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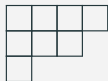
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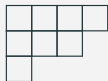
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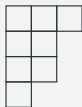


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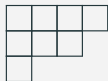


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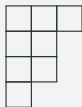


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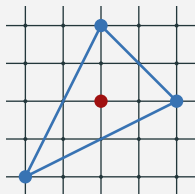
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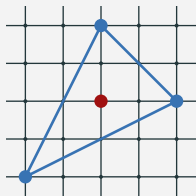
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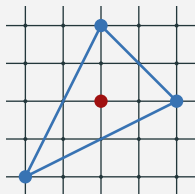


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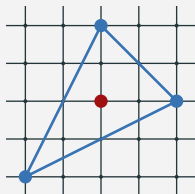
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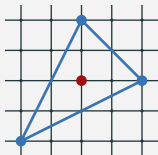
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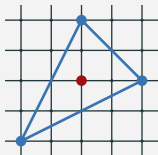
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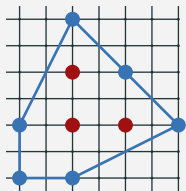
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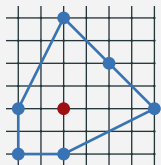
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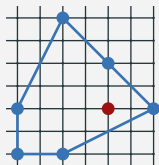
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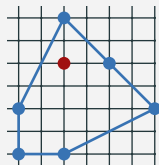
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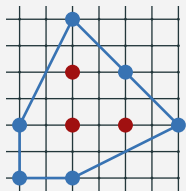


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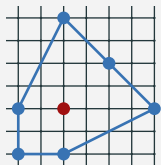


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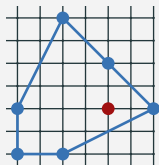
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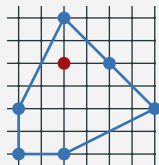
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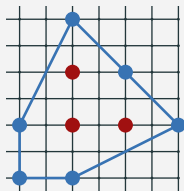
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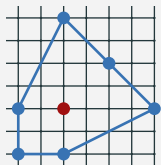
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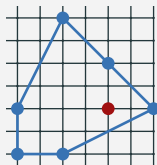
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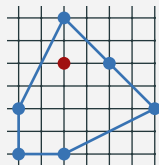
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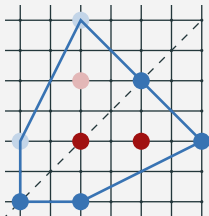
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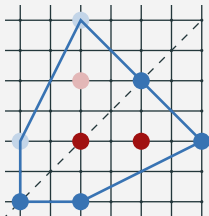
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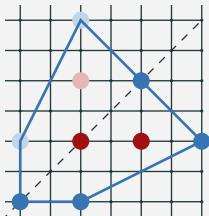


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# Symmetry reduction

## Theorem [M., Naumann, Riener, Theobald, Verdure]

The signomial  $f$  is a **SAGE** if and only if for every  $\hat{\beta} \in \hat{\mathcal{B}}$ , there exist  $c^{(\hat{\beta})} \in \mathbb{R}_+^{\mathcal{A}/\text{Stab}(\hat{\beta})}$  and  $\nu^{(\hat{\beta})} \in \mathbb{R}_+^{\mathcal{A}/\text{Stab}(\hat{\beta})}$  such that

$$(i) \quad \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}/\text{Stab}(\hat{\beta})} \nu_{\alpha}^{(\hat{\beta})} \sum_{\alpha' \in \text{Stab}(\hat{\beta}) \cdot \alpha} (\alpha' - \hat{\beta}) = 0 \quad \forall \hat{\beta} \in \hat{\mathcal{B}},$$

$$(ii) \quad \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}/\text{Stab}(\hat{\beta})} |\text{Stab}(\hat{\beta}) \cdot \alpha| \nu_{\alpha}^{(\hat{\beta})} \ln \frac{\nu_{\alpha}^{(\hat{\beta})}}{ec_{\alpha}^{(\hat{\beta})}} \leq c_{\hat{\beta}} \quad \forall \hat{\beta} \in \hat{\mathcal{B}},$$

