



DEVELOPMENT OF FOKKINK-FOKKINK-WANG'S GENERATING FUNCTION FOR $FFW(n)$

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Abstract:

In 1995, R. Fokkink, W. Fokkink and Wang defined the $FFW(n)$ in terms of $s(\pi)$, where $s(\pi)$ is the smallest part of partition π . In 2008, Andrews obtained the generating function for $FFW(n)$. In 2013, Andrews, Garvan and Liang extended the FFW -function and obtained the similar expressions for the spt-function and then defined the spt-crank generating functions. They also defined the generating function for $FFW(z, n)$ in various ways. This paper shows how to find the number of partitions of n into distinct parts with certain conditions and shows how to prove the Theorem 1 by induction method. This paper shows how to prove the Theorem 2 with the help of two generating functions.

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1. INTRODUCTION

In this paper we give some related definitions of $P(n)$, $FFW(n)$, $d(n)$, $(x)_\infty$, $(x^2; x)_\infty$, $(zx)_\infty$, $(x)_k$ and $(x^{k+1}; x)_\infty$. We give two tables for $FFW(5)$ and $FFW(6)$ respectively and discuss the generating functions for $FFW(n)$ and then shows a relation related to the term $d(n)$. We discuss the various generating functions for $FFW(z, n)$ and prove the Corollary I for proving the fundamental Theorem 1 containing three parts and prove the Theorem 2

$$FFW(z, n) = \sum_{\substack{\pi \in D \\ |\pi|=n \\ k+l \leq s(\pi)}} (-1)^{\#(\pi)-1} (1+z+\dots+z^{s(\pi)-1}) \quad \text{and then}$$

establish the Corollary 2: $FFW(1, n) = FFW(n)$.

2. SOME RELATED DEFINITIONS

$P(n)$ [Sabuj et al (2014b)]: The number of partitions of n like

$$4, 3+1, 2+2, 2+1+1, 1+1+1+1 \quad \therefore P(4)=5.$$



FFW (n) [Fokkink et al (1995)]: Let D denote the set of partitions into distinct parts. We define;

$$\text{FFW } (n) = \sum_{\substack{\pi \in D \\ |\pi|=n}} (-1)^{\#(\pi)-1} s(\pi),$$

where $s(\pi)$ is the smallest part of π , and $\#(\pi)$ is the number of parts .

d (n) : The numbers of positive divisors of n like d(1)=1, d(2)=2 ,d(3)=2,..

Product Notations [Sabuj et al (2014a)]:

$$(x; x)_\infty = (x)_\infty = (1-x)(1-x^2)(1-x^3)\dots$$

$$(x^2; x)_\infty = (1-x^2)(1-x^3)\dots$$

$$(zx)_\infty = (1-zx)(1-zx^2)\dots$$

$$(x)_k = (1-x)(1-x^2)\dots(1-x^k)$$

$$(x^{k+1}; x)_\infty = (1-x^{k+1})(1-x^{k+2})\dots$$

3. WE GIVE TWO TABLES FOR n= 5 AND 6 RESPECTIVELY

Table-1: Partition of 5 into distinct parts.

Partition of 5 into distinct parts	Smallest part of (π) $s(\pi)$
5	5
4+1	1
3+2	2

From the table we get;

$$\text{FFW } (5) = (-1)^0 \cdot 5 + (-1)^1 \cdot 1 + (-1)^1 \cdot 2 = 5 - 1 - 2 = 2.$$

Table-2: Partition of 6 into distinct parts.

Partition of 6 into distinct parts	Smallest part of (π) $s(\pi)$
6	6
5+1	1
4+2	2
3+2+1	1

From the table we get;

$$\text{FFW } (6) = 6 - 1 - 2 + 1 = 7 - 3 = 4.$$



Similarly we get;

FFW (1) =1, FFW (2) =2, FFW (3) = 2, FFW (4) =3.....

The generating Function [Andrews (2008)] for FFW (n) is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1} x^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}}{(x)_n (1-x^n)} \\
 &= \frac{x}{(1-x)(1-x)} + \frac{(-1) \cdot x^3}{(1-x)(1-x^2)(1-x^2)} + \frac{x^6}{(1-x)(1-x^2)(1-x^3)(1-x^3)} + \dots \\
 &= x + 2x^2 + 2x^3 + 3x^4 + 2x^5 + 4x^6 + \dots \\
 &= \text{FFW (1)} x + \text{FFW (2)} x^2 + \text{FFW (3)} x^3 + \text{FFW (4)} x^4 + \dots \\
 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \text{FFW}(n)x^n.
 \end{aligned}$$

A relation related to the term d (n).

