

# BIVARIATE GENERATING FUNCTIONS FOR NON-ATTACKING WAZIRS ON RECTANGULAR BOARDS

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ABSTRACT. A wazir is a fairy chess piece that attacks the 4 neighbors to the North, East, South and West of the chess board. This work constructs the bivariate generating functions for the number of placing  $w$  mutually non-attacking wazirs on rectangular boards of shape  $r \times c$  at fixed  $c$ . The equinumerous setup counts binary  $\{0, 1\}$  arrays of dimension  $r \times c$  which have  $w$  1's with mutual L1 (Manhattan) distances  $> 1$ .

## 1. NON-ATTACKING WAZIRS

A wazir is a chess figure that attacks the 4 squares directly attached to its square in the four principle compass directions. It has the narrow range of the king [6]—which attacks its surrounding 8 squares—but the directions of attack inherited from the rook. [Placed on the edge or in the corner of the board, the wazir attacks only 3 or 2 squares.] One may also say that a wazir attacks the squares in the von-Neumann neighborhood or that it attacks the four squares at L1 (Manhattan) distance equal to 1.

**Definition 1.**  $W(r, c, w)$  is the number of arrangements of  $w$  non-attacking wazirs on a  $r \times c$  rectangular chess board.

$W(r, c, w)$  is also the number of placements of  $w$  monominoes on  $r \times c$  boards such that no two of them could be bonded edge-to-edge into dominoes or higher polyominoes.

Since we do not consider rotations or flips of the entire configuration along board middle axes, diagonals or through the center, the role of rows and columns may be interchanged:

$$(1) \quad W(r, c, w) = W(c, r, w).$$

If no wazir is present, the empty board is the only solution:

$$(2) \quad W(r, c, 0) = 1.$$

A single wazir can be placed on any square, because the constraint on neighbors is irrelevant then:

$$(3) \quad W(r, c, 1) = rc.$$

A single wazir can be placed in one of 4 corners which leaves  $rc - 3$  non-attacked squares for the second. A single wazir can be placed on one of the  $2(r - 2) + 2(c - 2)$  edges which leaves  $rc - 4$  squares for the second. A single wazir can be placed on

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one of  $(r-2)(c-2)$  non-border squares which leaves  $rc - 5$  squares for the second.  $4(rc-3) + [2r+2c-8](rc-4) + (r-2)(c-2)(rc-4)$  is a factor 2 too large because each pair is counted twice:

$$(4) \quad W(r, c, 2) = r + c + \frac{rc}{2}(rc - 5).$$

The encoding of a configuration is a stack of  $r$  2-letter words of the alphabet  $\{0, 1\}$  of length  $c$ , where 1's indicate that a wazir occupies a square, 0's indicate the square is empty. For a single row, the non-attacking request is closely related to the Zeckendorf representation and to words avoiding the 11 subword.

**Example 1.** *The words of length 1 are 0 and 1. The words of length 2 are 00, 01, and 10. The words of length 3 are 000, 001, 010, 100 and 101. The words of length 4 are 0000, 0001, 0010, 0100, 0101, 1000, 1001, and 1010 [2, A014417].*

The number of such words is  $F_{c+2}$  where  $F$  are the Fibonacci numbers.

The densest packing of non-attacking wazirs is achieved by placing them on the subgrid reachable by moves of a bishop. So

$$(5) \quad W(r, c, w) = 0 \quad \text{if} \quad w > \lceil rc/2 \rceil.$$

These trailing zeros are not printed in the tables of  $W(r, c, w)$  in this manuscript.

**Definition 2.** *(Bivariate GF) A bivariate generating function keeping the number of columns fixed is*

$$(6) \quad \hat{W}_c(x, y) \equiv \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \sum_{w=0}^{\infty} W(r, c, w) x^r y^w.$$

## 2. TRANSFER MATRICES

$W$  may be counted by recursively attaching a new row to an already existing binary array of  $c$  columns, registering only those rows (binary words) in the new row which are compatible with the non-attacking requirement; compatibility means the bitwise **and** of the new binary word and the binary row of the previous row must be zero.

This is a typical Markov chain requirement: compatibility is defined related to knowledge of a single previous row. A state diagram (automaton) is defined where each of the

$$(7) \quad s = F_{c+2}$$

binary words is a node—a trivial labeling is the integer value of the binary word—, and a digraph is constructed where two nodes are connected by an arc if they are compatible.

**Remark 1.** *Compatibility in this problem is commutative. So the digraph is a symmetric digraph.*

The  $s$  nodes can be considered ordered, for example by just using their integer labels as a measure—which are unique because  $c$  is supposed to be fixed.

The accumulation of new rows in an array of  $c$  columns, starting with a (virtual) top row of the 000...0 word which is compatible with any other binary word, is a walk along arcs of the digraph.

| $r \setminus w$ | 0 | 1  | 2  | 3   | 4   | 5  | 6 |
|-----------------|---|----|----|-----|-----|----|---|
| 0               | 1 |    |    |     |     |    |   |
| 1               | 1 | 1  |    |     |     |    |   |
| 2               | 1 | 2  |    |     |     |    |   |
| 3               | 1 | 3  | 1  |     |     |    |   |
| 4               | 1 | 4  | 3  |     |     |    |   |
| 5               | 1 | 5  | 6  | 1   |     |    |   |
| 6               | 1 | 6  | 10 | 4   |     |    |   |
| 7               | 1 | 7  | 15 | 10  | 1   |    |   |
| 8               | 1 | 8  | 21 | 20  | 5   |    |   |
| 9               | 1 | 9  | 28 | 35  | 15  | 1  |   |
| 10              | 1 | 10 | 36 | 56  | 35  | 6  |   |
| 11              | 1 | 11 | 45 | 84  | 70  | 21 | 1 |
| 12              | 1 | 12 | 55 | 120 | 126 | 56 | 7 |

TABLE 1. The number  $W(r, 1, w)$  of placing  $w$  non-attacking wazirs on  $r \times 1$  boards [2, A011973]. Essentially a slanted version of the Pascal Triangle of binomial coefficients.

