

A matrix approach to the Yang multiplication theorem

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Abstract

In this paper, we use two-variable Laurent polynomials attached to matrices to encode properties of compositions of sequences. The Lagrange identity in the ring of Laurent polynomials is then used to give a short and transparent proof of a theorem about the Yang multiplication.

1 Introduction

Many classes of complementary sequences have been investigated in the literature (see [1]). A quadruple of (± 1) -sequences $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d})$ of length m, m, n, n , respectively, is called *base sequences* if

$$N_{\mathbf{a}}(j) + N_{\mathbf{b}}(j) + N_{\mathbf{c}}(j) + N_{\mathbf{d}}(j) = 0$$

for all positive integers j , where

$$N_{\mathbf{s}}(j) = \begin{cases} \sum_{i=0}^{l-j-1} s_i s_{i+j} & \text{if } 0 \leq j < l, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

for $\mathbf{s} = (s_0, \dots, s_{l-1}) \in \{\pm 1\}^l$. We denote by $BS(m, n)$ the set of base sequences of length m, m, n, n . If $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d}) \in BS(m, n)$, then it is complementary with weight $2(m+n)$. In [9], Yang proved the following theorem, which is known as one version of the *Yang multiplication theorem*:

Theorem 1.1 ([9, Theorem 4]). *If $BS(m+1, m) \neq \emptyset$ and $BS(n+1, n) \neq \emptyset$, then $BS(m', m') \neq \emptyset$ with $m' = (2m+1)(2n+1)$.*

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The well-known Hadamard conjecture states that Hadamard matrices of order $4n$ exist for every positive integer n . A consequence of Theorem 1.1 is the existence of a Hadamard matrix of order $8m'$ for a positive integer m' satisfying the hypotheses. Indeed, a class of sequences called T -sequences with length $2m'$ can be obtained from $BS(m', m')$ [8], and Hadamard matrices of order $8m'$ can be produced from T -sequences with length $2m'$ by using Goethals–Seidel arrays [10]. For more information on T -sequences, we refer the reader to [1, 2, 3, 4].

In order to prove Theorem 1.1, Yang used the Lagrange identity for polynomial rings. Let $\mathbb{Z}[x^{\pm 1}]$ be the ring of Laurent polynomials over \mathbb{Z} and $*$: $\mathbb{Z}[x^{\pm 1}] \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}[x^{\pm 1}]$ be the involutive automorphism defined by $x \mapsto x^{-1}$. Let $\mathbf{a} = (a_0, \dots, a_{l-1}) \in \mathbb{Z}^l$. We define the *Hall polynomial* $\phi_{\mathbf{a}}(x) \in \mathbb{Z}[x^{\pm 1}]$ of \mathbf{a} by

$$\phi_{\mathbf{a}}(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{l-1} a_i x^i.$$

It is easy to see that a quadruple (± 1) -sequences $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d})$ of length m, m, n, n , respectively, is a base sequences if and only if

$$(\phi_{\mathbf{a}}\phi_{\mathbf{a}}^* + \phi_{\mathbf{b}}\phi_{\mathbf{b}}^* + \phi_{\mathbf{c}}\phi_{\mathbf{c}}^* + \phi_{\mathbf{d}}\phi_{\mathbf{d}}^*)(x) = 2(m + n).$$

Suppose $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d}) \in BS(n + 1, n)$ and $(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g}, \mathbf{h}, \mathbf{e}) \in BS(m + 1, m)$. The proof of Theorem 1.1 in [9] is by establishing the identity

