# Introduction to research based coding in SageMath 

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- Enable others to build on your code/research, so then you can build on their code/research


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## Alternating sign matrix definition

## Definition

Alternating sign matrices (ASMs) are square matrices with the following properties:

- entries $\in\{0,1,-1\}$
- each row and each column sums to 1
- nonzero entries alternate in sign along a row/column

$$
\left(\begin{array}{rrrr}
0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 0
\end{array}\right)
$$

## Examples of alternating sign matrices

- All seven of the $3 \times 3 \mathrm{ASMs}$.

$$
\begin{gathered}
\left(\begin{array}{lll}
1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1
\end{array}\right)\left(\begin{array}{lll}
1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 \\
0 & 1 & 0
\end{array}\right)\left(\begin{array}{lll}
0 & 1 & 0 \\
1 & 0 & 0 \\
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\end{array}\right) \\
\left(\begin{array}{lll}
0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 \\
1 & 0 & 0
\end{array}\right)\left(\begin{array}{lll}
0 & 0 & 1 \\
1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0
\end{array}\right)\left(\begin{array}{lll}
0 & 0 & 1 \\
0 & 1 & 0 \\
1 & 0 & 0
\end{array}\right)
\end{gathered}
$$

- Two of the forty-two $4 \times 4$ ASMs.

$$
\left(\begin{array}{rrrr}
0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 0
\end{array}\right)\left(\begin{array}{rrrr}
0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0
\end{array}\right)
$$

## A large random ASM

$$
\left(\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr}
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\
1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0
\end{array}\right)
$$

## Enumeration

- In 1983, W. Mills, D. Robbins, and H. Rumsey conjectured that $n \times n$ ASMs are counted by:

$$
\begin{gathered}
\prod_{j=0}^{n-1} \frac{(3 j+1)!}{(n+j)!}=\frac{1!4!7!\cdots(3 n-2)!}{n!(n+1)!\cdots(2 n-1)!} . \\
1,2,7,42,429,7436,218348,10850216, \ldots
\end{gathered}
$$

- This was proved in 1996, independently, by
D. Zeilberger and G. Kuperberg. Kuperberg's proof introduced the following connection to physics.


## Physics connection - Square ice

Alternating sign matrices are in bijection with configurations of the six-vertex model with domain wall boundary conditions.


## Known alternating sign matrix bijections

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { ASM Monotone triangle } \\
& \text { Height function }
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left(\begin{array}{lllll}
0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\
1 & 2 & 3 & 2 & 3 \\
2 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 2 \\
3 & 2 & 3 & 2 & 1 \\
4 & 3 & 2 & 1 & 0
\end{array}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

Six-vertex model Fully-packed loop



## Alternating sign matrices

$$
\left(\begin{array}{cccc}
0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 0
\end{array}\right)
$$

Alternating sign matrices $\rightarrow$ fully-packed loops


## Fully-packed loops



## Fully-packed loops

## Start with an $n \times n$ grid.

## Fully-packed loops

## Add boundary conditions.



## Fully-packed loops

## Interior vertices adjacent to 2 edges.



## Gyration on fully-packed loops

Given a square in the grid, the local move swaps the configurations below and leaves every other edge configuration fixed.


## Gyration on fully-packed loops



## Gyration on fully-packed loops

Start with the even squares.


## Gyration on fully-packed loops

Apply the local move to all even squares.


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Now consider the odd squares.


## Gyration on fully-packed loops

Apply the local move to all odd squares.


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Gyration rotates the link pattern (B. Wieland 2000)


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## Writing methods for combinatorial classes

- First, write a function that does what you want it to do.
- Then write some documentation and examples (tests).
- *Add it to your local Sage source code to test (on a new git branch).
- *When everything works, pull a trac ticket and push your code to the trac server.
*Kevin's talk on Friday


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## A missing bijection

## Definition

Totally Symmetric Self-Complementary Plane Partitions are:

- Plane Partitions
- Totally Symmetric (invariant under all permutations of the axes)
- Self-Complementary (inside $2 n \times 2 n \times 2 n$ box)


A missing bijection

- All seven of the TSSCPPs inside a $6 \times 6 \times 6$ box.



