

THE ROGERS-RAMANUJAN IDENTITIES: FROM SUMS, HOPEFULLY TO PRODUCTS

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- Shows up in a lot of different problems — more later.

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Remark

The proof is very similar to the proof of presentation of W_{Λ_0} in Calinescu-Lepowsky-Milas '08.

Uses the “minimal counter-example” technique.

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