

# The beneficial use of homomorphic images in computer algebra

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## Homomorphic images

Problem involves computations in some domain  $D$   
(typically a ring or field)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Problem in } D & \longrightarrow & \text{Solution in } D \\ \text{hom } \downarrow & & (\uparrow \text{ lift}) \\ \text{Problem in } \tilde{D} & \longrightarrow & \text{Solution in } \tilde{D} \end{array}$$

Homomorphism is typically not injective.



# Applications

In general:

- prediction
- proof of non-existence
- compute results by lifting

In particular:

- solving linear systems
- computing determinants
- rational solutions of difference equations
- symbolic summation / integration
- guessing recurrences
- and many more



## Homomorphism $\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_p$

Integers are reduced modulo  $p$ .

Lifting can be done via chinese remaindering.

Example:

$$x \equiv 0 \pmod{7} \quad x \equiv 9 \pmod{11}$$

$$x = 7m, m \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$7m \equiv 9 \pmod{11}$$

$$8 \cdot 7m \equiv 8 \cdot 9 \pmod{11}$$

$$m \equiv 6 \pmod{11}$$

$$x \equiv 42 \pmod{77}$$



## Homomorphism $\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_p$

What is  $\frac{5}{8}$  modulo 89?

Extended Euclidean Algorithm with 89 and 8:

$$\begin{aligned}89 &= 1 \cdot 89 + 0 \cdot 8 \\8 &= 0 \cdot 89 + 1 \cdot 8 \\1 &= 1 \cdot 89 + -11 \cdot 8\end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\frac{1}{8} \equiv -11 \pmod{89}$  and therefore

$$\frac{5}{8} \equiv -55 \equiv 34 \pmod{89}.$$



## Rational Reconstruction

Extended Euclidean Algorithm with 89 and 34:

$r$	$s$	$t$
89	1	0
34	0	1
21	1	-2
13	-1	3
8	2	-5
5	-3	8
3	5	-13
2	-8	21
1	13	-34
0	-34	89

Invariant:  $r = s \cdot 89 + t \cdot 34$ .

Hence  $r/t \equiv 34 \pmod{89}$  for every row.



## Which row to choose?

Here is another example (mod 2147483629):

$r$	$s$	$t$
57012824	1	-5
19004393	-7	36
19004038	15	-77
355	-22	113
178	1177719	-6049193
177	-1177741	6049306
1	2355460	-12098499
0	-418094161	2147483629



# Insertion Homomorphism

For example:  $\mathbb{Q}(x) \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}, x \mapsto n, n \in \mathbb{N}$ , corresponds to modular computation modulo the linear polynomial  $x - n$ .

Lifting can be done via polynomial interpolation and rational function reconstruction.

Both homomorphisms can be combined.

For lifting: the order matters!





# Holonomic Functions

Prove the following identity:

$$\int_0^{\infty} x^{\mu-1} \sin(ax) \exp(-\beta x^2 - \gamma x) dx =$$
$$-\frac{i}{2(2\beta)^{\mu/2}} \left( \Gamma(\mu) \exp\left(\frac{\gamma^2 - a^2}{8\beta}\right) \left( \exp\left(-\frac{ia\gamma}{4\beta}\right) D_{-\mu}\left(\frac{\gamma - ia}{\sqrt{2\beta}}\right) \right. \right.$$
$$\left. \left. - \exp\left(\frac{ia\gamma}{4\beta}\right) D_{-\mu}\left(\frac{\gamma + ia}{\sqrt{2\beta}}\right) \right) \right)$$

where  $D_{\mu}(x)$  is the parabolic cylinder function.



## Abramov's algorithm

“Rational solutions of linear difference and  $q$ -difference equations with polynomial coefficients”

$$a_n(x)y(x+n) + a_{n-1}(x)y(x+n-1) + \cdots + a_0(x)y(x) = b(x)$$

Set  $A(x) = a_n(x-n)$ ,  $B(x) = a_0(x)$ .

