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Hook Length Formula (Cont'd)

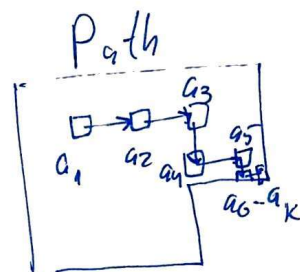
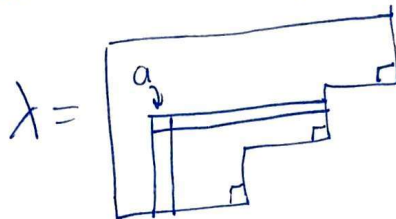
$$f_\lambda := \text{SYT}(\lambda) \quad H(\lambda) := \prod_{a \in \lambda} h(a)$$

$$\text{HLF: } f_\lambda = \frac{n!}{H(\lambda)}$$

$$\text{Recurrence: } f_\lambda = \sum_{c \text{ corner}} f_{\lambda \setminus c}$$

$$\text{Prop: } \sum_{\lambda \vdash n, c \text{ corner of } \lambda} \frac{1}{n} \frac{H(\lambda)}{H(\lambda \setminus c)} = 1$$

hook at box a , hook length $h(a)$



Hook walks:

- (1) Pick random box
- (2) If not corner, jump somewhere else in its hook uniformly till reach corner.

$$\text{Prob}(P) = \frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{1}{h(a_1)-1} \cdot \frac{1}{h(a_2)-1} \cdot \dots \cdot \frac{1}{h(a_{k-1})-1}$$

$$\text{Prop: } \sum_{P \text{ hook walks ending at } c} \text{Prob}(P) = \frac{1}{n} \frac{H(\lambda)}{H(\lambda \setminus c)} \iff \sum \text{wt}(P) = \frac{H(\lambda)}{H(\lambda \setminus c)}$$

weights of boxes in λ and path P

$$\text{wt}(a) = \frac{1}{h(a)-1} \quad \text{wt}(P) = \text{wt}(a_1) \dots \text{wt}(a_{k-1})$$

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Fix λ and a corner $C \in \text{Re}$

$$\underline{h(a) + h(c) = h(b) + h(d)}$$

$$h(a) - 1 + h(c) - 1 = h(b) - 1 + h(d) - 1$$

$$h(a) - 1 = h(b) - 1 + h(d) - 1$$

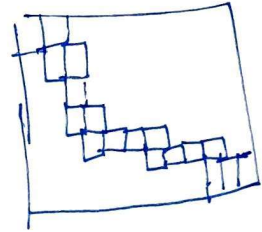
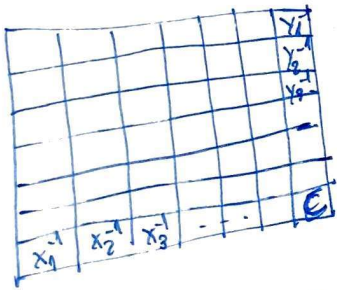
$h(b) - 1$ for all boxes in the same

Denote by $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_p$ row/col as corner C .

Weight of boxes in Re

in box (i, j) have

$$\frac{1}{x_i + y_j}$$



Want to calculate $\sum_{\text{paths with } C} \text{wt}(P)$

lattice paths inside Rec from the upper left to the bottom right corner

Lemma 1: $\sum_{\text{Lattice paths in } \text{Re}} \text{wt}(P) = \frac{1}{x_1 \dots x_k} \cdot \frac{1}{y_1 \dots y_p}$

Ex: $k=p=1$

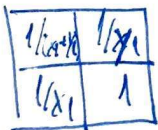


$$\frac{1}{x_1 + y_1} \cdot \frac{1}{y_1} \cdot 1$$



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$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x_1 + y_1} \cdot \frac{1}{y_1} + \frac{1}{x_1 + y_1} \cdot \frac{1}{x_1} = \frac{1}{x_1 y_1}$$

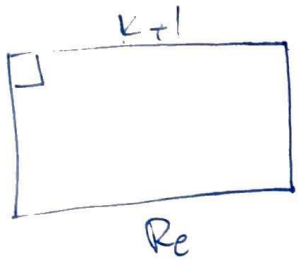


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Proof of Lemma 1: Induction on $k+p$

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Induction step: $\sum_{\text{P lattice path}} wt(P) = \sum_{\text{P starts with right step}} wt(P) + \sum_{\text{P starts with down step}} wt(P)$

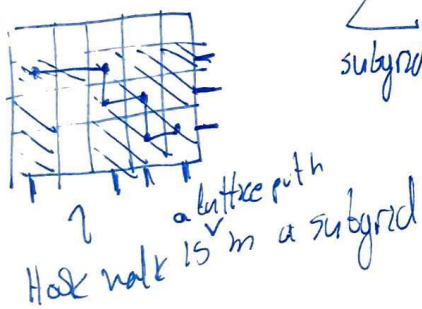


$$= \frac{1}{x_1 + y_1} \left(\frac{1}{y_1 y_2 \dots y_p} \cdot \frac{1}{x_2 \dots x_k} + \frac{1}{y_2 \dots y_p x_1 \dots x_k} \right) = \frac{1}{x_1 + y_1} \left(\frac{1}{x_1} + \frac{1}{y_1} \right) \frac{1}{x_2 \dots x_k} \frac{1}{y_2 \dots y_p}$$

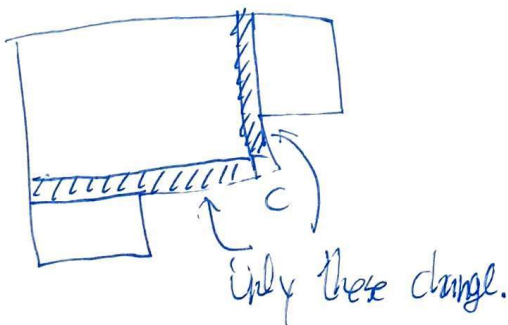
$$= \frac{1}{x_1 \dots x_k} \frac{1}{y_1 \dots y_p} \quad \square$$

Lemma 2: $\sum_{\text{P hook walk in Re}} wt(P) = \left(1 + \frac{1}{x_1}\right) \dots \left(1 + \frac{1}{x_k}\right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{y_1}\right) \dots \left(1 + \frac{1}{y_p}\right)$

Pf: $= \sum_{\text{subgrids in Re}} \left(\sum_{\text{lattice paths}} wt(P) \right) \stackrel{\text{Lemma 1}}{=} \left(1 + \frac{1}{x_1}\right) \dots \left(1 + \frac{1}{y_p}\right) \quad \square$



However note that $\frac{H(\lambda)}{H(\lambda \cup c)} = \frac{(x_1+1)}{x_1} \frac{(x_2+1)}{x_2} \dots \frac{(x_k+1)}{x_k} \frac{(y_1+1)}{y_1} \dots \frac{(y_p+1)}{y_p}$



$$= \prod_{\substack{a \text{ in same} \\ \text{row or column} \\ \text{as } c}} \frac{h(a)}{h(a)-1} = \prod_{\substack{a \text{ in same} \\ \text{row or column} \\ \text{as } c}} \frac{h_{\lambda}(a)}{h_{\lambda \cup c}(a)} = \frac{H(\lambda)}{H(\lambda \cup c)}$$