

# Lecture Hall Theorems, $q$ -series and Truncated Objects

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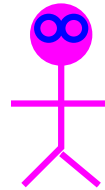
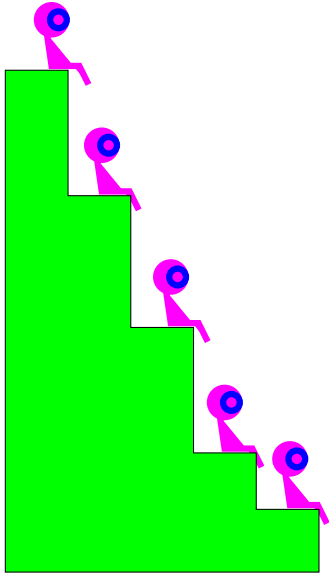
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## Lecture Hall partitions $L_n$

$$\frac{\lambda_1}{n} \geq \frac{\lambda_2}{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \frac{\lambda_{n-1}}{2} \geq \frac{\lambda_n}{1} \geq 0,$$

Ex:  $\lambda = (8, 6, 4, 2, 1) \in L_5$

$$|\lambda| = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \dots + \lambda_n$$

$$|\lambda| = 21$$

$$L_n(q) \triangleq \sum_{\lambda \in L_n} q^{|\lambda|} = \frac{1}{(q; q^2)_n};$$

$$(a; q)_n = \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} (1 - aq^i)$$

Algebra - Coxeter groups

Bousquet-Mélou, Eriksson

## Combinatorial interpretation

Euler's Theorem

Partitions into distinct parts

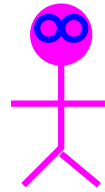
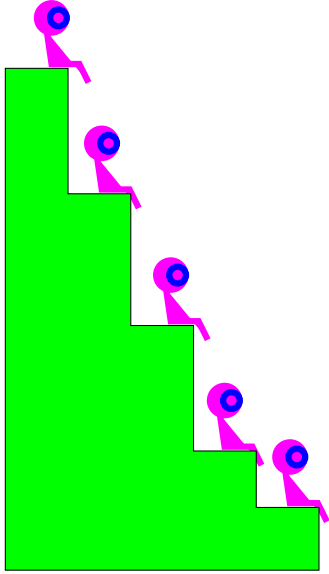
$\leftrightarrow$  Partitions into odd parts

$$\{(7), (6, 1), (5, 2), (4, 3), (4, 2, 1)\} \leftrightarrow \{(7), (5, 1, 1), (3, 3, 1), (3, 1^4), (1^7)\}$$

LHP in  $L_n$

$\leftrightarrow$  Partitions into odd parts  $\leq 2n - 1$

$$n = 2 \quad \{(7), (6, 1), (5, 2)\} \leftrightarrow \{(3, 3, 1), (3, 1^4), (1^7)\}$$



## Odd/Even LHP Theorem

$$\frac{\lambda_1}{n} \geq \frac{\lambda_2}{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \frac{\lambda_{n-1}}{2} \geq \frac{\lambda_n}{1} \geq 0,$$

$$\lambda_o = (\lambda_1, \lambda_3, \dots)$$

$$\lambda_e = (\lambda_2, \lambda_4, \dots).$$

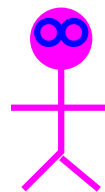
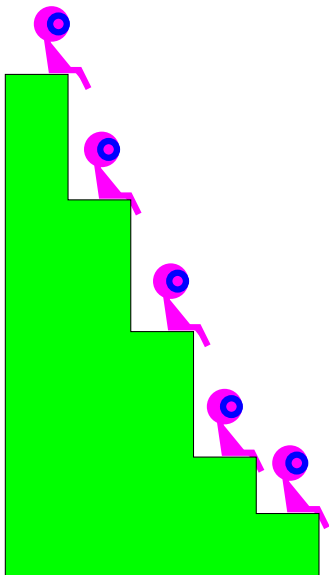
$$\text{Ex: } \lambda = (8, 6, 4, 2, 1)$$

$$\lambda_o = (8, 4, 1) \quad \lambda_e = (6, 2)$$

$$L_n(x, y) \triangleq \sum_{\lambda \in L_n} x^{|\lambda_o|} y^{|\lambda_e|} = \frac{1}{(x; xy)_n}$$

