



Koszul algebras and the “master theorem”

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Part I: the “Master Theorem”



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The **original version** had all $m_i = 1$; it was solved by Montmort (1713).



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Answer (after MacMahon, *Combinatory Analysis*, 1917)

It is the **coefficient** of $x_1^{m_1} x_2^{m_2} \cdots x_n^{m_n}$ in the expansion of the following polynomial in commuting variables:

$$(x_2 + x_3 + \cdots + x_n)^{m_1} (x_1 + x_3 + \cdots + x_n)^{m_2} \cdots (x_1 + \cdots + x_{n-1})^{m_n}$$



To solve the generalized matching problem and other combinatorial problems, MacMahon proved the following “Master Theorem”



MacMahon's Master Theorem (original version, 1917)

Given a matrix $A = (a_{ij})_{n \times n}$ over some commutative ring R and commuting indeterminates x_1, \dots, x_n over R . For each $(m_1, \dots, m_n) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n$, the R -**coefficient** of $x_1^{m_1} x_2^{m_2} \dots x_n^{m_n}$ in

$$\left(\sum_{j=1}^n a_{1j} x_j \right)^{m_1} \left(\sum_{j=1}^n a_{2j} x_j \right)^{m_2} \dots \left(\sum_{j=1}^n a_{nj} x_j \right)^{m_n}$$

is identical to the corresponding **coefficient** in the power series

$$\det \left(1_{n \times n} - A \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & x_n \end{pmatrix} \right)^{-1}$$



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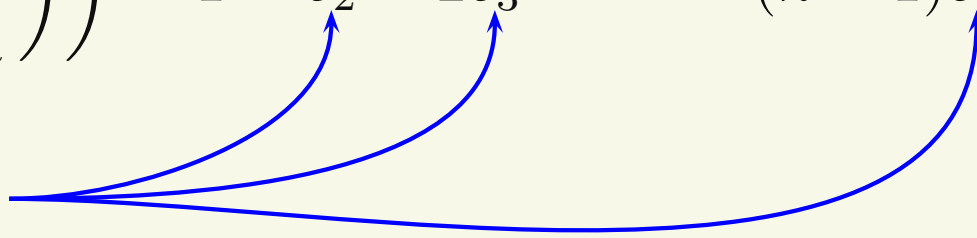
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Calculation of the determinant gives

$$\det \left(1_{n \times n} - A \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & x_n \end{pmatrix} \right) = 1 - e_2 - 2e_3 - \dots - (n-1)e_n$$

elem. symmetric poly's
in x_1, \dots, x_n



Proofs of the MT

MacMahon presents the theorem as a result in the theory of **permutations**:

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wherein the denominator is in symbolic form in such wise that on multiplication the factors $a_1 b_2, a_1 b_2 c_3, \dots$ are to be placed in determinant brackets $|a_1 b_2|, |a_1 b_2 c_3|, \dots$ and denote the co-axial minors of the determinant

$$|a_1 b_2 \dots n_n|,$$

which appertains to the matricular relation.

This is a master theorem in the Theory of Permutations.

