

MA 633 - Partition Theory - Tut. 4

① $|q| < |x| < 1$, $|q| < |y| < 1$.

$$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{1-yq^k} = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{y^k}{1-xq^k}.$$

Proof: We show the following:

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{1-yq^k} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{y^k}{1-xq^k} \rightarrow (*)$$

$$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{-1} \frac{x^k}{1-yq^k} = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{-1} \frac{y^k}{1-xq^k} \rightarrow (**)$$

Proof of $(*)$: $|yq^k| < 1$ for $k \geq 0$ since $|y| < 1$, $|q^k| < |q| < 1$ for $k \geq 1$!

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{1-yq^k} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^k \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (yq^k)^m$$

$$= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} y^m \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (xq^{km})^k$$

$$= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{y^m}{1-xq^m}$$

($\because |xq^m| < 1$).

This proves $(*)$.

Proof of ~~*)~~ :

$$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{-1} \frac{x^k}{1-yq^k} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^{-k}}{1-yq^{-k}}$$

$$= - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^{-k}}{yq^{-k}} \cdot \frac{1}{1-\frac{q^k}{y}}$$

$$= - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{q}{x}\right)^k \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{q^k}{y}\right)^m$$

$$|q^k| |q| < |y| < 1 \\ \text{for } k \geq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{q^k}{y} \right| < 1$$

$$= - \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{y^{m+1}} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{q^{m+1}}{x}\right)^k$$

$$= - \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{y^{m+1}} \frac{q^{m+1}/x}{1-q^{m+1}/x}$$

$$\left(\because \left| \frac{q^{m+1}}{x} \right| < 1 \right)$$

$$= - \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{\frac{q^m}{x}}{y^m \left(1 - \frac{q^m}{x}\right)} = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{y^{-m}}{\left(1 - xq^{-m}\right)}$$

$$= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{-1} \frac{y^k}{1-xq^k}$$

This proves ~~*)~~ & hence the result.

$$(2) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-q; q^2)_n}{(q^2; q^2)_n} q^{n(n+1)}.$$

Proof: From Cor. 37,

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n}{(q)_n} q^{n(n+1)/2} = (aq; q^2)_{\infty} (-q; q)_{\infty}$$

Replace q by q^2 , then let $a = -q$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-q; q^2)_n}{(q^2; q^2)_n} q^{n(n+1)} &= (-q \cdot q^2; q^4)_{\infty} (-q^2; q^2)_{\infty} \\ &= (-q^3; q^4)_{\infty} (-q^2; q^2)_{\infty} \\ &= (-q^3; q^4)_{\infty} (-q^2; q^4)_{\infty} (-q^4; q^4)_{\infty} \\ &= \frac{(-q; q^4)_{\infty} (-q^2; q^4)_{\infty} (-q^3; q^4)_{\infty} (-q^4; q^4)_{\infty}}{(-q; q^4)_{\infty}} \\ &= \frac{(-q; q)_{\infty}}{(-q; q^4)_{\infty}}. \end{aligned}$$

(3) $i, j \in \mathbb{N}$, let $y_i \neq y_j$ whenever $i \neq j$.
Then,

$$\textcircled{a} \quad \Omega \geq \frac{1}{(1-\lambda x)(1-\frac{y_1}{\lambda}) \cdots (1-\frac{y_j}{\lambda})}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1-x)(1-xy_1) \cdots (1-xy_j)}$$

Proof: Use induction on j .

(i) $j=1$: We have already proved

$$\Omega \geq \frac{1}{(1-\lambda x)(1-y_1/\lambda)} = \frac{1}{(1-x)(1-xy_1)}$$

(ii) Assume that

$$\Omega \geq \frac{1}{(1-\lambda x)(1-\frac{y_1}{\lambda}) \cdots (1-\frac{y_{j-1}}{\lambda})}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1-x)(1-xy_1) \cdots (1-xy_{j-1})}$$

(iii) Show that \textcircled{a} holds.

By partial fraction expansion,

$$\frac{1}{\left(1-\frac{y_{j-1}}{\lambda}\right)\left(1-\frac{y_j}{\lambda}\right)} = \frac{1}{y_{j-1}-y_j} \left(\frac{y_{j-1}}{1-\frac{y_{j-1}}{\lambda}} - \frac{y_j}{1-\frac{y_j}{\lambda}} \right)$$

$$\geq \frac{1}{(1-\lambda x) \left(1 - \frac{y_1}{\lambda}\right) \cdots \left(1 - \frac{y_{j-1}}{\lambda}\right) \left(1 - \frac{y_j}{\lambda}\right)}$$