The Transfer Matrix method is the standard tool to track the number of new wazirs [5]. It is a  $s \times s$  matrix  $T(n, m)$ .  $T(n, m) = 0$  if the  $n$ th node is not compatible with the  $m$ th node, otherwise it is  $xy^b$  where

- $y^b$  indicates the number of wazirs has increased by  $b$ , the number of bits (or wazirs) in node  $n$ ,
- and the  $x^1$  indicates the number of rows has increased by 1.

Walks of finite length are associated with powers of the  $T$ -matrix, and the bivariate generating function  $\hat{W}$  is top left element of the inverse  $(1 - T)^{-1}$  [1, 3].

The nature of the transfer matrix method proves that the  $\hat{W}$  are rational polynomials in  $x$  and  $y$  because all elements of  $T$  are polynomials in  $x$  and  $y$ .

### 3. RESULTS

The generating function associated with boards 1 column wide, Table 1, is

$$(8) \quad \hat{W}_1(x, y) \equiv p_1(x, y)/q_1(x, y) = (1 + xy)/(1 - x - x^2y).$$

The generating function associated with boards 2 columns wide, Table 2, is

$$(9) \quad \hat{W}_2(x, y) \equiv p_2(x, y)/q_2(x, y) = (1 + xy)/(1 - x - xy - x^2y).$$

The generating function associated with boards 3 columns wide, Table 3, is

$$(10) \quad \begin{aligned} \hat{W}_3(x, y) &\equiv p_3(x, y)/q_3(x, y); \\ p_3(x, y) &= (1 + xy)(-x^2y^3 + xy + xy^2 + 1); \\ q_3(x, y) &= x^4y^4 + x^3y^4 - x^3y^2 - 3x^2y^2 - 2x^2y - x^2y^3 - xy - x + 1. \end{aligned}$$

| $r \setminus w$ | 0 | 1  | 2   | 3    | 4    | 5    | 5     | 6     | 8    | 9    | 10  | 11 | 12 |
|-----------------|---|----|-----|------|------|------|-------|-------|------|------|-----|----|----|
| 0               | 1 |    |     |      |      |      |       |       |      |      |     |    |    |
| 1               | 1 | 2  |     |      |      |      |       |       |      |      |     |    |    |
| 2               | 1 | 4  | 2   |      |      |      |       |       |      |      |     |    |    |
| 3               | 1 | 6  | 8   | 2    |      |      |       |       |      |      |     |    |    |
| 4               | 1 | 8  | 18  | 12   | 2    |      |       |       |      |      |     |    |    |
| 5               | 1 | 10 | 32  | 38   | 16   | 2    |       |       |      |      |     |    |    |
| 6               | 1 | 12 | 50  | 88   | 66   | 20   | 2     |       |      |      |     |    |    |
| 7               | 1 | 14 | 72  | 170  | 192  | 102  | 24    | 2     |      |      |     |    |    |
| 8               | 1 | 16 | 98  | 292  | 450  | 360  | 146   | 28    | 2    |      |     |    |    |
| 9               | 1 | 18 | 128 | 462  | 912  | 1002 | 608   | 198   | 32   | 2    |     |    |    |
| 10              | 1 | 20 | 162 | 688  | 1666 | 2364 | 1970  | 952   | 258  | 36   | 2   |    |    |
| 11              | 1 | 22 | 200 | 978  | 2816 | 4942 | 5336  | 3530  | 1408 | 326  | 40  | 2  |    |
| 12              | 1 | 24 | 242 | 1340 | 4482 | 9424 | 12642 | 10836 | 5890 | 1992 | 402 | 44 | 2  |

TABLE 2. The number  $W(r, 2, w)$  of placing  $w$  non-attacking wazirs on  $r \times 2$  boards [2, A035607][4]. Row sums in [2, A001333].

| $r \setminus w$ | 0 | 1  | 2   | 3    | 4    | 5    | 6     | 7    | 8    | 9    | 10  | 11 | 12 |
|-----------------|---|----|-----|------|------|------|-------|------|------|------|-----|----|----|
| 0               | 1 |    |     |      |      |      |       |      |      |      |     |    |    |
| 1               | 1 | 3  | 1   |      |      |      |       |      |      |      |     |    |    |
| 2               | 1 | 6  | 8   | 2    |      |      |       |      |      |      |     |    |    |
| 3               | 1 | 9  | 24  | 22   | 6    | 1    |       |      |      |      |     |    |    |
| 4               | 1 | 12 | 49  | 84   | 61   | 18   | 2     |      |      |      |     |    |    |
| 5               | 1 | 15 | 83  | 215  | 276  | 174  | 53    | 9    | 1    |      |     |    |    |
| 6               | 1 | 18 | 126 | 442  | 840  | 880  | 504   | 158  | 28   | 2    |     |    |    |
| 7               | 1 | 21 | 178 | 792  | 2023 | 3063 | 2763  | 1478 | 472  | 93   | 12  | 1  |    |
| 8               | 1 | 24 | 239 | 1292 | 4176 | 8406 | 10692 | 8604 | 4374 | 1416 | 297 | 38 | 2  |

TABLE 3. The number  $W(r, 3, w)$  of placing  $w$  non-attacking wazirs on  $r \times 3$  boards [2, A371967][4].

