



Binomial Determinants for Tiling Problems Yield to the Holonomic Ansatz

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We denote their determinants to be $D_{s,t}^{\mu}(n)$ and $E_{s,t}^{\mu}(n)$, respectively, and we want to find nice formulas for them.

$$\left(\binom{\mu+i+j+s+t-4}{j+t-1} \right)_{1 \leq i, j \leq n}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \binom{\mu+s+t-2}{t} & \binom{\mu+s+t-1}{t+1} & \binom{\mu+s+t}{t+2} & \binom{\mu+s+t+1}{t+3} & \binom{\mu+s+t+2}{t+4} \\ \binom{\mu+s+t-1}{t} & \binom{\mu+s+t}{t+1} & \binom{\mu+s+t+1}{t+2} & \binom{\mu+s+t+2}{t+3} & \binom{\mu+s+t+3}{t+4} \\ \binom{\mu+s+t}{t} & \binom{\mu+s+t+1}{t+1} & \binom{\mu+s+t+2}{t+2} & \binom{\mu+s+t+3}{t+3} & \binom{\mu+s+t+4}{t+4} \\ \binom{\mu+s+t+1}{t} & \binom{\mu+s+t+2}{t+1} & \binom{\mu+s+t+3}{t+2} & \binom{\mu+s+t+4}{t+3} & \binom{\mu+s+t+5}{t+4} \\ \binom{\mu+s+t+2}{t} & \binom{\mu+s+t+3}{t+1} & \binom{\mu+s+t+4}{t+2} & \binom{\mu+s+t+5}{t+3} & \binom{\mu+s+t+6}{t+4} \end{pmatrix}$$

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Evaluating Determinants: Laplace Expansion



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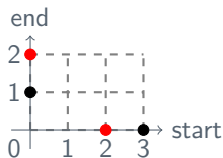
We can compute its determinant using a combinatorial interpretation. To see how this is possible, we specialize to $\mu = 2$ and compute the determinant by expanding along the first row:

$$\begin{aligned} E_{2,1}^2(2) &= \det \begin{pmatrix} \binom{3}{1} & \binom{4}{2} - \mathbf{1} \\ \binom{4}{1} & \binom{5}{2} \end{pmatrix} = \binom{3}{1} \binom{5}{2} - \left(\binom{4}{2} - \mathbf{1} \right) \binom{4}{1} \\ &= \underbrace{\left(\binom{3}{1} \binom{5}{2} - \binom{4}{2} \binom{4}{1} \right)}_{=6} + \underbrace{\mathbf{1} \binom{4}{1}}_{=4} \\ &= 10. \end{aligned}$$

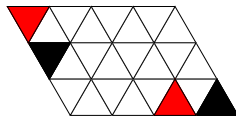


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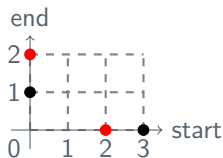
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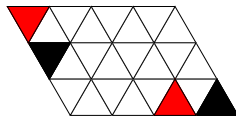
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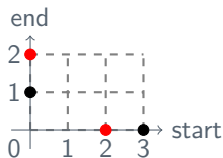


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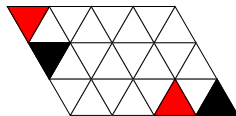


