

Generating Functions for $P_1^r(n)$ and $P_2^r(n)$

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Abstract

In 1970 George E. Andrews defined the generating functions for $P_1^r(n)$ and $P_2^r(n)$. In this article these generating functions are discussed elaborately. This paper shows how to prove the theorem $P_2^r(n) = P_3^r(n)$ with a numerical example when $n = 9$ and $r = 2$. In 1966 Andrews defined the terms $A'(n)$ and $B'(n)$, but this paper proves the remark $A'(n) = B'(n)$ with the help of an example when $n = 10$. In 1961 N. Bourbaki defined the term $P(n, m)$. This paper shows how to prove a Remark in terms of $P(n, m)$, where $P(n, m)$ is the number of partitions of the type of enumerated by $P_3^r(n)$ with the further restrictions that $b_1 \leq 2m$.

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1 Introduction

We give definitions of $P_1^r(n)$, $P_2^r(n)$, $P_3^r(n)$, $A'(n)$, $B'(n)$, and $P(n, m)$. Then we generate the function for $P_1^r(n)$, $P_2^r(n)$, and $P_3^r(n)$, which are collected from George E. Andrews [1] and Hardy and Wright [5] and prove the Theorem $P_2^r(n) = P_3^r(n)$. George E. Andrews [1] has already prove the remark $P_1^r(n) = P_3^r(n)$ and we give a numerical example for $A'(n) = B'(n)$. Finally we prove a remark which is related to the term $P(n, m)$.

2 Definitions

$P_1^r(n)$: The number of partitions of n into part that are either even or not congruent to $4r - 2 \pmod{4r}$ or odd and congruent to $2r - 1, 4r - 1 \pmod{4r}$ [2].

$P_2^r(n)$: The number of partitions of n into parts that are either even or else congruent to $2r - 1 \pmod{2r}$ with the further restriction that only even parts may be repeated.

$P_3^r(n)$: The number of partitions of n of the form $n = b_1 + b_2 + \dots + b_s$, where $b_i \geq b_{i+1}$, and for b_i odd, $b_i - b_{i+1} \geq 2r - 1$ ($1 \leq i \leq s$, where $b_{s+1} = 0$).

$A'(n)$: The number of partitions of n into parts congruent to $0, 2, 3, 4, 7 \pmod{8}$.

$B'(n)$: The number of partitions of n of the form $n = b_1 + b_2 + \dots + b_s$, where $b_s \geq 2$, $b_i \geq b_{i+1}$, and if b_i is odd, $b_i - b_{i+1} \geq 3$.

$P(n, m)$: The number of partitions of the type enumerated by $P_3^r(n)$, with the further restriction that $b_1 \leq 2m$ [4].

3 Consider the Generating Function with $r \geq 2$, [3]

We have,

$$\prod_{j=1}^{\infty} (1 - x^{4rj-2}) (1 - x^{2j})^{-1} (1 - x^{2rj-1})^{-1} \quad (1)$$

$$= \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} (1 - x^{4rj-2}) (1 + x^{2j} + x^{4j} + \dots) \times (1 + x^{2rj-1} + x^{4rj-2} + \dots)$$

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$$= 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P_1^r(n) x^n,$$

where the coefficient $P_1^r(n)$ is the number of partitions of n into parts that are either even and not congruent to $4r-2 \pmod{4r}$ or odd and congruent to $2r-1, 4r-1 \pmod{4r}$.

We consider a function, which is of the form;

$$\begin{aligned} & \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} (1+x^{2rj-1})(1-x^{2j})^{-1}; r \geq 2 \\ &= \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} (1+x^{2rj-1})(1+x^{2j}+x^{4j}+\dots) \\ &= 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P_2^r(n) x^n \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

where the coefficient $P_2^r(n)$ is the number of partitions of n into parts that are either even or else congruent to $2r-1 \pmod{2r}$ with the further restriction that only even parts may be repeated.

From (1) we have;

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P_1^r(n) x^n &= \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} (1-x^{4rj-2})(1-x^{2j})^{-1}(1-x^{2rj-1})^{-1} \\ &= \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1+x^{2rj-1})}{(1-x^{2j})} = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P_2^r(n) x^n, \text{ by (2).} \end{aligned}$$

Now equating the coefficient of x^n from the both sides we get;

$$P_1^r(n) = P_2^r(n).$$

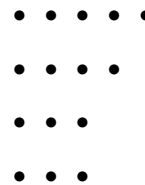
Here we give a Theorem, which is related to the terms $P_2^r(n)$ and $P_3^r(n)$.

Theorem: Let $r \geq 2$ be an integer. Let $P_2^r(n)$ denote the number of partitions of n into parts that are either even or else congruent to $2r-1 \pmod{2r}$ with the further restriction that only even parts may be repeated. Let $P_3^r(n)$ denote the number of partitions of n of the form $n = b_1 + b_2 + \dots + b_s$, where $b_i \geq b_{i+1}$, and for b_i odd, $b_i - b_{i+1} \geq 2r-1$ ($1 \leq i \leq s$, where $b_{s+1} = 0$).

$$\text{Then } P_2^r(n) = P_3^r(n).$$

Proof: Let Ψ' be a partition of the type enumerated by $P_3^r(n)$. We represent Ψ' graphically with each even part $2m$ represented by two rows of m nodes and each odd part $2m+1$ represented by two rows of $m+1$ nodes and m nodes respectively.