$$(\phi_{\mathbf{q}}\phi_{\mathbf{q}}^* + \phi_{\mathbf{r}}\phi_{\mathbf{r}}^* + \phi_{\mathbf{s}}\phi_{\mathbf{s}}^* + \phi_{\mathbf{t}}\phi_{\mathbf{t}}^*)(x) = (\phi_{\mathbf{a}}\phi_{\mathbf{a}}^* + \phi_{\mathbf{b}}\phi_{\mathbf{b}}^* + \phi_{\mathbf{c}}\phi_{\mathbf{c}}^* + \phi_{\mathbf{d}}\phi_{\mathbf{d}}^*)(x^2)(\phi_{\mathbf{e}}\phi_{\mathbf{e}}^* + \phi_{\mathbf{f}}\phi_{\mathbf{f}}^* + \phi_{\mathbf{g}}\phi_{\mathbf{g}}^* + \phi_{\mathbf{h}}\phi_{\mathbf{h}}^*)(x^{2(2m+1)}), \tag{1}$$

after defining the sequences $\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{s}, \mathbf{t}$ appropriately such that, in particular,

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_{\mathbf{q}}(x) &= \phi_{\mathbf{a}}(x^2)\phi_{\mathbf{f}}^*(x^{2(2m+1)}) + x\phi_{\mathbf{c}}(x^2)\phi_{\mathbf{g}}(x^{2(2m+1)}) \\ &\quad - x^{2(2m+1)}\phi_{\mathbf{b}}^*(x^2)\phi_{\mathbf{e}}(x^{2(2m+1)}) + x^{2(2m+1)+1}\phi_{\mathbf{d}}(x^2)\phi_{\mathbf{h}}(x^{2(2m+1)}). \end{aligned}$$

A key to the proof is the Lagrange identity (see [9, Theorem L]): given a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h in a commutative ring with an involutive automorphism $*$, set

$$\begin{aligned} q &= af^* + cg - b^*e + dh, \\ r &= bf^* + dg^* + a^*e - ch^*, \\ s &= ag^* - cf - bh - d^*e, \\ t &= bg - df + ah^* + c^*e. \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

Then

$$qq^* + rr^* + ss^* + tt^* = (aa^* + bb^* + cc^* + dd^*)(ee^* + ff^* + gg^* + hh^*). \tag{3}$$

However, the derivation of (1) from (3) is not so immediate since one has to define a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h , as

$$\begin{aligned} &\phi_{\mathbf{a}}(x^2), \phi_{\mathbf{b}}(x^2), x\phi_{\mathbf{c}}(x^2), x\phi_{\mathbf{d}}(x^2), \\ &x^{2m+(1-n)(2m+1)}\phi_{\mathbf{e}}(x^{2(2m+1)}), x^{-n(2m+1)}\phi_{\mathbf{f}}(x^{2(2m+1)}), \\ &x^{-n(2m+1)}\phi_{\mathbf{g}}(x^{2(2m+1)}), x^{(1-n)(2m+1)}\phi_{\mathbf{h}}(x^{2(2m+1)}), \end{aligned}$$

rather than

$$\phi_{\mathbf{a}}(x^2), \phi_{\mathbf{b}}(x^2), \phi_{\mathbf{c}}(x^2), \phi_{\mathbf{d}}(x^2), \phi_{\mathbf{e}}(x^{2(2m+1)}), \phi_{\mathbf{f}}(x^{2(2m+1)}), \phi_{\mathbf{g}}(x^{2(2m+1)}), \phi_{\mathbf{h}}(x^{2(2m+1)}),$$

respectively. We note that Đoković and Zhao [7] observed some connection between the Yang multiplication theorem and the octonion algebra. More information on the Yang multiplication theorem and constructions of complementary sequences can be found in [5].

