     |     |     |

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degree  $d = 5$ , quasi-period  $k = 6$ .

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**Ex:**  $\rho = (1)$ ,  $\sigma = (21)$ ,  $\nu = (21)$ ,  $\bar{g}_{1,21}^{21} = 2$ ,  $\overline{G}_{1,21}^{21}(t)$

$$\begin{aligned}&= \frac{1}{4320}(t+6)(3t^4 + 42t^3 + 238t^2 + 612t + 720) \quad t \equiv 0(\text{mod}6) \\&= \frac{1}{4320}(t+5)(3t^4 + 45t^3 + 265t^2 + 715t + 412) \quad t \equiv 1(\text{mod}6) \\&= \frac{1}{4320}(t+4)(3t^4 + 48t^3 + 298t^2 + 848t + 1000) \quad t \equiv 2(\text{mod}6) \\&= \frac{1}{4320}(t+3)(3t^4 + 51t^3 + 337t^2 + 1029t + 900) \quad t \equiv 3(\text{mod}6) \\&= \frac{1}{4320}(t+2)(3t^4 + 54t^3 + 382t^2 + 1276t + 1840) \quad t \equiv 4(\text{mod}6) \\&= \frac{1}{4320}(t+1)(t+4)(t+7)(3t^2 + 24t + 85) \quad t \equiv 5(\text{mod}6)\end{aligned}$$

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Alternatively,

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  - each  $a_i(t)$  has integer period
  - lowest common period  $k$
  - for all  $t \equiv m \pmod{k}$  all  $a_i(t)$  are constant and  $\overline{Q}_{\rho\sigma}^\tau(t)$  is a polynomial
  - **Conjecture** all  $a_i(t) \geq 0$
  - for some  $m$  and  $t \equiv -m \pmod{k}$   $\overline{Q}_{\rho\sigma}^\tau(t)$  contains factor  $(t + m)$  **Problem - predict which  $m$**
- **Ex.**  $\overline{Q}_{1,21}^{21}(t) = 0$  for  $t = -1, -2, -3, -4, -5, -6, -7$ .

# Data on $\overline{Q}_{1,\sigma}^\tau(t)$ with $a > b > 0$

| $\sigma = \tau$ | $N$      | $N * \overline{Q}_{1,\sigma}^\sigma(t)$   |
|-----------------|----------|---|
| $a$             | $1/2$    | $t$<br>$+ [2, 1]_2$   |
| $aa$            | $1/72$   | $t^3 + 12t^2$<br>$+ t [48, 39]_2$<br>$+ [72, 20, 64, 36, 56, 28]_6$                                     |
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| $aaa$           | $1/103680$      | $6t^5 + 225t^4 + 3160t^3 + t^2 [*]_2$ $+ t [*]_6 + [*]_{12}$   |
| $aab$           | $1/209018880$   | $2t^9 + 135t^8 + 4092t^7 + 72900t^6 + 845712t^5$ $+ t^4 [*]_2 + t^3 [*]_2 + t^2 [*]_2$ $+ t [*]_6 + [*]_{12}$  |
| $abc$           | $1/45984153600$ | $12t^{11} + 990t^{10} + 36740t^9 + 809325t^8$ $+ 11770176t^7 + 11897424t^6 + 85655328t^5$ $+ t^4 [*]_2 + t^3 [*]_2 + t^2 [*]_2$ $+ t [*]_6 + [*]_{12}$ |

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|-----------------|-------------|--|
| $aaaa$          | $1/1451520$ | $t^7 + 84t^6 + 2877t^5 + 51660t^4$<br>$+ t^3 [*]_2 + t^2 [*]_2$<br>$+ t [*]_{12} + [*]_{60}$ |

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| $\rho$ | $\sigma = \tau$ | $\overline{G}_{1,\sigma}^\tau(z)$  | $d$ | $k$ |
|--------|-----------------|--|-----|-----|
| 1      | $a$             | $1/(1-z)(1-z^2)$   | 1   | 2   |
| 1      | $aa$            | $1/(1-z)(1-z^2)^2(1-z^3)$  | 3   | 6   |
| 1      | $ab$            | $(1-z+z^2)$<br>$/(1-z)^3(1-z^2)^2(1-z^3)$                                    | 5   | 6   |
| 1      | $aaa$           | $1/(1-z)(1-z^2)^2(1-z^3)^2(1-z^4)$   | 5   | 12  |
| 1      | $abb$           | $(1-z+2z^3-z^5+z^6)$<br>$/(1-z)^3(1-z^2)^4(1-z^3)^2(1-z^4)$                  | 9   | 12  |
| 1      | $abc$           | $(1-z+z^2)(1-z+z^2+4z^3+z^4-z^5+z^6)$<br>$/(1-z)^5(1-z^2)^4(1-z^3)^2(1-z^4)$ | 11  | 12  |
| 1      | $aaaa$          | $1/(1-z)(1-z^2)^2(1-z^3)^2(1-z^4)^2(1-z^5)$                                  | 7   | 60  |