We get; FFW (1) = 1 = d (1)

FFW (2) = 2 = d (2)

FFW (3) = 2 = d (3)

FFW (4) = 3 = d (4)

FFW (5) = 2 = d (5)

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We can write the relation $\text{FFW}(n) = d(n)$.

4. NOW WE DESCRIBE THE VARIOUS GENERATING FUNCTIONS [Andrews et al 2001] FOR FFW (z, n)

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1} x^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}}{(1-zx^n)(x)_n} \\
 &= \frac{x}{(1-x)(1-zx)} - \frac{x^3}{(1-x)(1-x^2)(1-zx^2)} + \frac{x^6}{(1-x)(1-x^2)(1-x^3)(1-zx^3)} - \dots \\
 &= x + (1+z)x^2 + (z+z^2)x^3 + (z+z^2+z^3)x^4 + (-1+z^2+z^3+z^4)x^5 + \\
 &\quad (-1+z^2+z^3+z^4+z^5+1)x^6 + \dots \\
 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \text{FFW}(z, n)x^n
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{We get; } \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^k}{(x)_k} [(x)_k - (x)_{\infty}] \\
 &= \{1 - (x)_{\infty}\} + \frac{z}{(1-x)} \{(1-x) - (x)_{\infty}\} + \frac{z^2}{(1-x)(1-x^2)} \{(1-x)(1-x^2) - (x)_{\infty}\} + \frac{z^3}{(1-x)(1-x^2)(1-x^3)} \\
 &\quad \{(1-x)(1-x^2)(1-x^3) - (x)_{\infty}\} + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$



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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= x + x^2 + z(x^2 + x^3 + x^4) + z^2(x^3 + x^4) + z^3x^4 + \dots \\
 &= x + (1+z)x^2 + (z+z^2)x^3 + (z+z^2+z^3)x^4 + (-1+z^2+z^3+z^4)x^5 + \dots \\
 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} FFW(z, n)x^n.
 \end{aligned}$$

Again we get;

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} z^k \{1 - (x^{k+1}; x)_\infty\} \\
 &= \{1 - (x)_\infty\} + z\{1 - (x^2; x)_\infty\} + z^2\{1 - (x^3; x)_\infty\} + \dots \\
 &= \{1 + z + z^2 + z^3 + \dots\} - \{(1-x)(1-x^2)\dots + z(1-x)(1-x^3)\dots + z^2(1-x^3)(1-x^4)\dots\} \\
 &= \{1 + z + z^2 + z^3 + \dots\} - \{1 - x - x^2 + z - zx^2 - zx^3 + z^2 - z^2x^3 + \dots\} \\
 &= x + x^2 + z(x^2 + x^3 + x^4) + z^2(x^3 + x^4) + z^3x^4 + \dots \\
 &= x + (1+z)x^2 + (z+z^2)x^3 + (z+z^2+z^3)x^4 + (-1+z^2+z^3+z^4)x^5 + \dots \\
 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} FFW(z, n)x^n.
 \end{aligned}$$

Corollary1: $\frac{x}{(1-zx)(1-x)} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{z^{k-1}}{(z-1)}\right) x^k.$

Proof: L.H.S $= \frac{x}{(1-zx)(1-x)}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= x(1+zx+z^2x^2+z^3x^3+\dots)(1+x+x^2+x^3+\dots) \\
 &= x + (1+z)x^2 + (1+z+z^2)x^3 + (1+z+z^2+z^3)x^4 + \dots \\
 &= x + \frac{(1+z)(1-z)}{(1-z)} x^2 + \frac{(1+z+z^2)(1-z)}{(1-z)} x^3 + \frac{(1+z+z^2+z^3)(1-z)}{(1-z)} x^4 + \dots \\
 &= x + \frac{(1-z^2)}{(1-z)} x^2 + \frac{(1-z^3)}{(1-z)} x^3 + \frac{(1-z^4)}{(1-z)} x^4 + \dots \\
 &= x + \frac{(z^2-1)}{(z-1)} x^2 + \frac{(z^3-1)}{(z-1)} x^3 + \frac{(z^4-1)}{(z-1)} x^4 + \dots \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{z^{k-1}}{(z-1)}\right) x^k = R.H.S. . \quad \text{Hence The Corollary.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 1: $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} FFW(z, n)x^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1} x^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}}{(1-zx^n)(x)_n} = \frac{1}{(1-z)} \left\{1 - \frac{(x)_\infty}{(zx)_\infty}\right\}.$

