

# Ratios of Naruse-Newton Coefficients Obtained from Descent Polynomials

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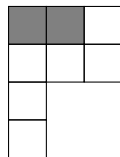
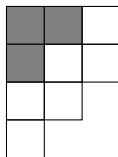
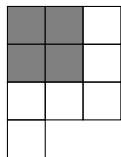
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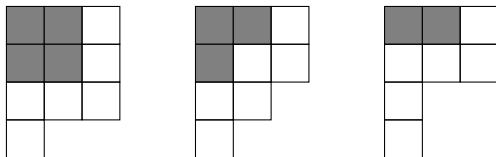
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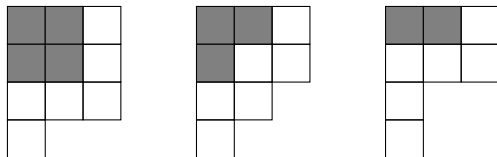


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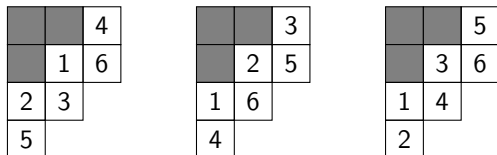


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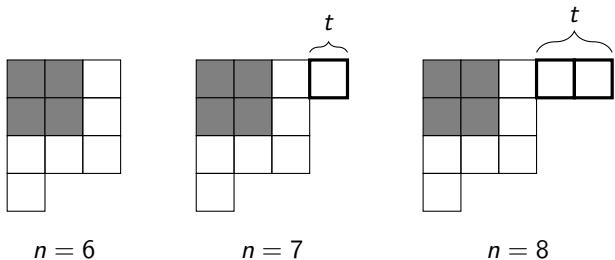
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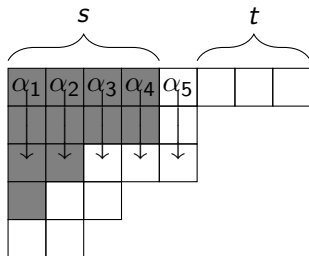
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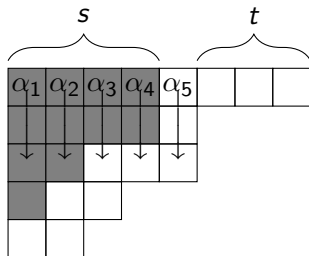
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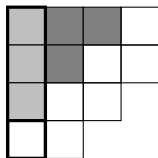


Figure:  
Appending a  
cell to the  
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- From this proposition, we have proven that  $C_{a,b} > \frac{a!}{b!}$  if  $b > k$ . Proving equality for  $k \geq b$  comes down to simple computation.  $\square$

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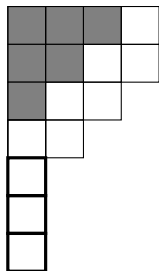


Figure: Adding three cells to the leftmost column of a ribbon.

- Define  $\phi$  to be the function that adds one cell to the bottom of the leftmost column of  $\text{rib}(I)$ . Define  $\psi$  to be the function that removes all cells in the leftmost column of  $\text{rib}(I)$ . For example, the figure to the left illustrates  $\phi^3(I)$  and the figure to the right illustrates  $\psi^2(I)$ .

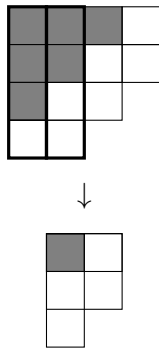


Figure: Removing two leftmost columns of a ribbon.



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$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} C_{a,b}(\phi^n(I)) = \begin{cases} \infty, & \lambda_1 = 2, \\ C_{a,b}(\psi(I)), & \lambda_1 > 2. \end{cases}$$

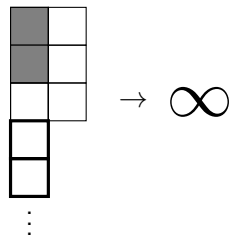


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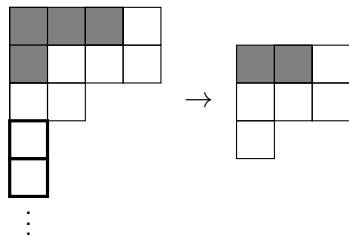


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