

# I. Hilbert Series

Def: An  $S$ -module  $M$  is  $\mathbb{N}^n$ -graded if  $M = \bigoplus_{b \in \mathbb{N}^n} M_b$  and  $x^a M_b \subseteq M_{a+b}$ . If the vector space dimension  $\dim_k(M_a)$  is finite for all  $a \in \mathbb{N}^n$ , then the *finely graded* or  $\mathbb{N}^n$ -graded Hilbert series of  $M$  is given by:

$$H(M; \mathbf{x}) = \sum_{a \in \mathbb{N}^n} \dim_k(M_a) \cdot \mathbf{x}^a$$

The  $\mathbb{Z}$ -graded or *coarse Hilbert series* of  $M$  is obtained by setting each  $x_i = t$ , i.e.  $H(M; t, \dots, t)$ .

Remark: finely graded Hilbert series live in the ring of formal power series  $\mathbb{Z}[[\mathbf{x}]]$ . Here, each element  $1 - x_i$  is invertible with inverse  $\frac{1}{1-x_i} = 1 + x_i + x_i^2 + \dots$

example:  $\hookrightarrow$  the Hilbert series of  $S$  is given by:

$$H(S; \mathbf{x}) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{1-x_i}$$

↑ rational function      ← sum of all monomials in  $S$

Note:  $\hookrightarrow H(S/I; \mathbf{x}) =$  sum of all monomials not in  $I$  where  $I \subseteq S$  is a monomial ideal

$$\hookrightarrow H(S(-a); \mathbf{x}) = \frac{\mathbf{x}^a}{\prod_{i=1}^n (1-x_i)} \quad \leftarrow \text{just } \mathbf{x}^a \cdot H(S; \mathbf{x})$$

- free module generated in degree  $a$
- $S(-a) \cong \langle \mathbf{x}^a \rangle$  as  $\mathbb{N}^n$ -graded modules

Def: The  $K$ -polynomial, denoted  $K(M; \mathbf{x})$ , of an  $\mathbb{N}^n$ -graded  $S$ -module  $M$  is the numerator of the Hilbert series of  $M$ ,  $H(M, \mathbf{x})$ , when it is expressed as a rational function,

$$H(M, \mathbf{x}) = \frac{K(M; \mathbf{x})}{(1-x_1) \cdots (1-x_n)}$$

Def: For  $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{N}^n$ , the support of  $\mathbf{a}$ ,  $\text{supp}(\mathbf{a})$ , is the set:

$$\text{supp}(\mathbf{a}) = \{i \in \{1, \dots, n\} \mid a_i \neq 0\}$$

Note: A monomial  $x^{\mathbf{a}}$  is not in  $I_{\Delta}$  iff  $x^{\text{supp}(\mathbf{a})}$  is not in  $I_{\Delta}$ .

Theorem: The Hilbert series of the Stanley-Reisner Ring is

given by: 
$$H(S/I_{\Delta}, \mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\sigma \in \Delta} \prod_{i \in \sigma} \frac{x_i}{1-x_i}$$

proof: 
$$H(S/I_{\Delta}, \mathbf{x}) = \sum \{x^{\mathbf{a}} \mid \mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{N}^n \text{ and } \text{supp}(\mathbf{a}) \in \Delta\}$$

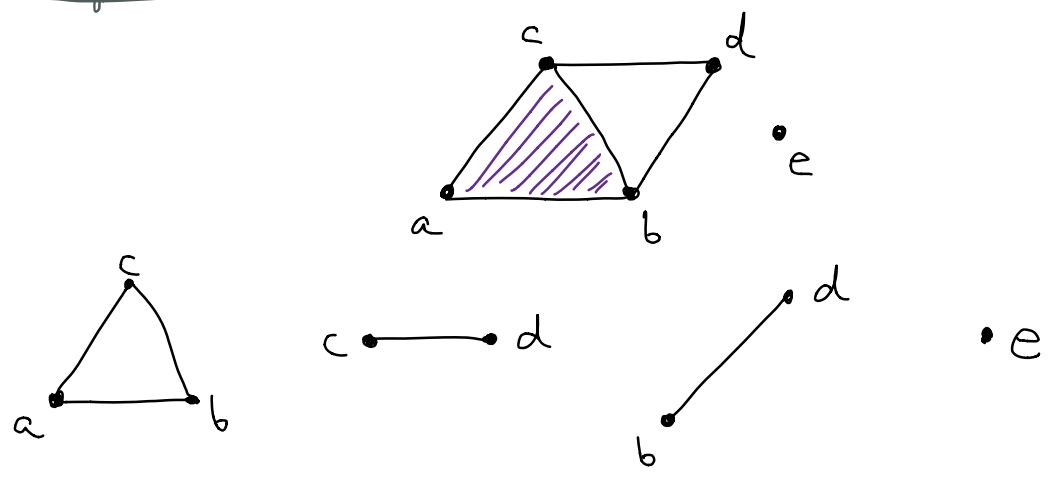
$$= \sum_{\sigma \in \Delta} \sum \{x^{\mathbf{a}} \mid \mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{N}^n \text{ and } \text{supp}(\mathbf{a}) = \sigma\}$$

$$= \sum_{\sigma \in \Delta} \prod_{i \in \sigma} \frac{x_i}{1-x_i}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1-x_1) \cdots (1-x_n)} \cdot \underbrace{\left\{ \sum_{\sigma \in \Delta} \prod_{i \in \sigma} x_i \cdot \prod_{j \notin \sigma} (1-x_j) \right\}}_{K\text{-polynomial of } S/I_{\Delta}}$$