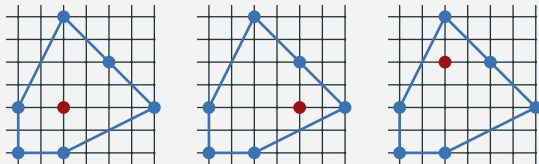
$$(iii) \quad \sum_{\hat{\beta} \in \hat{\mathcal{B}}} \frac{|\text{Stab}(\alpha)|}{|\text{Stab}(\hat{\beta})|} \sum_{\gamma \in (G \cdot \alpha)/\text{Stab}(\hat{\beta})} |\text{Stab}(\hat{\beta}) \cdot \gamma| c_{\gamma}^{(\hat{\beta})} \leq c_{\alpha} \quad \forall \alpha \in \hat{\mathcal{A}}.$$





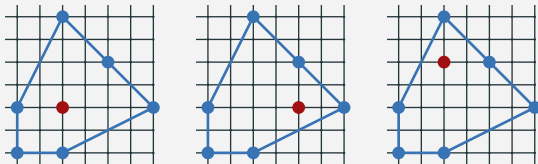
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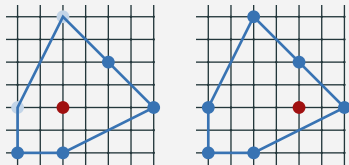


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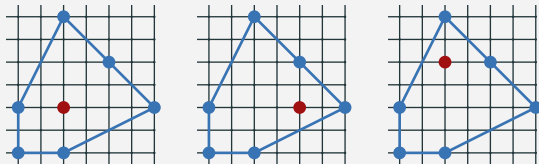


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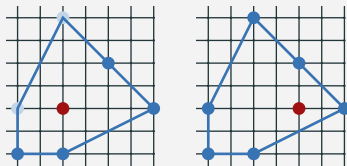


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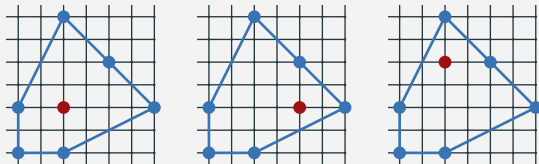
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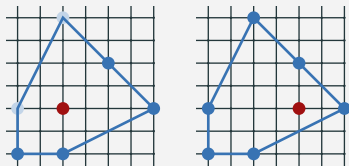
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Let  $k, \ell, w \in \mathbb{N}$  be fixed. Then for every integer  $n \geq 2w$  and every  $S_n$ -invariant signomial such that  $|\hat{A}| \leq k$ ,  $|\hat{B}| \leq \ell$ , and

$$\max_{\hat{\gamma} \in \hat{A} \cup \hat{B}} \text{wt}(\hat{\gamma}) \leq w,$$

the number of constraints and the number of variables of the symmetry adapted program are bounded by constants only depending of  $k$ ,  $\ell$  and  $w$ :

$$C_n \leq k + \ell + \ell(w + 1) \quad \text{and} \quad V_n \leq 2\ell k u(w),$$

where  $u(w) = \sum_{i=0}^w \binom{w}{i}^2 i!$ .