Its Taylor expansion with respect to  $y$  starts

$$(11) \quad \hat{W}_3(x, y) = \frac{1}{1-x} + \frac{3x}{(1-x)^2}y + \frac{x(1+5x+3x^2)}{(1-x)^3}y^2 + \frac{x^2(2+14x+8x^2+3x^3)}{(1-x)^4}y^3 + \frac{x^3(6+31x+31x^2+10x^3+3x^4)}{(1-x)^5}y^4 + \dots$$

The coefficients  $[y^0]\hat{W}_c(x, y)$  and  $[y^1]\hat{W}_c(x, y)$  are not interesting because they merely echo (2) and (3). The coefficient's  $[y^j]$  denominators are powers of  $1-x$ , so the  $W(r, c, w)$  are polynomials in  $r$  “down the columns” if  $c$  and  $w$  are kept constant. Each term  $\propto x^l/(1-x)^k$  in the univariate generating function contributes  $\propto \binom{r+k-l-1}{k-1}$  to the polynomial [7].

**Remark 2.** The matrices  $1 - T$  have (i) a top-left entry  $1 - x$  where the 000...0 word is compatible with itself, (ii) at least one factor  $y$  in the left column where the 000...0 word is compatible with any other word with at least one 1, (iii) 1 on the diagonal where no word with at least one 1 is compatible with itself. Here is the

| $r \setminus w$ | 0 | 1  | 2    | 3     | 4      | 5      | 6       | 7        | 8        |
|-----------------|---|----|------|-------|--------|--------|---------|----------|----------|
| 0               | 1 |    |      |       |        |        |         |          |          |
| 1               | 1 | 4  | 3    |       |        |        |         |          |          |
| 2               | 1 | 8  | 18   | 12    | 2      |        |         |          |          |
| 3               | 1 | 12 | 49   | 84    | 61     | 18     | 2       |          |          |
| 4               | 1 | 16 | 96   | 276   | 405    | 304    | 114     | 20       | 2        |
| 5               | 1 | 20 | 159  | 652   | 1502   | 1998   | 1537    | 678      | 170      |
| 6               | 1 | 24 | 238  | 1276  | 4072   | 8052   | 10010   | 7836     | 3846     |
| 7               | 1 | 28 | 333  | 2212  | 9091   | 24238  | 42864   | 50726    | 40235    |
| 8               | 1 | 32 | 444  | 3524  | 17791  | 60168  | 140050  | 227456   | 259289   |
| 9               | 1 | 36 | 571  | 5276  | 31660  | 130318 | 379247  | 793690   | 1205457  |
| 10              | 1 | 40 | 714  | 7532  | 52442  | 255052 | 895062  | 2310740  | 4439121  |
| 11              | 1 | 44 | 873  | 10356 | 82137  | 461646 | 1902326 | 5869438  | 13739384 |
| 12              | 1 | 48 | 1048 | 13812 | 123001 | 785312 | 3723486 | 13406168 | 37187238 |

TABLE 4. The number  $W(r, 4, w)$  of placing  $w$  non-attacking wazirs on  $r \times 4$  boards. Columns for  $r \geq 5$  not printed in full.

example for  $c = 4$  with  $s = 8$  nodes labeled 0000, 0001, 0010, 0101, . . . 1010 in the digraph:

$$(12) \quad 1 - T = \begin{pmatrix} 1-x & -x \\ -xy & 1 & -xy & -xy & 0 & -xy & 0 & -xy \\ -xy & -xy & 1 & -xy & -xy & -xy & -xy & 0 \\ -xy & -xy & -xy & 1 & 0 & -xy & -xy & -xy \\ -xy^2 & 0 & -xy^2 & 0 & 1 & -xy^2 & 0 & -xy^2 \\ -xy & -xy & -xy & -xy & -xy & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -xy^2 & 0 & -xy^2 & -xy^2 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -xy^2 & -xy^2 & 0 & -xy^2 & -xy^2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The matrix inverse  $(1 - T)^{-1}$  puts the determinant in the denominator. By the quotient rule, the coefficients  $[y^j]\hat{W}_c(x, y)$  are obtained by building the  $j$ -th partial derivatives with respect to  $y$ —essentially generating the  $j$ th power in the denominators—then setting  $y = 0$ . Laplace Expansion of  $1 - T$  along the first column and each submatrix along their first column proves that in the limit  $y \rightarrow 0$  the determinant has the  $(1 - x)^{1+j}$  format needed to generate the polynomials “down the columns.”

$$(13) \quad W(r, 3, 2) = \frac{9}{2}r^2 - \frac{13}{2}r + 3, \quad r \geq 1.$$

$$(14) \quad W(r, 3, 3) = \frac{9}{2}r^3 - \frac{39}{2}r^2 + 32r - 20, \quad r \geq 2.$$

$$(15) \quad W(r, 3, 4) = \frac{27}{8}r^4 - \frac{117}{4}r^3 + \frac{829}{8}r^2 - \frac{715}{4}r + 126, \quad r \geq 3.$$