We will write

r_n



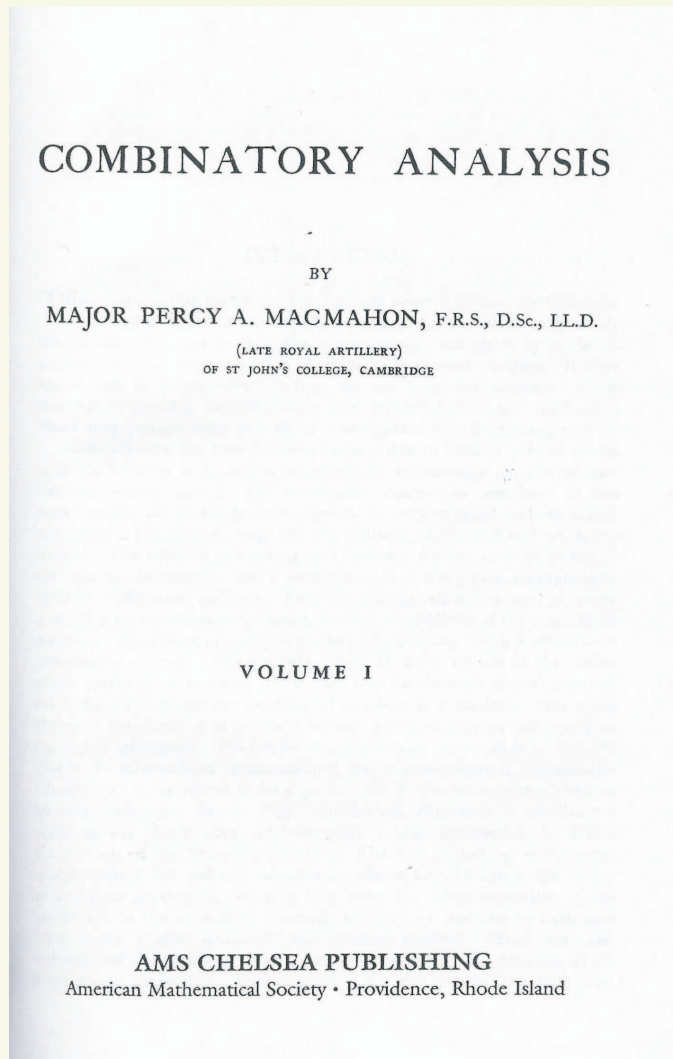
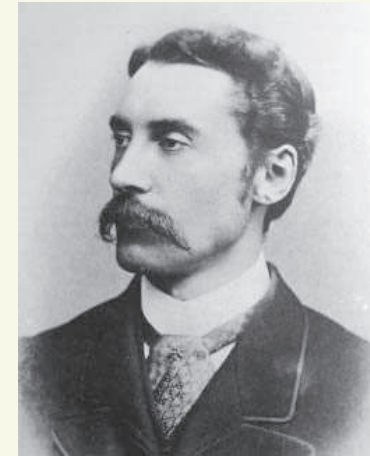
The standard proof of the MT uses Lagrange inversion, and the result is often viewed in the **analytic** context:

I. J. Good, *A short proof of MacMahon's 'Master Theorem'*,
Math. Proc. Cambridge Philos. Soc. **58** (1960), 160



Percy Alexander MacMahon

1854 - 1929



Title page of MacMahon's book containing the "Master Theorem"

(originally published at Cambridge, 1917)



Andrews' Problem:

Ref: George E. Andrews, *Problems and prospects for basic hypergeometric functions*, In: Theory and application of special functions, Academic Press, New York, 1975, pp. 191–224.

5. MacMahon's Master Theorem and the Dyson Conjecture.

PROBLEM 5. Are there q -analogs of MacMahon's Master Theorem and the Dyson Conjecture?

First let us recall:

MacMahon's Master Theorem (MacMahon (1894), (1915)). The coefficient of $x_1^{p_1} x_2^{p_2} \dots x_n^{p_n}$ in



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A considerable amount of research has been done by **mathematical physicists** on various quantum matrix identities; see, e.g.,

D. I. Gurevich, P. N. Pyatov, and P. A. Saponov:

The Cayley-Hamilton theorem for quantum matrix algebras of $GL(m|n)$ type,

St. Petersburg Math. J. **17** (2006), 119-135; arXiv:math/0412192

The techniques employed are quite different from ours.