In this paper, we give a more straightforward proof of Theorem 1.1. Our approach is by constructing a matrix Q from the eight sequences $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d}, \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g}, \mathbf{h}$ and produce Laurent polynomials $\psi_{\mathbf{s}}(x)$ for $\mathbf{s} \in \{\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d}, \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g}, \mathbf{h}\}$ of single variable and a Laurent polynomial $\psi_Q(x, y)$ of two variables for a matrix Q , such that

$$\psi_Q(x, y) = \psi_{\mathbf{a}}(x)\psi_{\mathbf{f}}(y) + \psi_{\mathbf{c}}(x)\psi_{\mathbf{g}}(y) + \psi_{\mathbf{b}}(x)\psi_{\mathbf{e}}(y) + \psi_{\mathbf{d}}(x)\psi_{\mathbf{h}}(y).$$

This gives an interpretation of the Lagrange identity in term of sequences and matrices, i.e. there exist matrices Q, R, S, T such that

$$\begin{aligned} &(\psi_Q\psi_Q^* + \psi_R\psi_R^* + \psi_S\psi_S^* + \psi_T\psi_T^*)(x, y) \\ &= (\psi_{\mathbf{a}}\psi_{\mathbf{a}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{b}}\psi_{\mathbf{b}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{c}}\psi_{\mathbf{c}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{d}}\psi_{\mathbf{d}}^*)(x)(\psi_{\mathbf{e}}\psi_{\mathbf{e}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{f}}\psi_{\mathbf{f}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{g}}\psi_{\mathbf{g}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{h}}\psi_{\mathbf{h}}^*)(y). \end{aligned}$$

Then (1) follows immediately by noticing $\psi_Q(x, x^{2n+1}) = \psi_{\mathbf{q}}(x)$ and $(\psi_{\mathbf{a}}\psi_{\mathbf{a}}^*)(x) = (\phi_{\mathbf{a}}\phi_{\mathbf{a}}^*)(x^2)$.

The paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we will define a Laurent polynomial $\psi_{\mathbf{a}}(x)$ for a sequence \mathbf{a} and introduce basic properties of $\psi_{\mathbf{a}}(x)$. We will also show how to combine sequences and matrices to produce new sequences and matrices, eventually leading to a construction of a matrix from a given set of eight sequences. Finally, in Section 3, we will prove Theorem 1.1 as a consequence of the Lagrange identity in the ring of Laurent polynomials of two variables. We note here that Theorem 1.1 [9, Theorem 4] is known as one of the Yang multiplication theorem. Other versions of the Yang multiplication theorem will be investigated in subsequent papers.

2 Preliminary Results

Let \mathcal{R} be a commutative ring with identity and let $*$ be an involutive automorphism of \mathcal{R} . Moreover, let $\mathcal{R}[x^{\pm 1}]$ be the ring of Laurent polynomials over \mathcal{R} and $* : \mathcal{R}[x^{\pm 1}] \rightarrow \mathcal{R}[x^{\pm 1}]$ be the extension of the involutive automorphism $*$ of \mathcal{R} defined by $x \mapsto x^{-1}$.

Definition 2.1. Let $\mathbf{a} = (a_0, \dots, a_{l-1}) \in \mathcal{R}^l$. We define the *Hall polynomial* $\phi_{\mathbf{a}}(x) \in \mathcal{R}[x^{\pm 1}]$ of \mathbf{a} by

$$\phi_{\mathbf{a}}(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{l-1} a_i x^i.$$

We define a Laurent polynomial $\psi_{\mathbf{a}}(x) \in \mathcal{R}[x^{\pm 1}]$ by

$$\psi_{\mathbf{a}}(x) = x^{1-l}\phi_{\mathbf{a}}(x^2).$$

Hall polynomials have been used not only by Yang, but also others. See [6] and references therein. For a sequence $\mathbf{a} = (a_0, \dots, a_{l-1}) \in \mathcal{R}^l$ of length l we define $\mathbf{a}^* \in \mathcal{R}^l$ by $(a_{l-1}^*, \dots, a_0^*)$. It follows immediately that $\mathbf{a}^{**} = \mathbf{a}$ for every $\mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{R}^l$.

