

If g_1, \dots, g_k is a system of generators of $M_n(\mathbb{C})$, (2)
 then $p \mapsto p(g_1, \dots, g_k)$ defines an isomorphism

$$\mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_k] / \mathcal{I} \xrightarrow{\cong} M_n(\mathbb{C})$$

for a suitable ideal \mathcal{I} .

Let g_1, \dots, g_k a minimal set of generators. The g_i are not unique, but

$$w_k = \# \text{ of } g_i \text{ of wt } k \quad (k = 1, 2, 3, \dots)$$

is unique.

Look at $P_0(N)$ for $N = 1, 2, \dots$

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Question: For $P_0(N)$,

is it true that we can always find generators in weights 2 and 4 and 6?

More generally, for $P_0(N)$, what are the numbers w_2, w_4, w_6, \dots ?

Problem 2

If $Q \in \mathbb{R}[x_1, \dots, x_r]_2$ is positive definite, then, for any n ,
 $\# \{ (x_1, \dots, x_r) \in \mathbb{R}^r \mid n = Q(x_1, \dots, x_r) \}$ is finite.

(since " $Q(x_1, \dots, x_r) \leq n$ " is compact), and $\approx O(n^r)$.

Here $\Theta_Q = \sum_{x_1, \dots, x_r \in \mathbb{Z}} q^{Q(x_1, \dots, x_r)}$ converges for $t < 1$

and, in fact,

$$\Theta_Q \in M_{\mathbb{R}}(P_0(\text{level of } Q), \left(\frac{\text{disc } Q}{n}\right)).$$