Part II: Generalized Koszul algebras



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Minimal presentation: Write $\mathcal{A}_+ = \mathcal{A}_+^2 \oplus V$ for some graded subspace $V \subseteq \mathcal{A}_+ := \bigoplus_{n > 0} \mathcal{A}_n$ to get

$$\mathbb{T}(V)/(R) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{A}$$

with a graded relation space $R \subseteq \mathbb{T}(V) = \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} V^{\otimes n}$, chosen minimal: $(R) = R \oplus (V \otimes (R) + (R) \otimes V)$



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For fixed $N \geq 2$ define the “jump function”

$$\nu_N(i) := \begin{cases} \frac{i}{2}N & \text{if } i \text{ is even} \\ \frac{i-1}{2}N + 1 & \text{if } i \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

Lemma: *The relations R of \mathcal{A} live in degrees $\geq N$ if and only if all $\text{Tor}_i^{\mathcal{A}}(\mathbb{k}, \mathbb{k})$ live in degrees $\geq \nu_N(i)$*



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In this case, \mathcal{A} is **N -homogeneous**:

- V is concentrated in degree 1 (b/c $\mathrm{Tor}_1^{\mathcal{A}}(\mathbb{k}, \mathbb{k}) \cong V$ and $\nu_N(1) = 1$)
- R is concentrated in degree N (b/c $\mathrm{Tor}_2^{\mathcal{A}}(\mathbb{k}, \mathbb{k}) \cong R$ and $\nu_N(2) = N$)



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- **Manin**: 2-homogeneous (“quadratic”) algebras provide a convenient framework for the investigation of quantum group actions on noncommutative spaces.

Reference: **Yu. I. Manin**, *Quantum groups and noncommutative geometry*,
Université de Montréal Centre de Recherches Mathématiques,
Montreal, QC, 1988



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- **Berger, Dubois-Violette** and **Wambst** extend Manin’s theory to general N -homogeneous algebras

Reference: **R. Berger et al.**, *Homogeneous algebras*,
J. Algebra **261**, 172–185 (2003)



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Manin's constructions

Notation:

$\mathcal{A} = \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} \mathcal{A}_n$ is N -homogeneous: generators $V = \mathcal{A}_1$
relations $R \subseteq V^{\otimes N}$

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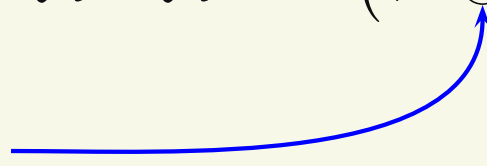
$\mathcal{A} = A(V, R) \rightsquigarrow$ new N -homogeneous algebras:

- **dual algebra:** $\mathcal{A}^! = A(V^*, R^\perp)$

- **endomorphism bialgebra:**

$$\underline{\text{end}} \mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}^! \bullet \mathcal{A} = A(V^* \otimes V, \pi_N(R^\perp \otimes R))$$

$\text{End}(V)$: matrices



Example: Quantum affine n -space ($N = 2$)

For fixed scalars $0 \neq q_{ij} \in \mathbb{k}$ ($1 \leq i < j \leq n$), define

$$A_{\mathbf{q}}^{n|0} := \mathbb{k}\langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle / (x_j x_i - q_{ij} x_i x_j \mid 1 \leq i < j \leq n)$$

Get $(A_{\mathbf{q}}^{n|0})^! =: A_{\mathbf{q}}^{0|n}$ with generators x^1, \dots, x^n and relations

$$x^\ell x^k = 0, \quad x^k x^\ell + q_{k\ell} x^\ell x^k = 0 \quad (k < \ell)$$



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The endomorphism “semigroup” $\underline{\text{end}} A_q^{n|0}$ has generators $z_i^j := x^j \otimes x_i$ and relations

column relations: $z_j^\ell z_i^\ell = q_{ij} z_i^\ell z_j^\ell$ (all $\ell, i < j$)

cross relations: $q_{ij} z_i^k z_j^\ell - q_{kl} z_j^\ell z_i^k = z_j^k z_i^\ell - q_{ij} q_{kl} z_i^\ell z_j^k$
($i < j, k < \ell$)



