

Theorem. $F_{1r} \cdot F_{1s} = c F_{1rs}$ for some c .

Lemma 1. $\forall m \leq n, \forall A, B \subseteq [m], x \in [m] / A \cup B,$

$$\text{sgn}(\theta_A \cdot \theta_{B \cup \{x\}}) = -1^{|\{a \in A \mid a > x\}|} \text{sgn}(\theta_A \cdot \theta_B)$$

Proof easy to check

Lemma 2. $\forall m \leq n, \forall A, B \subseteq [m]$ s.t. $A \cap B = \emptyset$

and for any increasing bijection $g: [m] \rightarrow D \subseteq [n],$

$$\text{sgn}(\theta_A \cdot \theta_B) = \text{sgn}(\theta_{g(A)} \cdot \theta_{g(B)}).$$

Proof. Induction on $|B|$.

$$|B|=0 \Rightarrow \text{sgn}(\theta_A) = \text{sgn}(\theta_{g(A)}) = 1.$$

Suppose that the statement is true for $|B|=k-1$.

Let $|B|=k$ and take $b \in B$ arbitrary.

$$\text{we have } \text{sgn}(\theta_A \cdot \theta_B) = \text{sgn}(\theta_A \cdot \theta_{(B/b) \cup \{b\}})$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Lemma 1}}{=} -1^{|\{a \in A \mid a > b\}|} \text{sgn}(\theta_A \cdot \theta_{B/b})$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Ind. Hyp.}}{=} -1^{|\{a \in A \mid a > b\}|} \cdot \text{sgn}(\theta_{g(A)} \cdot \theta_{g(B/b)})$$

$$\stackrel{\substack{g \text{ increasing} \\ \text{bijection}}}{=} -1^{|\{g(a) \in g(A) \mid g(a) > g(b)\}|} \cdot \text{sgn}(\theta_{g(A)} \cdot \theta_{g(B/b)})$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Lemma 1}}{=} \text{sgn}(\theta_{g(A)} \cdot \theta_{g(B/b) \cup \{g(b)\}})$$

$$= \text{sgn}(\theta_{g(A)} \cdot \theta_{g(B)})$$

Proof of the theorem:

$$\text{We have } F_r F_s = \sum_{\substack{A \subseteq [n] \\ |A|=r+s}} c_A \theta_A.$$

$$\text{Fix } A = [r+s]. \text{ observe that } c_{[r+s]} = \sum_{\substack{B_1 \subseteq [r+s] \\ |B_1|=r \\ B_2 = [r+s] \setminus B_1}} \text{sgn}(\theta_{B_1} \cdot \theta_{B_2}).$$

Now, let $D = \{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_{r+s}\} \subseteq [n]$ s.t. $i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_{r+s}$.

define $i: [r+s] \rightarrow D$ which is an increasing bijection.
 $i(k) = i_k$

now, by lemma 2, we have

$$c_{[r+s]} = \sum_{\substack{B_1 \subseteq [r+s] \\ |B_1|=r \\ B_2 = [r+s] \setminus B_1}} \text{sgn}(\theta_{i(B_1)} \cdot \theta_{i(B_2)})$$

$$\stackrel{i \text{ bijection}}{=} \sum_{\substack{i(B_1) \subseteq i([r+s]) \\ |i(B_1)|=r \\ i(B_2) = i([r+s]) \setminus i(B_1)}} \text{sgn}(\theta_{i(B_1)} \cdot \theta_{i(B_2)})$$

$$= \sum_{\substack{E_1 \subseteq \{i_1, \dots, i_{r+s}\} \\ |E_1|=r \\ E_2 = \{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_{r+s}\} \setminus E_1}} \text{sgn}(\theta_{E_1} \cdot \theta_{E_2})$$

Again, observe that above is just $c_{\{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_{r+s}\}}$.

$$\Rightarrow \forall \{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_{r+s}\} \subseteq [n], c_{\{i_1, \dots, i_{r+s}\}} = c_{[r+s]} = c \Rightarrow F_r F_s = c \sum_{\substack{A \subseteq [n] \\ |A|=r+s}} \theta_A = c F_{r+s}$$