Proof: we get; $\frac{x^5}{1-x} = x^5(1+x+x^2+x^3+\dots)$

Or, $x^1 x^4 \frac{1}{(x)_1} = x^5 + x^6 + x^7 + \dots$



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is the generating function for partitions into 2 distinct parts with smallest part 2 like the required partitions 3+2, 4+2,respectively.

$$\text{Again } \frac{x^6}{(1-x)(1-x^2)} = x^6(1+x+x^2+x^3+\dots)(1+x^2+x^4+\dots) \\ = x^6(1+x+x^2+x^2+\dots)$$

Or, $x^3 \cdot x^3 \frac{1}{(x)_2} = x^6 + x^7 + 2x^8 + \dots$ is the generating function for partitions into 3 distinct parts with smallest part 1 like the required partitions are 3+2+1, 4+2+1,respectively. Now we see that

$x^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}} x^{nk} \frac{1}{(x)_{n-1}}$ is the generation function for partitions into n distinct parts with smallest part k.

$$\text{Thus } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} FFW(z, n)x^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (x^n + (1+z)x^{2n} + \dots + (1+z+\dots+z^{k-1})x^{kn} + \dots) \frac{(-1)^{n-1} x^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}}}{(x)_{n-1}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\{ x^n + \frac{(1+z)(1-z)}{(1-z)} x^{2n} + \frac{(1+z+z^2)(1-z)x^{3n}}{(1-z)} + \dots \right\} \frac{(-1)^{n-1} x^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}}}{(x)_{n-1}} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\{ x^n + \frac{z^2-1}{z-1} x^{2n} + \frac{z^3-1}{z-1} x^{3n} + \dots \right\} \frac{(-1)^{n-1} x^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}}}{(x)_{n-1}} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^k-1}{z-1} x^{nk} \right) \frac{(-1)^{n-1} x^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}}}{(x)_{n-1}} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{(1-zx^n)(1-x^n)} \frac{(-1)^{n-1} x^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}}}{(x)_{n-1}} \quad [\text{by Corollary 1}] \end{aligned}$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1} x^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}}{(1-zx^n)(x)_n}$$

$$[\text{Since } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1-x^n)(x)_{n-1} = (1-x) + (1-x^2)(1-x) + (1-x^3)(1-x^2)(1-x) + \dots = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (x)_n]$$

$$\text{Or, 1st part} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} FFW(z, n)x^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1} x^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}}{(1-zx^n)(x)_n} = 2^{\text{nd}} \text{ part}$$

$$\text{Now } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1} x^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}}{(1-zx^n)(x)_n} = \frac{x}{(1-zx)(1-x)} - \frac{x^3}{(1-zx^2)(1-x)(1-x^2)} + \dots$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{(1-z)} \left\{ \frac{x(1-z)}{(1-zx)(1-x)} - \frac{x^3(1-z)}{(1-zx^2)(1-x)(1-zx^2)} + \dots \right\} = \frac{1}{(1-z)} \left\{ 1 - 1 + \frac{x(1-z)}{(1-zx)(1-x)} - \dots \right\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{(1-z)} \left[1 - \left\{ 1 - \frac{x(1-z)}{(1-zx)(1-x)} + \dots \right\} \right] = \frac{1}{(1-z)} \left\{ 1 - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} (z)_n}{(x)_n (zx)_n} \dots \right\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{(1-z)} \left\{ 1 - (1 - (1-z) x - (1-z^2)x^2 + \dots) \right\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{(1-z)} \left\{ 1 - (1 - x - x^2 + x^5 + \dots)(1 + zx + (z+z^2)x^2 + \dots) \right\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{(1-z)} \left\{ 1 - \frac{(1-x)(1-x^2)(1-x^3)\dots}{(1-zx)(1-zx^2)(1-zx^3)\dots} \right\} = \frac{1}{(1-z)} \left\{ 1 - \frac{(x)_\infty}{(zx)_\infty} \right\} = 3^{\text{rd}} \text{ Part.} \\
 \text{But } &\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} (z)_n}{(x)_n (zx)_n} = \frac{(x)_\infty}{(zx)_\infty} \quad [\text{Andrews (1976)}]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} FFW(z, n)x^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1} x^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}}{(1-zx^n)(x)_n} = \frac{1}{(1-z)} \left\{ 1 - \frac{(x)_\infty}{(zx)_\infty} \right\}. \text{ Hence Theorem.}$$