**input:** nonzero polynomials  $A(x), B(x)$

**output:** a polynomial  $u(x)$

$u(x) := 1$ ;

$R(m) := \text{Res}_x(A(x), B(x+m))$ ;

**if**  $R(m)$  has some nonnegative integer root **then**

$N :=$  the largest nonnegative integer root of  $R(m)$ ;

**for**  $i = 0, 1, \dots, N$  **do**

$d(x) := \text{gcd}(A(x), B(x+i))$ ;

$A(x) := A(x)/d(x)$ ;

$B(x) := B(x)/d(x-i)$ ;

$u(x) := u(x)d(x)d(x-1)\dots d(x-i)$

**od**

**fi.**



## The Pekeris project

CK and Doron Zeilberger: “The 1958 Pekeris-Accad-WEIZAC Ground-Breaking Collaboration that computed Ground States of Two-Electron Atoms (and its 2010 Redux)”

Recall the (time-independent) Schrödinger equation for the wave function  $\psi = \psi(x_1, y_1, z_1, x_2, y_2, z_2)$  of a two-electron atom

$$\left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_1^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y_1^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z_1^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_2^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y_2^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z_2^2} + 2 \left( E + \frac{Z}{r_1} + \frac{Z}{r_2} - \frac{1}{r_{12}} \right) \right) \psi = 0$$

where  $Z$  denotes the nuclear charge,  $E$  the energy of the system, and  $r_1, r_2$  are the distances of the electrons from the nucleus, and  $r_{12}$  is their mutual distance.



## Guessing

Example: Guess a recurrence for  $f_{n,k} = \binom{n}{k}$ .

Ansatz with undetermined coefficients  $x_{i,j}$ :

$$(x_{0,1} + x_{0,2}k + x_{0,3}n) f_{n,k} + (x_{1,1} + x_{1,2}k + x_{1,3}n) f_{n+1,k}$$

Plug in concrete values:

$$n = 1, k = 1: \quad x_{0,1} + x_{0,2} + x_{0,3} + 2(x_{1,1} + x_{1,2} + x_{1,3}) = 0$$

$$n = 2, k = 1: \quad 2(x_{0,1} + x_{0,2} + 2x_{0,3}) + 3(x_{1,1} + x_{1,2} + 2x_{1,3}) = 0$$

$$n = 3, k = 1: \quad 3(x_{0,1} + x_{0,2} + 3x_{0,3}) + 4(x_{1,1} + x_{1,2} + 3x_{1,3}) = 0$$

$$n = 1, k = 2: \quad x_{1,1} + 2x_{1,2} + x_{1,3} = 0$$

$$n = 2, k = 2: \quad x_{0,1} + 2x_{0,2} + 2x_{0,3} + 3(x_{1,1} + 2x_{1,2} + 2x_{1,3}) = 0$$

$$n = 3, k = 2: \quad 3(x_{0,1} + 2x_{0,2} + 3x_{0,3}) + 6(x_{1,1} + 2x_{1,2} + 3x_{1,3}) = 0$$

Solve this linear system:

$$x_{0,1} = -C, x_{0,2} = 0, x_{0,3} = -C, x_{1,1} = C, x_{1,2} = -C, x_{1,3} = C$$

Found the recurrence  $(-C - nC)f_{n,k} + (C - kC + Cn)f_{n+1,k} = 0$ .



# Proof of Gessel's conjecture

(joint work with M. Kauers and D. Zeilberger)

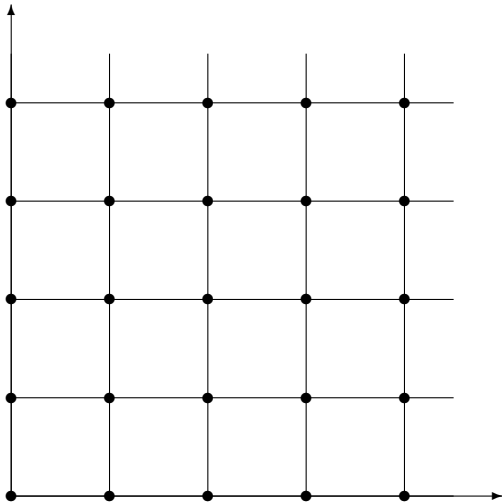
Let  $f(n; 0, 0)$  count the number of closed Gessel walks (walks in  $\mathbb{N}^2$  starting at  $(0, 0)$  using only the steps E,W,NE,SW).

