

# MULTIPLE BINOMIAL SUMS

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$$\sum_{k=0}^{2n} (-1)^k \binom{2n}{k}^3 = (-1)^n \frac{(3n)!}{n!^3} \quad \text{Dixon}$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^n \binom{i+j}{i}^2 \binom{4n-2i-2j}{2n-2i} = (2n+1) \binom{2n}{n}^2 \quad \text{Andrews - Paule}$$

$$\sum_{s=0}^k \sum_{b \geq 0} (-1)^b \binom{s}{b} \binom{k-s}{2v-b} \binom{k-2v}{s-b} = \binom{k-v}{k-2v} 2^{k-2v} \quad \text{Dent}$$

$$\sum_{r,s} (-1)^{n+r+s} \binom{n}{r} \binom{n}{s} \binom{n+s}{s} \binom{n+r}{r} \binom{2n-r-s}{n} = \sum_k \binom{n}{k}^4 \quad \text{Petrovsk - W. - Zeilberger?}$$

$$\sum_{j,k} (-1)^{j+k} \binom{j+k}{k+l} \binom{r}{j} \binom{n}{k} \binom{s+n-j-k}{m-j} = (-1)^l \binom{n+r}{n+l} \binom{s-r}{m-n-l} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{Gehan} \\ \text{Knuth} \\ \text{Patashnik.} \end{matrix}$$

- Aims:
1. Prove them automatically
  2. Find the RHS given the LHS.

## APPROACH

$$U_n = \sum$$

$$U(z) = \sum_{n=0} U_n z^n = \sum_n$$

$$U(z) = \frac{1}{(2\pi i)^k} \oint_{\text{rat fun}} \quad (|z| \text{ small enough!})$$

$$U(z) = \frac{1}{(2\pi i)^k} \oint_{\text{rat fun}} (k' < k)$$

$$\sum a_i(z) U^{(i)}(z) = 0$$

$$\sum b_{i(n)} U_{n+i} = 0.$$

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2. Compute an integral representation
3. Take the contour into account to simplify (optional in theory)
4. Compute a differential equation
5. Translate into a recurrence for  $U_n$

# EXAMPLE: APÉRY'S SEQUENCE

$$U_n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k}^2 \binom{n+k}{k}^2$$

$$1. U(z) = \sum_{\substack{0 \leq k \leq n \\ 0 \leq n}} \binom{n}{k}^2 \binom{n+k}{k}^2 z^n$$

$$2. U(z) = \frac{1}{(2\pi i)^6} \oint \dots$$

(|z| small enough)

$$3. U(z) = \frac{1}{(2\pi i)^3} \oint \frac{dt_1 \wedge dt_2 \wedge dt_3}{t_1 t_2 t_3 (1 - t_1 t_2 - t_1 t_2 t_3) - (1 + t_1)(1 + t_2)(1 + t_3)z}$$

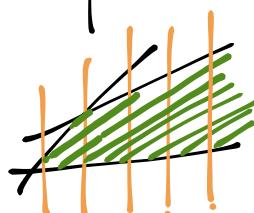
$$4. z(z^2 - 34z + 1)U''(z) + \dots + (z-5)U(z) = 0$$

$$5. (n+2)^3 U_{n+2} - (2n+3)(17n^2 + 51n + 39)U_{n+1} + (n+1)^3 U_n = 0$$

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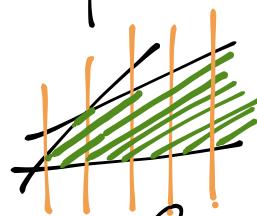
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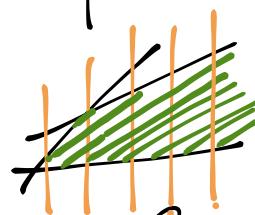
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satisfies a linear recurrence of order and degree  $\Delta^{O(r+m)}$

in that can be computed in  $\Delta^{O(r+m)}$  operations ( $\Delta \leq \sum |a_i| + |b_i| + |c_i| + \dots + \deg P$ )  
in progress

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integer coefficients

rational polyhedron s.t.  
 $1_{K_{\underline{k}, \underline{n}}}$  has finite support wrt  $\underline{n}$

coeffs of an algebraic power series ( $P(\underline{n}, y, G) = 0$ )

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- Chyzak (2000)  
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Encoding into integral  
+ ad hoc techniques

Use creative telescoping.

