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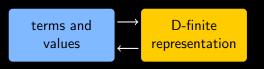
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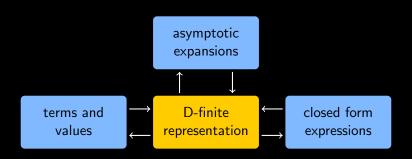
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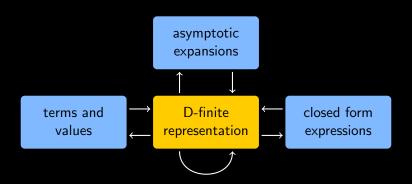
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D-finite representation









Who cares?























SPECIAL FUNCTIONS







- Enumeration of lattice walks
- Permutation patterns
- Determinant evaluations
- Graph counting
- Analysis of algorithms
- Program verification
- Statistical mechanics
- Particle physics
- Special functions
- Analytic number theory
- Arithmetic number theory
- Experimental mathematics

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- Probability theory
- Knot theory
- Computational algebra
- Biology
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What can we do?



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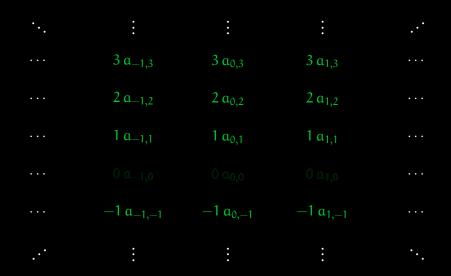
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There are tons of ISSAC papers on how to compute such P, Q.

Do we really need this?

${\sf Example}\ 1$

Computer Algebra in the Service of Enumerative Combinatorics

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ABSTRACT

Classifying lattice walks in sentiated lattices is an inportant problem in enumerative combinations. Evently, comparer algebra has been used to explore and to solve a number of difficult questions related to lattice walks. We give an overview of recent mushs on statistical properties (e.g., algebraicty versus transcendence) and on explicit formula for generating functions of while with mailnature of the methodology, especially two important paralligues. (a) gives under your and creates the descepting.

CCS CONCEPTS

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1 GENERAL PRESENTATION

1.1 Prelude

Consider the following innocent-looking problem. A newless-scale is a path in \mathbb{Z}^2 taking steps from $\{1, \dots, n_k\}$ only Show that, for any integer $n \geq 0$, the following quantities are equa-

(6)

It appears that this problem is far from being trivial. Several solutions exist, but more of them is elementary. One of the main aims of the present test is to consince the reader that this possblem (and many others with a similar flavor) can be solved with the help of a computer. More precisely, computer algebra tools can be used to discover and to prove the following equalities:

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Abstract

Computational challenge for you (and your computer)

1 message

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Wed, May 4, 2022 at 3:43 PM

To: Manuel Kauers <manuel@kauers.de>

Cc: George Spahn <gs828@math.rutgers.edu>, Neil Sloane <njasloane@gmail.com>

Dear Manuel,

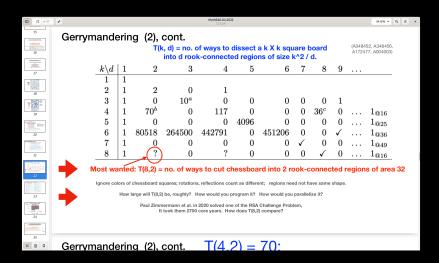
Hope you, Martina, and epsilon are doing well!

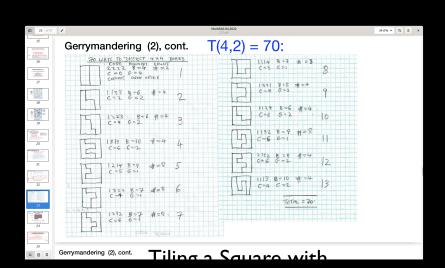
Can you (and your computers) meet the following challenge, in the secret url:https://sites.math.rutgers.edu/~zeilberg/EM22/C27.pdf

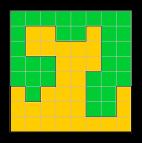
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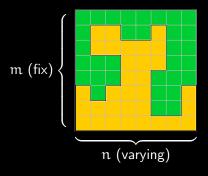
If you do, I pledge to donate \$100 to the OEIS in your honor. Also, if you can do it systematically, this may lead to a joint paper with my student who can do other boards.

