

**Enumerating big orbits
and an application:
B acting on the cosets of Fi_{23}**

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Multiplicity-free actions

[Breuer-J.M., \leq 2006]

Character tables of endomorphism rings of multiplicity-free permutation modules of the sporadic simple groups and their cyclic and bicyclic extensions

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- Contain information on the associated orbital graphs: distance-transitivity and -regularity, Ramanujan property.
 - Classification of multiplicity-free actions: [Breuer-Lux, 1996; Linton-Mpono, \sim 2001; Breuer, 2005].
 - Building on earlier work (amongst others): [Ivanov-Linton-Lux-Saxl-Soicher, 1995; Praeger-Soicher, 1997; Höhler, 2001; ...].
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BIG orbits — multiplicity-free actions of B :

- on the 13 571 955 000 cosets of $2.^2E_6(2).2$ [Higman, 1976],
- on the 27 143 910 000 cosets of $2.^2E_6(2)$ [Higman, 1976],
- on the 11 707 448 673 375 cosets of $2^{1+22}.Co_2$ [J.M., 2003; Rowley-Walker, 2004],
- on the 1 015 970 529 280 000 cosets of Fi_{23} [J.M.-Neunhöffer-Wilson, 2007].

B acting on the set X of cosets of $H := Fi_{23}$

- 23 orbits $X_i = x_i H \subseteq X$,
neither $k_i := |X_i|$ nor $H_i := \text{Stab}_H(x_i)$ were known before.
- H -orbit representatives x_i were found by random search,
and using the action of the Monster \mathbb{M} on 6-transpositions.

i	k_i	$ H_i $	H_i
1	1	$\sim 4.1 \cdot 10^{18}$	Fi_{23}
2	412 896	9 904 359 628 800	$O_8^+(3): 2_2$
3	86 316 516	47 377 612 800	$S_8(2)$
4	195 747 435	20 891 566 080	$2^{11}.M_{23}$
5	8 537 488 128	479 001 600	S_{12}
6	23 478 092 352	174 182 400	$O_8^+(2)$
7	33 816 182 400	120 932 352	$[3^9].[2^{10}].S_3$
8	113 778 447 552	35 942 400	$2 \times {}^2F_4(2)'$
9	160 533 964 800	25 474 176	$S_3 \times G_2(3)$
10	504 245 392 560	8 110 080	$2^{10}.M_{11}$
11	1 044 084 577 536	3 916 800	$S_4(4): 4$
12	1 152 560 897 280	3 548 160	$(2 \times 2.M_{22}).2$
13	1 584 771 233 760	2 580 480	$2^7.A_8$
14	5 282 570 779 200	774 144	$2^7.U_3(3)$
15	7 888 639 030 272	518 400	$(A_6 \times A_6): 2^2$
16	12 678 169 870 080	322 560	$2^2.L_3(4).2^2$
17	21 514 470 082 560	190 080	$2 \times M_{12}$
18	43 028 940 165 120	95 040	M_{12}
19	50 712 679 480 320	80 640	$2.L_3(4).2_2$
20	133 120 783 635 840	30 720	$2^4.2^4.A_5.2$
21	190 172 548 051 200	21 504	$2^6: L_3(2): 2$
22	262 954 634 342 400	15 552	$3^4.2^{1+4}.S_3$
23	283 991 005 089 792	14 400	$(A_5 \times A_5): 2^2$

Orbit enumeration by suborbits

Basic idea:

[Parker-Wilson, ~1995; Lübeck-Neunhöffer, 2001;
O'Brien; Kerber-Kohnert-Laue]

- Let X be a G -set, let $U < G$ be a **helper subgroup**, let Y be a U -set and let $\bar{\cdot} : X \rightarrow Y$ be a U -homomorphism.

Common case: $X \subseteq M$, where M is an $\mathbb{F}G$ -module, and $\bar{\cdot}$ is induced by an $\mathbb{F}U$ -module homomorphism from $M|_U$.

- For any U -orbit in Y designate a **U -minimal** point in it, and $x \in X$ is called **U -minimal** if $\bar{x} \in Y$ is U -minimal.
 - Enumerate X by U -orbits, store the U -minimal points in X .
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Orbit-stabiliser by U -orbits on $X = x_1G$:

a) Procedure **Minimaliser** $_U(x)$:

For $x \in X$ compute $u \in U$ such that xu is U -minimal.

b) Procedure **BarStabiliser** $_U(x)$:

For U -minimal $x \in X$ compute $\bar{S} := \text{Stab}_U(\bar{x})$ and $|\bar{S}|$.

- Applying **Minimaliser** $_U(x)$ allows to check whether a U -orbit has been encountered earlier.
 - If not, the U -minimal points in xU are computed by an orbit-stabiliser algorithm using $\bar{S} = \text{BarStabiliser}_U(x)$.
 - Otherwise, collect elements of $\text{Stab}_G(x_1)$.
- Assume that **orders of subgroups** generated by subsets of G can be efficiently determined.