Ira Gessel in 2001 conjectured that

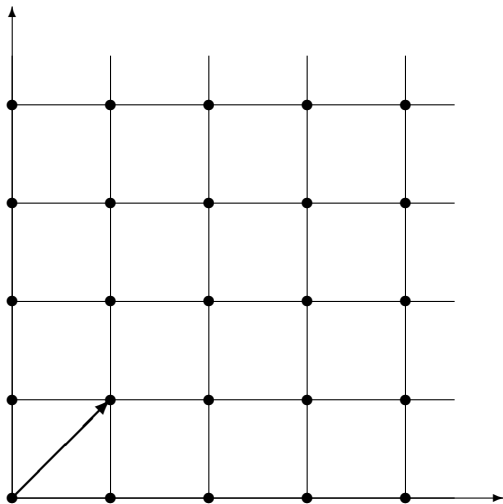
$$f(n; 0, 0) = \begin{cases} 16^k \frac{(5/6)_k (1/2)_k}{(2)_k (5/3)_k} & \text{if } n = 2k \\ 0 & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$



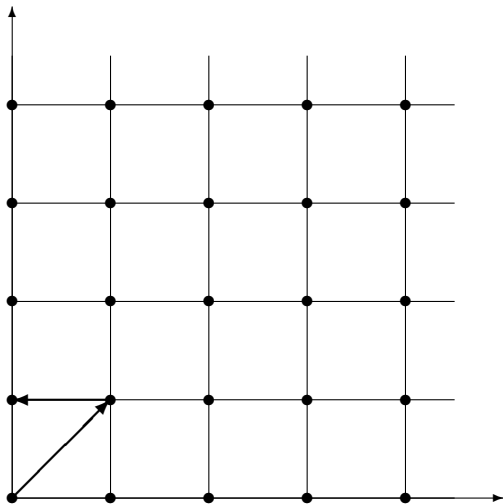
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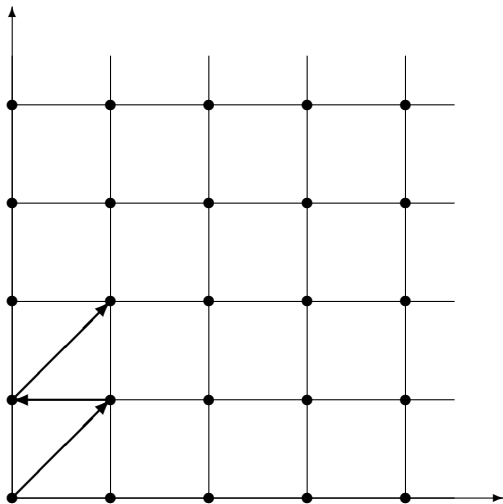


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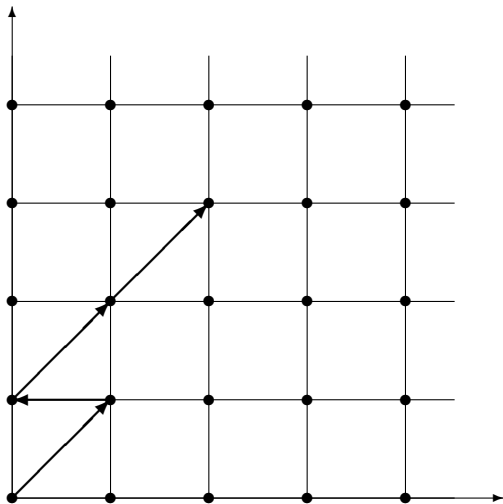




