

it applies if $a_i + b_{k+i-i} = n-k$ for any i .

$$\Gamma \quad \beta = r = k \Rightarrow \alpha = 1. \Rightarrow a_1 + b_k + c_k = n-k.$$

Suppose $b_k \neq 0$ or $c_k \neq 0. \Rightarrow a_1 \neq n-k.$

I can not see the reason why $b_k = c_k = 0$ should be true. See P517 for this explanation.

As suggested, we can apply this first reduction to the intersection of cycles $\#(\sigma_a \cdot \sigma_b \cdot \sigma_c)$ in $G(n-k, n)$; we obtain

Reduction Formula II. For any three coefficients a_α, b_β, c_r with $a_\alpha + b_\beta + c_r \geq 2(n-k)+1$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \#(\sigma_a \cdot \sigma_b \cdot \sigma_c)_{G(k, n)} \\ = & \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \alpha + \beta + r > k \\ \#(\sigma_{a_1-1, \dots, a_{\alpha-1}, a_{\alpha+1}, \dots, a_k} \cdot \sigma_{b_1-1, \dots, b_{\beta-1}, b_{\beta+1}, \dots, b_k} \cdot \sigma_{c_1-1, \dots, c_{r-1}, c_{r+1}, \dots, c_k})_{G(k, n-1)} & \\ & \text{if } \alpha + \beta + r = k. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Gamma \quad \text{If } a_\alpha = a_{\alpha+1}, \quad a_{\alpha-1} < a_{\alpha+1}. \Rightarrow \\ \sigma_{a_1-1, \dots, a_{\alpha-1}, a_{\alpha+1}, \dots, a_k} = 0$$

\Rightarrow I think that Reduction Formula II is not correct.

For example, $k=6, n=12.$

$$a_1=6 > a_2=5, \quad a_3=a_4=a_5=4 > a_6=2.$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{a_1}^* = a_{a_6}^* = 1, \quad a_{a_4}^* = 5, \quad a_{a_5}^* = 2, \quad a_{a_2}^* = 6$$