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ABSTRACT

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An inquiry from M. R. Schroeder has revived interest in permutations with restricted positions specified by truncated three-ply staircases, studied originally because of their relation to four-line Latin rectangles. Two truncated staircases are studied here: (i) first and last columns removed, and (ii) last two columns removed. Asymptotic expressions for the two "hit" distributions, and a number of recurrences and relations for hit polynomials are derived.

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1. Introduction

An inquiry from M. R. Schroeder has revived interest in permutations with restricted positions specified by truncated three-ply staircases; they seem to be involved in his work on design of a private communication system. The three-ply staircases appear in problems 21 to 28 of chapter 8 of my book (An Introduction to Combinatorial Analysis, New York, 1958). Nevertheless there is something to be done on the truncations of interest to Mr. Schroeder, which are (i) first and last columns removed, and (ii) last two columns removed; for  $n = 5$  the two staircases are, in order,

x x	x x x
x x x	x x x
x x x	x x x
x x x	x x
x x	x

The rook polynomials, in the notation of the book, are  $T_n(x)$  and  $s_n(x)$ . The corresponding hit polynomials (enumerating permutations of  $n$  elements by the number in forbidden positions) are taken as  $A_n(t)$  and  $B_n(t)$ , respectively.

The main results developed below are, first, the asymptotic expressions for the coefficients  $A_{nk}$  and  $B_{nk}$  of the hit polynomials, namely

$$(1) \quad \frac{A_{nk}}{n!} = \frac{3^k e^{-3}}{k!} \left[ 1 - \frac{k^2 - 5k + 3}{3n} + \frac{a(k)}{54n(n-1)} \right] + o(n^{-3})$$

$$(2) \quad \frac{B_{nk}}{n!} = \frac{3^k e^{-3}}{k!} \left[ 1 - \frac{k^2 - 4k}{3n} + \frac{b(k)}{54n(n-1)} \right] + o(n^{-3})$$

where, with  $(k)_j = k(k-1)\dots(k-j+1)$ ,

$$a(k) = 3(k)_4 - 20(k)_3 + 30(k)_2 + 36k - 81$$

$$b(k) = 3(k)_4 - 14(k)_3 - 12(k)_2 + 126k - 135.$$

Next, the "mixed" recurrences found are

(3)

$$A_n(t) = (n-2+2t)A_{n-1}(t) + (1-t)A'_{n-1}(t) - (n-1)(1-t)A_{n-2}(t) \\ - (1-t)^2 A'_{n-2}(t) + (1-t)^3 A_{n-3}(t), \quad n > 1$$

(4)

$$B_n(t) = (n-2+2t)B_{n-1}(t) + (1-t)B'_{n-1}(t) - (n-1)(1-t)B_{n-2}(t) \\ - (1-t)^2 B'_{n-2}(t) + (1-t)^3 B_{n-3}(t) + (-1)^n (1-t)^{n-1}, \quad n > 2.$$

The prime denotes a derivative. Next, there is an almost pure recurrence for  $A_n(t)$ , that is, without derivatives, namely

(5)

$$A_n(t) = (n+1-t)A_{n-1}(t) - (1-t)(n-3+4t)A_{n-2}(t) - (n-4)(1-t)^2A_{n-3}(t) \\ + (1-t)^3(n-4+t)A_{n-4}(t) + (1-t)^5A_{n-5}(t) + (t-1)^n a_n$$

where  $a_0 = 1$ ,  $a_1 = 2$ ,  $a_2 = -1$ ,  $a_3 = a_4 = 1$  and

$$a_n = a_{n-1} + a_{n-2}, \quad n > 4.$$

Otherwise stated

$$a_n - a_{n-1} - a_{n-2} = \delta_{n0} + \delta_{n1} - 4\delta_{n2} + \delta_{n4} + \delta_{n5}$$

with  $\delta_{nm}$  the Kronecker delta. Of course,  $a_n$  may be eliminated to produce a genuinely pure recurrence, at the cost of more terms. The chief interest of (5) is in the instance  $t = 0$ :  $A_n = A_n(0)$  is the number of permutations with no elements in forbidden positions; the recurrence becomes

$$(6) \quad A_n = (n+1)A_{n-1} - (n-3)A_{n-2} - (n-4)A_{n-3} + (n-4)A_{n-4} \\ + A_{n-5} + (-1)^n a_n.$$