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For any N -homogeneous \mathcal{A} , there is an N -complex

$$\dots \xrightarrow{d} \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}_{i+1}^! * \xrightarrow{d} \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}_i^! * \xrightarrow{d} \dots \xrightarrow{d} \mathcal{A} \longrightarrow 0$$

$$d^N = 0$$

The **Koszul complex** $K(\mathcal{A}) = \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} K(\mathcal{A})^n$ is the following contraction of this complex

$$\dots \xrightarrow{d^{N-1}} \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}_{N+1}^! * \xrightarrow{d} \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}_N^! * \xrightarrow{d^{N-1}} \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}_1^! * \xrightarrow{d} \mathcal{A} \longrightarrow 0$$



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Theorem: (a) \mathcal{A} is N -Koszul
 $\Leftrightarrow K(\mathcal{A})$ is exact in degrees > 0
 \Leftrightarrow all $K(\mathcal{A})^n$ ($n > 0$) are exact

(b) $K(\mathcal{A})$ and all $K(\mathcal{A})^n$ are complexes of end \mathcal{A} -comodules

Part (a) is due to R. Berger, part (b) to Phùng Hô Hai, Benoît Kriegk & L.



Part III: MT from Koszul duality



The remainder of this talk is based on

- **Phùng Hô Hai and L.**,
Koszul algebras and the quantum MacMahon master theorem, Bull. London Math. Soc. **39** (2007)
- **Phùng Hô Hai, Benoit Kriegk and L.**,
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In more detail:

- \mathcal{B} -comodule $V \rightsquigarrow [V] \in R_{\mathcal{B}}$
- $0 \rightarrow U \rightarrow V \rightarrow W \rightarrow 0$ exact $\rightsquigarrow [V] = [U] + [W]$ in $R_{\mathcal{B}}$
- Multiplication in $R_{\mathcal{B}}$ is given by the tensor product of \mathcal{B} -comodules



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Lemma: *There is a commutative diagram of ring maps*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} R_{\mathcal{B}} & \xrightarrow{\chi} & \mathcal{B} \\ \mathrm{dim}_{\mathbb{k}} \downarrow & & \downarrow \mathrm{counit} \\ \mathbb{Z} & \xrightarrow{\mathrm{can.}} & \mathbb{k} \end{array}$$



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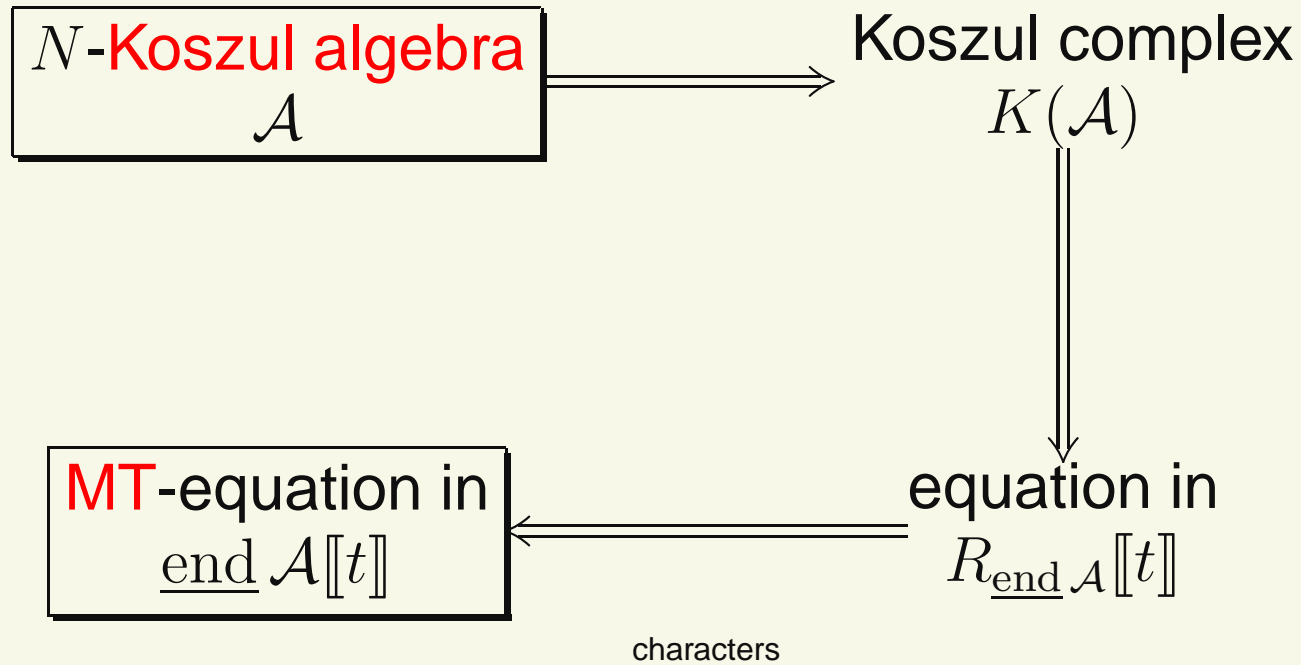
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This can be **specialized** to “easier” $\mathcal{B}[[t]]$ via algebra maps $\underline{\text{end}} \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$