II. Examples

example 1



$$I_\Delta = \langle d, e \rangle \cap \langle a, b, e \rangle \cap \langle a, c, e \rangle \cap \langle a, b, c, d \rangle$$

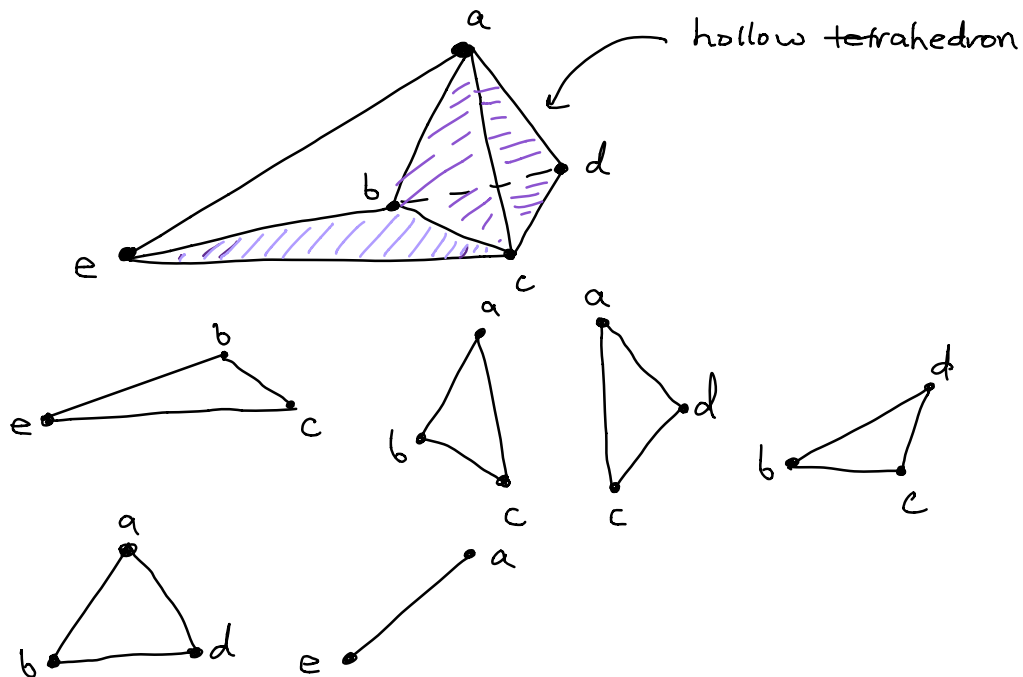
$$= \langle ad, ae, be, ce, de, bcd \rangle$$

$$H(S/I_\Delta, a, b, c, d, e) = 1 + \frac{a}{1-a} + \frac{b}{1-b} + \frac{c}{1-c} + \frac{d}{1-d} + \frac{e}{1-e} + \frac{ab}{(1-a)(1-b)}$$

$$+ \frac{ac}{(1-a)(1-c)} + \frac{bc}{(1-b)(1-c)} + \frac{bd}{(1-b)(1-d)} + \frac{cd}{(1-c)(1-d)}$$

$$+ \frac{abc}{(1-a)(1-b)(1-c)}$$

example 2



$$I_{\Delta} = \langle ad \rangle \cap \langle de \rangle \cap \langle b, e \rangle \cap \langle c, e \rangle \cap \langle b, c, d \rangle$$

$$= \langle de, ace, abe, abcd \rangle$$

$$H(S/I_{\Delta}, \mathbb{K}) = 1 + \frac{a}{1-a} + \frac{b}{1-b} + \frac{c}{1-c} + \frac{d}{1-d} + \frac{e}{1-e} + \frac{ab}{(1-a)(1-b)} + \frac{ac}{(1-a)(1-c)} + \frac{ad}{(1-a)(1-d)}$$

$$+ \frac{ae}{(1-a)(1-e)} + \frac{bc}{(1-b)(1-c)} + \frac{bd}{(1-b)(1-d)} + \frac{be}{(1-b)(1-e)} + \frac{cd}{(1-c)(1-d)} + \frac{ce}{(1-c)(1-e)}$$

$$+ \frac{abc}{(1-a)(1-b)(1-c)} + \frac{abd}{(1-a)(1-b)(1-d)} + \frac{acd}{(1-a)(1-c)(1-d)} + \frac{bcd}{(1-b)(1-c)(1-d)}$$

$$+ \frac{bce}{(1-b)(1-c)(1-e)}$$

↙  $\mathbb{K}$ -polynomial

$$= \frac{1 - abcd - abe - ace - de + abce + abde + acde}{(1-a)(1-b)(1-c)(1-d)(1-e)}$$