I have not found a similar result for  $B_n(t)$  but there is a moderately simple expression relating the two hit polynomials, namely

(7)

$$B_n(t) - (1-t)^2 B_{n-2}(t) = A_n(t) + (1-t)A_{n-1}(t) - (1-t)^2 A_{n-2}(t) \\ - \delta_{n1}(1-t)^n.$$

Iteration of (7) and mathematical induction show that

$$(8) \quad \begin{aligned} B_{2n}(t) = & A_{2n}(t) + (1-t)A_{2n-1}(t) + (1-t)^3A_{2n-3}(t) + \dots \\ & + (1-t)^{2j-1}A_{2n-2j+1}(t) + \dots + (1-t)^{2n-1}A_1(t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} B_{2n+1}(t) = & A_{2n+1}(t) + (1-t)A_{2n}(t) + (1-t)^3A_{2n-2}(t) + \dots \\ & + (1-t)^{2j+1}A_{2n-2j}(t) + \dots + (1-t)^{2n-1}A_2(t). \end{aligned}$$

Table 1 gives the polynomials  $A_n(t)$  and  $B_n(t)$  in detached coefficient form for  $n = 0(1)9$ .

Finally, it should be noticed that the hit polynomials,  $C_n(t)$ , for the circularized staircase are expressible by

$$C_n(t) = A_n(t) + (1-t)^2A_{n-2}(t) - 2(1-t)B_{n-1}(t).$$

## 2. Rook Polynomials

Consider first the rook polynomials  $T_n(x)$  for three-ply staircases with first and last column removed. The expression

$$(9) \quad T_n(x) = S_n(x) - 2xS_{n-1}(x) + x^2S_{n-2}(x)$$

given in problem 22 of chapter 8, with  $S_n(x)$  the rook polynomial for a three-ply staircase, is found by developing  $S_n(x)$  with respect to the single cells in first and last columns. The development is sufficiently clear in the case



$n = 3$ . Using the convention that brackets on an array indicate its rook polynomial, this is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_3(x) &= \begin{bmatrix} \times & \times & \times \\ & \times & \times & \times \\ & & \times & \times & \times \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \times & \times \\ \times & \times & \times \\ & \times & \times & \times \end{bmatrix} + xS_2(x) \\
 &= T_3(x) + xS_2(x) + x \begin{bmatrix} \times & \times \\ \times & \times & \times \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= T_3(x) + xS_2(x) + x[S_2(x) - S_1(x)].
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $T_0(x) = 1$ ,  $T_1(x) = 1 + x$ ,  $T_2(x) = 1 + 4x + 2x^2$ .

It follows from (9) that the generating functions  $T(x,y) = \sum T_n(x)y^n$ ,  $S(x,y) = \sum S_n(x)y^n$ , both sums starting at  $n = 0$ , are related by

$$(10) \quad S(x,y) = T(x,y)(1-xy)^{-2}$$

and by problem 8.23 (problem 23 of chapter 8)

$$\begin{aligned}
 (11) \quad T(x,y) &= (1-xy)[1-y-2xy-xy^2+x^3y^3]^{-1} \\
 S(x,y) &= (1-xy)^{-1}[1-y-2xy-xy^2+x^3y^3]^{-1}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Equation (11) implies the recurrence

(12)

$$T_n(x) - (1+2x)T_{n-1}(x) - xT_{n-2}(x) + x^3T_{n-3}(x) = \delta_{n0} - x\delta_{n1}$$

which is simpler than the one in problem 8.22. Writing

$$T_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n T_{nk} x^k,$$

equation (12) in turn implies

(13)

$$T_{nk} = T_{n-1,k} + 2T_{n-1,k-1} + T_{n-2,k-1} - T_{n-3,k-3}, \quad n > 1.$$

For the second truncation (last two columns removed) the rook polynomials  $s_n(x)$  have the generating function  $s(x,y)$ , which by a result in problem 8.24(a) is given by

(14)

$$s(x,y) = (1-2xy-xy^2+x^3y^3)(1-xy)^{-1}(1-y-2xy-xy^2+x^3y^3)^{-1}$$

or

(14a)

$$(1-y-2xy-xy^2+x^3y^3)s(x,y) = 1 - xy - x^2y^2 - xy^2(1-xy)^{-1}.$$

Equation (14a) implies the recurrence (compare (12))

$$(15) \quad s_n(x) - (1+2x)s_{n-1}(x) - xs_{n-2}(x) + x^3s_{n-3}(x)$$

$$= \delta_{n0} - x\delta_{n1} - x^2\delta_{n2} - (1-\delta_{n0}-\delta_{n1})x^{n-1}.$$

