

The Weyl Denominator Identities for the Classical Types

Let (W, Φ) be a finite crystallographic Coxeter group and let $\rho = (1/2) \sum_{\beta \in \Phi^+} \beta$. Then the Weyl denominator identity is

$$\sum_{w \in W} (-1)^{\ell(w)} z^{w(\rho)} = \prod_{\beta \in \Phi^+} (z^{\beta/2} - z^{-\beta/2}).$$

In each of the classical types, this can be rewritten as a determinant. We state the results here. Table taken from Chapter 2.4 in *Proofs and Confirmations: The Story of the Alternating Sign Matrix Conjecture* by David Bressoud:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}_{n-1} : \det \begin{bmatrix} z_1^{n-1} & z_2^{n-1} & \cdots & z_n^{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ z_1 & z_2 & \cdots & z_n \\ 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix} &= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (z_i - z_j). \\ \mathbf{B}_n : \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 - z_1^{2n-1} & 1 - z_2^{2n-1} & \cdots & 1 - z_n^{2n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ z_1^{n-2} - z_1^{n+1} & z_2^{n-2} - z_2^{n+1} & \cdots & z_n^{n-2} - z_n^{n+1} \\ z_1^{n-1} - z_1^n & z_2^{n-1} - z_2^n & \cdots & z_n^{n-1} - z_n^n \end{bmatrix} &= \prod_{1 \leq k \leq n} (1 - z_k) \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (z_i - z_j)(z_i z_j - 1). \\ \mathbf{C}_n : \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 - z_1^{2n} & 1 - z_2^{2n} & \cdots & 1 - z_n^{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ z_1^{n-2} - z_1^{n+2} & z_2^{n-2} - z_2^{n+2} & \cdots & z_n^{n-2} - z_n^{n+2} \\ z_1^{n-1} - z_1^{n+1} & z_2^{n-1} - z_2^{n+1} & \cdots & z_n^{n-1} - z_n^{n+1} \end{bmatrix} &= \prod_{1 \leq k \neq n} (1 - z_k^2) \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (z_i - z_j)(z_i z_j - 1). \\ \mathbf{D}_n : \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 + z_1^{2n} & 1 + z_2^{2n} & \cdots & 1 + z_n^{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ z_1^{n-1} + z_1^{n+1} & z_2^{n-1} + z_2^{n+1} & \cdots & z_n^{n-1} + z_n^{n+1} \\ z_1^n & z_2^n & \cdots & z_n^n \end{bmatrix} &= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (z_i - z_j)(z_i z_j - 1). \end{aligned}$$