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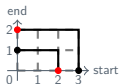
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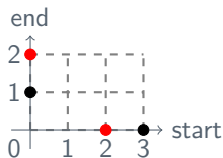
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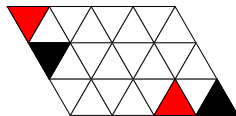
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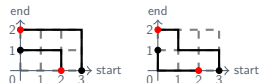
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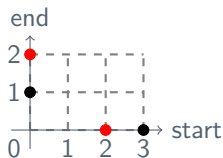
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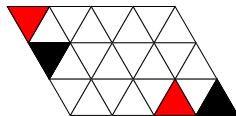
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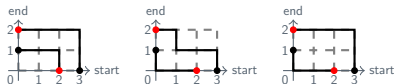
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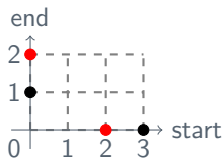
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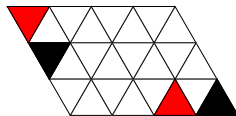
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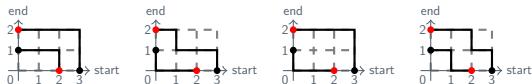
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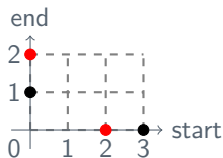
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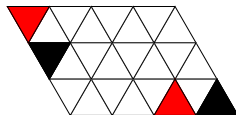
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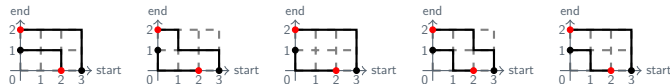
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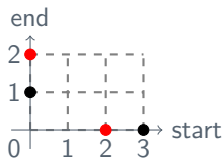
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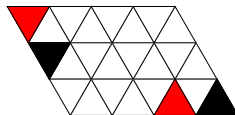
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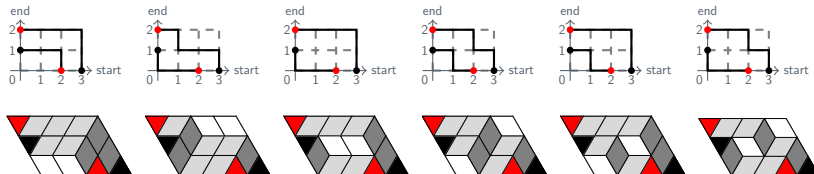
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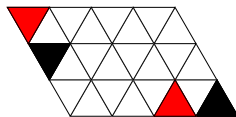
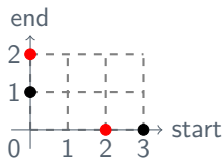
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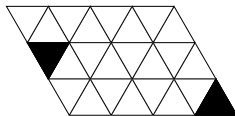
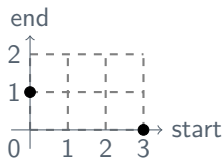
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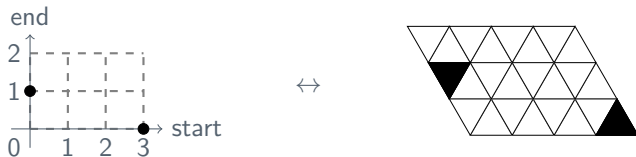
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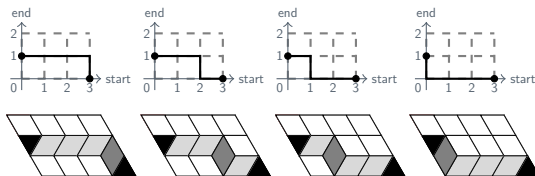
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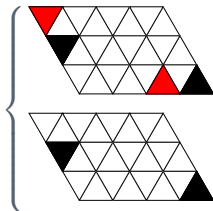
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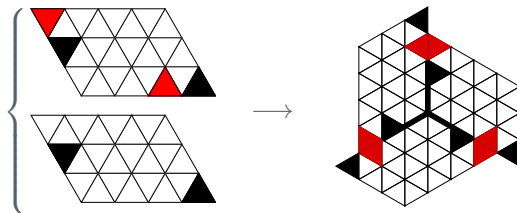
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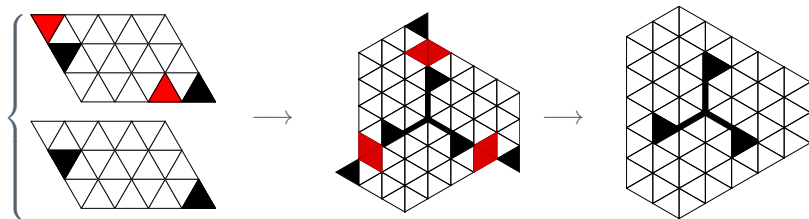
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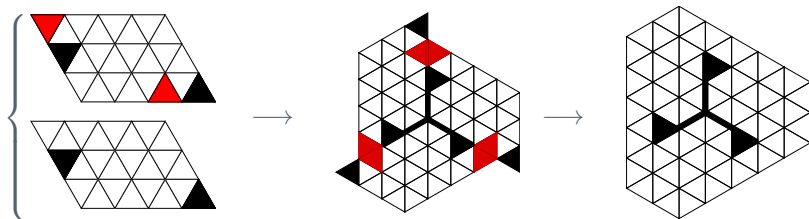
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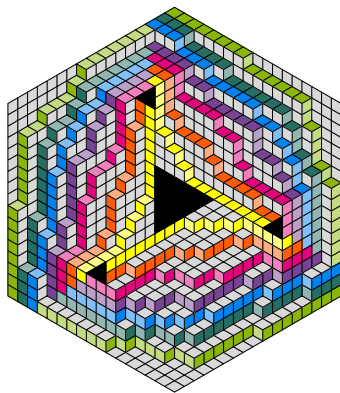
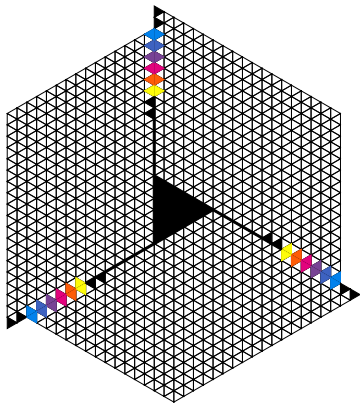
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Region (left) associated to the determinant $D_{5,7}^8(8)$ and illustration (right) of one cyclically symmetric tiling of this region.