The first few values are:  $s_0(x) = 1$ ,  $s_1(x) = 1 + x$ ,  
 $s_2(x) = 1 + 3x + x^2$ . If

$$s_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n s_{nk} x^k,$$

equation (15) implies

(16)

$$s_{nk} = s_{n-1,k} + 2s_{n-1,k-1} + s_{n-2,k-1} - s_{n-3,k-3} - \delta_{n-1,k}, \quad n > 2.$$

It is convenient to have results also for the associated rook polynomials  $t_n(x) = x^n T_n(-x^{-1})$ ,  $s_n^*(x) = x^n s_n(-x^{-1})$ . Their generating functions are given by

$$(17) \quad \Delta(x,y)t(x,y) = 1 + y$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta(x,y)s^*(x,y) &= 1 + y - y^2 + xy^2(1+y)^{-1} \\ &= (\Delta(x,y) + xy)(1+y)^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\Delta(x,y) = 1 + 2y - y^3 - xy + xy^2.$$

## 2. Asymptotic Expressions

Asymptotic expressions are obtained from expressions for factorial moments. Consider the first truncation. The  $k$ th factorial moment  $(m)_k$  of the distribution with probability generating function  $A_n(t)/n!$  is given by  $T_{nk} \binom{n}{k}^{-1}$ , in the usual notation for binomial coefficients. Then if



$$(18) \quad T_{nk} = a_{k0} \binom{n}{k} + a_{k1} \binom{n-1}{k-1} + \dots + a_{kj} \binom{n-j}{k-j} + \dots$$

$$(m)_k = a_{k0} + a_{k1} k/n + a_{k2} k(k-1)/n(n-1) + \dots$$

which leads to an asymptotic expression through the relation

$$(19) \quad \frac{A_{nk}}{n!} = p_k(n) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^j (m)_{k+j}}{j! k!}.$$

$A_{nk}$  is of course the coefficient of  $t^k$  in  $A_n(t)$ .

Equation (13) implies

$$(20) \quad a_{kj} = 3a_{k-1,j} - a_{k-1,j-1} - a_{k-3,j-2}$$

which with boundary conditions supplied by

$$T_{n0} = 1 \quad T_{n2} = 9 \binom{n}{2} - 9 \binom{n-1}{1} + 2$$

$$T_{n1} = 3n - 2 \quad T_{n3} = 27 \binom{n}{3} - 36 \binom{n-1}{2} + 14 \binom{n-2}{1} - 2$$

leads to

$$a_{k0} = 3^k \quad a_{k2} = 3^{k-3} \left( 3 \binom{k}{2} + 2k - 1 \right)$$

$$a_{k1} = -3^{k-1} (k+1) \quad a_{k3} = -3^{k-4} \left( 3 \binom{k}{3} + \binom{k}{2} + \delta_{k3} \right).$$

Using the first three of these in (19) gives (1).

In the same way, writing

$$s_{nk} = b_{k0} \binom{n}{k} + b_{k1} \binom{n-1}{k-1} + \dots + b_{kj} \binom{n-j}{k-j} + \dots$$

it is found that the  $b_{kj}$  also satisfy equation (20), but

$$s_{n0} = 1 \qquad s_{n2} = 9 \binom{n}{2} - 12 \binom{n-1}{1} + 4$$

$$s_{n1} = 3n - 3 \qquad s_{n3} = 27 \binom{n}{3} - 45 \binom{n-1}{2} + 23 \binom{n-2}{1} - 5 + \delta_{n3}$$

so that

$$b_{k0} = 3^k \qquad b_{k2} = 3^{k-3} \left( 3 \binom{k}{2} + 5k - 1 \right)$$

$$b_{k1} = - 3^{k-1} (k+2).$$

Using these in (19) gives (2).

