

Problem Set 8

Due: Friday, March 16

Problem 1. Write out a careful proof in your own words of the proposition stated in class:

$$\prod_{i,j} (1 + x_i y_j) = \exp \left(\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{n} (-1)^{n-1} p_n(\mathbf{x}) p_n(\mathbf{y}) \right) = \sum_{\lambda} z_{\lambda}^{-1} \varepsilon_{\lambda} p_{\lambda}(\mathbf{x}) p_{\lambda}(\mathbf{y}).$$

Problem 2. Determine (with proof) the number of standard Young tableaux of size n and at most 2 rows. For example, for $n = 4$, there are 6 such SYT.

Problem 3. Express h_n in terms of the basis $\{e_{\lambda} : \lambda \vdash n\}$ of $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}^n$. Express e_n in terms of the basis $\{h_{\lambda} : \lambda \vdash n\}$ of $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}^n$.

Problem 4. Prove that

$$h_k(x_1, \dots, x_n, 0, \dots) = \sum_{j=1}^n x_j^{n-1+k} \prod_{i \in [n], i \neq j} (x_j - x_i)^{-1}.$$

Problem 5. Prove that if $\lambda, \mu \vdash n$ and $\mu \leq \lambda$ (dominance order), then $K_{\lambda\mu} \neq 0$.