

A Bialgebra on Hypertree and Partition Posets

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Partition Posets

For n , a positive integer,

Definition

The *Partition poset* (partially ordered set) on n elements Π_n is the poset whose objects are partitions of n ordered by :

$p_1 \leq p_2 \iff$ each part of p_1 is the union of some parts of p_2

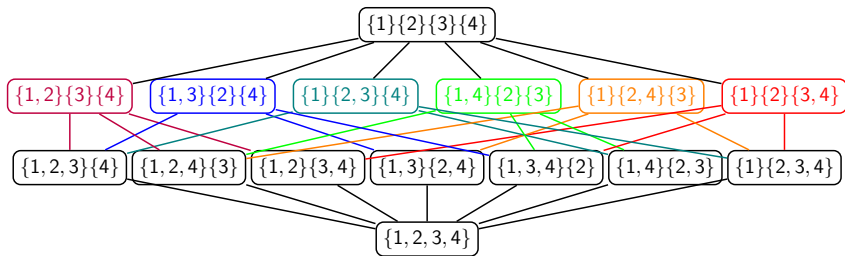


Figure: The poset Π_4

Incidence Hopf Algebra

Definition

The *direct product* of two posets (P_1, \leq_{P_1}) and (P_2, \leq_{P_2}) is the set $P_1 \times P_2$ endowed with the following partial order :

$$(x_1, x_2) \leq_{P_1 \times P_2} (y_1, y_2) \iff x_i \leq_{P_i} y_i \forall i \in \{1, 2\}$$

We consider posets up to isomorphisms of posets.

Let us consider a family of **bounded posets** \mathcal{F}

- **Interval closed** : $\forall P \in \mathcal{F}, [a, b] \subseteq P \Rightarrow [a, b] \in \mathcal{F}$,
- and **Stable under direct product** : $\forall P, Q \in \mathcal{F}, P \times Q \in \mathcal{F}$.

We endow the \mathbb{Q} -vectorial space F generated by \mathcal{F}

- with a **coproduct** defined for all $P \in \mathcal{F}$ by :

$$\Delta[P] = \sum_{x \in P} [0_P, x] \otimes [x, 1_P],$$

- with the direct product of posets.

Theorem (W.R. Schmitt, 1994)

(F, Δ, \times) is a Hopf Algebra, called *Incidence Hopf algebra*.

We consider the family \mathcal{P} of direct products of partition posets. It is interval closed and stable under direct product.

The associated Incidence Hopf algebra, called *Faa di Bruno Hopf Algebra* is generated by partition posets Π_n . The coproduct in the Incidence Hopf algebra of partition posets is a classical result :

$$\Delta \left(\frac{\Pi_n}{n!} \right) = \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{\substack{(j_1, \dots, j_n) \in \mathbb{N} \\ \sum_{i=1}^n j_i = k, \sum_{i=1}^n ij_i = n}} \binom{k}{j_1, \dots, j_n} \prod_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\Pi_i}{i!} \right)^{j_i} \otimes \frac{\Pi_k}{k!}.$$

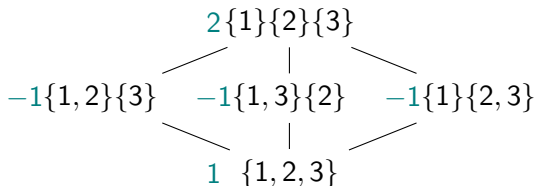
Moebius number

Definition

For any poset P the Moebius function is defined by :

$$\begin{aligned}\mu(x, x) &= 1, & \forall x \in P \\ \mu(x, y) &= - \sum_{x \leq z < y} \mu(x, z), & \forall x < y \in P.\end{aligned}$$

If P is bounded, the Moebius number of P is $\mu(P) := \mu(\hat{0}, \hat{1})$



Link with Moebius numbers

A **character** on an incidence Hopf algebra \mathcal{H} is a linear map from \mathcal{H} to \mathbb{Q} . We define the following convolution for all characters ϕ and ψ :

$$\phi * \psi(P) = \sum \phi(P_{(1)})\psi(P_{(2)}),$$

where $\Delta(P) = \sum P_{(1)} \otimes P_{(2)}$, using Sweedler's convention.

