# UNIMODALITY IDEAS

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## 1. Directions to move

- (1) Look at generalising  $p_i^r$  for general r.
- (2) Generalizing to q analog of cyclic group.
- (3) Try relating  $p_i, q_i$ .
- (4) Coding which groups G we have  $p_i = q_i$ .
- (5) When are  $p_i = q_i$ .
- (6) Try to compute  $q_i$ .
- (7) Look at simple groups, and maybe solvable groups, try quotienting by normal subgroups?
- (8) Are there any ways to combine  $G_1, G_2$  where  $G_i$  are groups with  $p_i = q_i$ .
- (9) Are there some characterisations of groups with  $q_i, p_i$ .
- (10) How to use sage, what can we do with groups?
- (11) Which edge poset definition do we want? Do we include edges containing y or exclude them?
- (12) Look at  $B_n(q)$ .
- (13) Look at generalizing  $F_r(B_n)$  to arbitrary posets
- (14) Try relating Wilson's Normal Form to our posets?

#### 2. Edge Functor

**Remark 2.0.1.** We assume all posets are ranked posets, and G actions are rank preserving, order preserving actions.

**Definition 2.0.2.** A poset is  $B_k$  full if whenever it contains a vertex v and p vertices above v, then it contains a p dimensional hypercube containing v.

**Lemma 2.0.3.**  $B_n$  is  $B_k$  full for all k. Quotients of  $B_n$  are  $B_k$  full.

Proof.

**Definition 2.0.4.** Define the poset category  $\mathcal{P}_r$ , where  $P \in \mathcal{P}_r$  is a ranked poset, and the morphisms Mor(P,Q) are rank preserving, order preserving maps, which send all  $B_{r+1}$  to other  $B_{r+1}$ .

**Definition 2.0.5.** Define the Faces functors (there is one for each r)  $\mathcal{F}_r$ :  $\mathcal{P}_r \to \mathcal{P}_r$ , which takes a poset to the poset of its i faces. That is, for each  $B_k$  subalgebra of  $P_r$ , we associate a point. We say a point p < q if p and q are nonintersecting boolean subalgebras, and the bottommost point of the cube representing p is right below the bottommost point of the cube representing p. It takes a map of posets to the induced map on cubes, by definition of the morphisms in  $\mathcal{P}_r$ . For ease of notation, we shall use  $\mathcal{F}$  for  $\mathcal{F}_1$ .

#### 3. The Picture for $B_n$

**Theorem 3.0.6.** For  $B_n$  the boolean algebra,  $\mathfrak{F}(B_n)$  is unitary peck.

*Proof.*  $\mathcal{F}(B_n)$  is actually just a disjoint union of n copies of  $B_{n-1}$ , where each copy is indexed as corresponding to the set of pairs  $B_{n-1} \cong (\mathcal{F}(B_n))_{(i)} = \{(y,x)|y > x, y/x = i\}$ , where  $i \in [n]$ .

**Notation 3.0.7.** Let  $\Delta(G) \subset G \times G$  denote the diagonal subgroup. Define  $X_G(P) = Ind_{\Delta(G)}^{G \times G}(\mathfrak{F}(V(P)))/(G \times G)$ 

**Notation 3.0.8.** Let V(P) denote the graded vector space with basis  $p \in P$ . The grading is given by the rank of p.

**Theorem 3.0.9.** We then have an isomorphism of graded vector spaces  $\mathfrak{F}(V(P)/G) \cong X_G(P)$ .

Proof. The basis for F(V(P)/G) is exactly given by the edges of V(P)/G. By definition, we have an edge (Gx, Gy) in V(P)/G if and only if and  $\exists g, h \in G$  with  $gx \lessdot hy$ . Next,  $Ind_{\Delta(G)}^{G \times G}(\mathfrak{F}(V(P)))$  is precisely the set of all edges of the form gx, hy for  $g, h \in G$ . And hence, we have a natural  $G \times G$  action on it. Then, by definition, if we quotient by the  $G \times G$  action, we obtain the exact same set of edges as in  $\mathfrak{F}(V(P)/G)$ . Since ranks are always preserved under these maps, we obtain the claimed isomorphism of graded vector spaces.

**Lemma 3.0.10.** The poset corresponding the the graded vector space  $Ind_{\Delta(G\times G)}^{G\times G}(F(V(P)))$  is unitary peck.

*Proof.* First, by  $\ref{eq:proof:pr$ 

**Theorem 3.0.11.** (Stanley) The quotient of a unitary peck poset by an order preserving, rank preserving group action G, is peck.

Corollary 3.0.12. The  $X_G(P)$  are vector spaces with an underlying peck poset structure.

*Proof.* By ??, we have  $Ind_{\Delta(G)}^{G\times G}(\mathfrak{F}(V(P)))$  is unitary peck. But then, since  $X_G(P)=Ind_{\Delta(G)}^{G\times G}(\mathfrak{F}(V(P)))/(G\times G)$ , by ?? we obtain the poset corresponding to  $X_G(P)$  is peck.

Corollary 3.0.13. The poset of edges  $\mathfrak{F}(V(P)/G)$  is unitary peck.

*Proof.* By ?? we know  $X_G(P)$  is peck, but by ?? we have  $\mathfrak{F}(V(P)/G) \cong X_G(P)$ , and so  $\mathfrak{F}(V(P)/G)$  is peck as well.

**Notation 3.0.14.** For any poset P, define  $p_i$  to be the number of edges from the ith level set  $P_i$  to the i + 1th level set  $P_{i+1}$ ,

Corollary 3.0.15. The sequence  $p_i$  is unimodal and symmetric.

*Proof.* By definition, the rank of the ith level set of  $\mathcal{F}(V(P)/G)$  is exactly the number of edges from levels i to i+1 of P. That is  $\dim(\mathcal{F}(V(P)/G)_i) = p_i$ . Since by ??,  $\mathcal{F}(V(P)/G)$  is peck, it is in particular symmetric and unimodal, and so the  $p_i$  are symmetric and unimodal.