## A missing bijection

Totally symmetric self-complementary plane partitions inside a $2 n \times 2 n \times 2 n$ box are also counted by $\prod_{j=0}^{n-1} \frac{(3 j+1)!}{(n+j)!}$ (Andrews 1994), but no explicit bijection is known.


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1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 0
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## Known TSSCPP bijections



Lattice paths
Order ideal


## Permutation case progress (S. 2014)

TSSCPP



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## Posets

A poset is a partially ordered set.

## Definition

A poset is a set with a partial order " $\leq$ " that is reflexive, antisymmetric, and transitive.


## Order ideals

## Definition

An order ideal of a poset $P$ is a subset $I \subseteq P$ such that if $y \in I$ and $z \leq y$, then $z \in I$.


Ordered by inclusion, order ideals form a distributive lattice, denoted $J(\mathcal{P})$.

The distributive lattice of order ideals $J(P)$


## ASM height functions

All seven of the height functions of order 3 .

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left(\begin{array}{llll}
0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\
1 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\
2 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\
3 & 2 & 1 & 0
\end{array}\right)\left(\begin{array}{llll}
0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\
1 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\
2 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\
3 & 2 & 1 & 0
\end{array}\right)\left(\begin{array}{llll}
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3 & 2 & 1 & 0
\end{array}\right)\left(\begin{array}{llll}
0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\
1 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\
2 & 3 & 2 & 1 \\
3 & 2 & 1 & 0
\end{array}\right) \\
& \left(\begin{array}{lllll}
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1 & 2 & 3 & 2 \\
2 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\
3 & 2 & 1 & 0
\end{array}\right)\left(\begin{array}{llll}
0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\
1 & 2 & 3 & 2 \\
2 & 3 & 2 & 1 \\
3 & 2 & 1 & 0
\end{array}\right)\left(\begin{array}{llll}
0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\
1 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\
2 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\
3 & 2 & 1 & 0
\end{array}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

## Alternating sign matrix poset (EKLP 1992)

$$
\begin{gathered}
\left(\begin{array}{ll}
2 & 3 \\
3 & 2
\end{array}\right) \\
\left(\begin{array}{ll}
2 & 1 \\
3 & 2
\end{array}\right) \\
\left(\begin{array}{ll}
2 & 1 \\
1 & 2
\end{array}\right) \\
\left(\begin{array}{ll}
2 & 1 \\
1 & 0
\end{array}\right) \\
\left(\begin{array}{ll}
0 & 1 \\
1 & 0
\end{array}\right)
\end{gathered}
$$

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$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left(\begin{array}{ll}
2 & 1 \\
3 & 2
\end{array}\right) \\
& \backslash\left(\begin{array}{ll}
2 & 3 \\
3 & 2
\end{array}\right) \backslash \\
& \left(\begin{array}{ll}
2 & 1 \\
1 & 2
\end{array}\right) \\
& \left(\begin{array}{ll}
2 & 1 \\
1 & 0
\end{array}\right) \\
& \backslash\left(\begin{array}{ll}
0 & 1 \\
1 & 0
\end{array}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

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## Alternating sign matrix poset


$n \times n$ ASMs are in bijection with order ideals in this poset with $n-1$ layers, as constructed above.

## Alternating sign matrix poset

## Theorem (Lascoux and Schützenberger 1996)

The restriction of the ASM poset to permutations is the Bruhat order. In fact, is the smallest lattice containing the Bruhat order on the symmetric group as a subposet.


## TSSCPP poset



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## TSSCPP poset



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TSSCPPs inside a $2 n \times 2 n \times 2 n$ box are in bijection with order ideals in this poset with $n-1$ layers, as constructed above.

## ASM and TSSCPP posets (S. 2011)



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ASM


TSSCPP


## Tetrahedral poset family (S. 2011)



## Rowmotion

## Definition

Let $P$ be a poset, and let $I \in J(P)$. Then rowmotion, Row $(I)$, is the order ideal generated by the minimal elements of $P$ not in $I$.


An order ideal /

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Find the minimal elements of $P$ not in $I$

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Use them to generate a new order ideal Row(I)

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## Promotion, rowmotion, and gyration

Theorem (N. Williams and S. 2012)
In any ranked poset, there is an equivariant bijection between the order ideals under rowmotion and promotion.

## Corollary

Gyration on fully-packed loops and rowmotion on the ASM poset have the same orbit structure!