Iterating orbit enumeration by suborbits

- Let $V < U < G$ be helper subgroups, and compute a **left transversal \mathcal{L} of V in U** .
- Let Z be a V -set, let $\tilde{\cdot} : Y \rightarrow Z$ be a V -homomorphism, and assume **Minimaliser $_V(y)$** and **BarStabiliser $_V(y)$** to be given, hence the U -orbits in Y can be enumerated by V -orbits.
- For any U -orbit in Y designate a **U -minimal point y amongst the V -minimal points** in it. **Moreover:**
 - For any V -minimal $y' \in yU \setminus yV$ find $u \in \mathcal{L}$ such that $y'u \in yV$.
 - For any V -minimal $y' \in yV$ find $v \in \text{Stab}_V(\tilde{y}) = \text{BarStabiliser}_V(y)$ such that $y'v$ is U -minimal.

a) Procedure **Minimaliser $_U(x)$** :

Let $v' := \text{Minimaliser}_V(\bar{x})$, hence $\bar{x}v' \in yU$ is V -minimal.

Hence $\bar{x}v'u \in yV$, where y is U -minimal.

Let $v'' := \text{Minimaliser}_V(\bar{x}v'u)$, hence $\bar{x}v'uv'' \in yV$ is V -minimal.

Thus $\bar{x}v'uv''v = y$, and **Minimaliser $_U(x) := v'uv''v$** .

b) Procedure **BarStabiliser $_U(x)$** :

$\text{Stab}_U(\bar{x})$ is found by enumerating the U -orbit $\bar{x}U$ by V -orbits.

- **Iteration** for chains $\{1\} = U_0 < U_1 < U_2 < \dots < U_k < G$.
- For U_1 every point is U_0 -minimal, and **Minimaliser $_{U_0}$** and **BarStabiliser $_{U_0}$** are trivial.

In practice

- Index $|X| = [B : Fi_{23}] = 1\,015\,970\,529\,280\,000 \sim 1.0 \cdot 10^{15}$, realizing $X \subseteq \mathbb{F}_2^{4371}$ needs $\lceil 4371/8 \rceil = 547$ Bytes per vector, needs $555\,735\,879\,516\,160\,000 \sim 5.6 \cdot 10^{17}$ Bytes for all of X .

- The subgroup chain:

j	U_j	$ U_j $	$[U_j : U_{j-1}]$	$\dim_{\mathbb{F}_2}(M_j)$
5	B	$\sim 4.2 \cdot 10^{33}$	$\sim 1.0 \cdot 10^{15}$	4371
4	Fi_{23}	$\sim 4.1 \cdot 10^{18}$	86 316 516	782
3	$S_8(2)$	47 377 612 800	2 295	42
2	$2^{10} : A_8$	20 643 840	8 192	31
1	A_7	2 520	2 520	18

- Enumeration of the H -orbits in $X_i^\pi \subseteq M_4$ by U_3 -orbits.
- Apply group generators to U_3 -orbit representatives only.
- Ignore points x such that $|\text{Stab}_{U_3}(\bar{x})| > 10^5$.
- Needs $\sim 4\,800$ s ~ 80 min of **CPU** time on a 3.2 GHz **Pentium IV**, and $\sim 1.1 \cdot 10^9$ Bytes.

i	$k_i^\pi = X_i^\pi $	$ \mathcal{X}_i $	$k_i^\pi / \mathcal{X}_i $	U_3 -orbits	N_i	$ \mathcal{X}_i / N_i$
23	283991005089792	281092626984960	0.99	8109	1430821	196455480
22	262954634342400	259808546995200	0.99	6968	1212147	214337491
21	190172548051200	187996976179200	0.99	5256	1227646	153136145
20	133120783635840	131937126773760	0.99	3936	601292	219422721
19	50712679480320	49876298933760	0.98	1930	254398	196056175
18	43028940165120	42270766755840	0.98	1476	447462	94467836
17	21514470082560	21046385848320	0.98	769	211988	99281025
16	12678169870080	12380329543680	0.98	535	149079	83045429
15	7888639030272	7687679811840	0.97	504	78843	97506180
14	2641285389600	2566592870400	0.97	155	69000	37196998
13	1584771233760	1495816519800	0.94	136	99628	15014017
12	1152560897280	1087842631680	0.94	101	25699	42330154
11	1044084577536	1010524999680	0.97	97	15298	66056020
10	252122696280	222345768960	0.88	33	9029	24625736
6	23478092352	19780035840	0.84	20	3808	5194337
7	11272060800	9952588800	0.88	7	1556	6396265
5	8537488128	7229107200	0.85	10	965	7491303
9	148642560	135080640	0.91	5	17794	7591
2	412896	366792	0.89	2	122	3006
8	31671	18360	0.58	1	8	2295

The character table of B on Fi_{23}

φ	χ_φ	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	1	1	412896	86316516	195747435	8537488128	23478092352	33816182400	113778447552
2	4371	1	-137632	18115812	-10472085	-1159411968	1449264960	3757353600	1404672192
3	96255	1	82016	8890596	5701995	457037568	327742272	1297296000	-1788671808
4	9458750	1	41888	3232548	-43605	123026688	57841344	314160000	183218112
5	63532485	1	-32032	2275812	414315	-77223168	-2312640	179625600	-32332608
6	347643114	1	10208	704484	1589355	10679040	46398528	-9609600	57081024
7	356054375	1	-17248	900900	-1508949	-20097792	43902144	32672640	-21155904
8	4221380670	1	-3232	324324	103275	-2453760	15121728	-12297600	-15494976
9	4275362520	1	14816	725796	-43605	16743168	-7316928	31920000	14841792
10	9287037474	1	6896	132516	699435	736128	11096352	4502400	-38864448
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