Composition and partition matrices, bivincular patterns and (2+2)-free posets

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All permutation diagrams of $S_4(2|3\overline{1})$:



Ascent sequences

A sequence $a = (a_1, \ldots, a_n)$ of non-negative integers is called an ascent sequence if $a_1 = 0$ and

 $a_i \in \{0, 1, \dots, 1 + \operatorname{asc}(a_1, \dots, a_{i-1})\}$

for all $1 < i \le n$. [Note $\operatorname{asc}(\underline{0}, 1, 0, \underline{0}, 2, 0) = 2$.]

Let \mathcal{A}_n be set the of all ascent sequences of length n.

 $\mathcal{A}_4 = \{0000, 0001, 0010, 0011, 0012, 0100, 0101, \\ 0102, 0110, 0111, 0112, 0120, 0121, 0122, 0123.\}$

Integer matrices

Let Int_n be the collection of all upper triangular matrices taking values in $\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, \ldots\}$ such that

- the entries sum to n, and
- there are no rows or columns of 0s.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathsf{Int}_4 = & \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

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Clearly $D(a) \subseteq D(c) \subseteq D(e) \subseteq D(b) \subseteq D(d)$.

Let \mathcal{P}_n the the collection of all *different* $(\mathbf{2} + \mathbf{2})$ -free posets on n elements.

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All posets in \mathcal{P}_4:
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$$\begin{pmatrix}
1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
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\end{pmatrix}$$

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Partition matrices

$\begin{bmatrix} \{1,2,3\} & \emptyset & \{5,7,8\} & \{9\} \\ \emptyset & \{4\} & \{6\} & \{11\} \\ \emptyset & \emptyset & \emptyset & \{13\} \\ \emptyset & \emptyset & \emptyset & \{10,12\} \end{bmatrix}$

Definition 2

A partition matrix on $\{1,\ldots,n\}$ is an upper triangular matrix whose elements are sets such that

(i) each column and row contain at least one non-empty set;

(ii) the non-empty sets partition $\{1, \ldots, n\}$;

(iii) $\operatorname{col}(i) < \operatorname{col}(j) \implies i < j$,

where col(i) denotes the column in which *i* is a member. Let Par_n be the set of all such matrices.

Partition matrices

Par₃:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \{1,2,3\} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \{1,2\} & \emptyset \\ \emptyset & \{3\} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \{1\} & \{2\} \\ \emptyset & \{3\} \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} \{1\} & \{3\} \\ \emptyset & \{2\} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \{1\} & \emptyset \\ \emptyset & \{2,3\} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \{1\} & \emptyset & \emptyset \\ \emptyset & \{2\} & \emptyset \\ \emptyset & \emptyset & \{3\} \end{bmatrix}$$

Given $A \in \operatorname{Par}_n$ and $\ell \in \{1, \ldots, n\}$, let $x_\ell = \min(A_{\star i}) - 1$ where i is the row containing ℓ and $\min(A_{\star i})$ is the smallest entry in column i of A. Define

$$\Lambda(A) = (x_1, \ldots, x_n).$$

Some properties

Theorem 3 $\Lambda : \operatorname{Par}_n \to \mathcal{I}_n$ is a bijection

Proposition 4 The statistic dim on Par_n is Eulerian.

Theorem 5 Let Mono_n be the set of matrices in Par_n which satisfy: (iv) $\operatorname{row}(i) < \operatorname{row}(j) \implies i < j$. Then $\Lambda(\operatorname{Mono}_n) = \operatorname{non-decreasing}$ inversion tables in \mathcal{I}_n ,

 $|Mono_n| = nth$ Catalan number.

Diagonal partition matrices

Let $\operatorname{RLE}(w)$ denote the run-length encoding of the inversion table w. For example,

RLE(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 2, 3, 3) = (0, 4)(1, 2)(0, 1)(2, 1)(3, 2).

A sequence of positive integers (u_1, \ldots, u_k) which sum to n is called an integer composition of n and we write this as $(u_1, \ldots, u_k) \models n$.