## APÉRY'S SEQUENCE BY CREATIVE TELESCOPING

$$U_n = \sum_{k=0}^n \underbrace{\binom{n}{k}^2 \binom{n+k}{k}^2}_{f_{n,k}}$$

1. Find a telescoping relation (Zeilberger's algorithm)

$$(n+2)^3 f_{n+2,k} + \dots + (n+1)^3 f_{n+1,k} = g_{n,k+1} - g_{n,k} \quad \leftarrow \text{certificate}$$

with  $g_{n,k} = \frac{\text{Pef}(n,k)}{(n+1-k)^2(n+2-k)^2} f_{n,k}$

2. Sum over  $k$  and telescope (with care).

$$(n+2)^3 U_{n+2} + \dots + (n+1)^3 U_{n+1} = 0.$$

# AN IDENTITY OF ANDREWS & PAULE

difficult for creative telescoping

$$\sum_{i=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^n \binom{i+j}{i}^2 \binom{4n - 2i - 2j}{2n - 2i} = (2n+1) \binom{2n}{n}^2$$

$f_{i,j,n}$

Needed:  $\sum a_k(n) f_{i,j,n+k} = (g_{i+1,j,n} - g_{i,j,n}) + (h_{i,j+1,n} - h_{i,j,n})$

- Andrews & Paule (93): two proofs with human insight;
- Wegschaider (97): via a generalization of Sister Celine's technique;
- Koutschan's code (2010).

$$f_{i,j,n} = (g_{i+1,j,n} - g_{i,j,n}) + (h_{i,j+1,n} - h_{i,j,n})$$

$\frac{g, h \text{ are pol}(i,j,n)}{(i+1)(i+2)\dots(i+j-2)} f_{i,j,n}$

$\leadsto \dots$  more work  $\leadsto$  result.

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1.  $F(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^i f_{i,j} z^n$

2.  $= \frac{1}{(2\pi i)^5} \oint$

3.  $= \oint \frac{u_2(1+u_2)^2 du_1 \wedge du_2}{(u_2^2 - z(1+u_2)^4)(u_1(u_2^2 + 2u_2 - u_1) - z(1+u_1)(1+u_2)^4)}$

4.  $F^{(6)}(z) + \dots + ( ) F(z) = 0$

5.  $S_{n+6} + \dots + ( ) S_n = 0$  + initial conditions

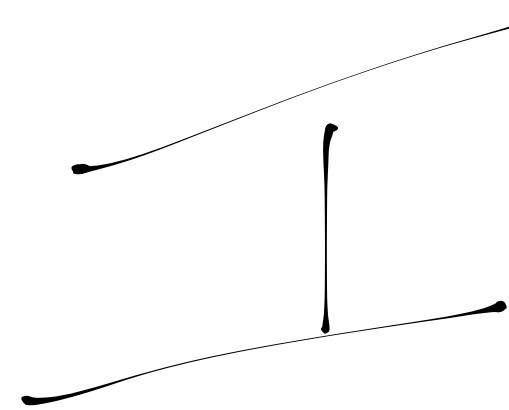
$\rightarrow$  (Petkovsek's algorithm)  $S_n = (2n+1) \binom{2n}{n}^2$

No human help. Total time < 2 sec. (in step 4).