The generating function for the row sums is

$$(16) \quad \hat{W}_3(x, 1) = \frac{(1+x)(1+2x-x^2)}{1-2x-6x^2+x^4}.$$

| $i \setminus j$ | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4  | 5  | 6 | $i \setminus j$ | 0  | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4 | 5 | 6  |
|-----------------|---|---|---|---|----|----|---|-----------------|----|----|----|----|---|---|----|
| 0               | 1 |   |   |   |    |    |   | 0               | 1  |    |    |    |   |   |    |
| 1               | 0 | 2 | 2 |   |    |    |   | 1               | -1 | -2 | -1 |    |   |   |    |
| 2               | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | -1 |    |   | 2               | 0  | -2 | -5 | -2 |   |   |    |
| 3               | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -2 | -2 |   | 3               | 0  | 0  | -1 | 0  | 4 | 2 |    |
| 4               | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 1  |   | 4               | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 2 | 2 |    |
|                 |   |   |   |   |    |    |   | 5               | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0 | -1 |

TABLE 5. The coefficients  $\alpha_{4,i,j}$  (left) and  $\beta_{4,i,j}$  (right) for  $\hat{W}_4(x,y)$ .

The writeup of the rational polynomials of  $x$  and  $y$  in the generating functions is lengthy for larger  $c$ . Concise notation tabulates the coefficients  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in numerator and denominator:

**Definition 3.** (*polynomial coefficients of rational g.f.*)

$$(17) \quad \hat{W}_c(x,y) \equiv \frac{\sum_{i,j} \alpha_{c,i,j} x^i y^j}{\sum_{i,j} \beta_{c,i,j} x^i y^j}.$$

The generating function associated with boards 4 columns wide, Table 4 is

$$(18) \quad \begin{aligned} \hat{W}_4(x,y) &\equiv p_4(x,y)/q_4(x,y); \\ p_4(x,y) &= -x^2y^4 + 2xy^2 + x^4y^6 - 2x^3y^5 - 2x^3y^4 + x^2y^2 + 2xy + 1; \\ q_4(x,y) &= -x^5y^6 + 2x^4y^5 + 2x^4y^4 + 2x^3y^5 + 4x^3y^4 - x^3y^2 - 2x^2y^3 - 5x^2y^2 - 2x^2y - x - 2xy - xy^2 + 1, \end{aligned}$$

$p_4$  and  $q_4$  rephrased in Table 5.

Its Taylor expansion with respect to  $y$  starts

$$(19) \quad \begin{aligned} \hat{W}_4(x,y) &= \frac{1}{1-x} + \frac{4x}{(1-x)^2}y + \frac{x(3+9x+4x^2)}{(1-x)^3}y^2 \\ &+ \frac{4x^2(3+9x+3x^2+x^3)}{(1-x)^4}y^3 + \frac{x^2(2+51x+120x^2+67x^3+12x^4+4x^5)}{(1-x)^5}y^4 + \dots. \end{aligned}$$

$$(20) \quad W(r,4,2) = 8r^2 - 9r + 4, \quad r \geq 1.$$

$$(21) \quad W(r,4,3) = \frac{32}{3}r^3 - 36r^2 + \frac{148}{3}r - 28, \quad r \geq 2.$$

$$(22) \quad W(r,4,4) = \frac{32}{3}r^4 - 72r^3 + \frac{1235}{6}r^2 - \frac{599}{2}r + 187, \quad r \geq 3.$$

The generating function for the row sums is

$$(23) \quad \hat{W}_4(x,1) = \frac{1+4x-4x^3+x^4}{1-4x-9x^2+5x^3+4x^4-x^5}.$$

The generating function associated with boards 5 columns wide, Table 6, is  $\hat{W}_5(x,y)$  gathered in Table 7. Its Taylor expansion with respect to  $y$  starts

$$(24) \quad \begin{aligned} \hat{W}_5(x,y) &= \frac{1}{1-x} + \frac{5x}{(1-x)^2}y + \frac{x(6+14x+5x^2)}{(1-x)^3}y^2 \\ &+ \frac{x(1+34x+69x^2+16x^3+5x^4)}{(1-x)^4}y^3 + \frac{x^2(16+196x+282x^2+114x^3+12x^4+5x^5)}{(1-x)^5}y^4 + \dots. \end{aligned}$$

| $r \setminus w$ | 0 | 1  | 2    | 3     | 4      | 5       | 6        | 7        | 8         |
|-----------------|---|----|------|-------|--------|---------|----------|----------|-----------|
| 0               | 1 |    |      |       |        |         |          |          |           |
| 1               | 1 | 5  | 6    | 1     |        |         |          |          |           |
| 2               | 1 | 10 | 32   | 38    | 16     | 2       |          |          |           |
| 3               | 1 | 15 | 83   | 215   | 276    | 174     | 53       | 9        | 1         |
| 4               | 1 | 20 | 159  | 652   | 1502   | 1998    | 1537     | 678      | 170       |
| 5               | 1 | 25 | 260  | 1474  | 5024   | 10741   | 14650    | 12798    | 7157      |
| 6               | 1 | 30 | 386  | 2806  | 12792  | 38438   | 78052    | 108354   | 103274    |
| 7               | 1 | 35 | 537  | 4773  | 27381  | 107004  | 293409   | 573797   | 807161    |
| 8               | 1 | 40 | 713  | 7500  | 51991  | 251354  | 875407   | 2239218  | 4255370   |
| 9               | 1 | 45 | 914  | 11112 | 90447  | 522528  | 2217382  | 7060833  | 17101603  |
| 10              | 1 | 50 | 1140 | 15734 | 147199 | 990816  | 4972570  | 19034728 | 56415728  |
| 11              | 1 | 55 | 1391 | 21491 | 227322 | 1748883 | 10150982 | 45519984 | 160254659 |
| 12              | 1 | 60 | 1667 | 28508 | 336516 | 2914894 | 19231904 | 99049302 | 404967606 |

