

# A Note on $M_2$ Partitions of $n$

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**Abstract:** S.Ahlgren, Bringmann and Lovejoy [1] defined  $M_2 spt(n)$  to be the number of smallest parts in the partitions of  $n$  without repeated odd parts and with smallest part even and Bringmann, Lovejoy and Osburn [4] derived the generating function for  $M_2 spt(n)$ . Hanumareddy and Manjusri [7] derived generating function for the number of smallest parts of Partitions of  $n$  by using  $r$ -Partitions of  $n$ . Hanumareddy and Gudimella V R K Sagar [9], [10] defined  $M_2$  partitions and  $G_a$  partitions of positive integer  $n$ . In this chapter we derived generating function for  $M_2 spt(n)$  by using  $r$ - $M_2$  partitions of  $n$ . We also derive generating function for sum  $M_2 spt(n)$ .

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## I. INTRODUCTION

Let  $M_2\xi(n)$  be denote the set of all partitions of  $n$  with odd numbers appears at most one time and smallest parts are even numbers. Let  $M_2p(n)$  be the cardinality of  $M_2\xi(n)$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $M_2p(0)=1$ . If  $1 \leq r \leq n$ , write  $M_2p_r(n)$  for the number of partitions of  $n$  in  $M_2\xi(n)$  each consisting of exactly  $r$  parts, i.e  $r$ - $M_2$  partitions of  $n$  in  $M_2\xi(n)$ . If  $r \leq 0$  or  $r \geq n$ , we write  $M_2p_r(n)=0$ . Let  $M_2p(k,n)$  represent the number of partitions of  $n$  in  $M_2\xi(n)$  using natural numbers atleast as large as  $k$  only. Let the partitions in  $M_2\xi(n)$  be denoted by  $M_2$  partitions.

Let  $M_2spt(n)$  be denotes the number of smallest parts including repetitions in all partitions of  $n$  in  $M_2\xi(n)$  and  $sum M_2spt(n)$  be denotes the sum of the smallest parts.

For  $i \geq 1$ , let us adopt the following notation on the lines of [3].

$M_2m_s(\lambda)$  = number of smallest parts of  $\lambda$  in  $M_2\xi(n)$ .

$$M_2spt(n) = \sum_{\lambda \in \xi(n)} M_2m_s(\lambda)$$

For example  $M_2\xi(10)$ :

$$M_2p(10) = 8 \quad M_2spt(10) = 15$$

$$\underline{10}, \underline{8} + \underline{2}, \underline{6} + \underline{4}, \underline{6} + \underline{2} + \underline{2}, \underline{5} + \underline{3} + \underline{2}, \underline{4} + \underline{4} + \underline{2}, \underline{4} + \underline{2} + \underline{2} + \underline{2}, \underline{2} + \underline{2} + \underline{2} + \underline{2} + \underline{2}$$

Let  $M_2\xi(n)$  be denote the set of all partitions of  $n$  with odd numbers appears at most one time and part 1's not appear and  $M_2p(n)$  the cardinality of  $M_2\xi(n)$ . Let  $M_2p_r(n)$  for the number of  $r$ -partitions of  $n$  in  $M_2\xi(n)$ . Let  $M_2p(k,n)$  represent the number of partitions of  $n$  in  $M_2\xi(n)$  using natural numbers atleast as large as  $k$  only. Let  $M_2spt(n)$  denote the number of smallest parts including repetitions in all partitions of  $n$  in  $M_2\xi(n)$ . Let  $M_2m_s(\lambda)$  be number of smallest parts of  $\lambda$  in  $M_2\xi(n)$  and  $M_2spt(n)$  is

$$\sum_{\lambda \in \xi(n)} M_2m_s(\lambda)$$

For example  $M_2\xi(9)$ :

$$M_2p(9) = 7 \quad M_2spt(9) = 8$$

$$\underline{9}, \underline{7} + \underline{2}, \underline{6} + \underline{3}, \underline{5} + \underline{4}, \underline{5} + \underline{2} + \underline{2}, \underline{4} + \underline{3} + \underline{2}, \underline{3} + \underline{2} + \underline{2} + \underline{2}$$

We observe that

1.1 The generating function for the number of  $r$ - $M_2$  partitions of  $n$  with odd numbers appears at most one time and smallest parts are even numbers is

$$M_2p_r(n) = \frac{q^{2r} (-q, q^2)_{r-1}}{(q^2, q^2)_r} \tag{1.2}$$

1.2 The generating function for the number of  $r$ -partitions of  $n$  with odd numbers appears at most one time and 1's not appear is

$$Mp_r(n) = \frac{q^{2r}(-q, q^2)_r}{(q^2, q^2)_r} \tag{1.3}$$

II. GENERATING FUNCTION FOR  $M2spt(n)$

The generating function for the number of smallest parts of all partitions of positive integer  $n$  is derived by G.E.Andrews. By utilizing  $r - M2$  partitions of  $n$ , we propose a formula for finding the number of smallest parts of  $M2$  partitions of  $n$ .