# Conclusion: comparison with CREATIVE TELESCOPING

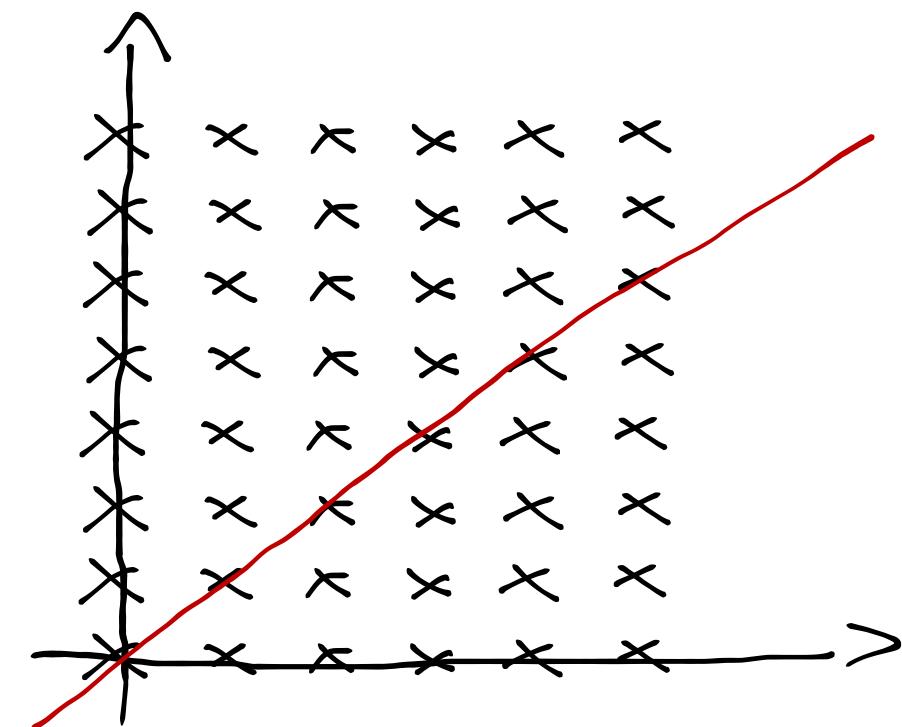
Our approach :

- . avoids discussions about summing the certificate;
- . deals with multiple sums very easily;
- . may lead to smaller order recurrences;
- . keeps size & complexity under control;
- . is restricted to a specific (but common) class of sums.



From Binomial Sums to Diagonals

$$\sum ( ) ( ) \dots ( ) \Rightarrow$$



# DIAGONALS

Def.  $F = \sum_{(i,j) \in \mathbb{N}^2} a_{i,j} x^i y^j$  a formal power series with  $a_{ij}$  in a ring  $A$ ,  
 its diagonal is

$$\Delta_{x,y} F = \sum_i a_{ii} x^i \in A[[x]].$$

Note:  $A$  can be a ring of formal power series in other variables.

Application: Hadamard product of  $F(x) = \sum a_i x^i$  and  $G(x) = \sum b_i x^i$ :

$$F \circ G(x) := \sum a_i b_i x^i = \Delta_{x,y} F(x) G(y).$$

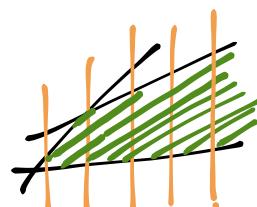
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Our sum will be encoded as the diagonal of a rational function:

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STEP 3

Brion's formula  
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STEP 1 (easy)

STEP 2

Denef Lipschitz  
+ Hadamard prod

# GENERATING SERIES FOR BINOMIAL COEFFICIENTS

DEFN

$$(1+x)^a = \sum_{l \geq 0} \binom{a}{l} x^l$$

GEN FUNC

$$\frac{1}{1-t(1+x)^a} = \sum_{\substack{l \geq 0 \\ k \geq 0}} \binom{al}{l} x^l t^k$$

SELECTION ( $\Delta_{x,y}$ )

$$\frac{1}{1-t(1+x)^a y^b} = \sum_{l,b} \binom{al}{l} x^l y^{bl} t^b \quad (b \geq 0)$$

MULTIPLE BINOMIALS

$$\frac{1}{1-t(1+x_1)^a (1+x_2)^b} = \sum_{k,l_1,l_2} \binom{ak}{l_1} \binom{bk}{l_2} x_1^{l_1} x_2^{l_2} t^k$$