The following maps are characters P :

$$\zeta : \Pi_n \mapsto 1,$$

and

$$\mu : \Pi_n \mapsto \mu(\Pi_n).$$

Moreover, if ϵ is the counit of \mathcal{H} ,

$$\zeta * \mu = \mu * \zeta = \epsilon.$$

Computation of Moebius numbers of partition posets

Computation of the Moebius number of Π_3

$$\mu(1) = 1$$

$$\mu(\Pi_2) = -\mu(1) = -1$$

$$\mu(\Pi_3) = -3\mu(\Pi_2) - \mu(1) = -3 \times (-1) - 1 = 2$$

Let f be a character on P , the Faà Di Bruno Hopf algebra. The correspondence $f \rightarrow \sum_{n \geq 1} f(\Pi_{n-1})t^n/n!$ defines an anti-isomorphism onto a subgroup of $\mathbb{Q}[[x]]$. We obtain : $\zeta(t) = \exp(t) - 1$ and therefore

$$\mu(t) = \ln(1 + t) = \sum_{n \geq 1} (-1)^{n-1} (n-1)! \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$

Can we do the same type of computation for the hypertree posets ?

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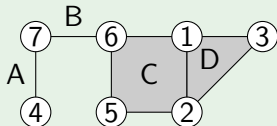
Hypergraphs and hypertrees

Definition (Berge, 1989)

A *hypergraph* (on a set V) is an ordered pair (V, E) where :

- V is a finite set (*vertices*)
- E is a collection of subsets of cardinality at least two of elements of V (*edges*).

Example of a hypergraph on $[1; 7]$



Walk on a hypergraph

Definition

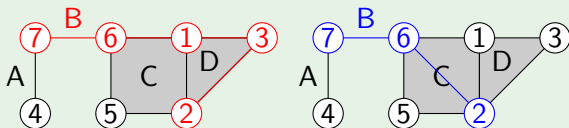
Let $H = (V, E)$ be a hypergraph.

A *walk* from a vertex d to a vertex f in H is an alternating sequence of vertices and edges beginning by d and ending by f :

$$(d, \dots, e_i, v_i, e_{i+1}, \dots, f)$$

where for all i , $v_i \in V$, $e_i \in E$ and $\{v_i, v_{i+1}\} \subseteq e_i$.

Examples of walks



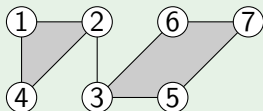
Hypertrees

Definition

A *hypertree* is a non-empty hypergraph H such that, given any distinct vertices v and w in H ,

- there exists a walk from v to w in H with distinct edges e_i , (H is *connected*),
- and this walk is unique, (H has *no cycles*).

Example of a hypertree



The hypertree poset

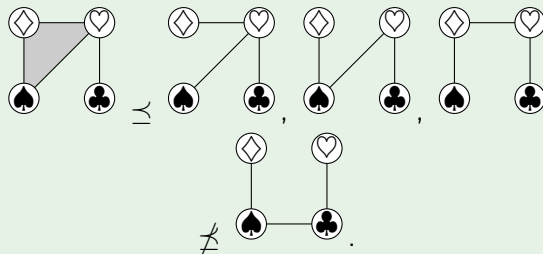
Definition

Let I be a finite set of cardinality n , S and T be two hypertrees on I .

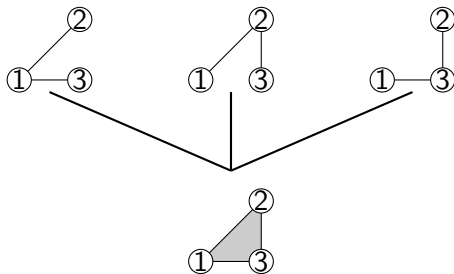
$S \preceq T \iff$ Each edge of S is the union of edges of T

We write $S \prec T$ if $S \preceq T$ but $S \neq T$.