Definition 2.2. For a sequence $\mathbf{a} = (a_0, \dots, a_{l-1})$ of length l with entries in \mathcal{R} , we define the non-periodic autocorrelation $N_{\mathbf{a}}$ of \mathbf{a} by

$$N_{\mathbf{a}}(j) = \begin{cases} \sum_{i=0}^{l-j-1} a_i a_{i+j}^* & \text{if } 0 \leq j < l, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

We say that a set of sequences $\{\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n\}$ not necessarily all of the same length, is complementary with weight w if

$$\sum_{i=1}^n N_{\mathbf{a}_i}(j) = \begin{cases} w & \text{if } j = 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

By Definition 2.2 with $\mathcal{R} = \mathbb{Z}$, we see that $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d}) \in BS(m, n)$ if and only if $\{\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d}\}$ is complementary with weight $2(m + n)$.

Lemma 2.3. Let l be a positive integer and $\mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{R}^l$. Then

$$\psi_{\mathbf{a}^*}(x) = \psi_{\mathbf{a}}^*(x).$$

Proof. Straightforward. □

Lemma 2.4. For sequences $\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n$ with entries in \mathcal{R} , the following are equivalent.

- (i) $\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n$ are complementary with weight w ,
- (ii) $\sum_{i=1}^n (\phi_{\mathbf{a}_i} \phi_{\mathbf{a}_i}^*)(x) = w$,
- (iii) $\sum_{i=1}^n (\psi_{\mathbf{a}_i} \psi_{\mathbf{a}_i}^*)(x) = w$.

Proof. It is straightforward to check that (i) is equivalent to (ii). Equivalence of (ii) and (iii) is clear since for any sequence \mathbf{a} , $\phi_{\mathbf{a}}(x^2) \phi_{\mathbf{a}}^*(x^2) = \psi_{\mathbf{a}}(x) \psi_{\mathbf{a}}^*(x)$ from Definition 2.1. □

Definition 2.5. Let $\mathbf{a} = (a_0, \dots, a_{l-1}) \in \mathcal{R}^l$. Define

$$\mathbf{a}/0 = (a_0, 0, a_1, \dots, 0, a_{l-1}) \in \mathcal{R}^{2l-1}, \quad 0/\mathbf{a} = (0, a_0, 0, \dots, a_{l-1}, 0) \in \mathcal{R}^{2l+1}.$$

Lemma 2.6. For every $\mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{R}^l$,

$$\psi_{\mathbf{a}/0}(x) = \psi_{0/\mathbf{a}}(x) = \psi_{\mathbf{a}}(x^2).$$

Proof. By Definition 2.1 and Definition 2.5, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_{\mathbf{a}/0}(x) &= x^{1-(2l-1)} \phi_{\mathbf{a}/0}(x^2) = x^{2-2l} \phi_{\mathbf{a}}(x^4) = \psi_{\mathbf{a}}(x^2), \\ \psi_{0/\mathbf{a}}(x) &= x^{1-(2l+1)} \phi_{0/\mathbf{a}}(x^2) = x^{-2l} x^2 \phi_{\mathbf{a}}(x^4) = \psi_{\mathbf{a}}(x^2). \end{aligned}$$

□

Now, we will define a Laurent polynomial of two variables for arbitrary matrices. Let $\mathcal{R}[x^{\pm 1}, y^{\pm 1}]$ be the ring of Laurent polynomials in two variables x, y . We define an involutive ring automorphism $*$: $\mathcal{R}[x^{\pm 1}, y^{\pm 1}] \rightarrow \mathcal{R}[x^{\pm 1}, y^{\pm 1}]$ by $x \mapsto x^{-1}, y \mapsto y^{-1}$ and $a \mapsto a^*$ for $a \in \mathcal{R}$.