LINEAR FORM

$$\frac{1}{(1-t_1(1+x)^a)(1-t_2(1+x)^b)} = \sum_{k_1, k_2, l} \binom{ak_1 + bk_2}{l} x^l t_1^{k_1} t_2^{k_2}$$

COMBINE ALL  $\rightarrow$

# GENERATING SERIES FOR BINOMIAL COEFFICIENTS

Prop. With  $a_j, f_j, b_{j,i}$  relative integers,

$$\sum_{\substack{0 \leq k_1, \dots, 0 \leq k_m \\ 0 \leq \ell_1, \dots, 0 \leq \ell_r}} \left( \prod_{j=1}^r \binom{\sum_i a_{j,i} k_i + e_j}{\ell_j} x_j^{\ell_j + \sum_i b_{j,i}^- k_i + f_j^-} y_j^{\sum_i b_{j,i}^+ k_i + f_j^+} \prod_{i=1}^m t_i^{k_i} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\prod_{j=1}^r (1 + x_j)^{e_j} x_j^{f_j^-} y_j^{f_j^+}}{\prod_{i=1}^m \left( 1 - t_i \prod_{j=1}^r (1 + x_j)^{a_{j,i}} x_j^{b_{j,i}^-} y_j^{b_{j,i}^+} \right)} =: \widehat{\Phi}(x, y, t),$$

where  $x^+ := \max(0, x)$ ,  $x^- := \max(0, -x)$ . (x^+ - x^- = x)

The binomial part of our sum is  $\left( \prod_j \Delta_{x_j, y_j} \right) \cdot \widehat{\Phi} \Big|_{t_1 = \dots = t_m = 1, x_1 = \dots = x_r = 1}$ .

## ALGEBRAIC SERIES

Hyp.  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} F(x_1, \dots, x_k) \in K[[x_1, \dots, x_k]] \text{ char } 0 \\ P(\underline{x}, F(\underline{x})) = 0, \quad P \in K[\underline{x}, y] \\ F(0) = 0, \quad P_y(0, 0) \neq 0 \end{array} \right.$

Furstenberg ( $k=1$ ):  $F(x) = \Delta_{x,y} y^2 \frac{P_y(x,y)}{P(x,y)}$  (by residues).

Dene & Lipschitz:  $F$  is the diagonal of a rational series in  $2k$  variables.

Lemma. With Hyp., we get

$$\overline{F}(x_1 u, x_2 u, \dots, x_k u) = \Delta_{u,y} H(x_1 u, \dots, x_k u, y),$$

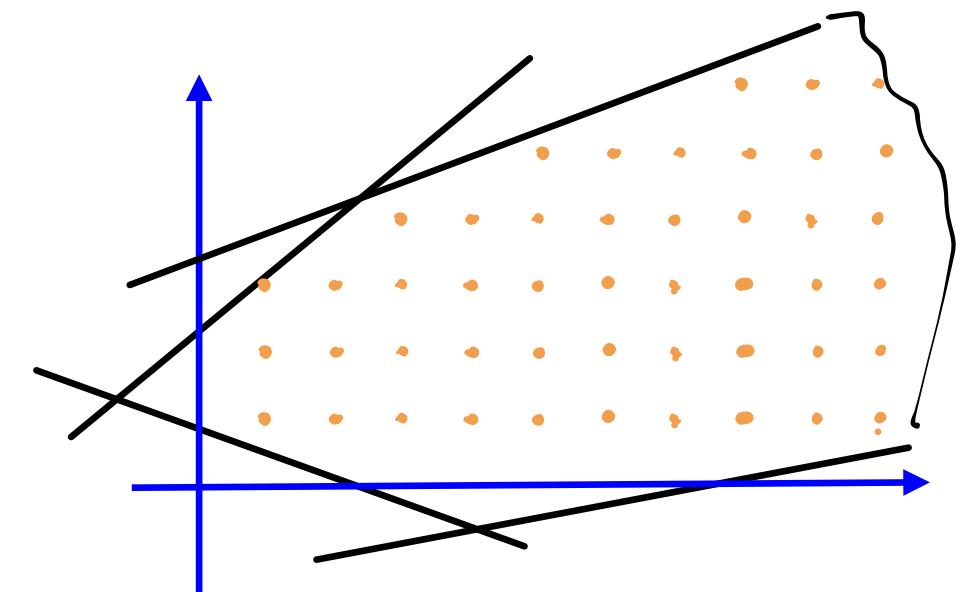
where  $H(\underline{x}, y) = y^2 \frac{P_u(x, y, \dots, x_k y, y)}{P(x, y, \dots, x_k y, y)}$ .