Example with hypertrees on four vertices



Le poset HT_3



- Graded poset by the number of edges [McCullough and Miller 1996],
- Möbius number : $(n - 1)^{n-2}$ [McCammond and Meier 2004]
- Action of the symmetric group on the homology [Conjecture Chapoton 2007, B.O. 2013]

Goal :

Construction of an analogue of Incidence Hopf algebra which enables us to compute some characters of posets.

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From the Incidence Hopf Algebra to a simpler Bialgebra

Lemma (McCammond, Meier, 2004)

Let τ be a hypertree on n vertices.

- (a) The interval $[\hat{0}, \tau]$ is a direct product of partition posets, with one factor Π_j for each vertex in τ with valency j .
- (b) The half-open interval $[\tau, \hat{1})$ is a direct product of hypertree posets, with one factor HT_j for each edge in τ with size j .

- Add a maximum element to hypertree posets, products of hypertree posets and products of hypertree and partition posets
- Close by interval and product

\Rightarrow Incidence Hopf algebra \mathcal{H}

The Incidence Hopf Algebra of partitions poset is a subbialgebra of this algebra.

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Construction of a smaller bialgebra in which computation will be easier.

THE Bialgebra

The family of products of hypertree and partition posets is interval closed and closed by direct product \rightsquigarrow associated algebra \mathcal{B}

We endow this algebra with the following coproduct :

$$\Delta(d) = \sum_{x \in d} [\hat{0}_d, x] \otimes [x, \hat{1}_d],$$

for bounded poset $d \in \mathcal{B}$ and

$$\Delta(t) = \sum_{x \in t} [\hat{0}_t, x] \otimes [x, \hat{1}_{\hat{t}}],$$

for a poset $t \in \mathcal{B}$ with a least element but no greatest one, where \hat{t} is the bounded poset obtained from t by adding a greatest element.

Proposition

\mathcal{B} is a bialgebra

Comparison between coproducts

$$h_n = HT_n$$

$$\rho_n = \Pi_n$$

- Same coproducts on bounded posets.

- In \mathcal{H}

$$\Delta(\hat{t}) = \sum_{x \in \hat{t}} [\hat{0}, x] \otimes [x, \hat{1}]$$

- In \mathcal{B}

$$\Delta(t) = \sum_{x \in t} [\hat{0}_t, x] \otimes [x, \hat{1}_{\hat{t}}]$$

Define :

$$\lambda : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}, p_k \mapsto p_k, h_j \mapsto \widehat{h}_j.$$

Let α and β be two characters on \mathcal{H} such that $\exists \epsilon_\alpha, \epsilon_\beta \in \mathbb{Q}$ and $\exists \tilde{\alpha}, \tilde{\beta} : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$:

$$\alpha(\lambda(p_k)) = \tilde{\alpha}(p_k), \quad \alpha(\lambda(h_j)) = \epsilon_\alpha \tilde{\alpha}(h_j),$$

and

$$\beta(\lambda(p_k)) = \tilde{\beta}(p_k), \quad \beta(\lambda(h_j)) = \epsilon_\beta \tilde{\beta}(h_j).$$

Theorem

The convolution of the characters α and β on \mathcal{H} is given by :

$$\alpha * \beta(\lambda(p_k)) = \sum \tilde{\alpha}(p_k^{(1)}) \tilde{\beta}(p_k^{(2)}),$$

and

$$\alpha * \beta(\lambda(h_j)) = \epsilon_\beta \sum \tilde{\alpha}(h_j^{(1)}) \tilde{\beta}(h_j^{(2)}) + \epsilon_\alpha \tilde{\alpha}(h_j),$$

where $\Delta(p_k) = \sum p_k^{(1)} \otimes p_k^{(2)}$ and $\Delta(h_j) = \sum h_j^{(1)} \otimes h_j^{(2)}$ in \mathcal{B} .