2.1 Theorem:

$$M2spt(n) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} Mp(2k, n - 2tk) + d\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)$$

where  $d(n)$  is the number of positive divisors of  $n$ .

**Proof:**[5] Let

$$n = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_r) = (\mu_1^{\alpha_1}, \mu_2^{\alpha_2}, \dots, \mu_{l-1}^{\alpha_{l-1}}, k_1^{\alpha_l}),$$

$$(\mu_1^{\alpha_1}, \mu_2^{\alpha_2}, \dots, \mu_{l-1}^{\alpha_{l-1}}, k_1^{\alpha_l}) \in M2\xi(n), k_1 = 2k, k \in N$$

be any  $r - M2$  partition of  $n$  with  $l$  distinct parts such that odd parts not repeated and smallest parts are even numbers.

**Case 1:**[6] Let  $r > \alpha_l = t$  which implies  $\lambda_{r-t} > k_1$ . Subtract

all  $k_1$ 's, we get  $n - tk_1 = (\mu_1^{\alpha_1}, \mu_2^{\alpha_2}, \dots, \mu_{l-1}^{\alpha_{l-1}}),$

$$(\mu_1^{\alpha_1}, \mu_2^{\alpha_2}, \dots, \mu_{l-1}^{\alpha_{l-1}}) \in M\xi(n)$$

Hence  $n - tk_1 = (\mu_1^{\alpha_1}, \mu_2^{\alpha_2}, \dots, \mu_{l-1}^{\alpha_{l-1}})$  is a

$(r - t) - partition$  of  $n - tk_1$  with  $l - 1$  distinct parts and

each part is greater than or equal to  $k_1 + 1$ . Here the number of

$r - M2$  partitions with smallest part  $k_1$  that occurs

exactly  $t$  times among all  $r - M2$  partitions of  $n$  is

$$Mp_{r-t}(k_1 + 1, n - tk_1).$$

**Case 2:** Let  $r > \alpha_l > t$  which implies  $\lambda_{r-t} = k_1$

Omit  $k_1$ 's from last  $t$  places, we get

$$n - tk_1 = (\mu_1^{\alpha_1}, \mu_2^{\alpha_2}, \dots, \mu_{l-1}^{\alpha_{l-1}}, k_1^{\alpha_l - t}),$$

$$(\mu_1^{\alpha_1}, \mu_2^{\alpha_2}, \dots, \mu_{l-1}^{\alpha_{l-1}}, k_1^{\alpha_l - t}) \in M2\xi(n). \text{ Hence}$$

$$n - tk_1 = (\mu_1^{\alpha_1}, \mu_2^{\alpha_2}, \dots, \mu_{l-1}^{\alpha_{l-1}}, k_1^{\alpha_l - t}) \text{ is a}$$

$(r - t) - M2$  partition of  $n - tk_1$  with  $l$  distinct parts and the least part is  $k_1$ .

Now we get the number of  $r - M2$  partitions with smallest

part  $k_1$  that occurs more than  $t$  times among all

$r - M2$  partitions of  $n$  is  $M2f_{r-t}(k_1, n - tk_1).$

**Case 3:** Let  $r = \alpha_l = t$  which implies all parts in the partition are equal.

The number of partitions of  $n$  with equal parts in set

$\{M2\xi(n), k_1 \in 2N\}$  is equal to the number of divisors of

$\frac{n}{2}$ . Since the number of divisors of  $\frac{n}{2}$  is  $d\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)$ , the

number of partitions of  $n$  with equal parts in set

$$\{M2\xi(n), k_1 \in 2N\} \text{ is } d\left(\frac{n}{2}\right).$$

$$\text{where } \beta = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } 2r | n \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

From cases(1), (2) and (3) we get  $r - partitions$  of  $n$  with smallest part  $k_1$  that occurs  $t$  times is

$$Mp_{r-t}(k_1 + 1, n - tk_1) + M2f_{r-t}(k_1, n - tk_1) + \beta$$

$$= Mp_{r-t}(k_1, n - tk_1) + \beta$$

The number of smallest parts in  $M2$  partitions of  $n$  is

$$M2spt(n) = \sum_{k_1=1}^{\infty} \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} Mp(k_1, n - tk_1) + d\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow M2spt(n) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} Mp(2k, n - 2tk) + d\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)$$