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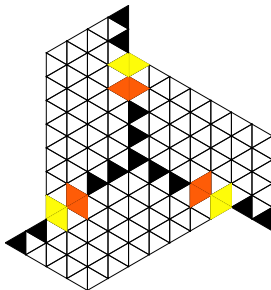


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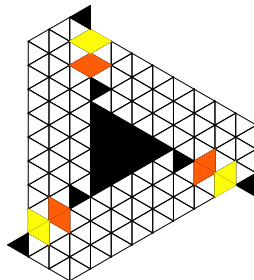
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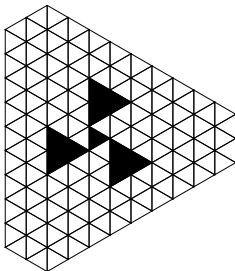


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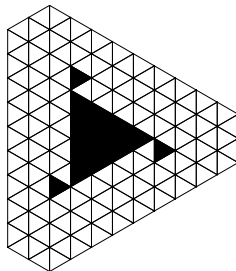
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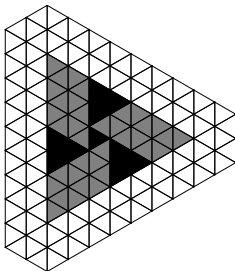


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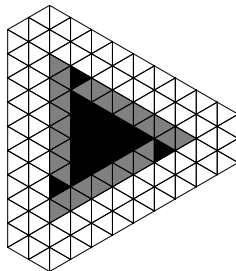
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For an indeterminate x , and $y \in \mathbb{Z}$:

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Our Version of Conjecture 37

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Now, if we have a conjectured formula $F(n)$ for the determinant $A(n)$, then it suffices to prove

$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_{n,k} \cdot c_{n,k} = \frac{F(n)}{F(n-1)}$$

for all $n \geq 2$ to conclude that $A(n) = F(n)$.

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Then our goal is to prove that for all $n \geq s$:

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where “nice” is a conjectured nice rational function where the numerator and denominators factors into linear factors of μ .

The following identities *uniquely* characterize the $c_{n,j}$'s:

$$\begin{cases} c_{n,1} = 1, & n \geq 1, \\ \sum_{j=1}^n a_{i,j} \cdot c_{n,j} = 0, & 2 \leq i \leq n, \end{cases}$$

because $\mathcal{B}_{s-1,1}^{\mu+3}(n-1) = (a_{i,j})_{2 \leq i,j \leq n}$ has full rank.