Computation of the Coproduct in this Bialgebra

$$\Delta(h_n) = \sum_{(\alpha, \pi) \in \mathcal{P}_n} c_{\alpha, \pi}^n p_{\alpha} \otimes h_{\pi},$$

where for all $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_k)$ and $\pi = (\pi_2, \pi_3, \dots, \pi_l)$,
 $p_{\alpha} = 1^{\alpha_1} p_2^{\alpha_2} \dots p_k^{\alpha_k}$ and $h_{\pi} = h_2^{\pi_2} h_3^{\pi_3} \dots h_l^{\pi_l}$.

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$$c_{\alpha, \pi}^n = \text{number of hypertrees in } h_n \text{ with :}$$

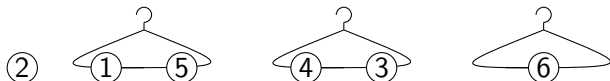
- α_i vertices of valency i , $\forall i \geq 1$
- π_j edges of size j , $\forall j \geq 2$

Criterion for the vanishing of $c_{\alpha,\pi}^n$

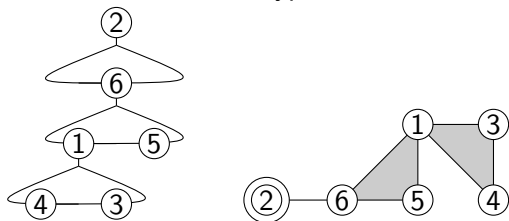
$$c_{\alpha,\pi}^n \neq 0 \iff \sum_{i=1}^k \alpha_i = n, \quad \sum_{j=2}^l (j-1)\pi_j = n-1 \text{ and } \sum_{i=1}^k i\alpha_i = n + \sum_{j=2}^l \pi_j - 1.$$

Counting (rooted) hypertrees

A π -hooked partition P , for $\pi = (1, 2)$:



Associated hypertree



Counting hypertrees

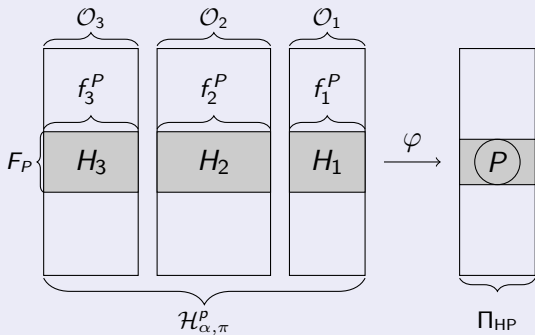
Let us now link hypertrees to hooked partitions.

Let $d_{\alpha,\pi}^n$ be the number of ways to construct a hypertree with valencies α from a given π -hooked partition. Then,

The coefficient $c_{\alpha,\pi}^n$ is linked with $d_{\alpha,\pi}^n$ by :

$$c_{\alpha,\pi}^n = \frac{1}{n} \times \frac{n!}{\prod_{j \geq 2} (j-1)!^{\pi_j} \pi_j!} \times d_{\alpha,\pi}^n,$$

Démonstration.

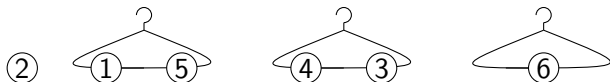


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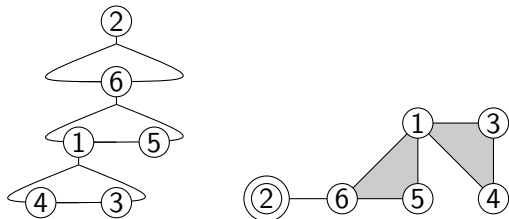


Prüfer code

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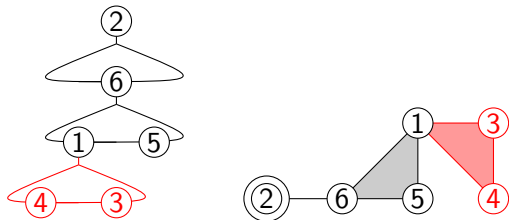


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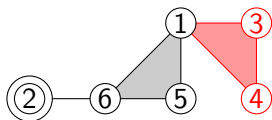
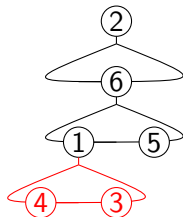