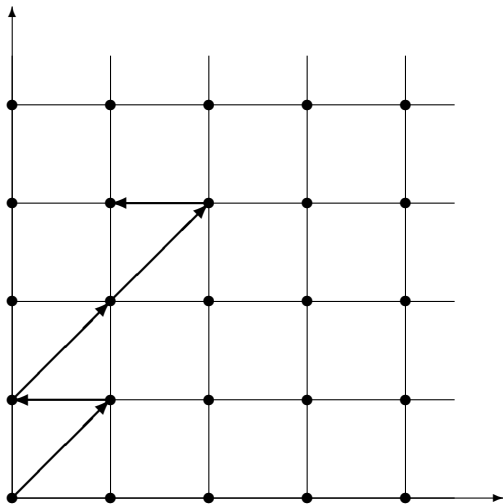
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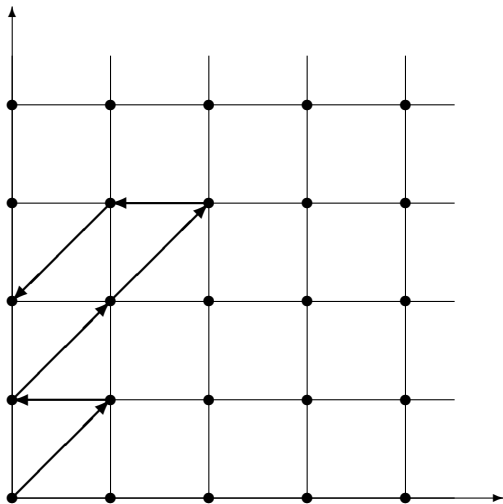
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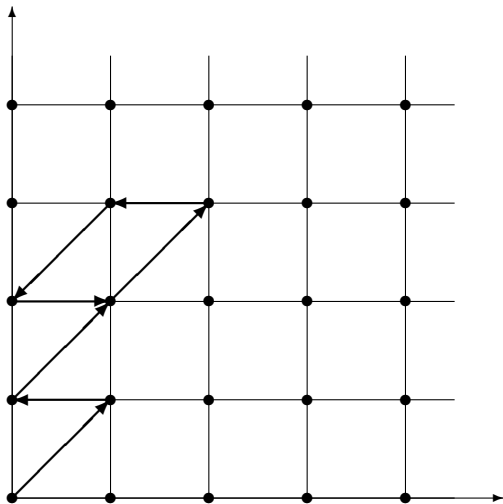
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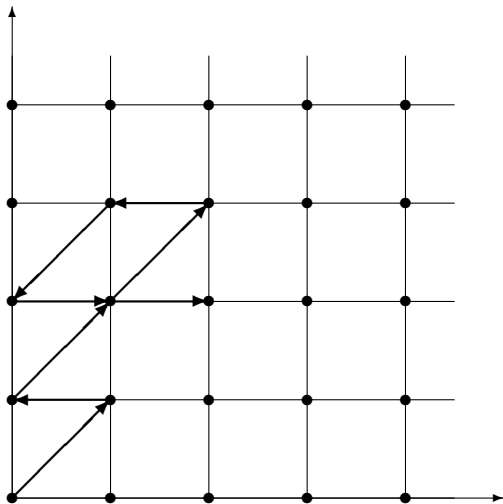
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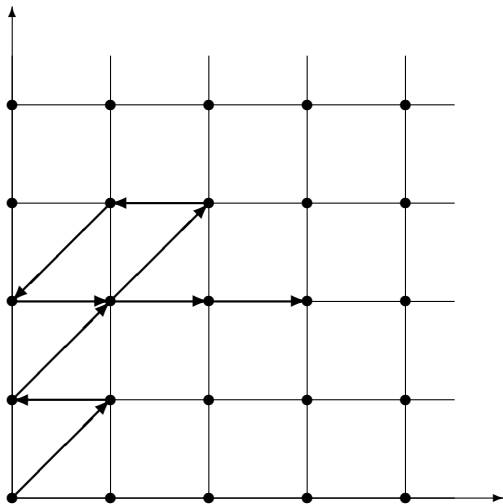
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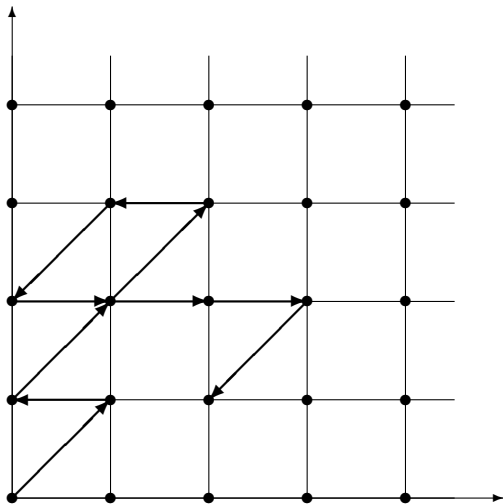
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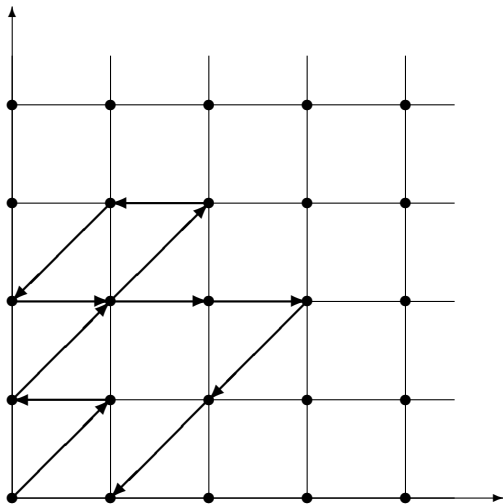


