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§1. STATEMENT

(1.1) Let a system of four integers  $(a,b,c;h) \in \mathbf{N}$  be regular in the sense [1, (1.2) Definition], which implies that  $\mu := (h-a)(h-b)(h-c)/abc$  is a positive integer and there exist  $\mu$  number of integers  $m_1, m_2, \dots, m_\mu \in \mathbf{Z}$ , called the exponents for  $(a,b,c;h)$ , so that the following formula holds ([loc. cit.]):

$$(1.1.1) \quad T^{-h} \frac{(T^h - T^a)(T^h - T^b)(T^h - T^c)}{(T^a - 1)(T^b - 1)(T^c - 1)} = T^{m_1} + T^{m_2} + \dots + T^{m_\mu} .$$

In fact this property is equivalent for  $(a,b,c;h)$  to be regular.

(1.2) In this note we show that for any positive integer  $k \in \mathbf{N}$  there exists a unique homogeneous polynomial  $P_k(a,b,c,h) \in \mathbf{Z}[a,b,c,h]$  of degree  $k$  such that for any regular system of weights  $(a,b,c;h)$ , we have,

$$(1.2.1) \quad \sum_{i=1}^k m_i^k = \frac{\mu}{(k+1)!} P_k(a,b,c,h) .$$

(1.3) For  $1 \leq k \leq 7$ , explicite formulae are given as follows:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\mu} m_i = \frac{\mu}{2} h$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\mu} m_i^2 = \frac{\mu}{6} h (2h - \epsilon)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\mu} m_i^3 = \frac{\mu}{4} h^2 (h - \epsilon)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\mu} m_i^4 = \frac{\mu}{30} h (6h^3 - 9\epsilon h^2 + 4\epsilon^2 h + \epsilon^3 + 3\sigma)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\mu} m_i^5 = \frac{\mu}{12} h^2 (2h^3 - 4\epsilon h^2 + 4\epsilon^2 h + \epsilon^3 + 3\sigma)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^{\mu} m_i^6 &= \frac{\mu}{84} h \{12h^5 - 30\epsilon h^4 + 44\epsilon^2 h^3 - (9\epsilon^3 - 32\sigma)h^2 \\ &\quad + (-12\epsilon^4 + 10\epsilon^2\tau - 21\epsilon\sigma)h - 2\epsilon^5 - 10\epsilon^2\sigma + 10\tau\sigma\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^{\mu} m_i^7 &= \frac{\mu}{24} h^2 \{3h^5 - 9\epsilon h^4 + 16\epsilon^2 h^3 - (16\epsilon^3 - 11\sigma)h^2 \\ &\quad + (-12\epsilon^4 + 10\epsilon^2\tau - 21\epsilon\sigma)h - 2\epsilon^5 - 10\epsilon^2\sigma + 10\tau\sigma\} \end{aligned}$$

Here

$$\epsilon := a + b + c - h$$

$$\tau := ab + bc + ca$$

$$\sigma := abc - (ab + bc + ca)(a + b + c - h)$$

$$= abc - \epsilon\tau$$

(1.4) Note

Let  $E_k$  and  $\tilde{E}_k$  ( $k = 6, 7, 8$ ) be regular system of weights for  $\varepsilon = 1$  and  $\varepsilon = 0$  ([1, Tables 1., 2.]). Due to the McKay correspondence, to each  $E_k$  certain finite subgroup of  $SU(2)$ , say  $\Gamma_k$ , is associated. (cf. [2], [3]. compare [1, (3.4) Note]). The exponents  $m_i(\tilde{E}_k)$  for  $\tilde{E}_k$  are the dimensions of the irreducible representations of  $\Gamma_k$  [loc. cit.], so that we have the formulae [ ],

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\mu} m_i(\tilde{E}_k) = h(E_k) \quad k = 6, 7, 8 \quad ,$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\mu} m_i(\tilde{E}_k)^2 = \#\Gamma_k \quad k = 6, 7, 8 \quad .$$

Comparing these formulae with the corresponding ones in (1.3), we obtain following relations:

$$(1.4.1) \quad 2 h(E_k) = \mu(\tilde{E}_k) h(\tilde{E}_k) \quad k = 6, 7, 8 \quad ,$$

$$(1.4.2) \quad \#\Gamma_k = \frac{2}{3} h(E_k) h(\tilde{E}_k) \quad k = 6, 7, 8 \quad .$$

The starting points of the present note is to proof the last formulae (1.4.1), (1.4.2).