Recursive/combinatorial proof, bijection

Bousquet-Mélou - Eriksson / Yee



## Refined LHP theorem

$$[\lambda] = (\lceil \lambda_1/n \rceil, \lceil \lambda_2/(n-1) \rceil, \dots, \lceil \lambda_n/1 \rceil)$$

Ex:  $\lambda = (8, 6, 4, 2, 1)$   $[\lambda] = (2, 2, 2, 1, 1)$

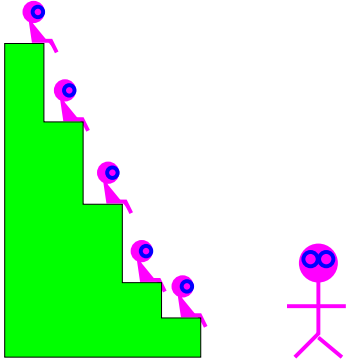
Nb of odd parts of  $[\lambda]$  :  $o([\lambda])$

$$o([\lambda]) = 2$$

$$L_n(u, v, q) \triangleq \sum_{\lambda \in L_n} q^{|\lambda|} u^{|\lceil \lambda \rceil} v^{o([\lambda])} = \frac{(-uvq; q)_n}{(u^2q^{n+1}; q)_n}$$

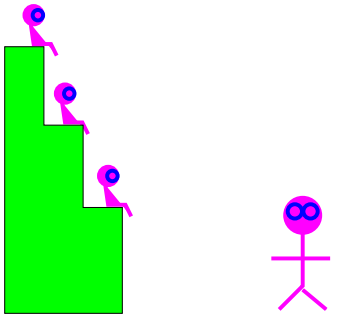
Complicated gf proof/ Bijective proofs

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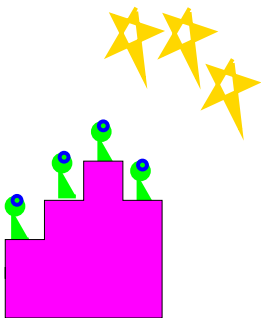
## Refined LHP Theorem and $q$ -series

$$\frac{a^n (c/a; q)_n}{(c; q)_n} = \sum_{m=0}^n \frac{(a; q)_m (q^{-n}; q)_m}{(c; q)_m (q; q)_m} q^m$$



## Truncated Lecture Hall partitions

$$\frac{\lambda_1}{n} \geq \frac{\lambda_2}{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \frac{\lambda_k}{n-k+1} > 0.$$



## (Trunc.) Anti-Lecture Hall comp.

$$\frac{\lambda_1}{n-k+1} \geq \frac{\lambda_2}{n-k+2} \geq \dots \geq \frac{\lambda_k}{n} \geq 0.$$

## Refined LHP Theorem and $q$ -series

$$L_n(u, v, q) = \sum_{\mu \in P_n} u^{|\mu|} v^{o(\mu)} L_\mu(q); \quad L_\mu(q) \triangleq \sum_{\substack{\lambda \in L_n \\ [\lambda] = \mu}} q^{|\lambda|}$$

$$\lambda \in L_n : \lambda_i = (n - i + 1)\mu_i - r_i; \quad 0 \leq r_i \leq n - i$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \mu_i > \mu_{i+1} \text{ or } \mu_i = \mu_{i+1} \text{ and } r_i \leq r_{i+1}$$

$$L_\mu(q) = q^{\sum_{i=1}^n (n-i+1)\mu_i} \sum_{(r_1, \dots, r_n)} q^{\sum_{i=1}^n r_i} = q^{\sum_{i=1}^n (n-i+1)\mu_i} \left[ \begin{matrix} n \\ m_0, m_1, \dots, m_{\mu_1} \end{matrix} \right]_{1/q}.$$