TABLE 6. The number  $W(r, 5, w)$  of placing  $w$  non-attacking wazirs on  $r \times 5$  boards. Columns for  $r \geq 4$  not printed in full.

| $i \setminus j$ | 0  | 1  | 2   | 3   | 4  | 5   | 6   | 7   | 8   | 9   | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
|-----------------|----|----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 0               | 1  |    |     |     |    |     |     |     |     |     |    |    |    |    |    |
| 1               | 0  | 3  | 5   | 1   |    |     |     |     |     |     |    |    |    |    |    |
| 2               | 0  | 0  | 3   | 6   | 2  |     |     |     |     |     |    |    |    |    |    |
| 3               | 0  | 0  | 0   | 1   | -3 | -16 | -15 | -4  |     |     |    |    |    |    |    |
| 4               | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0  | -4  | -11 | -7  | -1  | -1  |    |    |    |    |    |
| 5               | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0  | 0   | 6   | 20  | 20  | 7   |    |    |    |    |    |
| 6               | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | -4  | -9  | -3 | 1  |    |    |    |
| 7               | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1  | -1 | -3 |    |    |
| 8               | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0  | 0  | 0  | 1  |    |
| $i \setminus j$ | 0  | 1  | 2   | 3   | 4  | 5   | 6   | 7   | 8   | 9   | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| 0               | 1  |    |     |     |    |     |     |     |     |     |    |    |    |    |    |
| 1               | -1 | -2 | -1  |     |    |     |     |     |     |     |    |    |    |    |    |
| 2               | 0  | -3 | -12 | -14 | -6 | -1  |     |     |     |     |    |    |    |    |    |
| 3               | 0  | 0  | -3  | -10 | -4 | 9   | 7   | 1   |     |     |    |    |    |    |    |
| 4               | 0  | 0  | 0   | -1  | 3  | 26  | 43  | 26  | 7   | 1   |    |    |    |    |    |
| 5               | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0  | 4   | 11  | 1   | -17 | -12 | -2 |    |    |    |    |
| 6               | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0  | 0   | -6  | -20 | -22 | -11 | -4 | -1 |    |    |    |
| 7               | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 4   | 9   | 5  | 1  | 1  |    |    |
| 8               | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | -1 | 1  | 3  | 1  |    |
| 9               | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0  | 0  | 0  | -1 |    |

TABLE 7. The coefficients  $\alpha_{5,i,j}$  (top) and  $\beta_{5,i,j}$  (bottom) for  $\hat{W}_5(x, y)$ .

$$(25) \quad W(r, 5, 2) = \frac{25}{2}r^2 - \frac{23}{2}r + 5, \quad r \geq 1.$$

$$(26) \quad W(r, 5, 3) = \frac{125}{6}r^3 - \frac{115}{2}r^2 + \frac{206}{3}r - 36, \quad r \geq 2.$$

$$(27) \quad W(r, 5, 4) = \frac{625}{24}r^4 - \frac{574}{4}r^3 + \frac{8327}{24}r^2 - \frac{1765}{4}r + 249, \quad r \geq 3.$$

| $r \setminus w$ | 0 | 1  | 2    | 3     | 4      | 5       | 6        | 7         | 8          |
|-----------------|---|----|------|-------|--------|---------|----------|-----------|------------|
| 0               | 1 |    |      |       |        |         |          |           |            |
| 1               | 1 | 6  | 10   | 4     |        |         |          |           |            |
| 2               | 1 | 12 | 50   | 88    | 66     | 20      | 2        |           |            |
| 3               | 1 | 18 | 126  | 442   | 840    | 880     | 504      | 158       | 28         |
| 4               | 1 | 24 | 238  | 1276  | 4072   | 8052    | 10010    | 7836      | 3846       |
| 5               | 1 | 30 | 386  | 2806  | 12792  | 38438   | 78052    | 108354    | 103274     |
| 6               | 1 | 36 | 570  | 5248  | 31320  | 127960  | 368868   | 763144    | 1143638    |
| 7               | 1 | 42 | 790  | 8818  | 65272  | 339330  | 1280832  | 3581924   | 7514182    |
| 8               | 1 | 48 | 1046 | 13732 | 121560 | 769820  | 3612344  | 12842256  | 35093344   |
| 9               | 1 | 54 | 1338 | 20206 | 208392 | 1559038 | 8774380  | 38035756  | 129022058  |
| 10              | 1 | 60 | 1666 | 28456 | 335272 | 2896704 | 19049692 | 97720664  | 397650884  |
| 11              | 1 | 66 | 2030 | 38698 | 513000 | 5030426 | 37898664 | 224960724 | 1070686062 |
| 12              | 1 | 72 | 2430 | 51148 | 753672 | 8273476 | 70311824 | 474630304 | 2591238920 |

TABLE 8. The number  $W(r, 6, w)$  of placing  $w$  non-attacking wazirs on  $r \times 6$  boards. Columns for  $r \geq 3$  not printed in full.