(only  $k+2$  variables,  $u$  can be specialized later).

# RATIONAL POLYHEDRA

$K$  a rational polyhedron in  $\mathbb{R}^d$

(defined by finitely many  $\sum_{j=1}^d \alpha_{ij} x_j \leq \beta_i$ )



Thm (Brion 1988)  $\Psi_{K \cap \mathbb{N}^d}(\underline{x}) := \sum_{m \in K \cap \mathbb{N}^d} x_1^{m_1} \cdots x_d^{m_d}$  is a rational series.

It decomposes nicely as :

$$\sum_{v \in \text{Vert}(K)} \Psi_{\mathbb{Z}^d \cap \text{Cone seen from } v}(\underline{x})$$

Algorithm in small complexity by Barvinok (1994).

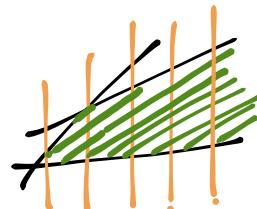
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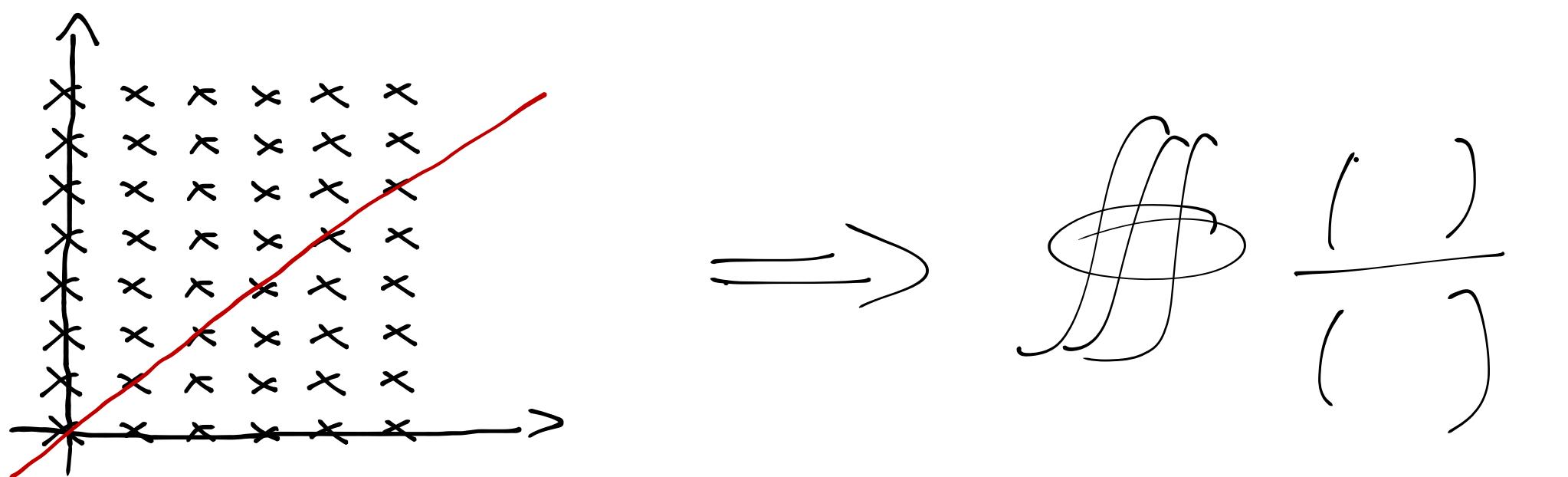
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Denef &  
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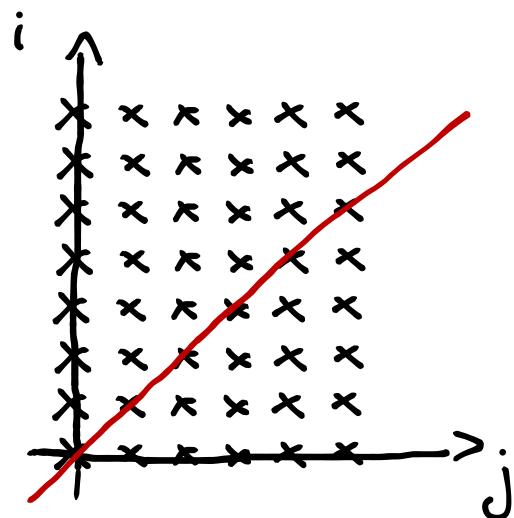
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$$A_{xy} \bigoplus (\underline{x}, \underline{y}, \underline{t}, \underline{z}) \bigodot_{\underline{t}, \underline{u}} G(\underline{u}, \underline{z}) \bigodot_{\underline{u}, \underline{v}} \Psi_{KnN^d}(\underline{v}, \underline{z}) \quad \begin{cases} \underline{t} = 1 \\ \underline{x} = 1, \\ \underline{v} = 1 \end{cases}$$