Best wishes, Doron









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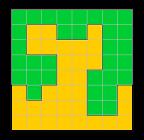
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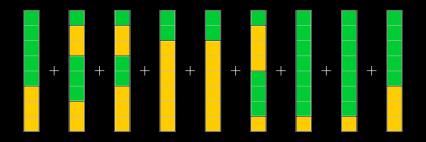
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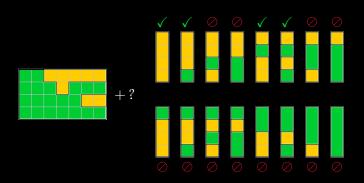
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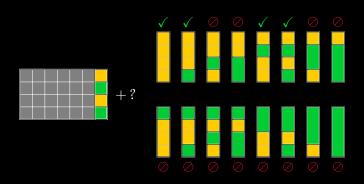
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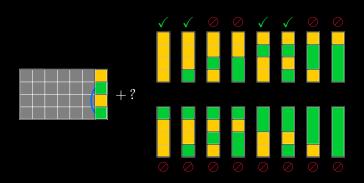
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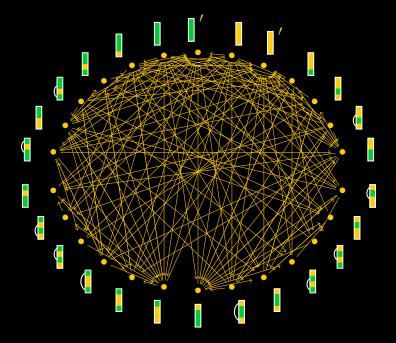












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Challenge: Find a differential equation for a(x) for some $m \ge 5$.



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2	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
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4	1	4	19	70	245	856	2967	10164
5	0	5	0	245	0	8171	0	277969
6	1	6	85	856	8171	80518	806423	8059419
7	0	7	0	2967	0	806423	0	240009288
8	1	8	355	10164	277969	8059419	240009288	7157114189

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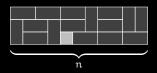
Guttmann and Jensen showed that the diagonal is not D-finite.

Homework: Let

$$a_n = \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{number of tilings of a } 3 \times n \text{ board} \\ \text{with dimers and exactly one monomer} \end{array} \right|$$

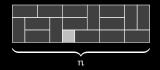
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Show that (a_n) is D-finite and find a recurrence.

Example 3

Hardinian Arrays

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Abstract

In 2014, R.H. Hardin contributed a family of sequences about king-moves on a rarry to the On-Line Encyclopholical bidger Sequences (CISS). The sequences were recently national in an automated search of the OES by Kourers and Kouteshas, who conjectured a recurrence for our of them. We prove their conjecture as well as some for the appropriate of the original contribution of the original contribution of the forth original contribution of the origina

1 Introduction

The On-Line Encyclopedia of Integer sequences [15] contains over 350,000 sequences and perhaps tens of thousands of conjectures about them. Here we resolve some of these conjectures related to a family of sequences due to R.H. Hardin. For any positive integer r, let $H_c(n,k)$ be the number of $n \times k$ arrays which obey the

- The entry in position (1, 1) is 0, and the entry in position (n, k) is max(n, k) r 1.
- The entry in position (i, j) must equal or be one more than each of the entries in
- The entry in position (i, i) must be within r of max(i, i) − 1.

We call such an arrangement of numbers a Hardinian array.

Equivalently, Hardinian arrays can be defined in terms of the king-distance between

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(Greetings from The On-Line Encyclopedia of Integer Sequences!)

A253217 Number of n X n nonnegative integer arrays with upper left 0 and lower right its king-move distance away minus 2 and every value within 2 of its king move distance from the upper left and every value increasing by 0 or 1 with every step right, diagonally se or down. 0, 0, 1, 19, 268, 3568, 47698, 649712, 9023385, 127419681, 1823918697, 26398702645, 385582981615. 5674890516295. 84060883775765. 1252066289632643. 18738613233957420. 281620474177057788. 4248088188086420832 (list: graph: refs: listen: history: text: internal format) OFFSET 1.4 COMMENTS Diagonal of A253223. LINKS R. H. Hardin, Table of n. a(n) for n = 1..37M. Kauers and C. Koutschan, Guessing with Little Data, ISSAC '22: Proceedings of the 2022 International Symposium on Symbolic and Algebraic Computation, July 2022, Pages 83-90. M. Kauers and C. Koutschan, Some D-finite and some possibly D-finite sequences in the OEIS, arXiv:2303.02793 [cs.SC], 2023. R. Dougherty-Bliss and M. Kauers, Hardinian Arrays, arXiv:2309.00487 [math.co], 2023. Recurrence: $32*(1 + n)*(1 + 2*n)^2*(161046 + 465785*n + 551943*n^2$

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$H_2(4,4) = 19$, because:

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 $H_2(n,n)$ begins as follows:

0, 0, 1, 19, 268, 3568, 47698, 649712, 9023385, 127419681, . . .

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(201600n^9 + 4942080n^8 + 53078112n^7 + 327661728n^6 +
 1280700480n^5 + 3285342016n^4 + 5528828352n^3 + 5883447104n^2 +
   3591093120n + 957662208)a(n) + (-970200n^9 - 24199560n^8 -
 30096410912n^3 - 32804461872n^2 - 20514211488n -
 5603970816) a(n + 1) + (589050n^9 + 14827590n^8 + 163756656n^7 +
1040895564n^6 + 4194035058n^5 + 11101344742n^4 + 19289250308n^3 +
21198776056n^2 + 13360158000n + 3676219776)a(n+2) + (294525n^9 +
    7319295n^8 + 79828578n^7 + 501335472n^6 + 1997003589n^5 +
  5229549731n^4 + 8997110634n^3 + 9799013608n^2 + 6125859120n +
  1673566848) a(n + 3) + (-121275n<sup>9</sup> - 3053295n<sup>8</sup> - 33716268n<sup>7</sup> -
  214212552n^6 - 862421763n^5 - 2280190003n^4 - 3956305720n^3 -
  163890n^8 + 1863666n^7 + 12150660n^6 + 50023284n^5 + 134779202n^4 +
237527338n^3 + 263895164n^2 + 167643648n + 46381248)a(n+5) \stackrel{?}{=} 0
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Or maybe let's even start with r = 0.