Definition 2.7. For $A \in \mathcal{R}^{m \times n}$, we denote the row vectors of a matrix A by $\mathbf{a}_0, \dots, \mathbf{a}_{m-1}$. Define

$$\text{seq}(A) = (\mathbf{a}_0 \mid \mathbf{a}_1 \mid \dots \mid \mathbf{a}_{m-1}) \in \mathcal{R}^{mn},$$

where \mid denotes concatenation, and

$$\psi_A(x, y) = \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \psi_{\mathbf{a}_i}(x) y^{2i+1-m}.$$

Clearly, we have $\psi_{A \pm B}(x, y) = \psi_A(x, y) \pm \psi_B(x, y)$ for every $A, B \in \mathcal{R}^{m \times n}$. Note that we may regard \mathcal{R}^n as $\mathcal{R}^{1 \times n}$. So, for every $\mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{R}^n$, we have $\mathbf{a}^t \in \mathcal{R}^{n \times 1}$ where t denotes the transpose of a matrix.

Lemma 2.8. Let $\mathbf{f} \in \mathcal{R}^m$ and $\mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{R}^n$. Then

$$\psi_{\mathbf{f}^t \mathbf{a}}(x, y) = \psi_{\mathbf{a}}(x) \psi_{\mathbf{f}}(y).$$

Proof. Let $\mathbf{f} = (f_0, \dots, f_{m-1})$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_{\mathbf{f}^t \mathbf{a}}(x, y) &= \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \psi_{(\mathbf{f}^t \mathbf{a})_i}(x) y^{2i+1-m} \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} f_i \psi_{\mathbf{a}}(x) y^{2i+1-m} \\ &= \psi_{\mathbf{a}}(x) \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} f_i y^{2i+1-m} \\ &= \psi_{\mathbf{a}}(x) \psi_{\mathbf{f}}(y). \end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma 2.9. If $A \in \mathcal{R}^{m \times n}$, then

$$\psi_{\text{seq}(A)}(x) = \psi_A(x, x^n).$$

Proof. Let $\mathbf{a}_0, \dots, \mathbf{a}_{m-1}$ be the row vectors of A . Since $\phi_{\text{seq}(A)}(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} x^{ni} \phi_{\mathbf{a}_i}(x)$,

we have

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_{\text{seq}(A)}(x) &= x^{1-mn} \phi_{\text{seq}(A)}(x^2) \\ &= x^{1-mn} \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} x^{2ni} \phi_{\mathbf{a}_i}(x^2) \\ &= x^{1-mn} \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} x^{2ni+n-1} \psi_{\mathbf{a}_i}(x) \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} x^{n(2i+1-m)} \psi_{\mathbf{a}_i}(x) \\ &= \psi_A(x, x^n). \end{aligned}$$

□

3 Main Result

We will present our result by three steps. The following lemma is essential to describe the Yang multiplication theorem by using matrix approach.

Lemma 3.1. *Let*

$$\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d} \in \mathcal{R}^n, \quad \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g}, \mathbf{h} \in \mathcal{R}^m.$$