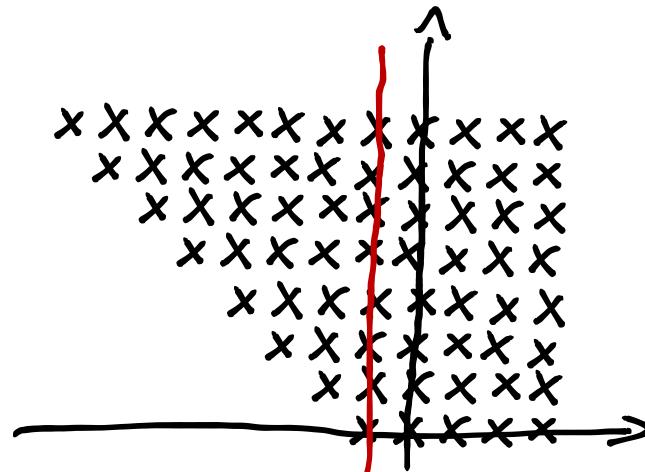
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## DIAGONALS AS RESIDUES



$$f(x, y) = \sum a_{ij} x^i y^j$$



$$\frac{1}{y} f\left(\frac{x}{y}, y\right)$$

**Lemme:** If  $f = \sum a_{ij} x^i y^j$  is convergent in a neighborhood of  $|x| < r, |y| < r'$  of  $O$ , then for any  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$ ,

$$\Delta_{x,y} f = \sum_i a_{ii} x^i = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|y|=(1-\varepsilon)r'} f\left(\frac{x}{y}, y\right) \frac{dy}{y} \quad \text{for } |x| < rr'(1-\varepsilon).$$

(classical).

# DOMAINS OF CONVERGENCE

$$\boxed{\prod_{x,y} \left( \underline{x}, \underline{y}, \underline{t}, \underline{z} \right) \circ_{\underline{t}, \underline{u}} G(\underline{u}, \underline{z}) \circ_{\underline{u}, \underline{v}} \Psi(\kappa \cap N^d)(\underline{v}, \underline{z}) \Big| \begin{array}{l} \underline{t} = 1, \\ \underline{x} = 1, \\ \underline{u} = 1 \end{array}}$$

1. Briosi's series. Support finite with respect to  $n \Rightarrow$

For arbitrary positive  $\underline{\epsilon}$ , there exists  $\rho > 0$  s.t.

$\Psi_{\kappa, N^d}(\underline{v}, \underline{z})$  converges for  $|\underline{v}| < \underline{\epsilon}$ ,  $|\underline{z}| < \rho$ .