2.2 Theorem:  $Mp_r(2k + 2, n) = Mp_r(n - 2kr)$

**Proof:** Let  $n = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_r), \lambda_i > k_1 + 1 \forall i,$

$k_1 = 2k, k \in N$  be any  $r - M2$  partition of  $n$  such that

odd numbers not repeated and smallest parts are even

numbers. Subtracting  $k_1$  from each part, we get

$$n - k_1 r = (\lambda_1 - k_1, \lambda_2 - k_1, \dots, \lambda_r - k_1)$$

Hence  $n - k_1 r = (\lambda_1 - k_1, \lambda_2 - k_1, \dots, \lambda_r - k_1)$  is a  $r - M2$  partition of  $n - k_1 r$  with odd parts not repeated and 1's not appear.

Therefore the number of  $r - M2$  partitions of  $n$  with parts greater than or equal to  $k_1 + 2$  is  $Mp_r(n - k_1 r)$ .

$$\text{Hence } Mp_r(k_1 + 2, n) = Mp_r(n - k_1 r)$$

$$\Rightarrow Mp_r(2k + 2, n) = Mp_r(n - 2kr)$$

2.3 Theorem:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} M2spt(n) q^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{q^{2n} (-q^{2n+1}; q^2)_{\infty}}{(1 - q^{2n})^2 (q^{2n+2}; q^2)_{\infty}}$$

**Proof:** From theorem (2.1) we have

$$\begin{aligned} M2spt(n) &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} Mp(2k, n - 2tk) + d\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} Mp_r(2k, n - 2tk) + d\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

first replace  $2k + 2$  by  $2k$ , then replace  $n$  by  $n - 2tk$  in theorem (2.2)

$$= \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} Mp_r(n - 2tk - r(2k - 2)) + d\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)$$

Where  $d(n)$  is the number of positive divisors of  $n$ .

From (1.5.1) in [8]

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \frac{q^{2r+2tk+r(2k-2)} (-q, q^2)_r}{(q^2, q^2)_r} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{q^{2k}}{1 - q^{2k}} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \frac{q^{2tk+2kr} (-q, q^2)_r}{(q^2, q^2)_r} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{q^{2k}}{1 - q^{2k}} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} q^{2tk} \left[ \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \frac{(q^{2k})^r (-q, q^2)_r}{(q^2, q^2)_r} \right] + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{q^{2k}}{1 - q^{2k}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{q^{2k}}{1 - q^{2k}} \left[ \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \frac{(q^{2k})^r (-q, q^2)_r}{(q^2, q^2)_r} \right] + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{q^{2k}}{1 - q^{2k}} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{q^{2k}}{1 - q^{2k}} \left[ 1 + \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \frac{(q^{2k})^r (-q, q^2)_r}{(q^2, q^2)_r} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Put  $t = q^{2k}, a = -q, q = q^2$

in theorem 2.1 The Theory of partitions' by G.E. Andrews

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{q^{2k}}{(1 - q^{2k})} \prod_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(1 + q^{2r+2k+1})}{(1 - q^{2r+2k})} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{q^{2k} (1 + q^{2k+1}) (1 + q^{2k+3}) (1 + q^{2k+5}) \dots}{(1 - q^{2k}) (1 - q^{2k+2}) (1 - q^{2k+4}) (1 - q^{2k+6}) \dots} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{q^{2k} (-q^{2k+1}; q^2)_{\infty}}{(1 - q^{2k})^2 (q^{2k+2}; q^2)_{\infty}}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} M2spt(n) q^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{q^{2n} (-q^{2n+1}; q^2)_{\infty}}{(1 - q^{2n})^2 (q^{2n+2}; q^2)_{\infty}}$$

2.4 Corollary: The generating function for  $cM2spt(n)$ , the number of smallest parts of the  $M2$  partitions of  $n$  which are multiples of  $c$  is

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} cM2spt(n) q^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{q^{2cn} (-q^{2cn+1}; q^2)_{\infty}}{(1 - q^{2cn})^2 (q^{2cn+2}; q^2)_{\infty}}$$

2.5 Theorem: The generating function for the sum of smallest parts of the  $M2$  partitions of  $n$  is

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} sumM2spt(n) q^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2nq^{2n} (-q^{2n+1}; q^2)_{\infty}}{(1 - q^{2n})^2 (q^{2n+2}; q^2)_{\infty}}$$

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