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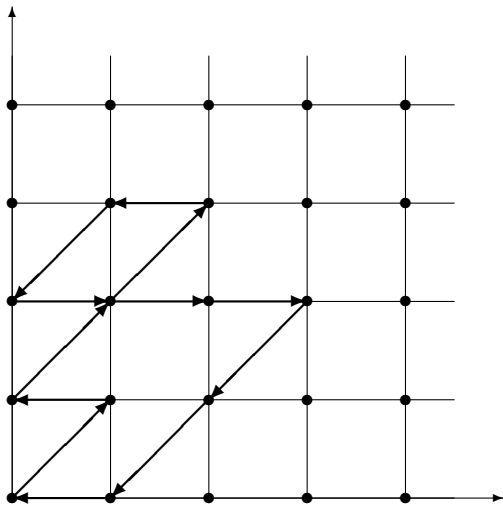




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## Zeilberger's quasi-holonomic ansatz

Let  $f(n; i, j)$  count the Gessel walks with  $n$  steps ending at the point  $(i, j)$ .

Compute a left ideal  $I$  of operators that annihilate  $f(n; i, j)$ .

**Idea:** Find an operator  $R \in I$  of the form

$$\begin{aligned} R(n, i, j, S_n, S_i, S_j) = & P(n, S_n) + iQ_1(n, i, j, S_n, S_i, S_j) \\ & + jQ_2(n, i, j, S_n, S_i, S_j) \end{aligned}$$

- $R(n, i, j, S_n, S_i, S_j)$  annihilates  $f(n; i, j)$
- set  $i = j = 0$
- $P(n, S_n)$  annihilates  $f(n; 0, 0)$

**Problem:**  $R(n, i, j, S_n, S_i, S_j)$  is too big to be computed.



## Result

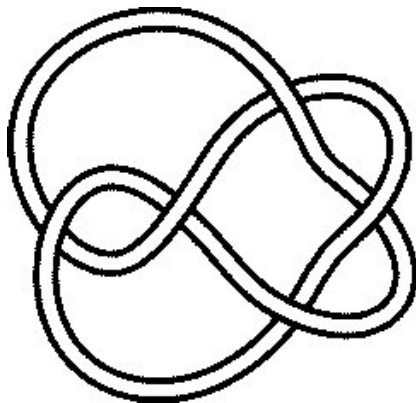
The operator  $P(n, S_n)$  annihilating  $f(n; 0, 0)$  has

- order 32
- polynomial coefficients of degree 172
- and integer coefficients up to 385 digits.



# Knot Theory

Compute the colored Jones polynomial of a given knot, e.g.  
 $\text{Knot}(5,2)$ :



# Computation of the colored Jones polynomial

$$\sum_{k_1=0}^n \sum_{k_2=0}^n \sum_{k_3=0}^n \sum_{k_4=0}^n \sum_{k_5=0}^n \sum_{k_6=0}^n$$

$$q^{-(k_1+k_2+k_3-2k_4+k_5+k_6+3)n-k_5^2-(k_2+k_3-k_4)k_5+k_2+(k_2-k_3)(k_3-k_4)}$$

$$q^{k_1(2k_2-k_3-k_4+k_5+1)+2(k_3-k_4+k_5)+k_6} \begin{bmatrix} k_1+k_3 \\ k_4 \end{bmatrix}_q \begin{bmatrix} k_2+k_5 \\ k_5 \end{bmatrix}_q$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} k_2+k_3-k_4+k_5 \\ k_3 \end{bmatrix}_q \begin{bmatrix} k_1+k_3-k_4+k_5+k_6 \\ k_1 \end{bmatrix}_q$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} k_2+k_3-k_4+k_5+k_6 \\ k_6 \end{bmatrix}_{1/q} (q^{-n}; q)_{k_1} (q^{k_1-n}; q)_{k_3}$$