### 3. Mixed Recurrences for Hit Polynomials

The hit polynomials  $A_n(t)$  and  $B_n(t)$  are given by

$$(21) \qquad A_n(t) = \sum T_{nk} (n-k)! (t-1)^k$$

$$B_n(t) = \sum s_{nk} (n-k)! (t-1)^k.$$

Hence, by (13), for  $n > 1$ ,

$$(22) \quad U_{nk} = (n-k)! T_{nk}$$

$$= (n-k) (U_{n-1,k} + U_{n-2,k-1}) + 2U_{n-1,k-1} - U_{n-3,k-3}.$$

Since

$$A'_n(t) = \sum k U_{nk} (t-1)^{k-1},$$

(22) is equivalent to (3). A similar procedure gives (4).

#### 4. Another Recurrence for $A_n(t)$

Return to the first of equations (17), the expression for the generating function of the associated rook polynomials of the first truncation, namely

$$\Delta(x,y)t(x,y) = 1 + y.$$

Then, using the suffix notation for partial derivatives, and omitting arguments

$$(23) \quad \Delta t_x + \Delta_x t = 0$$

$$\Delta t_y + \Delta_y t = 1.$$

The second of equations (23) is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} (1+y)\Delta t_y &= (\Delta - (1-y)\Delta_y)t \\ &= - (1 - 3y^2 - 2y^3 - x + 2xy + xy^2)t. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, since  $\Delta_x = -y(1-y)$ , equations (23) may be replaced by

$$(24) \quad g(y)\Delta t_x - y(1-y)g(y)t = 0$$

$$(1+y)f(y)\Delta t_y + f(y)[1 - 3y^2 - 2y^3 - x(1-2y-y^2)]t = 0.$$

Adding

(25)

$$g(y)\Delta t_x + (1+y)f(y)\Delta t_y + [f(y)(1-3y^2-2y^3) - xf(y)(1-2y-y^2) - y(1-y)g(y)]t = 0.$$

Equation (25) will be simpler if

$$\begin{aligned} f(y)[1-3y^2-2y^3-x(1-2y-y^2)] - y(1-y)g(y) &= h(y)\Delta \\ &= h(y)(1-2y-y^3) - xy(1-y)h(y). \end{aligned}$$

Then first, equating coefficients of  $x$

$$f(y)(1-2y-y^2) = y(1-y)h(y)$$

$$\text{or if } f(y) = y(1-y)f_1(y)$$

$$f_1(y)(1-2y-y^2) = h(y).$$

Next

$$y(1-y)(1-3y^2-2y^3)f_1(y) - y(1-y)g(y) = (1-2y-y^2)(1+2y-y^3)f_1(y)$$

or

$$- [1-y-4y^2+y^4-y^5]f_1(y) - y(1-y)g(y) = 0$$

$$\text{and if } f_1(y) = y(1-y)$$

$$f(y) = y^2(1-y)^2$$

$$g(y) = -1 + y + 4y^2 - y^4 + y^5$$

$$h(y) = y(1-y)(1-2y-y^2).$$



The simpler form of equation (25) is

(26)

$$- (1-y-4y^2+y^4-y^5)t_x + y^2(1+y)(1-y)^2t_y + y(1-y)(1-2y-y^2)t = 0.$$

Equating coefficients of  $y^n$ , this corresponds to, with primes denoting derivatives,

(27)

$$nt_{n-1} - (n+1)t_{n-2} - (n-4)t_{n-3} + (n-3)t_{n-4} \\ = t'_n - t'_{n-1} - 4t'_{n-2} + t'_{n-4} = t'_{n-5}.$$

Now equation (21) may be rewritten in compressed form as

(21a)

$$A_n(t) = (1-t)^n t_n [E(1-t)^{-1}]0!$$

with E the shift operator:  $E^k 0! = k!$ . Also

(28)

$$A_n(t) - (1-t)^n t_n(0) = (1-t)^{n-1} t'_n [E(1-t)^{-1}]0!.$$

Using (21a) and (28) in (27), multiplied by  $(1-t)^{n-1}$ , leads to (5) when it is noted that

$$t_n(0) = (-1)^n f_n$$

with  $f_n$  a Fibonacci number:  $f_0 = f_1 = 1$ ,  $f_n = f_{n-1} + f_{n-2}$ .

