# Counting Proper Mergings 

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let $G, G^{\prime}, M, M^{\prime}$ be sets, and let $I \subseteq G \times M, I^{\prime} \subseteq G^{\prime} \times M^{\prime}$ be two binary relations
row of $I$ : the set $g^{\prime}=\{m \in M \mid(g, m) \in I\}$ for $g \in G$
column of $I$ : the set $m^{\prime}=\{g \in G \mid(g, m) \in I\}$ for $m \in M$

- intent of $I$ : an intersection over a subset of the rows of $I$
- extent of $I$ : an intersection over a subset of the columns of $I$
- bond between $I$ and $I^{\prime}$ : a binary relation $R \subseteq G \times M^{\prime}$ such that for all $g \in G$, the row $g^{R}$ is an intent of $I^{\prime}$, and for all $m \in M^{\prime}$, the column $m^{R}$ is an extent of $I$


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for $p, q \in P \cup Q$, define $p \leftarrow R, T q$ if and only if

$$
p \leq_{P} q \text { or } p \leq_{Q} q \text { or }(p, q) \in R \text { or }(p, q) \in T
$$

- merging of $\left(P, \leq_{P}\right)$ and $\left(Q, \leq_{Q}\right)$ : a pair $(R, T)$ such that $(P \cup Q, \leftarrow R, T)$ is a quasi-ordered set
- proper merging of $\left(P, \leq_{P}\right)$ and $\left(Q, \leq_{Q}\right)$ : a merging $(R, T)$ such that $R \cap T^{-1}=\emptyset$


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in other words, $(P \cup Q, \leftarrow R, T)$ is a poset if and only if $(R, T)$ is a proper merging of $\left(P, \leq_{P}\right)$ and $\left(Q, \leq_{Q}\right)$

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## Theorem (Meschke, 2011)

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$(\emptyset, P \times Q)$ and the greatest element is $(P \times Q, \emptyset)$.
Moreover, the poset $\left(\mathfrak{M}_{P, Q}^{\bullet}, \preceq\right)$ is a distributive sublattice of the previous.

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the enumeration of plane partitions is classical

## Theorem (MacMAhon)

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$$
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we clearly have

$$
B(x, y)=\sum_{n \geq 0} \sum_{m \geq 0} 2^{m n} \frac{x^{m} y^{n}}{m!n!}
$$

since every bipartite graph can be considered as a collection of connected bipartite graphs, we obtain

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$$
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= & \exp (2 \cdot \log B(x, y)-x-y) \\
= & B(x, y)^{2}-\exp (x)-\exp (y) \\
= & \sum 2^{n_{1} n_{2}+m_{1} m_{2}}(-1)^{k_{1}}(-1)^{k_{2}} \\
& \cdot \frac{x^{n_{1}+m_{1}+k_{1}}}{n_{1}!m_{1}!k_{1}!} \cdot \frac{y^{n_{2}+m_{2}+k_{2}}}{n_{2}!m_{2}!k_{2}!}
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## Proposition (Jovović \& Kilibarda, 2004)

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$$
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