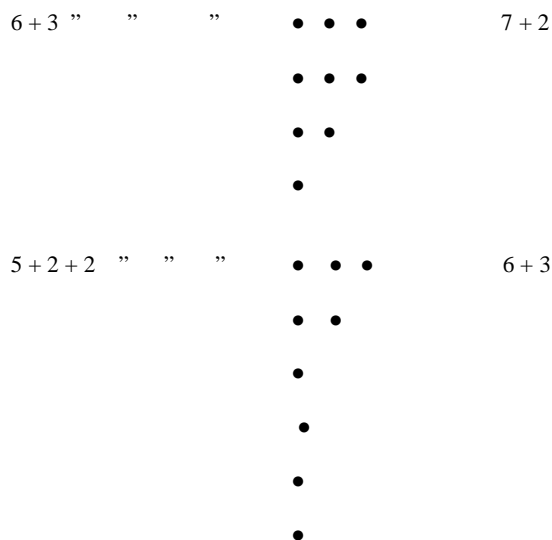
Such as $9 + 6$ becomes;



Now we may consider the graph vertically with the condition that r columns are always to be grouped as a single part, whenever the lowest node in the most right hand column of the group is not presented there. If $r = 2$, we obtain in this manner, the partition $4 + 4 + 4 + 3$. Now since the condition on partitions enumerated by $P_3^r(n)$ is $b_i - b_{i+1} \geq 2r-1$, whenever b_i is odd, we see that our grouping of r columns always have one less node than a rectangle of $r-2v$ nodes, when v is any positive integer. Thus a part congruent to $2r-1 \pmod{2r}$ is produced. Since originally odd parts were distinct, we see that now odd parts will be congruent to $2r-1 \pmod{2r}$ and will not be repeated and since originally all odd parts were greater or equal to $2r-1$, we see that there will always be r columns available for each grouping. Thus in this case we have produced a partition of the type enumerated by $P_2^r(n)$. Clearly our correspondence is one to one, however, the above process is reversible and thus the correspondence is onto. So that $P_2^r(n) = P_3^r(n)$. Hence the Theorem.

Example 1: We take $r = 2, n = 9$. The corresponding partitions are listed opposite each other in the following table:

$P_3^r(9)$		$P_2^r(9)$
9	with relevant graph	$2 + 2 + 2 + 3$
7 + 2	" " "	$4 + 2 + 3$



Now we can write $P_3^r(9) = P_2^r(9) = 4$. Here we give some remarks.

Remark 1: $P_1^r(n) = P_3^r(n)$, if $r \geq 2$ i.e., let $r \geq 2$ be an integer. Let $P_1^r(n)$ denote the number of partitions of n into parts that are either even and not congruent to $4r-2 \pmod{4r}$ or odd and congruent to $2r-1, 4r-1 \pmod{4r}$. Let $P_3^r(n)$ denote the number of partitions of n of the form $n = b_1 + b_2 + \dots + b_s$, where $b_i \geq b_{i+1}$, and for b_i odd, $b_i - b_{i+1} \geq 2r - 1$ ($1 \leq i \leq s$, where $b_{s+1} = 0$).

Then $P_1^r(n) = P_3^r(n)$. It is proved in George E. Andrews [1]. We can establish the following Remark:

Remark 2: Let $A'(n)$ denote the number of partitions of n into parts congruent to 0, 2, 3, 4, 7 (mod 8). Let $B'(n)$ denote the number of partitions of n of the form $n = b_1 + b_2 + \dots + b_s$, where $b_i \geq b_{i+1}$, and for b_i is odd, $b_i - b_{i+1} \geq 3$. Then $A'(n) = B'(n)$.

Example 2: If $n = 10$, the eight partitions enumerated by $A'(10)$ are 10, 8 + 2, 7 + 3, 4 + 4 + 2, 4 + 2 + 2 + 2, 4 + 3 + 3, 3 + 3 + 2 + 2, 2 + 2 + 2 + 2 + 2.

The eight partitions enumerated by $B'(10)$ are 10, 8 + 2, 7 + 3, 6 + 4, 6 + 2 + 2, 4 + 4 + 2, 4 + 2 + 2 + 2, 2 + 2 + 2 + 2 + 2.

Thus $A'(10) = B'(10)$.

Here we give the Remark which is related to the term $P(n, m)$.

Remark 3:

$P(n, m) - P(n, m - 1) = P(n - 2m, m) + P(n - 2m + 1, m - r)$, where $P(n, m)$ is the number of partitions of the type enumerated by $P_3^r(n)$ with the further restriction that $b_1 \leq 2m$.

Proof: Here $P(n, m) - P(n, m - 1)$ denotes the number of partitions of the type enumerated by $P(n, m)$ with the further restriction that either $2m$ or $2m - 1$ is the largest part. If $2m$ is the largest part, we remove it. We obtain a partition of the type enumerated by $P(n - 2m, m)$. If $2m - 1$ is the largest part, then the next largest part does not exceed $2m - 1 - (2r - 1)$ or $2m - 2r$, since $2m - 1$ is an odd part. If $2m - 1$ is removed from the partition under consideration, we obtain a partition of the type enumerated by $P(n - 2m + 1, m - r)$. Hence the above process establishes a (1, 1) correspondence between those partitions enumerated by $P(n, m) - P(n, m - 1)$ and the totality of partitions, which are enumerated either by

$$P(n - 2m, m) \text{ or by } P(n - 2m + 1, m - r).$$

Thus,

$$P(n, m) - P(n, m - 1) = P(n - 2m, m) + P(n - 2m + 1, m - r).$$

Hence the Remark.

4 Conclusions

We have seen that for any positive integer of n and $r \geq 2$ the Theorem $P_1^r(n) = P_3^r(n)$ is satisfied. We have shown the Theorem $A'(n) = B'(n)$ is true with the help of example when $n = 10$.

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