$$(q^{-n+k_1+k_3-k_4}; q)_{k_5} \left( q^{n-k_1-k_3+k_4-k_5}; \frac{1}{q} \right)_{k_6}$$

$$(q^{-n+k_2-k_4+k_5}; q)_{k_4} (q^{-n+k_3-k_4+k_5+k_6}; q)_{k_2}$$



## Example

For  $n = 3$ , the colored Jones polynomial is:

$$\begin{aligned} & -\frac{1}{q^{33}} + \frac{1}{q^{32}} + \frac{1}{q^{31}} - \frac{2}{q^{29}} + \frac{2}{q^{27}} + \frac{1}{q^{26}} - \frac{3}{q^{25}} - \frac{1}{q^{24}} + \frac{3}{q^{23}} + \frac{2}{q^{22}} - \frac{3}{q^{21}} - \\ & \frac{3}{q^{20}} + \frac{4}{q^{19}} + \frac{2}{q^{18}} - \frac{4}{q^{17}} - \frac{4}{q^{16}} + \frac{5}{q^{15}} + \frac{2}{q^{14}} - \frac{3}{q^{13}} - \frac{3}{q^{12}} + \frac{4}{q^{11}} + \frac{2}{q^{10}} - \\ & \frac{2}{q^9} - \frac{2}{q^8} + \frac{2}{q^7} + \frac{1}{q^6} - \frac{1}{q^4} + \frac{1}{q^3} \end{aligned}$$



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Observation: coefficients are extremely small.





## Modular computations

Plug in an integer for  $q$  that is at least twice as big as the largest coefficient in the polynomial.

For example,  $q = 16$ :

$$\frac{1246513646743677488456574103004774671}{5444517870735015415413993718908291383296}$$

$$5444517870735015415413993718908291383296 = 2^{132} = 16^{33}$$

Write the numerator in base 16 representation:

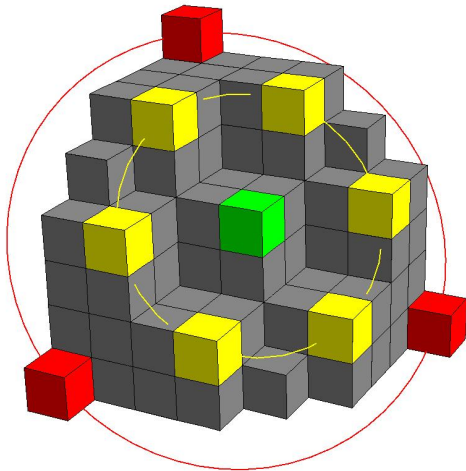
$$15 \cdot 16^{29} + 0 \cdot 16^{28} + 1 \cdot 16^{27} + 1 \cdot 16^{26} + 13 \cdot 16^{25} + 14 \cdot 16^{24} + 2 \cdot 16^{23} + 3 \cdot 16^{22} + 12 \cdot 16^{21} + 13 \cdot 16^{20} + 2 \cdot 16^{19} + 4 \cdot 16^{18} + 11 \cdot 16^{17} + 12 \cdot 16^{16} + 2 \cdot 16^{15} + 3 \cdot 16^{14} + 12 \cdot 16^{13} + 13 \cdot 16^{12} + 2 \cdot 16^{11} + 2 \cdot 16^{10} + 14 \cdot 16^9 + 13 \cdot 16^8 + 1 \cdot 16^7 + 1 \cdot 16^6 + 15 \cdot 16^5 + 14 \cdot 16^4 + 0 \cdot 16^3 + 1 \cdot 16^2 + 0 \cdot 16^1 + 15 \cdot 16^0$$

Simple rewriting, e.g.:  $15 \cdot 16^{29} = 1 \cdot 16^{30} - 1 \cdot 16^{29}$  and so on.

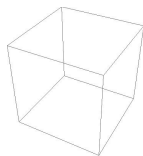


# Proof of the $q$ -TSP conjecture

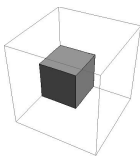
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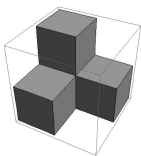
Let  $T(n)$  denote set of TSPPs with largest part at most  $n$ .