Set

$$\begin{aligned} Q &= \mathbf{f}^{*t} \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{g}^t \mathbf{c} - \mathbf{e}^t \mathbf{b}^* + \mathbf{h}^t \mathbf{d}, \\ R &= \mathbf{f}^{*t} \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{g}^{*t} \mathbf{d} + \mathbf{e}^t \mathbf{a}^* - \mathbf{h}^{*t} \mathbf{c}, \\ S &= \mathbf{g}^{*t} \mathbf{a} - \mathbf{f}^t \mathbf{c} - \mathbf{h}^t \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{e}^t \mathbf{d}^*, \\ T &= \mathbf{g}^t \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{f}^t \mathbf{d} + \mathbf{h}^{*t} \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{e}^t \mathbf{c}^*. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} &(\psi_Q \psi_Q^* + \psi_R \psi_R^* + \psi_S \psi_S^* + \psi_T \psi_T^*)(x, y) \\ &= (\psi_{\mathbf{a}} \psi_{\mathbf{a}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{b}} \psi_{\mathbf{b}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{c}} \psi_{\mathbf{c}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{d}} \psi_{\mathbf{d}}^*)(x) (\psi_{\mathbf{e}} \psi_{\mathbf{e}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{f}} \psi_{\mathbf{f}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{g}} \psi_{\mathbf{g}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{h}} \psi_{\mathbf{h}}^*)(y). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. By Lemma 2.3 and Lemma 2.8, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_Q(x, y) &= \psi_{\mathbf{a}}(x) \psi_{\mathbf{f}}^*(y) + \psi_{\mathbf{c}}(x) \psi_{\mathbf{g}}(y) - \psi_{\mathbf{b}}^*(x) \psi_{\mathbf{e}}(y) + \psi_{\mathbf{d}}(x) \psi_{\mathbf{h}}(y), \\ \psi_R(x, y) &= \psi_{\mathbf{b}}(x) \psi_{\mathbf{f}}^*(y) + \psi_{\mathbf{d}}(x) \psi_{\mathbf{g}}^*(y) + \psi_{\mathbf{a}}^*(x) \psi_{\mathbf{e}}(y) - \psi_{\mathbf{c}}(x) \psi_{\mathbf{h}}^*(y), \\ \psi_S(x, y) &= \psi_{\mathbf{a}}(x) \psi_{\mathbf{g}}^*(y) - \psi_{\mathbf{c}}(x) \psi_{\mathbf{f}}(y) - \psi_{\mathbf{b}}(x) \psi_{\mathbf{h}}(y) - \psi_{\mathbf{d}}^*(x) \psi_{\mathbf{e}}(y), \\ \psi_T(x, y) &= \psi_{\mathbf{b}}(x) \psi_{\mathbf{g}}(y) - \psi_{\mathbf{d}}(x) \psi_{\mathbf{f}}(y) + \psi_{\mathbf{a}}(x) \psi_{\mathbf{h}}^*(y) + \psi_{\mathbf{c}}^*(x) \psi_{\mathbf{e}}(y). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, by applying the Lagrange identity, the result follows.

□

For the remainder of this section, we fix a multiplicatively closed subset \mathcal{T} of $\mathcal{R} \setminus \{0\}$ satisfying $-1 \in \mathcal{T} = \mathcal{T}^*$. Also, we denote $\mathcal{T}_0 = \mathcal{T} \cup \{0\}$. Denote by $\text{supp}(\mathbf{a})$ and $\text{supp}(A)$ the set of indices of nonzero entries of a sequence $\mathbf{a} = (a_0, \dots, a_{l-1}) \in \mathcal{R}^l$ and a matrix $A = [a_{ij}]_{0 \leq i \leq m-1, 0 \leq j \leq n-1} \in \mathcal{R}^{m \times n}$, respectively. We say that sequences \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} are *disjoint* if $\text{supp}(\mathbf{a}) \cap \text{supp}(\mathbf{b}) = \emptyset$. Matrices A, B are also said to be *disjoint* if $\text{supp}(A) \cap \text{supp}(B) = \emptyset$.

Lemma 3.2. *Let m and n be positive integers,*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} &\in \mathcal{T}^{n+1}, \\ \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d} &\in \mathcal{T}^n, \\ \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g} &\in \mathcal{T}^{m+1}, \\ \mathbf{h}, \mathbf{e} &\in \mathcal{T}^m. \end{aligned}$$

Set

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a}' &= \mathbf{a}/0, & \mathbf{b}' &= \mathbf{b}/0, & \mathbf{c}' &= 0/\mathbf{c}, & \mathbf{d}' &= 0/\mathbf{d}, \\ \mathbf{f}' &= \mathbf{f}/0, & \mathbf{g}' &= \mathbf{g}/0, & \mathbf{h}' &= 0/\mathbf{h}, & \mathbf{e}' &= 0/\mathbf{e}. \end{aligned}$$