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(Berger)

\rightsquigarrow

N -MT
(Etingof and Pak)

antisymmetrizer $\in \mathbb{k}[\mathfrak{S}_N]$



Part IV: Superization



Superization

This amounts to putting a $\mathbb{Z}/2$ -grading (“parity”: \widehat{v}) on the generating space V of $\mathcal{A} = A(V, R)$ and requiring the relations $R \subseteq V^{\otimes N}$ to be parity-graded.

Manin’s constructions have to be carried out in the category of vector superspaces using the “rule of signs”

$$c_{U,V}: U \otimes V \xrightarrow{\sim} V \otimes U, \quad u \otimes v \mapsto (-1)^{\widehat{u}\widehat{v}} v \otimes u$$



Superization



- $\mathcal{A} = A(V, R)$ is a superalgebra
- $\underline{\text{end}} \mathcal{A}$ is a super bialgebra
- $K(\mathcal{A})$ is a complex of super comodules/ $\underline{\text{end}} \mathcal{A}$
- have **additional ring maps** $\text{sdim}: R_{\underline{\text{end}} \mathcal{A}} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ and $\chi^s: R_{\underline{\text{end}} \mathcal{A}} \rightarrow \underline{\text{end}} \mathcal{A}$:

$$\text{sdim } V = \dim V_{\bar{0}} - \dim V_{\bar{1}}$$

$$\text{strace}(F_j^i) = \sum (-1)^{\widehat{i}} F_i^i$$



From **Konvalinka & Pak**, *Noncommutative extensions of the MacMahon master theorem* (arXiv: math.CO/0607737):

with each other. We do not need this observation for our telescoping argument.

Let us mention here that the inverse matrix $(I - A)^{-1}$ similarly appears in the study of quasi-determinants [GGRW] as well as in the non-commutative Lagrange inversion [PPR].

13.4. The relations for variables in our super-analogue are somewhat different from those studied in the literature (see e.g. [M3]). Note also that our super-determinant is different from the *Berezinian* [B] (see also [GGRW, M1]). We are somewhat puzzled by this and hope to obtain the “real” super-analogue in the future.

13.5. The relations studied in this paper always lead to quadratic algebras. While the deep reason lies in the Koszul duality, the fact that Koszulity can be extended to non-quadratic algebras is suggestive [Be]. The first such effort is made in [EP] where



The superalgebra $S_N(V)$

Notation: $V \cong \mathbb{k}^{p|q}$: basis $\underbrace{x_1, \dots, x_p}_{\text{even: } \hat{i} = \bar{0}}, \underbrace{x_{p+1}, \dots, x_{p+q}}_{\text{odd: } \hat{i} = \bar{1}}$
 $d = p + q$

assume $\text{char } \mathbb{k} = 0$



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Example $S_2(V) = S(V) \cong S(V_0) \otimes \Lambda(V_1)$ is supercommutative: $[v, v'] = vv' - (-1)^{\widehat{v}\widehat{v}'} v'v = 0$