2. Algebraic Series.  $P_y(0, 0) \neq 0 \Rightarrow$  convergent in a neighborhood of 0.

3. Binomials  $\frac{\prod_{j=1}^r (1+x_j)^{e_j} x_j^{f_j^-} y_j^{f_j^+}}{\prod_{i=1}^m \left( 1 - t_i \prod_{j=1}^r (1+x_j)^{a_{j,i}} x_j^{b_{j,i}^-} y_j^{b_{j,i}^+} \right)}$   $\rightarrow$  convergent for  $|\underline{y}| < \underline{R}$  arbitrary,  
 $|\underline{x}| < 1$ ,  $|\underline{t}| < r(\underline{R})$

ALL TOGETHER  $\longrightarrow$

## RESULT: INTEGRAL REPRESENTATION

Hypotheses and notation as before

Thm There exist positive  $r_1, r_2, r_3, \rho$  and a rational function  $R$  s.t.

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} \sum_{(\underline{k}, n) \in K_{\underline{L}, n}} \left( \frac{\underline{a}_1 \cdot \underline{k} + c_{1,n} + e_1}{\underline{b}_1 \cdot \underline{k} + d_{1,n} + f_1} \right) \times \dots \times \left( \frac{\underline{a}_r \cdot \underline{k} + c_{r,n} + e_r}{\underline{b}_r \cdot \underline{k} + d_{r,n} + f_r} \right) \times g_{\underline{k}, n} z^n =$$

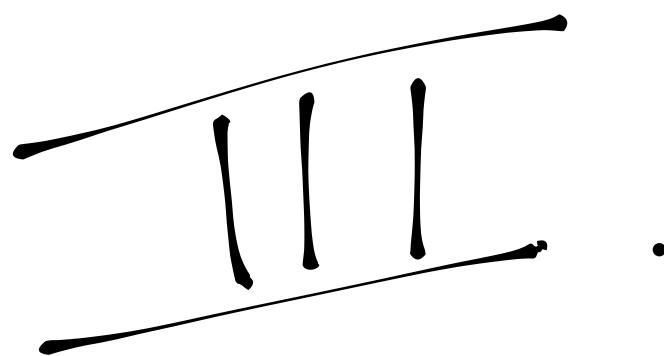
$$\frac{1}{(2\pi i)^{m+r+1}} \oint_{|y|=\underline{r}_1} R\left(\frac{y}{z}, \underline{v}, \underline{\tau}, z\right) \frac{dy}{y} \frac{dv}{v} \frac{d\tau}{\tau}$$

$$|v| = \underline{r}_2$$

$$|\tau| = \underline{r}_3$$

for all  $|z| < \rho$ .

Works for multiple  $z$ 's and multivariate generating series.

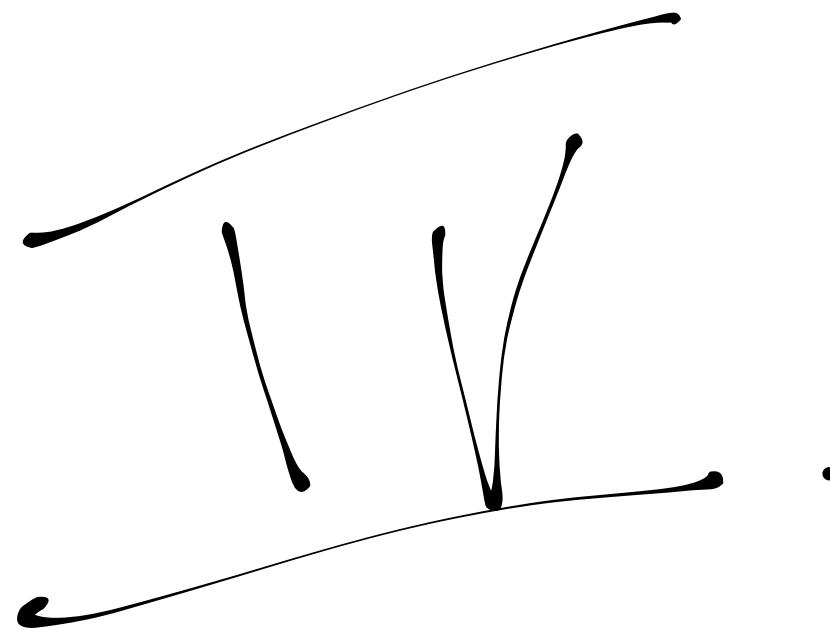


# FROM INTEGRALS TO DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

$$\int \frac{(\quad)}{(\quad)} \rightarrow y^{(m)}(z) + \dots + (\quad)y(z) = 0$$

See Pierre Laikez' talk (after coffee break) for

- Algorithm;
- Complexity;
- Several approaches to the singular case.