In the first place, the numbers  $a_n$  of equation (5) are given by

$$a_n = f_n + f_{n-1} - 4f_{n-2} + f_{n-4} + f_{n-5}.$$

Next the generating function  $a(x)$  of numbers  $a_n$  is given by



$$a(x) = (1+x-4x^2+x^4+x^5)f(x)$$

where  $f(x) = \sum f_n x^n = (1-x-x^2)^{-1}$ ; hence

$$(1-x-x^2)a(x) = (1+2x-x^2)(1-x-x^2) + x^3 + x^5$$

or

$$a(x) = 1 + 2x - x^2 + (x^3+x^5)f(x)$$

which shows that  $a_0 = 1$ ,  $a_1 = 2$ ,  $a_2 = -1$ ,  $a_n = f_{n-3} + f_{n-5}$ ,  $n > 2$ .

A short table may be interesting; it is

n	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
$a_n$	1	2	-1	1	1	3	4	7	11	18	29

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#### 5. A Relation for $A_n(t)$ and $B_n(t)$

In problem 8.24(a) it is noted that the generating function for rook polynomials  $s_n(x)$  may be written as

$$s(x,y) = yS(x,y) + (1-xy)^{-1}.$$

Using equation (10), this is the same as

$$(1-xy)^2 s(x,y) = yT(x,y) + 1 - xy$$

or, shifting to the associated polynomials ( $s^*(x,y) = s(-x^{-1},xy)$ ,  $t(x,y) = T(x^{-1},xy)$ )

$$(1+y)^2 s^*(x,y) = xy t(x,y) + 1 + y.$$

But

$$xy(1-y)t(x,y) = (1+2y-y^3)t(x,y) + (1+y).$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} (1+y)^2(1-y)s^*(x,y) &= xy(1-y)t(x,y) + 1 - y^2 \\ &= (1+2y-y^3)t(x,y) - y(1+y) \end{aligned}$$

which has a removable factor  $1+y$ , so that

$$(1-y^2)s^*(x,y) = (1+y-y^2)t(x,y) - y$$

or

$$(29) \quad s_n^*(x) - s_{n-2}^*(x) = t_n(x) + t_{n-1}(x) - t_{n-2}(x) - \delta_{n1}.$$

Using (21)a and its correspondent

$$B_n(t) = (1-t)^n s_n^*[E(1-t)^{-1}]0!$$

in (29) produces (7).

Now, turn to the relations with the circularized staircase (the triangle removed by removal of the last two columns is reinserted in the first two columns). The rook polynomials, in the notation of problem 8.24, are  $R_n(x)$  and  $r_n(x) = x^n R_n(-x^{-1})$ , and the hit polynomial is  $C_n(t)$ . Then first, by problem 8.24(b)

(30)

$$\begin{aligned} R_n(x) &= s_n(x) + x^2 s_{n-2}(x) + x T_{n-1}(x) \\ &\quad + 2x[S_{n-2}(x) - x S_{n-3}(x) + x T_{n-2}(x)]. \end{aligned}$$

But (problem 8.24(a))

$$s_n(x) - xs_{n-1}(x) = s_{n-1}(x) - xs_{n-2}(x)$$

so that

(31)

$$R_n(x) = s_n(x) + 2xs_{n-1}(x) - x^2s_{n-2}(x) + xT_{n-1}(x) + 2x^2T_{n-2}(x) - x\delta_{n1}$$

(the additional term,  $-x\delta_{n1}$ , is inserted to suit the convention  $R_1(x) = 1 + 3x$ ). Equation (31) implies the generating function relation

$$(32) \quad R(x,y) = (1+2xy-x^2y^2)s(x,y) + (xy+2x^2y^2)T(x,y) - xy.$$

Combining this with one of the equations above, namely

$$(1-xy)^2s(x,y) = yT(x,y) + 1 - xy$$

leads to

$$R(x,y) = 2s(x,y) - [y(1-x) - 2x^2y^2]T(x,y) - 1$$

or, shifting to associated rook polynomials

$$(33) \quad r(x,y) = 2s^*(x,y) - (xy+y-2y^2)t(x,y) - 1.$$

This is the same as, using the first of equations (17),

$$\begin{aligned} (1-y)r(x,y) &= 2(1-y)s^*(x,y) - y(1-y)(1-2y)t(x,y) - (1-y) \\ &\quad - (1+2y-y^3)t(x,y) + 1 + y \\ &= 2(1-y)s^*(x,y) - (1+3y-3y^2+y^3)t(x,y) + 2y. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

