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 - ▶ adding new combinatorial statistics to the database, and
 - ▶ filling the wiki with information.

Another example on permutations

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$$[1, 2, 3] \mapsto 0$$

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Yet another example on Dyck paths

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10101010 \mapsto 16

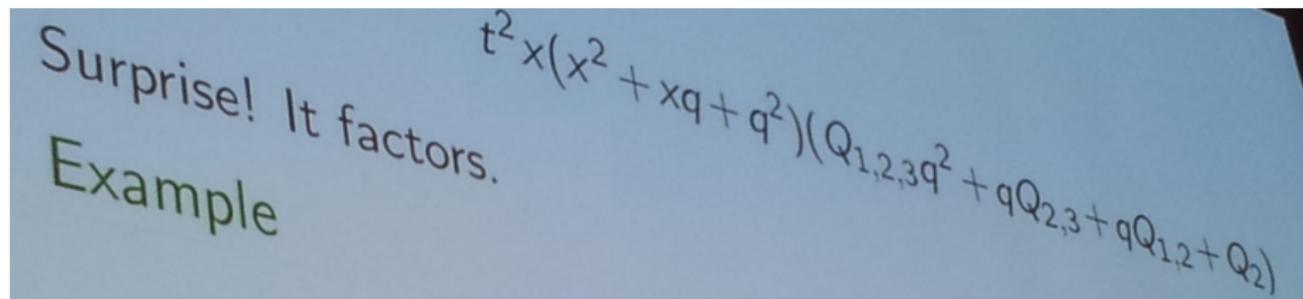
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An example from Angela Hicks' talk earlier today



One could now ask two questions for statistics on compositions:

- Are the coefficients of $Q_{1,2,3}$, $Q_{2,3}$, $Q_{1,2}$, and Q_2 known?
- If all coefficients are q powers: Are their exponents known?

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What we would like (with your support)

To get the project running, we need to

- fill the database,
- fill the wiki,
- provide support for more combinatorial objects, and
- provide generating function and partial generating function functionality.

You (and your students!) are more than invited to help the project grow!

Thanks

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- Sage,
- MathJax, and

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