# Data on $\overline{G}_{6,5}^\tau(z)$ and $\overline{Q}_{6,5}^\tau(t)$

| $\tau$ | $\overline{G}_{6,5}^\tau(z)$       | $\overline{Q}_{6,5}^\tau(t)$ |
|--------|------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 11     | $1/(1 - z)$                        | 1                            |
| 10     | $1/(1 - z)(1 - z^2)$               | $(t + [2, 1]_2)/2$           |
| 9      | $1/(1 - z)^2$                      | $t + 1$                      |
| 8      | $(1 + z + z^2)/(1 - z)(1 - z^2)$   | $(3t + [2, 1]_2)/2$          |
| 7      | $(1 + z)/(1 - z)^2$                | $2t + 1$                     |
| 6      | $(1 + 2z + 2z^2)/(1 - z)(1 - z^2)$ | $(5t + [2, 1]_2)/2$          |
| 5      | $(1 + z)/(1 - z)^2$                | $2t + 1$                     |
| 4      | $1/(1 - z)$                        | 1                            |
| 3      | $1/(1 - z^2)$                      | $t + 1$                      |
| 2      | $1/(1 - z)(1 - z^2)$               | $(t + [2, 1]_2)$             |
| 1      | $1/(1 - z)$                        | 1                            |

# Data on $\overline{G}_{6,5}^\tau(z)$ and $\overline{Q}_{6,5}^\tau(t)$

| $\tau$ | $\overline{G}_{6,5}^\tau(z)$           | $\overline{Q}_{6,5}^\tau(t)$ |
|--------|--|------------------------------|
| 92     | $1/(1 - z)$                            | 1                            |
| 82     | $1/(1 - z)^2(1 - z^2)$                 | $(t^2 + 4t + [4, 3]_2)4$     |
| 72     | $(1 + z)/(1 - z)^3$                    | $t^2 + 2t + 1$               |
| 62     | $(1 + 3z + 4z^2)/((1 - z)^2(1 - z^2))$ | $(4t^2 + 5t + [2, 1]_2)/2$   |
| 52     | $(1 + 3z + 3z^2)/(1 - z)^3$            | $(5t^2 + 5t + 2)/2$          |
| 42     | $(1 + 2z + 4z^2)/((1 - z)^2(1 - z^2))$ | $(7t^2 + 8t + [4, 1]_2)/4$   |
| 32     | $(1 + z + z^2)/((1 - z)^2(1 - z^2))$   | $(3t^2 + 6t + [4, 1]_2)/4$   |
| 22     | $1/(1 - z)$                            | 1                            |

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| $\tau$ | $\overline{G}_{6,5}^\tau(z)$ | $\overline{Q}_{6,5}^\tau(t)$ |
|--------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 621    | $1/((1-z)^2(1-z^2))$         | $(t^2 + 4t + [4, 1]_2)/4$    |
| 531    | $1/(1-z)^3$                  | $(t^2 + 3t + [2, 1]_2)/2$    |
| 521    | $(1+z+z^2)/((1-z)^2(1-z^2))$ | $(3t^2 + 6t + [4, 1]_2)/4$   |
| 432    | $1/(1-z)$                    | 1                            |

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## Summary

- $\overline{Q}_{r,s}^\tau(t)$  all of degree  $\leq 2$  and quasi-period  $\leq 2$
- $\overline{Q}_{r,s}^\tau(t) = (At^2 + Bt + [4, C]_2)/4$  **Conjecture**  $A, B, C \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$
- $\overline{G}_{r,s}^\tau(z) = (1+pz+qz^2)/((1-z)^d(1-z^2)^{deg-d+1})$

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| 76                  | 85                  | 742                  | $(3t^2 + 4t + [4, 1]_2)/4$                   |
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## Example

- $\langle 6 \rangle * \langle 5 \rangle = \cdots + 4\langle 42 \rangle + 6\langle 52 \rangle + 5\langle 62 \rangle + 4\langle 72 \rangle + 2\langle 82 \rangle + \langle 92 \rangle + \cdots$
- $\langle 6 \rangle * \langle 42 \rangle = \cdots + 4\langle 5 \rangle + 6\langle 6 \rangle + \cdots + 2\langle 9 \rangle + \langle 10 \rangle + \cdots$
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- $\langle 6 \rangle * \langle 5 \rangle * \langle 42 \rangle = 4\langle 0 \rangle + 39\langle 1 \rangle + \cdots + 3\langle 15 \rangle + \cdots$
- $b = 6 + 9 = 5 + 10 = 6 + 9 = 15$