

The 28th PNU–POSTECH Algebraic Combinatorics Workshop

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Place C32–211, Department of Mathematics in Pusan National University
Program

10:30–11:20, Suyoung Choi (KAIST)

Combinatorics on bigraded Betti numbers of simple
polytopes

11:30–12:20, Hidefumi Kawasaki (Kyushu University)

Discrete xed point theorems and their applications to the game theory

14:00–14:50, Kyoung Ho Park (Kyungpook National University),

On the distribution of Genocchi polynomials

15:00–15:50, Jungwook Lim (POSTECH),

Zero–divisor graphs of polynomials and power series over commutative
rings

16:10–17:00, Soohak Choi (POSTECH),

The new lower bounds on covering arrays

17:10–18:00, Jong Yoon Hyun (POSTECH),

The isometry group of an arbitrary poset–metric space

19:00–21:00, Banquet (free of charge)

Available Devices for Presentation

We strongly encourage speakers to give a classical styled talk with chalk and
blackboard. However, one beam projector is equipped at C32–208.

Important Notice In principle, each participant has to give comments or
questions at least twice during the seminar.

Speaker: Suyoung Choi

Title: Combinatorics on bigraded Betti numbers of simple polytopes

Abstract: A polytope P is called simple if there are exactly n facets meeting at each vertex of P . Assume that P has m facets. The main object of this talk is the bigraded Betti numbers which appear in a minimal free resolution of face ring of a simple polytope P over a polynomial ring with m variables. These numbers are quite related to the combinatorics of simple polytopes including the sum of connected components for all choices of k facets in P , denote $c_k(P)$. One of the most important remarks is the following; the $(k-1; k)$ -th Betti number $b_k(P)$ of P is

$$b_k(P) = c_k(P) + \binom{m}{k}$$

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m3

In this talk, we established the formula of b_k of a connected sum of simple polytopes P and Q . The formula shows that $b_k(P\#Q)$ is dependent only on

P and Q but the base k and how they connected. Using this, we can compute purely combinatorially the b_k of stacked polytopes of dimension n and prisms of dimension 3.

On the other hand, we investigate the maximality of bigraded Betti numbers of 3-dimensional stacked polytopes and prisms. A polytope is called irreducible if it can not be represented by a connected sum of several polytopes.

Problem Let P be a polytope of dimension 3 with m facets and let P_{m-3} and P_{m-2} be a stacked 3-polytope and a 3-prism which have m facets, respectively. Then, for any k , we have the inequality

$$b_k(P) < \begin{cases} b_k(P_{m-2}); & \text{if } P \text{ is irreducible;} \\ b_k(P_{m-3}); & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

We give a non-trivial affirmative solution of Problem ?? for $k = m-4$.

Also we prove that the equality holds if and only if P is a such polytope.

As a corollary, we prove that every prism is cohomologically rigid. This work is jointly with Jang Soo Kim.

Speaker: Hidefumi Kawasaki (Kyushu University)

Title: Discrete fixed point theorems and their applications to the game theory

Abstract: In bimatrix game, there are two players P_1 and P_2 . Player P_1 has m choices (pure strategies), and player P_2 has n choices. When P_1 and P_2 respectively choose i -th pure strategy and j -th pure strategy, they respectively gain $a_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}$ and $b_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}$, and each player maximize his/her gain. Here, matrices $A := (a_{ij})$ and $B := (b_{ij})$ are called payoff matrices.

In order to find a solution (equilibrium, strategies) that both players satisfy, we need mixed strategies, that is, both players throw dice to decide their strategies. Then the bimatrix game is formulated as follows:

$$(P_1) \max_{x \in S_m} x^T A y; \quad (P_2) \max_{y \in S_n} x^T B y;$$

where $S_m := \{x = (x_1, \dots, x_m) \in \mathbb{R}^m; x_i \geq 0; x_1 + \dots + x_m = 1\}$, and there exist $x \in S_m$ and $y \in S_n$ such that

$$x^T A y \leq x^T A y' \quad \forall x' \in S_m \quad \text{and} \quad x^T B y \geq x^T B y' \quad \forall y' \in S_n$$

Such a pair $(x; y)$ is called a Nash equilibrium. Nash proved his claim by Brouwer's fixed point theorem: Any continuous mapping from a compact convex set $C \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ into itself has a fixed point.

The aim of this talk is to introduce the recent development of discrete fixed point theorems and their applications to the game theory.

Speaker: Kyoung Ho Park (Kyungpook National University)

Title: On the distribution of Genocchi polynomials

Abstract: In this talk, we introduce Genocchi numbers and polynomials. Firstly, we study the distribution of Genocchi polynomials. Secondly, we investigate the symmetry for the distribution of twisted q -Genocchi numbers and polynomials associated with the fermionic p -adic invariant integral on \mathbb{Z}

Speaker: Jungwook Lim

Title: Zero-divisor graphs of polynomials and power series over commutative rings

Abstract: Let R be a commutative ring with identity and $Z(R)$ (resp. $Z^*(R)$) the set of zero-divisors (resp. nonzero zero-divisors) of R . By the zero-divisor graph of R , denoted by $\Gamma(R)$, we mean the graph whose vertices are the nonzero zero-divisors of R , and for distinct $r, s \in Z^*(R)$, there is an edge connecting r and s if and only if $rs = 0$. In this talk, I will talk about diameter and girth of $\Gamma(R)$; $\Gamma(R[X])$ and $\Gamma(R[[X]])$.

Speaker: Soohak Choi

Title: The new lower bounds on covering arrays

Abstract: Let $B_q = \{0; 1; \dots; q-1\}$ be a set with q elements. An $m \times n$ matrix C over B_q is called a t -covering array (or, a covering array of size m , strength t , degree n , and order q) if, in any t columns of C , all q^t possible q -ary t -vectors occur at least once. It is one of the main problem in the theory of covering arrays to find the minimum size $g_t(n)$ of a t -covering array of given degree n . The main problem was completely solved only for the case $t = 2$ and $q = 2$. Roux gives two useful bounds.

$g_{t+1}(n+1) \leq 2g_t(n)$; $g_3(2n) \leq g_3(n) + g_2(n)$: We will give the better bound.

Speaker: Jong Yoon Hyun (POSTECH),

Title: The isometry group of an arbitrary poset-metric space

Abstract: In this talk, I give a complete description of isometries of an arbitrary poset-metric space and present the structure of the isometry group as well as its size. The computation of its size for a special type of poset-metric spaces which were well-studied in the literature is also given.