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- $\mathcal{A} = S_N(V)$ is indeed N -Koszul
- \mathcal{A}_ℓ has \mathbb{k} -basis the monomials $x_{\mathbf{i}} = x_{i_1} x_{i_2} \dots x_{i_\ell}$ for sequences $\mathbf{i} = (i_1, \dots, i_\ell) \in \{1, \dots, d\}^\ell$ satisfying:

\mathbf{i} has no connected subsequence (j_1, \dots, j_N) with $j_1 < j_2 < \dots < j_m \leq p < j_{m+1} \leq \dots \leq j_N$ for some m

Denote this collection of sequences \mathbf{i} by

$$\Lambda(p|q, N)_\ell$$



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of type $p|q$:

$$\begin{aligned} X &= (x_j^i) \\ &= \left(\begin{array}{c|c} \text{even}_{p \times p} & \text{odd} \\ \hline \text{odd} & \text{even}_{q \times q} \end{array} \right) \end{aligned}$$



Berezinian: Given a supermatrix

$$\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} \quad (\text{even, odd})$$

over some supercommutative \mathbb{k} -superalgebra, one has:

- Φ is invertible $\Leftrightarrow A$ and D are invertible
- In this case, one defines

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ber } \Phi &= \det(A) \det(D - CA^{-1}B)^{-1} \\ &= \det(D)^{-1} \det(A - BD^{-1}C) \end{aligned}$$



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Notation: Put

$$y_i = \sum_j x_j \otimes x_i^j \in \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{O}(\mathbf{E}(V))$$

In $\mathcal{A}_\ell \otimes \mathcal{O}(\mathbf{E}(V)) = \bigoplus_{\mathbf{i} \in \Lambda(p|q, N)_\ell} x_{\mathbf{i}} \otimes \mathcal{O}(\mathbf{E}(V))$ consider the elements

$$y_{\mathbf{i}} = x_{\mathbf{i}} \otimes X(\mathbf{i}) + \dots$$

with

$$X(\mathbf{i}) \in \mathcal{O}(\mathbf{E}(V))_\ell$$

“the coefficient”



Theorem: Let $X = (x_j^i)_{d \times d}$ be the generic supermatrix of type $p|q$. Then, in the power series ring $\mathbb{k}[x_j^i \mid \text{all } i, j]_{\overline{0}}[[t]]$,

$$\sum_{\ell} \sum_{\mathbf{i} \in \Lambda(p|q, N)_{\ell}} (-1)^{\widehat{\mathbf{i}}} X(\mathbf{i}) t^{\ell} \cdot \sum_{m \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{N}} (-1)^{m \bmod N} e_m t^m = 1$$

Here, e_m is the m^{th} elementary supersymmetric function:

$$\text{ber}(1 + tX) = \sum_{n \geq 0} e_n t^n$$



MT for $\mathcal{A} = S_N(V)$

- For $N = 2$ and V pure even ($q = 0$), this is the original MacMahon MT.
- For general N and V pure even, we obtain the N -MT of Etingof and Pak.



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$$\text{ber}(1 + tX) \mapsto \text{ber}(1 + t1_{d \times d}) = (1 + t)^{p-q}$$

This gives ...



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$$\sum_{\ell \geq 0} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{i} \in \Lambda(p|q, N)_\ell} (-1)^{\widehat{\mathbf{i}}} \right) t^\ell$$

$$= \begin{cases} \left(\sum_{m \equiv 0, 1 \pmod N} (-1)^{m \pmod N} \binom{p-q}{m} t^m \right)^{-1} & \text{if } p \geq q \\ \left(\sum_{m \equiv 0, 1 \pmod N} (-1)^{\alpha_N(m)} \binom{m+q-p-1}{q-p-1} t^m \right)^{-1} & \text{if } p < q \end{cases}$$

$$= m - (m \pmod N)$$