Theorem 6

The set of diagonal matrices in Par_n is the image under Λ of

$$\{w \in \mathcal{I}_n : (u_1, \dots, u_k) \models n \text{ and } \operatorname{RLE}(w) = (p_0, u_1) \dots (p_{k-1}, u_k) \},\$$

where $p_0 = 0$, $p_1 = u_1$, $p_2 = u_1 + u_2$, $p_3 = u_1 + u_2 + u_3$, etc.

Bidiagonal partition matrices

Let $BiPar_n$ be the set of bidiagonal matrices in Par_n and

$$f(x,q) = \sum_{n \ge 0} \sum_{A \in \operatorname{BiPar}_n} q^{\dim(A)} x^n$$

Theorem 7

$$f(x,q) = \frac{2x^3 - (q+5)x^2 + (q+4)x - 1}{2(q^2 + q + 1)x^3 - (q^2 + 4q + 5)x^2 + 2(q+2)x - 1}.$$

Note that

 $f(x, 1) = |\mathfrak{S}_n(3214, 2143, 24135, 41352, 14352, 13542, 13524)|,$ the collection of permutations sortable by two pop-stacks in parallel, see Atkinson & Sack 1999.

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Let Comp_n be the set of all such matrices.

Composition matrices

$$\operatorname{Comp}_{2} = \left\{ \left[\left\{ 1, 2 \right\} \right], \left[\begin{array}{cc} \{1\} & \emptyset \\ & \{2\} \end{array} \right], \left[\begin{array}{cc} \{2\} & \emptyset \\ & \{1\} \end{array} \right] \right\}.$$

Composition matrices \mapsto ascent seq \times set partition

Bijection $f: \operatorname{Comp}_n \to (a, E)$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \{3, 8\} & \{6\} & \emptyset \\ \emptyset & \{2, 5, 7\} & \emptyset \\ \emptyset & \emptyset & \{1, 4\} \end{bmatrix}.$$

We have

$$\operatorname{Card}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}; \quad T_{\operatorname{Card}(A)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$f(A) = \left(\Gamma(\operatorname{Card}(A)), E(A) \right) = \left((0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 2, 2), \{3, 8\}\{2, 5, 7\}\{6\}\{1, 4\} \right).$$

Labeled (2+2)-free posets \mapsto ascent seq \times set partition



The unlabeled poset corresponding to P has ascent sequence (0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 2, 2). There are four runs in this ascent sequence. The first run of two 0s inserts the elements 3 and 8, so we have $X_1 = \{3, 8\}$. Next the run of three 1s inserts elements 2, 5 and 7, so $X_2 = \{2, 5, 7\}$. The next run is a run containing a single 0, and the element inserted is 6, so $X_3 = \{6\}$. The final run of two 2s inserts elements 1 and 4, so $X_4 = \{1, 4\}$. Hence

 $\psi(P) = \left((0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 2, 2), \{3, 8\} \{2, 5, 7\} \{6\} \{1, 4\} \right).$

Some properties of composition matrices

- ► Non-decreasing ascent sequences × set partition ⇔ Parking functions
- ► There are k!S(n,k) diagonal composition matrices A ∈ Comp_n with dim(A) = k.
- ▶ Let BiComp_n be the set of bidiagonal matrices in Comp_n. Then

$$\sum_{n \ge 0} \sum_{A \in \operatorname{BiComp}_n} q^{\dim(A)} \frac{x^n}{n!} = \frac{qe^{2x} - qe^x - 1}{(1-q)qe^{2x} + 2q^2e^x - q^2 - q - 1}.$$

Number of labeled (2+2)-free posets

From the original paper the g.f. for the number of (2+2)-free posets was shown to be

$$P(t) = \sum_{n \ge 0} \prod_{i=1}^{n} \left(1 - (1-t)^i \right)$$

= 1 + t + 2t² + 5t³ + 15t⁴ + 53t⁵ + 217t⁶ + O(t⁷).

The exponential generating function for $\left(2+2\right)\text{-free posets}$ is

$$L(t) = \sum_{n \ge 0} \prod_{i=1}^{n} \left(1 - e^{-ti}\right)$$

= 1 + t + 3 $\frac{t^2}{2!}$ + 19 $\frac{t^3}{3!}$ + 207 $\frac{t^4}{4!}$ + 3451 $\frac{t^5}{5!}$ + 81663 $\frac{t^6}{6!}$ + $O(t^8)$.