Write

$$Q = \mathbf{f}'^{*t} \mathbf{a}' + \mathbf{g}'^t \mathbf{c}' - \mathbf{e}'^t \mathbf{b}'^* + \mathbf{h}'^t \mathbf{d}', \tag{4}$$

$$R = \mathbf{f}'^{*t} \mathbf{b}' + \mathbf{g}'^{*t} \mathbf{d}' + \mathbf{e}'^t \mathbf{a}'^* - \mathbf{h}'^{*t} \mathbf{c}', \tag{5}$$

$$S = \mathbf{g}'^{*t} \mathbf{a}' - \mathbf{f}'^t \mathbf{c}' - \mathbf{h}'^t \mathbf{b}' - \mathbf{e}'^t \mathbf{d}'^*, \tag{6}$$

$$T = \mathbf{g}'^t \mathbf{b}' - \mathbf{f}'^t \mathbf{d}' + \mathbf{h}'^{*t} \mathbf{a}' + \mathbf{e}'^t \mathbf{c}'^*. \tag{7}$$

Then $Q, R, S, T \in \mathcal{T}^{(2m+1) \times (2n+1)}$ satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} &(\psi_Q \psi_Q^* + \psi_R \psi_R^* + \psi_S \psi_S^* + \psi_T \psi_T^*)(x, y) \\ &= (\psi_{\mathbf{a}} \psi_{\mathbf{a}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{b}} \psi_{\mathbf{b}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{c}} \psi_{\mathbf{c}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{d}} \psi_{\mathbf{d}}^*)(x^2) (\psi_{\mathbf{e}} \psi_{\mathbf{e}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{f}} \psi_{\mathbf{f}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{g}} \psi_{\mathbf{g}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{h}} \psi_{\mathbf{h}}^*)(y^2). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Notice that $\mathbf{a}', \mathbf{b}', \mathbf{c}', \mathbf{d}' \in \mathcal{T}_0^{2n+1}$ and $\mathbf{e}', \mathbf{f}', \mathbf{g}', \mathbf{h}' \in \mathcal{T}_0^{2m+1}$.

Since $\text{supp}(\mathbf{s}'^*) = \text{supp}(\mathbf{s}')$ for every $\mathbf{s} \in \{\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d}, \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g}, \mathbf{h}\}$ and $(\mathbf{s}', \mathbf{t}')$ is disjoint whenever

$$\mathbf{s} \in \{\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}\}, \mathbf{t} \in \{\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d}\} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbf{s} \in \{\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g}\}, \mathbf{t} \in \{\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{e}\},$$

matrices A and B are disjoint whenever $A \neq B$ and

$$A, B \in \{\mathbf{f}'^{*t} \mathbf{a}', \mathbf{g}'^t \mathbf{c}', \mathbf{e}'^t \mathbf{b}'^*, \mathbf{h}'^t \mathbf{d}'\}.$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{supp}(\mathbf{a}') \cup \text{supp}(\mathbf{c}') &= \text{supp}(\mathbf{b}'^*) \cup \text{supp}(\mathbf{d}') = \{0, \dots, 2n\}, \\ \text{supp}(\mathbf{f}'^*) &= \text{supp}(\mathbf{g}'), \quad \text{supp}(\mathbf{e}') = \text{supp}(\mathbf{h}'). \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \text{supp}(Q) &= \text{supp}(\mathbf{f}'^{*t} \mathbf{a}') \cup \text{supp}(\mathbf{g}'^t \mathbf{c}') \cup \text{supp}(\mathbf{e}'^t \mathbf{b}'^*) \cup \text{supp}(\mathbf{h}'^t \mathbf{d}') \\ &= \{(i, j) : i \in \text{supp}(\mathbf{g}'), j \in \text{supp}(\mathbf{a}') \cup \text{supp}(\mathbf{c}')\} \\ &\quad \cup \{(i, j) : i \in \text{supp}(\mathbf{e}'), j \in \text{supp}(\mathbf{b}'^*) \cup \text{supp}(\mathbf{d}')\} \\ &= \{(i, j) : i \in \text{supp}(\mathbf{g}') \cup \text{supp}(\mathbf{e}'), j \in \{0, \dots, 2n\}\} \\ &= \{0, \dots, 2m\} \times \{0, \dots, 2n\}. \end{aligned}$$