$$\stackrel{y_{j-1} - y_j}{=} \left[\frac{y_{j-1}}{(1-\lambda x) \left(1 - \frac{y_1}{\lambda}\right) \cdots \left(1 - \frac{y_{j-1}}{\lambda}\right)} - \frac{y_j}{(1-\lambda x) \left(1 - \frac{y_1}{\lambda}\right) \cdots \left(1 - \frac{y_j}{\lambda}\right)} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{(y_{j-1} - y_j)} \left\{ \frac{y_{j-1}}{(1-x)(1-xy_1)\cdots(1-xy_{j-1})} - \frac{y_j}{(1-x)(1-xy_1)\cdots(1-xy_{j-2})(1-xy_j)} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1-x)(1-xy_1)\cdots(1-xy_{j-2})}$$

$$\times \left\{ \frac{1}{y_{j-1} - y_j} \left(\frac{y_{j-1}}{(1-xy_{j-1})} - \frac{y_j}{1-xy_j} \right) \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1-x)(1-xy_1)\cdots(1-xy_{j-2})(1-xy_{j-1})(1-xy_j)}$$



(b) Write $\frac{1}{(1-\lambda x)(1-\lambda y)}$
 as $\frac{1}{x-y} \left(\frac{x}{1-\lambda x} - \frac{y}{1-\lambda y} \right)$
 & proceed as before.

(c)
$$\frac{1}{\left(1 - \frac{z}{\lambda^2}\right)} = \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{z}}{\lambda}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\sqrt{z}}{\lambda}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \frac{\left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{z}}{\lambda}\right) + \left(1 - \frac{\sqrt{z}}{\lambda}\right)}{\left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{z}}{\lambda}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\sqrt{z}}{\lambda}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{1}{1 - \frac{\sqrt{z}}{\lambda}} + \frac{1}{1 + \frac{\sqrt{z}}{\lambda}} \right\}$$
 & then use part (b).

(4) $q_m^{(k, \ell)}(n)$ = number of partitions of n
 into m parts where each
 part differs from the next part by at
 least k and the smallest part $\geq \ell$.

Then
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} q_m^{(k, \ell)}(n) q^n = \frac{q^{\ell m + \frac{k m(m-1)}{2}}}{(q; q)_m}$$

Proof: If n_1, n_2, \dots, n_m are parts of a partition enumerated by $\mathcal{Q}_m^{(k, l)}(n)$, then $n_1 - n_2 \geq k, n_2 - n_3 \geq k, \dots, n_{m-1} - n_m \geq k, n_m \geq l$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{Q}_m^{(k, l)}(n) q^n \\
 &= \sum_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_m=0}^{\infty} q^{n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_m} \lambda_1^{n_1 - n_2 - k} \lambda_2^{n_2 - n_3 - k} \dots \lambda_{m-1}^{n_{m-1} - n_m - k} \lambda_m^{n_m - l} \\
 &= \sum_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_m=0}^{\infty} (q \lambda_1)^{n_1} \left(\frac{q \lambda_2}{\lambda_1} \right)^{n_2} \left(\frac{q \lambda_3}{\lambda_2} \right)^{n_3} \dots \left(\frac{q \lambda_{m-1}}{\lambda_{m-2}} \right)^{n_{m-1}} \left(\frac{q \lambda_m}{\lambda_{m-1}} \right)^{n_m} \\
 &\quad \times \lambda_1^{-k} \lambda_2^{-k} \dots \lambda_{m-1}^{-k} \lambda_m^{-l} \\
 &= \sum_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_m=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_1^{-k} \lambda_2^{-k} \dots \lambda_{m-1}^{-k} \lambda_m^{-l}}{(1 - q \lambda_1) (1 - \frac{q \lambda_2}{\lambda_1}) (1 - \frac{q \lambda_3}{\lambda_2}) \dots (1 - \frac{q \lambda_{m-1}}{\lambda_{m-2}}) (1 - \frac{q \lambda_m}{\lambda_{m-1}})}
 \end{aligned}$$

From Lemma 28,

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{-n}}{(1 - \lambda x)(1 - \frac{\lambda}{x})} = \frac{x^2}{(1 - x)(1 - xy)}$$

$$\text{So } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_1^{-n-k}}{(1 - q \lambda_1) (1 - \frac{q \lambda_2}{\lambda_1})} = \frac{q^k}{(1 - q) (1 - q^2 \lambda_2)}$$

$$\text{Similarly, } \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_2^{-k}}{(1-q^{2k}\lambda_2)(1-q^{2k}\frac{\lambda_3}{\lambda_2})}$$

$$= \frac{q^{2k}}{(1-q^{2k})(1-q^{2k}\lambda_3)}$$

& so on.

Hence

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} Q_m^{(k, l)}(n) q^n$$

$$= \frac{q^{k+2k+3k+\dots+(m-1)k}}{(1-q)(1-q^2)\dots(1-q^{m-1})}$$

$$\times \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_m^{-l}}{(1-q^m \lambda_m)}$$

$$= \frac{q^{\frac{km(m-1)}{2}}}{(q; q)_{m-1}} \cdot \frac{(q^m)^l}{(1-q^m)}$$

(Lemma 28
with $y=0$)

$$= \frac{q^{lm + \frac{km(m-1)}{2}}}{(q; q)_m}$$