

Example (Subbarao)

The number of partitions of n in which each part appears 2, 3 or 5 times equals the number of pfs of n into parts $\equiv 2, 3, 6, 9$ or $10 \pmod{12}$.

Let $a(n) = \#$ of pfs of n into which each part appears 2, 3 or 5 times.

Let $b(n) = \#$ of pfs of n into parts $\equiv 2, 3, 6, 9$ or $10 \pmod{12}$.

For $|q| < 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a(n) q^n &= (1 + q^{1+1} + q^{1+1+1} + q^{1+1+1+1}) \\ &\quad \cdot (1 + q^{2+2} + q^{2+2+2} + q^{2+2+2+2}) \\ &\quad \cdot (1 + q^{3+3} + q^{3+3+3} + q^{3+3+3+3}) \\ &\quad \vdots \end{aligned}$$

$$= \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 + q^{2n} + q^{3n} + q^{5n}).$$

$$= \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 + q^{2n}) (1 + q^{3n})$$

$$= \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 + q^{2n}) (1 + q^{3n}) = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1 + q^{2n}) (1 + q^{3n}) (1 + q^{2n}) (1 + q^{3n})}{(1 + q^{2n}) (1 + q^{3n})}$$

$$= \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1 - q^{4n}) (1 - q^{6n})}{(1 - q^{2n}) (1 - q^{3n})}$$