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		Standard		Symmetric	
$ \mathcal{S}_n \cdot \hat{\beta} $	$ \mathcal{S}_n \cdot \hat{\alpha} $	$V_n$	$C_n$	$V_n$	$C_n$
1	$n!$	$2n! + 3$	$n! + n + 2$	5	4
$n!$	$n$	$2(n+1)n! + 1$	$(n+1)(n! + 1)$	$2n + 3$	$n + 3$
$n!$	$n!$	$2(n! + 1)n! + 1$	$n!(n+2) + 1$	$2n! + 3$	$n + 3$
$n$	$n$	$2n(n+1) + 1$	$(n+1)^2$	7	5

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$\rightarrow f_n^{(1)} = \frac{1}{n!} \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_n} \sigma \exp(\langle \alpha, x \rangle) - \exp(\langle \beta, x \rangle)$  where  $\beta = (1, \dots, 1)$  and  $\alpha = (1, 2, \dots, n)$ .

dim	bound	Standard method				Symmetric method			
		$V_n$	$C_n$	$t_s$	$t_r$	$V_n$	$C_n$	$t_s$	$t_r$
2	-0.1481	7	6	0.0113	0.0121	5	4	0.0147	0.0158
3	-0.2499	15	11	0.0148	0.0160	5	4	0.0141	0.0149
4	-0.3257	51	30	0.0304	0.0337	5	4	0.0139	0.0147
5	-0.3849	243	127	-	-	5	4	0.0140	0.0147
6	-0.4327	1443	728	-	-	5	4	0.0136	0.0144
7	-0.4724*	10083	5049	-	-	5	4	0.0211	0.0222

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→  $f_n^{(2)} = (n-1)! \sum_{i=1}^n \exp(n^2 x_i) - \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_n} \sigma \exp(\langle \beta, x \rangle)$ , where  $\beta = (1, 2, \dots, n)$ , and  $\alpha = (n^2, 0, \dots, 0)$ .

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		$V_n$	$C_n$	$t_s$	$t_r$	$V_n$	$C_n$	$t_s$	$t_r$
2	-0.2109	13	9	0.0173	0.0185	7	5	0.0297	0.0311
3	-0.8888	49	28	0.0427	0.0454	9	6	0.0248	0.0264
4	-4.111	241	125	0.152	0.1701	11	7	0.0296	0.0318
5	-22.30	1441	726	0.7888	0.8433	13	8	0.0356	0.0384
6	-141.0	10081	5047	5.422	5.843	15	9	0.0423	0.0458
7	-1024	80641	40328	57.26	66.67	17	10	0.0491	0.0538
8	-8418	725761	362889	1514	2211	19	11	0.0568	0.0626
9	-77355	7257601	3628810	–	–	21	12	0.0661	0.0835
10		79833601	39916811	–	–	23	13	–	–

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→  $f_n^{(3)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_n} \exp(\langle \alpha, x \rangle) - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_n} \sigma \exp(\langle \beta, x \rangle)$ , where  $\beta = (1, 2, \dots, n)$  and  $\alpha = (2, 8, \dots, 2n^2)$ .

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		$V_n$	$C_n$	$t_s$	$t_r$	$V_n$	$C_n$	$t_s$	$t_r$
2	-0.4178	13	9	0.0301	0.0323	7	5	0.0431	0.0465
3	-1.0323	85	31	0.0558	0.0603	15	6	0.0531	0.0569
4	-3.494	1201	145	–	–	51	7	0.1212	0.1301
5	-15.13	29041	841	–	–	243	8	0.5750	0.6215
6		1038241	5761	–	–	1443	9	–	–



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→  $f_n^{(4)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \exp(n^2 x_i) - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \exp((n-1)(x_1 + \dots + x_n) + x_i)$ ,  
where  $\beta = (n, n-1, n-1, \dots, n-1)$  and  $\alpha = (n^2, 0, \dots, 0)$ .

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		$V_n$	$C_n$	$t_s$	$t_r$	$V_n$	$C_n$	$t_s$	$t_r$
2	-0.1054	13	9	0.019 01	0.0204	7	5	0.0213	0.0229
3	-0.092	25	16	0.0268	0.0287	7	5	0.0205	0.0218
4	-0.076	41	25	0.0341	0.0367	7	5	0.0205	0.0218
68	-0.0053	9385	4761	-	-	7	5	0.0475	0.0519
95	-0.0038*	18241	9216	-	-	7	5	0.0267	0.0281

Thank you!