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$$\text{nice} \rightarrow \frac{(n+s-2)(\mu-1)(\mu+n+1)(\mu+s)}{2n(s-1)(\mu+2)(\mu+n+s-1)} =: R_{s,1}^\mu(n).$$

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$$\sum_{j=1}^{2m} \binom{\mu+j+2r-1}{j} \cdot c_{2m,j} - \sum_{j=1}^{2r-1} c_{2m,j} = R_{2r,1}^\mu(2m).$$

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- We can use creative telescoping to deduce and certify recurrences for each summation and closure properties to combine them.

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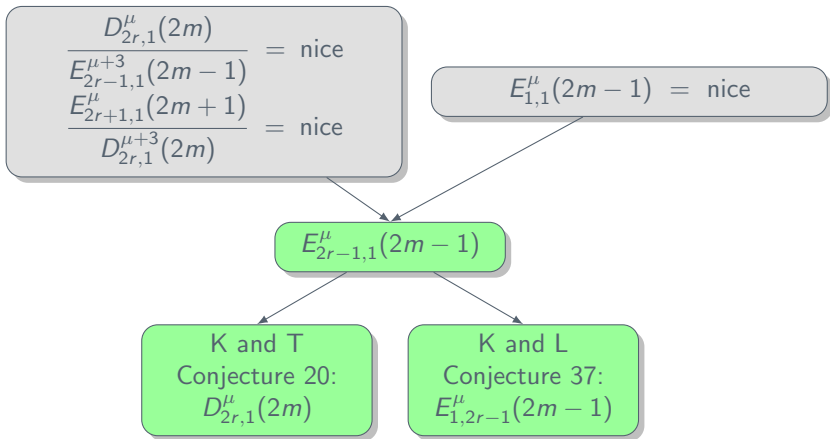
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where the first (constant) term is zero and the coefficient of the ε -term is computed using the properties of the logarithmic derivative of $\Gamma(z)$.

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and taking the first non-constant term from each entry yields

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\mu+s-2} \cdot \varepsilon & 1 & \binom{\mu+j+s-3}{j-2} \pm \sum_{k=1}^j \delta_{s,k-2} \\ \hline \frac{-1}{(\mu+i+s-4)_2} \cdot \varepsilon & \frac{1}{\mu+i+s-2} \cdot \varepsilon & \binom{\mu+i+j+s-5}{j-3} \mp \delta_{s,j-i} \end{pmatrix}.$$

$(3 \leq j \leq n)$
 $(2 \leq i \leq n)$

We expand about the **first column** and this gives us the following three identities that we need to prove for all $n > s$:

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{i=2}^n \frac{1}{\mu + i + s - 2} \cdot c_{n,i} &= -1, \\ \sum_{i=2}^n \binom{\mu + i + j + s - 5}{j - 3} \cdot c_{n,i} &= \pm c_{n,j-s}, \quad (3 \leq j \leq n), \\ \sum_{i=2}^n \frac{-1}{(\mu + i + s - 4)_2} \cdot c_{n,i} &= R_{s,-1}^\mu(n),\end{aligned}$$

where $c_{n,j-s} = 0$ for $j \leq s$ and

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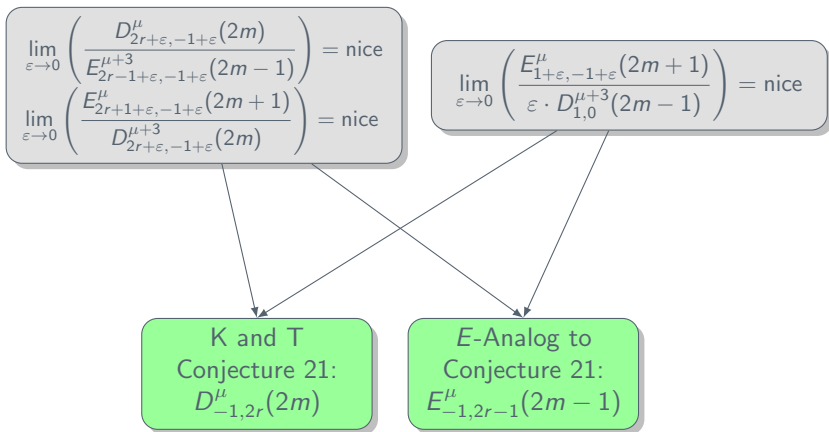
Suppose $s = 1 + \varepsilon$, $t = -1 + \varepsilon$ and $n = 2m + 1$. Multiplying