$m_i$  multiplicity of  $i$  in  $\mu$

## Refined LHP Theorem and $q$ -series

$$m = n - m_0; \tilde{\mu}_i = \mu_i - 1; 1 \leq i \leq m$$

$$L_{\tilde{\mu}}(q) = q^{\sum_{i=1}^m (m-i+1)(\mu_i-1)} \left[ \begin{matrix} m \\ m_1, \dots, m_{\mu_1} \end{matrix} \right]_{1/q}$$

$$L_{\mu}(q) = q^{(n-m)|\tilde{\mu}| + \binom{m+1}{2}} \left[ \begin{matrix} n \\ m \end{matrix} \right]_q L_{\tilde{\mu}}(q),$$

$$L_n(u, v, q) = \sum_{m=0}^n \left[ \begin{matrix} n \\ m \end{matrix} \right]_q (uv)^m q^{\binom{m+1}{2}} L_m(uq^{n-m}, 1/v, q).$$

## Refined LHP Theorem and $q$ -series

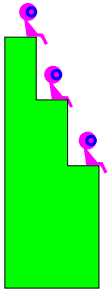
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$$q - \text{Chu Vandermonde} \quad \frac{a^n (c/a; q)_n}{(c; q)_n} = \sum_{m=0}^n \frac{(a; q)_m (q^{-n}; q)_m}{(c; q)_m (q; q)_m} q^m$$

$$\text{Set } a = -vq^{-n}/u, \quad c = q^{-2n}/u^2,$$

$$\frac{(-uvq; q)_n}{(u^2q^{n+1}; q)_n} = \sum_{m=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ m \end{bmatrix}_q (uv)^m q^{\binom{m+1}{2}} \frac{(-(u/v)q^{n-m+1}; q)_m}{(u^2q^{2n-m+1}; q)_m}.$$

$$\Rightarrow L_n(u, v, q) = \frac{(-uvq; q)_n}{(u^2q^{n+1}; q)_n}$$



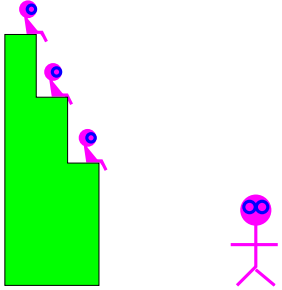
## Truncated Lecture Hall partitions

$$\frac{\lambda_1}{n} \geq \frac{\lambda_2}{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \frac{\lambda_k}{n-k+1} > 0.$$

## Refined Truncated Lecture Hall Theorem

$$L_{n,k}(u, v, q) \triangleq \sum_{\lambda \in L_{n,k}} q^{|\lambda|} u^{|\lceil \lambda \rceil} v^{o(\lfloor \lambda \rfloor)} = (uv)^k q^{\binom{k+1}{2}} \begin{bmatrix} n \\ m \end{bmatrix}_q \frac{(-(u/v)q^{n-k+1}; q)_k}{(u^2 q^{2n-k+1}; q)_k}.$$

$$L_{n,k}(u, v, q) = (uv)^k q^{\binom{k+1}{2}} \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q L_k(uq^{n-k}, 1/v, q)$$



## Truncated Lecture Hall partitions $k \leq n$

$$\frac{\lambda_1}{n} \geq \frac{\lambda_2}{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \frac{\lambda_k}{n-k+1} > 0.$$

## Odd/Even Truncated Lecture Hall Theorem

$$L_{n,k}(x, y) \triangleq \sum_{\lambda \in L_{n,k}} x^{|\lambda_o|} y^{|\lambda_e|} = \frac{(x^{\lfloor k/2 \rfloor + 1} y^{\lfloor k/2 \rfloor})^{\lfloor k/2 \rfloor} \begin{bmatrix} n - \lfloor k/2 \rfloor \\ \lfloor k/2 \rfloor \end{bmatrix}_{xy}}{(x; xy)_{\lfloor k/2 \rfloor} (x^n y^{n-1}; (xy)^{-1})_{\lfloor k/2 \rfloor}}.$$

$$\lambda_o = (\lambda_1, \lambda_3, \lambda_5, \dots); \lambda_e = (\lambda_2, \lambda_4, \lambda_6, \dots)$$