(34)

$$\begin{aligned}
 (1-y^2)r(x,y) &= 2(1-y^2)s^*(x,y) - (1+y)(1+3y-3y^2+y^3)t(x,y) \\
 &\quad + 2y(1+y) \\
 &= [2(1+y-y^2) - (1+y)(1+3y-3y^2+y^3)]t(x,y) + 2y^2 \\
 &= (1-2y-2y^2+2y^3-y^4)t(x,y) + 2y^2 \\
 &= (1-y^4)t(x,y) - 2y[(1+y-y^2)t(x,y) - y] \\
 &= (1-y^4)t(x,y) - 2y(1-y^2)s^*(x,y)
 \end{aligned}$$

where the relation

$$(1-y^2)s^*(x,y) = (1+y-y^2)t(x,y) - y$$

has been used twice. Cancelling the common factor  $1-y^2$  gives

$$(34a) \quad r(x,y) = (1+y^2)t(x,y) - 2ys^*(x,y)$$

or

$$r_n(x) = t_n(x) + t_{n-2}(x) - 2s_{n-1}^*(x)$$

which gives immediately the equation cited in the introduction, namely

$$c_n(t) = A_n(t) + (1-t)^2 A_{n-2}(t) - 2(1-t)B_{n-1}(t).$$



It may be noticed that (34a) and

$$y = (1+y-y^2)t(x,y) - (1-y^2)s^*(x,y))$$

imply

$$(35) \quad D(y)t(x,y) = (1-y^2)r(x,y) - 2y^2$$

$$D(y)s^*(x,y) = (1+y-y^2)r(x,y) - y - y^3$$

$$\text{with } D(y) = 1 - 2y - 2y^2 + 2y^3 - y^4.$$

Finally, the generating function  $q(x,y)$  of polynomials  $q_n(x)$ , where  $r'_n(x) = nq_{n-1}(x)$  the prime denoting a derivative, is given by

$$\Delta(x,y)q(x,y) = 1 - y$$

with  $\Delta(x,y) = 1 + 2y - y^3 - xy + xy^2$ , as in equations (17).

Hence

$$(36) \quad (1+y)q(x,y) = (1-y)t(x,y)$$

or

$$q_n(x) + q_{n-1}(x) = t_n(x) - t_{n-1}(x),$$

and, if as in problem 8.27,

$$M_n(t) = (1-t)^n q_n[E(1-t)^{-1}]0!, \quad E^k 0! = k!$$

then

$$(37) \quad M_n(t) + (1-t)M_{n-1}(t) = A_n(t) - (1-t)A_{n-1}(t).$$



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Since

$$(n+1)M_n(t) = C_{n+1}(t) - (1-t)^{n+1}r_{n+1}(0)$$

equation (37) may be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned} nC_{n+1}(t) + (1-t)(n+1)C_n(t) + (t-1)^{n+1}(nC_{n+1} - (n+1)c_n) \\ = n(n+1)A_n(t) - (1-t)n(n+1)A_{n-1}(t) \end{aligned}$$

with  $c_n = (-1)^n r_n(0)$ . A short table of the numbers is as follows

n	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
$c_n$	1	3	5	6	9	13	20	31	49	78	125

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Note that  $c_n = c_{n-1} + c_{n-2} - 2, n > 2$ .

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TABLE 1

The Polynomials  $A_n(t)$  and  $B_n(t)$

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$k \backslash n$	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	type 1
0	1	0	0	0	1	4	29	206	1708	15702	— 1883
1		1	0	1	2	20	104	775	6140	55427	— 1884
2			2	2	10	28	207	1288	10366	91296	— 1885
3				3	6	44	180	1407	10384	92896	— 1886
4					5	16	151	830	7298	63140	
5						8	36	437	3100	31278	
6							13	76	1138	10048	
7								21	152	2744	
8									34	294	
9										55	(45) ✓

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	<u><math>B_n(t)</math></u>									
0	1	0	0	0	1	5	33	236	1918	17440 — 1887
1		1	1	1	4	21	122	849	6719	59873 — 1888
2			1	4	8	38	209	1400	10849	95516 — 1889
3				1	10	34	206	1351	10543	92708 — 1890
4					1	21	109	836	6629	60284
5						1	40	295	2821	26870
6							1	72	715	8372
7								1	125	1604
8									1	212
9										1 — 1891

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