$$\mathcal{L}_{2m+1} \cdot \left(\binom{\mu+i+j-4+2\varepsilon}{j-1+\varepsilon} \pm \delta_{i-1,j-1} \right)_{1 \leq i,j \leq 2m+1} \cdot \tilde{\mathcal{R}}_{2m+1},$$

we can extract:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{1-\mu} & \binom{\mu+j-2}{j-2} - 1 \\ \hline 0 & \frac{1}{(\mu-1)_2} & \binom{\mu+j-2}{j-3} + \delta_{1,j-2} \\ \hline 0 & \frac{1}{(\mu+i-3)_2} & \mathcal{D}_{1,0}^{\mu+3}(2m-1) \end{pmatrix}.$$

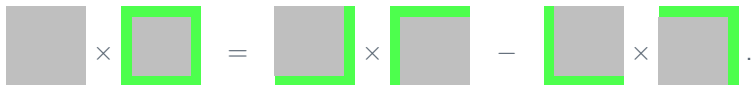
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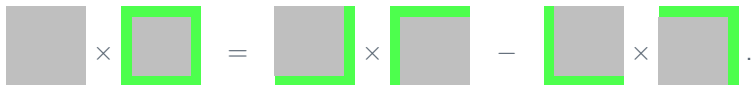


The diagram illustrates the DJD identity using matrix minors. It shows the product of an $n \times n$ matrix and its $(n-2) \times (n-2)$ minor, equal to the difference of two products of $(n-1) \times (n-1)$ minors.

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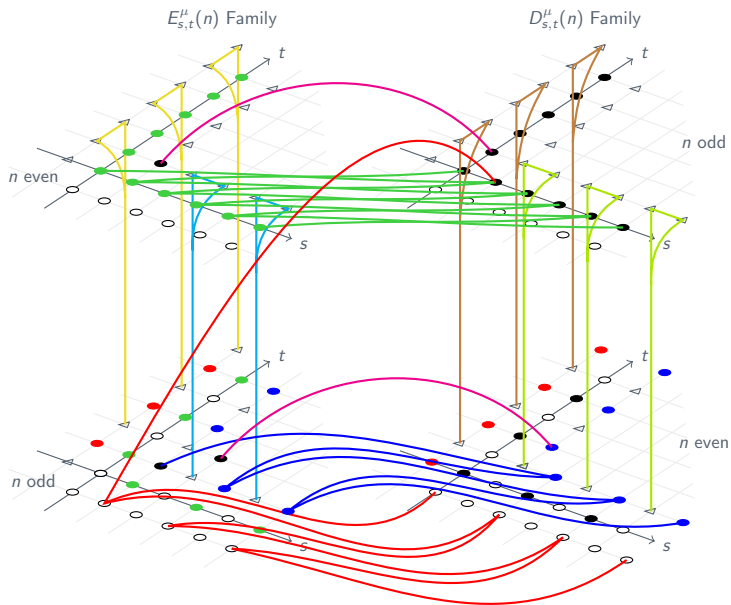


► Switching:

Let $\mathcal{A}_{s,t}^\mu(n)$ be either $\mathcal{D}_{s,t}^\mu(n)$ or $\mathcal{E}_{s,t}^\mu(n)$, and $A_{s,t}^\mu(n)$ its corresponding determinant. For μ indeterminate, real numbers $s, t \notin \{-1, -2, \dots\}$ with $s < t$ and $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$,

$$A_{s,t}^\mu(n) = \prod_{i=0}^{t-s-1} \frac{(\mu + s + i - 1)_n}{(i + s + 1)_n} \cdot A_{t,s}^\mu(n).$$

All Relationships



For more information, please visit:
[HTTPS://WONGEY.GITHUB.IO/BINOM-DET/](https://wongey.github.io/binom-det/)

Thank you!