A new hook formula due to a generalization of Nekrasov-Okounkov identity

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 a bijection due to Garvan-Kim-Stanton between t-cores and vectors of integers

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Also generalizes Macdonald identity in types \widetilde{B} and \widetilde{BC}

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Let t = 2t' + 1 be an odd positive integer. For any complex numbers y and z we have

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Corollary (P., 2015)

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Thank you for your attention

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