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6	6	6	6	6	6	6

 $H_0(n,k) = 1$ for all n, k.

0

 $H_1(\mathfrak{n},\mathfrak{n})=?$

0 1 2 2 3 4 5
1 5
2 5 5
3 7 5
4 7 5
5 5 5 5 5 5 5

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 $H_r(n,n)$ is the number of non-crossing lattice path tuples (P_1,\ldots,P_{n-r}) where each path P_i starts somewhere on the left and ends somewhere at the top.

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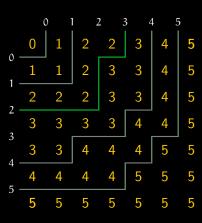
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Then:

number of non-crossing path tuples from
$$(s_1,\ldots,s_{n-r})$$
 to (e_1,\ldots,e_{n-r}) = $\det((a_{i,j}))_{i,j=1}^{n-r}$.

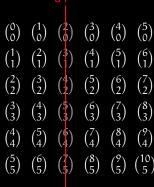
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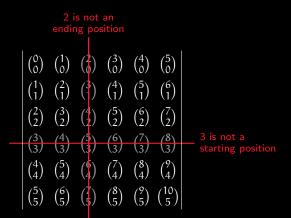
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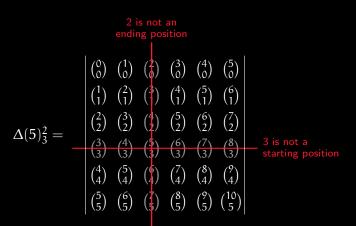


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2 is not an ending position







$$\Delta(5)_3^2 = \begin{array}{c} 2 \text{ is not an} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix} \end{array}$$

$$3 \text{ is not a starting position}$$

$$H_1(n,n) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} \sum_{j=0}^{n-2} \Delta(n-1)_i^j.$$

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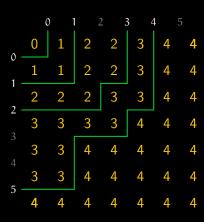
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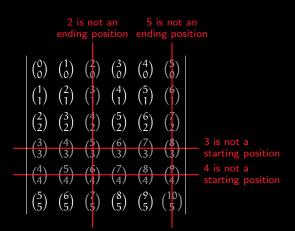
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$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-2} \sum_{j=0}^{n-2} \Delta(n-1)_i^j = \frac{1}{3} (4^{n-1} - 1)$$

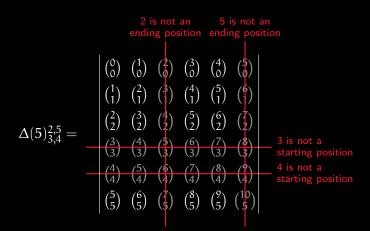
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Is this D-finite?

Jacobi's determinant identity implies

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Therefore,
$$H_r(n,n)=\sum_{i_1,\dots,i_r}\sum_{j_1,\dots,j_r}\Delta(n-1)^{j_1,\dots,j_r}_{i_1,\dots,i_r}$$
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(201600n^9 + 4942080n^8 + 53078112n^7 + 327661728n^6 +
 1280700480n^5 + 3285342016n^4 + 5528828352n^3 + 5883447104n^2 +
   3591093120n + 957662208)a(n) + (-970200n^9 - 24199560n^8 -
 30096410912n^3 - 32804461872n^2 - 20514211488n -
 5603970816) a(n + 1) + (589050n^9 + 14827590n^8 + 163756656n^7 +
1040895564n^6 + 4194035058n^5 + 11101344742n^4 + 19289250308n^3 +
21198776056n^2 + 13360158000n + 3676219776)a(n+2) + (294525n^9 +
    7319295n^8 + 79828578n^7 + 501335472n^6 + 1997003589n^5 +
  5229549731n^4 + 8997110634n^3 + 9799013608n^2 + 6125859120n +
  1673566848) a(n + 3) + (-121275n<sup>9</sup> - 3053295n<sup>8</sup> - 33716268n<sup>7</sup> -
  214212552n^6 - 862421763n^5 - 2280190003n^4 - 3956305720n^3 -
  163890n^8 + 1863666n^7 + 12150660n^6 + 50023284n^5 + 134779202n^4 +
237527338n^3 + 263895164n^2 + 167643648n + 46381248)a(n+5) \stackrel{?}{=} 0
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This proves the conjecture.

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For this case, we only have a guessed recurrence.

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