§2 PROOFS OF THE STATEMENT

(2.1) First, we prepare a Lemma.

Lemma For a positive integer  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , there exists a polynomial  $Q_k(a, d) \in \mathbb{Z}[a, d]$  of degree  $k$ , such that

$$(2.1.1) \quad \left[ \left( T \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \right)^k \left( \frac{T^d - 1}{T^{a-1}} \right) \right]_{T=1} = \frac{1}{(k+1)!} \frac{d}{a} Q_k(a, d)$$

for any positive integers  $a, d$ .

PROOF Consider a ring  $R := \mathbb{Z}[a, d, T^a, T^d]$  of four indeterminates  $a, d, T^a, T^d$ , on which a differential operator  $T \frac{\partial}{\partial T}$  is given by the relations:  $T \frac{\partial}{\partial T} a = 0$ ,  $T \frac{\partial}{\partial T} d = 0$ ,  $T \frac{\partial}{\partial T} T^d = d T^d$ ,  $T \frac{\partial}{\partial T} T^a = a T^a$ .

By induction on  $k$ , one sees directly a formula,

$$(2.1.2) \quad \left( T \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \right)^k \left( \frac{T^d - 1}{T^{a-1}} \right) = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^k \varphi_{k,i} a^i (T^a)^i (T^{a-1})^{k-i}}{(T^{a-1})^{k+1}}, \quad k=0, 1, 2, \dots$$

where  $\varphi_{k,i}$  is an element of the ideal  $I := Rd + R(T^d - 1)$  of  $R$ , given by

$$(2.1.3) \quad \varphi_{k,i} = U_{k,i} d T^d + V_{k,i} a^{i-i} (T^d - 1), \quad 0 \leq i \leq k.$$

Here  $V_{k,i}$  are integers given by

$$(2.1.4) \quad V_{k,i} := \begin{cases} \sum_{j=0}^i (-1)^j \frac{(i-j)^k}{j!(i-j)!} & , 0 \leq i \leq k \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and  $U_{k,i}$  are homogeneous polynomials in  $a$  and  $d$  of degree  $k-i-1$ , inductively defined as follows.

$$(2.1.5) \quad U_{k+1,i} = U_{k,i}(d+ia) + V_{k,i} + U_{k,i-1}$$

$$U_{k,i} = 0 \quad \text{for } i \leq 0 \text{ or } i \geq k .$$

If the positive integral values for  $a$  and  $d$  are given, there is a natural homomorphism  $R = \mathbb{Z}[a, d, T^a, T^d] \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}[T]$  so that the formula (2.1.2) has a natural interpretation in the ring  $\mathbb{Z}[T]$ , whose verifications are omitted here. Particularly the function  $\frac{T^{d-1}}{T^{a-1}}$  and hence also the functions  $\left(T \frac{\partial}{\partial T}\right) \left(\frac{T^{d-1}}{T^{a-1}}\right)$  have removable singular point at  $T = 1$ , so that they take finite values at  $T = 1$ , which can be evaluated in the following manner:

$$\left[ \frac{\sum_{i=0}^k \varphi_{k,i} a^i (T^a)^i (T^{a-1})^{k-i}}{(T^{a-1})^{k+1}} \right]_{T=1} = \frac{\left[ \left(T \frac{\partial}{\partial T}\right)^{k+1} \sum_{i=0}^k \varphi_{k,i} a^i (T^a)^i (T^{a-1})^{k-i} \right]_{T^a=T^d=1}}{\left[ \left(T \frac{\partial}{\partial T}\right)^{k+1} (T^{a-1})^{k+1} \right]_{T^a=1}} ,$$

where the right hand side is defined and calculated in the ring  $R$ .

The denominator of the right hand side is  $(k+1)! a^{k+1}$ .

If we have shown that the numerator of the right hand is an integral polynomial in  $a$  and  $d$  of degree  $\leq 2k+1$ , which is divisible by  $da^k$ , we have done the proof.

