

ENUMERATION OF SYMMETRIC ARRAYS, II

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1. Introduction and summary. $S_n(r)$ denotes the number of $n \times n$ arrays (a_{ij}) , where the a_{ij} are nonnegative integers such that

$$(1.1) \quad a_{ij} = a_{ji} \quad (i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n)$$

and

$$(1.2) \quad \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ii} = r \quad (j = 1, 2, \dots, n).$$

In an earlier paper [1], the writer showed that

$$(1.3) \quad \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} S_3(r)x^r = \frac{1+x+x^2}{(1-x)^4(1+x)}$$

and

$$(1.4) \quad \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} S_4(r)x^r = \frac{1+4x+10x^2+4x^3+x^4}{(1-x)^7(1+x)}.$$

In proving (1.4) it was found convenient to consider the following related problems. Let $T(r, s)$ denote the number of quadruplets (b, c, d, e) , where b, c, d, e are nonnegative integers such that

$$(1.5) \quad b+c \leq r, d+e \leq r, b+d \leq s, c+e \leq s.$$

Then

$$(1.6) \quad \sum_{r,s=0}^{\infty} T(r, s)x^r y^s = \frac{1+4xy+4x^2y^2+x^2y+xy^2+x^3y^3}{(1-x)(1-y)(1-xy)^2(1-x^2y)(1-xy^2)}$$

$$(1.7) \quad \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} T(r, r)x^r = \frac{(1+x)^2}{(1-x)^5}.$$

In the present paper we consider first the weighted sum

$$(1.8) \quad S_3(r; \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3) = \sum_{\substack{a+b \leq r \\ b+c \leq r \\ a+2b+c \geq r}} \lambda_1^a \lambda_2^b \lambda_3^c,$$

which reduces to $S_3(r)$ when $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = 1$. We show that

$$(1.9) \quad \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} S_3(r; \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3)x^r = \frac{1 - \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \lambda_3 x^3}{(1 - \lambda_1 x)(1 - \lambda_2 x)(1 - \lambda_3 x)(1 - \lambda_1 \lambda_3 x)(1 - \lambda_2 x^2)}.$$

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