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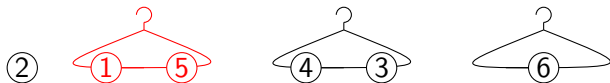


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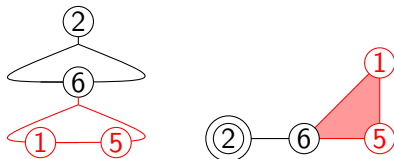


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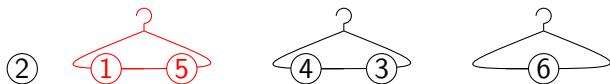


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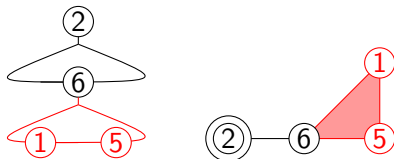


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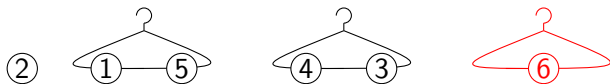


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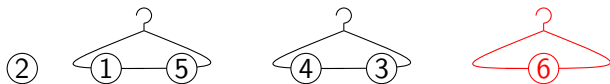


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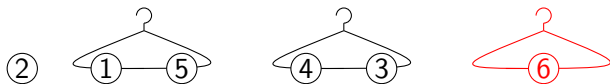


Code : 1, 6, 2



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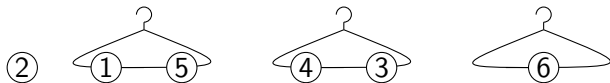


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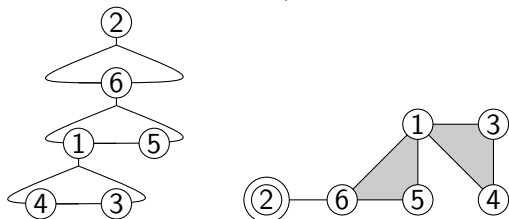


Prüfer code

A π -hooked partition P , for $\pi = (1, 2)$:



Code : 1, 6



Return of the Prüfer code

constructions of a rooted hypertree of valency set α from P_π

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words on $\llbracket 1, n \rrbracket$, of length $k = \sum_{j \geq 2} \pi_j - 1$, with $\sum_{i \geq 2} \alpha_i$ different letters, where α_i letters appear $i - 1$ times, $\forall i \geq 2$

$$\rightsquigarrow \frac{k! \times n!}{\prod_{i \geq 2} (i - 1)!^{\alpha_i} \alpha_i!}.$$

Theorem (B.O.)

$$\Delta(h_n) = \frac{1}{n} \times \sum_{(\alpha, \pi) \in \mathcal{P}(n)} \frac{n!}{\prod_{j \geq 2} (j - 1)!^{\pi_j} \pi_j!} \times \frac{k! \times n!}{\prod_{i \geq 1} (i - 1)!^{\alpha_i} \alpha_i!} \prod_{i=2}^k p_i^{\alpha_i} \otimes \prod_{j=2}^l h_j^{\pi_j}.$$

Application : Computation of Moebius numbers of Hypertree Posets

Theorem (McCammond and Meier 2004)

The Moebius number of the augmented hypertree poset on n vertices is given by :

$$\mu(\widehat{HT}_n) = (-1)^{n-1}(n-1)^{n-2}.$$

The following equality holds :

$$(n-1)^{n-2} = \sum_{(\alpha, \pi) \in \mathcal{P}(n)} \frac{(-1)^{i\alpha_i-1}}{n} \times \frac{n!}{\prod_{j \geq 2} (j-1)!^{\pi_j} \pi_j!} \times \frac{k! \times n!}{\prod_{i \geq 1} \alpha_i!},$$

where $\mathcal{P}(n) = (\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k), \pi = (\pi_2, \dots, \pi_l))$ satisfying :

$$\sum_{i=1}^k \alpha_i = n, \quad \sum_{j=2}^l (j-1)\pi_j = n-1, \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{i=1}^k i\alpha_i = n + \sum_{j=2}^l \pi_j - 1.$$

Thank you very much for your attention !