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But the minimal polynomial of \mathbb{S} (over \mathbb{C}) is

$$p_{\mathbb{S}}(x) = \sum_{k=0}^4 \alpha^k = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4.$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} N_{\mathbb{V}}(0, \mathbb{S}, 5n+4) &= N_{\mathbb{V}}(1, \mathbb{S}, 5n+4) = N_{\mathbb{V}}(2, \mathbb{S}, 5n+4) \\ &= N_{\mathbb{V}}(3, \mathbb{S}, 5n+4) = N_{\mathbb{V}}(4, \mathbb{S}, 5n+4). \end{aligned}$$

But

$$\sum_{k=0}^4 N_{\mathbb{V}}(k, \mathbb{S}, 5n+4) = p(5n+4)$$

so that

$$5N_{\mathbb{V}}(0, \mathbb{S}, 5n+4) = p(5n+4)$$

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$$N_{\mathbb{V}}(k, \mathbb{S}, 5n+4) = \frac{p(5n+4)}{5} \quad \text{for } 0 \leq k \leq 4. \quad \square$$

Note: The proofs of (2), (3) are similar except that (3) requires Wignac's Identity.

Theorem (Andrews & G.)

$$M(m, n) = N_{\mathbb{V}}(m, n)$$

for all $n \geq 2$ & for all m .

Proof: We need the q -binomial theorem:

$$(*) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n}{(q)_n} z^n = \frac{(az)_{\infty}}{(z)_{\infty}} \quad (\text{for } |q|, |z| < 1).$$

Suppose $|q| < 1$ & $|q| < |z| < 1/|q|$.