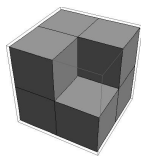
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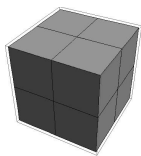
$q^1$



$q^2$



$q^3$



$q^4$

Andrews-Robbins  $q$ -TSPP conjecture:

$$\sum_{\pi \in T(n)} q^{|\pi/S_3|} = \prod_{1 \leq i \leq j \leq k \leq n} \frac{1 - q^{i+j+k-1}}{1 - q^{i+j+k-2}}$$

For  $q = 1$ :

$$|T(n)| = \prod_{1 \leq i \leq j \leq k \leq n} \frac{i + j + k - 1}{i + j + k - 2} \quad (\text{Stembridge})$$



## Some identities

How to prove  $(1 + q^n) - c_{n,n-1} + \sum_{j=1}^n c'_{n,j} = \frac{b_n}{b_{n-1}}$

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- Compute an annihilating ideal for  $c'_{n,j}$  via closure properties.
- Find a relation in this ideal of the form

$$p_7 c'_{n+7,j} + \cdots + p_1 c'_{n+1,j} + p_0 c'_{n,j} = t_{n,j+1} - t_{n,j}$$

where the  $p_7, \dots, p_0$  are rational functions in  $\mathbb{Q}(q, q^n)$  and  $t_{n,j}$  is a  $\mathbb{Q}(q, q^j, q^n)$ -linear combination of certain shifts of  $c'_{n,j}$ .

- Creative telescoping yields a recurrence for the sum.



## Creative telescoping

We consider  $\sum_{j=1}^n c'_{n,j}$  and have

$$p_7 c'_{n+7,j} + \cdots + p_1 c'_{n+1,j} + p_0 c'_{n,j} = t_{n,j+1} - t_{n,j}$$

where the  $p_7, \dots, p_0$  are rational functions in  $\mathbb{Q}(q, q^n)$  and  $t_{n,j}$  is a  $\mathbb{Q}(q, q^j, q^n)$ -linear combination of certain shifts of  $c'_{n,j}$ .

We show that  $c'_{n,j} = 0$  for  $j \leq 0$  and for  $j > n$ .

Now just sum over both sides:

$$\sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} (p_7 c'_{n+7,j} + \cdots + p_1 c'_{n+1,j} + p_0 c'_{n,j}) = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} (t_{n,j+1} - t_{n,j})$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^{n+7} p_7 c'_{n+7,j} + \cdots + \sum_{j=0}^{n+1} p_1 c'_{n+1,j} + \sum_{j=0}^n p_0 c'_{n,j} = 0$$

$$p_7 \sum_{j=0}^{n+7} c'_{n+7,j} + \cdots + p_1 \sum_{j=0}^{n+1} c'_{n+1,j} + p_0 \sum_{j=0}^n c'_{n,j} = 0$$



## Reduction

Algorithm: Normal form computation

**Input:** an operator  $p$  and a Gröbner basis  $G = \{g_1, \dots, g_m\}$

**Output:** normal form of  $p$  modulo the left ideal  $\langle G \rangle$

while exists  $1 \leq i \leq m$  such that  $\text{lm}(g_i) \mid \text{lm}(p)$

$$g := (\text{lm}(p) / \text{lm}(g_i)) \cdot g_i$$

$$p := p - (\text{lc}(p) / \text{lc}(g)) \cdot g$$

end while

return  $p$

$\text{lm}$  and  $\text{lc}$  refer to the leading monomial and the leading coefficient of an operator respectively.



## Modular reduction

Algorithm: Modular normal form computation

**Input:** an operator  $p$  and a Gröbner basis  $G = \{g_1, \dots, g_m\}$

**Output:** modular normal form of  $p$  modulo the left ideal  $\langle G \rangle$

while exists  $1 \leq i \leq m$  such that  $\text{lm}(g_i) \mid \text{lm}(p)$

$$g := h((\text{lm}(p) / \text{lm}(g_i)) \cdot g_i)$$

$$p := p - (\text{lc}(p) / \text{lc}(g)) \cdot g$$

end while

return  $p$

- $h$  is an insertion homomorphism
- $h : \mathbb{K}(j, n) \rightarrow \mathbb{K}(j)$ ,  $h(f(j, n)) \mapsto f(j, n_0)$ , for some  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$
- most of the computations are done modulo the polynomial  $n - n_0$
- coefficient growth is moderate (univariate vs. bivariate)