# GEOMETRIC REDUCTION

$$\frac{1}{(2\pi i)^k} \oint \frac{(\ )}{(\ )} \rightarrow \frac{1}{(2\pi i)^{k'}} \oint \frac{(\ )}{(\ )} \quad \underline{k' < k} .$$

# MOTIVATION

What we have:

$$\sum ( ) ( ) \dots ( ) \rightarrow \oint \frac{c}{z} dz \longrightarrow \text{linear diff. equation}$$

Does not take  
the particular  
cycle into account.

cost suffers from  
high dimension

Geometric reduction: simplify the integral, paying attention to  
the cycle of interest.

Technique: detect rational residues.

## EXAMPLE

$$D(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k \binom{n}{k} \binom{dk}{n} = (-d)^n. \quad (d \in \mathbb{N}) \quad [\text{GKP}, (5.43)]$$

1. Integral representation

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} D_n z^n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint \frac{dy}{y + z(1+y)^d - z}$$

2. Poles when  $z \rightarrow 0$ : one tends to 0, the others to  $\infty$

$\rightarrow$  one residue  $\sum D_n z^n = \frac{1}{1+dz}$ .

Creative telescoping produces a recurrence of order  $d$ .

# METHOD

0. Do not specialize  $\underline{u}=1, \underline{n}=1$

1. Pick an order on the variables of integration compatible with

$$\frac{t_i}{v_i} \rightarrow 0, \quad \frac{u_i}{v_i} \rightarrow 0, \quad \underbrace{\frac{z}{\text{any var}}}_{\rightarrow 0}$$

2. For each integration variable  $w$  starting from the largest

- $\tilde{F} := \{ \text{factors(denominator}(R)) \} ;$
- Split  $F = F_0 \cup F_\infty \cup F_\eta \rightarrow$  By Newton polygon  
 will roots tend to 0      no root tends to 0      some of both
- If  $F_\eta = \emptyset$ , set  $Q = \sum \text{res}(F_0)$  (rational)  
 and remove  $w$  from the list of variables

3. Specialize  $\underline{u} \Rightarrow \underline{n} = 1$  and return the remaining  $\int R$ .

# EXAMPLE : Dixon's IDENTITY

$$\sum_{k=0}^{2n} (-1)^k \binom{2n}{k}^3 = (-1)^n \frac{(3n)!}{n!^3}$$

1. Encoding:

$$\frac{t_1 t_2 t_3}{((1+t_1)^2(1+t_2)^2(1+t_3)^2 z - t_1^2 t_2^2 t_3^2)(t_1 t_2 t_3 - t_4)(1+t_4)}$$

2. Deal with  $t_4$ : only one relevant pole  $\rightarrow$

$$\frac{t_1 t_2 t_3}{((1+t_1)^2(1+t_2)^2(1+t_3)^2 z - t_1^2 t_2^2 t_3^2)(1+t_1 t_2 t_3)}$$

3.  $t_3$ : 1st factor only. 2 poles tending to 0  $\rightarrow$

$$\frac{t_1 t_2}{(1+t_1)^2(1+t_2)^2(1-t_1 t_2)^2 z - t_1^2 t_2^2}$$

4. Irreducible, degree 4, 2 poles  $\rightarrow 0$  & 2 poles  $\rightarrow \infty$  : END of geometric reduction

5. Integral  $\rightarrow z(27z+1)y'' + (54z+1)y' + 6y = 0$ .

6. Translation  $\rightarrow (n+1)^2 u_{n+1} + 3(3n+1)(3n+2)u_n = 0$ .

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