The generating function for the row sums is

$$(28) \quad \hat{W}_5(x, 1) = \frac{1 + 9x + 11x^2 - 37x^3 - 24x^4 + 53x^5 - 15x^6 - 3x^7 + x^8}{1 - 4x - 36x^2 + 105x^4 - 15x^5 - 64x^6 + 20x^7 + 4x^8 - x^9}.$$

The generating function associated with boards 6 columns wide, Table 8, is  $\hat{W}_6(x, y)$  gathered in Table 9. Its Taylor expansion with respect to  $y$  starts

$$(29) \quad \begin{aligned} \hat{W}_6(x, y) = & \frac{1}{1-x} + \frac{6x}{(1-x)^2}y + \frac{2x(5+10x+3x^2)}{(1-x)^3}y^2 \\ & + \frac{2x(2+36x+57x^2+3x^4+10x^3)}{(1-x)^4}y^3 + \frac{2x^2(33+255x+266x^2+86x^3+5x^4+3x^5)}{(1-x)^5}y^4 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

The generating function for  $r \times 7$  boards is  $\hat{W}_7(x, y)$  gathered in Tables 10–13.

Its Taylor expansion with respect to  $y$  starts

$$(30) \quad \begin{aligned} \hat{W}_7(x, y) = & \frac{1}{1-x} + \frac{7x}{(1-x)^2}y + \frac{x(15+27x+7x^2)}{(1-x)^3}y^2 \\ & + \frac{x(10+130x+172x^2+24x^3+7x^4)}{(1-x)^4}y^3 + \frac{x(1+187x+1073x^2+886x^3+241x^4+6x^5+7x^6)}{(1-x)^5}y^4 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

| $i \setminus j$ | 0  | 1  | 2  | 3   | 4   | 5   | 6   | 7   | 8   | 9   | 10   | 11   | 12  | 13  | 14  | 15  | 16  | 17  | 18 | 19 |
|-----------------|----|----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 0               | 1  | 0  | 3  | 7   | 3   | -5  | -2  |     |     |     |      |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |    |    |
| 1               | 2  | 0  | 0  | 3   | 9   | 4   | -5  | -2  |     |     |      |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |    |    |
| 2               | 3  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 1   | -3  | -32 | -58 | -38 | -7  |      |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |    |    |
| 3               | 4  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | -5  | -23 | -23 | 11  | 22   | 8    |     |     |     |     |     |     |    |    |
| 4               | 5  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 10  | 60   | 121  | 110 | 53  | 14  |     |     |     |    |    |
| 5               | 6  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | -10  | -55 | -98 | -71 | -19 | 1   |     |    |    |
| 6               | 7  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0   | 5   | 17  | 6   | -22 | -19 | -2 |    |
| 7               | 8  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0   | 0   | 0   | -1  | 3   | 17  | 17 | 3  |
| 8               | 9  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | -2  | 1   |    |    |
| 9               | 10 | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0  | -1 |
| $i \setminus j$ | 0  | 1  | 2  | 3   | 4   | 5   | 6   | 7   | 8   | 9   | 10   | 11   | 12  | 13  | 14  | 15  | 16  | 17  | 18 | 19 |
| 0               | 1  | -1 | -3 | -3  | -1  |     |     |     |     |     |      |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |    |    |
| 1               | 2  | 0  | -3 | -16 | -26 | -14 | -3  |     |     |     |      |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |    |    |
| 2               | 3  | 0  | 0  | -3  | -14 | -9  | 31  | 48  | 22  | 3   |      |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |    |    |
| 3               | 4  | 0  | 0  | 0   | -1  | 3   | 47  | 125 | 131 | 60  | 10   |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |    |    |
| 4               | 5  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 5   | 23  | 13  | -73 | -133 | -94  | -35 | -6  |     |     |     |     |    |    |
| 5               | 6  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | -10 | -60 | -131 | -135 | -85 | -45 | -17 | -3  |     |     |    |    |
| 6               | 7  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 10   | 55   | 113 | 112 | 65  | 25  | 5   |     |    |    |
| 7               | 8  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | -5  | -17 | -11 | 21  | 30  | 11  | 1  |    |
| 8               | 9  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0   | 1   | -3  | -17 | -23 | -9  | -1 |    |
| 9               | 10 | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 2   | 2   | -1 |    |
| 10              | 11 | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1  |    |

TABLE 9. The coefficients  $\alpha_{6,i,j}$  (left) and  $\beta_{6,i,j}$  (right) for  $\hat{W}_6(x, y)$ .

