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### Abstract

In this thesis, we find new modular relations for the Rogers-Ramanujan continued fraction and functions, arithmetic properties for some restricted partition functions as well as functions related to the least  $r$ -gaps in partitions.

We prove some new identities for the Rogers-Ramanujan continued fraction. For example, if  $R(q)$  denotes the Rogers-Ramanujan continued fraction, then

$$R(q)R(q^4) = \frac{R(q^5) + R(q^{20}) - R(q^5)R(q^{20})}{1 + R(q^5) + R(q^{20})},$$
$$\frac{1}{R(q^2)R(q^3)} + R(q^2)R(q^3) = 1 + \frac{R(q)}{R(q^6)} + \frac{R(q^6)}{R(q)}.$$

In the process, we also find some new relations for the Rogers-Ramanujan functions by using dissections of theta functions and the quintuple product identity.

Let  $d_k(n)$  count the partitions obtained by adding the links of the  $k$ -elongated plane partition diamonds of length  $n$ . Andrews and Paule [9] obtained several generating functions and congruences for  $d_1(n)$ ,  $d_2(n)$ , and  $d_3(n)$ . Da Silva, Hirschhorn, and Sellers [51] found many congruences modulo 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, and 11 for  $d_k(n)$  for certain values of  $k$ . We extend some individual congruences found by Andrews and Paule [8] and da Silva, Hirschhorn, and Sellers [51] to their respective families as well as find new families of congruences for  $d_k(n)$ . We also present a refinement in an existence result for congruences of  $d_k(n)$  found by da Silva, Hirschhorn, and Sellers [51], and prove some new families of congruences modulo 5, 7, 8, 11, 13, 16, 17, 19, 23, 25, 32, 49, 64, and 128.

Recently, two analogues,  $\bar{a}_t(n)$  and  $\bar{b}_t(n)$ , of the  $t$ -core partition function,  $c_t(n)$ , have been introduced by Gireesh, Ray, and Shivashankar [58] and Bandyopadhyay and Baruah [14], respectively. Using the theory of modular forms, we find the arithmetic densities of  $\bar{a}_t(n)$  and  $\bar{b}_t(n)$  modulo arbitrary powers of 2 and 3 for  $t =$

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