Whittaker coefficients and crystals

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Dynkin diagram for the Weyl group of A_5 .

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Associating each simple root $\alpha_i \in \Phi^+$ with a complex variable s_i , we get the corresponding multiple Dirichlet series

$$\sum_{l_1,\dots,d_5=1}^{\infty} \frac{\left(\frac{d_1}{d_2}\right) \left(\frac{d_2}{d_3}\right) \left(\frac{d_3}{d_4}\right) \left(\frac{d_4}{d_5}\right)}{d_1^{s_1} d_2^{s_2} d_3^{s_3} d_4^{s_4} d_5^{s_5}}$$

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- **Conjecture of Bump, 1996**: A multiple Dirichlet series (Chinta) coincide with the H-part (exponential sums) of the Whittaker coefficient.

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• We suspect that the Chinta series comes from the Whittaker coefficient. Reason: Both have nice functional equations that generate a group isomorphic to the Weyl group of A_5 .

Our Goal (REU Problem 4)

- Compute Whittaker coefficients using data from A_5 .
- 2 Understand the support of $H(d_1, ..., d_N)$. (Does it form a polytope in the Euclidean space? It is infinite?)

Questions we ask:

- How do we simplify $H(d_1, ..., d_N)$ and when is it nonzero?
- How does the polynomial from Whittaker compare with the Chinta series?

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For computation, removing α_2 and α_4 could give us a nicer polynomial to compare.

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Root System *A_n*

- A root system Φ ⊂ ℝⁿ⁺¹ is a finite collection of vectors ("roots") under some axioms
- There is a method of enumerating the positive roots

Example

Below is one possible enumeration of roots for the A_3 case

$$\begin{bmatrix} * & \beta_3 & \beta_2 & \beta_1 \\ & * & \beta_5 & \beta_4 \\ & & * & \beta_6 \\ & & & * \end{bmatrix}$$

Removing the second root from A₅

• We want to split up A_5 into $A_1 \times A_3$ and "what's left"



Figure: The Dynkin diagram corresponding to removing the second node

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$$1 \qquad X \qquad 3 \qquad 4 \qquad 5$$

- In the below diagram, the asterisks represent the A₁ and A₃ root systems
- We can rig the enumeration to do the $A_1 \times A_3$ roots first and $\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \ldots, \gamma_8$ last.

• We'll compute the asterisk $A_1 \times A_3$ part inductively

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Reindex to c = x + py with $x, y \mod p$.

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Gauss Sums – A Prototype for the Exponential Sum

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• We associate an exponential sum to removing a certain root from a root system

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Here, the matrix is

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We then have

$$D_3 = d_3 d_7 d_4, \quad D_4 = d_4 d_8$$

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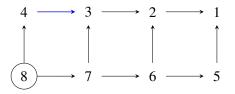


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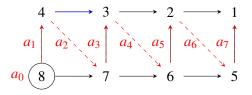


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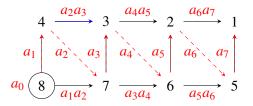


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• We can follow paths to compute what the other edges are in terms of the *a_j*s.

Example

Since $b_i = c_i^{-1}$, we have

$$b_4c_3 = b_4c_7b_7c_3 = a_2a_3$$

$$H(\mathbf{d}) = \sum_{a_i} \exp\left(2\pi i \left(-\frac{a_7 d_6 d_7 d_8}{d_1 d_2 d_3 d_4} - \frac{a_5 d_7 d_8}{d_2 d_3 d_4} - \frac{a_3 d_8}{d_3 d_4} - \frac{a_1}{d_4}\right) + \frac{a_0}{d_8} + \frac{a_2 a_3 d_8}{d_3 d_7} + \frac{a_1 a_2}{d_7} + \frac{a_4 a_5 d_7}{d_2 d_6} + \frac{a_3 a_4}{d_6} + \frac{a_6 a_7 d_6}{d_1 d_5} + \frac{a_5 a_6}{d_5}\right) \prod_{k=1}^8 \left(\frac{a_k}{\dots}\right),$$

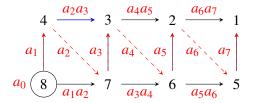


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Figure: A visualization of the dependencies in the re-indexed sum

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Progress Summary

- We compute a Dirichlet Series from a Dynkin Diagram
- We show how to interpret relevant quantities in terms of the geometry of the γ_js
- We model the exponential sum as a graph and use it to facilitate re-indexing to "nicer" coordinates

this gives us...

An understanding of where the *H*(*d*, *t*)'s are supported: Finite cases (most exponents ≤ 1) and a few infinite cases.

Future Directions

- Change of variables from the Whittaker coefficient to the Chinta polynomial
- Understand the 15 zeta functions that got pulled out from the Chinta series, and how it coincide with the normalizing zeta factor of the Whittaker function
- Another description of the same polynomial is through "string data" defined in Littelmann. We bounded a polytope but it currently has 12624 vertices...

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