| $i \setminus j$ | 0      | 1      | 2      | 3     | 4      | 5      | 6      | 7      | 8      | 9     | 10    | 11     | 12     | 13    | 14     | 15     |        |
|-----------------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|
| 0               | 1      |        |        |       |        |        |        |        |        |       |       |        |        |       |        |        |        |
| 1               | 0      | 4      | 11     | 9     | 1      |        |        |        |        |       |       |        |        |       |        |        |        |
| 2               | 0      | 0      | 6      | 24    | 28     | 9      | 1      |        |        |       |       |        |        |       |        |        |        |
| 3               | 0      | 0      | 0      | 4     | 6      | -73    | -267   | -358   | -225   | -67   | -8    |        |        |       |        |        |        |
| 4               | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0     | 1      | -16    | -158   | -460   | -573   | -307  | -62   | -18    | -12    | -2    |        |        |        |
| 5               | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0     | 0      | 0      | 0      | -9     | -30    | 229   | 1520  | 3688   | 4807   | 3764  | 1829   | 533    | 83     |
| 6               | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0     | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 36    | 330   | 1052   | 1183   | -703  | -3095  | -3094  | -1296  |
| 7               | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0     | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0     | 0     | -84    | -960   | -4463 | -11297 | -17787 | -19399 |
| 8               | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0     | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0      | 0      | 126   | 1512   | 7428   | 19742  |
| 9               | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0     | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0      | 0      | 0     | 0      | -126   | -1428  |
| $i \setminus j$ | 16     | 17     | 18     | 19    | 20     | 21     | 22     | 23     | 24     | 25    | 26    | 27     | 28     | 29    | 30     |        |        |
| 5               | 5      |        |        |       |        |        |        |        |        |       |       |        |        |       |        |        |        |
| 6               | -124   | 51     | 6      | -1    |        |        |        |        |        |       |       |        |        |       |        |        |        |
| 7               | -16215 | -10700 | -5109  | -1537 | -252   | -18    |        |        |        |       |       |        |        |       |        |        |        |
| 8               | 31632  | 32540  | 22694  | 11234 | 3935   | 917    | 145    | 18     | 1      |       |       |        |        |       |        |        |        |
| 9               | -6334  | -13647 | -12719 | 3584  | 21826  | 24858  | 15297  | 5703   | 1273   | 153   | 7     |        |        |       |        |        |        |
| 10              | 84     | 780    | 2206   | -746  | -17672 | -43935 | -55310 | -41091 | -18837 | -5458 | -1047 | -136   |        |       |        |        |        |
| 11              | 0      | 0      | -36    | -180  | 648    | 6788   | 20237  | 29004  | 18986  | -252  | -8959 | -6130  | -1936  | -317  | -8     | -26    |        |
| 12              | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0     | 9      | -40    | -838   | -3242  | -3736  | 5385  | 21112 | 27360  | 19106  | 7933  | 2039   |        |        |
| 13              | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0     | 0      | 0      | -1     | 34     | 201    | -189  | -3615 | -10332 | -13694 | -9039 | -2229  |        |        |
| 14              | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0     | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | -6    | 32    | 447    | 1337   | 1047  | -2011  |        |        |
| 15              | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0     | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0     | 0     | 0      | -15    | -34   | 243    |        |        |

TABLE 10. The coefficients  $\alpha_{7,i,j}$  for  $\hat{W}_7(x, y)$ ,  $j \leq 30$ .

| $i \setminus j$ | 31    | 32    | 33    | 34   | 35   | 36   | 37   | 38   | 39  | 40  | 41  | 42 | 43 |
|-----------------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 12              | 325   | 27    |       |      |      |      |      |      |     |     |     |    |    |
| 13              | 599   | 553   | 162   | 21   |      |      |      |      |     |     |     |    |    |
| 14              | -5195 | -5051 | -2773 | -997 | -238 | -27  |      |      |     |     |     |    |    |
| 15              | 1207  | 2211  | 2074  | 1120 | 421  | 140  | 33   | 3    |     |     |     |    |    |
| 16              | -20   | -90   | -94   | 150  | 439  | 451  | 270  | 100  | 19  | 2   |     |    |    |
| 17              | 0     | 0     | 0     | -15  | -66  | -117 | -121 | -106 | -70 | -21 |     |    |    |
| 18              | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0    | 0    | 0    | -6   | -16  | -17 | -13 | -12 | -2 |    |
| 19              | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | -1  | 2   | 5   | 3  |    |
| 20              | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1  |    |

TABLE 11. The coefficients  $\alpha_{7,i,j}$  for  $\hat{W}_7(x,y)$ ,  $j \geq 31$ .

| $i \setminus j$ | 0  | 1  | 2  | 3   | 4   | 5   | 6   | 7   | 8    | 9    | 10    | 11    | 12     | 13     | 14     | 15     |
|-----------------|----|----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 0               | 1  | -1 | -3 | -4  | -1  | -26 | -62 | -66 | -35  | -9   | -1    | 65    | 12     | 1      | 26     | 2      |
| 1               | 2  | 0  | -4 | -26 | -62 | -66 | -35 | -9  | -1   | 149  | 1148  | 515   | 151    | -1879  | -690   | -148   |
| 2               | 3  | 0  | 0  | -6  | -41 | -83 | -15 | 128 | 1426 | 1658 | -2460 | -2963 | -11599 | -11747 | -8178  | -4392  |
| 3               | 4  | 0  | 0  | 0   | -4  | -12 | 106 | 643 | 16   | 197  | 682   | 804   | -514   | -7160  | -12168 | -1953  |
| 4               | 5  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | -1  | 0   | 0   | 0    | 9    | 30    | -325  | -2448  | -968   | -61    | 6072   |
| 5               | 6  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0     | -36   | -330   | 960    | 4547   | 11703  |
| 6               | 7  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0     | 0     | 0      | 0      | 0      | 22168  |
| 7               | 8  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0     | 0     | 0      | 0      | 0      | 19301  |
| 8               | 9  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0     | 0     | 0      | 0      | 0      | 20696  |
| 9               | 10 | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0     | 0     | 0      | 0      | 0      | -7722  |
| 10              | 11 | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0     | 0     | 0      | 0      | 0      | -22206 |
| 11              | 12 | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0     | 0     | 0      | 0      | 0      | -1512  |
| 12              | 13 | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0     | 0     | 0      | 0      | 0      | -126   |
| 13              | 14 | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0     | 0     | 0      | 0      | 0      | 1428   |
| 14              | 15 | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0     | 0     | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      |
| 15              | 16 | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0     | 0     | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      |
| 16              |    |    |    |     |     |     |     |     |      |      |       |       |        |        |        |        |

