

POLYNOMIAL IDENTITY INVOLVING BINOMIAL THEOREM AND FAULHABER'S FORMULA

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1. APPROACH VIA SYSTEM OF LINEAR EQUATIONS

One approach to prove the conjecture was proposed by Albert Tkaczyk in his series of preprints (two references). The essence of the approach lays in construction and solving of the particular system of linear equations. Such system linear equations is constructed using Binomial theorem and Faulhaber's formula that allows us to find closed forms of power sums as part of identity (reference to equation). Consider the polynomial relation

$$n^{2m+1} = \sum_{r=0}^m \mathbf{A}_{m,r} \sum_{k=1}^n k^r (n-k)^r \quad (1.1)$$

Expanding the $(n-k)^r$ part via Binomial theorem we get

$$\begin{aligned} n^{2m+1} &= \sum_{r=0}^m \mathbf{A}_{m,r} \sum_{k=1}^n k^r (n-k)^r \\ &= \sum_{r=0}^m \mathbf{A}_{m,r} \sum_{k=1}^n k^r \left[\sum_{t=0}^r (-1)^t \binom{r}{t} n^{r-t} k^t \right] \\ &= \sum_{r=0}^m \mathbf{A}_{m,r} \left[\sum_{t=0}^r (-1)^t \binom{r}{t} n^{r-t} \sum_{k=1}^n k^{t+r} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (1.2)$$

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For arbitrary m we have

$$\begin{aligned}
n^{2m+1} &= \sum_{r=0}^m \mathbf{A}_{m,r} \left[\sum_{t=0}^r (-1)^t \binom{r}{t} n^{r-t} \sum_{k=1}^n k^{t+r} \right] \\
&= \mathbf{A}_{m,0}n + \mathbf{A}_{m,1} \left[\frac{1}{6}(-n + n^3) \right] + \mathbf{A}_{m,2} \left[\frac{1}{30}(-n + n^5) \right] + \mathbf{A}_{m,3} \left[\frac{1}{420}(-10n + 7n^3 + 3n^7) \right] \\
&+ \mathbf{A}_{m,4} \left[\frac{1}{630}(-21n + 20n^3 + n^9) \right] + \mathbf{A}_{m,5} \left[\frac{1}{2772}(-210n + 231n^3 - 22n^5 + n^{11}) \right] \\
&+ \mathbf{A}_{m,6} \left[\frac{1}{60060}(-15202n + 18200n^3 - 3003n^5 + 5n^{13}) \right] \\
&+ \mathbf{A}_{m,7} \left[\frac{1}{51480}(-60060n + 76010n^3 - 16380n^5 + 429n^7 + n^{15}) \right] \\
&+ \mathbf{A}_{m,8} \left[\frac{1}{218790}(-1551693n + 2042040n^3 - 516868n^5 + 26520n^7 + n^{17}) \right] + \dots
\end{aligned} \tag{1.3}$$

Example 1.1. Let be fixed $m = 1$ so that we have the following relation defined by (eqref)

$$\mathbf{A}_{m,0}n + \mathbf{A}_{m,1} \left[\frac{1}{6}(-n + n^3) \right] - n^3 = 0$$

Multiplying by 6 both, right hand side and left hand side, we get

$$6\mathbf{A}_{1,0}n + \mathbf{A}_{1,1}(-n + n^3) - 6n^3 = 0$$

Opening brackets and rearranging the terms gives

$$6\mathbf{A}_{1,0} - \mathbf{A}_{1,1}n + \mathbf{A}_{1,1}n^3 - 6n^3 = 0$$

Combining the terms yields

$$n(6\mathbf{A}_{1,0} - \mathbf{A}_{1,1}) + n^3(\mathbf{A}_{1,1} - 6) = 0$$

Therefore, the system of linear equations follows

$$\begin{cases} 6\mathbf{A}_{1,0} - \mathbf{A}_{1,1} = 0 \\ \mathbf{A}_{1,1} - 6 = 0 \end{cases}$$

Solving it we get

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{A}_{1,1} = 6 \\ \mathbf{A}_{1,0} = 1 \end{cases}$$

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