## Odd/Even Truncated LHP (Sketch of proof)

Define a bijection

$$\text{BME}_{n,k} : L_{n-1,k-1} \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow L_{n,k}$$

such that if  $\mu = \text{BME}_{n,k}(\lambda, s)$

$$|\mu_e| = |\lambda_o|$$

$k$  odd then  $|\mu_o| = 2|\lambda_o| - |\lambda_e| + s + 1$ .

$$L_{n,2k+1}(x, y) = \frac{x}{1-x} L_{n-1,2k}(x^2 y, x^{-1})$$

$k$  even  $|\mu_o| = 2|\lambda_o| - |\lambda_e| + s - \lfloor \frac{(n-2k)\lambda_{2k-1}}{n-2k+1} \rfloor$

$$L_{n,2k}(x, y) = L_{n-1,2k}(x^2 y, 1/x) + \frac{1}{1-x} L_{n-1,2k-1}(x^2 y, 1/x)$$

## Odd/Even Truncated LHP

$$L_{n,2k+1}(x, y) = \frac{x}{1-x} L_{n-1,2k}(x^2 y, x^{-1})$$

$$L_{n,2k}(x, y) = L_{n-1,2k}(x^2 y, 1/x) + \frac{1}{1-x} L_{n-1,2k-1}(x^2 y, 1/x)$$

$$L_{n,k}(x, y) = \frac{(x^{\lfloor k/2 \rfloor + 1} y^{\lfloor k/2 \rfloor})^{\lceil k/2 \rceil} \begin{bmatrix} n - \lceil k/2 \rceil \\ \lfloor k/2 \rfloor \end{bmatrix}_{xy}}{(x; xy)_{\lceil k/2 \rceil} (x^n y^{n-1}; (xy)^{-1})_{\lfloor k/2 \rfloor}}.$$

## Combinatorial characterization

$$TL_{n,k} : \frac{\lambda_1}{n} \geq \frac{\lambda_2}{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \frac{\lambda_k}{n-k+1} \geq 0.$$

$TL_{n,k}$   $\lambda$  where  $k(\lambda) = |\lambda_o| - |\lambda_e| = j \iff$

Partitions into  $j$  odd parts  $\leq 2n - 1$  with at most  $\lfloor k/2 \rfloor$  parts from  $\{2\lceil k/2 \rceil + 1, \dots, 2(n - \lfloor k/2 \rfloor) - 1\}$ .

Example:  $n = 6, k = 2$

$TL_{6,2}$  with  $k(\lambda) = j \iff$  Partitions into  $j$  odd parts  $\leq 11$  with at most 1 part in  $\{3, 5, 7, 9\}$ .

$(11) \iff (1^{11}); (10, 1) \iff (3, 1^8); (9, 2) \iff (5, 1^6);$

$(8, 3) \iff (7, 1^4); (7, 4) \iff (9, 1^2); (6, 5) \iff (11)$

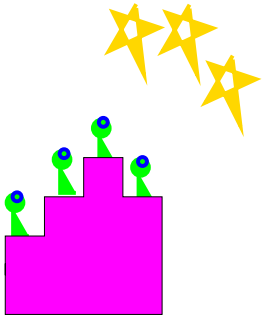
## Sketch of Proof

$R_{n,k}(z, q)$  generating function for partitions into odd parts  $\leq 2n - 1$  with at most  $\lfloor k/2 \rfloor$  parts from  $\{2\lfloor k/2 \rfloor + 1, \dots, 2(n - \lfloor k/2 \rfloor) - 1\}$  where  $z$  counts the number of parts and  $q$  the weight.

$$R_{n,k}(z, q) = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor k/2 \rfloor} z^i q^{i(2\lfloor k/2 \rfloor + 1)} \begin{bmatrix} n - k - 1 + i \\ i \end{bmatrix}_{q^2}}{(zq; q^2)_{\lfloor k/2 \rfloor} (zq^{2n-1}; q^{-2})_{\lfloor k/2 \rfloor}}$$

$$R_{n,k}(z, q) - R_{n,k-1}(z, q) = L_{n,k}(zq, q/z)$$

Bijection?