Theorem 2: $FFW(z, n) = \sum_{\substack{\pi \in D \\ |\pi|=n \\ k+l \leq s(\pi)}} (-1)^{\#(\pi)-1} (1+z+\dots+z^{s(\pi)-1}).$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Proof: We get; } &\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^k}{(x)_k} [(x)_k - (x)_\infty] \\
 &= \{1 - (x)_\infty\} + \frac{z}{(1-x)} \{(1-x) - (x)_\infty\} + \frac{z^2}{(1-x)(1-x^2)} \{(1-x)(1-x^2) - (x)_\infty\} + \frac{z^3}{(1-x)(1-x^2)(1-x^3)} \\
 &\quad \{(1-x)(1-x^2)(1-x^3) - (x)_\infty\} + \dots \\
 &= \{1 - (x)_\infty\} + z\{1 - (1-x^2)(1-x^3)\dots\} + z^2\{1 - (1-x^3)(1-x^4)\dots\} \\
 &= \{1 - (x)_\infty\} + z\{1 - (x^2; x)_\infty\} + z^2\{1 - (x^3; x)_\infty\} + \dots = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} z^k \{1 - (x^{k+1}; x)_\infty\} \\
 \therefore &\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} FFW(z, n)x^n = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} z^k \{1 - (x^{k+1}; x)_\infty\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

We see that the co-efficient of $z^k x^n$ in right hand side



$$\text{is } \sum_{\substack{\pi \in D \\ |\pi|=n \\ k+l \leq s(\pi)}} (-1)^{\#(\pi)-1} (1+z+\dots+z^{s(\pi)-1})$$

which is also co-efficient of $z^k x^n$ in left hand side.

$$\therefore \text{FFW}(z, n) = \sum_{\substack{\pi \in D \\ |\pi|=n \\ k+l \leq s(\pi)}} (-1)^{\#(\pi)-1} (1+z+\dots+z^{s(\pi)-1}). \text{ Hence the Theorem.}$$

Corollary 2: $\text{FFW}(1, n) = \text{FFW}(n)$

$$\text{Proof: We get; } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1} x^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}}{(x)_n (1-zx^n)} = x + (1+z)x^2 + (z+z^2)x^3 + (z+z^2+z^3)x^4 + (-1+z^2+z^3+z^4)x^5 + (-1+1+z^2+z^3+z^4+z^5)x^6 + \dots$$

$$\text{Or, } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \text{FFW}(z, n)x^n = x + (1+z)x^2 + (z+z^2)x^3 + (z+z^2+z^3)x^4 + (-1+z^2+z^3+z^4)x^5 + \dots$$

If $z=1$, we get;

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \text{FFW}(1, n)x^n &= x + 2x^2 + 2x^3 + 3x^4 + 2x^5 + 4x^6 + \dots \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1} x^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}}{(x)_n (1-x^n)} \quad (\text{by above}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Or, } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \text{FFW}(1, n)x^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \text{FFW}(n)x^n.$$

Equating the co-efficient of x^n from both sides we get;

$\therefore \text{FFW}(1, n) = \text{FFW}(n).$ Hence the Corollary.

5. CONCLUSION

In this study we have found the number of partitions of n into distinct parts with required conditions. We have already shown the numbers of partitions for $n = 5$ and 6 respectively and have found the number of partitions from the relation $\text{FFW}(n) = d(n)$ for any positive integral of n . We have proved the Theorem 1 containing two generating functions

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1} x^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}}{(x)_n (1-zx^n)} \text{ and } \frac{1}{(1-z)} \left\{ 1 - \frac{(x)_\infty}{(zx)_\infty} \right\}$$



with the help of generating functions for partitions into n distinct parts with smallest part k and have proved the Theorem 2 by taking the co-efficient from various two generating functions. Finally we have established the Corollary FFW (1, n) = FFW (n) by taking $z=1$.

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