By a similar argument, we obtain

$$\text{supp}(R) = \text{supp}(S) = \text{supp}(T) = \{0, \dots, 2m\} \times \{0, \dots, 2n\}.$$

Therefore, $Q, R, S, T \in \mathcal{T}^{(2m+1) \times (2n+1)}$. The claimed identity follows from Lemma 2.6 and Lemma 3.1. \square

Theorem 3.3. *Let m, n be positive integers, and suppose*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} &\in \mathcal{T}^{n+1}, \\ \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d} &\in \mathcal{T}^n, \\ \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g} &\in \mathcal{T}^{m+1}, \\ \mathbf{h}, \mathbf{e} &\in \mathcal{T}^m \end{aligned}$$

satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} (\psi_{\mathbf{a}}\psi_{\mathbf{a}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{b}}\psi_{\mathbf{b}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{c}}\psi_{\mathbf{c}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{d}}\psi_{\mathbf{d}}^*)(x) &= 2(2n + 1), \\ (\psi_{\mathbf{e}}\psi_{\mathbf{e}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{f}}\psi_{\mathbf{f}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{g}}\psi_{\mathbf{g}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{h}}\psi_{\mathbf{h}}^*)(x) &= 2(2m + 1). \end{aligned}$$

Then there exist $\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{s}, \mathbf{t} \in \mathcal{T}^{(2m+1)(2n+1)}$ such that

$$(\psi_{\mathbf{q}}\psi_{\mathbf{q}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{r}}\psi_{\mathbf{r}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{s}}\psi_{\mathbf{s}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{t}}\psi_{\mathbf{t}}^*)(x) = 4(2m + 1)(2n + 1).$$

Proof. Define Q, R, S, T as in (4), (5), (6), (7), respectively. Write

$$\mathbf{q} = \text{seq}(Q), \quad \mathbf{r} = \text{seq}(R), \quad \mathbf{s} = \text{seq}(S), \quad \mathbf{t} = \text{seq}(T).$$

By Lemma 3.2, $\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{s}, \mathbf{t} \in \mathcal{T}^{(2m+1)(2n+1)}$. Applying Lemma 2.9 and Lemma 3.2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &(\psi_{\mathbf{q}}\psi_{\mathbf{q}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{r}}\psi_{\mathbf{r}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{s}}\psi_{\mathbf{s}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{t}}\psi_{\mathbf{t}}^*)(x) \\ &= (\psi_Q\psi_Q^* + \psi_R\psi_R^* + \psi_S\psi_S^* + \psi_T\psi_T^*)(x, x^{2n+1}) \\ &= (\psi_{\mathbf{a}}\psi_{\mathbf{a}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{b}}\psi_{\mathbf{b}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{c}}\psi_{\mathbf{c}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{d}}\psi_{\mathbf{d}}^*)(x^2)(\psi_{\mathbf{e}}\psi_{\mathbf{e}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{f}}\psi_{\mathbf{f}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{g}}\psi_{\mathbf{g}}^* + \psi_{\mathbf{h}}\psi_{\mathbf{h}}^*)(x^{2(2n+1)}) \\ &= 4(2m + 1)(2n + 1). \end{aligned}$$

Hence the proof is complete. \square

Finally, we see that Theorem 1.1 follows from Theorem 3.3 by setting $\mathcal{T} = \{\pm 1\} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$. Hence, our method gives a more transparent proof of Theorem 1.1. Indeed, by taking $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d}) \in BS(n + 1, n)$ and $(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g}, \mathbf{h}, \mathbf{e}) \in BS(m + 1, m)$, the hypotheses in Theorem 3.3 are satisfied by Lemma 2.4. Then the resulting sequences $(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{s}, \mathbf{t})$ belong to $BS(m', m')$ by Lemma 2.4 where $m' = (2m + 1)(2n + 1)$.

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