Put

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( T \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \right)^{k+1} \sum_{i=0}^k \varphi_{k,i} a^i (T^a)^i (T^{a-1})^{k-i} \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^k \sum_{j=0}^{k+1} \left( \left( T \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \right)^j \varphi_{k,i} \right) a^i \left( T \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \right)^{k+1-j} (T^a)^i (T^{a-1})^{k-i} . \end{aligned}$$

The facts  $\varphi_{k,i} \in I$ ,  $T \frac{\partial}{\partial T} I \subset I$  and  $I \Big|_{T^a=T^d=1} \subset dZ[a,d]$ , imply that the numerator is divisible by  $d$ . The facts

that  $\left[ \left( T \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \right)^{k+1-j} (T^a)^i (T^{a-1})^{k-i} \right]_{T^a=1}$  is 0 for

$k+1-j < k-i$  and is divisible by  $a^{k+1-j}$  for

$k+1-j \geq k-i$ , imply that the numerator is divisible by  $a^k$ .

Q.E.D.

(2.2) A PROOF OF (1.2.1)

Apply  $\left[ \left( T \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \right)^k \right]_{T=1}$  on the both sides of (1.1.1), where the right hand gives  $\sum_{i=1}^{\mu} m_i^k$ . Applying the (2.1)

Lemma the left hand side is calculated as follows.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left[ \left( T \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \right)^k \left( T^\varepsilon \left( \frac{T^{h-a-1}}{T^{a-1}} \right) \left( \frac{T^{h-b-1}}{T^{b-1}} \right) \left( \frac{T^{h-c-1}}{T^{c-1}} \right) \right) \right]_{T=1} = \\
 & = \sum_{\substack{0 \leq k_0, k_1, k_2, k_3 \leq k \\ k_0 + k_1 + k_2 + k_3 = k}} C_{k_0 k_1 k_2 k_3}^k \left[ \left( T \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \right)^{k_0} T^\varepsilon \right]_{T=1} \\
 & \times \left[ \left( T \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \right)^{k_1} \left( \frac{T^{h-a-1}}{T^{a-1}} \right) \right]_{T=1} \left[ \left( T \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \right)^{k_2} \left( \frac{T^{h-b-1}}{T^{b-1}} \right) \right]_{T=1} \left[ \left( T \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \right)^{k_3} \left( \frac{T^{h-c-1}}{T^{c-1}} \right) \right]_{T=1} = \\
 & = \sum_{\substack{0 \leq k_0, k_1, k_2, k_3 \leq k \\ k_0 + k_1 + k_2 + k_3 = k}} \frac{C_{k_0 k_1 k_2 k_3}^k}{(k_1+1)!(k_2+1)!(k_3+1)!} \frac{\varepsilon^{k_0} (h-a)(h-b)(h-c)}{a b c} \times \\
 & \times \frac{(h-a)(h-b)(h-c)}{a b c} Q_{k_1}(a, h-a) Q_{k_1}(a, h-a) Q_{k_2}(b, h-b) Q_{k_3}(c, h-c) .
 \end{aligned}$$

Recalling  $\mu := (h-a)(h-b)(h-c)/abc$ , we obtain the formula (1.2.1).

For the unicity of the polynomial  $P_k(a, b, c, h)$ , it is enough to see the set  $\{(a, b, c, h) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 : (a, b, c; h) \text{ is a regular system of weights}\}$  is Zariski dense in  $\mathbb{Z}^4$ . But for any positive  $a, b, c, t \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $(a, b, c; t a b c)$  is regular and the set  $\{(a, b, c, t a b c) : a, b, c, t \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is already Zariski dense in  $\mathbb{Z}^4$ .



The homocety transformation  $(a,b,c;h) \mapsto (ta,tb,tc;th)$  for some  $t \in \mathbb{N}$  leaves  $\mu$  invariant but the exponents are transformed to  $tm_1, \dots, tm_\mu$ . Therefore

$$P_k(ta,tb,tc,th) = t^k P_k(a,b,c,h)$$

Again using the fact of Zariski denseness above, we see that  $P_k$  is a homogeneous polynomial of degree  $k$ .

(2.3) A further explicit calculations shows the formulae of (1.3), where the following duality property is strongly used.

$$\sum_{i=1}^k m_i^k = \sum_{i=1}^k (h-m_i)^k = \sum_{j=0}^k C_j^k (-1)^{k-j} h^j \sum_{i=1}^k m_i^{k-j}$$

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