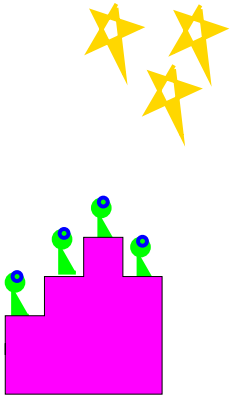
## Anti-Lecture Hall compositions $A_n$

$$\frac{\lambda_1}{1} \geq \frac{\lambda_2}{2} \geq \dots \geq \frac{\lambda_n}{n} \geq 0.$$

Ex : Compositions of 4 in  $A_3$  (4), (3, 1), (2, 2), (2, 1, 1), (1, 2, 1)

$$A_n(u, v, q) \triangleq \sum_{\lambda \in A_n} q^{|\lambda|} u^{|\lfloor \lambda \rfloor} v^{o(\lfloor \lambda \rfloor)} = \frac{(-uvq; q)_n}{(u^2q^2; q)_n}$$

$$A_n(x, y) \triangleq \sum_{\lambda \in A_n} x^{|\lambda_o|} y^{|\lambda_e|} = \frac{\begin{bmatrix} n \\ \lfloor n/2 \rfloor \end{bmatrix}_{xy}}{(x; xy)_{\lceil n/2 \rceil} (xy^2; xy)_{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor}}.$$



## Truncated Anti-Lecture compositions

$$\frac{\lambda_1}{n-k+1} \geq \frac{\lambda_2}{n-k+2} \geq \dots \geq \frac{\lambda_{k-1}}{n-1} \geq \frac{\lambda_k}{n} \geq 0.$$

$$A_{n,k}(u, v, q) \triangleq \sum_{\lambda \in A_{n,k}} q^{|\lambda|} u^{|\lambda|} v^{o(\lfloor \lambda \rfloor)} = \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \frac{(-uvq^{n-k+1}; q)_k}{(u^2q^{2(n-k+1)}; q)_k}.$$

$$A_{n,k}(x, y) \triangleq \sum_{\lambda \in A_{n,k}} x^{|\lambda_o|} y^{|\lambda_o|} = \frac{\begin{bmatrix} n \\ \lfloor k/2 \rfloor \end{bmatrix}_{xy}}{(x; xy)_{\lfloor k/2 \rfloor} (x^{n-k+1}y^{n-k+2}; xy)_{\lfloor k/2 \rfloor}}.$$

## More?

Finitization of Refinements of Euler's Theorem : Partitions  $\lambda$  into  $k$  distinct parts with  $k(\lambda) = j \leftrightarrow$  Partitions into  $j$  odd parts such that  $\lfloor k/2 \rfloor$  of the parts  $\geq 2\lceil k/2 \rceil + 1$  (Sylvester, Lascoux)

New identity?

$$\sum_{m=0}^n \left( aq^{\lfloor m/2 \rfloor} \right)^{\lceil m/2 \rceil} \frac{\begin{bmatrix} n - \lceil m/2 \rceil \\ \lfloor m/2 \rfloor \end{bmatrix}_q}{(a; q)_{\lceil m/2 \rceil} (aq^{n-1}; q^{-1})_{\lfloor m/2 \rfloor}} = 1/(a; q)_n.$$

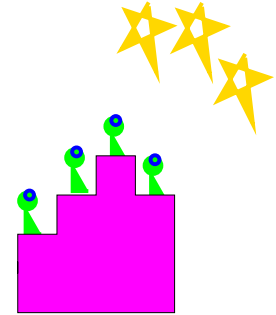
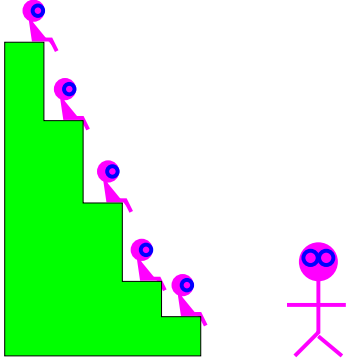
## More to do... Simple bijections?

Direct bijections for Truncated Refined Theorems?

Simplified proofs for the Truncated Odd/even Theorems?

Links with Coxeter groups?

Easy argument to understand why all these are products?



Thanks!