TABLE 12. The coefficients  $\beta_{7,i,j}$  for  $\hat{W}_7(x, y)$ ,  $j \leq 30$ .

| $i \setminus j$ | 31    | 32    | 33    | 34    | 35   | 36   | 37   | 38   | 39   | 40  | 41 | 42 | 43 |
|-----------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|-----|----|----|----|
| 12              | 52    | 3     |       |       |      |      |      |      |      |     |    |    |    |
| 13              | -3201 | -754  | -125  | -11   |      |      |      |      |      |     |    |    |    |
| 14              | -60   | -1379 | -677  | -153  | -14  |      |      |      |      |     |    |    |    |
| 15              | 7151  | 8821  | 6328  | 3046  | 1060 | 262  | 41   | 3    |      |     |    |    |    |
| 16              | -1287 | -2601 | -2763 | -1656 | -605 | -187 | -64  | -12  |      |     |    |    |    |
| 17              | 20    | 90    | 94    | -185  | -593 | -716 | -528 | -280 | -104 | -23 | -2 |    |    |
| 18              | 0     | 0     | 0     | 15    | 66   | 117  | 117  | 102  | 84   | 39  | 6  |    |    |
| 19              | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0    | 0    | 6    | 16   | 17   | 14  | 18 | 3  |    |
| 20              | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 1   | -2 | -5 | -3 |
| 21              | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0   | 0  | 0  | -1 |

TABLE 13. The coefficients  $\beta_{7,i,j}$  for  $\hat{W}_7(x,y)$ ,  $j \geq 31$ .

The symmetry (1) leads to redundancy in the  $W(r, c, w)$  tables.

**Example 2.** Row  $r = 3$  in Table 2 equals row  $r = 2$  in Table 3. Row  $r = 4$  in Table 2 equals row  $r = 2$  in Table 4. Row  $r = 4$  in Table 6 equals row  $r = 5$  in Table 4. Row  $r = 5$  in Table 8 equals row  $r = 6$  in Table 6.

In the data cube of the  $W(r, c, w)$  one can also construct other slices of 2D datasets:

- On square boards,  $W(r, r, w)$  is composed of the first row if Table 1, the second row if Table 2, the third row if Table 3, the fourth row if Table 4, the fifth row if Table 6, and so on [2, A232833].
- If  $w$  is constant and  $r, c$  are variable the symmetric table  $W(r, c, 2)$  of (4) emerges:

| $r \setminus c$ | 1  | 2  | 3   | 4   | 5   | 6    | 7    | 8    |
|-----------------|----|----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|------|
| 1               | 0  | 0  | 1   | 3   | 6   | 10   | 15   | 21   |
| 2               | 0  | 2  | 8   | 18  | 32  | 50   | 72   | 98   |
| 3               | 1  | 8  | 24  | 49  | 83  | 126  | 178  | 239  |
| 4               | 3  | 18 | 49  | 96  | 159 | 238  | 333  | 444  |
| 5               | 6  | 32 | 83  | 159 | 260 | 386  | 537  | 713  |
| 6               | 10 | 50 | 126 | 238 | 386 | 570  | 790  | 1046 |
| 7               | 15 | 72 | 178 | 333 | 537 | 790  | 1092 | 1443 |
| 8               | 21 | 98 | 239 | 444 | 713 | 1046 | 1443 | 1904 |

or the symmetric table  $W(r, c, 3)$

| $r \setminus c$ | 1  | 2   | 3    | 4    | 5    | 6     | 7     | 8     |
|-----------------|----|-----|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|
| 1               | 0  | 0   | 0    | 0    | 1    | 4     | 10    | 20    |
| 2               | 0  | 0   | 2    | 12   | 38   | 88    | 170   | 292   |
| 3               | 0  | 2   | 22   | 84   | 215  | 442   | 792   | 1292  |
| 4               | 0  | 12  | 84   | 276  | 652  | 1276  | 2212  | 3524  |
| 5               | 1  | 38  | 215  | 652  | 1474 | 2806  | 4773  | 7500  |
| 6               | 4  | 88  | 442  | 1276 | 2806 | 5248  | 8818  | 13732 |
| 7               | 10 | 170 | 792  | 2212 | 4773 | 8818  | 14690 | 22732 |
| 8               | 20 | 292 | 1292 | 3524 | 7500 | 13732 | 22732 | 35012 |

Three of the  $W(r, c, 3)$  columns are registered in the Online Encyclopedia Of Integer Sequences [2, A000292,A035597,A172229].

#### 4. SUMMARY

We have fully qualified the bivariate generating function (6) counting configurations  $W(r, c, w)$  with  $w$  non-attacking wazirs on  $r \times c$  boards for widths  $c \leq 7$ .

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